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## Loogootee ends a chapter with closing of Elementary East

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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The Loogootee School Board voted unanimously last Saturday morning, April 24, to close Elementary East.

Prior to the vote a few members of the audience spoke to the board.

Helen Dearwester wanted to know if there is a consolidation if there is any way the school could run a city bus to help eliminate some of the congestion at the high school and West. School board president Larry Gates told Dearwester that it would be taken under review.

Richard Burch thanked the members of the board for serving. "It's probably a thankless job," he said. He also said he is in favor of closing East and he understands why they have to do it. "If you have to pick between the building and teachers pick the building," he said.

Sixth grade Elementary East teacher Roberta Williams asked the board if the possibility had been explored to close the junior high and put fourth grade through eighth grade in the East building.

She suggested the board do a survey of parents to see which building they would prefer their children to be in. Gates told her that a lot of options had been looked at and the goal of the board was to not increase class sizes. "We're running with the proposal that we have; it will be voted on today," he said.

Technology/Curriculum Director Mike Tippery then explained to Williams that due to issues with teaching licenses it would be difficult to share teachers from one school to the other. He said that some teachers are not licensed to teach in the elementary level.

Gary Williams then asked the board

where the cost savings from closing East are coming from since the list shows that most of the cuts would be in the form of staff. He said that the point of closing East was to keep staff. Gates said that he would not discuss personnel and he added "I don't think we have a lot of time to get into the numbers because we talked for hours and hours..." Williams said he was not asking the board to discuss personnel. He said he didn't want to know anything about personnel he just wanted to know, if everyone was to remain employed by the school system, how the personnel savings could be projected.

Gates explained that the board was projecting attrition and retirements in the figures.

Williams said that if retirements are projected then wouldn't they happen with or without the closing of East.

Superintendent Larry Weitkamp explained that if East remained open future retirements would have to be replaced. He said by closing East they wouldn't.

Williams then asked if \$310,000 was the amount of cuts already given to the corporation. Gates said that yes but only the first cuts. Williams then asked if more cuts were coming and Gates answered that they were unsure.

In his final question Williams asked how much a highest teachers pay was. Weitkamp answered that it could range from \$65,000 to \$84,000 depending on the teacher.

Gianna Armstrong addressed the board saying, "I don't think you are taking to heart what the people who put you there are saying."

"We've given why this is the most humane alternative," Weitkamp told the board about closing East.

Board member Eric Ackerman made the

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**-Board member Eric Ackerman**

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-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Richard Ambrose and his girlfriend Sally Gould are shown above relaxing at the Tranquil Inn and Spa in Shoals before they head out Wednesday morning to Washington, only a quarter of the way to their California destination on foot.

## Couple stops in Shoals on their 3,000-mile trek across the U.S.

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How many of you have considered a road trip across the United States? Now, how many of you would consider doing it on foot? That's what Sally Gould and Richard Ambrose are doing. Natives of London, England, Sally and Richard decided a few years ago that they wanted to venture over to "the States" as they call them, and take an historic-themed walk traveling the same route as the early European settlers did when this country was first discovered. They started their walk on February 28, in Jamestown, Virginia.

Their journey landed them in Martin County this week with a three-day lay

over at the Tranquil Inn and Spa, in Shoals, owned by Deanna Bauernfiend. Richard explained that the stop was originally planned for only two days but since they enjoyed the area and the inn so much, he and Sally decided to stay on an extra day.

This morning they planned to take off from the Tranquil Inn and trek the 20 miles to Washington and then on to Vincennes on Thursday. They try to limit their walking to 20 miles per day and they don't walk in the dark.

Richard explained that they chose to travel across the United States for many reasons. He said that Sally's family lives in the United States and that they like the US and its history. Richard used to work

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## Three-year-old Odon girl diagnosed with Neurofibromatosis

May is Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Month. NF is an unpredictable and progressive disorder that varies widely in severity from one person to the next. NF occurs once in every 3,000 births and can be hereditary or spontaneous. It can happen to anyone for no reason. Some people may never know they have the disease. Others may have major medical complications. Tumors can grow at any time anywhere in the nervous system and some can become cancerous. Other problems include blindness, deafness, skeletal deformities, learning disabilities, pain, cardiovascular problems, and brain tumors. There is currently no cure for NF.

Ayden Wagler, of Odon, is a happy, lively,

soon-to-be three-year-old with attitude. Her family noticed when she was ten months old that she was no longer standing as she had been, and her leg seemed slightly bowed. Doctors learned through x-rays that the bone in her lower right leg was broken. Pseudarthrosis of the tibia is a classic sign of NF but extremely rare and difficult to treat. That diagnosis was soon confirmed at Riley Children's Hospital. The only other noticeable sign that Ayden has NF are multiple café-au-lait spots. She has worn a brace since she was ten months old and has regular visits with an ophthalmologist and neurologist, as well as the orthopedist and physical therapist.

She will require one surgery to try to correct the problem and probably more. Ayden is able to walk with her brace, as well as jump, climb, and most other things children her age do. She is unable to run but still tries to keep up with her brothers Trevor, age nine, and Dylan, age six. She doesn't seem to notice that there is anything different about her.

Scientists are working hard and making great strides in identifying the cause and creating treatments for the many adults and children like Ayden who face a variety of challenges ahead of them.

The purpose in sharing Ayden's story is to

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# SCHOOL BOARD

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motion to close East with Board member Tim Bradley making the second and all other board members in favor.

Prior to the final vote Ackerman thanked everyone who spoke at the Tuesday night meeting and at the current meeting. He said that the board received quite a few anonymous letters and threw them all away. "It's tough to sit up there when you know there are people out there who totally disagree with you," he said. "I've been on the school board for six years and this is absolutely the toughest decision we've had to make regarding our school." "It's not anything that any of us woke up three months ago and said we want to close the school down, there's nobody sitting here that wants to do that," he said.

Ackerman explained that he did not speak at Tuesday night's meeting because it was for informational purposes to listen to the public's input. He said that everything brought up at that meeting was taken to heart and was discussed.

He said that he feels that the staff cares about the safety of the students as does the school board and the superintendent. "They will take care of them; they will watch them," he said. "Are we 100 percent sure it's going to be totally taken care of? No, there is no one that can say that at any school." He said that if he felt there was anything that would put the students in danger he wouldn't vote to close East.

He also noted that the fifth and sixth grade classrooms would be contained and the students would be supervised while moving from areas within the school.

He also said that the school's librarian was for the move and thought that having a larger selection of books would help increase the reading level of students.

He said that one of his major concerns was the traffic after school and that he didn't see it working itself out immediately. "I ask for everyone to be patient our first couple weeks of school next year because it's going to be chaos," he said. He said that one-way streets or closing streets are being looked at along with working closely with law enforcement.

He said that he recommends pulling the playground equipment from East and moving it over by the tennis courts at the high school.

He said that the issue of a city bus will be looked at further and that the question they still have is whose property would be a pick-up point.

"I ask the people who disagree with this decision: Don't make it more difficult; the decision is final, it's going to happen. Get behind us, work with us, and let's try to make this thing work out," he said.

Board member Dave Lingenfelter also thanked everyone who spoke at the last meeting. "I think the choice comes down to: are you going to pick a building or staff. I have a lot of faith in our staff, I feel like they'll do the right thing. I don't think it's a perfect solution but I think it's the best option we have."

Board member Scott Hall said, "This has been a very, very difficult decision; even right now my stomach is turning." He said that the board, along with Mr. Tippery, has looked at every option and he feels that the students will be safe. "We want feedback. If you have problems or concerns, please, we are not bad people, we're not hard people, we're not politicians; we're not up here making decisions or some hidden agenda that we're hiding something, we're not under the table holding something that you can't see," he said. "We're here making decisions in the best interest of our children."

Board member Tim Bradley also thanked everyone including the community and he said he hopes they will stay involved. "If you get involved at the last minute you can't help us make these decisions," he said. He said that he has been on the board for two years and has not seen very many patrons attend the meetings. "We value our community's input and we hope to continue to get input," he said. "Hang in there; we're going to make it."

In other business the board approved the math textbook adoption recommendations. Saxon Math will stay in grades kindergarten through sixth, Prentice Hall will be in Pre-Algebra and Algebra I for seventh and eighth grades, and switching to Glencoe and Houghton Mifflin for Algebra II, Trigonometry and Calculus due to VU using this series.

The board approved a field trip request for the Beta Club to go to the National Convention in Louisville.

Three students are competing academically and Megan Lottes is running for National President.

The board approved the bus escalation of 12.2 cents for diesel and 21 cents for gas over the January price.

The board did the second reading and passed the policies reviewed at last month's meeting. They were Title I Parent Involvement, Right to Inspect Instructional Materials, the No Child Left Behind Act, Disclosure of Students Lists, and Homework.

All policies are listed on the school's website at [www.loogootee.k12.in.us/board-policyreview.htm](http://www.loogootee.k12.in.us/board-policyreview.htm).

The board approved the repair and re-

placement of the heating system at Elementary West with Rainy Day money. Weitkamp noted that custodian Chris Baugh will be doing a large portion of the work himself to help save money.

The board offered their condolences to Ron Gilbert for the passing of his mother and also acknowledged the passing of Donna Lanabach, a former fifth-grade teacher.

The board approved the resignation of Jon Casper as junior class sponsor, Bill Reilly as fifth grade basketball coach, Chris Bateman as sixth grade basketball coach, and Lori Winger as co-Lionette sponsor.

The board approved Lacy Wade as the varsity volleyball coach and Susan Nowaskie to be re-instated as the junior high cheerleader coach.

## School and Student Success

Elementary West Principal Laura Mattingly reported that the third grade students watched the high school's performance of "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" on April 8, kindergarten registration was held on April 9, with 67 kindergarteners enrolled for next school year, Shoals elementary teachers visited West on April 15 to learn how iPods are being incorporated into the curriculum.

Also, Mr. Fountain's class held their history program on April 21, second grade students took their field trip to Wonderlab, in Bloomington on April 23, and midterms were sent home on Friday. ISTEP progress testing began on Monday.

Elementary East Principal Bill Powell announced that the March Students of the Month are fourth grader Savannah McAtee, fifth grader Mayson Riley, and sixth grader Caitlin Holt.

He reported that the fourth, fifth, and sixth graders watched a program on summer camps put on by Conservation Officer Tony Mann, the fifth grade class traveled to the high school to watch the performance of "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" on April 8, the sixth graders held their Ecology Fair on April 22, and midterms were sent home on April 23.

High School Principal John Mullen began his report by thanking Mrs. Janice Arnett and the students for putting on the annual musical. He reported that the sophomores traveled to Washington High School for Career Day and Mr. Ernie Martin took some technology students to Vincennes, the juniors also traveled to Washington for the annual mock prom disaster to help students learn the consequences of bad choices, Ronetta Bough held a Spanish Cultural Café to allow students to experience Spanish food, the Beta Club held their annual awards at the community building last Saturday, and an academic bowl was held at Vincennes Lincoln with the Science team finishing second and the English team finishing third.

Prom will be held Saturday evening and ISTEP testing began on Monday for the seventh and eighth graders.

# TREK

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for Ebay and Sally was a television producer for the British Nightly News. They said that, yes, they had good jobs, but being in their mid-thirties, they wanted to take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity before they got married and had children.

Richard said that while coming from French Lick, he and Sally detoured through the Hoosier National Forest for a bit of scenery only to find themselves lost. Sally said that the road names of the rural parts of the area such as 1200 N 300 E became quite a challenge for them. "I told Richard that they must not allow the postman to retire because he has all that knowledge," she said pointing to her head. They eventually made their way out of the woods on Saturday landing at the Tranquil Inn. The couple explained that since it's illegal to walk on interstates, they do their best to find alternative routes through the back roads and actually prefer to take them. They also noted that they have not argued on their journey and Sally said that she has only cried once on her way into London, Kentucky when the hotel they were traveling to turned out to be a few miles further than expected. "It was from exhaustion," she said. They make reservations the night before so they haven't been without sleeping quarters but said that sometimes finding a restaurant is a little difficult.

Sally said that, so far, they haven't encountered anything too out of the ordinary and that they are amazed at the kindness of people in each new place they visit. "It's incredible," said Sally. They said they have had free meals on several occasions and Richard was given a free haircut by a woman in Kentucky who refused to take his money. They also laughed explaining that the dogs in Indiana are much nicer than anywhere they have traveled and aside from every form of road kill imaginable their main concern from day to day is the weather. "We've become passionate about the weather," said Sally.

Richard also said that each state's residents warn the couple of the next state's residents even though he said he has not witnessed anything threatening. He said Nebraska seems to be the state he and Sally have received the most warning about but doesn't quite understand why.

After finishing their trek across southern Indiana the couple plans to stop in St. Louis for a long rest. They will then follow the Missouri River from Kansas City to Omaha where they will join the Oregon Trail through Nebraska and Wyoming. They will then pick up the path of the Mormon Trail to Salt Lake City and finish their trek following the route of the California Trail and the Intercontinental Railroad across the desert to San Francisco. They plan to reach their destination sometime in October.

Richard keeps a diary of the couple's adventure on his blog [www.walkoverstates.wordpress.com](http://www.walkoverstates.wordpress.com) so anyone can follow them on their walk.

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# Obituaries

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. - Matthew 5:4*



## My Point of VIEW

By Courtney Hughett

Well, I've officially been doing this newspaper for two months. Boy, it seems like longer. I guess a lot has happened in our community in that time and I don't feel like we're even close to seeing the end of it.

Working for myself for the past couple months has been fantastic. Not only can I be a mom first, I can also work when I need to. I get out of bed every morning looking forward to putting together this newspaper and spend the hours my boys are in school with my nose buried in this computer. My husband comes home each and every night asking what is on the agenda for that evening that he can go take photos of. We argue occasionally about the blurriness of a photo he took or him letting me forget about an event that was going on. The other night I woke him at 12:01 a.m. to go take a photo of a car that was flipped over. He came home 15 minutes later with four photos that had nothing but blackness. For the most part what I say goes in one ear and out the other anyway, so I'll just keep on harping. Josh, my husband, enjoys taking off toward a fire or accident; I hate it. I always feel like I am in the way. A member of the sheriff's department assured me recently that they don't mind having reporters/photographers buzzing about a scene as long as they steer clear of the emergency personnel. My husband is so quick and quiet I guess from his many, many years, of hunting, I have been told by emergency personnel that they didn't even know he was there.

Sports are by far the hardest thing to cover. Between two schools there are so many games and meets per evening that sometimes my husband, my brother-in-law, and I are scattered all over the place. The coaches who send in their scores are the greatest people in the world I might add . . . thank you. It's hard to take photos and keep stats . . . actually, it's almost impossible, so the coaches who take the time to do it, are dedicated people that we are lucky to

have.

I was asked for the 1000th time this week when I will be taking this newspaper to print and not just online. My answer is usually when the cost of printing and mailing goes down. I don't want to charge people for the news and to start a print paper now, in today's economy, would just be crazy. Yes, I know there are people who don't own computers, but I personally believe there are very few and eventually, I believe, everything is going digital. Don't get me wrong, I love that people enjoy this paper that much and are willing to pay for it . . . give me longer than two months and I will get back to you.

Newspapers are apparently what I was born to do because I love it. This is not a job for me, it's a passion. After last Tuesday's school board meeting I didn't sleep until 8 a.m. the next morning. Not only because of the paper but I also had the stomach flu which kept me running to the bathroom between typing paragraphs. I sit here and laugh thinking about it now, because nothing was stopping me from getting that newspaper to the subscribers. Sometimes it's hard to report things that are negative but I try to even it out with the positive stuff too. Although we live in a great county, I don't intend to pass out rose-colored glasses to you guys and I don't think you want me to.

## Humane Society Pet of the Week



This is a good little male Shih Tzu mix that needs a good home. He is 10 months old, and up-to-date with his shots, but he needs to be neutered. If interested in Zippy call 296-0952.

The humane society is in need of dog kennels. If you have one that you are not using and would like to donate it call, and they will pick it up. They are also in need of your unwanted items for their yard sale. If you have things to donate call Don.

The humane society will be having Adoption Day at the Martin County Recycling Center on Saturday, May 8 during Spring Clean-Up. They will be selling dog beds for \$5 each. If you have any dog or cat items that you do not want, and would like to donate it to the humane society, you can drop it off that day.

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raise awareness about Neurofibromatosis. Anyone who would like to donate towards research for a cure can donate online to the Children's Tumor Foundation or <http://www.active.com/donate/TNWALK/teamayden>. Some of Ayden's family and friends are participating in a 5k walk in Nashville, Tennessee on May 8 for NF. If you would like to donate or learn more about NF, contact Angie Wagler at [awagler1@hotmail.com](mailto:awagler1@hotmail.com).

Ayden is the daughter of Jason and Angie Wagler of Odon and granddaughter of Paul and Rosa Wagler, Dale and Terri Hovis, and Ruth Hovis; and the great granddaughter of Ida Wagler and Virginia Hovis.

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### JONATHAN D. DENNY

Jonathan Dylan Denny, 28, of Shoals, died at 1 a.m. Sunday, April 25, at his residence in West Shoals.

He was born October 5, 1981, in Washington. He was the son of Bert Pierre Denny and Donna Jane Denny. He married Brandy Renee Leonard on October 5, 2005, in Washington, and she survives.

He was employed in construction as a laborer for Union No. 741 in Bloomington. He was a 2000 graduate of Shoals High School and attended the Loogootee Christian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Brandy, of Washington; his mother, Jane, of Loogootee; two sons, Evan Scott and Caleb Jonathan Denny, at home; one sister, Michelle and Pat Bruner, of Loogootee; one brother, Ryan Denny and Nicole Jenkins, of Shoals; three nieces, Shalyn, Kaitlyn, and Jocelyn Bruner, all of Loogootee; and his maternal grandparents, Bruce and Lillian Poindexter of Shoals.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bert Pierre Denny; and his paternal grandparents, Bert and Simone Denny.

Funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals with Brother Ed Frost officiating. Burial will be in Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.

### ORVILLE ROACH JR.

Orville Roach Jr., 82, died at 2:42 p.m. Thursday, April 22, at Daviess Community Hospital. He was born August 23, 1927, in Daviess County, the son of Orville and Vinia (Hand) Roach Sr. He was married to Ida Roach and she preceded him in death in 1991.

He was a member of the American Legion, Moose, and Eagles. He was a conductor for 44 1/2 years with B and O Railroad, retiring in 1989.

Survivors include four daughters and sons-in-law, Susan and Robert Sendelweck, of Plainfield; Christina and Kenny Heshelman, of Loogootee; Barbara Kalb, of Jasper; Lori Letterman, of Tennessee; five sons, Paul Stephen Roach, of Huntingburg; Danny Wayne Roach and Mark Roach, both of Loogootee; Michael Allan Roach, of Fort Smith, Arkansas, and Brad Roach, of Bicknell; two sisters and one brother Nancy

Guy, Linda Dinkens and Bernard Roach, all of Washington; 15 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandchild, brothers, Robert and Tom, infant brother John and two sisters, Janice Guy and Alice Robinson, and an infant sister, Barbara Roach.

A funeral services was held Monday, April 26, at the Poindexter-Hall and McClure Funeral Home, Washington Chapel, with burial in Plainville Cemetery. The American Legion conducted military graveside rites. Yvonne Evans officiated.

### MAGGIE L. HOOVER

Maggie L. Hoover, 99, died at 7:05 p.m. Friday, April 23, at Loogootee Nursing Center in Loogootee. She was born January 20, 1911, in Fairland, Oklahoma. She was the daughter of William Thomas and Millie L. (Blalack) Chancellor.

A homemaker, she was a member of the Baptist Church of Odon.

She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Peggy Hoover, of Montgomery; two daughters, Jean Archer, of Odon and Norma Ruth Archer, of Oaktown; 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; three great-great-great-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

Her husband, James Virgil Hoover, whom she married in 1930, died November 30, 1984. Also deceased are five brothers, one sister, one grandson and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, April 27, at Brocksmith-Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

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# Public RECORDS

## MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

### Tuesday April 20

4:40 p.m. - Received report of an accident on U.S. 231 and Mt. Pleasant Road. Deputy Nolan responded.

5:04 p.m. - A female caller advised that there was a St. Bernard with no tags at her residence. She was given the number for the Humane Society officer.

7:56 p.m. - A male caller requested an officer to assist with unruly juveniles in Crane Village. The Crane Town Marshall, Jim Hartsburg, was notified.

8:49 p.m. - Received a report of several cows out on U.S. 50 near Max Warren's Curve. Deputy Nolan and Marshall Eckert responded and the owner was notified.

### Wednesday, April 21

6:18 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver, driving left of center, traveling westbound out of Loogootee. The Daviess County Sheriff's Department was notified.

9:35 a.m. - An ambulance was requested at Pomp's Tire in Loogootee. A male subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Dept. first responders responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:44 p.m. - Dubois County advised of an accident on U.S. 231 near Webb Road. Deputy Nolan responded.

3:13 p.m. - A male caller advised that there was an ATV on S.R. 450. Deputy Nolan was notified.

3:14 p.m. - A male caller advised that he had an out of control woods fire on Harper Hill Road. The Loogootee Police Dept. was contacted to dispatch Loogootee Fire Dept.

3:35 p.m. - Huntingburg Police Dept. advised that they have a disabled veteran's plate in their possession that was issued to a Martin County resident.

3:37 p.m. - An anonymous caller reported a possible drunk driver near the U.S.50/U.S.60 junction.

5:33 p.m. - The Jay C Store in Shoals reported an accident in their parking lot. Marshall Eckert responded.

6:18 p.m. - A female caller advised that she was riding her horse and there were individuals in vehicles swerving at them and revving the engine to try to spook the horses. Deputy Greene was notified.

6:51 p.m. - A female caller advised that an Australian Shepherd showed up at her residence on S.R. 550. She advised that it had a blue collar with a black shocking collar. She said it would be in her kennel if anyone reports missing a dog with this description.

7:04 p.m. - Received a call from a female advising that every time she goes to her father's residence on S.R. 450 there is a resident in that area that video tapes her.

7:36 p.m. - Received a call from a male in Loogootee, advising that he thinks that his father-in-law may be on his way to his house and there may be a dispute. Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

7:44 p.m. - A male caller advised that he saw a juvenile, that he had been having problems with, walking from the VFW with a very large knife. Deputy Greene was notified.

8:11 p.m. - Assistance was requested at a domestic disturbance just outside Loogootee into Daviess County. Deputy Greene responded to assist Daviess County officers.

8:54 p.m. - A male called 911 to advise that there are two refrigerators in front of a residence in Loogootee and he was concerned that children would get into them. Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

8:59 p.m. - A female caller advised of two suspicious individuals in the area of Friends Creek Road. Extra patrol was requested and Deputy Greene was notified.

11:28 p.m. - Marshall Eckert and Major Burkhardt responded to a report of a domestic dispute on Lynnwood Street in Shoals.

### Thursday April 22

12:32 a.m. - Major Burkhardt and Deputy Greene responded to a dog complaint on West River Road.

12:55 a.m. - Major Burkhardt and Deputy Greene responded to a report of cattle loose on U.S. 231 approximately two miles south of Loogootee. The animals could not be located.

4:13 a.m. - An ambulance was requested at the Loogootee Police Dept. for a subject that came there for assistance. She was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:30 a.m. - A company out of Des Moines, Iowa called and reported that one of their trailers was missing from the U.S. Gypsum plant. Sergeant Pritchard was assigned.

11:19 a.m. - Received a call from lifeline alarm systems requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:10 p.m. - Deputy Nolan arrived on station to speak with a subject about a theft from a vehicle at RJ's Food Mart in Shoals.

4:15 p.m. - Daviess County Sheriff's Dept. advised of a possible drunk driver on U.S. 231 southbound from Greene County. Deputy Nolan located the vehicle but was unable to catch up to it.

4:25 p.m. - A male caller reported harassment. Deputy Nolan was notified.

4:57 p.m. - A juvenile called and requested to speak to an officer. Deputy Nolan spoke with the caller.

5:12 p.m. - A female caller advised that her dog and her purse were stolen from the inside of her residence in Shoals. Marshall Eckert responded.

5:42 p.m. - An anonymous caller reported a driver making obscene gestures in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

6:02 p.m. - A male caller advised that he would be having a controlled burn on Simons Creek Road next week.

6:04 p.m. - A female caller advised of a problem with a man she has a protective order against. Deputy Greene spoke with the caller.

7:09 p.m. - A female caller reported problems with dogs running loose in the area of Truelove Church Road.

8:00 p.m. - A female caller from Shoals reported the theft of her purse and medication. Marshall Eckert took the report.

8:33 p.m. - A male caller advised he is hearing explosions from Evansville. Major Burkhardt responded to the area and spoke with complainant. Major Burkhardt also contacted Adult Protective Services in regard to a neglect case.

9:10 p.m. - A female caller reported a juvenile walking around Crane Village with a knife. Deputy Greene spoke with the complainant.

9:24 p.m. - A female caller advised of another resident in Crane Village harassing her son. Deputy Greene was advised.

9:37 p.m. - Another female caller from Crane Village advised that a juvenile had held a knife to her daughter and threatened her. Deputy Greene responded.

9:40 p.m. - A male caller in Crane called with further information on problems occurring in Crane Village.

9:52 p.m. - A male caller advised of a speeding vehicle passing him in a no-passing zone just entering Shoals. Marshall Eckert was notified.

10:40 p.m. - An anonymous caller on Bloomfield Road advised of problems with a neighbor. Extra patrol was requested in the area.

11:26 p.m. - An ambulance was requested

in Loogootee. No transport was needed.

11:53 p.m. - A reckless driver was reported on S.R. 550. The vehicle was headed toward Loogootee and Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

11:54 p.m. - Deputy Greene arrived at the security center with a juvenile. Southwest Juvenile Center was contacted to pick the juvenile up.

### Friday April 23

12:01 a.m. - Major Burkhardt, ISP Trooper Lents, Martin County Ambulance, and the Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a one vehicle accident on S.R. 550.

10:12 a.m. - Received a 911 call from Loogootee for an ambulance. No transport was necessary.

11:28 a.m. - Received an anonymous call about young children playing in the street in Shoals.

3:50 p.m. - An anonymous caller reported possible drug activity at a residence in Loogootee. Deputy Greene was advised.

4:52 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver on U.S. 231 north of Loogootee. Deputy Greene was unable to catch up to the vehicle and Daviess County Sheriff's Dept. was notified.

5:14 p.m. - Deputy Greene responded to a report of animal abuse.

5:30 p.m. - A female caller requested Major Burkhardt return her call about a case he is working. Major Burkhardt was notified.

8:10 p.m. - Received a 911 transfer call from Dubois County. A male caller reported that someone had slashed his tires. Major Burkhardt is the investigating officer.

9:50 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a male reporting that he had hit a deer.

9:52 p.m. - A request was received for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:24 p.m. - An anonymous caller reported having witnessed a male slash tires in Shoals. Deputy Greene, Major Burkhardt, and ICO Tony Mann responded. The subject was located.

11:38 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Dept. was advised.

### Saturday, April 24

2:20 a.m. - The Shoals Fire Dept. advised that they were going to try to burn the old Town Hall.

2:52 a.m. - Major Burkhardt responded to a report of a possible suicidal subject in Shoals.

3:10 a.m. - A male caller from Loogootee advised that a female came to his residence and told him she had been the victim of a battery. The Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

9:42 a.m. - A female caller requested to speak with Major Burkhardt about a case he was working on for her.

10:13 a.m. - A female caller requested a welfare check on her father in Crane.

10:14 a.m. - A male caller requested to speak with Deputy Keller about a case he is working. Deputy Keller was notified.

11:20 a.m. - A female caller requested an officer meet with her to get her property from her husband's residence.

12:10 p.m. - A male caller reported a female on his property that was not welcome there and requested she be removed if possible. Deputy Keller was notified.

2:00 p.m. - Deputy Keller served several court process papers in the Crane and Burns City area.

2:50 p.m. - A resident in the Trinity Springs area reported a beagle dog that showed up on her property if anyone reports one missing.

4:54 p.m. - A female called 9-1-1 to request an ambulance in Shoals. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:53 p.m. - Received several calls about a tree on U.S. 50 near Max Warren's curve. Deputy Greene removed the limbs that were on the roadway.

7:50 p.m. - Received a report of a tree on U.S. 150 near Windom Road. Shoals Fire Dept. was dispatched.

8:00 p.m. - Received several reports of power outage in Shoals.

9:31 p.m. - Loogootee Police Dept. requested an ambulance in Loogootee in regard to a fall. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:43 p.m. - A male caller reported a domestic disturbance in Shoals. Marshall Eckert responded.

10:42 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee and the subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:58 p.m. - Deputy Greene served an Orange County warrant on a female. She was transported to the Orange County line by ISP Trooper Sexton.

### Sunday, April 25

2:49 a.m. - Loogootee Police Dept. advised of two possible drunk drivers that just turned off of U.S. 50 onto U.S. 231 S.

7:42 a.m. - A male caller advised of a tree down on Bellgrade Avenue. The Martin County Highway Dept. was notified.

2:45 p.m. - Received a request to assist with a vehicle lockout, however, the officer on duty did not have a lockout tool.

3:00 p.m. - Received a report of four-wheelers driving erratically on Mill Road near the Orange County line. Deputy Nolan was advised.

3:40 p.m. - Received a report of low power lines on Weisbach Road.

6:48 p.m. - Corporal Fischer responded to check a residence after two 911 hang-ups.

7:12 p.m. - Received a 9-1-1 call from a residence in Shoals reference a 28-year-old male not responding. The Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Dept. first responders were dispatched. The Martin County Coroner was contacted. Marshall Eckert was the investigating officer.

### Monday, April 26

5:05 a.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Sergeant Pritchard responded and the building was found to be secure.

8:50 a.m. - A male subject came on station to file a harassment complaint. Sergeant Pritchard spoke with the subject.

10:52 a.m. - A female caller requested that Sergeant Pritchard meet with her about a case he is working.

11:12 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check. The Martin Co. Ambulance checked on the subject and everything checked okay.

12:56 p.m. - Received a 911 call from Loogootee requesting an ambulance. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:24 p.m. - A female caller advised there was a cow out near River Road. Deputy Nolan was notified.

5:45 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee but the alarm company called back and advised to disregard.

6:30 p.m. - Received a call advising that there has been a vehicle parked south of Loogootee for about a week. Sergeant Pritchard responded and tagged the vehicle.

7:20 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a possible drunk driver westbound on U.S. 50 from Huron. Deputy Nolan and Corporal Fischer were advised.

8:47 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin Co. Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Dept. first responders responded.

9:07 p.m. - Received a report of a strong smell of Ammonia near the White River Co-Op. Deputy Nolan responded and then called an on call worker about a leaking tank.



# Real estate transfers

**Harold W. Stewart and Georgia G. Stewart**, of Shoals, Indiana to **Jay B. Crouse, III and Robin S. Crouse**, of Schenectady, New York, a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 16, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana containing 5.001 acres, more or less.

**Larry R. Fellers and Pamela A. Fellers**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brian P. Brown and Tessa L. Brown**, of Martin County, Indiana Lot Number 4 in Joseph D. Gootee's Addition to the Town, now City, of Loogootee, Indiana. Also, that half of Second Street from the North end of Lots 4 and 5 to the South end of Lots 4 and 5 in Joseph D. Gootee's Addition to the City of Loogootee. Except therefrom: A strip of ground 9 feet in width off the entire East side of the real estate.

**Sherry Evans**, of Dubois County, Indiana to **William R. Evans**, of Martin County, Indiana a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 20 acres, more or less. Excepting therefrom: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13,

Township 2 North, Range 3 West containing 10 acres, more or less. Also except: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 8 acres, more or less. Containing in all after said exception, two acres, more or less.

**William R. Evans**, of Orange County, Indiana to **Brian Evans and Scott Evans** a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 20 acres, more or less. Except therefrom: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 10 acres, more or less. Also except: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 8 acres, more or less. Containing in all after said exception, two acres, more or less.

**Bob E. Metcalf and Wanda L. Metcalf**, of Kankakee County, Illinois to **Charles E. Tharp**, of Martin County, Indiana a tract of land in the Southeast Quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 6 acres, more or less.

# Loogootee Police activity log

## Tuesday, April 20

9:16 a.m. - First responders were requested on US 50 near the fairgrounds in reference to a vehicle accident.

10:51 p.m. - Caller reported burning trash near East Main Street. Sgt Norris responded and was unable to locate the source.

## Wednesday, April 21

9:57 a.m. - Caller reported a garbage truck had pulled a power line down on Fullerton Street. Chief Rayhill located the garbage truck. Damage was reported at a residence located at 108 West Washington Street. Chief Rayhill filed a case report.

11:07 a.m. - First responders were requested on Queen Street in reference to a female having a diabetic seizure.

2:50 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department advised of a reckless driver operating a gold vehicle. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle and spoke to the driver.

3:15 p.m. - Caller reported a field fire on Harper Hill Road in Burns City. Loogootee Fire Personnel were on scene for approximately four hours.

7:48 p.m. - Loogootee Police assisted the Daviess County Sheriff's Department on a domestic situation at Olive Lane.

## Thursday, April 22

11:23 a.m. - First responders were requested on Queen Street in reference to a female that had taken too much insulin.

8:57 p.m. - A caller reported a group of juveniles yelling at the corner of Kentucky Avenue and Main Street. Captain Akles was unable to locate the juveniles.

11:52 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy. 550 in reference to a vehicle accident.

## Friday, April 23

10:44 a.m. - A caller reported a vehicle in a ditch, blocking the roadway near the Lyon's Center on Hwy 50. Sgt Hennette responded along with the Daviess County Sheriff's Department.

1:10 p.m. - A caller reported four wheelers on a city street. Sgt Hennette located both drivers and citations were issued.

1:42 p.m. - A caller reported a male subject harassing customers at a local business. Sgt Hennette spoke to the subject.

## Saturday, April 24

3:20 a.m. - A caller reported a domestic dispute on Cedar Street. A female declined to press charges. Capt. Akles was the responding officer.

9:40 a.m. - Loogootee Police arrested Sharon R. Craft, age 57, of Shoals. Craft was charged two counts of theft, and was transported to the Martin County Security Center. Capt Akles was the arresting officer.

2:25 p.m. - A caller reported a power line down near Dewey Street.

4:54 p.m. - A male subject advised that he was struck with a magazine by another male subject. Capt Akles responded.

9:53 p.m. - Trey Smith reported that his vehicle had been struck by a silver GMC while parked at Dairy Master. Sgt Norris responded.

# Martin County jail bookings

## Tuesday, April 20

6:24 p.m. - Amy Moffitt, 34, of Loogootee was brought in by LPD Officer Akles. She was arrested on a writ of attachment.

## Friday, April 23

12:53 a.m. - Sarah Andrews, 27, of West Baden, was brought in by ISP Trooper Lents. She was charged with Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated.

11:51 p.m. - Robert Hawkins, 28, of Shoals was arrested by Major Burkhardt. He was charged with invasion of privacy.

## Saturday, April 24

9:30 a.m. - Captain Akles of Loogootee Police Dept. advised that he had located a license plate that had been reported stolen from Blake's Auto Sales. Sharon Craft, 57, of Shoals, was then arrested by Akles and charged with two counts of theft.

## Sunday, April 25

12:19 a.m. - Frank Fields, 52, of Pittsboro, was brought in by ISP Trooper Sexton. He was charged with Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated.

# Martin County Court news

## CRIMINAL COURT

### New Charges Filed

#### April 12

Henry Taylor Jr., operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

#### April 16

Cody Lee Snyder, resisting law enforcement, a Class D Felony; reckless driving, a Class B Misdemeanor.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES

### DISMISSED

Todd Bryant, criminal confinement, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT NEW FILINGS

#### April 16

Midland Funding LLC vs. Janet A. Sanchez, civil collection.

#### April 19

Capital One vs. Tiffany Crosby, civil collection.

Lehman Brothers Holdings, LLC vs. Charles C. Bennett and the State of Indiana, mortgage foreclosure.

#### April 20

Capital One Bank vs. Brenda Grey, civil collection.

Capital Alliance Financial LLC vs. Danna Holt, civil collection.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

#### April 15

Harold Messer to Reese Central Wholesale, Inc. for \$4,043.16.

## CIVIL COURT DISMISSED

#### April 20

Michael Mobley vs. Bethany Tedrow, civil tort, dismissed.

## SMALL CLAIMS NEW FILINGS

#### April 20

Loughmiller Machine Tool & Design vs. Duke Energy c/o CT Corporation and L.E. Meyers Co. c/o CT Corporation, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS DISMISSED

#### April 14

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Chanell Mathies, complaint, dismissed.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Charles and Lois Payne, complaint, dismissed.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Derek and Meridith Sipes, complaint, dismissed.

## TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID

#### April 14 - April 21

Danny Arthur, Loogootee, failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25.

Tanner Bough, Bloomfield, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Tanner Bough, Loogootee, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

Jeffrey Candler, Vincennes, maximum weight restrictions; enforcement of limits, \$339.

Bob England, Loogootee, passing in a no passing zone, \$124.

Ryan Forrest, Deford, Michigan, two counts of violation of 70-hour rule, \$124.

Valerie Gilbert, Loogootee, speeding 40 in a 20, \$124.

Colin Gray, Carmel, speeding 65 in a 50, \$119.

John Haburne, Loogootee, two counts of failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25 each.

Tanner Heaton, Salina, Kansas, speeding 74 in a 55, \$124.

Samantha Holman, Shoals, minor in possession of tobacco, \$138; seatbelt violation, \$25.

Ashley Looney, Dubois, speeding 69 in a 55, \$119.

Juana Lopez, Huntingburg, speeding 43 in a 30, \$119.

Ryan Martin, Pekin, speeding 46 in a 30, \$124.

Natalie Mehringer, Indianapolis, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

Lucas Nikirk, Williams, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Gary Norris, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Jin Oh, Bloomington, speeding 69 in a 50, \$124.

Harlann Peters, Brownstown, speeding 40 in a 30, \$119.

Thomas Petty, Loogootee, false or fictitious registration, \$119.

Joshua Phillips, Loogootee, speeding 36 in a 20, \$124; open alcoholic beverage container, \$209; seatbelt violation, \$25.

Lester Raber, Loogootee, failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25.

John Sands, Brazil, speeding 65 in a 55, \$119.

John Sellers, Loogootee, speeding 67 in a 50, \$124.

Vonda Taylor, Shoals, passing in a no passing zone, \$124.

Gilbert Toy, Loogootee, driving while suspended, \$119; seatbelt violation, \$25.

# City of Loogootee traffic accidents

## Tuesday, April 20

11:25 a.m. - James M. Dupont was operating a 2001 Mack on Indiana Avenue. Dupont was backing his garbage truck and did not observe a 2000 Chevy operated by Michelle Shoultz of Loogootee. The vehicle Dupont was operating struck the hood of the Shoultz vehicle. No injuries were reported. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer.

## Friday, April 23

4:35 p.m. - Courtney Seals reported a tan Jeep Cherokee had struck the rear of her vehicle. Seals stated that she had pulled into the Sunoco station, and that the other driver had left the area. A short time later, Capt Akles located the other driver. The other driver stated that she was unaware that she had struck Seal's vehicle. Information was exchanged.

## Spring Clean-Up is Saturday, May 8

for Martin County residents only from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

\$10 per pick up truck load

Extra fees for paint, tires, computers

Stop in at the Loogootee Recycling Center at 500 Industrial Park Drive to pick up a flyer. 295-4142



A CANDIDATE WHO WILL WORK HARD FOR THE YOUTH OF LOOGOOTE

I would appreciate your vote on Tuesday, May 4th



LORI MATTINGLY for School Board District 3

-Paid for by Lori Mattingly for School Board District 3



## Paoli man arrested for attempted murder

On Wednesday, April 21, a Paoli man was arrested and charged with attempted murder after he allegedly stabbed another man.

Preliminary investigation revealed that at approximately 9:00 p.m., the Orange County Sheriff's Office received a call that a stabbing had just occurred at 3236 S. CR 325W, in Paoli. When Trooper Shane Staggs and Orange County Deputies arrived, they found Albert Lee Hardin II, 19, of Paoli had been stabbed two times; once in the arm and once in the back.

While conducting the investigation Trooper Staggs learned that Merrill "Dean" Ellis, 19, of Paoli had come to Hardin's residence. Once he arrived, a fight broke out between Hardin and Ellis resulting in Hardin being stabbed by Ellis with a knife.

Staggs arrested Ellis a short time later without incident and transported him to



MERRILL "DEAN" ELLIS

the Orange County Jail.

Hardin was taken to the University of Louisville Hospital and was listed in stable condition.

The knife believed to have been used has been located and taken into evidence.

Merrill "Dean" Ellis was charged with Attempted Murder.

## Indiana State Police remind of dangers with meth lab trash

With spring weather upon us, people are taking advantage by walking, jogging, hunting, and bike riding in the great outdoors. The potential exists that some people may come across trash left behind by those who have manufactured methamphetamine (meth). The Indiana State Police Meth Suppression Section wants to remind citizens that this trash may contain chemicals that are toxic, flammable, corrosive, and acidic. The combination of these chemicals could cause an explosion, fire, or burns if they come into direct contact with the skin.

Sergeant Paul Andry and Senior Trooper David Qualkenbush, Indiana State Police Meth Suppression Section, have identified some points for the public to keep in mind.

Meth cooks are using a variety of containers to manufacture their product. A popular container is the one and a half gallon gas can. These cans appear to be new and have been found along the roadside by unknowing people who believe that they have found a new gas can and end up with a working meth lab.

### Martin County Sheriff's Department enforces seatbelt use

Officials from the Martin County Sheriff's Department today announced their participation in Indiana's Rural Demonstration Project (RDP). Beginning April 30, local law enforcement agencies, in conjunction with the Indiana State Police, will increase seatbelt patrols concentrating on 20 of Indiana's more rural counties with the highest percentage of unrestrained fatalities. The 16-day mobilization will run through May 15.

According to the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI), 69 percent of the state's total traffic fatalities occurred on rural roadways during 2009. Data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) shows the same pattern nationally. Statistics also show that Americans driving or riding on rural roadways face a much greater risk of being injured or killed than those in urban or suburban areas.

During RDP, officers will be on the lookout for unrestrained motorists in all vehicles, including pickup trucks. According to ICJI, pickup truck drivers and occupants account for the lowest restraint use in the state.

"The purpose of high visibility enforcement patrols is to deter risky driving behaviors that pose dangerous consequences both for the driver and other motorists," said Martin County Sheriff Deputy Keith Keller. "It is critical that we continue to focus on educating this segment of the driving pop-

Other items to be aware of include battery casings, Ziploc-style bags, empty blister packs, and containers (pop-bottles, jars, etc.) that contain a granular material. They may or may not have a tube extending out of the top depending on whether it is a hydrochloric gas generator (HCL) or a one-pot reaction. Both of these are extremely hazardous.

Be aware of any type of cylinder found in an odd place (middle of a field, ditch line, wooded area) that has a modified valve. The valve will typically be modified in some way and will have a bright blue color to it. These cylinders are used to store or transport anhydrous ammonia, which is an extremely dangerous gas when direct contact or inhalation has occurred.

If someone comes across this type of trash, they should not handle it. Instead, contact the Indiana State Police Post in Jasper at 812-482-1441 or 800-742-7475 (Indiana only). Any questions or concerns about meth can be directed to the Meth Suppression Section at 877-855-METH.

ulation about the importance of seatbelt usage, as their numbers far exceed any other group in the number of those who fail to wear their seat belt."

In 2007, Governor Mitch Daniels closed the loophole in Indiana's previous seatbelt law by signing legislation that requires all occupants of passenger motor vehicles, including pickup trucks and vehicles plated as such, to buckle up regardless of where they sit in the vehicle. During Indiana's 2009 "Click It or Ticket" mobilization, law enforcement officers cited more than 21,000 motorists for failure to comply with Indiana's current seat belt law.

## Jasper Indiana State Police Post reports March enforcement activity

The Indiana State Police had the following enforcement activity for March 2010. The Jasper State Police Post covers Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Martin, Orange, Perry, and Spencer Counties.

Traffic Arrests (tickets) 1107  
Warnings 2538  
Commercial Motor Vehicle moving arrests 23

DUI Arrests 36  
Total Criminal Arrests 184

The Indiana State Police caution drivers that farmers are preparing their fields for planting. This means large farm equipment may be traveling on the roads, and may impede traffic.

## Drunk driver escapes injury after rolling vehicle in Martin County

On April 23, shortly after midnight, the Indiana State Police and the Martin County Sheriff's Department responded to the report of an erratic driver that ultimately ended in a one-vehicle crash on SR 550 approximately one mile south of Loogootee.

Preliminary investigation reveals that the Martin County Dispatch received a call that a Bronze 2001 Isuzu Rodeo was traveling south on US 150 from the Shoals area at a high rate of speed and was traveling all over the road.

The driver of the Isuzu Sarah D. Andrews, 27, of West Baden turned off of US 150 onto SR 550. The caller continued to follow the vehicle updating the dispatch center and the responding officers of their location. Approximately one mile south of Loogootee the Isuzu traveled off the roadway, Andrews overcorrected which caused the Isuzu to rollover.

Fortunately for Andrews she escaped without injury, unfortunately for Andrews

officers located several open containers in the vehicle. Upon further investigation Andrews was determined to be intoxicated. She was placed under arrest for operating while intoxicated and transported to the Martin Co. Jail.

"We are fortunate that no one was injured this morning," said Indiana State Police Sgt. Greg Ashby. "This is a perfect example of why the troopers have stepped up their enforcement efforts on impaired and aggressive driving," he went on to say.

The investigating officer was Trooper Jarrod Lents and he was assisted by ISP Sergeant Greg Ashby, Major Andy Burkhardt, of the Martin County Sheriff's Department.

The Indiana State Police want to remind motorists encountering another vehicle being operated erratically to dial 911 or call the Jasper Indiana State Police Post at (812) 482-1441 or 800-742-7475 and be prepared to give a description of the vehicle, location, and direction of travel.

## 79-year-old Evanston woman dies after vehicle lands in water on SR 545

On Wednesday, April 21, at approximately 2:35 p.m., a one-vehicle crash claimed the life of a 79-year-old Evanston woman.

Preliminary Investigation reveals that a silver 1985 Chevrolet passenger car was traveling southwest on Hoffman Mill Road when, for unknown reasons, the driver Patsy C. Huff, 79, of Evanston failed to stop and traveled across SR 545 and into a pond. Joe Cochenour, a witness, attempted to rescue Huff from the vehicle but unfortunately the water was too cold. Divers from Perry County EMA responded and were able to recover Huff from her vehicle. Huff was then transported by ambulance to the Perry County Hospital where she was pronounced dead by the Perry County Coroner's Office.

Investigating officers were Sergeant Jon Deer and Trooper Charlie Johnson. Assisting agencies were Indiana Conservation Officer, Spencer County Sheriff's Department,

Santa Claus Police Department, Dale Police Department, Perry County EMA and First Responders, and Ambulance Crews from both Spencer and Perry Counties.

Your Indiana State Police offer the following tips to survive a vehicle/water crash. The Indiana State Police Dive Team recommends water crash victims follow these steps immediately after a vehicle has entered water:

Unbuckle seat belts (Driver and all passengers)

Roll down or break the side windows (Do not try to open the doors)

Get everyone out the window and go to the top of the vehicle

Sit or stand on the top of the vehicle and assess the situation

Now is the time to call for help, wade out, or swim to shore

Do not reenter the vehicle to retrieve personal effects

## Chief Deputy Street offers advice on bullying

On January 14, 2010, 15-year-old Phoebe Prince committed suicide. The reason was the bullying that she was put through. In a recent national survey of students in grades 6-10, 13 percent reported bullying others, 11 percent reported being the target of bullies, and another 6 percent said that they bullied others and were bullied themselves.

Bullying takes on many different forms but ends with someone getting hurt. There are physical bullying, rumors, sexual comments, gossip, and exclusion. Males and females are equally susceptible to being bullied. Some of the risk factors for being bullied are that a child or youth is typically anxious, insecure, cautious, and suffer from low self-esteem. Those with those factors rarely defend themselves or retaliate when this happens. One study found many bullies stated that they did it because the child "didn't fit in."

Research has found that bullying is most likely to occur in schools where there is lack

of adult supervision during school breaks. Also, when teachers or adults are indifferent to or accept bullying behavior.

What should parents do when the find out their child is being bullied? They should make a report with details of what the child endures, what happened, where it happened, when it happened, and how often it happens, before approaching the school administration. You should be ready for a series of meetings with school officials and counselors to jointly work out the best plan to resolve the issue.

Bullying is not a good thing that can be overcome.

There is a bunch of information on the Internet. If you have any questions or need help finding information, please give me a call.

Thank you,  
Chief Deputy Rob Street  
Martin County Sheriff's Department  
812-247-3726

Avoid traveling on state and U.S. highways during rush hour traffic.

Do not leave anhydrous nurse tanks unlocked or unattended.

Tips for motorists:

Be patient when behind farm equipment, they have the right to operate on the roads same as you do.

When approaching farm equipment from the opposite direction pull to the right and let them pass, particularly on narrow roads.

The Indiana State Police want this planting season a safe one for the farmers and motorists sharing Indiana roadways. Please be patient and courteous to each other when driving.



# Martin County **OUTDOORS**



## NATURE'S WONDERS

By Mike Axsom

### Pardon the Calluses

Having a job as a Park Ranger, Game Warden, Conservation Officer or Forest Ranger, is a dream-come-true sort of career for most of us who get to work in these roles. I have to admit that I am in love with my job and can't really imagine having to go do anything else. Different states and even different agencies within states have a wide range of these jobs and they all have different situations as far as how well or poorly they pay, whether they involve law enforcement certification or work in regulatory enforcement. In parks we are blessed with the reality that most of our work is in programming, education, and visitor protection services like emergency medical and conflict resolution rather than serious crime. But there are days when we all feel that we have enjoyed about all we can stand of any of it. Please let me vent for once. Perhaps after reading this some of you will be less quick to judge the callused persona that these guys and gals in green may display at times.

I can't count the number of times I've heard "I pay your salary and you work for me" when the need has arisen to correct some park visitor's behavior. These events almost always involve a liberal infusion of some kind of elixir that raises the blood alcohol level to a few points beyond stupid on the meter. Why someone would try to find a link between my salary and them busting up a picnic table for firewood is beyond me, and sometimes it is tempting to just walk away and let the toxic chemicals in the treated lumber do its own thing when they roast their hot dogs over that crackling greenish blaze.

And I wish the courts would allow us to just backhand the punks that come into the park, drive past a trash receptacle and then throw a fast food bag out the window. Then there are the ones that do make use of the park's trash receptacles, to dispose of their household trash to avoid the cost of private trash collection. And then these same people tend to be the ones to complain about the rising cost of park use, never understanding that they are part of what drives up those costs by this blatant theft of services. I mean really, they'd be quick to see that something was not right about me bringing park trash to their house a couple of times a week.

Most of us in these jobs have advanced training in first aid, CPR, and nowadays use of AED's, which are those expensive gizmos that shock a person's heart back into beating; sometimes, maybe. Most of this training takes us to scenes of small and innocent mishaps like burns from fires, bicycle wrecks, cuts and scrapes from a million different things people find or bring to the outdoors to hurt themselves with. But there are exceptions. I recall, for instance, arriv-

ing at a call one summer day to find a middle-aged woman with a fishing lure deeply embedded in the most-tender part of her upper thigh, about an inch from the bikini line. I can't begin to imagine how she managed to do that, but there was no way a male Ranger is going to begin poking around on and situation like that and risk the lawsuit. Had it been a real emergency maybe, but not for giggles. So while we waited for a female ranger to arrive, I coached the lady in holding pressure on the wound with a bandage I provided, although there was really no bleeding going on.

Another time we had a wind event in the park that hit in the main camping area on the lakeshore. The caller said that trailers were overturned. That was probably the understatement of the year, as there were trailers on their sides, on their tops, and scattered into a million pieces through the trees. As first in I steeled myself for the carnage I knew I faced, but was surprised to find only a few people had tried to ride out the storm in their campers. Most had wisely retreated to the park's shower houses which are concrete. Only one lady was hurt and after I managed to extract her from her top-side down RV, she only had some scrapes and bruises, and a stronger appreciation for concrete buildings, and Park Rangers.

Many people do not realize that when they go to the park almost none of the people they encounter there are from there. Even here in idyllic Martin and Daviess Counties, in nowhere USA, the visitors mostly are on vacation. And they come from the cities, in droves. Our particular park serves about 200,000 visitor days per year, with only about 20 percent of those being locals. Most of those people are just nice, family-oriented folks looking for a place to relax and let their hair down. A few tend to not grasp the concept of limits on behavior. We feel the ratio is about 98 percent good guys and 2 percent knot heads. But 2 percent of 200,000 visitor days is 4,000 visitor days of knot heads, and it does test one's patience.

Lost child reports are the ones that always cause us the most grief. While the majority of these are benign; child went to the restroom without telling anyone, or was at a playground; the ones that get bad can be very bad. With a campground near water drowning is always a fear, and while we are assuring the parents that Jenny or Johnnie will be just fine, we are already scanning the water surface for any sign there. Fortunately, those events are rare. Unfortunately, you never really get over the ones that happen. Every needless child's death takes another bite out of the soul of the people who have to deal with it professionally. It is my belief that when it quits waking you up in the middle of the night it is probably time to go do something else.

## Specialist: Questions remain about fungicides on corn

By Julie Preble, Purdue University News Service

Fungicide use on corn has increased in Indiana over the last few years, said Kiersten Wise, Purdue University Extension plant pathologist.

This increase is, in part, because fungicides help control disease, and fungicides, containing a strobilurin mode of action, might have physiological effects on the plant that are unrelated to disease control and sometimes increase yield, Wise said.

"We've seen a shift in corn management where growers are applying these fungicides in hopes that they'll get higher yields as a result," Wise said. "That's one of the factors that have driven the increase in applications."

However, Wise was quick to add that there

is little evidence at present as to whether those physiological effects consistently increase yield.

When managing disease problems, there are five main factors that should be taken into consideration for spraying a fungicide. Those factors include: level of disease in the field, hybrid susceptibility, previous crop and cropping system, weather conditions, and late planting.

The level of disease in the field is one of the most crucial factors, and scouting fields prior to tassel emergence can help determine the level of disease pressure in a field, Wise said.

Hybrids vary in their susceptibility to foliar diseases of corn, and hybrids susceptible to diseases are at a greater risk of disease development than hybrids with moderate to high levels of disease resistance, Wise said.

Gray leaf spot is a perennial and economically damaging disease in the United States caused by the fungus *Cercospora zeae-maydis*. It is now one of the most important foliar diseases in Indiana. Other common diseases include anthracnose leaf blight and common rust. Those diseases require high humidity, moisture and moderate to warm temperatures for disease development, Wise said.

It is important to check the plants for these diseases to control any potential problems. Early symptoms of gray leaf spot are small, pinpoint lesions surrounded by a yellow halo.

The best time to apply a fungicide typically is at tasseling or shortly after. Research has shown that late applications of fungicide may not be profitable. Fungicide application costs vary but, for use in corn, \$20-\$30 per acre is average. If farmers have questions about fungicide use, they should contact Wise at 765-496-2170, kawise@purdue.edu.



-Photo provided

Jordan Kiser is shown above with the turkey he took during youth turkey season that was 20 pounds with 17 mm spurs.



-Photo provided

Corbin Henninger is shown above with the turkey he took during youth turkey season that was 17 pounds with 14 mm spurs.



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Taylor Kiser is shown above with her father, Paul, with the 20-pound turkey she shot during youth season.



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## The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative  
Mark Messmer



### Healthcare Bill Costly to Hoosiers, Jobs

Recently, I had the opportunity to visit Washington, D.C. with my son on his class field trip.

It's hard to visit Washington - especially in the spring - without feeling inspired by the rich history of our nation's ancestors who sailed, pioneered, and fought their way to where our country is today. It was a humbling experience, and I had a lot of time on the bus to reflect on my first term as your state representative.

As I mentioned a few weeks ago, I hesitate to discuss national issues in the Messmer Report, because I don't serve you at the national level, but at the state level. However, when a federal bill so dramatically puts Hoosier jobs at risk, I feel compelled to address it.

Bills, at both the state and national level, are passed with you in mind. As Lt. Governor Becky Skillman always says to groups who visit the Statehouse, "this is your house." That's the whole point of our system of government - government of the people, by the people, for the people.

However, just because someone supports a law for you doesn't mean they used good foresight in making their decision. That's why I'm extremely concerned about a bill passed recently that is going to cost thousands of Hoosier jobs: the federal healthcare bill.

Here in Indiana, our life science sector is growing rapidly. Unfortunately because of this bill, it will be walloped with tremendous new tax increases on some of our largest employers. Just a few of them are:

Cook Medical in Bloomington, which employs 3,500 Hoosiers.

Zimmer Holdings in Warsaw, which employs 2,800 Hoosiers.

DePuy, Inc. in Ft. Wayne, which employs 3,500 Hoosiers.

Eli Lilly, which has multiple locations around the state, employing 14,700 Hoosiers.

Tax increases on the products they man-

ufacture can hurt their competitiveness and cost Hoosier jobs.

Caterpillar also employs more than 2,000 Hoosiers in Lafayette and elsewhere. It made national headlines when it announced that the healthcare bill would cost \$100 million a year. That cost is bound to translate into lost jobs.

To make matters worse, a job killing tax of \$2,000 per employee will be levied on many Hoosier companies which cannot afford to provide coverage to their employees. As a business owner and a legislator, it is baffling to me that the authors of this bill didn't connect the dots: the healthcare change they wanted is going to cost jobs that Indiana needs.

But there's even more.

Often, at the last minute, legislators will take a minor proposed law, or bill, and stick it into a major bill just before the final vote. This is called the amendment process. The two bills might not be related, but it's easier than starting the legislative process over with a minor issue. Sometimes, it's the only way to ensure it receives a vote.

Well in this case, a "minor", unrelated bill made it into the healthcare bill just days before its passage, without much attention—only, it's not minor bill at all.

This provision enacts sweeping changes to the student loan industry. Under the legislation as passed, national student loan provider Sallie Mae would lose its ability to originate loans. This change could force the company to cut nearly one-third of its 8,600 employees nationwide.

Indiana is home to more Sallie Mae jobs than any other state - more than 2,400 Hoosiers work at the Fishers and Muncie offices - meaning Hoosiers will likely be hit especially hard by any cuts.

While this issue is far from concluded, it's hard to believe that the people who wrote and voted for passage of the healthcare bill were doing so with Hoosiers - or the effect on Hoosier jobs - in mind. Feel free to contact me at h63@in.gov.

## Commissioners hear updates in short meeting

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, April 20.

President Paul George signed paperwork from NECS for a refund of excise money found by their company.

Civil Defense/EMA Director Monte Wolf gave his report on the new fire station. He reported that the dirt work was finally done and grass seed was needed to finish up. The septic was tested and was good. The repairs had all been completed. All the appliances had been purchased and were in, but he was still in need of some office-type chairs, filing cabinets, and a TV and VCR are still needed. Mr. Wolf also said he was hoping for the open house sometime next month. The motion for the draw down for the final payment on the fire station was made by Commissioner Dan Gregory and seconded by Commissioner John Winger. All were in favor and the motion passed. The motion was then made to pay the final bill for the construction to Jasper Lumber Company was made by Commissioner Dan Gregory and seconded by Commissioner John Winger. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A draft of the Martin County Emergency Action Plan was passed out for the commissioners and Mr. Lett to review. This will be voted on at a later date.

The Homestead Deduction Requirements were discussed and the fact that they are

now required to have the last five digits of both social security numbers and drivers license numbers to be entered into a state data base in order to keep a homestead deduction. This is an effort from the state to keep people from having two homestead deductions.

Commissioner Paul George announced that Highway Superintendent Jim Williams is doing well and should be back to work in a few more weeks.

Commissioner George also said that the Crane Timber Distribution is in but would be discussed in detail at a later date.

Dave Lett, on behalf of the Redevelopment Commission, said there is a new building and pond going in at the tech park and they would like to store soil on the county's property. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory that as long as the soil was removed in a timely manner and the property restored to its original conditions it would be fine. This was seconded by Commissioner Winger. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday May 5, 2010. Brenda Hendrix, Deputy Auditor, asked to send payroll prior to the meeting so that employees could be paid on their normal day. Commissioner Dan Gregory made the motion and Commissioner John Winger made the second, all were in favor and the motion carried.



### Lilly Scholarship winner reception

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On Wednesday, April 21, the Martin County Community Foundation held a reception for the 2010 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Winners. Shown above, from left to right, are Shoals' Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Winner Heather Tinkle, Martin County Community Foundation Director Jason Jones, Martin County Community Foundation President Stevie Horton, and Loogootee's Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Winner Misty Bough.

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**FOR SALE:** Thomasville solid wood dining room set. Large oval table, 6 side chairs and 2 captain's chairs. Table measures 68"x46" with 2 extender leaves each 20" wide. Dark Oak finish. Navy and white check pattern on chair seats. Needs cleaning after storage. Matching Thomasville solid wood glass-front hutch. Crown molding around top. Lighted interior with 2 glass shelves in top section. Bottom section has 2 doors that open out for complete interior access. Furniture was purchased new in 1978. Used very little. Table has slight water damage where sides join. Asking \$500 for dining room set and \$500 for hutch. \$800 if you take both. No delivery. Call 644-7791

### ITEMS WANTED

**WANTED:** Allis Chalmers bean planter. 812-7090-719

### YARD SALES

**HUGE YARD SALE:** 407 Wood Street, Friday, April 30, 8-? and Saturday, May 1, 8-2. Huge selection of girls' clothing, 3 month-size 12; huge selection of shoes, womens' clothing, mens' clothing, strollers, tons of toys, stuffed animals, CDs, movies, rugs, household items, pictures, picture frames, 2 sets of bathroom towels, rugs, and curtains.

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## STIMULUS Engineering announces recent Seaport-E contract award

STIMULUS Engineering announced a recent contract award in support of NSWC Crane. The contract has a total potential value of approximately \$35 million and could extend over a five-year period.

STIMULUS teammates for this effort include URS, Alion, CDI Marine, ITT, MacAulay-Brown, Inc. (MacB), Northrop Grumman and Novonics. The work will be performed in the areas of Engineering, Technical and Programmatic Support Services to the Surface and Expeditionary domains of the Electronic Warfare (EW) business base.

Tim Wagler, President of STIMULUS Engineering commented: "This is our first prime contract with NSWC Crane and we

could not be more excited. Electronic Warfare is a core strategic focus for the Center. We are looking forward to leading this effort and applying our best energies to NSWC Crane's success."

STIMULUS Engineering is a small business focusing on innovative technology acceleration and transition opportunities for customers and business partners in the Defense and Security, Energy and Advanced Outdoors markets.

Headquartered in Southern Indiana, STIMULUS Engineering also has offices in Pennsylvania and is expanding rapidly to other states. More information about the company is available at [www.stimulusengineering.com](http://www.stimulusengineering.com).



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## BASEBALL

Please unscramble the words below

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Major League Baseball Match-up Worksheet

Write the letter of the correct match next to each problem.

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| 3. _____ Chicago        | c. Rangers      |
| 4. _____ Cleveland      | d. Tigers       |
| 5. _____ Detroit        | e. Padres       |
| 6. _____ Kansas City    | f. Cardinals    |
| 7. _____ Los Angeles    | g. Mets         |
| 8. _____ Minnesota      | h. Blue Jays    |
| 9. _____ New York       | i. DiamondBacks |
| 10. _____ Oakland       | j. Rays         |
| 11. _____ Seattle       | k. Mariners     |
| 12. _____ Tampa Bay     | l. Brewers      |
| 13. _____ Texas         | m. Astros       |
| 14. _____ Toronto       | n. Red Sox      |
| 15. _____ Arizona       | o. Yankees      |
| 16. _____ Atlanta       | p. Athletics    |
| 17. _____ Chicago       | q. White Sox    |
| 18. _____ Cincinnati    | r. Dodgers      |
| 19. _____ Colorado      | s. Royals       |
| 20. _____ Florida       | t. Nationals    |
| 21. _____ Houston       | u. Marlins      |
| 22. _____ Los Angeles   | v. Rockies      |
| 23. _____ Milwaukee     | w. Giants       |
| 24. _____ New York      | x. Pirates      |
| 25. _____ Philadelphia  | y. Cubs         |
| 26. _____ Pittsburgh    | z. Twins        |
| 27. _____ San Diego     | aa. Braves      |
| 28. _____ San Francisco | ab. Orioles     |
| 29. _____ St. Louis     | ac. Angels      |
| 30. _____ Washington    | ad. Phillies    |

Baseball Word Search Puzzle

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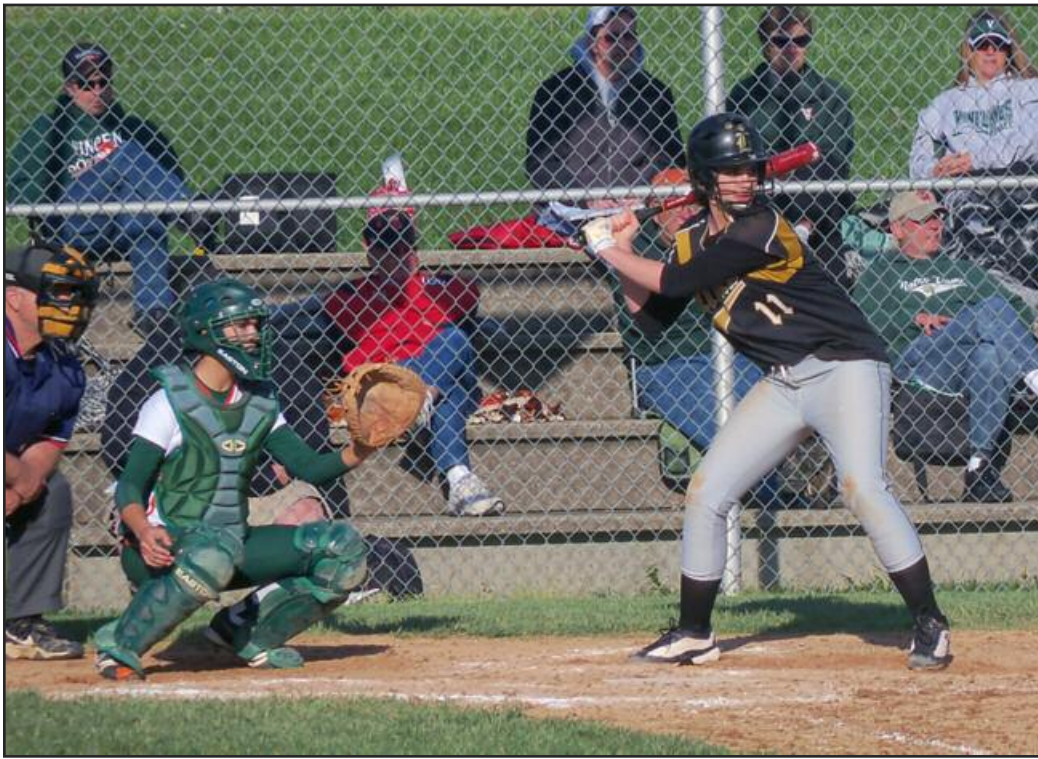
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| CAP        | GRAND SLAM | STADIUM     |
| CATCHER    | HOME PLATE | STEAL       |
| CURVE BALL | HOME RUN   | STRIKE      |
| DIAMOND    | INNINGS    | THIRD BASE  |
| DOUBLE     | OUT        | TRIPLE      |
| DUGOUT     | OUTFIELD   | UMPIRE      |





# Local SPORTS

## Lady Lions fall to Forest Park, defeat Trojans and Rams



-Photo by Joshua Hughett

Loogootee's Remington Wagler prepares to swing as the Lions took on Vincennes Lincoln at home Tuesday night, April 27. Wagler had a home run in the Lions' game against Paoli on April 20.

### Junior Varsity Lady Lions fall to Forest Park, defeat Wood Memorial

#### Loogootee vs. Forest Park

Despite Jennifer Clark's six strikeouts, the Lady Lions Junior Varsity Softball team also suffered a defeat against the Forest Park Rangers Monday night, April 26 with a score of 3-0.

With one out in the second inning Forest Park's Kayla Brahm takes a four-pitch walk.

Olivia Hopf is then walked on five pitches and Olivia Uebelhor, Victoria Van-Winkle both singled. Shanna Hoffman then smacked a double and Kaci Seger is also walked scoring three runs for the Rangers.

The game stalled and no further runs were scored.

Forest Park pitcher Shanna Hoffman finished with three strikeouts. Clark, for the Lions, had four walks. Both teams ended with one error each and Loogootee had four hits to Forest Park's five.

Allyson Arvin, for the Lions, ended the game with a double for Loogootee.

#### Loogootee vs. Oakland City

The Loogootee Junior Varsity Softball team pulled off another win over Oakland City on April 23 with a score of 8-7.

Oakland City kicked off the first inning with four runs to the Lions two and then scored another run in the second inning.

The Lady Lions came back in the bottom of the third inning with three more runs and added to their tally in the fourth inning with two, making the score 7-5 in favor of the Lions.

The Trojans made a final attempt in the top of the fifth to comeback but only ended up scoring two runs which wasn't enough.

Lion pitcher Remington Wagler finished with six strikeouts and no walks. Oakland City pitcher Bottoms finished with two strikeouts and five walks.

Lion hitters were Allyson Arvin with a double and Remington Wagler finishing 2-2 on the night with two triples.

Loogootee had a bad night with 10 errors to Oakland City's one. The Lions had eight hits, the Trojans had three.

### Junior High Track team holds meet with North Knox and Bloomfield

The Loogootee Junior High Track team held a three-way meet with Bloomfield and North Knox on Wednesday, April 21.

For the girls the final scores were North Knox 90, Bloomfield 46, and Loogootee 5.

Seventh grader Jon Benet Waid finished second in the discus with 53'2", seventh grader

Ariel Jones finished fourth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 22.1 seconds and fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of one minute and one second.

For the boys Bloomfield finished with 77, North Knox 62, and Loogootee 11.

Tye Collins, fifth grader, finished fourth in the high jump at 3'10".

Chase Wilcoxon, seventh graders, finished fourth in the 1,600-meter run with a time of six minutes 21 seconds and third in the 800-meter run at two minutes and 51 seconds.

Eighth grader Kyle Craney finished second in the discus at 91'8".

Sixth grader Nate Duvall placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of one minute and one second and third in the 110-meter hurdles at 21.96 seconds.

Jonathon Jones, sixth grader, finished fourth in the 200-meter dash with a time of 32.91 seconds.

#### Loogootee vs. Pike Central

The Lady Lions Varsity Softball team traveled to Forest Park Monday night, April 26 and came home with a loss, 5-0.

The Lions could not find their stride in the game with only four hits. Lion pitcher Rebecca Craney only managed to pull out on strikeout and she walked two. Amanda Braunecker for Pike ended with eight strikeouts.

In the second inning Kalyn Wendholt, for the Rangers, led off with a double and Kayla Steffen also doubled scoring Wendholt. In the third, Amy Wendholt singled to lead of the inning with Amanda Braunecker smacking a home run upping Forest Park's lead 3-0.

Then in the bottom of the sixth, Kalyn Wendholt lands on first after a fielding error. That is followed up by singles from Steffen, Bettag, Persohn, and Blessinger with Wendholt and Steffen scoring in the end.

The Rangers ended with 10 hits and no errors. Despite the defeat the Lady Lions ended the game with only one error.

#### Loogootee vs. Wood Memorial

The Loogootee Varsity Softball team barely pulled off a win over the Wood Memorial Trojans last Friday, April 23 by a score of 5-4.

Loogootee pitcher Rebecca Craney ended with only one strikeout and one walk. Rachel Blaize for the Trojans had no strikeouts and two walks at her time on the mound and Jaycee Parke had two strikeouts and hit one batter.

The Lady Lions scored their first run in the second inning and added two more in the fifth. Oakland City didn't put anything on the board until the sixth inning making the score 3-1 in favor of the Lions.

The Trojans then came alive in the top of the seventh and pulled ahead of the Lady

Lions by scoring three runs. At Loogootee's final at-bat they pulled off the win by scoring two more runs.

For the Lions, Jessica Padgett ended with a perfect 3-3 with two singles and a triple, Breann Truelove ended 2-3 with a single and a double, and Blake Walker also went 2-3 with two singles.

For Oakland City Alli Minton ended at 2-4 with two singles, Jaycee Parke finished 2-4 with a single and a triple, and Hamilton Thacker finished 2-3 with two singles.

The Lions had three errors and nine hits while the Trojans had no errors and eight hits.

#### Loogootee vs. Paoli

The Loogootee Lady Lions defeated the Paoli Rams on Tuesday, April 20 by a score of 6-1.

Paoli started things off in the first inning by scoring one run and the Lady Lions didn't get on the board until the third inning. Remington Wagler smacked a home run, Jessica Padgett hit a triple scoring two runs, and Breann Truelove landed a double scoring two more runs putting the Lions lead 5-1.

Paoli failed to make a comeback and remained scoreless for the rest of the game. Wagler added another double in the sixth inning to finish off the Rams.

Loogootee's pitcher Rebecca Craney ended with seven strikeouts and two walks. Jordan Kloss for the Rams finished with four strikeouts and one walk.

Paoli had one error and six hits in the game to Loogootee's two errors and nine hits.

Three Lady Lions finished with multi-hit games at 2-3. Jaelyn Padgett had two singles.

Wagler had the third inning home run and a double, and Amy Beasley had two singles.



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Lady Lion Allie Schultheis seems to be held up by the third baseman for Vincennes Lincoln at last night's home game.

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## Shoals High School Track team

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Shown above is the Shoals High School Track team. Down front is Dylan Erwin. Sitting in the front, from left to right, are Haley Wade, Anna Shepard, Ashley Hawkins, Chasity Qualkenbush, and Assistant Coach Debbie Howell. Standing in the back row are Clayton Tow, Jordan Sorrells, Gus Sherfick, Eric McDonald, Scotty Johnson, Tanner Abel, Coach Tim Howell, Diamond Wright, Assistant Coach Dave Qualkenbush, Dillon Norman, Enoch Spaulding, Nick Gerkin, Brian Hert, and Jondavide Hopkins.

## Lions tennis team defeats Barr-Reeve and WC

### Barr-Reeve match

The Loogootee Tennis team took on Barr-Reeve at home Tuesday night, April 27, and the varsity finished with the win, 4-1. "Andrea (Vaupel) and Brittany (Eckerle) played well today from start to finish," said Head Coach Mike Tippery. "Barr-Reeve is always a tough opponent to play; they make you earn every point," he added.

### Varsity matches

Loogootee 4, Barr-Reeve 1  
 #1 Singles Andrea Vaupel (L) defeated Abby Pielemeier 6-1, 6-3  
 #2 Singles Brittany Eckerle (L) defeated Cassidy Helms 6-4, 6-1  
 #3 Singles Tya Harmon (B) defeated Jill Taylor 7-6 (5), 4-6, 6-2  
 #1 Doubles Ashton Matthews/ Hannah Lamar (L) defeated Haley Taylor/Bridgette Graber 6-4-6-1  
 #2 Doubles Lindsay Winger/Becca Zins (L) Crystal Knepp/Tiffany Graber 6-1, 7-6 (2)

### Junior Varsity matches

Loogootee 3, Barr-Reeve 3  
 #1 Singles Allison Kiser (L) defeated Marissa Wagler 8-4  
 #2 Singles Virginia Gerkin (BR) defeated Devan Arvin 9-7  
 #3 Singles Jessica Kavanaugh (BR) defeated Paige Schafer (8-6)  
 #4 Singles Marissa Wagler (BR) defeated Dana Sibrel 6-2  
 #1 Doubles Erin Wittmer/Kylie Sims (L)

defeated Ciara Hornaday/Destiny Kidwell 8-4

#2 Doubles Emilee Lannan/Natasha Trinkle (L) defeated Rachel Lengacher/Brittany Craney 6-4

Record: 10-1, Blue Chip Conference: 5-0  
 Next Match: Thursday, April 29 at home against Forest Park at 4:45 p.m.

### Washington Catholic match

On Tuesday, April 22, the LHS Varsity Tennis team defeated the Washington Catholic Cardinals 5-0. Head Coach Mike Tippery said, "I told the team a few days ago that I would start putting comments in the paper for individual players when they played well instead of the usual team comments I make. So what do the players do? They all go out and play a nearly perfect match. So great job Andrea, Brittany, Jill, Ashton, Lindsay, Becca, and Hannah!"

### Varsity matches

#1 Singles Andrea Vaupel (L) defeated Jacie Carie 6-0, 6-0  
 #2 Singles Brittany Eckerle (L) defeated cortney Kane 6-1, 6-0  
 #3 Singles Jill Taylor (L) defeated Devin Flynn 6-0, 6-0  
 #1 Doubles Ashton Matthews/ Hannah Lamar (L) defeated Hillary Holland/Emily Schnarr 6-1, 6-0  
 #2 Doubles defeated Lindsay Winger/Becca Zins (L) defeated Caitlin Durnil/Katie Sellers 6-1, 6-0

### Junior Varsity matches

Washington Catholic 3 Loogootee 2  
 #1 Singles Kasey Lagrange (WC) defeated Natasha Trinkle 7-6  
 #2 Singles Kasey Lagrange (WC) defeated Kylie Sims 6-4  
 #1 Doubles Erin Wittmer/Allison Kiser (L) defeated Lia Heyd/Ellie Jarrett 8-4  
 #2 Doubles Emilee Lannan/Dev Arvin (L) defeated Elizabeth Brochin/Hillary Fields 8-6  
 #3 Doubles Lia Heyd/Ellie Jarrett (WC) defeated Paige Schafer/Dana Sibrel 6-0

## Loogootee High School Golf results

### Edgewood Invitational

The Loogootee Golf team traveled to Edgewood for the Edgewood Invitational on Saturday April 17.

The invitational was attended by several area schools around Bloomington. The Lions accumulated a combined score of 378 through 18 holes.

Ben Hogan shot 84, Stephen Bradley shot 86, Joel Stoll shot 98, and Tyler Booker shot 110.

Coaches Hennette and Wagoner were very pleased with their team's performance. Ben and Stephen brought home the best rounds of their high school careers to date. Joel shot a 53 on the front nine and turned it around on the back nine with a 45. "Joel showed great patience and composure in his comeback. Tyler is a freshman, but shows desire and drive to be a better golfer. This group of young men keeps fighting every stroke on every hole and never giving up. They have shown that they are capable of great things," said the coaches.

### Northeast Dubois and Rivet

Loogootee Golf team hosted Northeast Dubois and Vincennes Rivet on Monday April 19, at Eagle View Golf Course.

The Lions defeated both schools to emerge victorious.

Loogootee shot 191, Northeast Dubois shot 219, and Vincennes Rivet forfeited due to inactive players.

Joel Stoll led Loogootee with a 46. Ben Hogan and Stephen Bradley shot 47, and Tyler Booker shot 51.

The coaches were very pleased with the team's performance, as they continue to show their never-quit attitude.

### Linton and Mitchell

The Loogootee Golf team traveled to Phil Harris Golf Course Tuesday, April 20, for a three-way meet with Linton and Mitchell.

Loogootee finished second, bringing in a combined 190.

Loogootee was lead by Clinton Burch with a 44, Ben Hogan with a 46, Stephen Bradley with a 49, Joel Stoll with a 51, and Tyler Booker shot 58.

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## Jolly Juniors 4-H Club holds meeting

BY KAYLA ABEL  
 Club Secretary

The Jolly Juniors 4-H Club met last Thursday, April 22 at the Truelove United Methodist Church. Leaders present were Norma Jean Ziegler and Louise Parsons.

President Trenton Arvin called the meeting to order with all members rising to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

Secretary Kayla Abel took roll call with each present member naming their favorite sport.

Members present were Trenton and Jarrett Arvin, Zach Arvin, Sam Ausbrooks, Tucker Walton, Grace Lingenfelter, Mallory Berry, Kendall Berry, Caden Chandler, Madisyn Wade, Jake Simmons, Dylan Dant, Maelee Hawkins, Jordan Mann, Emily and Ethan Wade, and Kayla and Danielle Abel.

Kayla then read the minutes of the last meeting. Co-Health and Safety Officer Danielle Abel read about the dangers of poison ivy, poison oak, and sumac and showed different pictures of each.

Demonstrations were given next. Danielle showed her Dutch rabbit, Runt, to the club. Jarrett Arvin showed his mini rex rabbit named Hopper.

Madisyn Wade talked about wildflowers and showed different pictures of them. She then passed out a wildflower word search.

Jake Simmons brought in a chocolate cake with homemade icing.

Everyone enjoyed the demonstrations and the cake.

Members then discussed demonstrations and refreshments for the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m., at the Truelove United Methodist Church.

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# Our **SCHOOLS**

## Elementary East sixth graders put on Ecology Fair



Jacy Fields, Hannah Wilson and Wyatt Wade present their fair project, Water Pollution, to the fourth grade students.

-Photo by Courtney Hughett



Standing behind the table Ian Huelsman, at left, and Brandon Hembree, at right, look over their examples of indoor and outdoor air pollution with students from fourth grade who attended the fair last Thursday at East.

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

The sixth grade class at Loogootee Elementary East held their annual Ecology Fair last Thursday, April 22 for other students, teachers, and parents. Students began after Spring Break compiling information and continued working on their speeches and presentations up to the fair day. The sixth graders received grades for Science and Social Studies at the end of the project.

In Mr. Sander's class there were four groups. In the Land Pollution project was Grant Carrico, Emily Bateman, Tasheena Rasico, Kaitlyn Dickens, Nicole Fahey, and Ben Wilson. In the Organic Gardening group was Renee Burch, Bladen Allbright, Kurt Bauer, Will Riley, Cody Garrison, and Kayla Nicholson. The Wetlands exhibit was done by Emma Walters, Brett Robinson, Emily Eversole, Landon Diamond, and Tara Pennington. The Noise Pollution presentation was done by Paige Walton, Alex Graber, Wyatt Hughett, Mariah Bridgewater, and Nick Henry.

In Mrs. Wagoner's class Energy Conservation was done by Jake Blackwell, Landon Wittmer, Bailey Davis, Kimberly Bough, and Nate Duvall. The Humane Society presentation was done by Jess Divine, Carly Combs, Caitlyn Holt, Talon Wagler, and Nick Lett. Water Pollution was presented by Taylor Hardwick, Tyler Simmons, Wyatt Wade, Corey Jacobs, Jacy Fields, and Hannah Wilson. The Alternative Energy Group featured Jurnee Davis, Shayna Stuffle, Chris Early, Kaitlyn Rogers, Reed Ziegler, and Hunter Taylor.

For Mrs. Williams' class the Habitat for Humanity presentation was done by Kendall Burch, Macey Baxter, Amber Daniels, Jonathan Jones, Andrew Zins, and Seth Wagler. In the Recycling group was Justin Kiser, Trysten Booker, Lindsey Potts, Jordan Williams, and Lauren Fuqua. The Recycled Products presentation was done by Kendall Riley, Jayson Bullard, Patrick Wagler, Brittany Woody, Chandler Hunter, and Beth Minton. Endangered Species was done by Jordan Mann, Brianna Williams, Gavin Wittmer, Raylan Akins, and Brian Riker.

In Mrs. Kidwell's class Environmental Health was done by Logan Carrico, Justin Horney, Brad Allen, Sarah Stoll, Ashley Raney, and Eric Lark. The Rain Forest group included Nicole Ader, Joey Wilson, Emily Minton, Cole Walker, Renee Whitman, and Bailey Holt. In Fossil Fuels were Brandon Lindsey, Jonathan Krzesniak, Tyler Smith, Cassidy Schultheis, and Rueben Ritchey. Presenting Air Pollution were Ian Huelsman, Erin Nelson, Alexis Cowen, Scott Morrow, and Brandon Hembree.

Mrs. Lannan's class did What is Ecology. In that group were Deedra Fields, Tia Trambaugh, Rian Smith, Cam Callison, Trenton Neely, and Ryan Moore.



Sixth grader Joey Wilson, above, reads questions to visitors of his Rain Forest exhibit.

-Photo by Courtney Hughett



Kayla Nicholson sees something that makes her laugh as she blows up a balloon as part of the dart game at her and her classmates' Organic Gardening exhibit. Students who correctly answered questions played games for candy at each booth.

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# Shoals Jr./Sr. High School Honor Roll

## Fifth grading period

### Seventh Grade

All A's: Logan Albright, Brittany Bauernfiend, Ashley Montgomery, Holly Self, and Kelsey Sellers.

Distinguished Honor Roll: Kyle Courtright, Austin Jones, Josey Waggoner, and Alexis Young.

Honor Roll: Johnny Arnett, Audrey Bowers, Haylie Brace, and Kylee Hardwick.

Michael Hawkins, Grady Key, Ashley McDonald, Dakota Newkirk, and Akela Wells

### Eighth Grade

All A's: Robin Hamby, Nicole Harder, and Cole Hovis.

Distinguished Honor Roll: Ryan Allen, Caleb Davis, Katlyn Sanders, and Briana Wagler.

Honor Roll: Jenna Bleemel, Ariel Hert, Cody Hert, Duncan MacLeod, Logan McCrary, Tyler McGuire, Dakota Mullins, Sistoria Neeley, Damon Roach, Sydney Tedrow, and Kandi Tichenor.

### Ninth Grade

All A's: Whitney Albright, Jessica Courtright, Emily Richardson, and Ramona Simmons.

Distinguished Honor Roll: Amberly Albright, Tristan Bennington, Lezlie Hart, Ethan Jones, Austin Cole Kimmel, and Jennifer Montgomery.

Honor Roll: Waylon Bradley, Matthew Bruner, Kayla Butler, Alexander Doane, Jeffery Dorsey, Katie Payne, Jonathan Qualkenbush, Sabrina Rossi, Elisha Schlaegel, Ellen Simmerman, Enoch Spaulding, and Clayton Tow.

### Tenth Grade

Distinguished Honor Roll: Rachel Harder, Jacob Stoner, Darek Turpin, and Violet Wright.

Honor Roll: Elizabeth Abel, Chelsey Baker, Michael Basley, Victoria Bauer, Alex Bauernfiend, Michaela Brockman, Denise Cornett, Alanna Dawley, Audra Deckard, MacKenzie Graves, Diana Holt, Mackenzie Jones, Courtney Kender, Rebecca Kettinger, Grace LaMar, Sasha Mains, Miranda Mullins, Megan Sanders, Audrey Sorrells, and Angelia Williams.

### Eleventh Grade

All A's: Bradley Phillips and Augustus Sherfick.

Distinguished Honor Roll: Shaelin Adams, Amber Lynn Bauer, Jill Bradley, Dillon Cornett, Charles Shartzter, and Kyla Tichenor.

Honor Roll: Garrett Bateman, Casey Davis, Chase Dawley, John Harder, Ashley Hawkins, Jess Jenkins, Sarha Jones, Eric McDonald, Andrew Meriwether, Megan Montgomery, Rachel Parsons, Bryan Patton, Tyler Price, and Diamond Wright.

### Twelfth Grade

Distinguished Honor Roll: Bradley Berry, Kimberly Brown, Amanda Butler, Aimee Farhar, Emily French, Ashlee Kender, Reeve Neeley, Chasity Qualkenbush, Anna Shephard, Shelby Sorrells, Ashely Taylor, Heather Tinkle, Danielle Turpin, and Shema Wright.

Honor Roll: Nicholas Beasley, Molly Brassine, Jessica Butler, Angela Graham, Kaci Hall, Douglas Harder, Jordan Hert, Logan Howard, Anthony Lee, Travis Montgomery, Matthew West, and Amanda Witt.



-Photo provided

Pictured are the winners of the 2010 Tar Wars poster contest held at Loogootee Elementary East. Pictured to the far left, front row, is Martina Stevens, daughter of Chad and Holly Stevens, the 2010 Tar Wars winner; Kayla Abel, daughter of Eric and Jamie Abel; and Emily Brookshire, daughter of Jeff and Paula Brookshire. In the back row is Stephanie McAtee, Counselor, and coordinator of the Tar Wars program, and Dr. Larry Sutton, Tar Wars presenter.

## Martina Stevens wins Tar Wars Poster Contest

Martina Stevens, daughter of Chad and Holly Stevens, is the winner of the 2010 Tar Wars Poster Contest at Loogootee Elementary East and her winning poster will be appearing on a billboard in downtown Loogootee in the very near future.

Her poster has also been sent to Indianapolis for state competition. Runners-up in the contest are Kayla Abel, daughter of Eric and Jamie Abel, and Emily Brookshire, daughter of Jeff and Paula Brookshire.

Dr. Larry Sutton came to Loogootee East on March 18 for a one-hour interactive tobacco-use prevention and education presentation and activity session. For one of the activities each student was given a straw to breathe through while walking in place. This activity simulates how a smoker would experience breathing since smoking decreases lung volume. The students quickly saw Dr. Sutton's point. In another activity the students learned how to recognize and think critically when tobacco companies are trying to influence them through advertising. Students left the presentation with an understanding of why a smoke-free life allows them to better achieve their goals.

The presentation was followed up with the poster contest. Students were to design a creative poster depicting a clear and positive message to remain tobacco-free.

East students in fifth grade participated in the contest.

Contest winners were presented with a t-shirt and gift certificate sponsored by the Daviess Community Hospital.

The Indiana Academy of Family Physicians Foundation sponsors the Tar Wars program.

The fifth graders and their teachers would like to thank Dr. Sutton and the Daviess Community Hospital for this educational activity. Mrs. Stephanie McAtee, Counselor, coordinated the program.

## Shoals Academic teams headed to state competition

The Social Studies and Interdisciplinary Teams of the Shoals High School Academic Super Bowl qualified to participate in the Division 4 state competition on Saturday, May 8.

The state competition will be held at Purdue University. The Social Studies Team will compete at 10:30 a.m. and the Interdisciplinary Team will compete at 3:30 p.m.

Only 5 teams out of about 62 in Division 4 qualified to compete at the state competition.

## Registration open for middle school computer camp at Purdue University

Purdue University's 2010 Adventures in Computer Science Summer Camp will be held on campus from June 13 through 18.

The camp, sponsored by the Computer Science Department's K-12 Outreach Program, is open to students who will enter grades six through eight in the fall.

No previous computer science or programming experience is necessary, but campers should be comfortable using a computer.

The camp will take an in-depth look at computer science concepts such as programming and robotics and how they are used to make a difference in our world. Using programs such as Python, Alice, Lego Robotics and JavaScript, campers will explore hands-on applications.

They also will participate in a PicoCricket design studio challenge.

The camp will expose students to careers in computer science, increase their problem-solving skills and build awareness of the importance of math and science in

preparing for a career in computer science.

Mindy Hart, computer science K-12 outreach coordinator, will lead the camp, along with computer science faculty and staff and K-12 teachers.

Purdue students will work with campers as lab assistants and counselors.

Camp staff will provide 24-hour supervision, and campers will be housed in Hillenbrand Hall.

The \$450 registration fee covers housing, meals, "fun nights" and all materials.

Camp will conclude with a recognition luncheon and project show-and-tell that family members may attend for \$10 each.

Space is limited, and campers who are registered before June 1 will receive a discount.

Parents can register students at <http://www.conf.purdue.edu/cscamp>.

# TO THE VOTERS OF MARTIN COUNTY

I just want to say that during the past few months, I have knocked on several doors to talk to as many of you as possible about my candidacy as Sheriff. I hope your door was one of them. If I did miss you, I want to invite you to check my website at [www.street4sheriff.com](http://www.street4sheriff.com) or call me should you have any questions. My contact information is listed on my website.

You have four candidates running for the office of Sheriff and I am one of them. Next Tuesday, when you go to the polls to vote, I asked that you consider the following information in order to make an informed decision on who to vote for as your next Sheriff.

First and foremost is look at experience. Does the candidate have the knowledge and experience to not only do the job, but do it effectively? I have 27 years of experience at the Sheriff's Department and have served the last 8 as Chief Deputy. As Chief Deputy, I have been involved in the day-to-day operations of the Sheriff's Department and the jail. I have been involved in meetings with other Sheriffs, involved in budget preparations, employee hiring, and inmate issues just to name a few. I have attended the same

training that newly elected Sheriffs attend. These are all areas that no other candidate has been subjected to and would take them several years to learn. If elected as your Sheriff, I am the only candidate with the experience to take over on day one and provide you with the professionalism you deserve without having to spend money and time on training to learn the job.

Second, look at the candidate's past work experience. Have they done a good job, do they get along well with co-workers, has there been any performance problems in the past? I have worked my entire career at the Sheriff's Department with an unblemished service record. I get along with my co-workers, the public, and the inmates who are incarcerated because I try to treat people right.

Third, look at how the candidate is looked upon in the community. Are they well-liked and are they involved? I am that candidate that gets involved. I am involved with the Martin County LCC, Companion for Kids, Fraternal Order of Police, Indiana Sheriff's Association, and Martin County Relay for Life, and attend Saint John's Church. I go to sporting events, not because I'm on duty or getting paid to do it, but because I want to be involved.

I am a lifelong resident of Martin County and I have dedicated my entire working career at the Martin County Sheriff's Department and will retire from that same department. I am not a candidate that has been at one job place and moved on to another because times got tough. I am not a candidate that suddenly became interested in law enforcement.

I am a candidate that became interested in law enforcement 27 years ago and chose to make the Martin County Sheriff's Department the department I would start at and retire from. During my time at the Sheriff's Department I have had the opportunity to work for some really great Sheriffs and friends like Dave Qualkenbush, Joe Gee and Tony Dant and I have learned a tremendous amount from all of them and want to continue some of their strengths.

I am a candidate that has saved the taxpayers of Martin County thousands of dollars by seeking out grants like the \$50,000 in equipment for our officers. I've saved you money by maintaining the computers and computer networks at the Sheriff's Department and in our patrol cars.

I am not a professional politician, but I can offer you 27 years of Sheriff's Department experience including 8 years as your Chief Deputy. I can offer you a candidate that is backed by current and previous Sheriffs as well as most fellow officers and co-workers. I can offer you a candidate that can take over on day one and start providing you with the kind of service you would expect from your Sheriff.

I believe if the voters look at these factors, the choice will be clear.

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## SCOUTING MATTERS

By Mike Leighty - Odon Troop 481 Scoutmaster

In this second edition of Scouting Matters, I hope to plot a course of understanding on how Scouting truly does matter. I believe to understand scouting's future we must look at its past. This will keep the column in step with the 100th anniversary celebration and I hope to provide you with some validating data of scouting importance in American history.

The BSA was incorporated on February 8, 1910. There is a wealth of information on the internet concerning the founders of scouting; however, the chief architect of the BSA in the US was William D. Boyce. In establishing the BSA, he ensured a firm foundation at the highest level. Did you know the first honorary president was President William Howard Taft and the honorary vice president and Chief Scout Citizen was Theodore Roosevelt? Being a historian of sorts, Teddy has always been one of my favorites and, with him as the first Chief Scout Citizen, it is no wonder we are beginning our second century of Scouting.

Historically speaking, scouts played a significant role on the home front during both World Wars. During WWI, scouts sold Liberty Loan bonds, totaling \$147,876,902; sold war savings stamps, valued at \$53,043,698; aided in food and fuel conservation projects, and planted war gardens. During WWII scouts collected 30-million pounds of rubber during a two-week drive; distributed pledge cards for war bonds; collected aluminum, wastepaper, and salvage; served as dispatch bearers; assisted emergency medical units; distributed air-raid posters, and served as fire watchers.

During the Great Depression, President Roosevelt called for help from the BSA on behalf of the needy and scouts responded by collecting 1,812,284 items of clothing and household furnishings in short order.

Programs initiated in recent memory, which continue today: Scouting Keep

America Beautiful Day (June 5, 1971) where scouts collected more than a million tons of litter the first time and the First Scouting for Food National Good Turn (1988) where more than 60 million food items were collected.

Scouting by the numbers - the 100-millionth youth member was added in 2000; the two-millionth Eagle Scout was awarded in 2009; 57 percent (179) of astronauts were involved in scouting - 39 are Eagle; 11 of the 12 astronauts who walked on the moon were scouts. 35 percent of West Point Cadets have been involved in scouting; 30 percent USAF Academy Cadets; and 25 percent US Naval Academy Midshipmen. Finally, 212 members of the 111th Congress participated in scouting and 22 are Eagle Scouts.

One way or another Scouting has touched all of us. Check out this short list of famous scouts and Eagle Scouts: Henry "Hank" Aaron (baseball legend); Richard D. Anderson (MacGyver); Harrison Ford (Indiana Jones), and Ashton Kutcher (That 70s Show).

Famous Eagle Scouts include Neil Armstrong (first man on moon); Robert Gates (Director of CIA and Secretary of Defense); Mike Rowe (star of Dirty Jobs on Discovery Channel); Walter Cronkite (TV commentator); Michael Bloomberg (NYC mayor); Don Garlits (Father of Drag Racing); Richard Lugar (US Senator); Steven Spielberg (Film Director); Joe Theisman and Steve Young (NFL Quarterbacks), and Gerald R. Ford (US President).

If you are involved in scouting, you are in good company. If you are not, I guarantee a scout has touched your life somewhere on your journey. With the course plotted, it is going to be bright next 100 years. Please join me in thanking a scout or volunteer leader for their participation in this time-honored program.

## Vincennes University designated "Tree Campus USA" by Arbor Day Foundation

Vincennes University has earned the title "Tree Campus USA" for both its Vincennes and Jasper campuses.

"This is another step in VU's green initiative that promises to improve the campus environment, provide an additional educational tool for our students, and conserve our natural resources," said VU President Dick Helton.

To achieve this honor, an application was submitted to the Arbor Day Foundation that demonstrated that VU effectively manages campus trees, has a Campus Tree Advisory Committee, a Campus Tree Care Plan, a dedicated annual expenditure for campus trees, an annual Arbor Day observance, and a service learning project.

"I am proud that VU met these stringent qualifications and will now be able to fly the Tree Campus USA flag and display impressive plaques on both campuses. This will make Indiana's Arbor Day on April 30 particularly special for VU," Helton said.

Celebrating Arbor Day has become quite a tradition at VU. It was 1987 when VU began providing tree seedlings to each fourth grade student in Knox County Elementary Schools. Schools that will receive seedlings this month include Flaget, Franklin, Riley, Tecumseh-Harrison, Vigo, Washington, South Knox, North Knox Central, North Knox East, and North Knox West.

Students and employees at the VU Jasper Campus planted 600 seedlings on April 17 as part of a plan to transform the campus into a model of environmental leadership. Efforts are underway to create a wildlife habitat, plant native grasses and wildflowers, and construct a campus patio. Future

plans may include converting some leased campus farmland into a tree nursery.

"Dense forest land and ornamental trees are important contributors to the visual appeal of the VU Jasper Campus," said VU Jasper Dean Alan Johnson.

"Being designated as a Tree Campus USA highlights our commitment to a sustainable environment and community education."

A commitment to campus improvement and good stewardship of the land was required to earn this recognition, according to Helton. "For our Tree Campus USA honor, our dedicated grounds crew and Physical Plant staff deserve our appreciation. I particularly thank VU Jasper Dean Alan Johnson and Dave DeVoy, supervisor of grounds and motorpool, for their dedicated leadership in planting and maintaining campus trees," Helton said.

Already this spring more than 50 trees have been planted on the Vincennes Campus with at least an additional 20 plantings planned. Both campuses will plant a tree on Arbor Day.

"By meeting the annual standards and being recognized as a Tree Campus USA college, VU will create a campus that not only benefits the environment but instills pride in the students, employees, and community," Helton said.

## Commissioners' meeting day change for Primary Election

The next Martin County Commissioners meeting will be held Wednesday, May 5, due to the Primary Election.

It will begin at 6 p.m., in the commissioners room of the courthouse, in Shoals.

# Church BULLETIN

## New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE

By Shirley Canell - Pastor's wife

Sunday service was from Luke 8:40-42, then 49-56, titled "God's Going To Do Something Great". If you want God to do something miraculous, you have to seek Him. Jairus, who was an official in the synagogue, fell at Jesus' feet and began to implore Jesus to come to his house, his only daughter who was only twelve years old, was dying. He wanted Jesus to do something great, heal his only daughter before she died. It's the things that can't be accomplished by our own strength, resources or knowledge, these are the things that only God can do.

You have heard the saying give it to God, lay it at His feet. Exactly, Lord I seek you, here it is Lord I can't do this on my own; I need you Lord, Help me. Seek the Lord, Deuteronomy 4:29 . . . look it up. 1 Chronicles 16:8, Job 5:8, Psalms 9:10, Jeremiah 29:13, seek Him, seek God; seek the Lord. . . .

God likes to show us what kind of God He is. With God, all things are possible, Matthew 19:26. When something is not possible on your own, trust Him. Trust in the miracle that only God can perform as he has before, cleansed a leper, stilled the storm, healed paralysis, cured a demon-possessed man, fed the five thousand, walked on water, healed the blind, killed a fig tree, restored an ear, raised the dead; what more do you need? If this is the kind of God we have, don't you think we can trust him with our difficulties. You know what stops the impossible, US!

Jesus said to Jairus, be not afraid any longer, only believe and she will be made well. Jairus feared the unknown, he did not know that Jesus could raise the dead. We fear the unknown, we truly don't know what tomorrow will bring and with this, a fear of what will happen. Sometimes we just have to have faith. We can't live in a "what if" world. What if I had done this, what if I can't get a job, what if this court thing doesn't work out, what if I fail? What if I forgive that person and he/she does it again? What if I love that person and I get

hurt again? What if I step out and do something I believe God wants me to do, what if it is not from God? Have Faith. HAVE FAITH. Romans 8:28, "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God. To those who are called according to His purpose." God is sovereign and all-powerful. He can do more than we can ever dream of. You never know what is going to happen, but God does, and He knows what is best, so step out of that fear and believe.

When you believe for something that is God directed, people will laugh. They laughed at Jesus when He told Jairus that his daughter was not dead but asleep. Do you think they laughed at Noah when God told him to build an ark, what about David when he continued to worship his God when his life would be in danger for doing so? Will people laugh at you when you tell them what God can do? Probably! God will tell you what to do when the impossible happens. 2 Timothy 1:8, "Therefore, do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord or of me, His prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel according to the power of God."

Do you know somebody who feels defeated, somebody who has quit trying to feel halfway decent about him or herself? Do you know somebody who is carrying a burden for some child or friend that you think that there is no way God can help? Do you need a miracle? God wants to do miracles in our lives, are you ready for God to do something great in your life? People need the Lord. People need a friend to lead them to know God. Be a friend. Lead someone to know God's miracles.

In case there is some confusion concerning our beliefs we are of Southern Baptist beliefs. Ernie preaches strictly from the Bible. I heard him say once to not blame him for what the bible says. Scripture is read straight from the Bible. Please join us Sunday at 10 a.m. for praise and worship service. Call Pastor Ernie if you have any questions at 709-0258. Praise God.

## Washington area hearing center recognizes Better Speech and Hearing Month in May

May is Better Speech and Hearing Month, and Miracle Ear is offering tips to help people in the Daviess, Martin, Knox, and Lawrence area find out if they should have their hearing evaluated.

Tina Wilson, of Miracle Ear, suggests local residents take the following self-test, provided by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), if they suspect they are suffering from hearing loss:

Do you have a problem hearing over the telephone?

Do you have trouble following the conversation with two or more people are talking at the same time?

Do people complain that you turn the TV volume up too high? Do you have to strain to understand conversation? Do you have trouble hearing in a noisy background? Do you have dizziness, pain, or ringing in your ears? Do you find yourself asking people to repeat themselves? Do family members or co-workers remark about your missing what has been said? Do you misunderstand what others are saying and respond inappropriately? Do you have trouble understanding the speech of women and children?

Wilson says that if you or anyone you know can answer "yes" to more than two of these questions, then a hearing test should be scheduled at a trusted hearing care

provider, such as those available at Miracle Ear.

"Hearing loss is more prevalent than people suspect. In fact, the Better Hearing Institute reports that more than 31 million Americans suffer from the condition," said Wilson. "There is no reason for so many people to go through life with a hearing impairment. Testing and treatment are available, and can drastically improve the quality of life for people with diminished hearing."

Wilson adds that impaired hearing should be viewed as more than just an inconvenience - it's an actual health condition that can affect people's day-to-day activities, including work, social interactions and family life.

Offering a comprehensive hearing assessment that includes a complete hearing health history, ear canal inspection hearing threshold test, and speech discrimination test, Miracle Ear works with local residents to determine and meet their individual needs. If the test indicates that a person's hearing loss could be helped by a hearing aid, a hearing expert will program a device right then so that the individual can hear first-hand the difference a hearing aid can make.

For more information on better hearing, please contact Tina Wilson at 1-888-490-4327.





**TODAY'S  
Technology**  
**By Brian Vance**  
*Owner, PC TLC, Inc.*

Hello, my name is Brian Vance and I am looking forward to bringing the readers of the *Martin County Journal* the latest news on technology.

I am the owner of a technology solutions company based in Evansville called PC TLC, Inc. We specialize in small business and residential computer support. When your computers go haywire at your home or office, we are the guys who come in and make everything work properly.

I am truly passionate about technology, and I look forward to sharing some of my knowledge and experience with the readers of the *Martin County Journal*.

What you will see in this weekly column, is helpful advice on computer technology, security, and tech gadget reviews. I will also, beginning this week, address technology questions received via my web site contact form. Just go to [www.pctlc.com](http://www.pctlc.com) and submit a question using our contact form.

Thank you for reading, and I look forward to being the voice of technology for the *Martin County Journal*.

**Question: I don't have any virus protection on my computer, and I keep hearing of computers getting infected. How**

**can I protect my computer from this stuff?** -Candice in Loogootee

*Answer: There are over one million computer viruses in circulation. Many of them are programmed to have little virus babies and copy themselves onto every computer possible. An infected computer can do all sorts of scary things like record all of the keys you press and send the virus writer a copy of everything that you type (including emails, chat, passwords, websites, etc.) A virus can also destroy your data and cause your computer to not start again after you reboot.*

*How can you stay protected? This is a great question, Candice.*

*While no single software package will protect you 100%, we set up our customers with a suite of free protection utilities that will rid your computer of viruses as well as protect your computer in the future. Don't spend hundreds of dollars on antivirus and antispyware programs; we use FREE software at PC TLC, Inc. A good free antivirus program is called AVG Free Edition. You can download it from <http://free.avg.com>. We find this software works just as well as the paid versions.*

# Election 2010

**CALENDAR**

**Saturday, May 1, 2010**

Absentee board in office of the circuit court clerk must be open for at least 7 hours to permit absentee voting. However, in a county with a population of less than 20,000, the county election board may reduce hours to a minimum of 4 on this date.

**Monday, May 3, 2010**

Deadline, by noon, for the circuit court clerk to receive mailed, hand-delivered, or faxed absentee ballot applications from confined voters or voters caring for a confined person requesting delivery of a ballot by an absentee voter board.

Deadline, by noon, for a voter to vote an absentee ballot in the office of the circuit court clerk.

Deadline for a confined voter, a voter caring for a confined person, or a voter with disabilities to vote an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at voter's place of confinement.

**Tuesday, May 4, 2010**

Primary Election Day – Polls are open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

You have the right to vote in an Indiana election, if:

- You are both a U.S. citizen and a resident of Indiana; and
- You will be at least 18 years of age at the next General Election, November 2, 2010; 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.

A voter must provide government-issued photo ID before casting a ballot.

**ABSENTEE VOTING**

As a registered voter in Indiana, you are eligible to vote absentee-in-person at your county election board office beginning 29 days before Election Day.

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

1. 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 am to 6 pm).
2. You have a disability.
3. You are at least 65 years of age.
4. You will have official election duties outside of your precinct.
5. You are scheduled to work at your regular place of employment during the entire 12 hours that the polls are open.
6. 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.
7. You are prevented from voting because of a religious discipline or religious holiday during the entire 12 hours that the polls are open.
8. You are a participant in the state's address confidentiality program.
9. You are a member of the military or a public safety officer.

When the county election board receives your application for a mail-in absentee ballot, they will process it and if the application is approved, mail you an absentee ballot for the upcoming election.

In order to vote absentee-by-traveling board, you must fit into bullet points 2 or 6 above. The ballot will be delivered to you by a bi-partisan absentee voter board who will be able to assist you with your ballot.

**POLLING SITES**

- Perry 1 and Perry 3 - Loogootee United Methodist Church
- Perry 2 and Perry 4 - St. John Center
- Perry 5 - St. Martin's Hall
- Perry 6 - Martin County Community Building at the fairgrounds
- Perry 7 - Bramble Conservation Club
- Crane - Crane Town Hall
- Rutherford - Mt. Zion Church
- Lost River - Bateman Community Center
- Mitcheltree - Trinity Springs Church of Christ

## Calendar of Events

**Council on Aging fundraiser**

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 30. They will repeat this event again on Friday, May 7 at the Loogootee Senior Activity Center (located in the old Loogootee School Building on SW 1st Street). Lunch will be served from 11:00 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 \$5.00. Side salads will be available for \$1.00. You may dine in or carry-out. Delivery will be available for area businesses with advanced orders. Orders may be placed by calling 247-2525 or 295-3130. An outdoor wheelbarrow planter will also be given away. This is an annual fund raiser with all proceeds supporting activities at both centers. Make plans to join us for one or both events!

**Shoals Elementary program**

The Shoals Elementary School will hold their spring musical entitled "Music, Music, and More Music!" on Tuesday, June 1, at 1:30 p.m. in the high school gym. Students in first, third, and fifth grades will be performing.

**ABATE party**

ABATE Region 10 of Martin County will hold a Coming Out of the Cave Party on Saturday, May 8, at Bill Wilson's residence on Highway 231, five miles south of Loogootee. Watch for signs on the east side of the highway. The gate opens at 8 a.m., sign-in begins at 10 a.m., and a leisure ride starts at 11 a.m.

The cost is \$10 for ABATE members and \$15 for non-members. Everyone is welcome although you must be 18 years of age to participate.

There is free camping at the location and a hog roast will be held and side dishes will be available. For entertainment there will be a bike show, live music, a corn hole tournament, Euchre, and field events are possible. No weapons or violence of any kind will be permitted. Also, no dogs will be allowed.

**Youth football sign-ups**

The Martin County Raiders Football League will hold sign-ups on Sunday, May 16, at Pizza Junction in Loogootee from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$40 for the first child and \$30 for each additional sibling. Those interested must be enrolled in third through twelfth grade during the 2010-2011 school year and students from Loogootee, Shoals, and Barr-Reeve may sign up for the 10U, 12U, 14U, and high school teams. The league provides helmets, shoulder pads, and jerseys. Practices are set to begin on July 13 with the Jamboree on August 14. For more information contact Chuck or Audrey Robinson at 295-4773. The Martin County Youth Football League recycles at the Martin County Recycling Center. You can donate plastic, aluminum, cardboard, newspaper, magazines, and slightly-used tennis shoes in the name of the football league. The recycling center donates to the league for these items.

**REOCCURRING MEETINGS**

**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.

**Recovery support group**

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

**Youth football meetings**

Martin County Youth Football League meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Pizza Junction at 7:00 p.m. Questions, call Audrey Robinson at 295-4773.

**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 for the district are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit [www.martinswcd.com](http://www.martinswcd.com) or call at 247-2423.

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For questions, call the Martin County Clerk's office at 247-3651.

## Letter carriers' annual food drive set for May 8 throughout nation

The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) announced that the nation's largest annual food drive to combat hunger will be conducted this year on Saturday, May 8. On that day, letter carriers will collect non-perishable donations from homes as they deliver mail along their postal routes.

The 18th annual NALC National Food Drive to "Stamp Out Hunger" is the largest one-day food drive in the nation. Carriers collected a record 73.4 million pounds of food in last year's drive. The drive is held annually on the second Saturday in May in over 10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam.

Donations from this year's drive are expected to push the overall total since the annual drive began 18 years ago to over 1 billion pounds. The total currently is 982.7 million pounds.

Donations will be collected by more than 1,400 local branches of the 295,000-member postal union and delivered to food banks, pantries and shelters that serve the

communities where they are collected. Assisting in the effort are rural letter carriers and other postal employees, as well as members of other unions and thousands of civic volunteers.

NALC President Fredric V. Rolando emphasized that as successful as the food drive has been in the past, it simply must be even better this year.

"Millions and millions of families are suffering – struggling to make ends meet and put food on the table," Rolando said. "Food banks, pantries and shelters need our help more than ever this year. As families count on them for support, they're counting on us and we will not back off on our commitment."

Rolando also noted that donations are particularly critical at this time since most school lunch programs are suspended during the summer months and millions of children must find alternate sources of nutrition.

Persons who have questions about the drive at their location should ask their letter carrier or contact their local post office.

