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Shown above, for the Jug Rox, in the first row are Austin Rasico, Alexis Rush, Lydia Cook, Hannah Cook, Luke Troutman, and Lorna Troutman. In the second row are Dean Troutman, Malachi McNabb, Skylar Smith, Ashur Dishman, Nicholas McCracken and Rator Hoffman. Jug Rox Robotix is also coached by and Megan Hawkins who was not available for the picture. In the photo on the bottom, Nicholas McCracken and Ashur Dishman grab cones off the side stack right after the autonomous period.

## Jug Rox Robotix compete in World Championship in Houston

Jug Rox Robotix competed at the 2023 FIRST World Championship for the FTC robotics class at the Brown convention center in Houston, Texas on Tuesday, April 18 through Saturday, April 22. A total of 192 teams from 28 countries representing the top 3 percent of all teams competed at the event. The 192 teams were divided into four divisions of 48 teams and the Jug Rox were assigned the Ochoa division.

The event started on Tuesday afternoon with the setup of the team's pit area and hardware inspection of the robot. Wednesday morning the team took part in their 20-minute judged interview to review the team's robot design, engineering documentation, and team dynamics. The first of 11 rounds were on Wednesday evening followed by five rounds on Thursday and five rounds on Friday. A match consists of a 30-second autonomous period followed by a two-minute driver-controlled period. Teams are ranked by the number of wins/losses and then by their average autonomous score during the 30-second autonomous period.

The Jug Rox got off to a bumpy start, losing their first match on Wednesday and then their first two matches on Thursday. They rallied, however, to win the next three matches on Thursday giving them a rank of 25<sup>th</sup> coming into Friday morning for the remaining five matches. Friday, they continued with strong performances through some very competitive matches winning all five matches for the day. This propelled the Jug Rox to a rank of 9<sup>th</sup> at the end of the qualification rounds based off their 8-3 re-

cord and the average autonomous score of 57.57 which was 9<sup>th</sup> highest for the Ochoa division. Their performance gave them an overall rank of 35<sup>th</sup> across all 192 teams and their average autonomous score was 49<sup>th</sup> highest across all 192 teams.

Friday afternoon concluded with alliance selection for the final matches. In alliance selection, the top four ranked teams pick two other teams to partner with them in the final matches for a total of 12 teams that run in the finals. With a rank of 9<sup>th</sup> the Jug Rox felt they had a good chance to be selected to be part of an alliance in the Ochoa division. In the end, however, the Jug Rox were not picked which concluded the robot performance part of the competition.

Saturday, the Jug Rox attended the awards ceremony for the event. The Jug Rox were awarded the Connect Award Finalist. This judged award is given to the team that most connects with their local science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) community. A true FIRST team is more than a sum of its parts and recognizes that engaging their local STEM community plays an essential part in their success. The recipient of this award is recognized for helping the community understand FIRST, the FIRST Tech Challenge, and the team itself. The team that wins the Connect Award actively seeks and recruits engineers and explores the opportunities available in the world of engineering, science, and technology. This team has a clear team plan and has identified steps to achieve their goals.

Jug Rox Robotix would like to thank  
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## Harty, Gilbert move on to General Election

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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Noel Harty defeated opponent Teresa Nolley in Tuesday's City of Loogootee Primary Election by a vote of 312-231. There was only a Democratic ballot in this year's Primary as no Republicans had opponents. Harty will now go on to face Republican Brian Ader in the General Election this November.

Democrat Ron Gilbert defeated James "JD" Flynn (D) for the city council at-large seat, 272-242. Gilbert will now go up against Republican Buck Holland in the fall.

Just 27 percent of the 2,056 registered voters in Loogootee turned out Tuesday. There were 434 ballots cast on Election Day and 113 cast in early voting at the

courthouse. One ballot was turned in blank and there was on provisional ballot.

Four years ago, 156 absentee ballots were cast and there was 34 percent voter turnout overall. There was only a Democrat Primary four years ago, also.

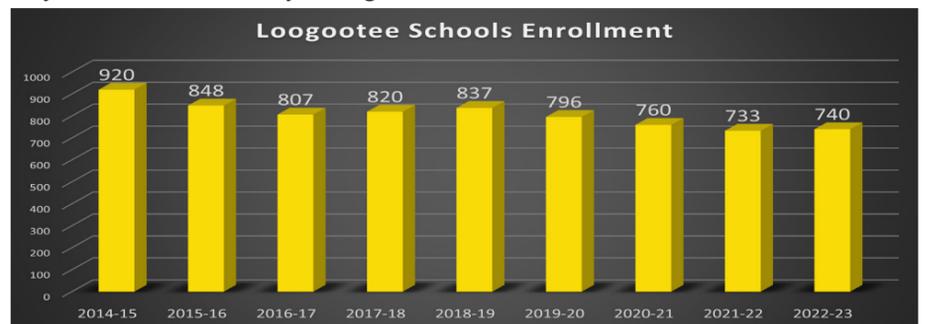
Those who win in the General Election this year will only serve three years as the City of Loogootee will be moving to the county-wide election in 2026.

The races for the City of Loogootee November General Election on Tuesday, November 7 are:

Mayor: Brian T. Ader (R) and Noel D. Harty (D)

City Council District 1: Mike Engleman (R)

Loogootee City Council District 2: (John) David Smith (R) and Tim Biggin  
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## Loogootee School moves forward with improvements, property tax increase

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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Several patrons were in attendance at last Thursday's Loogootee School Board meeting but only two spoke about the plan to raise property taxes for the \$17 million expansion and remodeling project. The school plans to build a 22,000-square foot activity center, a bus barn, a new elementary playground and remodel the middle school. The cost of the construction is \$9.9 million with \$7.1 million in interest over a 19-year period. Bond payments each year will be \$917,000. The school is currently paying \$750,000 annually which will increase that to \$1,667,000. The board unanimously approved moving forward with the projects.

Resident Audrey Robinson asked why there is a need for two new full-size basketball courts in the district and why the

## County council hears about pickleball, approves highway employee raises

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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The Martin County Council met Monday, May 1.

Members of the Loogootee Pickleball group came before the council to inform them of their plans to build four new pickleball courts next to the Loogootee Pool. This year, they are in the planning stages with next year's goal to raise the funds needed. According to Bill Boyd, the total cost for building the courts is estimated at \$415,000 although Teresa Smith, another member of the group, said she feels this is a high estimate. Boyd said a lot of communities around Loogootee

property tax increase was not on the ballot as a referendum. She also asked why all the projects need to be done now and can't be spaced out over a period of time and asked why the school would want to pay \$7.1 million in interest on a \$9.9 million loan. She also wanted to know how the enrollment justifies these projects. She said she would like to see a majority of tax dollars spent on roads and other infrastructure, not on two new gymnasiums.

Jane Herndon, with Ice Miller, said the property tax increase did not need voter approval because it didn't cross a certain financial threshold. She said the other questions were not required to be answered by the board, the public hearing was to just listen to taxpayer feedback.

Board Member Brent Courter said the school board made a mistake when they approved building improvements in 2018.

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are building courts as pickleball has become a popular trend. Council Member Jordan Dant asked how many residents are part of the pickleball club and Smith replied there are around 30-40, many of whom are traveling, sometimes twice a day, to Washington to play. It was noted that West Boggs is also planning to build six new pickleball courts in the park, with help from DNR grants. Dant asked what kind of money the pickleball group is requesting from the council. Boyd said they are not requesting a dollar amount now; they just wanted the council to be aware of the plan, so it isn't a surprise when they come back. Boyd was asked how much  
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-Photo provided

### Culinary grant

The Shoals Culinary Class received a \$290 grant from the Martin County Community Foundation to help with supplies for students to better learn the intricacies of the culinary world. The Martin County Community Foundation always likes to help youth further their education. Shown, from left to right, is teacher Sarah Knepp receiving the grant check from MCCF Board President Paula Ringwald.

## COUNTY COUNCIL

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the City of Loogootee has committed to the project. Boyd said they haven't committed anything yet as the group is still in the planning stage.

Highway Superintendent Scott Seals requested using the salary from an open position he can't get filled to split up amongst the 13 positions in his department. The salary is \$40,257 and would provide a \$2.15 per hour increase to those employees for the rest of the year. Council members noted the highway would be short \$18,000 for those increases next year since they are using the salary to cover eight months of this year, instead of 12. "I love the idea of raises, I just want to be confident that we know come budget time that we can come up with this extra \$18,000," said Council Member Dant. Seals said he has enough money in the budget to cover that shortfall next year. "I wouldn't be here if I didn't think so," said Seals. The council approved the request.

Seals said he has a full staff now, after eliminating that position. He said there are a few employees who will be retiring down the road, however.

Seals also requested an extra \$1,000 to pay for travel expenses for the highway department. He said the cost of travel has increased and there had been just \$1,500 budgeted for 2023. Seals was asked to

explain what the travel was for. Seals said he attends road school at Purdue and also the commissioners' conference. The council approved the additional funds.

The council approved an additional appropriation of \$1,500 for the sheriff's department for hiring bonuses. Sheriff Josh Greene said they are currently losing two deputies and one jailer. He said there are currently 75 inmates in the jail with 34 of them from Vigo County.

The council approved moving \$3,500 from a grant into the salaries for deputies to provide extra patrol for school bus stop arm violations. The four deputies who will be participating in the extra patrols will be paid \$29.75 per hour.

The council approved Dianna Ragsdale to serve on the tourism board and Chrystal Goodpaster to serve on the Loogootee Public Library Board.

The board and Auditor Michelle Norris discussed the state board of accounts requirements with moving funds from EDIT (Economic Development Income Tax) to pay for the ambulance service. Norris also reported the ambulance service took in \$40,386 in March and \$64,249 in April from insurance reimbursements since the start of the service last August.

It was noted that a sponsor hospital for the county ambulance service has not been announced.

## ROBOTIX

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Angela Cook, Edward Cook, Cindy McNabb and Michael McNabb for traveling to Houston to support the team in their travels and to all our sponsors. They are so grateful and overwhelmed by the amount of support and generosity that has been shown to them since the very beginning of the season. Since announcing their advancement beyond the state tournament, they have been showered with congratulations and generous sponsorships.

This is the first time they have ever made it to national competition, and they were

so excited to be able to go and represent the state and the community. Your financial support is what opens the door to so many amazing opportunities for the team to grow, learn, gain life skills, and have fun. The team was fully funded for the event, raising a total of \$13,000 through fundraisers and the sponsorships of 60 separate businesses, individuals, and organizations.

Game play for day three for the Jug Rox can be found on YouTube by searching for "2023 FTC Power Play World Championship Ochoa Division - Day 3" matches 83, 93, 106, 115, 125.

## LOOGOOTEE

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He said they should have included the four projects planned now because they were discussed but they decided against doing them at that time to lessen the burden on taxpayers. He said students need physical activity which is why the activity center is needed.

Board Member Chad Wade said the school needs the upgrades in order to increase enrollment with the new jobs at Crane. He said up until 2017, the school's enrollment was declining but now it is remaining steady. He said they, as a board, have planned these improvements for the past several years.

As with the building improvements in 2018, other board members and the superintendent cited the need to draw in more students to Loogootee, the need to provide safety for students and the studies that have shown improved learning with physical activity and school pride.

Resident Darla Wagler, who also serves as the Loogootee Public Library director, told the board that when the library considered raising property taxes to build a new library, the public was very much against it. She said they went with a USDA loan instead, using money to repay the loan that is already allocated to the library. She asked why the school didn't go that route. She said the patrons that come into the library are very much against a property tax increase because they are barely making ends meet now. She said Loogootee is losing students to other schools and they need to look into why. Board Member Wade said they do look into it, and he doesn't

think what Wagler is saying is accurate.

The bond will increase the tax rate for those in the Loogootee School District by 0.3013 for a total of 1.0852 per \$100 of assessed property value. A home with an assessed value of \$100,000, with or without deductions, would pay an additional \$301.30 a year in property taxes for a total of \$1,085.20 a year. Superintendent Harmon noted that property tax caps may result in less of a burden for some taxpayers. The cost for farmland and commercial property will be more of an increase. For every 100 acres of farmland the tax increase would be \$572.52 more per year. For \$100,000 in commercial or rental property, the tax increase would be \$301.32 more a year.

The school took out a 20-year bond in 2018 for \$11,890,000 (\$7,440,000 plus \$4,450,000 in interest) to remodel the elementary school and high school. That bond also increased taxes by 25 cents for every \$100 of assessed home value.

In other business, the board voted to accept the resignation of High School Principal Chris Walker at the end of the school year.

## ELECTION

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- Lawrence (D)
  - Loogootee City Council District 3: Carroll R. Rayhill (D)
  - Loogootee City Council District 4: Rick Norris (D)
  - Loogootee City Council At-Large: Buck Holland (R) and Ronald Gilbert (D)
- To see a breakdown of voting by precinct, click [here](#).

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# OBITUARIES

## PAULINE HOTZ

Pauline Hotz passed away Monday, May 1, 2023, at Daviess Community Hospital. A resident of Loogootee, she was 95.

She was born July 11, 1927; daughter of the late Orval and Ethel (Bradley) Summers.

Pauline married Donald Hotz on November 5, 1949, and he preceded her in death.

Pauline owned and operated Hotz & Sons Clothing Store. She also was a well renowned artist and a great mother. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and a former member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. She was also a member of the Red Hats Club and the Women's Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Hotz; parents, Orval and Ethel Summers; stepmother, Regina Summers; and siblings, Veronica Cline, Edward Summers, Eleanor Erler, and Janet Holt.

Pauline is survived by her sons, Frederick (Mercedes) Hotz of Dallas, Texas; Daniel (Susan) Hotz of Columbus, Ohio; Anthony (Ann Peters) Hotz of Boston, Massachusetts; Timothy (Marie) Hotz of San Francisco, California; and Jeffery (Mary) Hotz of Chicago, Illinois; grandchildren, Phillip, (Laryssa) Hotz, Natalie (Noah) Stuby, Jennifer (Jered) May, Stephanie (Nick) Godersky, and Emily Hotz; and great-grandchildren, Adeline, Annalise, Andrew, Eleanor, and Scarlett.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker Rev. at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 9 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, May 9 from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to St. Vincent De Paul Society.

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

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Pauline Hotz.

## WILMA SANDERS

Wilma June Sanders passed away Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at StoneBridge Health and Rehabilitation in Bedford. A resident of Shoals, she was 94.

She was born November 16, 1928, in Hartford City; daughter of Luther and Georgia Teegarden.

She married Charles Cunningham who preceded her in death on November 13,

1971. She then married Roy Sanders and he preceded her in death in February 2011.

Wilma graduated from Montpelier High School. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her son, George Cunningham; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles; husband, Roy; son, Charles Cunningham; daughter, Diana Taylor; grandson, Bobby Cunningham; and three siblings.

A funeral service was held Friday, April 28 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of George Funeral Care.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

## RICK BRASSINE

Ricky G. "Rick" Brassine passed away at 10:35 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 2023, at



Westview Nursing and Rehab. Center. A resident of Bedford, he was 64.

He was born May 6, 1958, in Bedford; son of Opal and Beverly (Fender) Brassine.

He retired as a laborer for Indiana Limestone Co. and was a member of the Oolitic Church of Christ. Survivors include a sister, Karen Shaw, of Loogootee; a brother, Steve Brassine and wife, Diana, of Seymour; nieces, Whitney Reed (Mitch) and Kylie Kramer (Paul); a nephew, Daygan Brassine; a great niece, Violet Reed; and two great nephews, Tobias and Emmett Kramer.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Graveside services were conducted Monday, May 1 in Mt. Olive Cemetery with Ed Owens officiating.

Family and friends may express condolences at [www.daycarter.com](http://www.daycarter.com).

## FAYE RUSH

Maud Faye Rush went to be with the Lord at 6:35 a.m. Monday, May 1, 2023, at Poplar Care Strategies, Loogootee. A resident of Shoals, she was 84.

She was born November 21, 1938, in Washington; daughter of Fay and Lula (Gardner) Harris. She married James Edgar "Bud" Rush, Jr., and he preceded her in death in November of 2008.

Faye was a graduate of Loogootee High School and worked at Crane in the Engineering Department.

She was a member of the Dover Hill United Methodist Church and attended the Dover Hill Christian Union Church.

Faye enjoyed gardening, mowing, keeping up with her lawn and flowers, and cooking.

She will be dearly missed by her family, friends, and especially her faithful canine companion, Pretty Boy.

Surviving are her daughter, Scheliah Rush; son-in-law, Neal Sheetz; brother-in-law, Norm (Renate) Rush; sister-in-law, Sylvia Rush; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Bud; and two daughters, Dawn Annette Rush and Justine Ann Sheetz.

A private family burial will be at Mt. Union Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

## DOROTHY WILCHER

Dorothy Jean Wilcher passed away Saturday, April 29, 2023, at her home.



A resident of Loogootee, she was 87.

She was born May 2, 1935, in Indianapolis; daughter of Troy and Betty (Blizzard) Sexson.

Dorothy married Cleo Wilcher on February 25, 1955, and he preceded her in death on September 13, 2015.

Dorothy was a licensed realtor and a member of the Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors. Dorothy and Cleo built and owned Loogootee-Jasper Livestock Center. She was a partner in Rosie's T-Shirts and Gifts and was a bookkeeper for many family businesses. She enjoyed genealogy and was the best Nintendo player. Dorothy was an avid bird watcher and enjoyed feeding the birds. She especially loved cardinals and peacocks. She raised peacocks for several years and even had a cardinal themed Christmas tree.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Cleo Wilcher; parents, Troy and Betty Sexson; sisters, Margaret "Peggy" Swengel and Carol Lambert; brother, Richard W. Sexson; and son-in-law, David Sutherland.

Dorothy is survived by her children, Larry (Cindy) Wilcher of Montgomery, Denise Sutherland of New Palestine, Darlene (Mike) Bradley of New Palestine, and Rosie (Doug) Bridges of Loogootee; grandchildren, Todd (Stacy) Wilcher, Kyle (Ivy) Wilcher, Darren (Sarah) Wilcher, Cleo Sutherland, Jennifer (Yan) Sherman, Dwayne (Kristi) Sutherland, Doug (Miranda) Sutherland, Dorothy (Jim) Webb, Levi (Sherry) Bradley, Leah (Zach) Herron, Laura (Craig) Turner, and Chassidy (Tye) Collins; great-grandchildren, Dakota (Lindsey) Wilcher and Keegan Wilcher, Garath, Margaret and Adelaide Webb, Lilly Maxwell, Scott, Lexi and Landon Bradley, Aubree and Chloe Herron, Will and Mason Sutherland, Nash, Parker, Rivier and Navy Sutherland, Jase Wilcher, Liam and Ava Williams, Raelynn and Maverick Turner, Mia Wilcher, and Kennedy Collins.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 8 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

Visitation will be held Sunday, May 7 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

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

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Dorothy Jean Wilcher.

## DENNIS SEALS

Dennis J. Seals passed away Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 64.



He was born January 19, 1959, in Washington; son of the late Wilson and Irene (Dean) Seals.

Dennis married Cathy Bratton on June 25, 1977, and she survives.

Dennis was a dedicated employee at National Gypsum for 39 1/2 years, where he was a member of the United Steel Workers 7-0354. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening. Dennis loved to spend time with his family and grandchildren. He also loved watching old westerns, WWE, Dateline and listening to rock n roll.

He was preceded in death by his son, Dustin Seals; parents, Wilson and Irene Seals; brother, Kenny Seals; sisters, Mary Holt and Darlene Christmas; brother-in-laws, John "Tater" Bratton and Loren Yarnell; and sister-in-law, Sherry Seals.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Cathy Seals of Loogootee; daughters, Tiffany Veilleux and Amber Gilbertson (Damon Baker), both of Loogootee; daughter-in-law, Brandi Seals of Loogootee; grandchildren, Skyler Veilleux (Hunter Crays), Tyler (Mavin) Veilleux, Elijah Veilleux (Rose Clausen), Caitlin Veilleux, Brody Gilbertson, Aubri Gilbertson, Raegan Baker, and Dallas Seals; great-grandchildren, Madex and Kanan Veilleux and Baby Boy Veilleux due in August 2023; brothers, Don (Wilma) Seals of Loogootee, Gordon (Marie) Seals of Loogootee, Larry Seals of Loogootee, Chuck Seals of Shoals, and Robert Seals of Jasper; sisters, Sandy (Jim) Isaacs of Loogootee and Judy Yarnell of Shoals; sister-in-law, Carrie Bratton; brother-in-law, Mark Christmas; special nephew, Donnie Seals; and several other nieces and nephews.

Dennis wished to be cremated and no funeral service will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Dennis J. Seals.

## ALBERT BROWN

Albert F. Brown, Jr. passed away in the early morning hours of April 26, 2023. He was 70.

He was born June 11, 1952; son of Albert, Sr. and Edna L. (Kates) Brown.

Albert loved doing activities that took him outdoors - especially fishing, bird watching, and mushroom hunting.

Those who now mourn Albert's passing include his siblings, Diana Rogers of Indianapolis; Richard (Darlene) Brown of Loogootee; Steve Brown of Washington; Mary Ann (Gordon) Horton of Bicknell; John (Kay) Brown of Washington; Letha (Roger) Blake of Alfordsville; Zola Brown; and sister-in-law, Mary Brown. Additionally, Albert leaves many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edna and Albert Brown, Sr.; a brother who died in infancy; brother, Charlie Brown; and brother-in-law, Carl Rogers, Sr.

Arrangements for Albert F. Brown, Jr. are pending at this time.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at [www.edleemortuary.com](http://www.edleemortuary.com).

The staff of the Ed Lee Mortuary is honored to have been entrusted with arrangements for Albert Brown, Jr.

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**-Admiral Grace Hopper**

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, APRIL 24

6:28 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:31 a.m. - Received a call reporting damage to a windshield in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Means responded.

6:48 a.m. - Received a call from Smithville Security advising of a commercial burglar alarm north of Loogootee. Keyholder was notified.

8:27 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:31 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2, Loogootee Chief Means and Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:34 a.m. - Received a call from Duke Energy advising of a road closure in Loogootee.

9:21 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

9:29 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

10:27 a.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn south of Shoals.

10:53 a.m. - Subject on station to make a report of a lost item in Crane.

11:12 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a car-deer accident east of Shoals. ISP responded.

12:57 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check north of Loogootee. Corporal Hawkins responded.

1:16 p.m. - Received a call from Duke Energy advising the road in Loogootee was now open.

1:29 p.m. - Received a call from Area One Protection advising of a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller, Captain Gibson, Corporal Hawkins and Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded.

3:06 p.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn in Loogootee.

3:35 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a traffic hazard east of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims and Corporal Hawkins responded.

3:53 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check in Burns City. Corporal Hawkins was notified.

3:56 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check in Loogootee. Corporal Hawkins was notified.

5:32 p.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn south of Loogootee.

7:39 p.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn south of Shoals.

8:30 p.m. - Received a call reporting property damage south of Loogootee. Corporal Hawkins responded.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 25

12:14 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims and Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:28 a.m. - Received a call reporting a tree down southwest of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded. REMC was also notified.

5:36 a.m. - Received a call reporting water gushing from water tower in Loogootee. Loogootee Water was notified.

8:20 a.m. - Received a call reporting a reckless driver on US 50, heading west. Loogootee Chief Means responded. Daviess County and ISP were notified.

9:26 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

9:54 a.m. - Received a report that the probation office would be testing their alarms today.

12:22 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting a vehicle identification number check in Loogootee. Captain Gibson responded.

1:20 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

1:27 p.m. - Chief Deputy Keller transported one inmate to court.

2:40 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

3:54 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Chief Deputy Keller and Haysville Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:04 p.m. - Received a call reporting a suspicious person west of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.

8:20 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

8:24 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Crane. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

9:14 p.m. - Received a call reporting possible gunshots in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

9:36 p.m. - Received a call reporting a disabled vehicle in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims and Corporal Hawkins responded.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

2:53 a.m. - Received a call requesting a lift assist in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded. No transport was needed.

6:13 a.m. - Received a call advising of a car-deer accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Means responded.

7:40 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

11:07 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

12:36 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance southeast of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to IU Health Bedford.

3:06 p.m. - Received a report of a spam call northeast of Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

3:25 p.m. - Received a call from Honor Alert Alarm Company requesting a lift assist in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Chief Means responded. No one was transported.

4:11 p.m. - Received a call reporting a traffic hazard north of Shoals. Deputy Haven responded.

4:19 p.m. - Received a call reporting a verbal dispute north of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

5:26 p.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn northeast of Shoals.

6:11 p.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:49 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance east of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:30 p.m. - Received a call reporting an aggressive driver south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Baumgart responded.

8:57 p.m. - Received a call from Daviess County advising of a verbal dispute with a juvenile south of Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.

11:55 p.m. - Received a call requesting

an officer in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Baumgart responded.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

8:49 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported three inmates to court.

10:44 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

10:45 a.m. - Received a call requesting an officer in Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller and Deputy Pressley responded.

12:00 p.m. - Received a call reporting a possible traffic hazard north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

1:52 p.m. - Received a call from Loogootee Community School advising they will be doing a fire drill.

2:23 p.m. - Received a call from both nursing homes in Loogootee advising they will be doing a fire drill.

2:54 p.m. - Received a call reporting harassment in Loogootee. Sergeant Wells responded.

3:53 p.m. - Received a 911 call on Crane base. Transferred call to Crane.

4:12 p.m. - Received a call reporting a disabled vehicle north of Shoals. Sergeant Well responded.

5:34 p.m. - Received a call wishing to speak to an officer about a complaint filed. Sergeant Wells responded.

5:54 p.m. - Received a call reporting harassment in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

6:13 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to IU Health Bloomington.

6:30 p.m. - Received a call reporting a hit-and-run in Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

7:13 p.m. - Received a call reporting vehicle damage in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Baumgart responded.

9:15 p.m. - Received a call reporting a lost cellphone in Loogootee. Advised caller the item was found and is in Loogootee.

9:34 p.m. - Received a call reporting a possible disabled vehicle south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Baumgart responded.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

6:01 a.m. - Received a call reporting a traffic hazard in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

9:45 a.m. - Received a call reporting a theft east of Shoals. ISP was notified.

12:24 p.m. - Received a call reporting a reckless driver on US 50, heading east from Daviess County. Daviess County was notified.

1:49 p.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn south of Shoals. Shoals Fire Chief Hamby was notified.

4:05 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver west of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims responded. Daviess County was notified.

4:55 p.m. - Received a call reporting a reckless driver on US 150, heading east. Orange County was notified.

5:39 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver on US 50, heading northeast. Advised Lawrence County.

5:47 p.m. - Received a call requesting to speak to an officer. Sergeant Wells responded. Daviess County was notified.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

7:10 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down southwest of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

8:28 a.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn southwest of Shoals.

10:19 a.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn north of Shoals.

1:17 p.m. - Received a call reporting a reckless driver south of Loogootee. Sergeant Wells responded.

4:37 p.m. - Received a call reporting possible property damage south of Loogootee. Sergeant Wells, Loogootee Officer Sims and Indiana Conservation Officer Mann responded.

9:23 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a disabled vehicle in Loogootee. Deputy Branham and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

9:38 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred call to Daviess County 911.

10:06 p.m. - Received a call reporting a possible trespasser in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

10:22 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:22 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting a welfare check south of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

7:42 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:31 a.m. - Received a call reporting a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Long and Sergeant Wells responded.

8:49 a.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

10:16 a.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:12 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

11:50 a.m. - Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred call to Daviess County 911.

12:28 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a water leak in Loogootee. Contacted Loogootee water.

1:11 p.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn north of Shoals.

2:59 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance southeast of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Lost River Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:26 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Daviess County EMS, Sergeant Wells, Loogootee Officer Sims and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Daviess County EMS transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

4:38 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, Sergeant Wells, Loogootee Officer Sims and Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:34 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Lawrence County EMS, Loogootee Fire Department, Loogootee Officer Sims and Sergeant Wells responded. Lawrence County transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:00 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

6:56 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance east of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Loogootee Officer Sims and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:30 p.m. - Received a call reporting a tree limb on telephone lines in Loogootee. Frontier was notified.

9:42 p.m. - Received a call reporting a tree down south of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department responded.

# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL COURT

### New Charges Filed

March 30

Joselyn R. Souerdike, failure to return to lawful detention, a Level 6 Felony.

March 31

Shelby P. Venters, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Thomas Robbins, Jr., possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

April 4

Paul D. Gee, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Jeyson Artemio Marroquin Carrera, knowingly or intentionally operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Shawn D. Robertson, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Danny M. Arthur, Jr., battery, a Class B Misdemeanor.

April 5

Rocky McCoy Baker, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Charles E. O'Connor, battery by bodily waste, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Amber N. Cissell, battery by bodily waste, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Kevin Downey, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor; refusal to submit to breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction.

Carol Baker, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

April 12

Nicole Hayden, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Ryan P. Watkins, three counts of possession of child pornography, Level 5 Felonies.

Robert E. White, III, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Level 6 Felony.

April 13

Michael Sherfick, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

April 18

Brian Sinnott, reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor; criminal recklessness, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Dewhawn L. Fleming, operating a vehicle with suspended registration, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Roger A. Salmon, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

April 20

Guy C. Hazel, failure to register as a sex or violent offender, a Level 6 Felony; illegal sex offender residency, a Level 6 Felony.

Anthony Schnarr, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony.

Christopher Richmond, three counts of intimidation, Level 6 Felonies; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor; directing laser pointer at public safety officer, a Class B Misdemeanor; criminal recklessness, a Class B Misdemeanor; reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor.

April 25

Lori B. Plano, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Kaden Hickman, operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Jordan Tyler Walton, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor; minor in possession of alcohol, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Willie D. Wilson, unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon, a Level 4 Felony; domestic battery by means of a deadly weapon, a Level 5 Felony; battery by means of a deadly weap-

on, a Level 5 Felony.

Richard P. Ervin, Jr., operating a vehicle as an habitual traffic violator, a Level 6 Felony.

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCINGS

April 19

Adam R. Hagedorn, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 548 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 274 actual days previously served plus 274 Class A credit days.

Jessica R. Draper, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 912 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 0 days suspended and credit for 165 actual days previously served plus 165 Class A credit days.

April 25

Brock Ryan Hendrix, convicted of reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days, in addition 56 actual days previously served on Martin County Community Corrections Pretrial Release program plus 11 Class P credit days.

Jon L. Perry, convicted of domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days with 176 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

James D. Colson, II, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 450 days with 404 days suspended and credit for 23 actual days previously served plus 23 Class A credit days. Defendant received 15 months of probation.

Kelly L. Allen, convicted of unlawful taking of a deer or wild turkey, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days with 180 days suspended.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

April 19

Adam R. Hagedorn, possession of a controlled substance, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Jessica R. Draper, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; refusal to submit to a breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction, dismissed.

April 20

Dylan V. Bruner, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

April 25

Brock Ryan Hendrix, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

Jon L. Perry, intimidation, a Level 5 Felony, dismissed.

James D. Colson, II, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Kelly L. Allen, hunting wild animals without a license, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; providing false information to DNR, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

April 20

Cks Prime Investments, LLC vs. Cori Rider, civil collection.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

April 21

Marie Truelove d/b/a Sunset Trailer Court vs. Misty McKibben-Melvin, complaint.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

April 21

Brandon Michael Peters of Shoals and Abalena Diann Hampton of Shoals.

# Loogootee Police log

## SUNDAY, APRIL 23

11:47 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on SR 550.

## MONDAY, APRIL 24

6:31 a.m. - Chief Means responded to a report of a semi with a leaky load nearing Loogootee on US 50 East.

8:31 a.m. - Chief Means and Assistant Chief Long assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call.

1:29 p.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to an alarm at a local business.

3:35 p.m. - Officer Sims responded to a report of a semi with a leaky load nearing Loogootee on US 50 East.

4:58 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted with traffic control for tree trimmers.

## TUESDAY, APRIL 25

10:06 a.m. - Chief Means completed a vehicle check.

12:46 p.m. - Chief Means spoke with a complainant regarding a possible prowler and theft.

2:47 p.m. - Chief Means responded to a report of a civil dispute on Mulberry Street.

2:55 p.m. - Officer Sims completed a vehicle check.

5:01 p.m. - Officer Sims took a report of credit card fraud.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

11:15 a.m. - Chief Means spoke with a complainant regarding a hit-and-run accident.

## Real estate transfers

**Leona C. Russell and Samuel P. Russell**, of Polk County, Florida to **Norbert D. Mattingly**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 3 and 14 in Block "F" in the Loogootee Land Company's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

**Reuben D. Ritchey**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Reuben D. Ritchey and Emily J. Ritchey**, of Martin County, Indiana, all that part of the east side of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, containing 1.2 acres, more or less.

**Joshua A. Benton and Trinity R. Benton**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Levi K. Graber**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, containing one-half acre, more or less.

**Kori J. Spinks, n/k/a Kori J. Clark and Landon L. Clark**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Caleb Sanders and Taylor Sanders**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 12, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 8.863 acres, more or less.

**James A. Jones and Victor W. Fuhrman**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Joshua D. Tinkle and Kelly N. Tinkle**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 158 and 159 in the original plat of the Town of Memphis, now the Town of Shoals.

**Richard A. Burch**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Clinton J. Burch**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in the original Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

**Clinton J. Burch**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brandon Michael Hembree**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in the original Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

# ARRESTS

## THURSDAY, APRIL 27

11:26 a.m. - William Yarbrough, 26, of French Lick, was arrested by Chief Deputy Keller on a Martin County warrant. He was released by the court.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 28

6:19 a.m. - Kaya Baker, 19, of Bedford, was arrested by Deputy Branham and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated-controlled substance. She is being held on \$3,000 10% bond.

cident.

12:05 p.m. - Chief Means spoke with a subject regarding an issue with her dog.

1:15 p.m. - A complainant called regarding a neighbor burning trash.

3:32 p.m. - Chief Means assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call in Sunset Trailer Court.

8:30 p.m. - Officer Baumgart responded to a complaint of erratic driving.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 27

12:20 p.m. - Chief Means assisted with a funeral procession.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 28

4:19 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Daviess County Sheriff's Department with a complaint.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 29

4:37 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a report of possible gunshots heard near Beard Road.

9:23 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted with a vehicle broken-down on US 231 South.

10:06 p.m. - Officer Sims responded to a report of a trespasser on Ackerman Drive.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 30

10:16 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long assisted with a vehicle unlock.

11:07 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long assisted with a vehicle unlock.

4:28 p.m. - First responders and Officer Sims responded to a medical call on Poplar Street.

4:38 p.m. - First responders and Officer Sims responded to a medical call on Cedar Street.

5:38 p.m. - First responders and Officer Sims responded to a medical call on West Washington Street.

6:59 p.m. - First responders and Officer Sims responded to a medical call on Hart Road.

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## Tri Kappa members attend state convention in French Lick

The 65th State Convention of Tri Kappa was held April 21-23 at the French Lick Resort with over 700 ladies from throughout the state attending. Council President Janet Perry presided with members of the Paoli Delta Chapter acting as hosts.

Representing the Loogootee-Shoals Delta Tau Chapter were President Pam Loughmiller, Delegate and Vice President Samantha Nelson, Alternate. Others attending from the local chapter were Province III Officer Audrey Robinson, Recording Secretary Tiffani Sergent, Corresponding Secretary Peggy Mattingly, Treasurer Dena Lyon and members Katie Milligan, Rachel Robinson, Renee Street, Pam Summers and Judy Treffinger.

Several business sessions were held during the three-day meeting. Displays by state committees and officers demonstrated Tri Kappa's work throughout the state. The Fine Arts winners from the regional province conventions and officer training were on display with attendees voting for their favorite in each category.

Tri Kappa's Philanthropy Committee continues to support Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health, including the Riley Children's Foundation and Riley Cheer Guild as well as HANDS in Autism, Camp Riley and Ronald McDonald House Charities of Indiana. An informative presentation on the music therapy program was given during the Philanthropy luncheon.

The Scholarship Committee reported that chapters awarded over \$1,100,000 to students in their communities over the last two years. Additionally, nearly \$50,000 was awarded in province and state scholarships. More than 80 chapters donated to the scholarship fund and contributed at least one filled backpack to the School Backpack Challenge with the Loogootee-Shoals chapter donating three filled backpacks. With a drawing, one lucky chapter received all the donated backpacks to take back and distribute in its community.

The Mental Health Committee donated more than \$16,000 to organizations to promote mental health needs of children and adults. Donations were made to the following organizations: American Foundation of Suicide Prevention of Indiana, Indiana Coalition Against Do-



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The Biennial State Convention of Tri Kappa was held in April at the French Lick Resort. Attending the three-day meeting of the philanthropic organization from the Loogootee-Shoals Delta Tau Chapter were, from left to right, Rachel Robinson, Katie Milligan, Pam Summers, Treasurer Dena Lyon, Province III Officer Audrey Robinson, President Pam Loughmiller, Vice President Samantha Nelson, Corresponding Secretary Peggy Mattingly, Renee Street and Judy Treffinger. Not pictured is Recording Secretary Tiffani Sergent.

mestic Violence, Junior Mental Health Association, Mental Health America of Indiana, Prevent Child Abuse Indiana, National Alliance on Mental Health and Special Olympics.

The Memorial Fund donated more than \$16,000 to 34 Indiana colleges and universities to help students with unexpected financial and personal hardships.

The Fine Arts Committee has been actively involved in the Hoosier Salon since it was organized in 1926. The Tri Kappa art collection, valued at over \$550,000, is on display at the Logan Library at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute and two acquisitions were added to the collection this year. The committee also awards art and music scholarships every spring.

The Gifted and Talented Committee has donated to several programs including the Indiana Bar "We the People" enrichment program, the Indiana Academy for Science, Math & Humanities, Indianapolis Indians STEM program, Purdue University's Gifted and Talented Educational program and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

At the Friday dinner, the 12 province officers including Delta Tau's own Audrey Robinson, honored the Council President by singing a song to her set to the tune of "Sweet Caroline". This was followed by a trivia night.

Saturday's dinner had a "Roaring 20's" theme with many attendees dressing in clothes of the era including Audrey Robinson, Rachel Robinson and Pam Summers from the local chapter.

At the Sunday morning business session, council (state) officers were elected and installed to serve during the 2023-2025 biennium. A brunch and announcement of the winners of the Fine Arts' competition closed out the convention with members looking ahead to the 2025 convention to be held in Fort Wayne. It will be hosted by newly-installed Council President Laurie Bloom and the Kendallville chapter.

### ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



DECEMBER is a female tiger stripe and white kitty, around 2 years old. She is spayed and up to date on all shots. Adoption fee is \$45. For more info or to apply to adopt, visit [www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org](http://www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org).

Tri Kappa is a statewide philanthropic organization known for its work in charity, culture and education. It has nearly 7,000 members in 227 active and associate chapters throughout the State of Indiana.

The Loogootee-Shoals Delta Tau Chapter was established in November of 1941 and now has 42 members. Its fundraising projects are the Birthday Calendar and the sale of pecans and assorted nuts to support the chapter's annual budget.

Each spring the chapter hosts an Academic Dinner to honor the Top 10 graduates at Loogootee High School. Scholarships are given to a graduate of Loogootee and Shoals High Schools as well as monetary awards to the valedictorians and salutatorians at both county schools. A few of the many donations

made annually by the chapter are to the Martin County Community Foundation, Martin County Museum, Cops for Kids, SOAR, Martin County Humane Society, the Scout programs, Youth First, Post Proms, 4-H Council and 4-H project awards, local math and academic bowls and various departments in the school system. The chapter also supports Summerfest and sponsors the Kids N Chalk sidewalk art contest at both the Catfish Festival and the Summerfest.

Over the past 81+ years the local chapter has promoted the work of Tri Kappa through charity, culture and education with financial contributions as well as service projects. In November, the chapter will be celebrating its 82nd anniversary of providing philanthropic services to Martin County.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Free community meal

The Loogootee Christian Church, at 206 Sherman Street, is having their monthly free meal for the community on Thursday, May 4 from 6-8 p.m. with carry outs starting at 7 p.m. This month they will be having lasagna, baked spaghetti, lettuce salad, sides, garlic bread, desserts and drinks. All members of the community are invited to attend.

### Mental Health Task Force

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

### Celebrate Recovery meetings

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

### St. Vincent Food Pantry

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3:30 p.m.

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school

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

### SOAR Tutoring

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### LUMC Food Pantry

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

### Solid waste board

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

### Soil and Water meetings

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

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April showers bring May flowers. The flowers certainly have come in waves recently. Each day, a walk in the gardens reveals something new. It can be overwhelming, as the grass and weeds present challenges, but the procession of flowers and trees makes the labor worthwhile. Last week, I hosted a group from the Dirt Diggers Garden Club and also had some other garden visitors. I enjoy sharing Sandhill Gardens with people who love gardens, but I make it clear to them that they will not see perfectly manicured landscapes. However, I also can guarantee that they will see birds and often other wildlife that share my somewhat wild piece of southern Indiana.

On a recent day, when the weather was more winter than spring, I did some visiting of my own. However, it was with indoor comfort at the Indianapolis Museum of Art at Newfields. I had gone in search of the immersive exhibit in the Lume exhibit hall, highlighting the works of Monet and other impressionists. I certainly was rewarded with a wonderful indoor garden experience. Impressionist works of art are projected on the walls and even the floor of the exhibit hall. It is almost like walking into the paintings. Movement is added, with butterflies and birds that almost seem real. Text projected on the walls tells the story of the Impressionist movement, all set to classical music in surround sound. While not all Impressionist art is of gardens, painting en plain air was popularized by Monet and other impressionists. I was able to visit Monet's gardens and home in Giverny, France several years ago, and this exhibit transported me back to that visit. Many of Monet's famous garden paintings were included, and they even have a photo opportunity featuring a reproduction of one of the arched bridges from Monet's garden.

Although the weather on the day of my visit prevented me from taking in the gardens and outdoor sculptures at Newfields, I really felt that I had a garden experience. I highly recommend this exhibit, which will continue until the end of May. You do need to go on-line and purchase tickets for specific times for this exhibit, but your ticket is good for the rest of the museum and also the gardens. It is a great way to spend a day.

Another great way to pass a day is visiting the many garden centers and greenhouses around the area. It is hard for me to drive past a plant sale, and I have to watch my budget carefully. I love to see what is available in the area and to talk with the many friends I have made over the years in the horticulture trade. While there are some advantages to visiting the big box store garden departments, I love

to visit the small, family operated nurseries. Finding these locations leads me down many side roads, and I get to see landscapes ranging from purely natural to carefully manicured. Many gardeners have potted up their extra plants, and I especially find it hard to pass up a plant sale along the road.

You will have the opportunity to increase the plant palette of your garden at some great plant sales this month. The annual Hoosier Hillside's Master Gardeners plant sale will be Saturday, May 6 in the lot on the southeast corner at the stoplight in Orleans. My fellow Master Gardeners have been busy potting up vegetables, flowers and herbs. There will be both annuals and perennials, and you will also be able to get expert garden advice from the master gardeners. The Vanderburgh County 4-H fairgrounds will also be hosting a Master Gardener plant sale the same day, and you will also find plants for sale at the Mesker Park Zoo and Botanical Gardens in Evansville. The Good Earth Master Gardeners will have their annual plant sale on Saturday, May 13, in conjunction with the farmers' market at the Washington County government complex in Salem. Get out and support these master gardener events and get some great plants for your garden. You may learn something valuable, too.

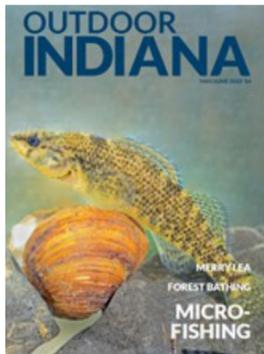
## Outdoor Indiana magazine features fishing for tiny fish

Outdoor Indiana magazine's May/June issue features a cover article on microfishing, the catch-and-release pursuit of tiny fish species most anglers ignore or don't know about.

The issue also includes a feature on Goshen College's Merry Lea Environmental Center at Wolf Lake in Noble County. Another feature highlights forest bathing, which is the practice of immersing oneself in nature and living in the present moment with the goal of receiving physical and psychological benefits.

Outdoor Indiana is available now at Indiana State Park Inns across the state for \$4. Subscriptions are \$15 for one year (six issues, a 27 percent savings over cover price) and \$28 for two years (12 issues, a 42 percent savings).

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I've had two people ask lately about the yellow flowered plant that has suddenly invaded one of their pastures this spring. It is called buttercup and it's not something you want to see in the field, even if it is pretty.

And despite seemingly appearing out of nowhere, this winter annual probably didn't just abruptly appear. The "foundation" of its existence in such prevalence most likely has come from a built-up seed bank. If you like pretty, yellow flowers, then they will never let you down – but you don't want them! Don't build me up buttercup – that will age me.

Buttercup most often sneaks in from bought hay, poorly cleaned seed or from hay equipment. It may lay incognito for several years in the understory of forage slowly increasing the seed bank and waiting for an opportunity to fully show its true colors.

That opportunity usually starts with overgrazed fall pastures with at least some soil disturbance. This not only sets back desirable forage species that would normally compete with the weed, but also provides some small bare soil spots that enable the pesky weed to really take off from that built up seed bank.

Wet soils with at least some compaction and bare soil creates ideal conditions for buttercup. The whole situation is then exacerbated with each passing growing season.

Buttercup is toxic to all species of livestock. Animals that consume buttercup may suffer from mouth blisters, diarrhea, colic or possibly in some cases death. Luckily, I suppose, most livestock will not consume buttercup because it is just unpalatable. It generally is avoided if there is anything else to graze. Most likely the animal is getting some type of negative biological feedback from the plant fairly quickly and stops consuming it before it takes in too much. The toxin is not a problem or concern in hay – but if present in hay that is being made, seeds from maturing plants may get moved to new locations.

Cattle don't like it and will only eat it if there is nothing else present. Even then, it is usually still minimally consumed. Horses hate the stuff and will totally avoid it. Sheep don't typically eat buttercup but are more likely to graze the plant than most animals when the plant is very immature. They tend to have mouth blistering when they consume much of the plant.

Undesirable species, like buttercup, are plants typically rejected by livestock. They quite often have undesirable side effects when eaten or have little to no food value. Desirable plants are readily consumed by livestock and generally are of good quality to consume. Intermediate species are only eaten by certain species of livestock for short periods of time when somewhat tolerable and then avoided. This quite often is the case with species that have anti-quality factors that tend to increase as the plant matures or with plants that have a very short desirable stage. Yellow bluestem or Broomsedge is a good example of this, it's actually decent quality when it first spikes and starts to grow, but quickly turns to very undesirable and avoided rubbish.

So, when undesirable plants like buttercup are avoided and desirable species are grazed tighter than they should be, the undesirable species gets a continually stronger foothold for dominance in the pasture. I've seen this happen quite quickly in horse pastures. Like I said, horses will totally avoid it and have no issue picking around it and eating any desirable species into the dirt if allowed. A field where it was barely

visible one year can turn to a field of solid yellow flowers in just a year or two.

What can we do about this pest? First of all, try not to bring it onto the farm in the first place. Check and maintain good fertility on pasture and hay fields to encourage good production and growth of desirable species. Be careful not to overgraze, especially in the fall and weaken the competition from desirable species.

We don't usually think about the pesky yellow flowered buttercup in the fall, but we should. Most buttercup plants develop from seed during the fall (somewhat dependent on if enough moisture is present). Overgrazing fields create opportunities for buttercup to grow. Maintaining cover is one of the best methods to help compete again with the emergence and growth of this weed.

Don't let it go to seed if at all possible! Mowing directly after a grazing event can help level the playing field just a little bit, setting the plant back to a more vegetative state. That only helps a little bit because the plant can set seed quite closely to the ground if forced to do so – but at least less seed is produced.

Longer rest periods prior to grazing again can help to create more competition from desirable species when it is still not too high in population. Once the threshold has been reached – and you'll know when that has happened – the infestation will have to be controlled by chemical means.

Ideally, apply herbicides in the early spring before flowers start to show. If present in the fall or early spring, herbicides labeled for use on pastures can help control it and you do have choices. Fall applications can be very advantageous especially with proper grazing management and good fertility programs.

Unfortunately, the unintended consequences of herbicide treatments to control buttercup can also be pretty detrimental to desirable forbs and legumes in the pasture sward. Some of those desirable species may return from the seedbank in the soil, but you may also need to reseed them once you have control of your pasture back. Contact your local extension office for herbicide choices and follow label instructions and restrictions.

I'm thankful that the new growing season is in full swing now. I certainly wish everyone a very good and productive grazing season. We never know what lies ahead so it is always good to try to stand sound and stay prepared. The simplest way to do this is never graze anything more than seven days in a row, a shorter time frame is a lot better. Do not overgraze – most plants respond best and produce more if they are not grazed shorter than three or four inches. Ideally, allow at least thirty days of rest prior to grazing again – no, that is generally not too long. Lastly, though it is hard to do and quite often can't be avoided, try to keep as much of the forage as possible in vegetative form.

Remember, it's not about maximizing a grazing event, but maximizing a grazing season! Keep on grazing!

Reminders & Opportunities  
International Grassland Congress (IGC) - The American Forage and Grassland Council is hosting the IGC. - May 14 to 19, 2023 - Covington, KY. The theme of the conference is "Grassland for Soil, Animal, and Human Health." For additional information or to register for the IGC, visit <https://internationalgrasslands.org/2023-igc/> or follow-on social media at @IGC2023.

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I used this last year and thought it presented a pretty timely message then and decided to do a repeated column for the first time.

This is the graduation season, high schools and colleges across the country are sending forth a new crop of graduates, some with very different ideas about what to expect will happen to them next. They have had the opportunity to learn many things and now regardless of where or what they are graduating from, should realize that a change in their life is going to occur.

Bill Gates (billionaire founder of Microsoft) had these words to share at a recent high-school commencement.

Rule 1: Life is not fair – get used to it.

Rule 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3: You will not make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn it.

Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.

Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a

different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.

Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes, and listening to you talk about how cool you were. So, before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parents' generation, try delousing the closet in your room.

Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some schools, they have abolished failing, and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to anything in real life.

Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.

Rule 10: Television is NOT real life. In real life, people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

## Home Economics Open Class at the Martin County 4-H Fair

BY KAREN MANN  
4-H Open Class organizer

It's springtime and time to start thinking about this year's Open Class at the Martin County 4-H Fair, which this year will run from Friday, July 7 through Tuesday, July 11.

All open class exhibits will be checked in on Wednesday, July 5, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The departments in the open class are baking, caning, gardening, flowers, fine arts, handicraft, needlework, quilts and photography. I will go into further details about each department in future articles.

The general rules are each exhibitor may only enter one article per section. An entry fee of 50 cents will be charged for each section in each department in which an entry is made. If there is only one exhibit in a section and it is not worthy of a first-place award, it can be awarded second, third or none. First place will be awarded a blue ribbon and \$1, second place red ribbon and 75 cents and third place white and 50 cents will be awarded in each section. The pre-

### Spring Mill to host Village Tasting Experience

Spring Mill State Park will host its Village Tasting Experience from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 10 in its Pioneer Village.

Eight distilleries will participate: Spirits of French Lick, Luxco/Ross and Squibb Distillery from Lawrenceburg, Distillery 64 from New Albany, Old 55 Distillery from Newtown, Hard Truth Distilling Company of Nashville, Donum Dei Distillery of New Albany, Dusty Barn Distillery of Mt. Vernon, and West Fork Whiskey Company of Westfield.

In addition to the tasting, there will be appetizer pairings, music, interpretive programs, photo opportunities, and other activities. Products from the distilleries will be available for cash purchase.

The event is limited to the first 400 people age 21 and older. Cost is \$35 per person if staying in the park's campground and riding the shuttle, and \$45 if not staying in the campground. Those not staying on site must have a designated driver who is also 21 or older. The designated driver will not be charged and can participate in

mium from these ribbons is sponsored by Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc. From the blue ribbons in each section, a grand champion will be awarded with a gift certificate. An overall award for outstanding exhibitor will be awarded to the person with the most exhibits, in case of a tie, the exhibitor with the most grand champions will be awarded top exhibitor will receive a gift certificate.

Any previous exhibit cannot be exhibited again. This open class is open to any person of any age and any county. The exhibit must be the work of the exhibitor.

To get the information on the different departments that you can exhibit in you can go to Facebook under Martin County Home Economics Open Class Exhibits. You can also pick up an open class pamphlet in Shoals at Bauer Family Coffee Shop, Chastain's Flowers, RJ's Food Mart and Velma's Diner. In Loogootee at Hometown Flowers & Gifts, Hometown IGA, Rosie's T-shirts & Gifts and Williams Bros. Health Care Pharmacy.

We hope that you will consider exhibiting in the open class department at this year's Martin County Fair.

all events but the drink tasting. There will be no designated drivers from the campground; all campers must take the shuttle.

Advance registration is required and can be made by calling 812-849-3534 between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. daily. Payment is required at the time of registration. There are no refunds. The event will take place rain or shine.

For information about the event, contact Coletta Prewitt, interpretive naturalist, at [cprewitt@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:cprewitt@dnr.IN.gov), or 812-849-3534.

### Visit and fish at DNR properties for free on May 7

The DNR is offering free admission to state parks, recreation areas, forests, and reservoirs on Sunday, May 7, which is also a Free Fishing Day.

On Free Fishing Days, all Indiana residents can fish the state's public waters without a fishing license or trout/salmon stamp. All size and bag limits remain in effect. For public places to fish near you, see [on.IN.gov/where2fish](http://on.IN.gov/where2fish).

## Indiana state parks host Welcome Back Weekend

Celebrate spring and the start of recreation season during Welcome Back Weekend, May 5-7.

Admission to all state parks will be free on Sunday, May 7. In addition, that day is a Free Fishing Day, during which Hoosiers can fish Indiana waters without a fishing license or trout/salmon stamp, with all size and bag limits in effect. For public places to fish near you, see [on.IN.gov/where2fish](http://on.IN.gov/where2fish). Check out fishing tips and videos at [on.IN.gov/learn2fish](http://on.IN.gov/learn2fish) to help maximize your experience.

Welcome Back Weekend programs include:

Spring Mill State Park's Welcome Back Weekend programs at its Pioneer Village, Lakeview Activity Center, and Gus Grisom Memorial Museum, May 5-7

Brown County State Park's Morel Mushroom Festival, May 6

Full moon hikes at various state parks, May 5-6

Fishing workshops at Mississinewa and Salamonie lakes, May 6

Autos, Tractors, and Trucks at The Farm at Prophetstown, adjacent to Prophetstown State Park, May 6

Free gate admission and the Free Fishing Day are offered in partnership with Visit Indiana's IN Indiana Week, which is May 7-13. Register for the Indiana State Nature Passport program at [visitindiana.com/explore](http://visitindiana.com/explore), then check in when you visit a property to participate in a variety of giveaways during the week and throughout the year.

More weekend events can be found at [calendar.dnr.IN.gov](http://calendar.dnr.IN.gov).

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### Loogootee High School Girls' Tennis results

The Loogootee High School Girls' Tennis Teams were defeated by Barr-Reeve last Tuesday, April 25.

The varsity lost 2-3 and the junior varsity 1-5.

#### Varsity results

#1 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Brylee Fuhrman 6-0, 6-0

#2 Singles Caitlin Carrico (L) defeated Beth Graber 6-2, 6-4

#3 Singles Brynlee Rollins (BR) defeated Marley McAtee 6-4, 6-1

#1 Doubles Dylan Decoursey/Sydney Swartzentruber (BR) defeated Ana Toy/Addy Lengacher 6-1, 6-0

#2 Doubles Alli Robinson/Claire Harrison (BR) defeated Abbey Fischer/Macy Knepp 6-1, 6-1

#### Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Kamila Wilson (L) defeated Alaina Mincey 8-5

#2 Singles Riley Jones (BR) defeated Izzy Smith 8-3

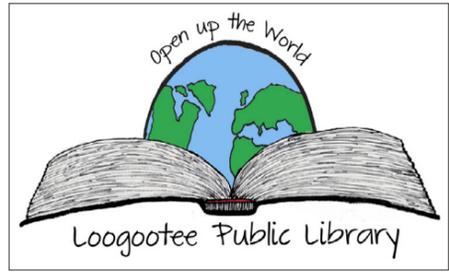
#3 Singles Janae Graber (BR) defeated Britta Browder 8-0

#1 Doubles Madelyn Harrison/Faith Fuhs (BR) defeated Linsey England/Kamila Wilson 8-3

#2 Doubles Mariah Brunson/Danielle

Seal (BR) defeated Ashlynn Gilbert/Brooklyn Knepp 8-3

#3 Doubles Addison Swartzentruber/Agueda Planas (BR) defeated Brooklyn Knepp/Britta Browder 8-0



**BY DARLA WAGLER**  
*Librarian, Loogootee Public Library*

The library has a Mesker Zoo Pass for 2 adults and 4 kids that can be checked out with your Loogootee Public Library Evergreen card. The pass can be checked out for 3 days and you have to come in to check it out-no holds. Call the library for details.

Mother's Day Gift Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, May 11 from 3-5:30 p.m.

VU instructor William Hamlin will be at the library on May 13 from 11-1 to help individuals with computer training, cell phone problems or tablet questions.

BINGO 55 plus will be held on Monday, May 15 at 10:15 a.m. Prizes are sundries and restaurant gift cards. This is a fun way to stock up on cleaning supplies, paper towels, and other necessities.

#### New Books:

Mystery: "The 23<sup>rd</sup> Midnight" by James Patterson

Fiction: "The Wedding Planner" by Danielle Steel, "The Bride Wore White" by Amanda Quick, and "All the Days of Summer" by Nancy Thayer.

Nonfiction: "Before You Meet Your Future Husband" by Robin Jones Gunn and "Overcoming Every Problem" by Joyce Meyer.

Library hours: Monday 10-6, Tuesday 10-5, Closed on Wednesday, Thursday 10-6, Friday 10-5, and Saturday 9-1. The library phone number is 812-295-3713 and check out the website [www.loogootee.lib.in.us](http://www.loogootee.lib.in.us) or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

## 2023 Seniors



## SHOALS HIGH SCHOOL



**AVALEY BRAUN**

Avaley Hope Braun is the daughter of Jeremy Braun and Allison Quinn. Her siblings include Aryonna Braun and Acelyn Braun. While in high school, Avaley participated in cheer for four years, dance for four years, softball for four years, Pep Club for four years, Spanish Club for four years, Student Council for four years, and IMPACCT. Her favorite school memory was winning Homecoming Princess her sophomore year, and meeting her high school sweetheart. Avaley plans to attend VU Jasper Campus for Nursing. She will obtain her associates degree with plans to eventually return to school and become a nurse practitioner.



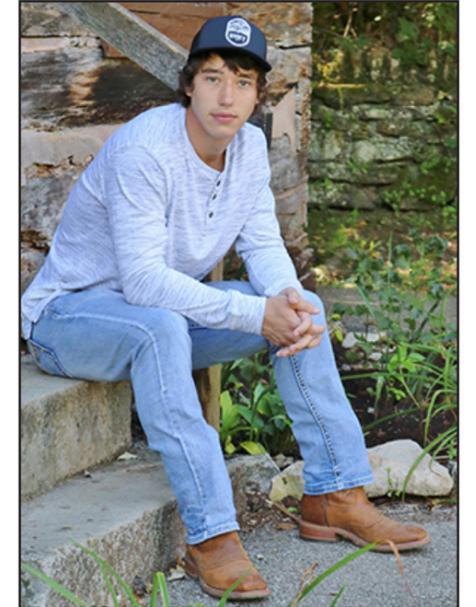
**ASHUR DISHMAN**

Ashur Pierce Dishman is the son of Vanessa and Jason Dishman. His siblings include Jobe, Savannah, Teagan, and Quinn Dishman. While in high school, Ashur participated in Robotics, Chess Club, boys basketball manager, Academic Team, and Beta. His favorite school memory was when Brayden Perry hit the game winning layup against WRV. After graduation, Ashur plans to attend Purdue University and pursue a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering.



**LOGAN DAVIS**

Logan Elizabeth Davis is the daughter of Mike and Mary Davis. Her siblings include Taylor Sanders, D.J. Ellsworth, and Scotty Davis. While in high school, Logan participated in cheerleading, dance, softball, Spanish Club, Beta Club, SADD, IMPACCT, Spell Bowl, Academic Bowl, Pep Club, Student Council, and Mayor's Youth Council. Her favorite high school memory is decorating for prom with her classmates. After high school, Logan plans to attend IU and become an OBGYN.



**ELI STOLL**

Eli David Stoll is son of Brian and Cristy Stoll. His siblings include Abby, Olivia, Noah, and Anna. While in high school, Eli participated in baseball, Beta, IMPACCT, and was a one of a kind school intern. Eli's favorite school memory was senior skip day. After graduation, Eli plans to become a civil engineer and stay out of debt.

### Memorial Hospital Foundation announces scholarship recipients

The Memorial Hospital Foundation Martin County Scholarship was awarded to Savannah Stevens, daughter of Telesa and Nathan Stevens. Savannah is a senior at Shoals Jr-Sr High School and plans to major in Nursing at either Vincennes University Jasper or the University of Southern Indiana.

The following scholarship was presented in partnership with the Dubois County Community Foundation:

The Tom and Sue Strange and Amy and Patrick Todd Family Healthcare Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 for up to four years/graduation was awarded to Adleen Nolley, daughter of Gina and Dennis Nolley. Adleen was a 2021 graduate of Loogootee High School and is currently majoring in Nursing at Wabash Valley College. This is the first year Adleen has received this annual scholarship.

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