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Former Loogootee residents recover from flooding in their home of Nashville, TN

BY KRISTA MCATEE
Special feature for the Journal

This is part two of the story. Part one was in last week's Journal.

Rain wouldn't stop falling. Sheets of rain that sound like a waterfall. We watch helplessly as our friends and neighbors are overcome by flood waters. We watch boats running down streets like rivers. People are dying in the water. A mother watched as her husband and daughter were washed away in the waters. I watched people being rescued from their homes by boats and canoes.

Sunday night, the rain was supposed to end, so I assumed the worst was over. Schools and businesses were closed on Monday, so I slept in. I woke up Monday to discover that the Cumberland River had flooded as well. An entire neighborhood was underwater overnight. The Opryland Hotel, where I spent many childhood vacations wandering the beautiful gardens, was flooded with six feet of murky river water. In downtown Nashville, the water was creeping toward the historic buildings of 2nd Ave. I watched as a house in Pennington Bend burned on TV because fire trucks could not get to it. I prayed the people got out.

My links to the rest of the city were Facebook and TV. The news was on all the local channels 24/7. I was posting on Facebook that we were flooded, but none of my out of town friends knew it. One of my classmates told me that her niece lived in Bellevue, one of the hardest hit areas. She did not know how much damage they had, but knew they had evacuated. The news anchors on TV warned us to conserve water because one of the two water treatment plants was underwater. We were not supposed to wash clothes or dishes, rumors spread that they were going to turn off the water. At the stores, water was flying off the shelves. Two



-Photo provided

Former Loogootee resident Erin Kenna Wayman, shown on the right, and her husband, Tim, shown in the middle, stand with Anderson Cooper of CNN's Anderson Cooper 360 who was in her neighborhood covering the flooding.

bodies were discovered behind my grocery store, a couple on their way to church on Sunday; they were swept away by flood waters.

Back at home, I continued to post on Facebook and watch the news. I turned to the cable news channels to see what they were saying . . . and they were not even mentioning the devastating flood. I could not believe it. The Times Square bomb attempt and the oil spill were dominating the news. No wonder my friends back in Loogootee had no idea anything was happening.

The weather on Monday and Tuesday was glorious, sunny, warm, and dry. The waters ('FLOODS' continued on page 2)



Lightning up the night sky

-Photo by Jessica Lampert of Lampert's Photography

It's that of the year for storms and Martin County has seen its share of rain, thunder, and lightning over the past few weeks. Luckily the high winds and rain have not caused too much damage in the area but have ruined many sports' activities.

Loogootee City Council divided again over employees' health insurance cost

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

Another lively debate ensued over the city employees' health insurance at the Loogootee City Council meeting Monday night, May 10.

Recently, the council learned the city employees' insurance coverage through Anthem, for city employees had changed without any prior warning. The council decided at their April meeting to hold a special meeting on April 15 to go over the changes. The new policy had a much higher deductible than the previous policy but the employees' annual premiums dropped by \$1,000.

Under the new policy, according to Council member Rick Norris, families would be paying annual premiums of \$3,400 with a deductible of \$4,000. Singles have average premiums of \$1,200 a year in premiums with a \$2,000 deductible. It was decided in the special meeting on April 15, to open health savings accounts at a local bank and give \$1,000 to employees with single plans and \$2,000 to employees with family plans dropping the deductibles only \$1,000 for singles and \$2,000 for families.

This brought what the city pays for premiums to \$227,021 every year for an average of \$13,668 per employee, down from \$268,804 last year. The average amount an ('COUNCIL' continued on page 2)

Indiana State Police Jasper Post holds annual memorial service



-Photo provided by the ISP

Behind the formation is Sgt. Chad Dick OIC of the Firing Party. The formation, from left to right, are Trooper Mark Green, Trooper Scott Qualls, Trooper Jarrod Lents, Trooper Phil Hensley, Trooper Brock Werne, Trooper Jason Allen, and Trooper Heath Carkuff.

Since the early days of the Indiana State Police, memorial services have been held each May at all Indiana State Police districts to perpetuate the memory of those who have died in the line of duty. The service acts as a means of paying tribute to those who died in the line of duty, that their sacrifice was not made in vain, and as a reminder to those of us left behind that we should strive to maintain the level of professional service to the public our departed comrades so unselfishly gave their lives for.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed Public Law 87-726, making May 15 National Peace Officers' Memorial Day and the calendar week containing May 15 being designated National Police Week.

At the end of this week the names of 126 officers will be added to the National Law Enforcement Memorial Wall in Washington

DC.

The Indiana State Police Post at Jasper held their annual memorial service today for those members of the department that gave their lives in the line of duty.

Troopers present were brought to attention and prepared for the roll call. Captain Danny Price and Lieutenant Don Bolen then read each fallen member's name, along with a description of the circumstances surrounding their death.

A total of 45 members of the Indiana State Police have died in the line of duty since the department's inception in 1933.

For a complete listing of Indiana Troopers killed in the line of duty and a summary of their deaths, visit the Indiana State Police website at www.in.gov/isp and click on the "In Memoriam" link on the left side of the page.

COUNCIL

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employee would pay for a family plan per week would be \$65 from their pay and a single plan would be \$23 per week.

At Monday night's meeting, Norris, who is one of the city employees who receives health insurance, said that it was only fair to help even out the family and single plans and suggested putting an additional \$1,000 into the employees' health savings account for families upping their annual health savings account to \$3,000 paid by the city. This would allow families to have \$3,000 to cover medical expenses and only have a \$1,000 deductible. "We are exuberantly high," said Norris about the cost of the city's coverage.

There are eight employees with a family plan so \$8,000 would have to be added. Each family would have \$3,000 added to a savings account to use toward medical expenses each year and single plans would have \$1,000. If the money is not spent, it rolls over to the next year.

He said that the city was approved for a 25 percent increase in this year's budget to pay for insurance and this would only increase the city's portion of the premium to \$235,021 or \$15,668 per employee on average.

Mayor Bowling said that Norris was not mentioning that the employees' premiums dropped by \$1,000 under the new plan. Norris said that he included that in his figures. "There are a lot of different ways to look at figures; you can take figures and make them say whatever you want them to say," said Mayor Bowling.

Council member Sue Brewer said that since the money would need to come from the water department, she doesn't see how it's going to get paid for. She said the water department's balance is at \$7,000. "The water operating fund is as low as I've ever seen it," said Brewer. Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones said that the money was budgeted into the general fund.

Council member Phyllis Parker said that she was against giving the additional \$8,000 because it would cost the city and she was upset that this was brought up and was not on the agenda. Norris explained that the city was not spending all that was budgeted for health insurance and there would still be some cost savings from last year.

"So, why not try and save the city some money because if we don't spend it then we can use it for something else," she said. "You're getting a benefit," she said.

Clerk-Treasurer Jones then said that she doesn't think the employees know yet how much it will cost out of pocket since the plan is so new. She said that she just got a 90-day prescription and didn't pay anything.

Jones also noted that the amount budgeted was over the months throughout the year and with the health savings account that was added of \$22,000 plus Norris' request for another \$8,000 it has to be paid up front, now, to each account for a total of \$30,000 needed now. She said she didn't know if the city even had that much at the moment.

Mayor Bowling said that some employees are taking the extra money from the \$1,000 in annual savings in premiums and adding that to their health savings account. "I think we all need to take into consideration that as the council of this city, we need to look at finances and if we can save a dollar we are going to have to do it," said Mayor Bowling.

"I totally agree we should save where we can but I don't think we do it at the total cost to the employees," said Norris. "I'll make the motion that we do this," he added. Council member Rich Taylor made the second. "We have families out there that are on the poverty line now and we just keep taking and taking and taking and we are so worried about the city losing a dime," said "This city has survived for a hundred and some years and will continue to survive; if you don't spend money you don't make

money, you can't keep putting bandaids on everything" he added.

"I think we jumped into this a lot quicker than we did the last meeting," said Mayor Bowling.

"I do too and I would have liked to have had some notice that this was going to be brought up because I thought that we'd already discussed it," said Council member Parker.

"I think we were rushed, we had two people leaving," said Norris about the special meeting on April 15, held for the purpose of discussing health insurance.

"And you don't think we're rushed now?" said Parker.

"We can sit here and discuss it all night if you want," said Norris.

"I think you're taking the viewpoint of an employee and not a council member," said Parker.

"Yes, I am too, I know as a council member I'm concerned for all of our city employees," said Norris.

"If you want to talk about fairness, what are you going to do with the employees who don't have insurance; everybody else is getting all these benefits and they get nothing," said Mayor Bowling.

"They have insurance somewhere else and they have the option of taking this insurance," said Norris.

"That's not the point, that's not the point," said Mayor Bowling.

Council members Joe Mattox made the motion to table the discussion and have a special meeting just for insurance. Parker made the second.

Council member Taylor asked what happened to the first motion to approve the extra money and Mayor Bowling said a motion to table supersedes any other motion according to Robert's Rule of Order. The motion to table was denied with a vote of 3-2 with Norris, Taylor, and Brewer opposed to holding a special meeting.

Norris said that he thinks they city should shop around for a better plan for next year.

Norris brought back up his motion to pay the \$8,000 and Taylor again made the second. The motion passed with Brewer being in favor and Parker and Mattox being opposed.

In other business City Council Attorney Mark Jones opened sealed bids for the fire department. The bids were sought after the city and Montgomery were both approved for a grant for turnout gear and decided to go together to purchase the equipment to get the best price. Loogootee was awarded \$44,850, Loogootee Police Chief Terry Pielemeier announced at the February council meeting; Montgomery was awarded \$30,000 in the second round of the funding from the US Department of Homeland Security and FEMA. Both grants required a 5 percent match which for Loogootee would be approximately \$2,500 and Pielemeier explained the money would come from the cumulative firefighting fund.

Bids were received from Hoosier Fire Equipment, Towers Fire Apparatus, Fire Service, Inc.; and Mid America Fire and Safety, LLC. After opening the bids the council voted to turn them over to Pielemeier and Montgomery Assistant Fire Chief Wayne Murphy who were both present at the meeting. The chiefs took the bids to the hallway to make their decision and came back to report to the council. They decided to go with Towers Fire Apparatus for the helmets at \$220 each, the gloves at \$85 each, and the carbon-fiber hoods at \$28 each. They chose Mid American Fire and Safety, LLC for the boots at \$228 each and the personal alert safety systems at \$249 each. Pielemeier said that the alert safety systems allowed downed firefighters to be located in a blaze by producing a loud shrieking noise.

Towers Fire Apparatus is the company that the city purchased the latest fire truck from.

At last month's meeting the council gave the okay for Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones to apply for a credit card for the city. Jones

announced at Monday night's meeting that she actually got two different credit cards. One was from Old National Bank and would be solely used by the Water Department. The second card was from German American and would be used by the rest of the departments.

Council members Phyllis Parker and Rick Norris volunteered to be members of the Local Planning Team for the Wellhead Protection Program.

The team will be put in place to stay up-to-date with the safety of the city's wells and how to protect them from farm run-off contamination, over-flowing river water, or terrorism.

Mayor Bowling said that team will be comprised of Utilities Manager Bo Wilson, himself, Parker and Norris and one or two private citizens, and possibly some of the water department employees. The mayor said that there would probably be two meet-

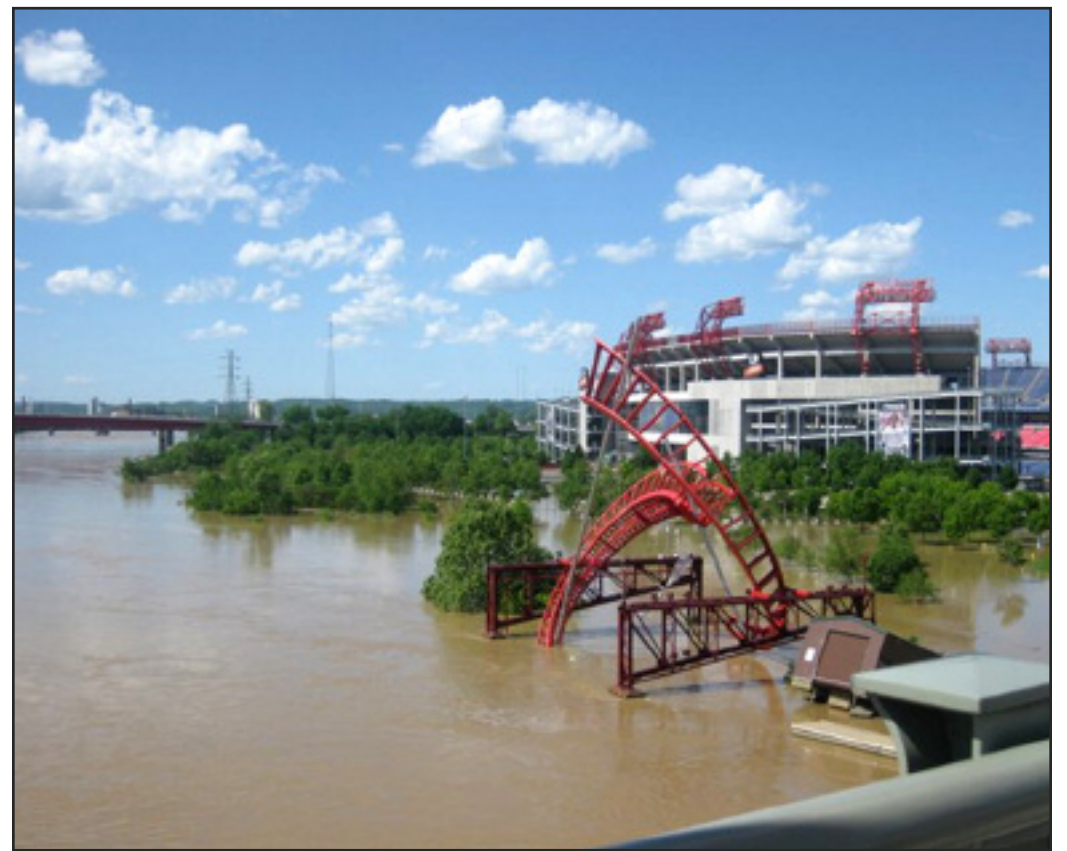
ings of the team per year.

At last month's meeting the council gave permission to Bo Wilson to look for a replacement vac truck. Wilson explained that he has found one that a city getting ready to get rid of and the cost is around \$65,000.

Mayor Bowling told the council that he received notification that because Loogootee has legalized golf carts it is required that signs be posted on the main road signs leading into the city. The four signs, which will read "Golf Cart Community," will cost \$100.

Mayor Bowling told the council that only 75 percent of the city's census forms have been filled out and turned in. He said that census workers will now be going door to door. He said that he finds it very discouraging to know that after all the explanation of reasons to comply with the program, one in four have still not done so. He said extra forms are available at the license branch.

FLOODS



-Photo by Emily Jensen

The Cumberland River and LP Field, the home of the Tennessee Titans, are shown above, covered with water.

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began to recede and people began to get back to their homes and assess the damage. The news showed people carrying out all of their belongings and setting them in the sun to dry.

Schools continued to be closed, so I decided to volunteer to help families clean out their homes. My classmate sent me the address of her niece, so I decided to go to her neighborhood to see if I could find her. I took some teenagers with me and we drove down the street lined by debris from homes. People wearing masks and gloves were carrying out furniture, wet clothes, and all of their possessions. You could smell the slightly sweet, sickening smell of decay everywhere. I began helping a family clean out their kitchen where everything in the lower cabinets had been covered with floodwater. The look on everyone's face was shock, confusion, disbelief. I eventually made my way down to 1000 Beech Bend, where Erin Kenna Wayman lives with her husband, Tim. Erin grew up in Loogootee. I found her and Tim, clad in white masks and covered in river mud, ripping out carpet and padding. I offered them my hands, and started bagging up wet shoes and books to be thrown away. I called on my teenage crew to come down to help, and put them to work trying to save Erin's pictures. We set everything in the sun to dry, but the smell of the flood permeated everything. We worked for a couple of hours, and I was exhausted. I know that Erin and Tim continued after we left, I can't imagine how tired they must be.

My city of Nashville continued to keep us informed about the flood. The mayor and other officials held daily briefings two to three times a day. We were still conserving water; people weren't showering or shaving.

The national media finally took notice. CNN showed up in Erin's neighborhood. Anderson Cooper admitted that he hadn't given the flood the attention he should have. At the same time, our local NBC affiliate hosted a telethon with Vince Gill. Many country stars were there answering phones. We raised over 1.5 million in a few hours. Donations varied from \$20 from a high school student giving up his "movie money" to Taylor Swift giving a half a million.

I returned to help Erin and Tim on Saturday, and their neighborhood was crawling with volunteers . . . strangers helping strangers, neighbor helping neighbor. People were giving out food, cleaning supplies, water, and countless people stopped in to see if we needed help. The people of Nashville logged 30,000 hours of volunteer assistance with an economic impact of \$815,235. We are taking care of our own. The way this city has responded to this disaster has made me proud to be a Nashvillian.

It's been more than a week, and Nashville is still rising. We are coming back, but many still need help. If you would like to donate to the recovery effort in Nashville, please visit Red Cross at www.nashvilleredcross.org or the Community Foundation at www.cfmt.org

Obituaries

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

GLEN E. YODER

Glen E. Yoder died at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Loogootee Nursing Center. He was 78.

Born on May 5, 1932, in Nappanee, he was the son of Eli and Drucilla (Gerber) Yoder. He was a member of Harvest Community Church.

He is survived by five sons and daughters-in-law, Wayne and Martha Yoder, of Cannelburg, Joas and Candace Yoder, of Hayward, Wisconsin, Nathaniel and Lynette Yoder, of Loogootee, Jerry and Trisha Yoder, of Fayetteville, W.Va., Everett Yoder, of Indianapolis and Martha Yoder, of Mentone; three daughters and sons-in-law, Rose and Ervin Kennell, of Delta, Colorado, Martha and Terry Schitter, of Loogootee and Beth and Russell Pierce, of Washington; five brothers, Lyle (Helen) Yoder, of Indianapolis, Eli (Jane) Yoder Jr., of Michigan, Howard (Nichole) Yoder, of Florida, Ray (LeAnn) Yoder, of Loogootee and Fred (Annie) Yoder, of Pennsylvania; five sisters, Mae (Amzie) Yoder, of Nappanee, Tressie Slabaugh, of Florida, Inez (Harley) Yoder, of Pennsylvania, Esther (Ken) Bush, of Florida and Martha (Mervin) Grabe, of Washington; 36 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

His wife, Clara Elizabeth (Yoder) Yoder, whom he married on April 8, 1954, passed away January 23, 2008. One son, Jonathan Yoder, and a brother, Lester Yoder, are also deceased.

A funeral service was held Saturday, May 8, at Berea Mennonite Church, with Maury Brenneman officiating. Burial was held in Goodwill Cemetery in Loogootee.

Ed Lee Mortuary was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to www.edleemortuary.com.

RANDY JOE BAKER

Randy Joe Baker of Shoals, died Friday, May 7, 2010, at his residence. He was 50.

He was born on October 13, 1959, in Lawrence County, to Harry and Deloris (Breedlove) Baker. He attended Fayetteville and Bedford schools. He married Carolyn Sue Reynolds, and they recently celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary.

He was previously employed with Lee's Roofing in Bedford but was disabled.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Reynolds; one daughter, Cherish Shoultz, of Washington; two sons, Randy Joe Baker Jr. and Nathan Kyle Baker, both of Shoals; one granddaughter, Ashlyn Jewell of Wash-

ington; one step-granddaughter, Kiara Wheat of Paoli; two grandsons, Sean Michael Baker and Evan Cole Baker; two brothers, Harry Baker Jr. and Ricky Baker, both of Bedford; and one sister, Kathy Fowler of Springville.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Friends may call on Tuesday, May 11, from 11 a.m. until time of service Tuesday at Trinity Springs Baptist Church.

Services will be held Tuesday, May 11, at 1:30 p.m., at the church. Burial will be held at the House of Prayer Cemetery in Fayetteville.

WILLIAM HARDIN

William "Bill" Hardin, of Mitchell, passed away at 5:10 a.m. Saturday, May 8, 2010, at Kindred Hospital-Indianapolis South in Greenwood. He was 69.

He was born May 30, 1940, in Indianapolis, he was the son of Jasper and Margaret (Wilder) Hardin. He married Sandra Guthrie on September 11, 1961.

He had been employed at National Gypsum and Dana Corp. and was a part-time employee of the Fourwinds. Bill was a U.S. Air Force veteran and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Sandra Hardin, of Mitchell; daughters, Jamie Moore DeVault, of Clarksville, Tamela Draper, of Columbia, Tenn., Kathren "Karen" (Mike) Kluemper, of Ireland, Sheryl (Clyde) Howell, of Franklin, Tennessee, and Gale Hardin, of Shoals; 11 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; six step-great-grandchildren; sisters, Frances Rice, of Indianapolis, Lois Palmer, of California, and Nidrah Smith, of California; and father-in-law, Winferd Guthrie, of Orleans

His parents preceded him in death. A funeral service was held Tuesday, May 11, in the Memorial Chapel of Chastain Funeral Home. Reverend Bill Graham officiated. Burial was held in Tunnelton Cemetery.

Casketbearers were Bryan Zimmerman, Brandon Zimmerman, Matt Cain, Aaron Barr, Michael Maze and Loren Reder and Ryan Cordell.

Memorial donations may be made to COPD or charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.chastainfuneralhome.com.

EDWIN "SONNY" SMITH

Edwin L. "Sonny" Smith, of Bramble, died Monday, May 10, 2010, at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana. He was 66.

He was a lifelong crop farmer and cattle farmer. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, in Bramble, and was a 1962 graduate of St. John Catholic High

School in Loogootee. He was a member of the St. Joseph Cemetery Board and St. Joseph Parish Council.

He is survived by one sister, Mary Ritchie, and her husband, Don, of Bramble.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 13th, at the Brocksmith Funeral Home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 14, at St. John Catholic Church, in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, in Bramble.

BETTY LEWIS

Betty Brock Lewis, who was born in Martin County, died on February 10, 2010. A resident of Mississippi, she was 81.

She was born July 27, 1928, in Martin

County, to Ralph and Frona (Blake) Brock. She was retired from the RCA and a member of the VFW in Bloomington.

Survivors include a son Keith Smith and daughter-in-law Carolyn, of Solsberry, and daughter Becky Fleetwood, of Mississippi; stepdaughter Sheila Hudson, of Fort Ritner; four grandchildren, eight step-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren; sisters, Imogene Brock, Berdena May, June Wisely and Helen Phipps, of Bloomington; and a brother, Bobby Brock, of Florida.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lewis; her son, Timothy Hostetler; and brothers, James Brock and Lee Inman.

A graveside services will be held Saturday, May 15, at 11 a.m., at Mt. Olive Cemetery, in Williams.

Time's running out!!

BY KIM HOWELL
Tri-Chair 2010 MC Relay for Life

We are just about five-and-a-half weeks away from the 15th Annual Martin County Relay for Life.

Relay for Life is the largest non-profit fundraising event that is held worldwide. Martin County has been hit hard with many cancer diagnoses. Don't you think it is time for us to find a cure to end this terrible disease? One certain way to help is to make a tax-deductible donation.

Your donation will help fund the researchers, scientists and doctors that are de-

termined to find a way to end cancer. I would like to see it happen soon, wouldn't you?

The deadline to order Tribute Torches is this Saturday, May 15. Each Tribute Torch requires a minimum donation of \$100 per torch. As you probably remember from years past, there can be only one person's name per torch.

You may order Luminarias anytime. However, the sooner you order them, the easier it will be for us to estimate how many Luminaria bags and candles we will need. A Luminaria bag donation can be for any amount that you choose.

2010 Martin County Relay for Life ORDER FORM

Ordering (quantity) TRIBUTE TORCH _____ LUMINARIA BAG _____

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(leave blank if you do not have a team that you would like to receive credit)

In order to appropriately designate each Luminaria Bag and Tribute Torch please indicate if the name is In Memory or if it is In Honor

Names for the donation(s) _____

Amount included with this order _____

Please make all checks out to "American Cancer Society".
Mail this order form and your tax deductible donation to:
Tonia Davis - 13407 US Hwy. 231, Loogootee, IN 47553.



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Public RECORDS

MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

Sunday May 2

5:20 p.m. - Received an alarm at a business near Loogootee. Deputy Nolan checked the business.

8:10 p.m. - Indiana Conservation Officer Mann assisted with traffic control for REMC for a line down and the road was being blocked by their truck.

9:17 p.m. - Received a report of an unattended infant in front of a residence. Deputy Greene, ISP Trooper Sexton, and ICO Mann responded.

9:23 p.m. - Received a call requesting Poison Control's phone number.

11:30 p.m. - Received a call from a male subject reporting a possible drunk driver headed westbound on U.S. 50 from Huron. Deputy Greene responded but was unable to locate.

11:56 p.m. - A male caller reported a possible drunk driver in Montgomery, westbound on U.S. 50. Daviess County was notified.

Monday, May 3

12:07 a.m. - Received a call from a female reporting that a male had battered her. Deputy Greene responded.

3:53 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting lift assistance. Martin County Ambulance responded.

6:32 a.m. - Received a 911 request for an ambulance just outside of Loogootee and the subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital by Martin County Ambulance.

9:05 a.m. - Received a business alarm at a business off of U.S. 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Pritchard responded and checked the building.

10:35 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at CVS in Loogootee. One subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:53 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Hickory Ridge Road and one subject was transported to Daviess County Hospital.

12:35 p.m. - Loogootee Police Dept. requested assistance for their officer with a subject at First Federal Savings and Loans. Loogootee then advised that the sheriff's department officer could disregard and their officer was en route to the jail with an arrestee.

5:00 p.m. - A male caller advised that a neighbor had cut up a tree in the Burns City area. He advised that this was in reference to a tree he reported down last evening.

Monday, May 3

7:29 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting speeding four-wheelers on Friends Creek Road. Deputy Nolan was advised.

9:00 p.m. - Dubois County called requesting assistance on warrant service.

9:31 p.m. - Jasper State Police Post dispatched a request to attempt to locate a subject.

Tuesday, May 4

7:18 a.m. - Received a call about a deer accident on Clark's Ferry Lane. Sergeant Pritchard responded.

8:57 a.m. - A female caller reported missing medication.

1:31 p.m. - A female caller requested an ambulance outside of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Dept. first responders were dispatched. One subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:52 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a battery. Deputy Nolan spoke with the complainant.

1:53 p.m. - A male caller reported that he found a wallet.

2:28 p.m. - A male caller requested an

ambulance on Gun Shop Road. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire first responders responded and one patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:10 p.m. - A female caller advised that there was a box spring and mattress dumped near her residence on River Road. Community Corrections was contacted.

5:38 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak with an officer about harassment. Corporal Fischer spoke with the caller.

6:00 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak with an officer about a man threatening her son. Marshall Eckert spoke with her.

6:30 p.m. - A female called 911 and requested an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the patient.

6:31 p.m. - A 911 caller requested an ambulance in Shoals. The patient was transported by Martin County Ambulance to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Wednesday, May 5

3:35 a.m. - A female caller reported people around her house and in the woods surrounding her house. Deputy Greene responded and took a report.

7:30 a.m. - Received a call about a cow being at the guardrails on U.S. 231, just south of Whitfield. The owner was located and advised.

7:45 a.m. - Sergeant Pritchard was dispatched to assist a stranded motorist.

12:08 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Odon. The call was transferred to Daviess County.

12:10 p.m. - Loogootee Police Dept. advised of a possible drunk driver or sleepy driver on U.S. 50 eastbound toward Shoals. Sergeant Pritchard checked the driver and he checked okay.

12:27 p.m. - Received a 911 call about a property damage accident at the Marathon in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Dept. was advised.

1:18 p.m. - Received a residential burglary alarm. Corporal Fischer was notified.

2:30 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check on a man parked in a vehicle in Shoals. Deputy Keller checked on the man and he checked okay.

3:13 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a female requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Dept. first responders responded and the patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:38 p.m. - Received a call from Loogootee Police Department reporting an accident in front of CVS. Deputy Keller responded and Martin County Ambulance was dispatched but no transport was needed.

5:12 p.m. - A male caller requested to speak to an officer in regard to trespassing on his land. Deputy Keller was notified.

5:35 p.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm. Deputy Keller was notified.

6:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:32 p.m. - Received a call from a female about missing property. Deputy Keller was advised.

6:59 p.m. - Received a harassment complaint from a female and Deputy Nolan was notified.

9:03 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident involving a motorcycle on U.S. 50 near the Jug Rock. The Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire first responders were dispatched. ISP Trooper Lents worked the accident report.

Thursday, May 6

12:28 a.m. - The Indiana State Police Post reported a possible drunk driver on U.S. 231, traveling north from Haysville. Deputy Nolan responded but was unable to locate.

6:25 a.m. - Dubois County Sheriff's Department reported an accident on U.S. 231 just north of Haysville. Sergeant Pritchard responded.

8:00 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a possible drunk driver on S.R. 150. Indiana State Police and Sergeant Pritchard were notified.

9:18 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 50 near Buffalo Bottoms. Sergeant Pritchard responded.

4:03 p.m. - Deputy Greene advised that there is a stranded motorist on U.S. 231 near the Alfordville turnoff, but it is not a traffic hazard.

4:11 p.m. - Received a call about a truck and trailer stranded in the roadway and a passenger car blocking traffic on Max Warrens Curve. Deputy Keller was advised but observed for the vehicle and was unable to locate.

4:55 p.m. - Received a report of black smoke near the intersection of S.R. 150 and S.R. 550. Marshall Eckert checked the area and located a couple controlled burns and advised everything was okay.

5:25 p.m. - A female caller on Brooks Bridge Road advised that there was an abandoned trailer on fire in the field near her residence, but she did not know the address. Loogootee Police Dept. dispatched Loogootee Fire Dept.

5:42 p.m. - Loogootee Police Dept. advised of a personal injury accident on U.S. 50 in Loogootee. Deputy Keller responded.

6:20 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting black smoke from Haw Creek Road. Deputy Keller responded and advised it was a verified second fire. Haysville Fire Dept. responded and requested assistance from SE Fire Dept. in Daviess County. Loogootee Fire Dept., Martin County Civil Defense, and Alfordville Fire Dept. also responded. Deputy Keller and the Indiana State Police are conducting an investigation, as arson is suspected.

7:34 p.m. - A female caller reported a reckless driver involved in a dispute with the passenger in the Trinity Springs area. Deputy Keller was busy with the investigation at the scene of the fire. Marshall Eckert observed for the vehicle.

8:08 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Dept. first responders responded and the subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:51 p.m. - A female caller reported that someone had poured gasoline inside her residence. Marshall Eckert responded and found that a weed eater had spilled gasoline on the owner's porch.

Friday, May 7

12:18 a.m. - A male caller reported that someone had put sugar in the gas tank of his vehicle. Deputy Greene is the investigating officer.

12:20 a.m. - A male caller in Shoals reported having heard a loud noise. Deputy Greene responded and checked the area. Everything appeared okay.

8:17 a.m. - Received a report of cows on the roadway on Chicken Farm Road. Deputy Keller was notified.

8:33 a.m. - Received a request for assistance with a possible deceased subject in the Trinity Springs area. The Martin County Ambulance and Martin County Coroner were contacted.

9:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals regarding a dog bite. The ambulance and Deputy Pritchard and Deputy Keller responded.

12:00 p.m. - A female caller complained about individuals scratching on her door during the night. Deputy Keller was advised.

12:29 p.m. - Indiana State Police dispatched an attempt to locate. Officers were

advised.

1:32 p.m. - An ambulance was requested in Loogootee and a subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:12 p.m. - An erratic driver was reported traveling south on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee. Dubois County was contacted.

4:14 p.m. - Several calls were received reference a personal injury accident on U.S. 50 near Max Warrens Curve. Indiana State Police worked the accident report. Deputy Nolan, Deputy Keller, and Shoals Fire Dept. responded to assist with traffic. One subject was transported by Martin Co. Ambulance to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. One subject was transported to Vincennes Good Samaritan Hospital.

9:06 p.m. - A female caller in Loogootee reported a battery. Loogootee Police Dept. was advised and Deputy Greene also responded.

11:44 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver eastbound on U.S. 50 from Daviess County. Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

Saturday, May 8

12:03 a.m. - A female caller from Loogootee requested an ambulance. She was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:43 a.m. - Received a complaint of harassment at a residence in Shoals. Deputy Greene spoke with the subjects involved.

6:58 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Butcher Boulevard in Loogootee. The location was in Daviess County and they were advised.

9:08 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 50 at Max Warren's Curve. Deputy Keller assisted with traffic.

11:00 a.m. - A caller requested a welfare check on a distraught friend. Deputy Keller and Loogootee Police Dept. were advised.

1:54 p.m. - A female caller requested assistance from officers in regard to a domestic disturbance. Deputy Keller responded.

3:13 p.m. - Received a report of erratic driving on U.S. 50 headed east from Loogootee. Deputy Keller and Lawrence County were advised.

5:45 p.m. - A male caller reported an accident involving a tractor and a car on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee, near Day Road. Deputy Keller responded.

6:58 p.m. - Deputy Greene followed up on a dog complaint in Rutherford Township.

Sunday, May 09

12:49 a.m. - Received request for assistance with a cat that had fallen into a well. The call originated in Daviess County. Daviess County was contacted.

1:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:59 a.m. - Received a complaint of loud fireworks and a disturbance. Deputy Greene responded and spoke with the subjects involved.

3:10 a.m. - Received a complaint of loud music. Deputy Greene responded.

3:15 a.m. - Received a 911 hang up in Loogootee. The Loogootee Police Dept. was advised.

12:39 p.m. - A female caller reported a possible drunk driver on S.R. 150.

7:11 p.m. - A female caller on S.R. 450 advised that someone had shot a bomb off behind her barn. Corporal Fischer was notified.

7:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

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SHERIFF'S LOG

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8:50 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver on U.S. 50 near Buffalo Bottoms. Corporal Fischer checked the driver.

9:12 p.m. - Received a 911 call about a domestic dispute near Shoals. ISP Trooper Lents took the report.

10:40 p.m. - A female caller reported a man wearing a blanket in the middle of the highway. The caller advised he was a traffic hazard. Corporal Fischer and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

11:23 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but no transport was necessary.

Monday, May 10

3:32 a.m. - Received a report of a theft of fuel and drive-off from RJ's Food Mart in Shoals. Corporal Fischer was notified.

7:41 a.m. - Received several 911 calls in

regard to a personal injury accident on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee and north of Haysville Bridge. Sergeant Pritchard responded but Indiana State Police were already on the scene and took the report.

8:26 a.m. - A female caller reported a hanging basket stolen. Sergeant Pritchard spoke with the subject.

9:34 a.m. - Received a report of a tractor on fire on U.S. 50, west of Lilly Pond Rd. Loogootee Police Dept. dispatched Loogootee Fire Dept. and Chief Deputy Street responded.

1:17 p.m. - An ambulance was requested in Indian Springs. Martin County Ambulance and Civil Defense and Williams Fire Dept. first responders were dispatched. Subject was transported to Bedford.

2:16 p.m. - Received a 9-1-1 call reference a hit and run accident on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee. Indiana State Police responded.

Real estate transfers

Verlin Wagler Enterprises, Inc., of Daviess County, Indiana to **JAP Enterprises, LLC**, of Daviess County, Indiana, Tract I: A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in the City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana and containing 4,180 square feet or 0.096 of an acre, more or less. Tract II: A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in the City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana and containing 1,708 square feet or 0.392 of an acre, more or less. Tract III: A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in the City of Loogootee, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 7,963 square feet and/or 0.1828 of an acre, more or less.

William F. Verkamp and Donna S. Verkamp, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard B. Allen**, of Martin County, Indiana a part of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter and a part of the Southeast quarter of the Northeast quarter, all in Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, and lying in Lost River Township, in Martin County, Indiana and containing 5.00 acres, more or less.

C. Ingrid Bullock Mielke, of Hancock County, Indiana and **Angela R. Franklin, of Barre County, Texas to Monty Gregory and Brooke Gregory**, of Martin County, Indiana beginning at a point which is North 86 degrees West 200 feet and South 68 degrees West 148 feet distant from the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West; thence South 61 degrees West along Gootee Street a distance of 143 feet; thence South 28 degrees East 40 feet; thence North 81 degrees 4 minutes East 135 feet; thence North 18 degrees West 88 feet to the place of beginning

and containing .2 acres, more or less.

Joseph Franklin and Margaret Franklin, of Martin County, Indiana to **Monty Gregory and Brooke Gregory**, of Martin County, Indiana beginning at a point which is North 86 degrees West 200 feet and South 68 degrees West 148 feet distant from the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West; thence South 61 degrees West along Gootee Street a distance of 143 feet; thence South 28 degrees East 40 feet; thence North 81 degrees 4 minutes East 135 feet; thence North 18 degrees West 88 feet to the place of beginning and containing .2 acres, more or less.

Linda Marie (Lawyer) Kaiser, Norman Eugene Holt, Karen Sue (Acuff) Terwiske, and James David Holt, of Martin County, Indiana to **James David Holt, Linda Marie Kaiser, Norman Eugene Holt, and Karen Sue Terwiske**, of Martin County, Indiana Tract I: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 4 West. Tract II: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 24, township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 0.486 acres.

Norma Graber, of Martin County, Indiana to **Joshua V. Fuartado**, of Martin County, Indiana Lot Number 51 and 52 in West Shoals, except the westerly 60 feet off of each lot.

Loogootee accident

Wednesday, May 5

12:48 p.m. - Christopher R. Sadler, of Canelton, was operating a 2003 Freightliner in the Marathon parking lot when his trailer struck a rim owned by Landstar Ranger, Inc. No injuries were reported. Sgt. Hennette was the investigating officer.

Martin County Court news

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

April 28

Ryan E. Lee, convicted of operating a vehicle as an habitual traffic violator, a Class D Felony. Defendant is sentenced to serve 3 years in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 1091 days. Defendant receives 35 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED
Keith Cassell, two counts of check deception, Class A Misdemeanors, dismissed.

Amanda Dawn Davis, domestic battery, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT NEW FILINGS

April 30

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Patricia E. Tharp, civil collection.

Capital One Bank vs. Brenda Grey, civil collection.

James Wilson vs. April Wilson, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Rebekah Kern vs. Michael Kern, reciprocal support.

May 4

Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. vs. John A. Staats, Deven M. Staats, Blue World Pools, Inc., and Crane Federal Credit Union, mortgage foreclosure.

Chase Home Finance vs. Carl C. Simmons and unknown tenants, mortgage foreclosure.

May 5

Capital One Bank vs. Maelena Hernandez, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Donna Boyd, civil collection.

SMALL CLAIMS NEW FILINGS

April 28

Norbert D. Mattingly vs. Jacob and Amber Sanders, complaint.

May 5

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Vicki Cramer, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Soloman and Tatjana Neideffer, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Shannon Reinhart, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Margaret Shubert, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Kristi Walker, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Billy Wildman, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. John and Martha Wininger, complaint.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID

April 28 - May 5

Mark Bohnert, Loogootee, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Joe Caswelli, Springville, speeding 40 in a 25, \$119.

James Davis, Bedford, speeding 79 in a 55, \$124.

Joseph Dickenson, Newburgh, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

Brittany Haley, Jasper, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

Kandace Monsewicz, French Lick, passing in a no-passing zone, \$124.

James Pfeiffer, Medora, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Herbert Ratliff, Indianapolis, speeding 55 in a 30, \$124.

Dennis Seals, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Lewis Siders, Loogootee, speeding 65 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

Ryan Spencer, Shoals, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Anthony Taylor, Washington, failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25.

Mark Taylor, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Michael Warrior, Chicago Ridge, Illinois, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Willard Wagler, Odon, speeding 65 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

John Walters, Max Meadows, Virginia, speeding 69 in a 55, \$119.

Charles White, Campbellsburg, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Martin County accidents

Monday, May 3

9:20 a.m. - Kenneth Elliott, 52, of Salem, was traveling north on U.S. 231 in a white 1997 Freightliner owned by Baker Trucking, LLC, when a deer ran out in front of him. Mr. Elliott swerved to miss the deer and went into a small ditch. The softness of the ditch pulled his vehicle off the roadway causing the 1997 Freightliner to strike a culvert. The 1997 Freightliner then traveled approximately 200 feet into a field owned by Mike Bushcutter. The damage to the truck and field was estimated over \$1,000. There were no injuries. Sergeant Pritchard was the investigating officer.

2:30 p.m. - Anita New of Indianapolis, was traveling west on Emmons Ridge Road in a red 2000 Chevrolet. She pulled to the opposite side of the road to take a picture. Charles Lankford, 46, of Paoli, was headed east in a silver 2004 Buick Century and as he topped a hill and a slight curve he saw New's vehicle. Lankford attempted to pull back into her lane, but a collision occurred. The investigating officer was Sergeant Pritchard.

Friday, May 7

11:00 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Truelove Church Road. Wesley Simmons, 38, of Loogootee, was traveling west on Truelove Church Road in a white 1996 Chevrolet truck when a large tree was blown over by the wind, causing it to land on the truck. Deputy Greene responded. The vehicle was a total loss but no injuries were reported. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree from the roadway.

Saturday, May 8

12:30 a.m. - Evelyn Smith, 20, of Owensboro, Kentucky, was traveling west on U.S.

50, near Rama Dye Road, in a red 1999 Pontiac Grand Am. A deer was standing in the roadway. The Smith vehicle exited a curve and struck the deer head-on. Deputy Greene responded. There was \$5,000-\$10,000 damage to the vehicle but no injuries were reported.

5:35 a.m. - Bubby Whitfield, 32, of Bloomfield, was traveling southbound on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee, near Wood School Road, in a red 2005 Chevrolet truck when a deer ran from the east side of the road, striking his vehicle and damaging the driver's side. There was \$5,000 to \$10,000 damage but no injuries reported. Deputy Greene was the investigating officer.

9:30 p.m. - James Pruett, 43, of Washington, was traveling west on U.S. 50, near the 4-H fairgrounds in a silver 2004 Chevrolet Suburban. A deer jumped from the south side of the road and struck the vehicle. Approximately \$5,000 to \$10,000 damage was done to the driver's side of the vehicle. No injuries were reported. Deputy Greene was the investigating officer.

Monday, May 10

7:43 a.m. - Sharon K. Zins, of Loogootee, was southbound on US 231 near County Road 10 in her 2003 Dodge Durango when she fell asleep and went left of center. Zins continued southbound off the roadway, running over a shrub and a road sign before overturning in the roadway. Zins vehicle slid southbound, then rolled over from the driver's side to the passenger's side. Zins suffered facial cuts and abrasions and had complaints of pain. She was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital for treatment. Zins was cited for driving left of center and front seat passenger restraint violation.

THANK YOU



THANK YOU TO THE VOTERS OF MARTIN COUNTY FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT IN THE PRIMARY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT DURING THE NOVEMBER ELECTION.

PAUL R. GEORGE
DEMOCRAT CANDIDATE,
MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER

-PAID FOR BY PAUL GEORGE FOR MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Loogootee Police activity log

Tuesday, May 4

3:48 p.m. – First responders requested at an accident near Muffler Menders. Accident was investigated by the Indiana State Police.

6:38 p.m. – First responders requested on East Broadway Street for a child needing medical attention.

6:48 p.m. – Caller reported a parking complaint on Park Street. Officer Branham checked the area.

9:22 p.m. – Caller reported a vehicle broken down on US Hwy. 50 and South Kentucky Avenue. Sgt. Norris checked the area.

Wednesday, May 5

1:16 a.m. – Anna Brojon reported that her windshield was busted out. Sgt. Norris did a case report.

9:20 a.m. – Avenue Cable reported utility theft on Mulberry Street. Chief Rayhill responded and spoke with a subject.

9:50 a.m. – Sgt. Hennette tagged three abandoned vehicles on Park Street.

11:23 a.m. – Sgt. Hennette responded to a business alarm. Business checked secure.

3:17 p.m. – First responders were requested on Bridgewater Street for a female having an asthma attack.

Thursday, May 6

10:36 a.m. – A female arrived on station requesting to speak to an officer regarding her daughter. Sgt. Hennette spoke with the mother.

4:04 p.m. – Caller reported a green Jeep driving recklessly on 231 heading towards Loogootee. Cpt. Akles responded to the area.

5:08 p.m. – Loogootee Police arrested Alan Moorehead, 54, of Loogootee for Public Intoxication. 5:27 p.m. - The Loogootee

Fire Department was dispatched to Brooks Bridge Road in reference to a structure fire. Fire personnel were on the scene for approximately three hours.

7:10 p.m. – Caller reported she was having problems with her juvenile son. Captain Akles spoke with the parties involved.

9:34 p.m. – Daviess County Sheriff's Department advised of a suspicious male walking in a field near Loogootee. Captain Akles was unable to locate the male.

Friday, May 7

11:55 a.m. – Caller reported a vehicle accident in McDonald's parking lot. Sgt. Hennette responded.

7:32 a.m. – First responders were requested on North Line Street for a female with chest pains.

9:11 p.m. – Caller reported a domestic dispute at Shaded Estates. Capt. Akles responded.

Saturday, May 8

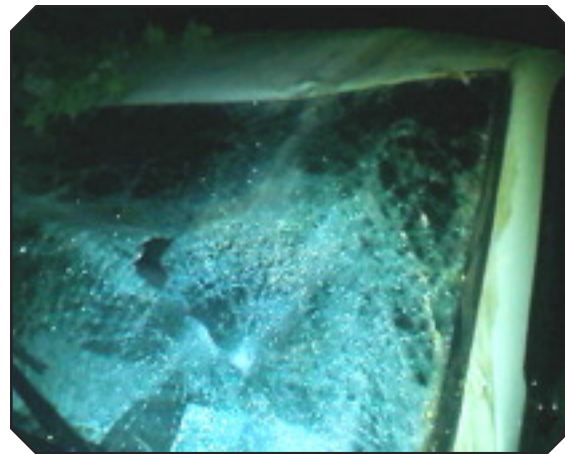
12:06 a.m. – First responders were requested on Southwest Second Street for a female with difficulty breathing.

Sunday, May 9

1:59 a.m. – First responders were requested at Country Place Apartments for a female with chest pains.

4:02 p.m. – Caller reported a four-wheeler traveling up and down Butcher Boulevard. Sgt. Hennette responded to the area. The Loogootee Police Department would like to remind citizens that four-wheelers are strictly prohibited within the city limits.

4:47 p.m. – Caller reported a red car driving recklessly on US 231. Sgt. Hennette responded to the area.



Tree smashes truck

-Photo by Joshua Hughett

On Friday, May 7, at 11:00 p.m., Wesley Simmons, 38, of Loogootee, was traveling west on Truelove Church Road in a white 1996 Chevrolet truck when a large tree was blown over by the wind, causing it to land on the truck. The vehicle was a total loss but no injuries were reported. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree from the roadway and power was out to the area for a few hours.

Martin County jail bookings

Monday, May 3

12:50 p.m. - Jesse Denny, 45, of Loogootee was brought in by Loogootee Police Office Branham. He was charged with Disorderly Conduct.

Tuesday, May 4

6:33 p.m. - Kristina Lewis, 25, of Shoals was brought in by ISP Trooper Lents. She was charged with Operating While Intoxicated, endangering a person.

Wednesday, May 5

9:30 a.m. - Tracy Gribben, 46, of Loogootee was brought in by Deputy Keller. She was charged with Habitual Traffic Violator.

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Thursday, May 6

5:33 p.m. - Alan Moorhead, 54, of Loogootee, was brought in by Deputy Keith Keller. He was charged with Public Intoxication.

Sunday, May 9

11:30 p.m. - Martin R. Tow, 41, of Shoals, was arrested by the Indiana State Police. He was charged with Domestic Battery.

Calendar of 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.

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.

Suttons Renegades fundraiser

The American Legion Auxiliary along with Relay for Life team #12, Suttons Renegades, will be hosting a cook-out, bake/craft sale, and road block Saturday, May 22, in the American Legion Post#120 parking lot on JFK Avenue, in Loogootee.

Food will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, along with baked beans and the choice of potato salad or cole slaw will be available for a \$5 donation. To-go containers will be available. Cancer Awareness bracelets, rosary

bracelets, and lapel pins will also be available. Please plan on attending this worthwhile event and help us fight back against cancer.

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 or call at 247-2423.

Commissioners

The Martin County Commissioners will meet tonight, Wednesday, May 5, at 6 p.m. in the courthouse.



THANK YOU
I would like to thank everyone for their support and their votes in my recent run for Loogootee School Board District 2.
Sincerely, Mark Sims
-Paid for by Mark Sims

Spring Swap Meet



SATURDAY, MAY 15
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.




CLASSIC - HOT RODS, MUSCLE CARS, AND RACING



Dinky's Auction Center, 4140 N 700 E. (Cannelburg Road) Montgomery, IN 47558
Indoor and Outdoor Swap Space • Cars for sale (Free T-shirt for the first 25 cars pre-entered)

Admission: \$4.00 • 12 and under are free
For more information call 812-295-3419 or 317-557-2320
Email: myswapmeet@hotmail.com



THANK YOU to the voters of Martin County
I appreciate all the support I received in the Primary Election. I enjoy being the Clerk of Martin County and would like to continue serving you for the next four years. I hope you will continue to support me in the General Election November 2, 2010.
Thank you, Julie Fithian
-Paid for by the Committee to Elect Julie Fithian

Martin County **OUTDOORS**



NATURE'S WONDERS

By Mike Axsom

What is Memorial Day, really?

On the last Monday of May, Americans everywhere celebrate our Memorial Day holiday with cookouts, camping trips, relaxing around the backyard pool, or some similar festive activity.

Many will take some time in the day to trek to a local cemetery to place flowers on graves of loved ones. Some of us will make it a point to remember veterans and current military personnel and thank them for their service.

But many of us seem to not really know what the day is really about. It is not any of those things.

When the Civil War ended many communities established a day to honor the fallen in that conflict. In our contented world we can read that and not appreciate what the people of those communities had endured that made them feel compelled to commemorate the end of a war. But many of those communities had names like Antietam, Sharpsburg, Vicksburg, Gettysburg and Charlestown. These are names which carry the aura of history.

I happened to visit the Gettysburg National Battlefield last year while in the area on business. Like many,

I've read the history, watched the reenactments, and thought I appreciated the significance of these battles. But nothing in my life had really prepared me for what I came to realize while walking through those rolling hills filled with granite monuments. You see, the Gettysburg Battlefield, despite the name, is not a field. The battle of Gettysburg was spread out over a very large area around the town from which it got its name. There are miles of markers and monuments; and tens of thousands of names carved into those stones; names of real people with real families and real lives. The two armies suffered some 51,000 casualties in a three-day struggle. More than 7,800 dead and another 5,000 missing mark just this one battle of many in the war between American states. In all, more than 620,000 men died in the Civil War.

Memorial Day grew out of a very humble and mostly spontaneous event in a place called The Washington Race Course, in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1865. During the war the Race course was pressed into service as a Confederate prison camp. The conditions there also resulted in a mass grave of the Union troops who died in that prison.

At the end of the war, local citizens who were mostly former slaves, set out to honor those dead. They exhumed all the bodies and created a proper cemetery, constructed a fence around it, and declared it a Union cemetery. No one told them to do this, and no government decree was made that required these people to so honor the men that died for their freedom. They just understood that they had a debt of honor and they did what they could do to act on that obligation.

On May 1, 1865, a crowd of as many as ten thousand locals, mostly blacks, held a celebration on the grounds in honor of the fallen troops buried there.

The first annual observance of this event took place in Waterloo, New York, on May 5, 1866. This became known as Decoration Day and tradition had people decorating the graves of war dead around the nation. Later, the Congress established the last Monday of

May as the official Memorial Day as a national holiday to honor the men and women who have died in military service to their country. Today,

Americans celebrate Memorial Day with a day off work, cook-outs, camping trips, sporting events, and other festive activities.

All these things are good and proper, and represent the freedom that America's war dead fought and died to ensure. But for reasons hard to explain, too many of us seem to have forgotten why we have these freedoms, and to whom we owe our honor and gratitude on Memorial Day. Each year, at West

Boggs Park, we hold a Memorial Day ceremony specifically to honor America's fallen heroes. The majority of those who attend this event are living veterans who shared their wars, battles, and foxholes with some of those fallen. Just over the hill from the small assembly of men and women who come together for this solemn occasion are hundreds of campers who are enjoying the day with their families.

The veterans assembled there, understand that the fallen gave their lives so that other Americans could live free and fulfilling lives. They hold no grudge and voice no regrets about the increasingly small attendance at the ceremony.

But we know - we all know - that something is missing in the modern Memorial Day. What is missing, are the memories of how and why America is unique among nations in that we hold freedom so dear that we are willing to fight and die for it on behalf of others. The

American dream has always been that men and women should live free to chart their own course, reach their own goals and seek their own rewards. Realization of the dream has come at a high price. More than 1.3 million Americans have died in our various wars fought to preserve that dream.

Today, the American dream still faces many threats. Some of our politicians are trying to minimize America's exceptionalism, refuting that the American dream of freedom is of value.

There are people in the world that would do us harm, and to whom the only barrier to their designs to achieve that harm is the American Soldier, Sailor, Airman, and Marine. These are the Americans who still live and die by the words, Duty, Honor, and Country. But somehow many of us have become insensitive to the implications of these struggles and to the sacrifice that our military men and women make on our behalf. Unlike the freed slaves, who instinctively took the time to give the fallen soldiers of the Race Course a proper burial, we seem to have lost the internal understanding that these men and women died on our behalf, and that in large measure we have the ability to party, celebrate, and have fun because they bought us that ability at the cost of their lives.

This year when you plan your Memorial Day celebrations, please try to find a memorial service somewhere in your community to attend. Most only last for a few minutes, and in that times you will see, while honoring our fallen, it is honor that is the glue that binds America together. We have always had it and it is part of who and what we are. If we ever lose that we are doomed.



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Shoals Boy Scout Troop 495 Committee member Harold Bleemel and Scout Zach Bleemel clean a camp site during 'Take Pride in America' at Lake Monroe.

Local scouts 'Take Pride in America' at Lake Monroe

Members of Shoals Boy Scout Troop 495 recently spent a weekend at Lake Monroe participating in the 24th Annual Take Pride in America event.

The event was held by the Hoosier National Forest at the Hardin Ridge Recreation Area. Volunteers from all over Indiana came to camp and provide service in the National Forest.

Although the weather wasn't cooperative, Troop 495 spent the weekend braving thunderstorms and rowdy raccoons while clearing camp sites of leaves and trash.

The scouts quickly discovered that both worm snakes and ring-neck snakes like to hide in leaves, and they moved the reptiles to safer quarters, away from the campsites.

After a long day of raking and cleaning, the scouts and other volunteers were served a cookout dinner by the national forest staff.

After dinner, many door prizes were given away, and Chuck Hembree and Christian Belcher each won a Leatherman multi-tool. Also attending the event were Austin Hembree, Zach Bleemel and Elisha Schlaegel, and adult leaders Kathy Burns, Ed and Becky Barrett, and Harold Bleemel.

Other adventures for Troop 495 included the May 8 White River Trails Advancement Day and a canoe trip on Blue River in June. Boys ages 11 through 17 can join Boy Scouts, and boys and girls ages 14 through 20 can join the Venture Crew.

Call Scoutmaster Kathy Burns at 812-639-6956, Assistant Scoutmaster Ed Barrett at 812-278-6060, or Troop Committee member Harold Bleemel at 270-929-5667. The troop and crew meets the second and fourth Monday of each month, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., at the Martin State Forest.



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Mountain lion confirmed in rural Greene County

A mountain lion has been confirmed in a rural part of Greene County east of Bloomfield as a result of a new Department of Natural Resources policy designed to systematically collect data and evaluate reported sightings of such animals.

A mountain lion's presence was verified by Scott Johnson, the DNR's non-game mammal biologist and member of the DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife's team that assists in reviewing reports having credible evidence.

Johnson made the determination from photographs taken by motion-sensitive game cameras placed in the area after a preliminary investigation found evidence consistent with mountain lion behavior, including an eviscerated deer carcass buried under a pile of leaves.

The cameras were set on April 30, and multiple images of a mountain lion were captured at approximately 2:30 a.m. on May 1.

Johnson was contacted after a conservation officer from the DNR Division of Law Enforcement received a call from a citizen. Conservation officers helped Johnson set the trail cameras and have been informing local residents of the mountain lion's presence.

Mountain lions are known by many names, including cougar, puma, catamount and panther. Historically, mountain lions (*Puma concolor*) lived in most of the eastern United States, including Indiana. Different published reports cite the last documented case of a wild mountain lion in Indiana as somewhere between 1850 and 1865.

The chance of encountering a mountain lion today in Indiana is almost non-existent, but people should be alert to their surroundings. If an encounter does happen, the MLRT points to advice from authorities in Western states, where mountain lions are more common:

Do not approach a mountain lion. Give it a way to escape.

Do not run from a mountain lion. Instead, stand and face the animal. Make eye contact.

Do not crouch or bend over. Do all you can to appear larger. Raise your arms, open your jacket or shirt. Wave your arms slowly and speak firmly in a loud voice.

Hold children and pets near you.

Fight back if attacked using big sticks, stones, or any other available items.

"One thing to point out is mountain lions are not stalkers," said Gary Langell, the



A game camera placed in rural Greene County on April 30 caught images of this mountain lion at around 2:30 a.m. on May 1.

DNR's private lands program manager and developer of the mountain lion policy. "They don't stalk prey. They tend to pick an active game trail, like a deer trail, and wait for a deer to come by. That's typically why you don't see livestock kills from mountain lions. They lay in wait rather than stalk."

The purpose of the policy is to develop a consistent procedure to investigate reported sightings and to institute a formal data collection and storage system.

"The objective is to keep the public abreast of all developments regarding mountain lions in Indiana based on the best available scientific information," Langell said. "More than anything, it was prompted by increased reports of mountain lions migrating east, specifically out of South Dakota. Of course, there have been a couple reports from Michigan, and one in Chicago. At that point, it becomes more apparent we could have mountain lions show up in Indiana."

Without additional evidence, Langell said it's impossible to say if the mountain lion photographed in Greene County is wild or is a formerly captive cat.

The DNR occasionally receives reports of mountain lion sightings around the state, but typically the evidence has turned out to be something other than a mountain lion, has been inconclusive, or has proved to be part of an Internet hoax.

Since the policy's inception March 1, 19 mountain lion sightings have been reported. The report in Greene County is the only one confirmed to be a mountain lion.

Langell said two reports were confirmed by biologists as animals other than a mountain lion. Sixteen were designated as "unconfirmed" either because of no physical evidence or because photographs provided were of insufficient quality to identify characteristics of any animal type.

Prior to implementing the policy, a DNR biologist investigated and confirmed in late 2009 a mountain lion in Clay County based on evidence submitted by a hunter who had taken photographs from an elevated hunting stand. Another biologist investigated a report near Idaville in White County in December, but evidence was inconclusive.

Mountain lions are a protected species in Indiana, but state law allows a resident landowner or tenant to kill a mountain lion while it is causing damage to property owned or leased by the landowner/tenant. If the landowner/tenant wishes to have someone else take the mountain lion, that person is required to secure a permit from the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife.

For additional information on mountain lions, visit the Cougar Network at <http://www.easterncougarnet.org/>, or go to www.easterncougarnet.org/Assets/pumaid-guide.pdf for an identification guide.

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Patoka Lake Archery Range: Use main entrance to Patoka Lake on Hwy 164, Wickliffe, 15 miles east of Jasper.

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Dear Gabby



Jolly Juniors meet

BY KAYLA ABEL
Jolly Juniors 4-H Club Secretary

The Jolly Juniors 4-H Club met on Tuesday, May 4, at the Truelove Church shelter house.

Leaders present were Kathy Lingenfelter, Louise Parsons, and Norma Jean Ziegler. President Trenton Arvin called the meeting to order.

Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Club Pledge.

Secretary Kayla Abel read the minutes of the last meeting and did roll call.

Other members present included Jarrett Arvin, Zach Arvin, Danielle Abel, Dylan Dant, Emily and Ethan Wade, Mallory and Jordan Berry, Maelee Hawkins, Caden Chandler, Tyler Simmons, and Dalton Higdon.

Co-Health and Safety Officer Danielle Abel read about tick bites and showed pictures of different kinds of ticks.

Demonstrations were given next. Caden Chandler brought his cat, Dixie, to show the club.

Tyler Simmons showed his mini Rex Rabbit that is six weeks old and named Blizzard. Ethan Wade showed a Lop Rabbit named Zoey, and Emily Wade showed a mini Rex. They all told how to handle and care for their rabbits. Dylan Dant brought a baby goat that was around 11 days old. Maelee Hawkins brought different pieces of scrapbook items and showed how to make paper flowers.

The club then discussed the dates of the 4-H Day Camp which is June 7 through 9. Maelee brought refreshments and they were enjoyed by all members.

The club then decided on who would show demonstrations and bring refreshments at the next meeting.

The next club meeting will be Thursday, May 20, at 6:30 p.m., at the Truelove United Methodist Church.

Dear Gabby,
Why do they call the Square in Loogootee a square? It's a triangle. Is this a conspiracy perpetuated by retired math teachers? Inquiring minds want to know.
-Bird

Dear Bird,
I doubt retired math teachers are conspiring against young minds in Loogootee. However, if they were, I also seriously doubt the "downtown square," which is actually a triangle, would be the first item they would use to corrupt the young and influential.

If you think about it, our city has changed quite a bit over the years. We might not see it, but our ancestors would. While you view the fountain as a triangle, I might view the buildings shaped in the form of a square with the railroad completing it. Now, that is something to think about.
-Gabby

Dear Gabby,
I have a son, 3 and a half years old, and he refuses to learn how to use the potty. He does okay when he first gets up in the morning, but after he potties that one time of day, he doesn't want to do it again. He throws a fit if I take him and make him sit on the potty. I have tried to bribe him with candy and even a 100 dollars, but he doesn't care. We want to send him to preschool in the fall but if he is not potty trained by then he can't go. Just wondering what is some good tips. Please HELP!
-Tired of Diapers

Dear Tired of Diapers,
According to Dr. Phil, every kid has a

currency - meaning, your child will put his pee where it belongs if he has the right motivation. You just haven't found the right one. I can't answer what his currency is, because I don't know your child. However, you do and just need to think about what it is.

Some other options you might want to consider: a full physical from his doctor. Some children have actual problems urinating and that is a possibility. Of course if you feel that your child is physically able, you might want to try the "naked and \$75 bucks" method.

When you child is at home, let him run naked. The potty chair should be located where he spends most of his time. I guarantee he will not want his "extras" running down his leg and will find somewhere convenient to put it. Once he is trained, spend \$75 bucks cleaning your carpets. -Gabby

Dear Gabby,
I have a husband who won't do dishes, laundry or help with the kids. Is there anyway I can "light a fire" under him so he will?
-Tired in MC

Dear Tired in MC,
One thing I learned early on in my marriage is if you don't know how to use something your husband will. I learned this when I did the dishes and put them in the dish drainer. My husband picked up a glass and it didn't squeak for him, therefore the dishes weren't clean. I told him if he didn't like the way I did dishes, he can do them himself. I haven't done dishes in several years.

This dilemma reminds me of a story. One day a husband came home from work.

When he entered the front door, there were clothes all over the place. Dirty laundry all over the couch. Dishes from breakfast and lunch were in the sink, on the counter and all over the table. The milk was sitting out, the refrigerator open. The husband was screaming for his wife by this time, thinking the worst. He finally found her, upstairs laying on her unmade bed watching t.v.

He asked, "What happened to the house? It's a wreck." She answered him by replying, "You know how you come home everyday and ask me what I did?"

"Yes!"
"Well today I didn't do it."
Sometimes men need a wake up call for how much we actually do - do for them. If his laundry isn't clean, he will wash it. If he runs out of, he will buy it. If food isn't on the table, I guarantee he will not go hungry.

In the meantime, I still know how to use the washer and dryer. However, when we buy a new one, I might not want to learn what all those fancy buttons are for.
-Gabby

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Local SPORTS

Loogootee Golf team wins one, places second in two

Loogootee places second, Shoals last in May 10 meet

On Monday May 10, Loogootee hosted a four-way meet with Paoli, Orleans and Shoals. With a team score of 185, Loogootee walked away in second place to Paoli, who scored a 161. Loogootee was lead by Clinton Burch with a 43, Stephen Bradley with 46, Ben Hogan 47, and Joel Stoll shot a 51. Tyler Booker shot a 49, recording his lowest score in competition to date. Paoli won the event with a team score of 161. Orleans shot 189, and Shoals shot 195. Coaches Hennette and Wagoner said they are very pleased with the team's progress and are especially proud of young Tyler Booker. "His drive and determination to contribute to his team's efforts show his bright future with the game," they said.

Loogootee comes in second in their own invitational

On Friday May 7, Eagle View Golf Course at Crane hosted the Loogootee Invitational. Participating schools were Loogootee, Shoals, Barr Reeve, North Daviess, and Washington Catholic. The Loogootee

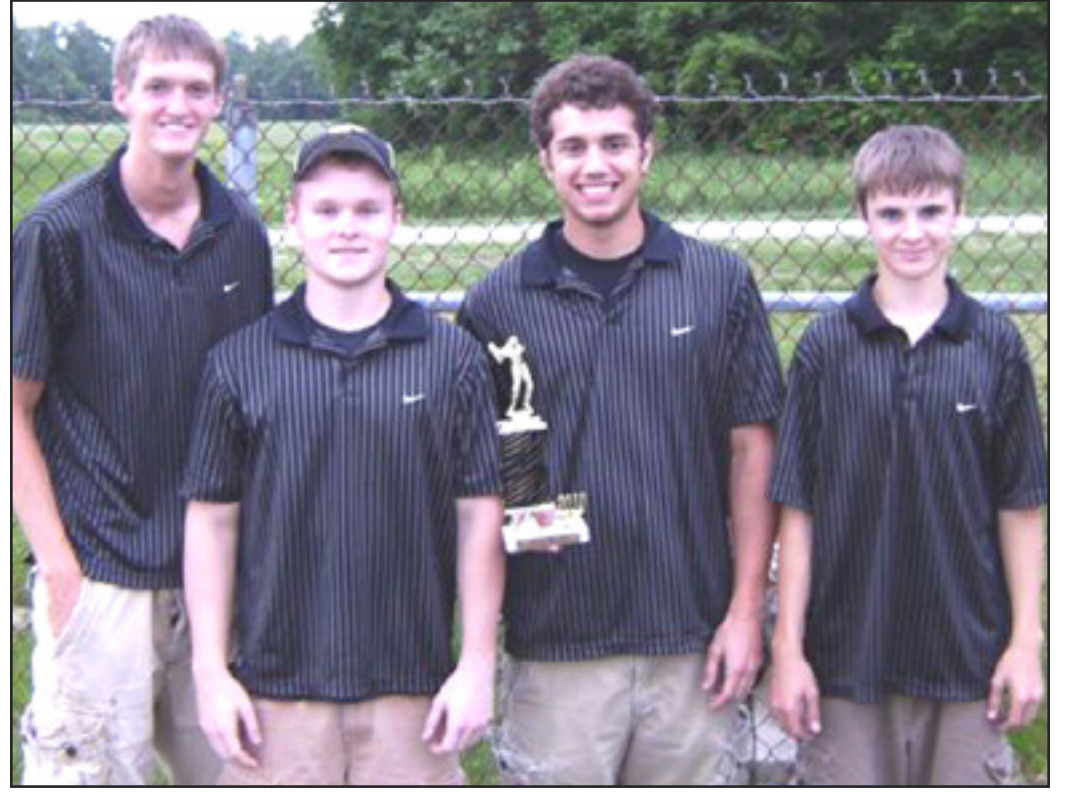
Golf team received runner-up with a team score of 187. Loogootee was led by Stephen Bradley with a 42, Ben Hogan with 46, Clinton Burch with 46, and Tyler Booker with 54. Washington Catholic won the event with a team score of 164. Austin Deem was the medalist with a score of 35. Coaches Jason Hennette and Jason Wagoner congratulate the team for a tremendous effort.

Loogootee Golf defeats North Daviess, Eastern Greene

The Loogootee High School Golf team hosted North Daviess and Eastern Greene at Eagle View Golf Course, at Crane, Wednesday, May 5 and surfaced victorious against two competitive golf teams by recording a 186.

Loogootee was led by Joel Stoll with a 44, Clinton Burch with a 45, Ben Hogan shot a 48, Stephen Bradley with a 49, and Tyler Booker rounded out the scoring with a 56.

The four lowest scores were combined to add two victories to Loogootee's record with North Daviess shooting a 216 and Eastern Greene posting a 230.



-Photo provided

The Loogootee Golf team came in second place in the Loogootee Invitational held last Friday, at Crane. The team shot 187. Washington Catholic won the event. Shown above, from left to right, are Ben Hogan, Clinton Burch, Stephen Bradley, and Tyler Booker.

LHS Varsity Tennis now 13-2

LHS vs. Bloomfield match

The Loogootee High School Tennis team traveled to Bloomfield last night, Tuesday, May 11, and the varsity finished with victory, 3-2. The junior varsity was defeated 1-2.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said, "This was a typical Bloomfield/Loogootee tennis match. The players on both sides fought hard on all courts. In the end we were just a point or two better today."

Varsity matches

- Loogootee 3 Bloomfield 2
- #1 Singles Sarah Miller (B) defeated Andrea Vaupel 6-2, 6-1
- #2 Singles Sarah Scott (B) defeated Brittany Eckerle 5-7, 7-6 (4), 6-3
- #3 Singles Jill Taylor (L) defeated Liza Bartlett 7-5, 6-3
- #1 Doubles Ashton Matthews/ Hannah Lamar (L) defeated Rachel Toon/Alley Gilliland 3-6, 6-4, 7-5
- #2 Doubles Lindsay Winger/Becca Zins (L) defeated Bailee Byers/Elena Weddle 2-6, 6-2, 7-6 (1)

Junior Varsity matches

- Loogootee 1 Bloomfield 2
- #1 Doubles Kari Schulte/Hallie Retseck (B) defeated Erin Wittmer/Kylie Sims 6-4
- #2 Doubles Rachel Helm/Emily Walker (B) defeated Allison Kiser/Natasha Trinkle 6-1
- #3 Doubles Dev Arvin/Emilee Lannan (L) defeated Kristen Hostetter/Kelsey

Bucher 6-4

LHS vs. Paoli match

The Loogootee High School Varsity Tennis team defeated Paoli Thursday, May 6 by a score of 5-0. The junior varsity also won 2-0. Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the match, "Brittany and Jill were able to utilize some things we have been working on in practice in their matches today. It is nice to see that practice transfer to the matches. Lindsay and Becca were aggressive and put two good sets together. They are really starting to gel."

Varsity matches

- Loogootee 5 Paoli 0
- #1 Singles Andrea Vaupel (L) defeated Kyanna Moon 6-2, 6-3
- #2 Singles Brittany Eckerle (L) defeated Jennifer Lundergan 6-2, 6-1
- #3 Singles Jill Taylor (L) defeated Tessa England 6-1, 6-0
- #1 Doubles Ashton Matthews/ Hannah Lamar (L) defeated Dara Thorlton/Shelby Litsey 6-3, 6-1
- #2 Doubles Lindsay Winger/Becca Zins (L) defeated Dicole Bridgewater/Jaclyn Thomas 6-2, 6-0

Junior Varsity matches

- Loogootee 2 Paoli 0
- #1 Singles Allison Kiser (L) defeated Kennedy Nelson 6-0
- #1 Doubles Erin Wittmer/Kylie Sims (L) defeated Kennedy Nelson/Stevie Thomas 6-1



-Photo by Joshua Hughett
Alex Bauernfiend for Shoals prepares to smack the ball off the tee in the Loogootee Invitational last Friday.



-Photo by Joshua Hughett
Ben Hogan sets up for the putt. He ended the Loogootee Invitational with a 46.



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Loogootee's Clinton Burch is concentrating hard about his next shot during the Loogootee Invitational last Friday. Burch shot a 46.

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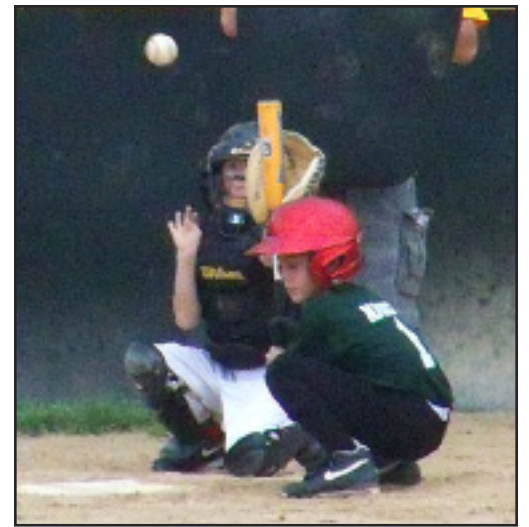
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Austin Woody, player for the Dodgers in the Loogootee Little League, is a little late on his swing above. The Dodgers, coached by Pat Wagoner, were defeated by the Pirates, coached by Larry Greene, 12-3.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Pirates player Leighton Seals, son of Scott Seals and Lori Mattingly, is only a second away from connecting with the ball as the Pirates went on to defeat the Dodgers 8-5, on Tuesday night, May 11.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Oakland A's player Conner Wilcoxon, son of Scott and Christie Wilcoxon, squats instead of swinging during Loogootee Little League action last Friday.

Shoals High School Interdisciplinary team is state champions

On Saturday, May 8, the Shoals Academic Team competed in two rounds at the State Competition held on the campus of Purdue University.

The Social Studies Team placed fourth after the tie-breaker questions. The captain of the Social Studies Team was Gus Sherfick. Kim Wherry also participated on the team. Each student received a state finalist medal and the school received a state finalist plaque.

The Interdisciplinary Team placed first and is the division four state champion. The captain of the Interdisciplinary Team was Brad Berry. Other team members included Shema Wright, Gus Sherfick, and Megan Montgomery. Each student received a first place medal and a state champion t-shirt. The school received a State Champion banner and plaque.

The Shoals High School Academic Team coach is Tina Rue, social studies teacher. Also accompanying the team to state were Linda Sherfick, art teacher and Larry Sherfick, guidance counselor.

The team would also like to thank all of the staff members who have helped them in this achievement.

Lady Lions defeat Lawrenceville last Saturday

Loogootee vs. Lawrenceville

The Loogootee Lady Lions Softball team walked away with a 4-2 win when they traveled to Lawrenceville last Saturday, May 8.

In the first inning Gabrielle Ritchey singled to left and stole second. The throw to stop Ritchey got away from the shortstop for Lawrenceville allowing Ritchey to advance to third and she scored on Jennifer Clark's ground out.

In the third inning for the Lions, Jessica Padgett singled with one out and her sister Jaelyn takes a sacrifice out to move her to second.

Bre Truelove then singled to left and Rebecca Craney drove in Jessica with a single to center putting the Lions up 2-0.

In the fourth inning, Blake Walker singled and moved on to second on Jennifer Clark's single to center. Walker then scored on Jaelyn Padgett's single to center field. In the fifth, Craney led off with a double to right center and pinch runner Kylie Raney comes in for her and moved to third on a sacrifice by Remington Wagler. Raney scored on a ground out to shortstop by Amy Beasley giving the Lady Lions three runs to Lawrenceville's zero.

Lawrenceville only scored two runs in the sixth inning.

Rebecca Craney finished 2-3 with a double and Bre Truelove also finished 2-3. Kelli McKenzie had a double for Lawrenceville and Audrey Metheny finished 3-4 on the night.

Winning pitcher Rebecca Craney ended with two strikeouts and three walks, and Gabrielle Ritchey had one strikeout. Lawrenceville pitcher Kendra Moorehead

had two strikeouts and one walk.

The Lady Lions had 10 hits and three errors. Lawrenceville had six hits and four errors.

Loogootee vs. South Knox

The Loogootee Varsity Softball team fell to South Knox on Monday, May 3, at home by a score of 4 to 6.

In the first inning Gabrielle Ritchey led off with a single to center and lands on second after a bunt from Jennifer Clark. Jessica Padgett then singled between shortstop and third and advanced to second uncontested. Ritchey scored on a ground out to second by Jaelyn Padgett and her sister Jessica scored on a wild pitch putting the Lions up 2-0.

South Knox came back in the third inning with three singles. An error allowed South Knox to score three runs.

Then in the fourth inning, two walks early in the inning eventually led to the Warriors adding another run to their tally.

South Knox continued to rack up runs in the sixth inning. A lead-off double and a four-pitch walk brought Remington Wagler in to replace pitcher Rebecca Craney. Wagler's first batter pops a fly ball which is caught and the next batter singled up the middle scoring for the Warriors.

The third batter for Wagler hit a ground ball to third and the throw is off line pulling Amy Beasley off the bag and allowing another run to score upping South Knox's lead 6-2.

In the Lady Lions' last attempt at the bottom of the sixth, Jessica and Jaelyn Padgett both singled to left and Bre Truelove smacked a double scoring the Padgett sisters.

Two runs was not enough to close the gap and the game ended.

Rebecca Craney had an off night with four strikeouts and five walks and allowing six runs. Remington Wagler had two strikeouts and one hit batter.

The winning pitcher, Ashton Keller, for South Knox ended with two strikeouts and one walk.

Lady Lions ending with a multi-hit game were Gabrielle Ritchey going 2-4 with two singles, Jessica Padgett ending 2-3 with two singles, Bre Truelove going 2-3 with a single and a double, and Remington Wagler finishing 2-3 with two singles.

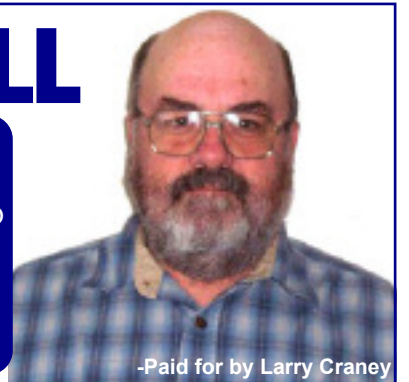
For South Knox Kendzie Crockett finished 2-3 with two singles and Andrea Scott had a double.

The Lions had nine hits and three errors. The Warriors finished with six hits and no errors.

THANK YOU ALL

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me and supported me in the Loogootee School Board District 2 Election. I would also like to thank everyone who took time out to come and vote.

LARRY CRANEY



-Paid for by Larry Craney

RE-ELECT JULIE

FITHIAN

CLERK

of Martin Circuit Court

ABOUT ME:

- Lived in Martin County for 17 years • Married to Bruce and have two daughters
- Attend Shoals Christian Church • I've served as your clerk since 2008
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Church **BULLETIN**

New Beginnings Church
WEEKLY MESSAGE
 By Shirley Canell —*Pastor's wife*

The message this week was encouraging and still made you think. What is God telling me to do? Do I really have faith? Can we really walk on water? Peter did. If God calls us to do something out of the normal - something supernatural - will we have the faith to do it? All we have to do is take that first step into the unknown. Just like Peter did. All it took was the faith the size of a mustard seed. What is that Faith? It is so small yet so powerful.

Hebrews 11:1 says, "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Do we understand faith? If we say we have faith, are we assured of the hope we are having faith in? Are we absolutely sure of the things not seen?

Pastor Ernie told us of a dream of flying and how God was telling him we need to build a new building for the church. Where do we get the funds? Where do we find property that our poor church can afford? What about the money for a building? Where do we start? What is the first step? We want to know these things before we jump into such a project. But God says 'Listen, are you assured of what you hope for?, if the answer is yes, then are you convinced of it and if the answer is yes, what are you waiting for. You will be able to fly, or walk on water, in the case of Peter, if you will just take the step of Faith. This applies to everything in our lives. If God wants you to overcome something in your life, with Him you can be assured that He wants the best for you and you can be convinced that He loves you so much and He will help. That's what faith is!

When the disciples could not heal the lu-

natic son, Jesus told them it was because of the littleness of their faith. We can accomplish a lot by positive thinking but that is not what faith is about. It is about stepping out of the boat, into the air, with a tiny step of faith.

It's stepping out in faith, not in our own confidence and ability. That is why the disciples couldn't help the lunatic son in Matthew 17. They were healing people, casting our demons, yes; but they got too confident in their own ability and God had to show them it's based on Faith. Faith so small that you can move mountains . . . not only mountains but nothing is impossible for you.

Nothing is impossible when Jesus tells us to come. When we step out in faith and go to Him. If we begin to look at the negative around us we will begin to sink. Stay focused on Jesus. Ask Jesus for help. He will reach out and lift us up. Jesus says 'don't doubt; have faith,' and he will lift you up at the right place and time so you too can fly.

This was certainly a message from God given to Ernie to pass on to all of us. Ernie was guided by the Holy Spirit Sunday. The excitement was contagious. Mya and Deanna passed out carnations to the mothers in the church.

Please join us on Sunday morning for praise and worship at 10 a.m. We are planning a movie night for the kids on May 28. Please feel free to bring your kids; we will show a movie, have pizza, and learn about Jesus. We are thinking about showing Avatar. Praise God in your good times and Praise God in your sad times . . . Praise God always.

Missionaries serving in Uganda to speak at Dover Hill Church on Sunday

Keith and Donna Bourne, along with their children Haley and Rachel, who are missionaries serving in Uganda will be at the Dover Hill Christian Union Church on Sunday, May 16, at 7 p.m.

The church is located at 15581 North State Road 450 in Dover Hill.

The Bourne's serve in Uganda in East Africa. They say that Uganda is a country beginning to emerge from the dark days of dictator leadership, and the people are searching for something to give them hope and joy in their lives. "They are open and receptive to the gospel message, and the church is growing," said Donna.

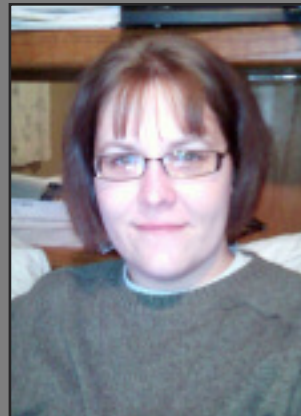
Keith works in the areas of building/maintenance and discipleship while Donna is involved in the Buvuma Island ministry and at Heritage International School in Kampala.

"Together, we are involved in pastoral training and friendship evangelism. We also



THE BOURNE FAMILY

hope that we are an encouragement to other missionaries, national pastors, and our church families," said Donna.



My Point of VIEW

By Courtney Hughett,
Journal Publisher

I found out two weeks ago that my son, Wyatt, has Asperger's. Many of you who have read my columns in other newspapers have probably read about my 12-year-old Wyatt.

When I heard the word Asperger's, I had no idea what that was. Like most people, I went to the internet. The definition given on Wikipedia said 'Asperger syndrome is an autism spectrum disorder, and people with it therefore show significant difficulties in social interaction, along with restricted and repetitive patterns of behavior and interests.' After doing some reading, this definition may 'sum it up' but it's not complete.

I have questioned things about Wyatt since he was around three years old. After having my second son, Alex, who is two years younger, my suspicions only increased. I noticed that Alex reached milestones, especially in socialization and maturity, earlier than Wyatt did. It was easy to dismiss when they were toddlers, but became more visible when they began school.

Wyatt is such a sweet kid; he loves babies, toddlers, and seems to flock toward classmates with disabilities. He wants to help people and has such a calm temperament. He has always had a hard time interacting with his peers and always seems to talk about things that are, as some would say, 'out there'. Over the years, he has been picked on endlessly and, at first, this didn't seem to affect him. Over the last few years, it has begun to take its toll on his self esteem. He simply doesn't understand why he is not accepted and has no clue how to hold a regular conversation with his classmates; therefore he has already been 'labeled' by his peers and as we all know, it's hard to go back.

Wyatt also has a tendency to get absorbed and somewhat infatuated with certain things. Whatever it may be at the time, will be all he does, all he talks about, and all he thinks about which affects his day to day life. Something as simple as taking a trip to the store disturbs his "routine" and aggravates him, so in the past, I usually just let him do what he wanted to avoid all the drama. Now that I know what is going on, I have been reading about tools to help.

Over the past seven years, I have been in countless conferences with Wyatt's teachers. I've had a few teachers that I was unable to work with at all.

On Wyatt's first day of kindergarten I was anxiously awaiting the minute I could go to the school to pick him up. I think I arrived about a half-hour early and stared at the front doors of Helmsburg Elementary. Finally, the children began to file out . . . Wyatt wasn't one of them. A few minutes later, his kindergarten teacher emerged from the doors with a firm grasp on my son's upper arm almost dragging him down the sidewalk. By this time I was out of my car and heading toward them. I had only met this woman once at kindergarten round-up and she flung Wyatt toward me and said "You are going to have to do something with this child." I was in utter shock and couldn't speak. She went on to tell me that Wyatt would not stay in his seat and was speaking out of turn and that when the class would move from one project to another Wyatt didn't want to let go of what he was working on. She said he purposely ignored her requests. The way she was speaking about my son made it seem that he had pulled a knife on her.

To me, what she described sounded like Wyatt and not all that horrible. I immediately had ill feelings toward that woman. I have no idea what I said; I just wanted to get in the car and leave. Other parents had witnessed this display and I was two sec-

onds from bawling my eyes out which I did all the way home being careful not to let Wyatt see me from the backseat.

Wyatt's other teachers have not all been like Mrs. Kindergarten. Every year before school I try to email the teacher and explain to her everything I can about him so not to have a repeat of the first day of kindergarten.

Wyatt's grades continued to get worse over the years and when he failed his ISTEP test his third grade year I knew that something had to be done. One of the reasons I wanted to move to Loogootee was for the school system, so the summer before Wyatt's fourth grade year we moved. When I went in to sign Wyatt up at East I was devastated to learn that I would not have the opportunity to speak to his teacher before the first day of school. This was somewhat of a "fresh start" for Wyatt and I didn't want to start off on the wrong foot. The day before school started I decided to just drive to Elementary East and see if Mrs. Jones was available; it was driving me crazy. Luckily, she was in her classroom. I spent about 10 minutes explaining the situation before Mr. Powell came in and told me that I was taking up too much of her time and whisked her away. I left the school feeling like I had made a huge mistake by moving Wyatt to a new school and that I was essentially "running away" from my problems. That first impression made me feel sick and scared.

Thank God Mrs. Jones turned out to be a Godsend and I don't think she realizes how much she helped me throughout Wyatt's fourth grade year. She and I kept in constant communication and it was nice to have an outsider's perspective. At Wyatt's old school the teachers communicated often, so even if Wyatt had a new teacher, each one already knew his history.

Testing started on Wyatt in the fifth grade and finally, a few weeks ago, I was told that it is Asperger's. I met with the special education team, Wyatt's teacher, Roberta Williams; the school's counselor, and the representative from the Daviess-Martin Special Education Co-Op. Due to having several women in the room, the meeting went on a little longer than any of us planned and everyone had to rush off to their next appointment or to their students. Later that night I was sitting in bed, watching missed episodes of Survivor on my laptop, when I heard someone come up my driveway. It was Mrs. Williams, Wyatt's teacher. She said that she could not stop thinking about having to rush out of the meeting that morning and she just wanted to see if I was okay. No teacher has ever done that before.

The last seven years have been hard; I don't think anyone understands unless they have been there. I am certainly not complaining, I have it way better than some, but knowing all these years that something was wrong with my son and having people tell me that I just don't know how to discipline him properly, not only made me second guess myself as a mother, but the affect it had on Wyatt may not be known for several years.

Since I never really had a problem being accepted or liked in school I don't know what to do. Most of the time I feel helpless and want to thump those kids that tease Wyatt endlessly but I know that I cannot do that. I simply, at every chance, tell Wyatt that he is a kind, loving soul and that one day he will be out of school and hopefully he can take away some fond memories and try to forget the bad ones. Only time will tell, I suppose. Until then, we will just take it one day at a time.



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Commissioners to help community foundation with operating expenses

Minutes provided by Auditor Nancy Steiner.

The Martin County Commissioners met on Wednesday, May 5.

Highway Superintendent Jim Williams was welcomed back from his sick leave. He will be making his regular work schedule at the next meeting.

Sheriff Tony Dant left word that Jasper Lumber Company will be giving two estimates this week for the exterior of the security center. One estimate will be for the damaged area only and the second one will be for the entire exterior.

The Commissioners signed the Congressional School Report with the principal in the Certificate of Deposit being \$12,957.40 and the interest of \$1,931.33 paid in January and July. The interest is divided between the two Martin County school corporations. County Attorney Lett will review the stipulations on the use of the principal.

Commissioner Dan Gregory spoke on the impact the Martin County Community Foundation has had on our county for the last ten years. Helping with various grants, the MCCF has aided in bringing \$9,177,311.40 to Martin County during that time period. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to divide \$6,000 among the three Commissioners' EDIT funds to help with the MCCF's operating expenses. The sec-

ond was by Commissioner Winger. With all in favor, the motion carried. This is contingent on the county council's approval. Commissioner Gregory will present this at the next council meeting.

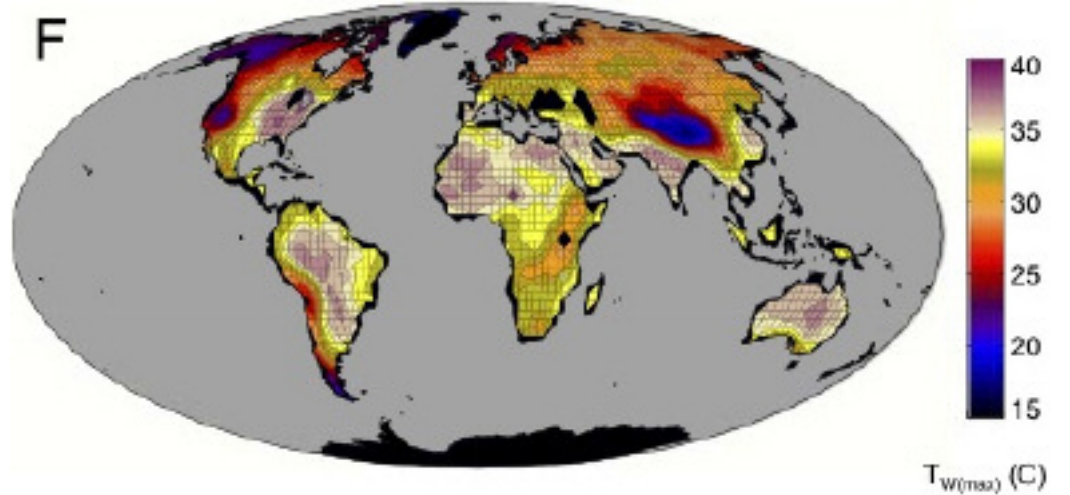
Civil Defense/EMA Director Wolf asked if a light coat of gravel could be applied around the new fire station. Commissioner Gregory suggested getting estimates for concrete or pavement for not only the fire station, but also the community building and the learning center. He also announced the Local Emergency Planning Commission will meet Thursday, May 20 at the new fire station. There will be a special speaker and the meeting will begin at 6 pm.

The commissioners approved the Addendum to SRI Incorporation's Tax Sale Work Plan. It increased the per parcel fee by \$5.

The Martin County Emergency Action Plan will be approved after the final diagram of the court house is drawn by Surveyor Paul Sanders.

The commissioners approved paying Darrell Irwin and David LaBarge for their work on the polling places as soon as the grant money is received.

Mitcheltree Township Trustee Norman reported electioneers were standing next to the door and blocking the driveway at the Mitcheltree polling place. He was advised to contact Clerk Julie Fithian.



-Purdue University graphic by Matthew Huber

This map shows the maximum wet-bulb temperatures reached in a climate model from a high carbon dioxide emissions future climate scenario with a global-mean temperature 12 degrees Celsius (21 degrees Fahrenheit) warmer than 2007. The white land areas exceed the wet-bulb limit at which researchers calculated humans would experience a potentially lethal level of heat stress.

Purdue researchers find temperatures could exceed livable limits in future

By Elizabeth K. Gardner and Greg Kline, Purdue University News Service

Reasonable worst-case scenarios for global warming could lead to deadly temperatures for humans in coming centuries, according to research findings from Purdue University and the University of New South Wales, Australia.

Researchers, for the first time, have calculated the highest tolerable "wet-bulb" temperature and found that this temperature could be exceeded for the first time in human history in future climate scenarios if greenhouse gas emissions continue at their current rate.

Wet-bulb temperature is equivalent to what is felt when wet skin is exposed to moving air. It includes temperature and atmospheric humidity and is measured by covering a standard thermometer bulb with a wetted cloth and fully ventilating it.

The researchers calculated that humans and most mammals, who have internal body temperatures near 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit, will experience a potentially lethal level of heat stress at wet-bulb temperature above 95 degrees sustained for six hours or more, said Matthew Huber, the Purdue professor of earth and atmospheric sciences who co-authored the paper that was published in Thursday's (May 6) issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

"Although areas of the world regularly see temperatures above 100 degrees, really high wet-bulb temperatures are rare," Huber said. "This is because the hottest areas normally have low humidity, like the 'dry heat' referred to in Arizona. When it is dry, we are able to cool our bodies through perspiration and can remain fairly comfortable. The highest wet-bulb temperatures ever recorded were in places like Saudi Arabia near the coast where winds occasionally bring extremely hot, humid ocean air over hot land leading to unbearably stifling conditions, which fortunately are short-lived today."

The study did not provide new evaluations of the likelihood of future climate scenarios, but explored the impacts of warming.

The challenges presented by the future climate scenarios are daunting in their scale and severity, he said.

"Whole countries would intermittently be subject to severe heat stress requiring large-scale adaptation efforts," Huber said. "One can imagine that such efforts, for example the wider adoption of air conditioning, would cause the power requirements to soar, and the affordability of such approaches is in question for much of the Third World that would bear the brunt of these impacts. In addition, the livestock on which we rely would still be exposed, and it would make any form of outside work hazardous."

While the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change central estimates of business-as-usual warming by 2100 are seven degrees Fahrenheit, eventual warming of

25 degrees is feasible, he said.

"We found that a warming of 12 degrees Fahrenheit would cause some areas of the world to surpass the wet-bulb temperature limit, and a 21-degree warming would put half of the world's population in an uninhabitable environment," Huber said. "When it comes to evaluating the risk of carbon emissions, such worst-case scenarios need to be taken into account. It's the difference between a game of roulette and playing Russian roulette with a pistol. Sometimes the stakes are too high, even if there is only a small chance of losing."

Steven Sherwood, the professor at the Climate Change Research Centre at the University of New South Wales, Australia, who is the paper's lead author, said prolonged wet-bulb temperatures above 95 degrees would be intolerable after a matter of hours.

"The wet-bulb limit is basically the point at which one would overheat even if they were naked in the shade, soaking wet and standing in front of a large fan," Sherwood said. "Although we are very unlikely to reach such temperatures this century, they could happen in the next."

Humans at rest generate about 100 watts of energy from metabolic activity. Wet-bulb temperature estimates provide upper limits on the ability of people to cool themselves by sweating and otherwise dissipating this heat, he said. In order for the heat dissipation process to work, the surrounding air must be cooler than the skin, which must be cooler than the core body temperature. The cooler skin is then able to absorb excess heat from the core and release it into the environment. If the wet-bulb temperature is warmer than the temperature of the skin, metabolic heat cannot be released and potentially dangerous overheating can ensue depending on the magnitude and duration of the heat stress.

The National Science Foundation-funded research investigated the long-term implications of sustained greenhouse gas emissions on climate extremes. The team used climate models to compare the peak wet-bulb temperatures to the global temperatures for various climate simulations and found that the peak wet-bulb temperature rises approximately 1 degree Centigrade for every degree Centigrade increase in tropical mean temperature.

Huber did the climate modeling on supercomputers operated by Information Technology at Purdue (ITaP), Purdue's central information technology organization. Sherwood performed the wet-bulb calculations.

"These temperatures haven't been seen during the existence of hominids, but they did occur about 50 million years ago, and it is a legitimate possibility that the Earth could see such temperatures again," Huber said. "If we consider these worst-case scenarios early enough, perhaps we can do something to address the risk through mitigation or new technological advancements that will allow us to adapt."

THANK YOU to the Voters of Martin County

I would like to personally thank each and every one of you that supported me in any way during the primary election and would like to ask for your continued support in the general election this fall. A very special thank you goes out to those who spent the day working the polling sites, those who allowed me to put a sign on their property, and especially my family and friends for their encouragement, support, and being there for me along the way. Those of you that did not vote for me in the primary election, I hope to gain your trust and support for the general election this fall. I invite you to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Rob Street

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Hey Kids - May 9th-15th is National Police Week!

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WHAT IS A POLICE OFFICER

Police officers and detectives enforce laws. They catch criminals. They collect evidence. They sometimes testify in court. Others patrol set areas to prevent crime. Some patrol and give out traffic tickets. Some direct traffic.

Most police officers wear uniforms. However, detectives and special agents often work in regular clothes. Most detectives are part of regular police forces, but detectives usually have separate duties from police officers.

Most police officers work on foot or ride in cars, but a few ride horses, bikes, or motorcycles. Some work in boats on rivers and in harbors. Some police work with dogs.

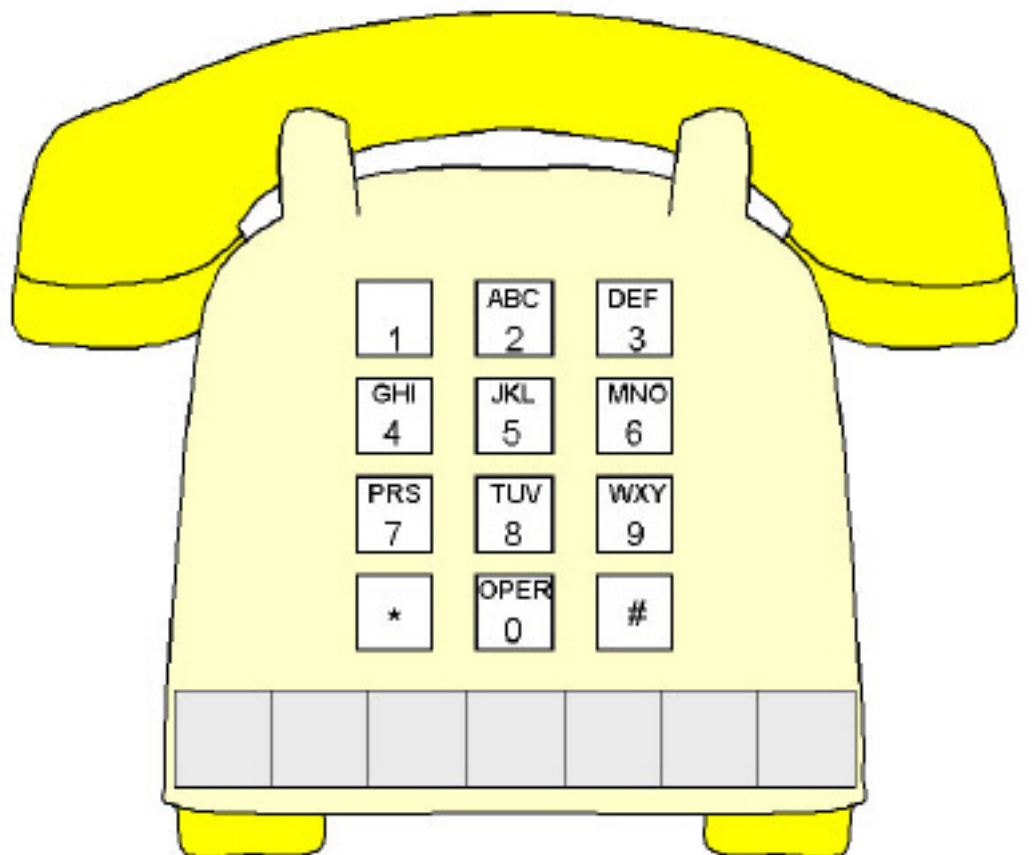
Because police work is a 24-hour-a-day job, some police have to work nights and weekends. They have to be ready to go to work at all times. Police officers may work very long hours on a case. Some have to travel a lot, often on short notice.

Some police officers work outdoors in all kinds of weather. Some take very big risks when they chase criminals in cars or when they make an arrest. Good training, teamwork, and good equipment keep police officers safe.

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