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Hindostan United Methodist Church, on State Road 550, was dedicated on May 20, 1883. The church will celebrate their 135th Anniversary on May 20 of this year. The public is invited to attend.

Hindostan Church will celebrate 135th Anniversary

The Hindostan United Methodist Church will be celebrating their 135th Anniversary on Sunday, May 20. There will be a special worship service beginning at 10 a.m. A celebration dinner will be served in the fellowship hall immediately following church services. Several former ministers and pastors have been invited to attend and there will be special music and remembrances shared.

On September 22, 1882, Samuel and Leah Albaugh deeded an acre of

ground to the trustees of the church, for the price of \$1. Prior to this, church meetings had been held in homes, open fields, tents and even taverns. By January 12, 1883, work on the church building had begun. The official dedication of the Hindostan United Methodist Church was held on May 20, 1883.

Over the years, several changes have been made to the original building. A bell was purchased and put in the steeple, and it remains there today. A base-(See 'CHURCH' continued on page 2)

Local Legion Post to visit cemeteries

During the month of May, two days morial Day, including: are set aside to recognize the role the Armed Services play in support of our country and freedoms we celebrate as United States citizens. The third Saturday of May is Armed Forces Day, first observed on May 20, 1950. The day was created on August 31, 1949, to honor Americans serving in the five U.S. military branches – the, Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard-following the creation of the Department of Defense. Armed Forces Day recognizes the men and women in uniform serving around the world on active or reserve duty who have volunteered to defend and protect our free-

The second day is the national holiday of Memorial Day, a time to remember all deceased service men and women who gave of their time, and sometimes their lives, to protect the freedoms which underlie the greatness of America. It is easy to overlook the importance of Memorial Day, or to view the long weekend as the beginning of the summer season. But if not for all the veterans who have served in the past, the present and the future of the United States could be much differ-

The American Legion Post 120 will again visit several cemeteries on Me-

9 a.m. - Burn City Cemetery;

9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Cemetery, Bramble;

10 a.m. - St. Mary Cemetery, Barr Township;

10:30 a.m. - Goodwill Cemetery; 11:15 a.m. - St. John Cemetery, Loo-

12:15 p.m. - St. Martin Cemetery,

12:45 p.m. - Truelove Cemetery;

1:30 p.m. - South Martin Cemetery

There are many more cemeteries, both large and small, where veterans are interred, but time is limited, and the Legion members who are members of the Ceremonial Unit also want to spend time with their families and enjoy the

Also, on May 19, the Legion Post in Loogootee will have a hog roast fundraiser and will be open to everyone. Funds raised by this fundraiser, and others throughout the year, enable the Legion to conduct activities such as the cemetery visits and other public events during the year. Although all Legion members donate their time for all these events, costs are still incurred, such as purchasing the bullets for the firing squad, maintaining the weapons, purchasing flags, and the costs of maintaining the Post.

City council approves library land rezoning, talks about park board

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

Martin County Journal Publisher

The main items of discussion at the Loogootee City Council meeting on Monday night, May 14 included the library's rezoning of donated property to build a new building and questions regarding the Loogootee Park and Recreation Board.

A public hearing was held for the rezoning of the new library property, on Park Street, next door to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. The land was donated by St. Vincent de Paul and Bowling Manufacturing for the purpose of constructing a new library building. Because Loogootee now has zoning, the library had to get approval to rezone the land from residential to commercial business, first from the zoning board and then the city council. Library Director Darla Wagler presented the reasons for a new library including increased circulation numbers, increased participation in programs and lack of space. No one from the community spoke out for or against the rezoning. The city council unanimously approved changing the property from residential to business.

Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones asked who was appointed by the mayor for the Loogootee Park Board because she never got those appointments listed in the meeting minutes. Mayor Harty replied that the appointments were Karen Slaven, Don Greene, Ron Gilbert, and Justin Wilcoxen. Council Member Teresa Nolley asked if the council ever receives budget reports or project reports from the park board. She said the council gets a pool report but wanted to know if any improvements were being made to the city park. Clerk-Treasurer Jones said that she generates the pool report, not the park board. The mayor replied that he doesn't believe it's the park board's job to generate a park report for the

Council Member Nolley asked who makes improvements to the city park (See 'COUNCIL' continued on page 2)

Shoals School Board approves staff changes, prepares for year-end

The Shoals School Board met May 10. Members in attendance were Dianna Ragsdale, Eva George, Jenell Hoffman, Drexel Turpin and Bill Bauer. There were seven staff in attendance, second grade teacher Janie Johnson, Athletic Director John Kirtland, Elementary Principal Shannon Wagoner, Middle School Principal Austin Malone, Superintendent Dr. Candace Roush, Corporation Secretary Miranda Beaver and third grade teacher Lisa Ader. Patron Lorna Troutman was also in attendance.

House Bill (HB) 1315 is in the house for a vote on May 14, 2018. This bill will allow Ball State to appoint their school board instead of them being elected officials by the voters. Teacher's Union Representative Janie Johnson read a letter that encouraged the board and all in attendance to call their district representatives to oppose House Bill 1315.

A resignation was given by Brenda Lowry from her position as a 28-hour cafeteria position. Pete McAlister gave his resignation from Agriculture Teacher. The board approved the resignations.

Cafeteria Manager Eileen Dawson recommended Rikki Albright to begin the position of 28-hour cook to begin the 2018-2019 school year. The board

The board approved Ben Kent as the new Career and Technical Education Teacher for the 2018-2019 school year.

A resignation for Lisa Ader from her position as 3rd grade teacher was given and accepted.

The elementary principal recommended Erica Divine as the sub nurse and elementary substitute pending her background submission. The motion was given by Drexel Turpin and seconded by Jenell Hoffman. A vote of 4-0-1 was given. Dianna Ragsdale ab-

The board unanimously approved the following athletic department recommendations:

Varsity cross country and middle school cross country coach: Dave

Varsity soccer head coach: Jeff Gee

Varsity soccer assistant coach: JJ Johnson Middle school soccer coach: Cody

Soccer volunteer coaches: Reva Troutman and Larry Sherfick

Varsity volleyball head coach: Bobbi 8th grade volleyball coach: Jesse Sud-

Varsity girls' basketball head coach:

Tim Howell Basketball volunteer coach: Alisha

Boys' volunteer basketball coach:

Tim Sorrells and Alan Abel Varsity boys' basketball coach:

Bryson Abel (3-year contract)

The board approved the following athletic department recommendations with a 4-0-1 vote. Drexel Turpin ab-

JV boys' basketball head coach: JD Turpin

Girls' basketball volunteer coach: (See 'SHOALS' continued on page 6)



Thanking the teachers

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The Shoals Senior Beta students (above from left to right: Lindsey Robinson, Melanie Hawkins, Robert Sullivan, Evan Wagoner) prepared and delivered water bottles to all high school teachers and staff for National Teacher Appreciation Week. A creative saying was attached to the bottles saying: Thanks for ALL you do... by "Quenching our "Thirst for knowledge. The Senior Betas would like to thank all the teachers and staff at Shoals for their dedication and support to the students. If it were not for great teachers, students would not be able to receive the best education and be challenged to do the very best.

Commissioners hear requests from Alliance Director, Ride Solutions

The Martin County Commissioners met Wednesday, May 9. Commissioner Kevin R. Boyd was not able to attend.

Tim Kinder, Martin County Alliance, presented to the commissioners an explanation of the White River Military Coordination Alliance (WRMCA) and its relationship with Crane and local communities. Mr. Kinder requested Martin County's participation by appointing a board member. Commissioner Gregory volunteered.

Becky Guthrie, Ride Solutions, came before the commissioners with a report concerning the increased usage in Martin County. She explained the benefits of Ride Solutions to provide transportation to persons that otherwise do not have a way to get around. Guthrie requested financial assistance from Martin County. The commissioners will include Ride Solution in their budget. They also explained the budget process and suggested she attend a council meeting.

Workforce Development Grant Draw #8 was presented with claim to Vincennes University in the amount of \$5,000. A motion to approve Draw #8 was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George.

Deputy Auditor Terrell presented the final contract for the employee portal for signing. Deputy Auditor Bobbie Abel negotiated a reduction to the original quote saving the county \$1,000 on the initial set up fee and \$1,000 per year for renewal.

Leo Padgett, highway superintendent, submitted his two-week work schedule. He also submitted copies for the council as requested. Superintendent Padgett reported that the road repairs on the Martin County side of West Boggs can be completed in one day. The new truck purchase has been finalized. A discussion on the results of recent road work followed. The summer work schedule of 4-10 hours days will start on Monday, May 14.

Rita and Richard Nixon were invited to join the commissioners in discussing their road issues after visiting the council meeting. Nixon stated that the council told them that the wheel tax, which she suggested, was not needed in Martin County due to new money from the gas tax. A discussion followed. Superintendent Padgett will advise the logging company to use an alternate route.

Monte Wolf, Civil Defense/EMA, informed the commissioners of their involvement in the Fibertech mulch fire in Mitchell. He discussed pump issues and the mechanical fix needed. President George agreed.

President George gave the April veteran service officer report. Deputy Auditor Terrell submitted the tourism report on behalf of Jim Stoughton.

Commissioner Gregory reminded citizens to be aware of farm equipment on the roadways.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. The next commissioners' meeting will be held Tuesday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m.

COUNCIL

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then. She said she has been on the city council for two years and the city park has never been discussed.

Mayor Harty said that the park board works like the Friends of the Library and does fundraisers to bring in donations for various items. He said most recently they purchased a cover for the pool for \$11,000. He said a few years ago, the park board purchased a slide for the city park and most recently some equipment that is being painted. Clerk-Treasurer Jones said that the park and recreation department does have a budget too, where they take in tax money, not just donations. (Editor's note: The park and recreation department's approved budget for 2018 was \$93,298 plus \$38,982.30 left over at the end of 2017. \$38,626 last year went to paying city employee wages.)

Mayor Harty suggested that any member of the city council who wants to know what the park board is doing, can attend one of their meetings.

The mayor asked Don Greene, who was in the audience, when the park board meets. Greene replied that he wasn't sure when they would meet again. Clerk-Treasurer Jones noted that the park board meetings are advertised in the local media as meeting a certain day each month. She suggested that someone change that if there is no park board meeting schedule.

Greene also said something that was discussed at the prior meeting was the need for new picnic tables. He said they discussed finding someone to come in and build new ones. He said they also see a need for a handicap swing and the cost on that is \$1,700 to \$2,000.

Council Member Nolley said she just wanted to know any planned improvements for the city park. She said that since she sits on the city council and the city council has a budget, she just wanted to know if the park board planned to ask for money for improve-

In other business, there was a discussion on whether the city council would continue to approve building permits. Building Commissioner Tim Hudson said that he has been approving them. Mayor Noel Harty asked Hudson if he knew how other cities handled their building permits. It was mentioned that Daviess County has their own office for planning and zoning, with staff, so the permits are approved there. The council requested that more research be done to find out how other cities, without a planning and zoning office, handle approval of building permits. Mayor Harty said he will contact an attorney to find out.

Council Member Roger Downey said they can see how other cities handle permits however he feels they should approved by the city council for the time being. Council Member Teresa Nolley said that since planning and zoning is new for the city, whatever is decided will set a precedent for the

Mayor Harty said he spoke with Nicole Bays, with Jill's House of Bloomington, about the assisted living building plans. The city had helped pay for a feasibility study, so Jill's House could consider putting an assisted living facility in Loogootee. He said that Bays' boss is out of the country for the new two weeks, so she could not report on any progress. She would, however, get back to the mayor before the next council meeting.

The council approved four additional appropriation requests - \$100,000 from the riverboat fund for local matching money for the Community Crossings grant, \$20,000 for a grant match for street paving from the river boat fund, \$15,000 from public safety LOIT (local option income tax) for the school's resource officer, and \$6,600 from the Motor Vehicle Highway fund for vehicle purchases.

The council set a work session for Monday, June 11 at 9 a.m. to discuss next year's budgets with department heads

During the board of public works meeting, prior to the council meeting, Public Works Superintendent Bo Wilson reported that he will be getting quotes for the water tower inspections and have them at the next meeting. He also told the board that a representative from CUSI will be giving a presentation on new billing software at next month's meeting.

Wilson also informed the board of works that he currently doesn't have any employees with a CDL license. Mayor Noel Harty suggested that Wilson contact other cities and towns to see if they pay more for a CDL driver.

Wilson requested permission to hire one person as summer help. The council approved the hire.

Building Commissioner Tim Hudson reported that he received 17 complaints about residents' grass, two complaints about residents' trash, approved two building permits, two demolition permits, and one fine permit.

Ron Gilbert was absent from the board of public works meeting and Ruth Smith was absent from the city council meeting.

CHURCH

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ment was put under the church and an oil furnace replaced the pot belly stoves. A new pulpit and alter were added, as well as a new organ and piano. More recent additions include a new fellowship hall, a nursery, and a shelter house. The entrance to the church was also made handicap accessible.

The church as several Sunday School classes, an active missions program, a monthly Women's Group meeting, weekly Bible study and a choir. They hold an annual ice cream social on Labor Day and have a cemetery which is maintained by the members.

Pastor Marty Evans and the congregation would like to invite everyone to join them at the 135th Anniversary celebration of the Hindostan United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 20 at 10 a.m. and for the dinner immediately following.



Obituaries

GLENDA EMMONS

Glenda L. Emmons passed away May 11, 2018 at her home. A resident of Shoals, she was 82.

She was born in Orange County on July 7, 1935; daughter of Fred and Roma (Wininger) Qualkenbush. She married Estel D. Emmons on October 24, 1953 and he preceded her in death on July 22, 2012.

She was a member of the Higher Grounds United Pentecostal Church, she loved listening to gospel music and deeply cherished spending time with her loving family especially her grandchildren. She worked at the Dime Store, owned G&E's in Prospect for many years and had also previously worked at Chicago's Pizza.

She is survived by one son, Stacy Emmons (Kendra) of Fort Branch; two daughters, Darla Flick (Ron) of Shoals and Rhonda Britz (Leonard) of Stevens Point, Wisconsin; five grandchildren, Quiana Emmons, Jacie Moffatt, Brady Shipman, Leonard Britz and Eric Britz; and two great grandchildren, Skyla and **Kaydin Emmons**

She was also preceded in death by her parents.

A funeral ceremony was conducted by Rev. Brian Harrison on Tuesday, May 15 at the Brosmer-Kemple Chapel in French Lick. Interment followed in Emmons Ridge Cemetery in Hillham.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Higher Grounds United Pentecostal Church, 770 South Bears Bend Road, French Lick, Indiana 47432.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Heart to Heart Hospice for tremendous their care.

Arrangements were in the care of Brosmer-Kemple Funeral Service in French Lick. Condolences may be made on their website, www.brosmer-kemplefuneralhome.com.

TERRY RIGGINS

Terry Riggins passed away Saturday, May 12, 2018 at his home. A resident of Cannelburg, he was 63.

He was born April 7, 1955 in Washington; son of the late John Riggins and Roberta (Ressler) Wildman.

He attended North Daviess High School through his junior year. His mother married Melvin Wildman and they moved to Loogootee. Terry graduated from Loogootee High School in

He started driving a truck when he was 19 years old. He drove for Hillcrest Supply, Traylor Trucking and then Air Liquide. He achieved the Million Safe Miles Award with Air Liquide.

Terry enjoyed riding his Harley and watching NASCAR. He loved anything to do with farming and enjoyed his four-legged companion, Candy.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Riggins; mother and step-father, Roberta and Melvin Wildman; step-daughter, Melanie Gingerich; step-brother, Roger Wildman; step-sister, Janet (Donnie) Jackson; special cousin, Jo Ann Sterkel.

He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Linda Riggins of Cannelburg; step-daughter, Stephanie (Troy) Ainscough of Cannelburg; step-son, Garrett (Chrissy) Gingerich of Montgomery; step-grandchildren, Austin and Addison Ainscough, Kinley Schrock and Hudson Gingerich; step-sister-inlaw, Patty Wildman of Loogootee; special cousins, Shelba (Tom) Noble and Connie Vowels, both of Odon.

Funeral services will be conducted at noon Saturday, May 19 at the Montgomery Christian Church.

Visitation will be held Saturday, May 19 from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the charity of your choice. Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

NORMA WALLS

Norma Jean Walls passed away

peacefully on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at Prairie Village Nursing Home. A resident of Washington, she was 80.

She was born in Raglesville on July 27, 1937; the daughter of Carl and Halcie (Chestnut) Pruett. Norma was married to Maurice 'Luke' Miller on May 17, 1953 in Raglesville by Bessie Frady. She married Clifford Walls on November 6, 2003.

Norma and Maurice joined the Hoosier Playboys Band in 1972, and she was the band's lead singer. They owned and operated the Opera House in Loogootee from 1976-1988 and were the last to run the Raglesville Store, before it was turned into a house. Norma worked at RCA and retired after 30 years. She enjoyed her grandchildren, making scrubbies, playing euchre and the slots. Last year for her 80th birthday, she was surprised with a party at the Raglesville Park. The Bunkum Valley Boys performed, and she joined them on stage and sang Rocky Top. Norma truly enjoyed that day and loved visiting with her friends and family.

Surviving are her son, Jim Miller of Washington; daughter, Ginny Lou Green of Gulf Shores, Alabama; grandchildren, Nancy (Cliff) Armstrong, Susan (Clint) Ramsey, Joby Wells, Dylan Miller, Keyah Miller, Tessie Miller, Nettie Miller, and Hallie Miller. She also leaves behind 12 great grandchildren with one on the way.

She is preceded in death by her parents, siblings, Virginia Beasley, Ives Pruett, Nancy Parsons and Sue Chestnut; husbands, Maurice Miller (January 2000) and Clifford Walls (November 2010); infant son, David and daughter, Linda Nichols.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 12 at Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon with Pastor Jerod Chattin officiating. She was laid to rest in Raglesville Cemetery.

A sincere thank you goes to DCH Hospice, Prairie Village Nursing Home, and lastly, Vicki Leonard for all of their compassion and support.

All arrangements were entrusted to James W. Meng, Jr. and Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon. Online condolences may be sent to www.mengfuneralhome.com.

JAMES CARROLL

James W. Carroll passed away at 6 p.m. May 13, 2018 at Loogootee Healthcare and Rehabilitation. A resident of Loogootee, he was 68.

He was born July 2, 1949 in Marengo, Indiana; son of the late James Wesley and Lula (Crawford) Carroll.

He was a United States Navy veteran and served his country during the Vietnam War. He loved to fish, camp, hunt mushrooms and spending time with family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Lula Carroll; sisters, Geneva I. Thompson, Oneida M. Cook, Mary E. Reynolds and Lou Ann Jones; and brothers, Clarence VanWinkle and Alvin Green.

He is survived by his wife, Betty (Wathen) (Hembree) Carroll; children, Amy Carroll and Laura Carroll, both of Fredonia; James Owen Carroll of Sherpardsville, Kentucky; and Jarrod Carroll of Cannelton; grandchildren, Sarepta (Terry) Albertson and Dillion Courtney; great-grandchildren, Ava Courtney and Ayla Albertson; sister, Carol S. Longest of Paoli; step-children, Roger (Jessica) Hembree, Aaron (Nannette) Hembree, both of Loogootee, and Barbara (Billy) Erdman of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; step-grandchildren, Brandon Hembree, Samantha Hembree, Tanner Akles and Liam Erdman; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 18 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. Martin Catholic Ceme-

Visitation will be held Thursday, May 17 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home.

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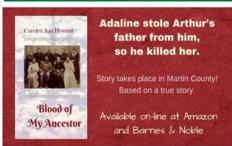
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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

9:22 a.m. - Reserve Deputy Kidwell completed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

10:50 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn on Brickyard Road in Loogootee.

10:55 a.m. - Received a report of a public disturbance in Loogootee. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

11:26 a.m. - Received a request for vehicle identification check north of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

11:35 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received an animal complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:33 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

3:56 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded.

4:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance and Crane First Responders responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Greene County Hospital.

5:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:30 p.m. - Multiple sheriff's office personnel and ICO Doane conducted the female shooter's course in Loogoo-

TUESDAY, MAY 8

9:51 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn on Windom Road in Shoals.

11:55 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:45 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Captain Dant responded. Everything checked out

1:02 p.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist on US Hwy 231, north of Loogootee.

1:30 p.m. - Received an animal complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:35 p.m. - Received a report of controlled burn on West River Road in

2:32 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:40 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute east of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant, and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:58 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on US Hwy 50, west of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, ISP Trooper Beaver, Sergeant Keller, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

3:38 p.m. - Received a report of controlled burn on Spout Springs Road.

4:10 p.m. - Received a report of a dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

5:30 p.m. - Multiple sheriff's office personnel and ICO Doane conducted the female's shooters course in Loo-

6:02 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

property dispute in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

6:16 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 231, north of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

6:35 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:53 p.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a motorist south of Loogootee.

10:43 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious individuals walking on US Hwy 231, south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded. Everything checked out okay.

11:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

1:43 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Shoals. Deputy Reed respond-

2:33 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:43 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Shoals. Sheriff Roush re-

7:54 a.m. - Received a report of theft in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

8:40 a.m. - Received a report of a damaged telephone pole and road hazard in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:41 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

10:31 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Indiana University Health-Blooming-

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

11:15 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

12:17 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:15 p.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted the department of child services with a welfare check in Loogoo-

2:12 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Shoals.

3:22 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist east of Shoals.

3:44 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle identification check near Loogootee.

5:53 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Crane. Major Burkhardt responded.

6:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt, Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and AirEvac responded. Multiple patients were transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Williams Fire and IU Health Ambulance were dispatched. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

7:10 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer 6:10 p.m. - Received a report of a Hughett responded.

reckless driver on US 231, south of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt respond-

THURSDAY, MAY 10

8:22 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

9:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

10:43 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

12:50 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

2:05 p.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

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

3:24 p.m. - Captain Dant performed a welfare check near Shoals. All was

4:47 p.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not trans-

7:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

FRIDAY, MAY 11

2:42 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee Officer Floyd and Deputy Shinn responded. All was

3:03 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:15 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not

7:55 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:02 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

1:45 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee Officer McBeth, Chief Deputy Greene, and Sheriff Roush responded.

2:00 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

3:34 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

4:22 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed two vehicle identification checks near Loogootee.

4:47 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle unlock near Shoals.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

11:41 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231. ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

12:51 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

4:15 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded and stopped

8:18 p.m. - Received a smoke alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire re-

9:57 p.m. - Received a report of a cow out near Shoals. The owner was

SUNDAY, MAY 14

4:10 a.m. - Deputy Shinn assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

4:46 a.m. - Received a report of a do-

10:18 p.m. - Received a report of a mestic dispute east of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

> 9:35 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

> 2:29 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231, north of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt respond-

> 3:47 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle identification checks near Shoals.

> 4:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

> 4:37 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

> 4:55 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Windom Road. Shoals Fire

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, MAY 8

8:45 a.m. - Angus Robinson, 29, of Williams, was arrested by Captain Dant on a Martin County warrant for criminal trespass and is being held without bond. Jail Officer Shaw assisted with the arrest.

FRIDAY, MAY 11

12:30 a.m. - Chris Senne, 40, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with domestic battery, intimidation, and resisting arrest. He is being held without bond.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

3:38 a.m. - Sean Wininger, 19, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with operating while intoxicated controlled substance. He was released on his own recognizance.



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Real estate transfers

Earthling Enterprises, LLC, of Martin County, Indiana to Mark Fields and Mary Fields, of Martin County, Indiana, a section of land in Section 36, Township 4 North, Range 5 West.

Kristy Sorrells Wininger, of Martin County, Indiana to Shannon T. Price and Patricia L. Price, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number Six in Stiles Addition to the Town of Shoals, Indiana. Also, Lot Number 5 in Stiles Addition to the Town of Shoals, Indiana except a 31-foot wide strip.

Ohio River Veneer, LLC, of Monroe County, Indiana to the State of Indiana, a part of the east half of the northwest quarter of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.839 acres, more or less.

Brad Chastain and Judy Chastain to Ronald McCracken and Kimberly McCracken, part of the east half of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, in Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.29 acres, more or less.

Misty D. Melvin, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brandon Melvin**, of Martin County, Indiana, the west part of Lot 28, Indian Springs.

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CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed May 2

Darla Flick vs. Ronald Flick, petition for dissolution of marriage.

May 4

Stanley Young and SD Young Construction vs. Zack Brown and Ericka Brown, civil collection.

May 7

Leia D. Epperson vs. James T. Epperson, petition for dissolution of mar-

May 8

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Ashten Goldsberry, civil collection.

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Thomas Hudson, civil collection.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

May 2

Crane Credit Union vs. Rayann Cooper, complaint.

May 7

Jared Flammer vs. Kimberly Flammer, complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSES May 4

Damien Heath Hayes of Loogootee and Haley Ann Mahaney of Loogoo-

OVaughn Maurice Boshey of Loogootee and Lakeisha Rena Sircy of Loogootee

Liam Michael Scott Hollihan of Loogootee and Adalyn Rae Arvin of Evansville.

Multiple injuries in three-car accident in Martin County

The Martin County Sheriff's Office Loogootee. received numerous 911 calls, at 4:27 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9, in reference to a three-vehicle accident with numerous injuries including children near the intersection of US 50 East and Belgrade Road, which is just west of the Martin County Fairgrounds.

It was determined during the investigation; that Amanil Kahsay, 56, of Indianapolis was westbound on US 50 in his white 2010 Chevy Van when for unknown reasons proceeded off the immediate roadway striking the north side guardrail, then overcorrecting and proceeding into the eastbound lane of traffic on US 50.

Upon proceeding into the eastbound lane, Mr. Kahsay struck the driver's side of a red Toytoa Tacoma being driven by Scott Truelove, 51, of Shoals. Upon striking Truelove's vehicle this caused his vehicle to spin completely around within the eastbound lane and come to rest facing west within the eastbound lane of US 50 East.

Upon striking the Truelove vehicle, Mr. Kahsay's white van proceeded westbound in the eastbound lane striking a blue 2002 Dodge Ram head-on being driven by John Graber, 38, of

Furthering the accident investigation; Mr. Kahsay was alone in his vehicle, Mr. Truelove was alone in his vehicle, and in the Graber, vehicle were two adults and two minor children.

All persons involved in the collision were transported to Daviess Community Hospital by the Martin County Ambulance Service. Mr. Graber and his two minor children were treated at the hospital for cuts, abrasions and complaint of pain. Later one of the minor children was transferred to Riley Hospital in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Graber was airlifted to St. Vincent's Hospital in Evansville for severe

Mr. Kahsay was also airlifted to St. Vincent's Hospital in Evansville for severe injuries. Mr. Kahsay was extricated from the vehicle by Loogootee Fire and rescue.

Assisting agencies in the Investigation: Members of the Martin County Sheriff's Department, members of the Indiana State Police and their Reconstruction Team, Loogootee Fire and Rescue, Air-Evac. Additionally, multiple Good Samaritans assisted at the scene.

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Loogootee Police log

10:55 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person on JFK Avenue.

11:35 a.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint on N. Line Street. Animal Control was contacted.

4:25 p.m. - Caller reported occupants of a vehicle throwing items out of the vehicle on US 231.

4:45 p.m. - Caller reported a male requesting assistance. Sgt. Norris responded.

5:20 p.m. - Caller reported a red truck had knocked over a stop sign on West

6:05 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of a license plate.

9:45 p.m. - Male reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

TUESDAY, MAY 8

11:55 a.m. - Female reported a property damage accident in the Ruler park-

6:02 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on N. Line Street.

6:16 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231.

7:39 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a utility pole on fire on Cherry Road.

10:15 p.m. - Caller reported a strange odor coming from a residence.

10:30 p.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint on N. Line Street.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

8:40 a.m. - Caller reported a utility line down on Hwy 550.

9:41 a.m. - Male came on station to request assistance in removing a male from a residence.

11:05 a.m. - Caller reported a trespassing complaint.

11:15 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the ambulance service.

2:20 p.m. - Caller requested an abandoned vehicle tag at Country Place Apartments.

5:41 p.m. - Male reported a utility pole and line down on Mulberry Street.

6:28 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a personal injury

THURSDAY, MAY 10

10:55 a.m. - Caller reported a civil

4:41 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

6:58 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

7:03 p.m. - First responders were requested on SW 1st Street for a medical

FRIDAY, MAY 11

2:42 a.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a residential alarm.

11:01 a.m. - Caller reported a gas odor from a residence on Sycamore Street.

6:53 p.m. - Caller reported kids throwing items at vehicles.

9:12 p.m. - Caller reported her daughter had run away from home.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

9:07 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to residential alarm.

12:51 p.m. - Female reported property damage to her vehicle.

1:04 p.m. - Male reported low power lines on 150 N.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

10:05 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

3:16 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

4:23 p.m. - First responders were requested on Cedar Street for a medical

5:35 p.m. - Male reported a speeding vehicle on US 231. 5:45 p.m. - Caller reported a civil

8:18 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged

out to a fire alarm on West Main Street.

9:14 p.m. - Caller reported a con-

Sheriff's department setting up second round of township meetings

The Martin County Sheriff's Department is in the process of setting dates and venues for the next round of township gatherings. In the coming days, deputies from the assigned townships will be reaching out to other agencies, officials, and community members for planning. Additionally, the sheriff's department have created Facebook pages for each respective township to promote conversation and ownership within townships. These pages will be presented to the community during the next meetings.

As a reminder the following is a list of the townships with assigned deputies, and dates, times, and locations for the

Center/Halbert Townships - Deputy Shinn and Deputy Seymour, June 2 at 7 p.m. at the Shoals Volunteer Fire De-

Crane Village – Deputy Reed, May 19 at 1 p.m. at the Crane VFW

Lost River – Major Burkhardt, May 21 at 6 p.m. at the Lost River Fire Station Mitcheltree Township -

Wright, date, time and location to be de-Rutherford Township – Sergeant Keller, June 5 at 6 p.m. at Truelove

Perry Township – Captain Dant, May 24 at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Civil Defense building on the fairgrounds

Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Tenderloin Plate Thursday: Roast Beef or Beef Manhattans

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SHOALS

(Continued from page one)
Danielle Cornett

The superintendent recommended the posting of an elementary aide/day-care aide position for the 2018-2019 school year. Funds will come from the daycare participation. The board approved.

Formation of a fishing club was discussed. The sponsor would be Zach Baker pending a background investigation. The board approved.

Information on high school teacher shifts was given. Jeff Gee will be high school English only and internship advisor. Jonathan Holt will be all high school math. Lori Flynn will be middle school math and one section of Algebra I.

New Courses were proposed by the High School Principal:

IDOE 5230 Information Tech Support – Bryson Abel

IDOE 5966 Entrepreneurship – Bryson Abel

IDOE 5330 Adult Roles & Responsibilities – Audrey Gibson

IDOE 1560 AP United States Government & Politics – Tina Rue

The board approved the new courses. There were handbook updates for the high school, middle school and athletic handbooks. There was a first reading and they will be voted upon at the June meeting.

An FMLA leave request was given by Brittani Nici Key starting on July 25, 2018 for up to 12 weeks. The board approved.

The superintendent requested to have the ninth day of missed school be approved as a waived day by the school board. The day has been accepted as a state waived day already. The board approved.

The board held a second reading of the two-hour minimum Bus Driver Policy, School Board Policy Series 8000 revisions, McKinney-Vento District Plan 2018 – Homeless Liason Policy for the school corporation, and the job description changes to cafeteria assistant manager. The board approved all policy changes.

A fundraiser request was given by the volleyball team, Bobbi Bledsoe, to host a co-ed softball tournament on June 16 at the Little League Fields. The Beta club requested that they be able to host 31 Bingo on May 1, 2018. The board approved the requests.

The River Church donated an undisclosed amount to cover negative lunch accounts.

A trip request was given by the Beta Club to attend National Convention in Savannah, Georgia. The board approved.

The board approved a facility usage request was given by Shoals Christian Church requested to host a cook-out during sectionals week for softball and baseball players (week of May 21).

There was a first reading to update the days worked in the elementary secretary and middle school secretary job descriptions from 220 days to 207 days.

Elementary IREAD remediation will be during the summer on June 4-7. Leeza Adams and Jennifer Mauntel will work June 4-7 and Amy Norrington will do testing on June 7 only.

The proposal for the finish of the ceiling project from Jasper Lumber was given. The home economics, shop classroom and band room ceilings will be replaced.

Kindra Hovis gave a list of textbooks for recycling. The books will be offered to students and staff and then taken to the recycling center.

Middle school principal Austin

Malone gave his report to the board first. The attendance rates for all three grades are up. 6th grade is at 95.3 percent, 7th grade at 97.1 percent and 8th grade is up 2.2 percent to 96.9 percent. The school is finally finished ISTEP and IREAD testing. Elementary has started with the IREAD3 remediation. Due to the missed science fair due to weather in February, the 6th grade will be having their projects judged on Monday May 14, 2018. There will be many activities during the last week of school, finals, return of Chromebooks, awards for 6-11 are Thursday May 24 in the morning, talent show May 25 in the morning and a field day to be determined and put together by Jill Holt. There will be a new middle school handbook that will be given out next year. Mr. Malone would like to thank all teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week, Jill Holt for organizing Field Day, Leslie Bauer and Becky Riggins for filling in where needed and helping with testing ALL year. Also, a huge thanks to Shoals Parents Association, Athletic Department, Family and Consumer Science Department and BETA club for all the goodies delivered to the teachers this week.

Elementary Shannon Wagoner delivered her report to the board next. Elementary attendance sustained the month of April at 98 percent. IREAD3 remediation is June 4-7. Testing will be on the 6th and 7th. Special events in the month of April were Special Track and Field Day Awards, PBIS Pizza Party and the Beta Bing Fundraiser. Congratulations to Terra Boyd who was given the Award for Excellence in Special Education this year. 4th grader Clarissa Holt won the 100-meter trophy this year. The PBIS pizza party was successful with 24 students reaching Level 12 this year in elementary. The Beta Bingo Fundraiser raised well over \$3,000 this year. Upcoming events this month, May 11 the 4th and 5th grade dance, 5th grade ILEAD trial May 4 at 12:30, Martin County Security Center visit May 15 at 8:30 a.m., PBIS reward movie day on May 16, Field Day May 18, Pre-K graduation May 22 at 10 a.m., Elementary Awards program May 23 at 9 a.m. for 3-5, Elementary Music Program, wear your cowboy boots for a country music program, at 1:30 p.m.; and National Beta Convention on June 15-June 21 in Savannah, Georgia. There are four new teacher assignments for the upcoming year, Mimi Hawkins is moving to kindergarten, Becca Harmon is moving to 3rd grade, Amanda Turpin is moving to 4th grade and Jill Holt is moving to 5th grade. Mrs. Wagoner would like to thank Dr. Roush, the board, and the other Administrators for helping her have a great first year.

Athletic Director John Kirtland reported on the following.

Fall Highlights:

Macey Way (volleyball) and Colin Hoffman (cross country) were named 17-18 Wendy's Heisman Hopeful candidates

Varsity soccer finished with a winning record (2nd straight year), Varsity volleyball improved its record from the year before and cross country competed as a full boys' team.

John Sukup named All-Conference (soccer) for 2nd straight year, Ryan Hawkins, Max Fischer, Caleb Belcher, Colin Hoffman (soccer) and Macey Way (volleyball) were named Honorable Mention All-Conference

Winter Highlights:

Varsity boys' basketball improved their win/loss record (2nd straight year)
Ryan Hawkins was named the FCA

Character Counts Award winner for the Springs Valley Tournament.

Shoals saw higher numbers of kids participating in varsity/JV basketball, dance, cheer, elementary boys' and girls' basketball.

Klayton Tichenor named All-Conference (boys' basketball) and Maggie Shaw named Honorable Mention All-Conference (girls' basketball)

Spring Highlights:

Girls' track placed 4th and boys placed 6th at Blue Chip Championships.

Zetta Gore set the Sam Sumner Invitational record in the shot put

The school saw the return of boys' JV baseball

Important Department Information: Continued increase in participation

Above the national average of percentage of athletes per school population

All varsity head coaches are CPR and concussion certified.

Sportsmanship score is currently at 107, two points higher than this time last year

AD has been named to InSideOut & Habitudes state leadership team along with becoming certified as Certified Athletic Administrator through NIAAA (only 6 from Indiana less than 100 worldwide earned distinction this year)

Mr. Kirtland gave a presentation on the InSideOut initiative and Habitudes. Shoals is one of 65 schools selected in Indiana to be leaders for the InSide-Out Initiative and one of 35 schools doing both InSideOut and Habitudes. The InSideOut team is comprised of John Kirtland, Kindra Hovis, Candace Roush, Bryson Abel, Dennis Dahlen, Danielle Cornett and Heidi Hoffman. The Habitudes student team is comprised of Max Fischer, Chloe Spencer, Maggie Shaw, Caleb Belcher, Dalton Roush, Ryan Hawkins, Kenyon Sorrells, Abby Haviland and Kendra Howard. These teams will work on the building of character of our student athletes.

Dr. Roush reported on the following: Graduation will be on Saturday, May 26 at 2 p.m.

Thank you to Lisa Ader for her many years of service and dedication to the Shoals Community School Corporation.

Thank you to Pete McAlister for his years of service and for creating an agriculture program at Shoals High School.

The school is applying for the ROI grant with Mitchell and Orleans that will allow the school to spend a year analyzing local workforce development. If awarded the grant, all three schools will study different options to helping students become college and career ready and help link them to local jobs in the region.

The school is also in the process of writing the Indiana Secured Schools Safety Grant in hopes of funding the resource officer for next school year. Part of the grant requires the schools in Martin County to create a School Safety Commission. The Safety Commission was developed back in 2013 and will meet twice a year to discuss school safety related issues.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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Loogootee Girls' Tennis starts Sectional play tonight

On Monday, May 14 the Loogootee High School Tennis teams swept Lighthouse Christian Academy at home. The varsity won 5-0 and the junior varsity 3-0. The varsity moved to 14-2 on the season and the junior varsity stands at

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "This was a great way to finish the regular season for our two seniors. Katie has been one of those rare four-year varsity starters and is having the best year of her career. After tearing her ACL last year, Jody came back this year and is playing better than ever."

The Tennis Sectional starts this afternoon, Wednesday, May 16 at 4:30 p.m., in Loogootee, with the first match between Northeast Dubois and Paoli. The second match, at 6 p.m., will be Loogootee versus Barr-Reeve. The championship game will be held Thursday, May 17 at 5 p.m.

Coach Tippery said of this year's Sectional play, "This is going to be one of the most competitive Sectionals in the state. Every match played this year between the four teams was a 3-2 re-

LHS JV Softball game summaries

BY GREG CLARK

LHS Head Softball Coach

Lady Lions JV downs Warriors

Maria Chestnut allowed one run, three hits and struck out six on her way to the win over the Lady Warriors 12-1 in Bicknell last Monday night. Loogootee tallied fifteen hits in the game, with Kendall Berry leading the Loogootee hitting attack going 4-4 with three singles and a double. Emily Thomas, Maddie Cropp and Maelee Hawkins each went 2-4 with Cropp hitting a double. Jaelyn Walker also doubled in the game, while Mallory Berry roped a triple.

JV Lady Lions out Cat Cougars

Makenzie VanHoy's timely hitting drove in four runs on three hits to lead the Lady Lions JV past north Daviess 9-4. VanHoy drove home runs with a single in the first and a triple in the third. Loogootee had twelve hits in the game, Adie Nolley was 2-2 with a home run. Maria Chestnut and VanHoy doubled in the contest, while Kendall Berry, Mallory Berry, Mealee Hawkins, Maddie Cropp and Nolley all added singles.

Lady Lions JV shuts out WRV

Maria Chestnut shut out WRV on Thursday night in Switz City. Chestnut allowed two hits, while striking out six in the 16-0 win. Loogootee collected thirteen hits on the night, with Isabelle Waggner and Maddie Cropp each having three hit games, while Jaelyn Walker, Brooklynn Jones, and Emily Thomas each had two hits in the contest.

Lady Lions defeat Barr-Reeve

Maria Chestnut went the full five innings in the 2-0 win over the Barr-Reeve Vikings. Chestnut allowed four hits over five innings, striking out four. Loogootee, who was no-hit for the game, scored two runs in the bottom of the second inning. Maddie Cropp drew a walk with two outs and Maria Chestnut walked to put Lady Lions on first and second. Asia Crim came in to courtesy run for Chestnut, and both Cropp and Crim moved up sixty feet on a passed ball and both scored on the throwing error at third.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Melaina Tippery (L) defeated Esther Whitney 6-2, 6-1

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Isabel Greiner 6-1, 6-2

#3 Singles Emily Wade (L) defeated Abigail Huck 6-2, 6-0

#1 Doubles Jody Seals/Kashten Burch (L) defeated Kimberly Curell/ Si-On Ki 6-0, 6-0

#2 Doubles Madisyn Wade/Leonna Hedrick (L) defeated REbekah Mahoney/Cynthia Spaetti 6-0, 6-1

Junior varsity results

#1 Doubles Brittany Potts/Hope Fischer (L) defeated Mikhaeli Connell/ Anne Holdeman 6-1

#2 Doubles Elly Wagler/Rachel Robinson (L) defeated Madelyn Fallis/Kendra Stancombe 6-0

#3 Doubles Hope Fischer/Cindy Chen (L) defeated Anne Holdeman/ Madelyn Fallis 6-1

On Saturday, May 12 the varsity Lady Lions went up against Evansville Mater Dei at Barr-Reeve. The Loogootee girls won 3-2.

Coach Tippery said after the games, "After last night's match, I wasn't sure how much we would have in the tank today. The team came out playing strong from the start. Emily and Katie put together two good sets. Though she lost 1, and 2, Melaina battled and was the last one on the court. Elpers is one of the best players we have seen this year. Madison and Leonna are really starting to gel at #2 Doubles. This was a tough

stretch of matches for us. I am proud of the way the team has competed."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Alexa Elpers (MD) defeated Melaina Tippery 6-1, 6-2

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Paige Denning 6-1, 6-3

#3 Singles Emily Wade (L) defeated Kiley Hatfield 6-0, 6-1

#1 Doubles Abbey Chapman/Ashley Reine (MD) defeated Jody Seals/ Kashten Burch (L) 6-3, 7-5

#2 Doubles Leonna Hedrick/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated BaileyBrush/ Lydia Johnston 6-3, 6-2

On Friday, May 11, the teams traveled to Vincennes Lincoln. The varsity Lady Lions won 5-0 while the junior varsity matches were a draw, 1-1.

"This was our 7th match in seven days and you could tell. The wind definitely didn't help matters either. I gave #1 Doubles the day off and was pleased how Madisyn and Leonna stepped up in the #1 position and played well."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Melaina Tippery (L) defeated Anna Purdom 3-6, 6-3, 6-3

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Ashlyn Hilenbrand 6-4, 6-2

#3 Singles Emily Wade (L) defeated Katie Roman 6-0, 6-0

#1 Doubles Kashten Burch/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Fatima Ayala/Kathleen Frey 6-0, 6-0

#2 Doubles Brittany Potts/Hope Fischer (L) defeated Andrea Vieck/ Kaylee McKnight 5-7, 6-2, 6-0

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Claire Isler (VL) defeated Cindy Chen 8-0

#1 Doubles Elly Wagler/Rachel Robinson (L) defeated Claire Isler/Logan Riickert 9-7

On Thursday, May 10 the teams took a trip to White River Valley. The varsity Lady Lions won 5-0 and the junior varsity also took the win, 4-1.

Loogootee @ WRV

Varsity results

#1 Singles Melaina Tippery (L) defeated Elizabeth Mowery 6-0, 6-1

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Summer Blanton 6-0, 6-1

#3 Singles Emily Wade (L) defeated McKinley Frye 6-0, 6-0

#1 Doubles Jody Seals/Brittany Potts (L) defeated Kirsten Lee/Addison Graves 6-2, 6-1

#2 Doubles Leonna Hedrick/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Olivia Myers/ Hannah Crowe 6-1, 6-0

Junior varsity results

#1 Doubles Hope Fischer/Elly Wagler (L) defeated Veronica Snyder/ Savannah Krueger 6-0

#2 Doubles Rachel Robinson/Cindy Chen (L) defeated Olivia Myers/Caroline Drinkow 6-2

#3 Doubles Hope Fischer/Elly Wagler (L) defeated Charlee Stidham/ Kim Hale 4-3

#4 Doubles Hope Fischer/Rachel Robinson (L) defeated Mikayla Hale/ Mikayla Lifford 4-0

#5 Doubles Darci Fulk/Jasmyn Snyder (WRV) defeated Cindy Chen/Elly Wagler 4-1

Lions Varsity Softball continue season

BY GREG CLARK

LHS Head Softball Coach

Davis shuts out North Knox

Sydney Davis was dominate in the circle last Monday night at North Knox as she struck out ten Lady Warriors and spread out four hits over seven innings of Blue Chip Conference action in the Lady Lions 10-0 win in Bicknell.

The Lady Lions scored the first run of the game in the top of the first when Julianne Bell tripled and then came home on the Calli Wininger single. Loogootee added six runs in the bottom of the second. Julianne Bell, Calli Wininger, Tyanna Graber, Brooklynn Jones (in to run for Sydney Davis), Jaelyn Walker and Isabelle Waggner all scored in the

In the third inning, Tyanna Graber homered to lead off the inning and Sydney Davis scored on the line drive double by Isabelle Waggner. The Lady Lions final run of the game came in the top of the seventh inning. Isabelle Waggner drew a lead-off walk and came around to score on a Julianne Bell single and a Calli Wininger ground out.

Lady Lions top Cougars in nine

It was a night like no other in Lady Lions history, down 11-4 heading into the bottom of the fifth inning, the Lady Lions found their inner strength and their bats, to overcome the deficit and prevail 13-12 in nine innings. Isabelle Waggner started in the circle for the Lady Lions and went six and one third innings before giving way to Sydney Davis who eventually got the win.

Finding themselves down seven runs with three innings of regulation softball to play, the Lady Lions had to dig deep to make a comeback in this one and dig deep they did. Asia Crim drew a lead-off walk. Sara Street drops a

bunt and reaches on the North Daviess error as Asia Crim advances to third. Isabelle Waggner reaches on a sac bunt/error as Crim scores and Street advances to third. Brooklynn Jones comes in to courtesy run for Waggner and advances to second to put Lady Lions on second and third. Jayleigh Wagoner singles to right scoring Street and moving Jones to third. Julianne Bell then hits a sacrifice fly to right field to score Jones and move Wagoner to third. A Calli Wininger single scores Wagoner for the Lady Lions and the score is 11-7 North Daviess after five complete.

After a North Daviess run in the top of the sixth, the Lady Lions were looking at needing to score four runs to tie the score at twelve. With one out, Asia Crim came to the plate and on a 2-2 count, drove one out of the park to make the score 12-9. Sara Street reached on an error and moved to third on the Isabelle Waggner single to center field, as Waggner advanced to second on the throw. With two out, Julianne Bell homered to center field to tie the game at twelve.

Loogootee was in a position to win it in the bottom of the seventh as they had the bases loaded with no outs, but the North Daviess staff got the next three Lady Lions to pop out to end that threat. Neither team could register a viable threat in the seventh or eighth innings, but in the ninth, Tyanna Graber strode to the plate, and even though she had been intentionally walked a few times before, this time, she was pitched to, and on a full count, Graber hit a walk off home run to end the game for the Lady Lions.

Hawkins homers twice to wallop Wolverines

Maelee Hawkins was the hero of the

night when the Lady Lions traveled to Switz City to take on White River Valley. Hawkins homered twice, and drove in 5 runs, in the Lady Lions 13-7 win. Sydney Davis went the distance in the circle for the Lady Lions and got the win, Davis also got three hits for Loogootee and drove in one run. Calli Wininger doubled and drove in a run for Loogootee. Tyanna Graber went 3-5 on the day and also drove in a run.

Lady Lions top Lady Vikings

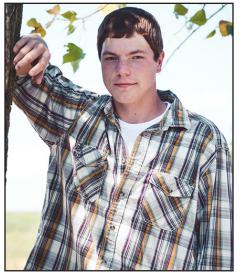
The Lady Lions got their fourth Blue Chip Conference win of the year against one loss with a 5-0 win over the Lady Vikings at Costello Field. Sydney Davis started and went the distance in the circle for the Lions, allowing only one hit while striking out ten. Asia Crim and Sara Street both doubled in the three-run third inning for the Lady Lions. Julianne Bell, Brooklynn Jones, and Asia Crim each scored in the inning. Calli Wininger drove in Makenzie VanHov and Jaelvn Walker in the Lady Lions half of the fifth.

Lady Lions top Lady Wildcats

It was a true cat fight to the finish as the Lady Lions prevailed over the Jasper Wildcats 2-1 on Saturday at Costello Field. Isabelle Waggner went seven strong innings for the Lions and got the win. Loogootee scored their two runs in the second inning when Sydney Davis singled and came home when Asia Crim homered over the left field fence. Jasper scored their run when Werner reached on a Lady Lion error and advanced to third on a double by Swhank. Jasper's Colvin drops the squeeze bunt scoring Werner. With 'Cats on second and third and no out, Tyanna Graber and Julianne Bell picked off Swhank at third base. Loogootee pitcher, Isabelle Waggner then got the next two 'Cats to pop out to end the threat.



OOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL Senior 2018



DALTON HIGDON

James Dalton Higdon is the son of Roger and Kim Higdon. After graduation, James plans to enter the workforce. While in high school, James participated in FFA (9, 10, 11, 12), Intern (11, 12), and Job Shadow (12).



LANE KELLER

Lane Austin Keller is the son of Clint Keller and Angel Riggle. After graduation, Lane plans to attend Purdue University to study mechanical engineering. While in high school, Lane participated in Beta Club (9-12), Cadet Teaching (11), Intern (12), and Spanish Club (10,11,12).

2018 Seniors



SARA HOLLIS

Sara Hollis is the daughter of Christina Lynn Ballard and Robert Hollis. After graduation, Sara plans to enter the workforce. While in high school, Sara participated in Intern (11, 12) and Employability Program (11, 12).



ZACH KOENIG

Zachary Blade Koenig is the son of Edwina and Darrel Walton. After graduation, Zach plans to attend Indiana University to study communication, broadcasting, and engineering. While in high school, Zachary participated in band (9-12) and Intramural BB (10-

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Brayden J. Horsting is the son of Jason and Jamie Browder. After graduation, Brayden plans to further his education at Full Sail University to study music production. While in high school, Brayden participated in Band (9-12), and Cadet Teaching (12).

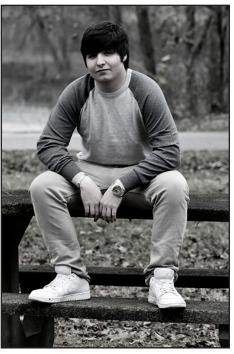


JORDAN LEATHERMAN

Jordan M. Leatherman is son of Mrs. Talisa Staubaugh .After graduation Jordon plans on going to college after graduation and his major is undecided. While in high school, Jordan participated in Intramural basketball (9-12), Spanish club(9), and High School Baseball (9,10).



Savannah Hasler McAtee is the



DYLAN JONES

Dylan M. Jones is the son of Eric and Lisa Jones. After graduation, Dylan plans to higher his education at Vincennes University and double his major in Electronics and Music Performance. While in high school, Dylan participated in Cadet Teaching (12), Choir (9-12), Intramural Basketball (9-12), Musical(9,10), and Show Choir (9,10,11).



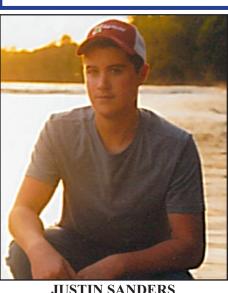
MARINA LENTS

Marina Jewel Lents is the daughter of Michelle and Kelly Lents. After graduation, Marina plans to study to become a nurse practitioner, while attending Indiana University or the University of Southern Indiana. While attending high school, Marina participated in Band (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Cheerleading (9-12), Choir (9-12), Lion Pride (9-12), Peers (9), Show Choir (10,12), Spanish Club (9-12). Marina was also the High School track manager while in 9th



SAVANNAH MCATEE

daughter of Audra and Joe Mcatee. After graduation, Savannah plans to pursue higher education. While in high school, Savannah participated in Cadet teaching (12), Cheerleading (12), Choir (9,10), FACS (9-12), Lionettes (9-12), Lion Pride (9,10,12), Musical (10), Peers (9), Recycling (9), SADD (9,10,11), Show Choir (11,12), Spanish Club (10,11,12), Student Council (9-12), and Volleyball (9,10).



JUSTIN SANDERS

Justin Scott Sanders, son of Scott and Rhonda Sanders, was born on May 9, 2000. Siblings include Katlyn Sanders. While in high school, he has participated in FFA. Justin's favorite school memory was when Dylan ripped off Damon's truck door. Justin's future plans are to attend Vincennes University and make good money.



AVORY BAUERNFIEND

Avory Sue Bauernfiend was born February 18, 2000 and is the daughter of Kimberly Fisher and Travis Bauernfiend. Her siblings are Nathan, Steven, and Caleb Truelove. Her favorite memory from school is spending time with friends and finishing her senior year. Her future plans are to get a master's degree in social work.



ZACHARY LYTHGOE

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See what's new at Indiana state parks this year

The summer recreational season is approaching, and Indiana State Parks is working hard to make sure visitors have a good experience.

The system of 24 parks and eight reservoir properties has finished or will complete this year hundreds of improvements to enhance campgrounds, restrooms and trails.

Partners and volunteers have helped with many of the projects. Non-profit "friends" groups have contributed thousands of dollars and hours.

Collectively, Indiana State Park properties have more than 2,000 buildings, 700 miles of trails, 636 hotel/ lodge rooms, 17 marinas, 75 launching ramps, 17 swimming pools, 15 beaches, 7,701 campsites, more than 200 shelters, 160 or so playgrounds and 150 cabins.

That's a lot of maintenance, and a lot of time is focused on basic facility

'Creative and dedicated employees stretch the dollars that you pay when you enter the gate, rent a campsite, launch a boat or attend a special workshop or program," said Ginger Murphy, deputy director of Indiana State Parks.

A complete list of park improvements is at StateParks.IN.gov/9447.

Improvements include:

-New, efficient LED lighting in various buildings, from offices to comfort

-New pavement on entrance roads at Raccoon State Recreation Area (SRA)

and at Brown County State Park.

-Various small campground improvements in different locations totaling \$750,000, ranging from leveling and adding gravel to sites to new fixtures, sinks and dividers in comfort stations, and upgrades from 30- to 50amp service.

-Invasive plant removal, prescribed fire and habitat improvements totaling several thousand acres at Fort Harrison, Spring Mill, Clifty Falls, Prophetstown, Tippecanoe River, Indiana Dunes and McCormick's Creek state parks and Salamonie, Mississinewa, Hardy, Patoka, Monroe and Brookville

-Fish habitat improvements at several reservoirs.

-Trail work: a new bridge on the accessible trail at O'Bannon Woods State Park between the nature center and group camp; a new wetland trail boardwalk coming this summer at Indiana Dunes; trail structure repairs at Hardy Lake: trail armoring by Friends of Fort Harrison State Park.

-New trees in several locations to offset the loss of ash trees to emerald ash borer at Salamonie Lake, Raccoon SRA, and Clifty Falls and Lincoln state

-Archery trail remodels at Patoka and Brookville lakes. A new range will open in Miami SRA at Mississinewa Lake this summer.

-A few pet-friendly rooms at each of the seven state park inns.

By Ralph Purkhiser University Master Ga

What happened to spring? It seems like we had snow one day and 90 degrees the next. However, it is apparent that gardening season is in full swing. We are past our last frost date and the hot weather should have soil temperatures warm enough for seeding most garden crops.

Last week, we looked at several poisonous plants that may be found in ornamental gardens. As promised, we shall now discuss some toxins that are actually found among the edible plants. In most cases, the toxins are not deadly, and one would have to ingest large quantities to really make one ill.

If your garden includes the perennial vegetable rhubarb, you have a toxic plant growing in your garden. While the stalks of the plant are edible, the leaves contain the toxic substance oxalic acid. The acid is strongest in the older leaves. Ingesting the leaves may cause burning in the throat, diarrhea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, convulsions and even death. The danger is greatest to children. According to a Kansas State University study, a person weighing 145 pounds would have to eat 11 pounds of rhubarb leaves to cause death. However, even in lesser amounts, oxalic acid may contribute to the formation of kidnev stones. Rhubarb leaves are not the only culprit. Oxalic acid is also found in dark, leafy greens, including spinach, kale and sorrel.

There is also poison in the pits of many fruits, including peaches, apricots and cherries, and in the seeds of apples. All of these contain cyanide, which affects the ability of the blood to carry oxygen, resulting in death by asphyxiation. Do not call poison control if you swallow an apple seed. It would take a cup of apple seeds to kill an adult.

Several of our popular garden plants are in the same family with deadly nightshade. The list includes tomatoes, potatoes, peppers and eggplant. While the fruits of tomatoes are perfectly edible, the leaves, stems and roots contain an alkaloid toxin. In the case of potatoes, the tubers are the edible part. The solanine is concentrated in the leaves, flowers and the occasional fruits that appear after the flowers. The toxin is also found in the green splotches that sometimes are found on the tubers.

Sometimes, the toxins are actually found in the things we eat. While red kidney beans are not commonly grown in Indiana gardens, anyone who buys dry kidney beans should be aware that undercooked beans may cause severe diarrhea.

Nothing says spring better than fresh asparagus, but there are toxins lurking in that perennial vegetable also. The red berries that appear later in the summer may cause vomiting and diarrhea.

Poisons are found in many common plants, but only a few are truly deadly. Precautions should always be taken when children or pets are present, but, as has previously been states, the toxins are rarely present in deadly levels and the amount of the plants that would have to be ingested to cause death is more than one's stomach could hold. Still, it is good to know where the toxins are found.

It will be a busy time for gardeners. I have been busy planting, transplanting and carrying houseplants out for the summer. I am still amazed at the wonders I find right in my own gardens here on Sandhill. Stop in and enjoy the beauty of the season.

Grants available for field trips to state parks, lakes

Educators interested in taking students, grades K-12, on field trips to an Indiana state park or state-managed lake in the 2018-2019 school year can receive financial help through the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation (INRF).

Grants from the Discover the Outdoors Fund are available for public, private, parochial or home-school educators, according to INRF director Jody Kress.

"Part of our mission at the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation is to encourage educational programs of DNR," Kress said. "The grant gets kids outside for an adventure that teaches the importance of preserving and protecting our natural resources.

Since the grant program's inception in 2013, a total of 111 grants have been awarded, providing the opportunity for more than 8,000 students to visit state parks at less cost to the schools and stu-

Indiana has 24 state parks and eight state-managed lakes eligible for field trip funding that will engage students in learning about Indiana's fish, forest, wildlife, natural habitats and conserva-

"These trips help children understand how previous generations viewed the significance of Indiana's natural and cultural resources, and at the same time let them make great memories that they will carry into adulthood," said Ginger Murphy, deputy director for stewardship for DNR State Parks.

The maximum grant award is \$250 per application.

Applications are accepted from May 1-June 30 prior to the school year for which the grant is requested. Applications must be postmarked no later than June 30.

Applicants will be notified by Aug. 15 regarding potential grant awards.

The grant application is at IN.gov/ inrf/educate.html.

A video explaining the program is at youtu.be/uC4QjhsBLO8

The INRF is accepting donations to the fund from individuals, businesses or anyone who supports the idea of getting kids outdoors. The fund was established in memory of Tom Huck, a longtime DNR employee who was an ardent supporter of outdoor experiences for children.

For further information, including how to donate, email DiscoverOutdoorsGrants@dnr.IN.gov.

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Thank you Martin County, for your support during the recent Primary Election. Our team, who encompasses more than the Sheriff's Office, is inspired to continue our mission to serve you. We look forward to the campaign and ultimately the General Election: Most respectfully, Travis Roush e elect



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Last weekend, at Larry's Pistol & Pawn Shop, I was looking for a little something extra for my wife Toni. What I came across was a 100,000-volt pocket/purse-sized taser. The effects of the taser were supposed to be short lived, with no long-term, adverse effect on an assailant. The idea is to allow my wife, who would never consider a gun, adequate time to retreat to safety.

Long story short, I bought the device and brought it home. I loaded in two AAA batteries and pushed the button. Nothing! I was disappointed. But then I read (yes, 'read') that if I pushed the button AND pressed it against a metal surface at the same time; I'd get the blue arch of electricity darting back and forth between the prongs and I'd know it was

Awesome!!! (Actually, I have yet to explain to Toni what that burn spot is on the face of her microwave).

Okay, so I was home alone with this new toy, thinking to myself that it couldn't be all that bad with only two AAA batteries, right?!!

There I sat in my recliner, my cat Gracie looking on intently (trusting little soul) while I was reading the directions and thinking that I really needed to try this thing out on a flesh and blood moving target. I must admit I thought about zapping Gracie (for a fraction of a second) and thought better of it. She is such a sweet cat. But, if I was going to give this thing to my wife to protect herself against a mugger, I did want some assurance that it would work as advertised. Am I wrong??

So, there I sat in a pair of shorts and a tank top with my reading glasses perched delicately on the bridge of my nose, directions in one hand, and taser in another. The directions said that a one-second burst would shock and disorient your assailant; a two-second burst was supposed to cause muscle spasms and a major loss of bodily control; a three-second burst would purportedly make your assailant flop on the ground like a fish out of water. Any burst longer than three seconds would be wasting the batteries.

So, I'm sitting there alone, Gracie looking on, with her head cocked to one side as if to say, "Don't do it," reasoning that a one-second burst from such a tiny little ole thing couldn't hurt all that bad. I decided to give myself a one-second burst just for the heck of it. I touched the prongs to my naked thigh, pushed the button..... And HOLY MOLEY, WEAP-ONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, @!@\$\$!%!@*!! I'm pretty sure Jessie Ventura ran in through the side door, picked me up in the recliner, and body slammed us both on the carpet, over and over and over again!!!

I vaguely recall waking up on my side in the fetal position, with tears in my eyes, body soaking wet, both nipples on fire, privates nowhere to be found, with my left arm tucked under my body in the oddest position, and tingling in my legs.

You should know, if you ever feel compelled to "mug" yourself with a taser, that there is no such thing as a one-second burst when you zap yourself. You will not let go of that thing until it is dislodged from your hand by a violent thrashing about on the floor. OH, MERCY... That hurt like heck!!!

A minute or so later (I can't be sure, as time was a relative thing at that point), I collected what little wits I had left, sat up and surveyed the landscape. My bent reading glasses were on the mantel of the fireplace. How did they up get there? My triceps, right thigh, and both nipples were still twitching. My face felt like it had been shot up with Novocain, and my bottom lip weighed 88 lbs. I'm still looking for my privates!! I'm offering a significant reward for their safe return.

Still in shock, Earl

THOUGHTS:

*After all the eating I've done all winter, I'm happy to report that my flipflops

*Wife: I love you so much . . . except when you snore. hen I want to hit you with a shovel.

*I have enough money to live comfortably for the rest of my life . . . if I die next Thursday.

*I dream of a world where chickens can cross the road without having their motives challenged.

*Dietary fact: If you drink a gallon water every day, you have time to be in anyone's business because you will be too busy peeing.

Make someone smile today!

Notes from the WIC Nutritionist

BY ELIZABETH WHITE

Martin County WIC Nutritionist

Happy Spring from all of us at the Martin Co WIC Clinic. Remember as the temperatures get warmer and as a community we get more active, stay hydrated. Stay away from drinks high in sugar and sodium. Infants under one year of age should be receiving all their hydration from breastmilk or formula.

If you haven't already please consider downloading the FREE WIC App. The WIC App will allow you to check benefit balances, scan UPC codes while shopping, get app reminder alerts, get expiring benefits alerts, and find WIC approved stores. You can find the app on Google Play or the iPhone App Store. Search "INWIC" or "Indiana WIC"

New WIC income guidelines starting summer 2018 are higher than the last income guideline cycle. For example, if a household of four makes an annual income of \$46,435 or less before deductions you would qualify for WIC benefits. A woman who is pregnant counts as two. The amount changes with number in your household. Also, if the client is on Medicaid or Hoosier Health Wise, your household income you automatically qualify for WIC benefits.

The WIC program provides supplemental nutritional foods, referrals, breastfeeding support, and nutrition education for pregnant women, nursing women, infants, and children 1-5 years. The Martin Co WIC clinic is open Monday and Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please call 247-3303 to make an appointment. To contact the Breastfeeding Peer Counselor text or call 812-675-1083.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, May 17 at 5 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all schoolage children every Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 200 West Main Street next to the post office. For more info, call 812-709-2525.

SOAR Tutoring

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

Health department offers **Hepatitis A vaccinations**

Most people have heard about Hepatitis A in the news. Hepatitis A is spread by coming in contact with the stool of an infected person. This means it can be spread as a result of poor handwashing by someone with the virus. Symptoms of Hepatitis A can include: diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, stomach pain, fever, dark urine, pale clay colored stool, joint pain, loss of appetite, and jaundice (yellowing of the eyes and skin). Symptoms usually begin 28-30 days after exposure and usually last less than two months. Some people, especially children, may have no symptoms but can still spread the virus to others. A vaccine is available to help prevent Hepatitis A. It is a two-dose series given six months apart. Children normally receive this vaccine after their first birthday and receive the second dose after 18 months of age. Anyone over the age of one, who has never received the Hepatitis A vaccine, can start it at any age. Most insurance companies will cover vaccines. Vaccines can be given at some healthcare provider offices, pharmacies or at most health departments. For more information on Hepatitis A, go to in.gov/isdh or cdc.gov

The Martin County Health Department conducts immunization clinics every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to noon and from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. On the first Wednesday of each month the clinic remains open until 6 p.m. Wednesday is the only day a nurse is available for immunizations. The health department office is located in the Shoals Federal Building (Post Office). The Martin County Health Department is contracted with VaxCare and can bill most insurance companies that pay for vaccines. The patient must bring their insurance card in order to be vaccinated. For people who do not have insurance, the Martin County Health Department has the Hepatitis A vaccine available for a fee. In addition, they also offer Tetanus vaccine; Hepatitis B vaccine and TB testing to those age 19 and older without insurance for a fee. Please note, the Martin County Health Department CANNOT vaccinate adults who have Medicaid or HIP.

Please call 812-247-3303 if you have any questions.

Improve Your Life!

Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public is invited to attend.

Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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

Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Monday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by, there are no age or residency requirments to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A freewill donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation.



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Recently, the library board requested the zoning be amended for the building site property on 504 Park Street to Central Business. First, the Loogootee Zoning Commission had to approve it then it went to the Loogootee City Council for a vote. Monday night, at the Loogootee City Council monthly meeting, the council voted to approve the change. The next step is to hear back from the Phase II environmental report since the old Textile Building was tagged REC soil and water testing needed to be completed.

June 2, 2018 from 8-12 will be a Yard/Book/Bake Sale at the library sponsored by Friends of Loogootee Library. There are a lot of nice books, DVDs, household items, upholstery fabric, toys, shoes and much more.

NEW BOOKS:

Mystery: "Princess" by James Patterson and "The 49^{th} Mystic by "Ted Dekker.

Fiction: "By Invitation Only" by Dorothea Benton Frank, "The Cast" by Danielle Steel, and "The Sugarhouse Blues" by Mariah Stewart.

DVDs: "Gifted".

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