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# Shoals School Board changes handbook policies

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

Elementary Principal Carolyn Eubanks presented changes to the elementary school handbook at the Shoals School Board meeting Thursday night, May 13.

A change was made to the times the students go to recess. Kindergarteners and third graders have recess at 1:20 and 1:35 p.m. and first and second graders go to recess at 2:15 and 2:30 p.m.

Changes were also made to the immunizations required for elementary students.

An addition was made to the absences section that states that eight or more absences must be accompanied by a doctor's excuse.

policy that states that children wearing leggings are required to wear tops that extend to a length above their knees. Board member Billings asked Mrs. Eubanks if children will be allowed to wear clothing with holes. Mrs. Eubanks explained that since children in elementary school wear what their parents provide for them that holes, such as in the knee, are acceptable. Children who have holes in their clothing in inappropriate areas will be sent home.

A section will be added to the handbook on children sexting with their cell phones. The word sexting is a combination of the words sex and texting. Sexting is the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photos between cell phones. Mrs. Eubanks said

An addition was added to the dress code that while cell phones are not allowed in the have parents who watch that very careschool, she feels that parents should be made aware of the issue. She said that this also allows the school to use the policy for punishment if students are caught sexting.

> Board member Billings questioned the tardy policy asking why students who leave after 11:30 p.m. in the school day are considered tardy and not a half-day absent. Mrs. Eubanks explained that this has always been the policy and it was decided by the

> 'So, I can leave at 11:30 and be gone for a half a day and not get counted absent; does that make sense?" asked Billings.

> Mrs. Eubanks said that parents call the school and ask what time their children can leave so they are not counted absent. "We

fully," she said.

High School Principal David Springer noted that this was not the policy of the high school and they cut it off at 11:45 as a halfday absence.

Dr. Nonte said that based on the definition of tardiness, which is to come late to something, the wording in the handbook needed to be changed to state that students leaving after 11:30 will be counted absent for a half-

Billings also asked what the consequences are for a student in the elementary who is habitually tardy because it is not stated in the handbook. Mrs. Eubanks explained that since elementary students can-

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# Senior goodbye

-Photo by Rick Graves

Shown above are the graduating senior band members from Loogootee High School. From left to right are Jade Frost (alto sax), Misty Bough (clarinet), Michael Ingle (trombone), Dylan Frye (tuba), Lucas Kidwell (tenor sax), and Brooke Arvin (trumpet).

# **Redevelopment Commission** discusses possibility of zoning

-Jerry Ott, Martin County Rede-

velopment Commission consultant

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

Jerry Ott, consultant for the Martin County Redevelopment Commission, told the members of the commission Tuesday night, May 18 that planning and zoning may be in the county's future.

He said that the need to control who and what goes in around Martin County's four-

acre portion of the tech park is high priority which may require nty, it's not something you want to the county to form a do." planning and zoning board to put forth restrictions. Ott said he

is not sure if the rules established by a planning and zoning board could be restricted to just the tech park and the area surrounding it, or if all of Martin County would have to be included. Commission member Dan Gregory said that a planning commission is established in Martin County with him as president but it was mainly a formality to get the county's comprehensive plan adopted.

"It's nothing to do tonight, and nothing to do immediately, but it is something we are

going to have to start talking about and thinking about and I know, politically, in the county, it's not something you want to do," said Ott. He suggested that the commission work with Bernardin Lochmueller and Associates for consultation on the matter and ask the Westgate Authority to help with the expenses associated because they will be asking for planning and zoning in the future if the county doesn't do it on their own.

"We are really try-"I know, politically, in the couing to create a worldclass facility up there," Ott said of the tech park. He said the quality started with the Crane Federal

> Credit Union and the quality of building that they constructed. "That set a standard and set it pretty high and we'd like to make sure that we keep it there," he said. "It's not an attempt to try to become better than thou, it's really to try to preserve and protect the interest of those folks that are going to come here," he

> Attorney for the commission, Dave Lett, added that the companies coming into the ('ZONING' continued on page 3)

# Title I at Shoals reduced to kindergarten through sixth

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

The Shoals School Board voted to change the Title I Program from K-8th grade to K-6th grade, due to funding, beginning next year. Dr. Nonte said that the two Title I teachers currently working in the junior high would be moved to K-6. He also noted that the junior high would still have help through the special education resource room and the STAR program. Some students would still have time in study hall and through the RTI (Response to Intervention) program.

The junior high students would no longer have access to after-school tutoring. Only 7 or 8 students participated throughout this

school year.

"I'm concerned about our junior high kids," said board member Mary Lou Billings. "Our test scores are low anyway and I hope we can pick up the slack by going to teachers for help."

"I think we are really going to have to start remediating in our junior high," she said.

It was discussed that Shoals Jr./Sr.

High School has not met their AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) for the last four years and Shoals Elementary has not met their AYP for the last two years.

The board approved applying for the

Title I Program Grant, High Ability Grant, ment with the North Lawrence Career Cenand the Project Lead the Way Grant for the 2010-11 school year. Dr. Nonte said the next step is to get Pat Keefe working with the principals in getting the applications

The board ap-

proved \$5,000 for

summer coaches.

The money is split

between the head

coaches who turn

"I think we are really going to have to start remediating in our junior high."

> -Shoals School Board Member Mary Lou Billings

in their hours for the summer, not to exceed 100 hours.

The board approved the cancellation of a check from May, 2007, to Brian Mullen from the athletic department for \$85.

The board approved the operating agree-

The board approved the resignation of Athletic Secretary Gayle Abel. "She will be greatly missed," said board member Billings. They also approved the resignations of Patricia Hawkins as teaching assistance and preschool bus monitor and Alan Abel as the 12-month custodian.

The board approved a new bus for Bethann Hovis on bus route 11.

The board approved the soccer team to hold an alumni soccer game on July 17, as a fundraiser.

The board approved the following field trip requests:

Junior Beta Club to go to Holiday World ('TITLE I' continued on page 2)

# TITLE I

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on Saturday, May 22.

Spanish Club to Los Bravos on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 25 and 26.

Senior Beta Club to Louisville from Wednesday, June 30 through Saturday, July 3

The board approved the class of 2008 to purchase a battery-operated clock with class funds to be placed in front of the school. The clock will have a plaque saying it was donated by the class of 2008. The class has approximately \$1,600 in their account and the clock will cost \$588.

Concrete will also be purchased for the setting of the clock and \$100 will be given to the central office to purchase batteries.

Any money remaining will be donated to the Shoals Schools Community Foundation Fund which is matched by the foundation.

Principal Springer congratulated the remediation team for the results of the GQE (Graduation Qualifying Exam) testing. 76 percent of the tests taken were passed. "Outstanding results I thought," he said. He said that no special education students are left to pass the test but there are still two juniors who need to pass.

A special presentation was held last Friday, May 14 for Special Olympics participants and their sponsors. Roger Terry received the honor of most valuable athlete.

Dr. Nonte brought to the board's attention a cheerleading fundraiser that was approved by the athletic director. He said that the fundraiser singles out three senior cheerleaders for a camp and he has been told that all cheerleaders were not asked to participate. The board decided that if the school is to be involved and included on the fundraiser letter then it should be approved by the board. Board member Christy Farhar also noted that the letter states that half of the money has been paid and she would like to know who paid. She said if it came out of the cheerleading fund then all cheerleaders should be asked to go.

Mr. Springer said that he spoke to the cheerleading sponsor and told her that if this fundraiser was being done by the parents then the school has nothing to do with it, but if the fundraising was being done by the students then it should be approved by the board and all cheerleaders should be invited to the camp. It was decided to take the issue up with Athletic Director Brian Smith when he returned to school on Monday.

Graduation practice will be held Friday, May 28, after lunch at 12:15 p.m. A dance will be held afterward at 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for juniors and seniors and any freshman or sophomore who attended the prom. The dance is being held due to electricity being out at the Shoals Prom this year. Graduation will be held Saturday, May 29, at 2 p.m.

A junior high dance will be held on Friday, May 21, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A talent show will be held Friday afternoon during school and the spring program will be held that evening at 6 p.m. Honors night will be held Wednesday, June 2, at 6 p.m.

In the elementary school, the music program will be held Tuesday, June 1, at 1:30 p.m. An awards program will be held on Wednesday, June 2, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

At the end of the meeting board member Christy Farhar read a statement about bullying. She said that she has been approached about the subject and although she feels that teaching should start at home, sometimes that doesn't happen, so she feels that the school system needs to find ways to educate students on bullying and possibly hold convocations or whatever would have the most impact on the students. She said she would like to see a panel put to-

gether to start brainstorming on how to

handle issues of bullying.

Also, Shoals teacher Lisa Ader talked to the board about the iTouch that students have been using to learn. Shoals third grader teachers have been working with Loogootee third grade teachers on how to use the iTouch's in their curriculum. "It is a phenomenal program, the kids are amazed with it; they don't realize they are learning when they are doing it," she said. "We would like to invite you to come see it, please," said Principal Eubanks. "It's amazing," she said.

# **Shoals School Board sports** and staff approvals

The following recommendations were approved by the Shoals School Board at their May 13 meeting:

Brittany Bateman and Leeza Adams as substitute teachers for the 2009-10 school year.

Pat Garrett as varsity baseball coach. Board member Garrett abstained from the vote due to being related to Mr. Garrett.

Tim Sorrells as varsity assistant baseball coach

Tyson Allbright as varsity golf coach Gil Garrett as volunteer varsity baseball assistant. Board members Billings and Farhar voted no, with board members Glen Cundiff, Bill Shobe, and Garrett voting yes.

Lonnie Hawkins as CDL/ECA bus

Melisa Sorrells as junior high and high school Rockette sponsor for the 2010-11 school year.

Matt Sowders as girls' varsity basketball coach

Tom Sowders girls' varsity basketball assistant

Ed Farhar as girls' varsity basketball volunteer. Board member Christy Farhar abstained from voting due to being related to Ed Farhar.

Sue Lanham as high school cross country coach

Michael Harding as junior high cross country coach

Cody Douglas as varsity soccer coach Larry Sherfick as varsity assistant/JV soccer coach

Cody Messmann as junior high coed soccer coach

Andrea Jones as varsity volleyball coach

Jennifer Walls as varsity assistant/IV

Jennifer Walls as varsity assistant/JV volleyball coach

Jessica Butler as high school volleyball volunteer

Carl Haswell, Pat Landers, Tracy Spurgeon, Greg Hampton, Mike Harding, and Patricia Hernandez as summer cleaning crew working four days a weeks with Misty Davis serving as sub.

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**POLICIES** 

not be responsible for getting themselves to school and rely on their parents, the school cannot punish the child. She said that parents are notified when their child receives an abundance of absences and she has contacted the Department of Children and Family Services but was told that they service children who are habitually absent and not just tardy.

In the high school, after four tardies, the student is given a two-hour Thursday school at the end of the day. This is for a tardy to school or to each class.

Board member Billings then asked about the policy for parents accompanying their children on field trips. The policy states that parents must have a criminal history check prior to helping chaperone or accompanying the class on a field trip. Mrs. Eubanks said that each teacher is given a list of parents who have passed the check and she has a list of those parents who didn't pass. Billings said that she thinks a paragraph should be added that states that parents who plan to accompany their children on a field trip should report to the school first so the teacher knows who plans to attend.

Dr. Nonte said that the paragraph should begin with the policy on the ratio of chaperones to students. For grades one through three, one parent for every five students and in grades four through six, only two chaperones are allowed to ride the bus.

High School Principal Springer then presented his changes to his school's handbook. New immunizations are to be added. A section on plagerism and cheating, as requested by the teachers, will be added. Mr. Springer said that this has increasingly become a problem.

A section on condoms will also be added. Mr. Springer said that, although he hates to say it, students throwing condoms around the school premises has become a problem so they will be prohibited from sight. He also added a section on sexting, the same as the elementary.

Mr. Springer said that punishment for getting continuously excused from Thursday school will be strengthened. He said that some students will be absent on the days they are assigned to Thursday school or use the excuse of a doctor's appointment or something similar. He said that students who purposely skip Thursday school are given a two-day, out-of-school suspension and that students who use excuses to get out of it will possibly be given in-school suspension.

He said that some students tell his office up front that they will not be attending Thursday school and they will go ahead and take the two-day suspension. Mr. Springer said that when the parents are notified some allow their children to do this as well. "It's unfortunate," he said. He said that students are allowed to reschedule their Thursday school one time per year.

Board member Billings said that she has a problem with out-of-school suspension. "If a kid has to serve Thursday school because of a problem, to me it doesn't make sense to say, okay, then they can choose to be suspended for two days and then they get out and they get to run around," she said. Mr. Springer said that there had to be some consequence to skipping Thursday school and they find that the suspension works because 90 percent of students show up. He said that if the study halls get lined out for next year there may be room for some inschool suspension especially for junior high students. "Well, I think the kid needs to be in school," said Billings. "I'd rather see inschool suspension."

Mr. Springer said that could probably be worked out because the students really don't like in-school suspension.

The high school also added information to the dress code about leggings as did the elementary. He also noted that no holes are allowed at all in clothing worn to school. He said that consequences for violating the dress code will also be added per request from the teachers. Those consequences are similar to the ones for violating the cell

phone policy.

In the attendance policy, a sentence was added that eight or more absences must have a doctor's note. Also, for any unexcused absence the work will not count for that day. He said that an absence is considered excused with a written note or phone call from the parent.

Mr. Springer said that another addition to the handbook involves students who miss school and then attend school-sponsored events that night. He said this has become a problem this school year. He said that by putting this policy in the handbook it allows the administration to tell the student to leave if caught at an event.

He said for special situations like a funeral or a doctor's appointment, if the parent notifies the school, exceptions can be made. "As long as people are honest with me and not trying to slide the system," said Mr. Springer.

An addition will be made to the graduation policy stating that only school-issued cords can be worn during graduation and not cords purchased through other programs.

Mr. Springer said that he receives a lot of questions about whether school events will still be held in the event that school is cancelled due to weather. He said that the general rule is that all events will be cancelled unless it is a varsity sporting event which sometimes can be tough to reschedule.

Board member Billings said that she would like to see the re-implementing of semester tests or finals. "I think we are doing our kids a grave injustice by not giving semester tests," she said.

Mr. Springer said that a survey was given to the teachers and only three agreed with continuing with semester tests and around 30 were against them. He said most teachers like to give their own form of testing, such as projects.

Teacher Janice Riley, who was present at the meeting, said that she would be in favor of semester tests if the grading periods got moved back to nine weeks instead of six and if the tests actually meant something in the final grade. She said a lot of students know they are going to pass the class so don't worry about passing the finals because they don't count for a large portion of the final grade.

"I think it's important to have finals. I have heard time after time of kids who go to college and are not prepared," said board member Christy Farhar.

Mr. Springer also noted that giving final exams interferes with end-of-course assessments which are given in English 10, math, and biology. If certain students don't pass those, they don't graduate. He said that a lot of teachers consider those tests final exams.

Billings said that when she was a teacher she always like the semester test because it assessed what the students learned from her throughout the year. "I used it as an evaluation for my teaching," she said. "When our kids go to college they don't know how to study for a semester test and I think that's an injustice," she said.

"Well, on the flip side of that, if you have a teacher that hasn't taught the kids like they should have been taught then it might show the teacher how poor of a job they have done, but it also causes that kid to fail because they haven't learned during that nine weeks that they have been taught," said board member Denise Garrett.

"Then that teacher needs to change their teaching," said Billings.

"Right, but it's too late for those kids by then when that happens," said Garrett.

Billings then said that if the teachers know at the beginning of the year that they will be giving finals then they have the whole semester to prepare. She said that she was in the teacher meeting when it was decided to stop giving semester tests and that it boiled down to athletics. "I think it was a mistake and I have always felt it was a mistake," she said.

The discussion ended with no decision being made but Billings said she would like the issue to be revisited with the staff.

# The Dover Hill Christian Union Church

# **OPEN HEART QUARTET**



# Sunday, May 23 at 7 p.m.

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

The public is invited to attend

# ZONING

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tech park or looking to come into the park have a high expectation of the area because they have it everywhere else.

Ott said that one of the first things that companies ask for is the zoning ordinance and Martin County doesn't have one to offer. He said that the responsibility of implementing zoning will ultimately be in the hands of the Martin County Commissioners.

Ott said Daviess and Greene Counties are already in the process of doing this and the county may be interested in entering into an inter-local agreement so that all counties are doing their zoning for the tech park in the same way. Daviess and Greene are doing their planning and zoning county-wide due to their proximity to the I-69 interchanges.

The commission also briefly discussed progress at the county-owned Swift building being leased by Stimulus Engineering. Tim Wagler and Jeff Anderson, of Stimulus, attended the February meeting of the redevelopment commission and said that their progress was stalled because they were waiting on the finalization of their portion of a \$4 million electro-optics contract. He said in February that this contract had been finalized and Stimulus expected to create 25 or more jobs within 90 days. They had also told the commission at that meeting that they planned to come to the county in 90 days to purchase the building they were leasing.

At Monday night's meeting the commission members discussed still slow progress. Commission member Dan Gregory said that he was told eight employees would be moved to the location this week and once their lease was up at their current location in Loogootee, they would be moving another six employees to the Shoals building, which would become their headquarters.

Ott told the commission and Economic Development Director Tim Kinder that they should contact Tim Wagler directly to ask about the progress. Gregory then noted that Stimulus told him that any member of the commission is welcome to visit the building

Also discussed were the property tax statements for the building. Since the property is owned by the county no taxes can be col-

Commission member Paul George asked Ott and Kinder if they were now doing the same job for the redevelopment commission. Kinder was hired back in late 2009 as the Martin County Economic Development Director who would eventually take over Ott's duties working with the redevelopment commission. Ott is paid \$2,000 per month for his

Ott explained that Kinder was handling everything in Martin County and his main focus is the tech park.



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"So what all have you done, say, for the last month for our \$2,000?" asked commission member Warren Albright. Ott said that he had a few meetings and spent a considerable amount of time going over the covenants and restrictions for creating the regional sewer district to get the sewers transferred to the authority. Albright said he thought those duties belong with the authority and Ott said that he presumed the redevelopment commission's interest was in the tech part.

"I thought we were the whole county," said George about the purpose of the redevelopment commission. "That's why we did the Stimulus job, I thought we were going to move out into the rest of the county," he

Commission member Randy Wininger said that since Kinder was brought in to be the economic development director for Martin County, then he should be the one to answer the questions. "The tech park is 34 acres and the rest of the county is the real project to see move forward," he said.

Kinder said that some of the things he has been working on for the past six months, include bring business resources to Martin County through Radius Indiana. He said that this would equate to one Martin County job that pays \$50-\$55,000. He said he is also in very, very early discussions with a company to try to get them to relocate to Shoals. "I'm pleased with what I see so far," said commission member Gregory about Kinder's job per-

Gregory then moved on to discuss the possibility of putting a levy on the assessed valuation of properties in the county. The levy would bring the redevelopment commission \$39,000 annually to help fund projects. Gregory said that the levy would be better than residents of the county paying interest on borrowed money. He said that the commission is currently paying 7.5 percent interest on the current bond for the purchase of the Swift building being leased by Stimulus Engineering. "There's better ways to do it," he

Gregory also noted that the \$190,000 bond taken out for the Swift building would be paid off by 2015.

He said that in January of this year, a \$32,000 payment was made and the remaining payments are \$35,000 for 2011, \$38,000 for 2012, \$41,000 in 2013, and \$44,000 in 2014. "We are not a heavily indebted county at all," he said. It was noted that the bond for the courthouse to pay for the jail would be paid off this year.

The commission approved \$2,895.92 in claims to the US Treasury for the sewers for \$395.92, Jerry Ott for \$2,000, and Bo Wilson for \$500.

Ott told the commission that ground has been broke on the Westgate 5 building in the Martin County portion of the tech park.

Kinder told the commission members that a few updates are being made to the website, www.visitmartincounty.org. He said they are also planning to do tracking to see what kind of visitors are going to the site.

# **Helping Hands**

# **SERVICES**

Long-term Home Health Care • Acute care Post-surgery home care • and other home needs



# **Denny's Transport**

# SERVICES



# Obituaries

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

#### **PATTY HERT**

Patty Hert, of Shoals, died at 3:20 a.m. on Friday, May 14, 2010, at the Martin County Health Care and Rehabilitation Center in Loogootee. She was 69.

Survivors include four daughters, Debbie Probasco and husband David, of Shoals, Sis Johnson, of French Lick, Cathy Neideffer and husband Charley, of Shoals, and Barbara Keasling and husband Randy, of Patton, Missouri; two sons, Delles Hert, Jr., and David Hert, both of Shoals; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Betty Harding, of Carson, California, and Susie Hopkins, of Shoals; and one brother, Jack Holt, of Shoals.

Her funeral service was held on Tuesday, May 18, at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial will be in the Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

#### WILLIAM G. GOLDSBERRY SR.

William G. Goldsberry Sr. passed away at 5:13 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, at Bloomington Hospital. A resident of Mitchell, he was 67.

He was born May 3, 1943, in Lawrence County, the son of Harvey George and Mary Lucille (Burlington) Goldsberry. He married Rebecca Ann Bowden on April 4,

He was retired from U.S. Gypsum and was a 1962 graduate of Huron High School. He was a member of the Huron Church of God and the board of directors, Mitchell Masonic Lodge No. 228 F&AM, vice president of Mitchell Outdoor Sportsmens Club and president of Port Williams Cemetery Association. For more than 30 years, he had been associated with Boy Scouts of America and was a leader of Troop No. 348.

Bill retired from the Indiana National Guard with 29 years of service and was a member of the American Legion Post No. 250 and the Honor Guard.

Surviving are his wife, Rebecca Goldsberry of Mitchell; a son, William George Goldsberry Jr. of Mitchell; daughters, Wendy Ann (Michael) Reef of Bedford, and Amy Michelle (Matthew) Doering of Bloomington; nine grandchildren; one great-grandson; sister, Barbara (James) Mundy of Shoals; and brothers, Donald Goldsberry of Mitchell, and David (Phyllis) Payton of Mitchell.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Charles Payton.

A funeral service was held Saturday, May 15, at the First Church of God in Mitchell. Reverend Larry Smoot officiated. Burial was held in the Port Williams Cemetery with military honors accorded by the Indiana National Guard Ceremonial Unit, American Legion Post No. 250, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 9107. Mitchell Masonic Lodge No. 228 F&AM conducted a memorial service Friday, May 14, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Huron Church of God or Boy Scout Troop No. 348.

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

#### **ROLEN WILSON**

Rolen Matthew Wilson, 4, died at 9:21 a.m. Monday, May 17, at Daviess Community Hospital. He was born May 27, 2005, in Jasper, to Anthony Shane Wilson and Melissa (Payne) Wilson.

He is survived by his mother, Melissa Wilson, and stepfather, Chad Dorsey, both of Shoals; father SSG Anthony Shane Wilson of Vilseck, Germany; grandparents, Charles and Lois Payne of Shoals; grandfather, David S. Wilson of Loogootee; sister, Madison Wilson, at home; one stepbrother, Tryndyll Dorsey, and one stepsister, Malyia Dorsey, both of Shoals; maternal greatgrandfather, Richard Landers of Shoals; maternal great-grandparents, Don and Ruth Ann Willyard of Loogootee; maternal greatgrandparents, Charles and Linda Kay Payne of Washington; paternal great-grandparents, Charles and Judy Dant of Shoals; and paternal great-grandmother, Bernice Stephenson.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Lisha Dant; paternal greatgrandfather, Jack Stephenson; and maternal great-grandmother, Clara Louise Landers.

Visitation will be held Thursday, May 20, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Queen-Lee Funeral Home, in Shoals.

A funeral service will be at held Friday, May 21, at 1 p.m., at the funeral home. Burial will be in Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

#### LISHA DANT

Lisha Marlene Dant, died at 8:02 a.m. Monday, May 18, in an auto accident on U.S. 50 west of Loogootee. A resident of Shoals, she was 50.

She was born May 5, 1960, in Daviess County, the daughter of Charles and Judith (Tow) Dant. She was a 1978 graduate of Shoals High School and a member of Shoals Christian Church.

She was employed at Chuckles in Loogootee.

She is survived by her parents, Charles and Judith Dant of Shoals; two sons, SSG Anthony Shane Wilson of Vilseck, Germany and Douglas Edward Wilson of Washington; a daughter, Amy Marlene Porter of Vincennes; grandchildren, Madison, Rolen and Samantha; three step-grandchildren, Jacob, Jeremiah and Ashley; fiancé, Greg Tarr of Shoals; one brother, Charles "Buddy" Dant of Shoals; one sister, Pamela Sue Baker of Shoals; grandmother, Bernice Stephenson of Shoals; and special friend, Tom Chestnut of Shoals.

She is preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, Jesse Tow; stepgrandfather, Jack Stephenson; and paternal grandparents, Charles "Doc" and Jeanet Dant.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, May 27, at 6 p.m., at Shoals Christian Church, with Bro. Matthew Sullivan offici-



# Public RECORDS

# MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

#### Tuesday, May 11

10:33 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:58 p.m. - Received a call about someone in a car shooting a gun at a residence in the Trinity Springs area. Deputy Pritchard responded.

1:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:50 p.m. - A female caller reported harassment on her cell phone. Sergeant Pritchard spoke with the caller.

2:30 p.m. - A female complainant came on station to give a written statement.

3:11 p.m. - Report of a subject passing through the area that needed assistance. Deputy Nolan was notified.

6:08 p.m. - Received a report of a commercial burglar alarm, but it was cancelled a short time later.

7:17 p.m. - A female caller advised of a subject riding a four wheeler with two kids. Deputy Nolan was advised and went to the area to check for the vehicle.

6:32 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on U.S. 50 near the fairgrounds. Sergeant Pritchard was notified.

8:36 p.m. - Request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Dept. first responders were dis-

8:59 a.m. - Report of tree down on the roadway on County Road 100S near the coon club. Martin Co. Highway Dept. was

9:50 a.m. - Report of trees on roadway on Williams Road., Stiles Road, and Murray Road. Martin Co. Highway Dept. was con-

12:05 p.m. - Report of tree on roadway on Brickyard Road and Cherry Road. Martin Co. Highway Dept. was contacted

12:48 p.m. - Report of a drive off at D & M Market. Loogootee Police Dept. and Sergeant Pritchard were advised.

### Wednesday, May 12

3:52 p.m. - A female caller reported possible drug activity. Deputy Nolan was noti-

8:12 p.m. - A Shoals Fire Dept. member reported a stranded motorist on U.S. 50 near Shoals, but advised that the vehicle was off of the roadway and had assistance on the

8:14 p.m. - A male caller reported a power line down on Bear Hill Road. REMC was

9:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Dept. first responders responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

9:13 p.m. - Deputy Nolan advised that Indian Springs Road was almost under water but was still open and passable for now.

9:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare Center. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:50 p.m. - Major Burkhardt advised that Low Gap Road before Mt. Olive Road is un-

11:30 p.m. - Marshall Eckert responded to a noise complaint in Shoals.

12:07 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospi-

9:16 a.m. - A male caller advised that he had been ran off the road by an erratic driver on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Pritchard and Dubois Co. were notified.

# Thursday, May 13

1:20 p.m. - Received a report of a drive off at RJ's Food Mart. Deputy Keller and Deputy Nolan were advised.

Deputy Keller responded.

2:36 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded semi on U.S. 50 near Shoals school. Sheriff Dant was notified.

5:45 p.m. - A female caller requested extra patrol on S.R. 450 in regard to a car repeatedly traveling that road. Major Burkhardt was advised.

8:18 p.m. - A female caller reported kids throwing rocks at a street sign in Shoals. Major Burkhardt was notified.

8:40 p.m. - A female caller requested an officer's assistance in the Rutherford area. Deputy Greene responded.

8:57 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Marshall Eckert and Major Burkhardt responded.

9:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Dept. first responders responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire first responders responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:33 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver. Major Burkhardt was notified. Friday, May 14

12:04 a.m. - Received a report of a stranded vehicle on S.R. 150.

2:44 a.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm. Major Burkhardt was advised.

8:00 a.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver or sleepy driver on U.S. 231 just south of Loogootee. Deputy Keller, Loogootee Police Dept., and Indiana State Police were notified.

12:21 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:20 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Keller and Deputy Greene were notified.

3:06 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on S.R. 550. Deputy Greene responded and advised it was not an accident. A car had run into a ditch and another subject stopped to assist the motorist.

4:30 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol in Crane Village reference children climbing on roofs. Major Burkhardt was ad-

7:39 p.m. - A female caller reported hearing bombs going off in the woods behind her barn. Major Burkhardt was advised.

10:15 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious male subject in Shoals. Major Burkhardt spoke with the complainant and patrolled the area.

### Saturday, May 15

1:20 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak with an officer in reference to a custody issue.

1:22 p.m. - A male caller requested an officer meet with him to issue a tag for a deer. Sheriff's department officer was busy with a previous call and Loogootee Police Dept. was contacted.

2:08 p.m. - A male caller requested an ambulance. Martin County Ambulance, Williams Fire Dept. and Civil Defense first responders responded. Subject was transported to Bedford Regional Medical Center.

3:16 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:45 p.m. - A female caller reported hearing gun shots near Boggs Lake. Deputy Greene, Deputy Keller, and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

7:10 p.m. - A male caller requested an ambulance. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:34 p.m. - A female 911 caller requested assistance. Deputy Greene, Loogootee Po-

2:24 p.m. - Received a residential alarm. lice Dept., and ISP Trooper Lents were notified. Martin County Ambulance also responded to check the subject out, but no transport was necessary.

10:40 p.m. - Received another 911 call from the same caller above, requesting an ambulance. She was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

#### Sunday, May 16

1:26 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in the Shoals area. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:10 a.m. - Received a report of an accident. Loogootee Police Dept. responded and advised it was into Daviess County. Daviess County was contacted.

2:14 a.m. - Received a 911 call in reference to possible theft of power line cable. Deputy Greene and Lawrence County were notified.

7:50 a.m. - Received a report of rocks on U.S. 50 near Buffalo Bottoms. Deputy Nolan removed the large pieces of rock but requested State Highway reference a very large rock on the edge of the road.

12:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Loogootee Nursing Center. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Loogootee Nursing Center. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:31 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak to an officer about a child custody

8:10 p.m. - Martin County Ambulance advised they were on a private call to Martin County Nursing Center. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:34 p.m. - A female caller reported violation of a protective order. Corporal Fischer was notified.

10:25 p.m. - Received a request for an am- Department at 812-247-3726.

bulance in Loogootee.

#### Monday, May 17

5:44 a.m. - A male caller advised there was a large tree down on Windom Road. A message was left for Martin County Highway Dept.

8:08 a.m. - Loogootee Police Dept. requested an ambulance for an accident on U.S. 50. The accident occurred in Daviess County and the report was done by that department.

12:59 p.m. - Received a 911 call about a gas leak at a house that was being tore down in Shoals. Deputy Nolan and Vectren were contacted.

7:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Dept. first responders were dispatched. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance for an infant. Martin County Ambulance and Lost River Fire Dept. first responders responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital by Dubois County Ambulance.

11:15 p.m.- A female caller from Crane Village stated that someone had tried to enter her son's bedroom door and that last week someone had tried to enter through their front door. Deputy Fischer and Sergeant Pritchard were informed.

#### Tuesday, May 18

6:57 a.m. - A call came into the Martin County Security Center stating that a subject on house arrest had cut off his ankle bracelet and left. According to the caller, Darren K. Holt, 19, of Shoals had cut off his ankle bracelet and left the residence. Darren was last seen in the Shoals area. He is 6'3" and weighs 190 lbs. Darren has short brown hair and green eyes. If anyone sees Darren K. Holt, contact the Martin County Sheriff's

# Real estate transfers

Timothy Scott Cornwell and Mary Anita Cornwell, of Martin County, Indiana to Edward Joseph Carithers and Cynthia **Lynn Carithers**, of Martin County, Indiana the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or

H&R Land Trust by C. Michael Hewing and Bonutti Real Estate Holdings, LLC, of Illinois to **Delmar Knepp and Ida** Knepp, and Philip N. Stoll and Lois Stoll, a portion of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 3 West of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana and containing 202.886 acres, more or less. Also, a portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 3 West of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, and containing 0.131 acres, more or less. Subject to two 20-foot utility easements.

Jule R. Beltz, of Martin County, Indiana to William D. Beltz and Jule R. Beltz, of Martin County, Indiana a part of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17. Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana and containing 0.77 acres, more or less. Also, a part of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana and containing in all 1.55 acres, more

Michael E. Chambers, of Martin County, Indiana to Ralph Murray and Karen Murray, of Martin County, Indiana a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, and containing .21 acre, more or less.

Marvin J. Bailey and Norma S. Bailey, of Martin County, Indiana to Carroll D. Bailey and Alicia E. Bailey, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 4 West in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, also part of Out Lot #8 in the Town of Mt. Pleasant.

Phillip Goodpaster, of Daviess County, Indiana to Matthew L. Bradley, of Martin County, Indiana a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing .26 acre, more or less.

Steve Aulbach, of Floyd County, Indiana to Calvin Evans and Cathy L. Evans, of Martin County, Indiana, five acres, more or less, out of the north part of a part of the west half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 3 West.

Randall F. Stevens and Shirley L. Stevens, of Martin County, Indiana to Earl R. Crowder and Vickey E. Crowder, of Martin County, Indiana a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 2 North, Range 3 West and containing 5 acres, more or less.

Jerry Bateman, of Martin County, Indiana and Gloria J. Beatty, of Orange County, Indiana to Ronald Dean Johnson, a portion of the Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Center Township, Martin County, Indiana and containing 1.70 acres.

Adrian L. Courtright, of Martin County, Indiana to James P. Melton, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West.

# Loogootee Police activity log

Monday, May 10

9:35 a.m. - Caller reported a tractor on fire on Highway 50 west of Lilly Pond Road. Loogootee Fire personnel were on scene for approximately 15 minutes.

11:00 a.m. - Caller reported a delivery truck owned by Arc Welding Supply had struck a street lamp on JFK Avenue. Chief Rayhill located the driver and completed a

3:12 p.m. - Chief Rayhill tagged an abandoned vehicle near High Street.

3:36 p.m. - John Mullen reported property damage in the high school parking lot. Chief Rayhill spoke with both parties. They were advised to exchange information.

5:40 p.m. - Caller reported someone shooting a .22 caliber rifle, possibly shooting at rabbits. Loogootee officer was busy at time of call. Deputy Fischer handled the complaint.

#### Tuesday, May 11

8:48 a.m. - Don Greene requested assistance in corralling four sheep that were in his backyard.

10:29 a.m. - First responders were requested on Walnut Street for a male with

1:30 p.m. - Caller reported an assault at a local business. Chief Rayhill arrived and spoke with a female cashier. She stated that a male customer had verbally assaulted her. Martin County Sheriff's Dept. and Indiana State Police assisted.

3:42 p.m. - Transient assistance was given to a male en route to Illinois.

5:02 p.m. - Transient assistance was given to a male en route to Oregon.

#### Wednesday, May 12

12:48 p.m. - D&M market reported a drive-off of \$37.50 worth of fuel. Suspect vehicle description was given, however the vehicle was not located.

3:30 p.m. - Wilmina Franklin, of Loogootee, came to station to report that her vehicle had been struck while parked at Perfect Fit. Chief Rayhill later located the suspect vehicle and filed charges on Kevin D. Parker, 19, of Loogootee. Parker was charged with leaving the scene of a property damage accident.

4:22 p.m. - Caller reported a minor accident in the high school parking lot. Capt Akles responded and found that neither driver wanted a report done on the accident.

6:14 p.m. - Caller reported illegal burning on US 231 across from Pamida. Capt Akles responded.

### Thursday, May 13

with property owners at two different addresses in reference to tall grass on their properties.

5:21 p.m. - A female came to station to report that she was being harassed. Capt Akles spoke with the complainant.

9:26 p.m. - First responders were requested on Broadway Street in reference to an unconscious female.

#### Friday, May 14

7:41 a.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated or sleepy driver northbound on US 231, heading toward Loogootee. Sgt Hennette was advised and was unable to locate the vehicle.

10:18 a.m. - A VIN check was requested on South Oak Street. Sgt Hennette re-

11:55 a.m. - Caller reported a fight on North Oak Street. Sgt Hennette responded.

12:42 p.m. - A female came to station and requested an officer to meet her at Bowling Trailer Court to retrieve some personal items. Sgt Hennette assisted the subject.

5:17 p.m. - Caller reported a white Chevrolet all over the road, eastbound from Montgomery. The vehicle was later stopped in the Shoals area.

#### Saturday, May 15

12:15 a.m. - Male caller advised of a bunch of juveniles in the pool parking lot, tearing up the grass. Capt. Akles responded.

8:38 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute in Shaded Estates. Sgt Norris and Trooper Lents responded.

#### Sunday, May 16

2:58 a.m. - Caller reported a vehicle had flipped near 231 South on CR 225 E. Sgt Norris responded with the Daviess County Sheriff's Dept.

11:13 a.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute in Shaded Estates. Sgt Hennette responded along with Deputy Nolan and Deputy Keller.

5:38 p.m. - Caller reported a man harassing customers in a business parking lot. Sgt Hennette responded and removed the male subject from the property.

8:43 p.m. - A female reported a male, whom she had a protective order against, was in her place of work. Sgt Norris spoke with parties involved.

10:28 p.m. - First Responders were requested in Shaded Estates in reference to a female with difficulty breathing

### Monday, May 17

8:06 a.m. - Loogootee Police and First Responders assisted Daviess County units with a one vehicle accident with injuries 10:36 a.m. - Chief Rayhill made contact just west of Loogootee on US 50.

#### **CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed** April 27

Robert J. Hawkins, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor; criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor; invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor.

#### **CIVIL COURT NEW FILINGS** May 11

GE Money Bank vs. Christopher Howell, civil collection.

Ryne J. Biesterveld vs. Amberle D. Biesterveld, petition for dissolution of marriage.

#### SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS May 5

Tim Hudson to Angelia Chastain for \$1,990.93.

#### SMALL CLAIMS DISMISSED May 6

Rudy M. Jones vs. Joyce L. Jones, complaint, dismissed.

#### May 7

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Sharon Lake, complaint, dismissed.

#### TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID **April 28 – May 5**

Tiffany Aishe, Washington, speeding 47

in a 30, \$124. Brittany Blaker, Shoals, ignore stop sign,

Michael Cook, Coatesville, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Nina Cook, Loogootee, child restraint violation-child less than 8, \$25.

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

Angela Divine, Washington, speeding 65 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school,

Frank Dobson, Shoals, seatbelt violation,

Thomas Eahrman, Shoals, driving left of center, \$124. Phillip Erler, Loogootee, seatbelt viola-

tion, \$25. Arthur Evans, Shoals, failure of front seat

occupant to use seatbelt, \$25. Lora Fields, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25; child restraint violation, \$25.

Kurtis Fuesler, Odon, failure to signal

lane change, \$124.

Donna Harder, Loogootee, seatbelt viola-

Michael Harsha, Sandborn, maximum weight restrictions; enforcement, \$539. Johnny Holt, Shoals, ignore stop sign,

Christina Howard, Richmond, following

too close, \$124. Larry Jones, Loogootee, reckless possession of paraphernalia, \$138.

Sean Kale, Spencer, speeding 69 in a 55,

Michael Kline, Loogootee, seatbelt viola-

Sherri Lengacher, Odon, speeding 69 in a

Corina Mack, Jasper, unregistered vehi-

cle; expired plates, \$119. Kandance Monsewicz, French Lick, pass-

ing in a no-passing zone, \$124. Robert Mosier, Shoals, speeding 40 in a

Zachariah Mosier, Shoals, speeding 45 in

Kevin Parker, Loogootee, seatbelt viola-

tion, \$25. Jacob Patterson, Greenwood, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

David Pohlman, Sedgewickville, Mississippi, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Eddie Pruett, Loogootee, seatbelt viola-

Guy Reece, Clay City, violation of 70hour rule, \$119.

Roger Rudolph, Greencastle, no valid operator's license, \$119.

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

Brian Street, Shoals, seatbelt violation,

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

Michael Williams, Orleans, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

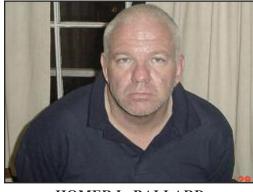
#### MARRIAGE LICENSES **May 10**

Charles Leroy Osborne, of Loogootee and Cynthia J. Arney, of Loogootee.

### May 13

Willie DeAndre Wilson, of Loogootee and Kelli Kathleen Summers, of Loogootee.

# Jasper Police looking for Loogootee man suspected of armed robbery



# HOMER L. BALLARD

The Jasper Police Department is asking for assistance in locating a suspect who police believe is responsible for a March 8, 2010 armed robbery that occurred in Jasper.

Jasper Police were dispatched at 5:48 p.m., on March 8, to Advance America, located at 3930 Newton Street, near Walmart, in Jasper.

Store personnel reported that a white male, approximately 50-60 years of age, with gray hair, wearing a black jacket, aviator-style sunglasses, and a hoodie had just robbed the store at gunpoint.

The investigating detective has obtained an arrest warrant for 56-year-old Homer L. Ballard of 302 Pine Street, Loogootee. The warrant is for armed robbery.

Ballard is believed to be responsible for the armed robbery in Jasper and is suspected of other armed robberies throughout Indiana, including in Marion, Elwood, Terre Haute, and Bloomington.

Switzerland County has also issued a warrant for Ballard for violation of probation for criminal confinement. Ballard is considered to be armed and dangerous.

Jasper Police ask anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Homer L. Ballard to contact Det./Sgt. Lisa J. Miller at the Jasper Police Department, 812-482-2255 or the Jasper Police Department's anonymous tip line at 812-481-COPS.

# H&H 201 Broadway Owner Bob Pilkerton 812-709-0229 COFFEE CAPPUCCINO ESPRESSO HOT CHOCOLATE MISCELLANEOUS · CANDY BARS · CHIPS DANISH · HONEY BUNS MUFFINS Hours: 6am - 2pm Mon - Sat Delivery Service for 4 or more items within city limits.

# 1:40 p.m. - Ryan T Souerdike, 21, of Loo-

a suspended sentence.

# Tuesday, May 11

Monday, May 10

3:18 p.m. - Chadwick Funk, 31, of Shoals, was brought in by ISP Trooper Sexton. He was charged with Driving While Suspended.

10:20 p.m. - Miguel Angel/ Maradiaga Gonazalez, 41, of Jasper, was brought in by Loogootee Officer Akles. He was charged with Operating a Vehicle While Never Licensed. Wednesday, May 12

9:32 p.m. - Jose De Jesus Onate Magana, 19, of Jasper, was brought in by Sergeant Akles. He was charged with Driving without a License.

Martin County jail bookings

3:30 p.m. - Kevin D. Parker, 19, of Loogootee was arrested by Chief Rayhill on a gootee was arrested by Chief Rayhill and Daviess County warrant for petition to revoke charged with leaving the scene of a property damage accident.

# Thursday, May 13

11:00 p.m. - George Wade, 50, of Shoals, was brought in by Marshal Eckert. He was charged with Public Intoxication and Trespassing.

### Friday, May 14

3:00 p.m. - Devon Payne, 18, of Loogootee was arrested by Deputy Greene and charged with Possession of Marijuana.

5:35 p.m. - George Eid was arrested by Marshall Eckert and charged with Resisting Law Enforcement and Reckless Driving.

# Martin County accident reports

### Tuesday, May 11

8:55 a.m. - Harold A. Stalker, 44, of Bedford, was traveling eastbound on U.S. 50 when a large tree fell on his 2009 F250 Ford pickup that is owned by Miller Pipeline out of Indianapolis. No injuries were reported. There was over \$1,000 damage to the vehicle. Sgt. Pritchard was the investigating officer.

Thursday, May 13 7:32 p.m. - Rebecca N Zins, of Loogootee, was operating a 1999 Pontiac. She was turning into the parking lot at Gasoline Alley when her vehicle collided with the rear of a

2001 Chevrolet operated by Greg L Davis of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Capt Akles was the investigating officer.

# Saturday, May 15

6:21 a.m. - Terry L Wade reported striking a deer in his 2007 Dodge. Officer Todd completed an accident report.

2:21 p.m. - Nicholas R Goodman, of French Lick, was operating a 1998 Dodge hauling a trailer in the McDonald's parking lot. Part of the trailer struck the canopy while the vehicle was in the McDonald's drivethru. Officer Todd investigated the incident.

# Community HAPPENINGS

# Farmers' market to begin this Saturday in Shoals

with Martin County Chamber of Commerce, will be sponsoring the Martin County Farmers' Market from May through October this year.

To kick off the farmers' market season, an opening day celebration will be held along with the market in Shoals on Saturday, May 22, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., on Hwy 50 in the Bo-Mac's Drive-in Restaurant parking

The Loogootee Market's opening day celebration will be held on Saturday, May 29, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., on Hwy 50 next to CVS. The markets will continue on the first and third Saturdays in Shoals and the second and fourth Saturdays in Loogootee.

Approximately 20 vendors from Martin and surrounding counties have registered to begin selling on opening day. Vendors will be selling fresh, local produce, plants,

The Shoals Business Association, along homemade crafts, and home-baked goods. A variety of activities for the whole family are planned throughout the morning. Local musicians, Brokenpick, will be providing music for the event. Levi Graber will be offering free carriage rides through town. Gamma Iota Chapter of Psi Iota Xi will be reading stories to the younger children. The Shoals Jr./Sr. High School Art Class will be doing face painting. A variety of games will be led by the Service Learning Group from Shoals Jr./Sr. High School. Students from Ed Cronk's Defenders of the Faith Judo Classes will be demonstrating some things they have learned in class. Akles Auction Service will be announcing the event and presenting door prizes donated by local businesses.

> For more information, questions, or to become a vendor call Donna at 812-247-2306 or Deanna at 812-247-3893.



# THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who took the time to go to the polls and vote for me in the primary election. I would also like to thank my family and friends for their support and encouragement.

**Hey Family Members!** 

Place a congratulations ad to your graduate in the

**Martin County Journal on May 26.** nlv \$15.00

(Ad is 5.5" x 3" in full-color) Pre-payment is not required. We can bill you.

Fill out the form below and mail to P.O. Box 148, Loogootee, IN 47553 or email all info to courtney@martincountyjournal.com.

If you like, you can include a baby photo and a "now" photo of your graduate in the ad. Photos can be mailed or emailed to the addresses above. To drop off a photo call 812-259-4309. Photos will be returned at the end of the month with your bill.

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Phone	Shoals or Loogootee Grad
Graduate's Name	(didic one)
Message	
Print and mail this form and graduate's photos to P.O. Box 148 Loogootee IN 47553	

or email all info and grads photos to courtney@martincountyjournal.com.

# **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 per-

#### **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.

#### Bike event

On Saturday, May 22 a Ride 2 Recovery bike event will be utilizing roads on Crane base. The event will start and end at Westgate but the majority of the event will be on NSA Crane. Please be aware that from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. you can expect to encounter bicycles on 247-2423.

base, be prepared to accommodate the riders and always keep safety first in your mind. For a map of the route please go to: http://www.cranecyclefest.com/routes.html.

# 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 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

# Former IU player Landon Turner to speak at disability awareness event

A disability awareness event is planned for the evening of Thursday, May 20, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the Simon J. Graber Community Center.. The event is a chance to learn more about the successes, opportunities and resources available for those with disabilities, and most importantly, to find out more about what you can do to be a part of their success!

The guest speaker is Mr. Landon Turner, former IU basketball star and member of the 1981 NCAA Championship team. Mr. Turner will be sharing his story of overcoming the challenges following a car accident that left him paralyzed from the chest down, just four months after winning the National Championship. He has co-authored a book highlighting that dream season and it will be available for purchase during the event. Mr. Turner is scheduled to speak at 7 p.m. There will be free food and drinks available.

formation or success story. Please contact Community Foundation.



**LANDON TURNER** 

Sheila Willis at swillis@frrs.org or 812-847-2231.

The disability awareness event is pre-Free booth space is still available for any sented by Four Rivers Resource Services agency or persons wanting to share their in- through a grant from the Daviess County

# Open Heart to perform at Dover Hill Church

Open Heart Quartet will perform at The Dover Hill Christian Union Church on Sunday May 23 at 7 p.m.

Members of Open Heart are Kenyon Maynard, tenor; Monty Craig, lead; Rick Mowery, baritone; Chris Beagerly, bass; and Wayne Maynard, baritone and vocal

The public is invited to attend. The church is located at 15581 N State Road 450 in Dover Hill



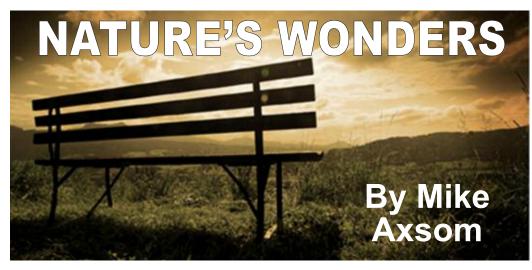
# THANK YOU

Thank you to those who took the time to go to the polls and vote for me in the primary, I am humbled by your support. I hope you will continue to support me in the general election on November 2nd!

Bobbi Sue Nonte

-Paid for Bobbi Sue Nonte for Clerk of the Martin Circuit Court

# Martin County OUTDOORS



#### **Lessons from Nature**

We humans have a much more diverse set of behaviors than any other animal. It is difficult to even pin human behavior down because there are so many variables. But, if you study animals, you will learn that different animals have behaviors that remind us of certain humans we know; or sometimes cultures or groups of humans we know of.

Some behave in ways that we tend to see as good and that we would like to think is like our own. Others behave in ways that see as bad, and easy to compare to someone else. But in all of them there are opportunities to learn about other species and ponder some things about our own.

For example, did you know that wild geese typically mate for life? It likely has more to do with the genetics of their world instead of devotion as we would recognize it, but Canada geese almost never leave a mate once a mating pair is established. They share the obligations of parenting, and take turns sitting the nest while the mate goes off to feed and take a break. There is evidence that they maintain this strong bond to improve the odds of their own genetic offspring being successful; which means they actually stay together for the kids. As much as that may wrinkle our modern sensibilities about doing our own thing and how we might perceive the idea of equality, Canada geese have a very high success rate with their young. In their society, which is tight and has a lot of rules, they have no equivalent of jail, reform school or juvenile delinquency.

Have you ever wondered why geese fly in that distinct "V" formation? As a goose flaps its wings in flight, the air is pushed down and out towards the tips. As it slips off the wingtip there is an eddy effect, or swirl, where the air tends to curl back up and in. In that swirl some of the air is actually moving upwards, so if another goose positions itself correctly in that sweet spot, it is able to fly at the same rate as the goose it is following, with considerably less effort. The third goose follows just off the wingtip of the second, and so on, and they each benefit from the work of the goose ahead of them.

One has to wonder how fair is it that the first goose in the formation that has to buck the wind without the boost all the others are getting. Nature figured that out too and the geese all take turns being in the lead position. When the leader gets tired it just drops back and slides into a position off the wingtip of another goose. There, it instantly finds the going easier and gets to rest from the harder work it was doing. One of the wingmen on one side or the other slides in to take the lead until it too gets tired and the process repeats as often as necessary. The energy saved from the eddy effect allows a flock of migrating geese to travel up to 70 percent farther between rest and feeding

Another thing Canada geese do in those migrations is to take care of their injured or sick friends. If a goose becomes unable to carry on, from illness, being shot, or whatever; two other geese will follow it down to the ground and stay with it until it either recovers or dies. The rest of the flock goes on to their destination. If the problem goose recovers, the three stragglers will resume their flight and often rejoin the flock, sometimes days or weeks later. If the fallen goose dies the other two will then go on alone.

Okay, now that you are feeling all warm and fuzzy about geese, and lest you think that nature is just full of animals with personalities and habits that we find admirable in humans, let me tell about the Brown Headed Cowbird. This little avian sneak is a common sight in our area, and seeing one offers no hint of the dark side of its personality quirks. About the size of a robin, the cowbird is what is known to biologists as brood parasitic. What that means is that the cowbird lays its eggs in the nests of other birds, rather than build nests of its own. It is also considered a generalist, in that it is not particular about which other species it uses as hosts to make up for it poor parenting skills. Its eggs have been found in nests of at least 220 other species.

The cowbird has another distinction in that it is one of very few birds that do not exhibit regression of ovaries and oviducts following clutch completion. Most birds lay eggs for a very short time and then stop and begin incubating. This allows all the eggs to mature at the same rate. Female cowbirds do not limit their eggs production and continue to produce eggs for up to two months. This combined with the fact that they are promiscuous rather than monogamous allows them to lay an average of 40 eggs per year, fertilized by a variety of males; dominating the reproductive potential of the nests of dozens of other birds.

Cowbird eggs tend to hatch about one day earlier then the host birds own eggs, and the interloper is larger, more aggressive and grows faster. It dominates the host mother's efforts to provide food and often starves the other babies in this manner. The host bird works hard and tries to do all the right things, only to have its own young crowded out by the cowbird babies. The cowbirds thrive at the expense of the unwitting hosts.

Because of its aggressive parasitic tendencies, the cowbird's range is growing, while studies show that some of the host species are experiencing range loss and a few are now endangered.

# Early planting could result in complications for farmers

BY SAYDE RAYBURN Purdue University News Service

While warm weather in April gave Indiana farmers an early start to planting corn and soybeans this spring, there could be complications later, two Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service specialists warned.

The corn has been planted at record pace with few problems and issues so far, said Bob Nielsen, corn specialist. "Grain yield is always clear-cut at this point in the season because the effects of the rest of the season are not known. Early planting typically increases the odds of good grain yield compared to late planting but by itself does not guarantee good grain quality."

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistic Service report of May 10 stated that 81 percent of the corn in Indiana was already planted, compared with the five-year average of 35 percent. Twentyone percent of soybeans are planted compared with the 6 percent five-year average.

"The soybeans have been planted pretty quickly this year," said Shaun Casteel, soybean specialist. "Although this is not the fastest they have been put in the ground, farmers are ahead of schedule."

When the soybeans and corn were planted in mid-April, the temperature was warmer. But after a cold snap, some fields are sustaining frost damage, Casteel said. The northcentral and northeastern parts of the state have had the most damage.

"Depending on when the soybeans were planted, the frost could have affected the plants in different ways," Casteel said.

If the soybeans hypocotyl - lower stems has not fully extended and was frosted, the chance of survival is minimal. If the plant has fully extended and the cotyledons - seed leaves - were frosted, the plant will likely

"If the plant was fully extended and frosted, two stems may develop from the single plant, which will produce soybeans but could be prone to lodging later in the season," said Casteel said. "Lodging occurs when the plant falls over due to a number of factors such as weak stems, excessive vegetative growth, and wind and heavy rain, creating problems from disease and at harvest," Casteel said. Casteel suggests that farmers with soybeans that were frosted take a stand count in their fields.

If farmers have a stand count of 100,000 and 120,000 they should be fine. If counts are 80,000 or below, they may want to consider replanting their fields.

"Farmers have to determine if it is worth replanting, which could result in a lower yield potential," Casteel said. "My advice is if you are going to replant, do it within the first three weeks of May because after that farmers will see a reduction in yield potential. The average yield loss is between 13 percent and 15 percent if the field is not replanted when the plant stand is 40,000 plants

Casteel said that farmers who do not replant will likely have to spray for weeds later in the season. Indiana soils currently are wet and cool. The seeds in the ground now are slow to emerge and are more susceptible to disease. If the weather turns warm suddenly, Casteel said the soil may crust, which could create emergence problems.

As for now, farmers have to play the waiting game to see how their fields were af-

# Vote for more trees for Indiana starting May 25

Hoosiers can vote to have more trees planted in their state starting Tuesday, May 25 but the election has nothing to do with choosing who's going to govern.

The Odwalla Plant a Tree Program is in its third year and already has been responsible for the planting of 160,000 trees elsewhere. This is the first year that it's available in Indiana and all 49 other states.

The program allows a person to "vote" at www.odwalla.com/plantatree for the state in which he or she wants trees to be planted. Each "vote" results in \$1 for the voter's state's state parks to use to plant trees.

A total of \$200,000 is available to be divided among the states. Each person can "vote" only once, but can encourage their friends to vote also.

In the first two years of the program, the trees have been "sold out" within five

Once the program closes and each state has its final dollar amounts, each state can begin to use the funds, which must be used to purchase trees.

Each state decides the type of tree it wants, then submits invoices to Government Solutions Group (GSG), which runs the program, for payment, or pays invoices and submits to GSG for re-imbursement.





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# The Messmer Report By District 63 State Representative Mark Messmer

# Honoring Veterans, at home and abroad

Ah, the signs that summer is approaching; school kids (and their teachers) are getting antsy to escape, graduates can't wait to parade across that stage in those caps and gowns, and you find yourself mowing twice a week just to keep up with the neighbors' perfectly manicured lawn.

But more importantly, the official kick-off of summer provides a "time out" for remembering and thanking our veterans: Memorial Day. This week I participated in the May 14 memorial service in Washington, and on May 31, I will participate in the memorial service in Winslow.

This year, the House of Representatives passed several bills with veterans in mind.

One protects a veteran's service-connected disability benefit from debt collectors. This one was a unanimous vote in the Indiana House. As a whole, the chamber felt that this benefit should not be considered income, but rather compensation for what the veteran lost during his or her service in the military.

Hoosier veterans with disabilities, who have already sacrificed so much for their country, should not have to worry about their benefits being taken away by debt collectors.

Another bill that passed unanimously requires National Guard members to complete their "Post-Deployment Health Reassessments" face to face in the form of a clinical interview, rather than over the phone. It's imperative that National Guard members returning from conflict should receive proper physical and psychological evaluation.

While these bills will help veterans who

have already returned home to their families, many of our men and women in uniform are still serving around the globe, and it's often difficult to get in touch with those they miss so much.

Mother's Day was a great reminder of these self-sacrificing family members. This week, I'd like to encourage you to take advantage of a great opportunity to help those serving in our military connect with loved

The United Service Organizations (USO) is sponsoring a program called "More Minutes for Mom," providing our troops with free minutes to make phone calls. Your donations allow a solider to make a free phone call to his or her family - something you and I might take for granted, but can be a mental and emotional lifeline for those supporting us in remote areas all over the world.

Since World War II, the USO has been steadfast supporter of military personnel. The organization provides programs and services to millions of active duty service members, National Guard and Reserves, and their families at more than 130 centers located worldwide. Just one \$15 donation will allow for 300 minutes of talk time from Afghanistan, and all donations are tax deductible. Visit http://www.uso.org/ for more information.

If you ever miss out on a Messmer Report and want to get caught up, please visit my website at www.in.gov/h63. Not only can you read the Messmer Report, you can listen to the audio file almost as soon as it is released

Here's hoping you had a Happy Mother's Day- and that you'll have a happy Memorial Day!

# Commissioners consider wellness program for county employees

# BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

At the request of Dan Gregory, Marilyn McCullough, with Thompson Insurance, presented the Martin County Commissioners Tuesday night, May 19 with information about wellness programs.

McCullough explained that the wellness program is designed to help the county be proactive for the purpose of wellness to lower health insurance costs for employees. All employees participating would receive blood tests and blood pressure checks on the job. The results help prevent potential severe health issues. The program also offers a health coach, 30-minute educational programs quarterly, and an annual health fair. An in-county wellness committee would also be formed to discuss ways to approach the program and possible incentives to be offered to employees who participate.

McCullough presented a price based on all 63 employees covered under county health insurance participating. The cost would be \$9.50 per month per employee. The total cost for wall employees would be \$7,000 per year total paid by the county and not the employees. She said that studies show that every \$100 spent per employee per year, the county could save up to \$450 per employee per year.

She said that cost effectiveness would not be seen the first year because after testing employees, some health-related issues may be discovered.

"We'd be crazy not to do this," said Commissioner Gregory.

The commissioners decided to have a sur-

vey included in the employees' payroll checks to see how many would be interested in the program. McCullough said that the fewer employees that participate, the higher the cost it will be to the county.

In other business, Highway Superintendent Jim Williams presented the commissioners with his annual report which needs to be approved and sent back to the state by June 1.

Commissioner Gregory told Williams that he drove 10 miles of county roads on Sunday and they weren't as bad as he was expecting them to be.

The commissioners also approved the highway department to go to the summer work schedule of four 10-hour days effective May 24.

Williams also informed the commissioners that the bills for the bridge inspection were \$46,388.59 and \$6,879.46.

There was only \$36,000 budgeted for the inspection. He said he will be going to the county council at their June meeting to ask for an additional appropriation of \$17,269.

He said the inspection came back pretty good with the lack of signs being the main issue.

Monte Wolf with Martin County Civil Defense said that an open house for the new fire state at the fairgrounds will be held on Saturday, June 12, at 3 p.m.

Purdue Extension Educator Jonathan Stevens reported that more than 300 kids have signed up for 4-H.

The commissioners approved \$1,535 for the assessor's office to buy 1,000 county maps from WTH. The maps are sold for \$5 each and cost the county \$1.50 each.

# Church BULLETIN

# New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE By Shirley Canell –Pastor's wife

This past Sunday sermon was from 1 Peter 5:9-11. What Peter says is so simple and so direct. You've got a serious situation, you better be on the alert, he says in verse 8. Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Wouldn't it be nice to just say, "Satan, I bind you"? Then what? How long is he bound for and who is protected from him? Just me? Everyone? Could it really be that simple to bind Satan? In what way can you bind a demon? Only Jesus Christ can dispatch at Holy Angel to bind him. He moves about on this Earth, as Peter says as a roaring lion, seeking who he may devour.

So if he is moving around and if he is a formidable foe and if he wants to battle us as individuals, families, leaders, and as churches, how do we deal with him? Seems like the harder we try the harder it gets.

Resist him, stand FIRM in your faith. Resist means to stand against. FAITH! Stand firm in the Faith, the revealed Word of God, which has been told you, all about God, so that you can be firm in your faith in God. That's the issue - remaining firm in your Faith. That is the key, everything becomes captive to the truth and obedience to the truth. As we know the truth, as we obey the truth, Satan is resisted. And every enemy that comes against us becomes captive as we stand on and obey the truth.

The battle belongs to the Lord. There is no mental strategy, no physical strategy against Satan. The contrast between the flesh and the divine, between the human and God. We battle with the Lord, with a divinely powerful expression of God.

Ephesians 6 tells us to be strong in the Lord, in the strength of His might. Put on the full armor of God. We are told to stand firm never to go after and chase Satan down but to stand firm, resist. Have your loins girded with truth, have a breastplate of righteousness, have your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace, take the shield of faith which says I believe my God is able, put on the helmet of salvation the confidence in eternal life, the confidence that you are secure in Christ, and in your hand the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God. Stand

This past Sunday sermon was from 1 Peter 9-11. What Peter says is so simple and so rect. You've got a serious situation, you I'm letting Him do it."

It is important to fellowship with other Christians. We gain strength from each other; we gain strength knowing that we have a God that has been tempted like us yet overcame. It helps to know that you are not the only one that goes through struggles resisting the temptations of Satan. What Peter tells us is, hey in the middle of this you are not. WHAT? You are not alone. Meet that temptation with prayer.

Verse 10, "And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace who called you to His eternal glory in Christ will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you." We are to live with the understanding that God's purpose realized in the future requires some pain in the present. If we could understand what the spiritual warfare is doing we would appreciate it instead of resenting it. After all, nothing can separate you from the love of Christ. All the suffering that comes here is to strengthen you, to establish you, to confirm you, to perfect you, to make you more the man and woman of God that you should be. We grow in our suffering; we fail so that we learn.

Peter makes it clear. The battle can be won. Whatever your battle is. It may take a little while of resisting, rallying around each other, receiving his unmerited grace, then being reinforced by God himself. Resist! Rally! Receive! Reinforcement! Revere!

Our Sunday morning service starts at 10 a.m. with praise and worship. May 30 we will have Sunday evening service at 6 p.m. Please join us in our service to the Lord. We had our monthly Women Support Group meeting this past Sunday; we learned a lot about ourselves and our motives. We are all to examine our motives this coming month and make a mental chart on our motives, whether pure or impure. Think about it!

On May 28 we are having movie/pizza night for Team Kids. All kids are invited. We are watching Avatar; it is a longer movie so we will start at 6 p.m. If you have any questions you can call Pastor Ernie at 709-0258. Give us pure hearts Lord in your service.

# Classified ADS

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## YARD SALES

**FOUR-FAMILY** Yard Sale, Saturday, May 22, 209 SE 1st Street, Loogootee, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**MULTI-FAMILY** yard sale, Saturday, May 22, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 12 Westwood Drive. Lots of kids' items, household goods, and misc.

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# Dear Gabby



Dear Gabby,

My son has a friend that I can't stand. The child is a know-it-all and is constantly bragging to my son about what he and his family have. He is rude and disrespectful in my home. Every time this boy comes to stay overnight with my son, I count down the minutes until he goes home. My son really likes this boy and I don't feel that it is right to tell him that he can't be friends with him anymore. What would you do? -Loogootee Mom

Dear Loogootee Mom,

I think every parent has been in this situation before. We, as parents, want to raise our children in the best way possible. We want our children to be popular, outgoing, athletic, and the star of the sports team. We also want our children to grow socially and by promoting that, we have friends over. Ok, so he has some friends you don't like, but he likes. That is going to happen. I believe what is important here is the conversation you have with your son after this friend leaves. Use this as a learning experience for your son. Do not make it a negative experience. I understand some children aren't always likable, but neither are their parents. *Use this time to teach your child about what* is right and wrong socially. -Gabby

#### **Dear Gabby**

Do you think if you know of someone's husband/boyfriend is having an affair you should tell the wife/girlfriend? This has happened to me and I have shut a lot of people out of my life for not telling me when they knew the truth.

Dear Tina,

That is a difficult question. First things first, you say you know he's cheating. How do you know? Were you there while they were in the "act"? If not, then you are speculating or assuming they are having an affair. If you have seen this "couple" out holding hands, kissing, or displaying other PDA, then that is what you saw. While telling the wife/girlfriend is completely up to you, I would choose my words wisely. If the husband IS NOT having an affair, you will essentially become a very untrusted friend. If the husband IS having an affair, you will be bringing bad news to a very unsuspecting lady. Each and every time she sees you or looks at you, her association will be that of her cheating husband. Now, thinking like a BFF, yes, I would want my friend to tell me. But, she better have some good, hard evidence to back it up, not just speculation.

Dear Gabby,

One of my friends is hung up on a guy who is still hung up on his ex. She whines to me all the time about it and I don't understand why she doesn't see that their relationship is going nowhere. He continues to lead her on and keeps her guessing. Should I continue to listen to her and keep my mouth shut or should I tell her to stop talking about him in my presence? -Stephanie Dear Stephanie,

You should under no circumstances keep your mouth shut. One thing I have learned with my girlfriends is this, if they didn't want your opinion they wouldn't be asking. However, taking your advice is one thing and using it is another. She is looking to you for positive re-enforcement. Meaning, you will agree with everything she says. A good girlfriend probably would. But, a REAL girlfriend will tell her how she feels. Since she is looking for you to re-enforce everything she says about this guy, start replying to her conversations with a repeat. If she makes a statement and then asks your advice, just reinstate what she said. "So, he's still talking about his ex?" You won't be a positive influence and you won't be a negative influence; you will be a neutral influence. She will grow tired of it quickly because she isn't getting you to agree with her. The other statement I would tell her is this, you know the situation with this guy, either accept it and move forward or dump him. It's cut and dry. -Gabby

Gabby is a resident of Martin County who likes the mystery of remaining anonymous. She is not a member of the newspaper staff. If you have a question for Gabby, go to the Journal's website at www.martincountyjournal.com and fill out the "Dear Gabby" question box on the home page. The only information we receive is your first name and your question and nothing else. Ask about anything and get Gabby's advice!

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# **SPORTS BRIEFS**

# **Shoals Athletic Banquet**

The Shoals Spring Sports Athletic Banquet will be held Thursday, June 10 in the high school cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. Parents are asked to bring a covered dish and/or a

#### **LHS Track Sectional results**

The Loogootee High School Track team competed in sectional Tuesday, May 18.

Desiree Matheis placed 7th in the 300meter hurdles. Lauren Walton tied for 4th place in the high jump and will advance to Regional Competition at Evansville next Tuesday evening.

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# Localsports

# Lady Lions defeat Shoals, Barr-Reeve, and North Knox



-Photo by Courtney Hughett Loogootee's Remington Wagler watches the ball as it slides right past.

### Loogootee vs. Shoals

The Loogootee Lady Lions took out the Shoals Lady Jug Rox with a 10-run rule Monday night, May 17. The final score was

In the top of the first, Heather Tinkle, for Shoals, struck out and Aimee Farhar grounded out to the pitcher. Ashley Taylor's pop fly was caught for the third out.

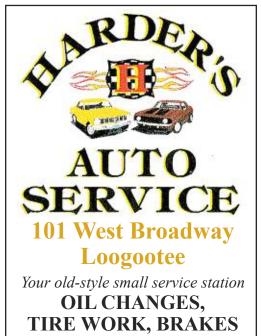
Loogootee's turn at bat had Jennifer Clark lead off with a single to left and a steal to second. Blake Walker drew a walk and Jessica Padgett singled down the left field line. Jaclyn Padgett drew a walk to score Clark. Breann Truelove got the first out with a pop fly to center and Shoals' Mandi Stewart threw Blake Walker out at home. Rebecca Craney then grounded out to the pitcher to retire the inning.

In the second inning, Leslie Hart, for the Lady Rox, singled to left center and advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by Jessica Courtright. Shaelin Adams lined out to Jessica Padgett at short stop and Padgett stepped on second for the double play to off Hart.

In the bottom of the second, Remington Wagler led off with a ground out to the Shoals pitcher and Allyson Arvin grounded out to short. Addison Dant made it to first on an in-field single and Jennifer Clark singled to left. Blake Walker's single to right then scored Dant and Jessica Padgett's line drive is caught at third to end the inning.

Mandy Stewart led off the third inning for Shoals with a pop fly that was caught at first base. Chelsey Baker grounded out to third and Beth Abel grounded out to short stop.

For Loogootee in the third, Jaclyn Padgett's pop fly is caught in center field and Breann Truelove's hit was also caught by the short stop. Rebecca Craney then drew a walk and Kylie Raney replaced her as a



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courtesy runner. The inning ends with Remington Wagler's fly out to center.

In the fourth, Heather Tinkle struck out and Aimee Farhar's pop fly to right is caught. Ashley Taylor smacked a double to left center but Leslie Hart struck out to retire

Allyson Arvin led off the fourth for Loogootee with a walk and is replaced by Candace Dawson as the runner. Addison Dant then hit a ground ball to third. Jennifer Clark hit a grounder to shortstop and when Ashley Taylor fielded the ball and tossed it to the third baseman for a forced out on Dawson. Blake Walker then singled to right to load the bases. Jessica Padgett ripped a hit past the third baseman to score Dant and Jaclyn Padgett singled to left to score Clark. Breann Truelove hit a ground ball to third and the throw home forced out Walker and Rebecca Craney grounded out to short to end the inning. The score at the bottom of the fourth was 4-0.

In the fifth inning, Shoals' Jessica Courtright and Shaelin Adams both popped out to third for the first two outs. Mandi Stewart's fly ball is also caught in center field leaving the Lady Rox scoreless.

The Lady Lions didn't relent on the Lady Rox in the fifth scoring four more runs. Remington Wagler grounded out to short and Allyson Arvin is walked. Addison Dant singled to left and Jennifer Clark drew a walk to load the bases. Blake Walker then ripped a ball to first and Shaelin Adams fielded and threw home for the force out on Arvin. Dant scored on Jessica Padgett's single and Jaclyn Padgett hit a line drive to the pitcher who was unable to make the play allowing Clark to score. Breann Truelove singled to left scoring Walker and Jessica Padgett. Rebecca Craney is walked and Remington Wagler grounded out to end the inning putting the Lions up 8-0.

At the top of the sixth Chelsey Baker, for Shoals, struck out and Beth Abel smacked a hit off the center field fence and on an attempt to make it a double is tagged out by Addison Dant. Heather Tinkle popped out to first for the third out.

In the bottom of the sixth, Brooke Nonte lined out to third and Addison Dant is walked. Dant scored on Jennifer Clark's triple to left center and Blake Walker lined out to center. Jessica Padgett hit a high fly ball to right that was misplayed allowing Clark to score and end the game via the 10-

Loogootee pitcher Rebecca Craney had four strikeouts in the game. For Shoals, Ashley Taylor ended with no strikeouts and two walks and Beth Abel finished with no strikeouts and six walks.

Ashley Taylor ended with a double for the Lady Jug Rox and Loogootee's Jennifer Clark had a triple. For Loogootee, Addison Dant and Jaclyn Padgett ended 2-3, Blaker Walker went 2-4, Jessica Padgett ended 2-5, and Jennifer Clark finished 3-4.

### Loogootee vs. Barr-Reeve

The Loogootee Varsity Softball team defeated Barr-Reeve on Saturday, May 15, 11-

The Lady Lions started off in the first inning with Gabrielle Ritchey ripping a single off the glove of the shortstop. Jennifer Clark then laid down a perfect bunt and reached first as Ritchey advances all the way to third. Jessica Padgett's sacrifice bat allowed Ritchev to score and Jaclyn Padgett sent a double down the right field line scoring Clark. Breann Truelove then singled to center scoring Padgett putting the Lions up 3-0 in after the first.

In the second inning, Addison Dant, for the Lions, popped out to first while Blake Walker ripped a double off the right center field fence and scored on Gabrielle Ritchey's triple to left field upping the



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Loogootee's Candace Dawson calls time after she is declared safe at second base. Shoals' Jessica Courtright was only seconds away from the tag.

Lions' lead 6-0.

Barr-Reeve fought back in the fourth inning which started with Morganne Doyle's single to right center. Graber bunted and due to a bad throw to first the runners advance an extra base. Alexis Chestnut then singled to center scoring Doyle and the other Doyle, Molleigh, drew a walk to load the bases. Mindi Steiner and Kendra Wagler struck out and lead-off hitter Graber, for Barr-Reeve, hit a pop fly to center. The Padgett sisters collided allowing two more runs. Emily Lengacher then smacked a single up the middle to reload the bases and Kylee O'-Conner popped one to left and the Vikings score two more putting the score 6-5 in favor of the Lions at the top of the fourth.

In the bottom of the fourth, Blake Walker turned a 0-2 count to an 8-pitch walk to lead off and Ritchey reached on an error by the shortstop. Walker attempted to steal on a passed ball and is tagged out at third. Clark smacked a double to left center allowing Ritchey. After a few questionable calls on Loogootee's side the inning ended with the Lions only bringing in one run but holding on to the lead.

fifth but the Lady Lions added five more runs to their total. Truelove started things off with a single to left center and moved on to third on an error by the left fielder. After Craney flies out to short stop, Kylie Raney comes in to run for Truelove and scored on a passed ball. Remington Wagler grounded out to third as Dant draw a two-out walk and advanced to second on another passed ball. Walker singled to left center allowing Dant to score and Ritchey smacked her second triple of the day scoring Walker. Jennifer Clark's single to center scored Ritchey putting the Lions up for what would end up being the game final at 11-5.

Lion pitcher Rebecca Craney ended with six strikeouts and three walks. Kayla Tinkle, for Barr-Reeve, finished with zero strikeouts or walks.

For Loogootee, Gabrielle Ritchey ended with two triples, Jennifer Clark, Bre Truelove, and Blake Walker ended with doubles; and Jaclyn Padgett finished with two doubles. Clark finished perfect at 4-4 on the day as did Walker at 2-2. Ritchey went 3-4 along with Bre Truelove.

## Loogootee vs. North Knox

The Lady Lions had 14 hits and two errors and Barr-Reeve finished with 10 hits and three errors.

The Loogootee Varsity Softball team soundly defeated North Knox on May 10, with a final score of 12-2.

In the bottom of the first inning, Gabrielle Ritchey led off with a single to left, stole second and scored on Jennifer Clark's double off the left field wall. Clark then scored after Jaclyn Padgett singled to center putting the Lions up early 2-0.

In the third inning, Jessica Padgett led off with an infield single and stole second. Rebecca Craney came up to bat and smacked a two-out double scoring Padgett. Addison Dant then courtesy ran for Craney and scored on Remington Wagler's double to right center.

Scoreless until the fourth inning, North Knox's Stagner is walked with one out. A two-out single by Held and then Schaefer loaded the bases. Koenig then hit a ground ball to third and Loogootee's third baseman fielded the ball and threw home only to hit the runner, Stagner, allowing her to score. A walk with the bases loaded forces home Held putting two runs on the board for the Warriors.

The Lady Lions exploded in the fifth in-Barr-Reeve failed to score in the top of the ning with Jessica Padgett leading off with a double off the leg of the North Knox third baseman, Koenig. Jaclyn Padgett then singled and moved to second uncontested. Breann Truelove singled to left allowing Jessica Padgett to score and Rebecca Craney singled to load the bases. Addison Dant again came in to courtesy run. Remington Wagler then ripped a line drive at the short stop which was caught for the first out. Allyson Arvin drew a walk and loaded the bases and forced home Dant. Jennifer Clark then hit a hard ground ball to third and the fielder threw home to force out the runner. Jessica Padgett then doubled to deep left center scoring Walker, Ritchey, and Clark. Her sister, Jaclyn, next up to bat, singled to left center scoring Jessica therefore ending the game with the 10-run rule.

Winning pitcher, Rebecca Craney, ended with four strikeouts and two walks. A. Pryor, for North Knox, finished with no strikeouts and three walks.

Four Lady Lions ended with doubles, Jennifer Clark, Rebecca Craney, Remington Wagler, and Jessica Padgett. Jessica and Jaclyn Padgett both ended 3-4 on the night. Craney ended perfect with 2-2.

The Lions had 14 total hits and one error. The Warriors finished with five hits and one error.



#### BY STACEY BOWLING LHS Class of 1985

#### **Butcher Ball, or Stall Ball?**

Over the years I've heard comments suggesting that many people believe the Jack Butcher era at Loogootee was dominated by "stall ball", especially when the Lions were facing big schools or tough teams (like the Washington Hatchets, for example). These comments always caught my interest, because slow-down tactics were NOT what I remembered from the hundreds of games I attended growing up. In the late 1970s and early 1980s, my dad and I used to attend all 20 regular season games every year (seriously, I remember Dad driving to Evansville Mater Dei on a weeknight in the dead of winter with several inches of snow on the ground). I remember seeing a lot of exciting games over the years, with very little "stall ball". So which was correct? Did Coach Butcher win 808 games by getting ahead early and then holding the ball, or were those occasions more rare than people seemed to think?

To resolve this in my own head, I paged through Tim Nonte's recent book, "A History of Loogootee High School Boys Basketball 1905 to 2008" and picked out the scores from every Lions-Hatchets game during the Butcher era. I chose to focus on games between the Lions and Hatchets for three reasons. First, Washington High School definitely qualified as a "big, tough school", and thus a good candidate for an opponent to stall. Second, Coach Butcher faced the Hatchets 45 times in his career, so I had plenty of data on that rivalry. Third, I felt confident that Coach Butcher had no desire to lose to the Washington Hatchets, and would surely do whatever it took (within the rules, of course) to beat the Hatchets, even if it meant standing near half-court holding the ball.

What I found was interesting. No matter how you define stall ball, there were probably a few "stall ball" games in there, at least if you use the number of points scored as a guide. For example, you might point to Loogootee's 35-34 win in the 1974 sectional, Washington's 28-26 win in the 1977 sectional, Loogootee's 34-27 win during the 1997 regular season, and Washington's 22-15 win in Butcher's last game against the Hatchets in the 2002 regular season. Of course, it's possible one or more of those games were very low-scoring because of either great defenses or cold offenses, and readers with better memories than mine can enlighten me there; however, I chose to give the "stall ball advocates" the benefit of the doubt on all four games.

This makes me think that maybe my memory wasn't so bad. Those low-scoring games only occurred four times, out of 45 meetings between the teams, spanning Butcher's almost five-decade coaching career. However, anyone who knows me knows that I'm way too nerdy to leave it at that, without looking more closely at the numbers. Here are some of the things I found, looking at Jack Butcher's record against the Washington Hatchets.

Butcher's record against the Hatchets: Won 28, Lost 17

Largest Lion margin of victory: 33 points (66-33, 1970 Sectional)

Largest Hatchet margin of victory: 25 points (45-70, 1983 Sectional) High WHS score: 71 (in a 71-56 Hatchet

win in 1971-1972) Low WHS score: 22 (in a 22-15 Hatchet

win in 2001-2002) Average Washington score: 48.7

High LHS score: 77 (in a 77-60 Lion win in 1972-1973)

Low LHS score: 15 (in a 22-15 Hatchet win in 2001-2002)

Average Loogootee score: 52.1

OK, so the "average score" was about 52-48. How does this stack up against teams that are undoubtedly offensively minded? Is fifty points per game a lot of points, or does it indicate teams that are holding the ball, not really trying to score? I decided to calculate the number of points per minute scored when the Hatchets and Lions met over the years, in an attempt to determine just how offensively minded the teams were. In fact, I decided to compare these numbers against a team that NO ONE would accuse of playing stall ball, the 2007-2008 Los Angeles Lakers. Led by Kobe Bryant, and facing a 24-second shot clock on every possession, everyone would agree there was no stall ball in Lakers games. Here's what I found:

Average Hatchet points per minute against LHS: 1.50

Average Lion points per minute against WHS: 1.60

Average LA Lakers points per minute 2007-2008: 2.13

That's right: the Lions and Hatchets each scored about three-fourths as many points per minute over the years as the Lakers did in 2007-2008. Stall ball? Hardly.

Just for fun, in case anyone reading this wishes I had included more numbers, here's a summary of how many points the winning team scored in the Washington-Loogootee boys' basketball games in the Butcher Era:

Number of games in which winning team scored 70+ points: 7

Number of games in which winning team scored 60-69 points: 11

Number of games in which winning team scored 50-59 points: 15

Number of games in which winning team scored 40-49 points: 8

Number of games in which winning team scored 30-39 points: 2

Number of games in which winning team scored 20-29 points: 2

I hope this puts to rest some of the suggestions that Jack Butcher's strategy for playing bigger, stronger schools for 47 years centered on getting an early lead and then holding the ball. Of course, any lifelong Lions fan knows that "stall ball" WAS employed from time to time, something I hope to get to address in another article at some point.

If you would like to contact Stacey to discuss "stall ball", email bowling@ieee.org.

# Shoals Summer League well underway



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

In the rookie league for the Shoals Summer League Yankees, Mikel Flanagan, son of Kristina Lewis, is shown watching the ball as it comes toward the plate with Braves' catcher Carter Roush, son of Danny and January Roush, waiting with anticipation. The Yankees lost the game 3-14.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Yankees' player Zachary Blevins, son of Gregory and Samantha Blevins, keeps his eyes on the ball during the rookie league game against the Braves last Thursday night. The Yankees are coached by Brian Stoll, David Gilbert, and Jimmy Mesorash. The Braves are coached by Josh Bauer and Tom Harker.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Shoals 11-12 years olds took on Barr-Reeve last Thursday night at home. Shown above, Logan Harker, son of Tom and Lynette Harker, applies the tag to the runner at third base.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett Zach Bleemel, son of Harold and Karen Bleemel, leaps for the ball as Quinton Floyd, son of Mark and Regina Floyd, looks on.

# **Loogootee High School Golf results**

### LHS vs. Mitchell

The Loogootee golf team faced a tough Mitchell High School team at Eagle View Golf Course on Monday, May 17. Mitchell shot a 159 to Loogootee's 188.

Loogootee was lead by Ben Hogan with a 45. Clinton Burch shot 46, Stephen Bradley shot 48, Joel Stoll shot 49, and Tyler Booker shot 56.

### **Blue Chip Conference meet**

The Loogootee golf team participated in the Blue Chip Conference meet at Country Oaks Golf Course on Saturday, May 15, and finished 5th in the conference. Loogootee was lead by Joel Stoll with a 90, Clinton

Burch and Stephen Bradley shot 93. Ben Hogan shot 94, and Tyler Booker shot 106. The coaches would like to say good job to all the participants in the meet.

### LHS vs. South Knox, Shoals

The Loogootee golf team traveled to the Vincennes Elks Golf Course on Wednesday, May 12.

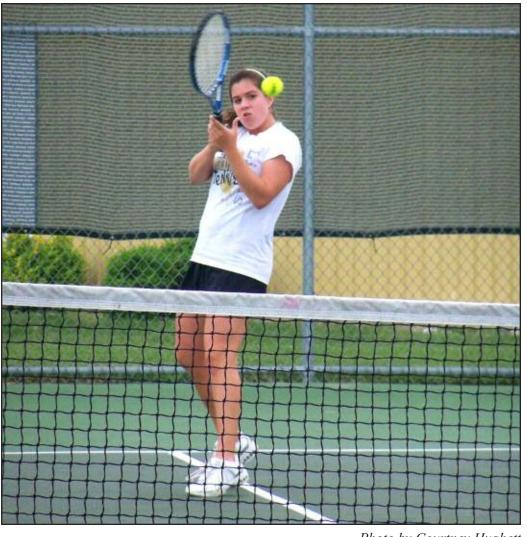
Loogootee finished second in a three-way match against South Knox and Shoals. Loogootee shot a combined score of 188 and was lead by Joel Stoll with a 44. Clinton Burch shot a 45, Ben Hogan shot a 49, Stephen Bradley shot a 50, Tyler Booker shot a 54.

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Loogootee's Brittany Eckerle smoothly returns the ball to her opponent, Lindsey Bullington, of Crawford County Monday night, May 17. Eckerle defeated Bullington in two sets.

# **Loogootee Tennis defeats Crawford County**

Both, the Loogootee Junior Varsity and Varsity Tennis teams defeated Crawford County on Monday, May 17, at home. The Hannah Esarey 6-3 varsity record stands at 14-2.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the game, "It was nice to get back out on the courts after a six-day layoff. The team was sharp today and played well at all spots."

#### Varsity matches

Loogootee 5, Crawford County 0

#1 Singles Andrea Vaupel (L) defeated Becca Koopman 6-2, 6-0

#2 Singles Brittany Eckerle (L) defeated Lindsey Bullington 6-1, 6-1

#3 Singles Jill Taylor (L) defeated Savanna Beechler 6-0, 6-0

#1 Doubles Ashton Matthews/ Hannah Lamar (L) defeated Jessa Ward/Margot Lemus 6-0, 6-1

#2 Doubles Lindsay Wininger/Becca Zins (L) defeated Violet Lumley/Jessica Duarte 6-0, 6-1

**Junior Varsity matches** 

Loogootee 2, Crawford County 0

#1 Singles Allison Kiser (L) defeated

#1 Doubles Erin Wittmer/Kylie Sims (L) defeated Kendra Corrigan/Leah Lahue 6-1

#### LOOGOOTEE TENNIS **SECTIONAL**

Thursday, May 20

Match #1: North Daviess vs. White River Valley at 4:30 p.m.

Match #2: Paoli vs. Loogootee at 6

### Friday, May 21

Match #3: Barr-Reeve vs. Winner of Match #1 4:30

Match #4: Winner of Match #2 vs. Bloomfield 6:00

### Saturday, May 22 **Sectional Championship**

Winner of Match #3 vs. Winner of Match #4 at 9:00/10:00 a.m.

# Shoals basketball program to hold golf scramble to raise funds

The Shoals Varsity and Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Teams invite you to participate in a one-day golf scramble to enable them to participate in summer tourneys and team camp. The scramble will be held Saturday, June 5, at Eagle View Golf Course in Crane. Shot gun start at 8 a.m.

The basketball program will be participating in three team tourneys, and attending team camp at U.S.I., in June. A Shoals Shootout in July is also in the works. All proceeds from this one-day scramble will be applied toward a player's entry fee.

All sponsors will be recognized on a prize sheet that each golfer will receive at regis-

If you would like to enter a team, please contact the Pro Shop at Eagle View Golf Course at 854-0100. The \$40, per golfer, registration fee will include green fee, cart, lunch, and unlimited drinks. If you have any questions contact Brian Smith, Shoals Athletic Director, at 247-2090 or 381-1026. Smith encourages everyone to come out and show support with a day of fun, prizes, food, and drinks.

Any and all donations would be greatly appreciated and you do not have to participate in the scramble to donate.

Without donations, the team would not be able to participate in these summer activities and help improve the team.

# **Shoals Basketball Summer Camp coming in June**

The 2010 Shoals Boys' Basketball Summer Camp will be held Monday, June 21 through Friday, June 25. The camp is for boys who will be entering first through ninth grade for the 2010 school year.

The camp will include fundamentals, contests, games, and fun. Also, the players will learn the importance of teamwork, sportsmanship, and the rules of the game.

Shoals Athletic Director Brian Smith said that he strongly believes that summertime

is the most important time for developing the skills of basketball.

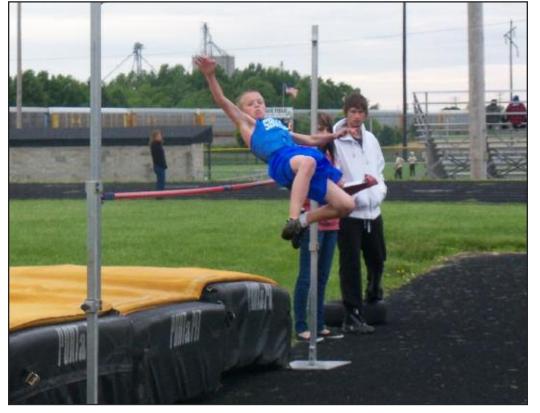
The cost of the camp is \$15 and each camper will receive a t-shirt.

The camp schedule will be: grades one, two, and three from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.; grades four, five, and six from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.; and grades seven, eight, and nine from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The permission slip below must be filled out and returned to the school by June 1.

# 2010 Shoals Summer Basketball Camp **SIGN-UP FORM**

Parents' Name	
Student's Name	
Child's Grade for 2010-11 school year	
Shirt Size	(Please indicate youth or adult)
Emergency Phone Number Cost: \$15 per child. Make checks payable	to Shoals High School Basketball

Fill out this form and return by Tuesday, June 1 to the high school.



# High jumper

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Landon Clark, of the Shoals Junior High Track team, takes a leap in the high jump during a meet in Loogootee last Monday, May 10.



# I'HANK YOU

I want to thank all those who voted for me and congratulate Kevin on his win. Also, a big thank you to my family and friends for their help and support in my campaign for sheriff.

**BRUCE HARDWICK** 



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# GOOD LUCK LADY LIONS



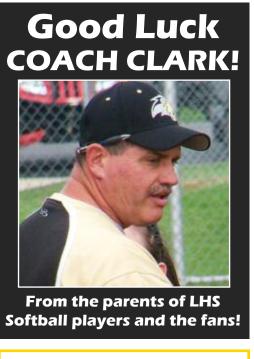
Members of the Loogootee High Softball team, from left to right, are front row Jennifer Clark, Addison Dant, Brooke Nonte, Breann Truelove, Amy Beasley, Kylie Raney, Gabrielle Ritchey, and Candace Dawson. Back row Junior Varsity Coach Megan Miller, Rebecca Craney, Jessica Padgett, Remington Wagler, Jaclyn Padgett, Blake Walker, Allie Schultheis, Allison Arvin, and Varsity Coach Greg Clark.

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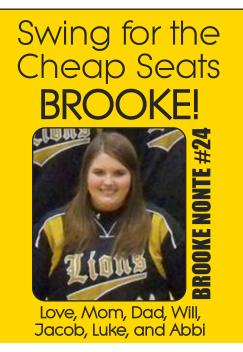


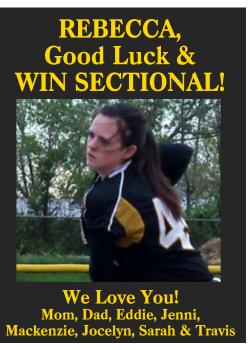


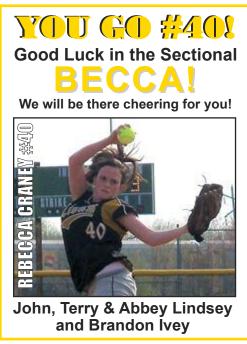












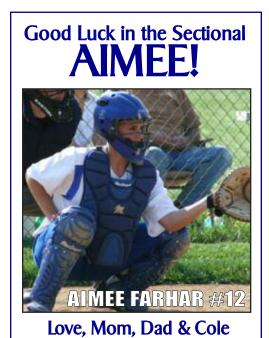
# GOOD LUCK LADY ROX



Shown above is the Shoals High School Softball team. In the front row, from left to right, are Jessica Courtright, Aimee Farhar, Jess Jenkins, Chelsey Baker, Mackenzie Jones, Kelci Hardwick, Brittany Hert, Mandi Stewart, and Ashley Taylor. In the back row are Assistant Coach Tony Cundiff, Lezlie Hart, Beth Abel, Miranda Mullins, Denise Cornett, Jessica Huff, Sabrina Rossi, Shaelin Adams, Assistant Coach Jim Goldsberry, Heather Tinkle, and Head Coach Wayne Underwood.



# IN THE 2010 SECTIONAL





Hours: Tues.-Fri. 1-7, Sat. 11-3, Closed Monday

# **Thanks and Appreciation**

The 2010 Primary did not have the outcome my campaign expected, but words cannot tell all my supporters, family, and friends how blessed I was during this journey of my life. This showing of support has not just been within the last year, but for the 21 years plus of my police career. Going door to door, making countless public appearances and simply showing the citizens how much I truly care. I want to reassure Martin County that this outcome will NOT stop my passion to serve you as I have been doing as a police officer, as a positive role model, and as a man that tries to be a Godly example to all I come in contact with. My desire to serve you to the best of my ability will NOT change. I will mention these types of values were those I was going to try to implement into the department and into the community. I do pray that these values will not be in jeopardy. I might be down now, but I will get back on the horse another time to show Martin County how much I truly care for the well being and best interest of the citizens, especially our children. There is no way I can possibly mention everyone who supported me with my campaign, whether it be with contributions, poll working, helping with signs, voting, and prayers. I won't make a list because you know who you are and I deeply thank you.

I do feel the need to mention three people in my life for being an awesome blessing to me and this campaign. First, I must thank my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who has never failed me and will always



-Paid for by Andy Burkhardt

be next to me. Second, is my beautiful wife "Angie", who showed me an awesome show of Love and Support before, during, and after our campaign. It was just not our time yet, but we will be ok and move forward with whatever the Lord has for us. Lastly, my treasurer, Mary Smith. God provided me with an awesome person to help guide this campaign. She helped me stay focused and to go beyond her duties as a treasurer. Thanks for being my friend and sister in the name of Jesus Christ. God Bless all and I am still here for your needs.

I will let everyone know. I might not have won the election for Sheriff.

I will let everyone know, I might not have won the election for Sheriff, but I will tell you that I am satisfied, if I die tomorrow: I know that the election into the kingdom of God I have won as stated in 2Peter 1:10-11.

God Bless, Andy Burkhardt

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# OWSCHOOLS

# Loogootee fifth graders participate in Project L.E.A.D.

The Loogootee fifth graders recently concluded their participation in Project L.E.A.D. (Legal Education to Arrest Delinquency) by participating in a mock trial held in the courtroom of the Martin Circuit Court. Judge Howell presided over the events of the day. In conjunction with the mock trial, the students toured the Martin County Security Center. Project L.E.A.D. is a special curriculum sponsored by the Purdue University Cooperative Service. This was the 18th year the program has been taught to Martin County youth. This year's program was conducted by Chief Probation Officer Lisa Brittain with assistance from the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service Extension Educator, Jonathan Stevens, along with fifth-grade teachers, Mrs. Rebecca Allen, Mr. Ron Gilbert, Mrs. Lacy Wade, and Mrs. Anita

The program was designed to teach fifth graders about the law, the need for laws, and the legal system, with emphasis on the juvenile justice system. In addition, the program emphasized decision-making and the consequences of their actions.

The program combined classroom work, hands-on experiences, and speakers from various agencies. The following persons volunteered their time by speaking with the students about various law enforcement-related topics: Judge Joseph Howell, Sheriff Tony Dant, Prosecutor Michael Steiner, Excise Officer Brian Stewart, Loss Prevention Officer Gary Sprinkles, and Admission Manager of Southwest Indiana Regional Youth Village T.J. Brink.

As a part of the program, students were asked to submit drawings/logos for a new L.E.A.D.

t-shirt. Each student was provided a t-shirt with the winning logo. This year's design winner was Landon Bell. In addition, each student was required to submit an essay regarding their L.E.A.D. experience. The essay winners are as follows: Eden Jenkins, 1st place girl; Tokala Richardson, 1st place boy; Martina Stevens, 2nd place girl; Clayton Thomas, 2nd place boy; Emily Brookshire, 3rd place girl; and Jordan Clark, 3rd place boy. Chief Probation Officer Lisa Brittain presented the winners with a certificate and prize sponsored by the program's financial supporters.

Project L.E.A.D. received financial support from the Martin County Prosecutor's Officer and the Martin County Probation Department. They would like to thank all of the students for their participation as well as the speakers and fifth grade teachers for their help in administering this program.

The mock trial casts for the each trial are as follows:

Judge: Martina Stevens and Nolan Lottes Donna's Chief Defense Attorney: Eden Jenkins and Tristan Jones

Ann's Chief Defense Attorney: Sara Bailey and Meghan Mathias

Donna's 1st Assistant Defense Attorney: Jake Simmons and Breanna Holloway

Ann's 1st Assistant Defense Attorney: Kaleb Lyon and Brandon Tolbert Donna's 2nd Assistant Defense Attorney:

Abbey Barker and Justin Wagler
Ann's 2nd Assistant Defense Attorney:

Lindsey Lukens and Landon Bell
Donna's 3rd Assistant Defense Attorney:

Nathaniel Moffitt and Jacob Nonte Ann's 3rd Assistant Defense Attorney:

LeAnne Trambaugh and Wyatt Nonte
Donna's 4th Assistant Defense Attorney:

Angel Stuckey and Mayson Riley
Ann's 4th Assistant Defense Attorney:

Ann's 4th Assistant Defense Attorney: Lauran Thompson and Dalton Bridgewater Donna's 5th Assistant Defense Attorney: Cole Gillick and Kyle Smith

Ann's 5th Assistant Defense Attorney: Jaylon Combs and Kaitlyn Wagoner

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Chief Prosecuting Attorney: Jociah Earl

and Tokala Richardson

1st Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Kayla Abel and Sydney Blankenbaker

2nd Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Justin Swartzentruber and Mikayla Wolf

3rd Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Chase Carrico and Breigh LaMar

4th Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Tye Collins and Megan Lampert
5th Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Ryan

VanNorstrand and Kendall Staats
6th Deputy Prosecuting Attorney: Tyler

Lythgoe and Leah Wagler Ken Miller: Kevin Wagler and Clayton

Robert Beach: Colin Bowling and Jordan

John Smith: Briar Sellers and Wilson Hat-

Police Officer John Doe: Ty Hurst and Blake Ziegler

Kim Beach: Matty Jones

Connie Charles: Kylie Hall and Emily Brookshire

Donna Decker: Abbie Williams and Mya Hedrick

Ann Anderson: Kirsten Spears and DeAnna Canell

Court Reporter: Sean Kiser

Bailiffs: Tyler Garrison, Billy Stewart, Hunter Salmon

Head Jurors: Brittney Rice and Wade Coleman

Jurors: Alex Brown, Willie Lawson, Derrick Tinkle, Dylan Dant, Xaio Yang, Gabriel Porter, Kevin Armstrong, Brayden Horsting, Tre' Blanton, Marichris Bell, Christian Fegan, Nick Reinhart, Zack Staats, Jamie Stewart

#### GIRLS' ESSAYS 1ST PLACE

How the L.E.A.D. Program has Influenced My Life

The L.E.A.D. Program has taught me the consequences of breaking the law. I have always known that you will go to the Juvenile Detention Center, or, "Juvy," as some people call it, but I never knew all of the punishing possibilities. Would you like to be put under a probation officer's watch just because of a stupid prank? If you really think about it, you are going to so much trouble just to be, "cool," or "popular". In reality, it is a waste of your time. All the speakers have helped me see how serious breaking the law can be. I am amazed by how far people will go to get what they want.

Also, drugs can get you in trouble with the law. Doing drugs may look like fun, or the popular people of your school may do them, but that does not make it right. Drugs can mess with your head. They make you see things that are not there or hear noises. One time could mess up your whole life.

Mr. Gary Sprinkle has influenced the choices I have to make in managing my life. He made me notice how needy people look trying to steal things. It would be embarrassing to be caught, which is the same with anything else illegal. I have a new concept on the choices I make in my life. I understand that someday I may be pressured to do drugs or steal something, but the speakers have helped me remember to say no. This will also help me know who my true friends are. The L.E.A.D. program has helped me keep my future bright and crime free.

Some people do not know the consequences of breaking the law. I now know more of the laws and rules that need to be followed. Brian Stewart, the Excise Police, brought beer goggles for students to try on. Sure they looked fun, but could you imagine not being able to take them off? When you're intoxicated, you can't. It is a very serious situation. He has showed me how embarrassing it would be to be in public like that. It makes people stare, and I would be very embar-



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Loogootee L.E.A.D. Essay and Logo Contest Winners are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are Eden Jenkins, Martina Stevens, Emily Brookshire, and Landon Bell. In the second row, from left to right, are Tokala Richardson, Clayton Thomas, and Jordan Clark. In the back is Lisa Brittain.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett Mya Hedrick, who played Donna Decker in the mock trial, gets sworn in.

I understand that some people may come from a rougher crowd than others, meaning that their family might smoke, drink, cuss, or get arrested more often. Those people may get pressured more by older siblings or even their own parents.

Still, all children should know the consequences of saying, "YES," and the benefits of saying, "NO," If you say no, you are more likely to have good grades in school, which would most likely lead to a college scholarship and maybe a good-paying job.

I have been influenced by L.E.A.D. in many different ways. I have learned that saying yes to myself, is saying no to crime. I will most likely live a safer, healthier, and more successful life than juvenile delinquents. I have a good life and do not want to throw it all away to crime.

I have also learned that the more extracurricular activities you are in affects the chances of getting into trouble with the law. When you are bored, your mind is open to anything and often leads to making the wrong decision. Most of all, I have learned that the choices you make now, good or bad, will affect your physical and mental health in the long run.

By: Eden Jenkins **2ND PLACE** 

How the L.E.A.D Program has Influenced My Life

The L.E.A.D. program has influenced my life because it shows you the consequences of making bad decisions. I knew that you could go to jail for making bad choices, but I did not know all about all the places and happenings that could occur instead of going to jail. Along with our L.E.A.D. project books we had several guest speakers from our community come to our school to talk to us. My favorite speaker was our prosecutor, Mike



-Photo by Courtney Hughett Judge Nolan Lottes watches over the proceedings carefully.

Steiner. Not only was his message good, but he told us a powerful story that has probably changed my life forever.

Mr. Steiner's story was about a man who went to a bar and drank more than he should have. On his way home he accidentally hit the car in front of him. The man ended up killing a person and badly injuring another. That ruined the future of others. He was not a bad man, but he made a horrible decision that ruined the future of others.

That story really influenced me not to make bad decisions with alcohol. When I am 21 and allowed to drink, I will think about that story before I have that drink. I also learned to never get into a car with someone who has had an alcoholic beverage. You could get in trouble for it or, like in the story, cost someone their life. During L.E.A.D., I got to try on a pair of glasses that were made to show you how an intoxicated person sees. It is very different than your normal sight. Everything is woozy and spinning around. You would have a very hard time seeing to drive. L.E.A.D. has been a wonderful experience for me. I have enjoyed learning about legal education to arrest delinquency. I think that everyone should experience L.E.A.D. in their life.

By: Martina Stevens **3RD PLACE** 

How L.E.A.D. has Affected My Life.

The L.E.A.D Program influenced my life because it taught me that there are consequences for wrong choices. I will never choose to do drugs or commit a crime. Judge Howell was the person, out of all the speakers, that influenced me the most. He told us that making poor choices only gets you into trouble.

As I grow up, I hope to make good choices. I will choose my friends wisely. I will refuse to go along with people who make bad choices. Maybe I can even use positive peer pressure to help them make better choices. I want to be a role model for those people. That is how L.E.A.D. has influenced my life, and I hope I can use what I have learned to inspire

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other people to make positive choices.

By: Emily Brookshire **BOYS' ESSAYS 1ST PLACE** 

How the L.E.A.D. Program has Influenced My Life

L.E.A.D. has taught me how to stay out of trouble. It also has taught me some very important life skills. I learned a lot about law enforcement and how to act when talking to a police man. You have to talk in a firm voice, and say sir or madam, and say please and thank you. Manners show respect for people and the legal system.

L.E.A.D. means legal education to arrest delinquency. L.E.A.D. has influenced me to be a nice person, a good citizen, and to stay out of trouble with the law. I learned that there are many consequences if you get in trouble with the law.

The Excise Police were very cool. They taught me a lot about what they do in their normal day. I know drinking (even just a little) and driving is wrong!

It was cool when Tony Dant came. We got to look at some handcuffs and some leg cuffs. He told us a lot of things he has done in his career. I have a tremendous amount of admiration for men and women who enforce and try to keep their community safe.

L.E.A.D. has taught me some very important lessons that I will remember for my whole life. By: Tokala Richardson

#### **2ND PLACE**

How the L.E.A.D. Program has Influenced My Life

The L.E.A.D. program has influenced my life by helping me make more mature decisions. I must think before I do. I must know that what I do, good or bad, I will have to deal with the consequences. Treat others the way you want to be treated. Don't make fun of people. Other people have feelings like you do. Obey your parents. When you break the rules it only causes your parents to be mad and not trust you. Plus, it damages your reputation and could keep you from achieving your dreams and goals.

Mr. Sprinkle is a very good speaker. He explained the importance of not stealing, and the horrible outcome if you do. It's not worth taking something that doesn't belong to you, because you will be arrested and pay a fine. I learned from Mr. Sprinkle that stealing will get you nowhere.

Sheriff Tony Dant was a very good speaker. He explained the life of a prisoner. I never want to surrender my freedom! He gave examples of their daily routine.

I have learned that I want to be the best that I can be. Also, I do not want to do anything that would make me go to prison and be away from the ones I love.

Judge Howell was also a good speaker, but I never want to see him in the courtroom. I have learned that I'm worth making good choices because I deserve a great future!

# By: Clayton Thomas

**3RD PLACE** How the L.E.A.D. Program has Influenced My Life

This year, our class got to do L.E.A.D., which means Legal Education to Arrest Delinquency. We learned how to avoid peer pressure and how drugs can mess up your body. We learned about how you should always follow the golden rule, "treat others the way you want to be treated".

Gary Sprinkles came to talk to us about shoplifting. He told us a story about a woman who put a 10-inch television between her legs and walk out of the store. I never want to be in a category with people like that!

When Brian Stewart came to talk to us about how you should not do drugs or drink alcohol then drive. You could kill somebody if you did that and how could you live with that? If you drink you should have a designated driver so nobody breaks the law.

When Judge Howell came he was telling us about how you should make good choices and try to live up to your dreams. Judge Howell also said listen to your parents. Don't get arrested. The paperwork kills a tree. You should love yourself and the environment. My goal in life is to get a good education and follow the law. By: Jordan Clark

# Loogootee bands honored at spring concert

The Loogootee bands performed their spring concert last Friday, May 14 under the direction of Mrs. Betsy Graves. During each performance, Mrs. Graves gave out awards to the top band students at each

The sixth grade band, 33 members strong, performed 'The Banana Boat Song', 'Slip and Slide', 'Safari Drums Rock', and 'Creepy Crawlies'.

The members of the sixth grade band are: Flutes - Erin Nelson and Brianna Williams

Oboe – Renee Whitman

Clarinets - Renee Burch, Taylor Hardwick, Alexis Cowen, Mariah Bridgewater, and Jacy Fields

Alto Saxes – Bailey Holt, Trysten Booker, Kurtis Bauer, Patrick Wagler, Reuben Ritchey, Will Riley, Kimberly Bough, and Bladen Allbright.

Tenor Sax – Justin Kiser

Trumpets - Justin Horney, Johnathan Krzyniak, Landon Wittmer, Gavin Wittmer, Cody Garrison, and Wyatt Hughett

French Horn – Lauren Fuqua

Trombones - Joey Wilson and Jayson

Baritone – Tyler Simmons and Grant Car-

Percussion - Kendall Riley, Brett Robinson, Seth Wagler, Wyatt Wade, and Tyler

The junior high band performed 'Defeating the Giant', 'Vortex', and 'In The Hall of the Mountain King'.

Members of the junior high band are: Flutes – Allison Lythgoe, Shayla Brewer, Emily Gillick, and Kaelyn Nonte

Clarinets - Kelsy Seals, Garrett Greenhalgh, Forrest Carroll, Kylie Leonhard, Jacy Harper, Rebecca Ader, and Taylor Kaiser

Bass Clarinet – Laney Hart

Also Saxes - Mitch Daniel, Janson Sherer, Hunter Carroll, and Devin Bullard

Tenor Trumpets - Jesse Smith, Ryan Knight, Joshua Lampert, Alan Fellers, Trenton Arvin, Liz Truelove, and Paul Hill

Trombones - Austin England, Chase Wilcoxen, Christian Kilburn, and Alex Fickas

Baritone – Tom Fellers

Tuba – Ethan Wade

Percussion – Caleb Dant, Tayler Smith, Matthew Weitkamp, Justin Stoll, Malorie Weisheit, Nolan Walker, and Tyler Divine

The high school band played 'The Great Locomotive Chase', 'Motown Forever', which included a sing-a-long with the audience; and 'G Force: The Ultimate Rollercoaster Ride'.

Members of the high school band are: Flutes – Courtney Gokey, Alexis Walker, Brooke Nonte, and Gabrielle Ritchey

Oboe – Candace Dawson

Clarinets - Misty Bough, Natasha Trinkle, Allison Kiser, Jenna Slaubaugh, and Jasmin Alford

Alto Saxes - Ryan Dant, Jade Frost, Christian Powell, Sarah Richer, and Casey

Tenor Saxes - Lucas Kidwell, Kenny Crane, and Alex Daniel-Cox

Trumpets - Tyler Hardwick, Brooke Arvin, Tyler Fehribach, Addison Dant, Scott Duzan, Michael Miller, Jared Crooks, and Wes Whitman

French Horn – Curtis Slaubaugh and Garrett Carrico

Trombones - Michael Ingle and Cody Baritones – Justin Limbach and Courtney

Morrow Tuba – Dylan Frye

Bass Guitar – Matthew Richie

Percussion - Greg Pannell, Matthew Hulsman, Emily Sutton, Dylan Fuqua, Nicole Klee, Kody Neukam, and Josh

Band Director Betsy Graves handed out awards during each performance. Two awards were given for the sixth grade and junior high bands. Several awards were handed out in the high school band. Also, the seniors were honored for their last performance and Mrs. Graves was given a gift by the seniors.



-Photo by Rick Graves

Loogootee Sixth Grade Band members who were honored with awards were Renee Whitman, oboe - Most Outstanding and Justin Horney, trumpet - Directors Award.



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Loogootee Junior High Band members who were honored with awards were Emily Gillick, flute - Directors Award and Ethan Wade, tuba - Most Outstanding.



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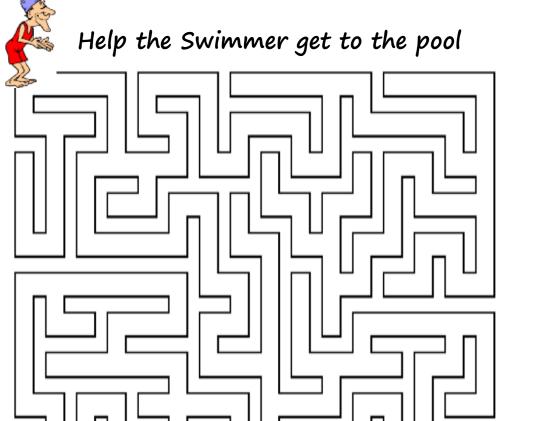
Loogootee High School Band members who were honored with awards were Misty Bough, senior clarinet - John Philip Sousa Award; Curtis Slaubaugh, French Horn -Most Outstanding Freshman; Justin Limbach, Euphonium - Most Outstanding Sophomore; Courtney Gokey, flute - Most Outstanding Junior; and Jade Frost, senior alto saxophone - Directors Award.



-Photo by Rick Graves

Shown to the left is senior Misty Bough who was honored with the John Philip Sousa Award at the Loogootee Spring Band Concert last Thursday, May 13. John Philip Sousa was an American composer and conductor of the late Romantic era, known particularly for American military and patriotic marches. Because of his mastery of march composition, he is known as "The March King."

# Just for FUN



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