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## Loogootee to graduate 64, Shoals 52

Loogootee High School will hold its commencement exercises Friday, May 27, at 7 p.m. in Jack Butcher Arena. The evening will begin with a welcome from Class Vice President Reece Tippery followed by the National Anthem by the LHS Vocal Jazz Ensemble and "Thank You" performed by the LHS Choir.

Class Treasurer Tessa Bradley will begin the evening's speeches followed by valedictorians Nicholas Keller, Hannah Lengacher, Kylie VanHoy and Reece Tippery.

Class Secretary Chantel Greene will give the introduction of the slide presentation, created by Mrs. Madelyn Cage, and the LHS band. The band will perform "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and remarks will then be made by LHS Principal Chris Walker. Superintendent Dr. Brian Harmon, the principal and Curriculum Director Shelley Christmas will then present diplomas.

Class President Kylie VanHoy will give the closing remarks before the Class of 2022 does the turning of the tassels.

The Loogootee High School Class of 2022 motto is "Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift, that is why it is called the present," by Master Oogway. The class flower is the white carnation.

The LHS Class of 2022 includes Isaac Allen Arvin, Samuel Joseph Ausbrooks, Gaven C. Bledsoe, William Earl Boyd, Tessa Sarae Bradley, Lauren Elizabeth Brinson, Kaitlin Anne Callison, Tristin N. Castro, Kieley Breanne Chandler, Drake (See 'GRADUATION' on page 2)



**NICK KELLER**  
LHS CO-VALEDICTORIAN



**HANNAH LENGACHER**  
LHS CO-VALEDICTORIAN



**REECE TIPPERY**  
LHS CO-VALEDICTORIAN



**KYLIE VANHOY**  
LHS CO-VALEDICTORIAN



**ASHTEN TEDROW**  
SHS SALUTATORIAN



**HALEY FISCHER**  
SHS VALEDICTORIAN

### Shoals Schools wrapping up another year

The Shoals School Board met May 19. Board members in attendance were Drexel Turpin, Eva George, Jerry Braun, Jenell Hoffiman, and Annette Taylor. Staff in attendance were Dr. Candace Roush, Kacey Jones, Shannon Wagoner, Kindra Hovis, Josh Mullis, Tammy Cooper, and Becky Riggins. Patrons in attendance were Kenady Bratton, Lorna Troutman and Jason Riggins.

The following personnel recommenda-

tions were approved:

-Dr. Candace Roush's resignation as superintendent effective June 30, 2022.

-Deborah (Howell) Wyman's resignation from administrative assistant/ECA treasurer effective June 30, 2022

-Jessica Hodges' resignation effective June 23, 2022, from the kindergarten aide position.

-Nici Key's resignation effective May 17, 2022, from the regular aide teaching position

-Kennady Bratton as elementary teacher

-Lindsey Robinson as preschool assistant

-Amber Daniels to cover Rebecca Rolins maternity leave

-Seikura Burton, Amanda Miller and Precious Rhea as substitute teachers

-Allison Taylor as administrative assistant/treasurer

-Becky Riggins as assistant cafeteria manager effective August 2022

-Jeff Hudson as substitute

-Kristyna Justus as cafeteria cook/server

-Beth Hembree's bus driver contract 2022-2023

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### Mid-States Town Hall

The Loogootee Public Library will host a Mid-States Corridor Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, May 25 at 6 p.m. at the community building on the fairgrounds. Indiana State Representatives Shane Lindauer and Eric Bassler and Indiana Senator Mark Messmer will be present. The public is invited to attend.



On Monday, May 30, the American Legion Post 120 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9395 will pay homage to all deceased veterans with visits to the cemeteries listed below. A special ceremony, directed to our departed comrades, will be presented. The public is invited to attend.

- 9 a.m. - Burns City Cemetery
- 9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph's Cemetery
- 10 a.m. - St. Mary's Cemetery
- 10:30 a.m. - Goodwill Cemetery
- 11:15 a.m. - St. John's Cemetery
- 12:15 p.m. - St. Martin's Cemetery (Whitfield)
- 12:45 p.m. - Truelove Church Cemetery
- 1:30 p.m. - South Martin Cemetery
- 2:45 p.m. - Hindostan Methodist Church Cemetery



-Photo provided

The Sectional champ Lady Lions are shown above. From left to right are Madison McAtee, Tessa Bradley, Caitlin Carrico, Katie Callison, Grace Gingerich, Annalise Powell and Kieragen Napier.

### Loogootee Tennis win Sectional

The Loogootee High School Girls Tennis team defeated Paoli last Friday to take the Section 63 title. The girls got the win, 4-1.

Sectional started last Thursday with Loogootee up against Barr-Reeve but was rained out halfway through. The second half was eventually played with Loogootee defeating Barr-Reeve 3-2. The second game, between Paoli and Northeast Dubois played out on Friday, with Paoli winning 5-0.

Coach Mike Tippery said after the Barr-Reeve matches, "This was a roller coaster ride. We had the clear advantage before the first delay on Thursday. The momentum started swinging in Barr-Reeve's fa-

vor after that with the remaining games we completed Thursday. On Friday, that momentum continued for Barr-Reeve. Grace Gingerich stepped up big time for us to play a great third set to seal the victory. I have to give Barr-Reeve credit. They had us on the ropes and were playing to win while we were playing not to lose."

"Kieragen and Annalise came out firing in singles and set the tone early. Katie and Caitlin did not let a disappointing loss earlier in the evening affect them and got us on the board early in the match. This was a complete team win for us. The heat and the two-day battle with Barr-Reeve had taken a lot out of us but the girls were (See 'TENNIS' on page 2)

# SHOALS

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-Cody Douglas as middle school soccer coach

-Nick Gerkin as middle school soccer volunteer coach

-Darren Tanksley and Josh Mullis as volunteer basketball coaches

-Taylor Atkison as varsity volleyball coach

-Haley Fischer as volunteer basketball coach

-Macey Way as JV volleyball coach

-Jayleigh Harger and Kayla Hembree as volunteer volleyball coaches

The athletic department recommended coaches be paid to drive the activity bus (paid through the athletic department). The board approved.

The high school principal requested approval of the job description for the administrative assistant and to change the contracted days of administrative assistant from 220 days to 210 days. The board approved.

The board approved the volleyball team to participate in Bloomington Summer League.

The board approved the Shoals Middle School Beta to have various concessions and bake sales to raise money for hotels and travel expenses. Reva Troutman requested permission for the Jr National Beta Team to attend the convention in Nashville, Tennessee on June 26-30. The board approved.

Superintendent Roush recommended that the extra unused preschool cots be donated or disposed of. The board approved.

The elementary principal recommended the following stipends from the On My Way Pre-K Grant: Jessica Montgomery: Child Development Associate Credential (CDA), Hannah Smith: Child Development Associate Credential (CDA). The board approved. She also recommended Ashton Allbright receive a Pre-K Director stipend for two years from the On My Way Pre-K Grant. The board approved.

The board approved the athletic department hosting an LCVC clinic June 20-22.

The board approved the freshman Class of 2026 to sell mums to raise money for prom, class trips, and graduation.

The board approved OT/PT services to be provided through Washington Community Hospital.

The superintendent recommended disposing or donating the following: old unused books, broken and unused desks, small play kitchen, and culvert pipes. The board approved.

Mrs. Wagoner started her report by saying how successful the Learning Showcase was. She gave a thank you to all the staff and vendors who presented. The elementary music program had one of the largest crowds they have ever seen. Thank you to Miss Hickman and the talented students. They are so excited for the students who were honored at the awards day and wish the fifth grade class the best of luck next year. Mrs. Wagoner thanked all the elementary teachers and teaching assistants for all their hard work and dedication to the students this year.

Mr. Mullis started his report by congratulating the April students of the month. The students were 6th grader: Chauncey Archer, 7th grader: Jaylen Fraley, 8th grader: Alyssa Taylor. April Teacher of the Month was Reva Troutman. They enjoyed lunch together from Fay's Pizza and they appreciate Fay's partnership to help provide this meal. The Shoals School District was identified as a District of Distinction from the National Beta Club. They were one of 36 districts across the nation to receive this recognition. They are set to take five students and two chaperones to the Jr. Beta Nationals this June which will be in Nashville, Tennessee. On Saturday, April 30, Mrs. Phillips and Miss Troutman took a group of approx-

imately eight middle school students up to Bloomington to compete in the Academic Bowl Contest. They had a couple of different teams finish in 3rd place. May 2-May 6 was Teacher Appreciation Week. They would like to thank SPA, Michael McNabb, Carla's Catering, and Hawkins Health for providing lunch for the staff on three different days. On Friday, May 6, they were able to celebrate National Lunch Super Hero Day by celebrating the cafeteria staff with decorations. They also collected money from faculty and staff to provide a catered lunch for them as well as to provide each with a nice flower arrangement. They plan to have a special 6th grade night prior to next school year to welcome in the 6th grade parents and their families to help alleviate some of the anxiety of coming down to the new hallway. Mr. Mullis gave a shout out to Megan Hawkins and Cindy McNabb for helping to organize the meeting time with the 5th grade. On Monday, May 9, they had the talent show with approximately 18 different acts which included 14 from the middle school. They have some real talent throughout the school and especially in the middle school. The top 3 received gift cards from RJ's and all the participants received a flavored lemonade from the coffee shop. They appreciate the Student Council led by Mimi Hawkins in providing this opportunity for the students. This upcoming Monday, May 23, they will be hosting the middle school academic awards in the main gym starting at 9 a.m.

Ms. Hovis started her report by saying thank you to Megan Hawkins and Ben Wilkerson for making Senior Decision Day happen. Every senior was able to sign the banner and announce their post-secondary plan. She also wanted to say thank you to Erin Cage and Wes Stephenson for decorating for prom. It was beautiful and all of the kids had fun. The senior trip to Orlando was a lot of fun. A big thank you to the board for allowing these kids to go on the trip. For some kids, it was a trip of a lifetime. Awards for grades 9-11 are Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the main gym. Senior Honor Night is Monday evening at 5 p.m. in the main gym with a catered dinner at 4 p.m. Graduation is Saturday, May 28 at 2 p.m. Ms. Hovis wants to wish the best of luck to the softball, track, and baseball teams in sectional. She wanted to thank Debbie Wyman for her years of service here at Shoals School. They will miss her. Finally, a thank you to Dr. Candace Roush for her guidance and direction throughout the past 6 years. She has done amazing things and they will continue to do the same. She wants to wish her and her family the best of luck.

Dr. Roush informed the board about the summer food program that will be taking place during the three weeks of summer camp and is open to all children under the age of 18. She wished all the athletic teams good luck during their sectional and gave the board an update on the creation of the COSMOS advisory board. She reminded the board about the graduation ceremony on Saturday the

28th and gave them an update on the new laws passed for Indiana schools. Finally, she thanked the board, staff, and community for all of their years supporting her and her family. She stated that it was an honor for her to be able to serve the Shoals Community School Corporation

## GRADUATION

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M. Craig, Evan Lee Cunningham, Kaleb Luke Daniel, Olivia Hope Dant, Jordan Douglas Dixon, Grace J. Foddrill, Abbey Sue Fuhrman, Cyrus J. Gibbs, IV; Grace Marie Gingerich, Ashton Blake Godwin, Angelus Cole Gogel, Ethan Ray Graber, Wade Garrett Graber, Chantel Nicole Greene, Rodney Lee Grimes, Terrika Nicole Haggard, Hannah Elise Harshaw, Dakota Paige Heshelman, Lauren Alexis Holt, Mikenna Denise Jones, Nicholas J. Keller, Gage Edward Kerns, Tristan Elijah Robert Knight, Hannah Brooke Lengacher, Jacob Glen Lengacher, Rachel Morgan Lents, Grace Elizabeth Lingenfelter, Haylie Brielle Mathies, Madison Suzanne McAtee, Madalyn Grace McBride, Luke Jackson Nonte, Tierlan Hunter Norris, Lexis Riley Overton, Apryl Marie Parker, Daylon Reece Perkins, Nicholas Ryan Poole, Andrew David James Powell, Annalise Sarah Powell, Mason Wade Roark, Hailey K. Schimke, Aiden W. Smith, Trysten Michael Stevens, Jalynn Renee Stoll, Jocelyn Faith Strange, Brayton Everett Taylor, Hannah Mae Taylor, Reece Avery Tippery, Rory Michael Tippery, Ethan Parker Todd, Kylie Marie VanHoy, Caylin Dale Paris Wagoner, Tucker Robert Walton, Jonathon Wade Whitworth, Drew Thomas Williams, and Kaden Paul Wolf.

Shoals High School will hold their commencement on Saturday, May 28 at 2 p.m. The afternoon will begin with processional and National Anthem performed by the middle school and high school band. Class President Haley Fischer will give the invocation followed by the welcome given by Senior Class Vice President Kaden Berger.

The band will perform "Teenage Dream/Superbass" arranged by Victor Lopez followed by a speech from Class Salutatorian Ashton Tedrow and Valedictorian Haley Fischer.

A speech will then be made by Class Historian Bailee Jones followed by the Class of 2022 video presentation by Jones, who is also the Senior Video Editor. School Counselor Jessica Hert will then present the Class of 2022 and diplomas will be handed out by Superintendent Dr. Candace Roush and High School Principal Kindra Hovis.

A farewell address will be given by Jaden Jones followed by the turning of the tassels.

The Shoals Class of 2022 class motto is "Look to the future without forgetting the past." The class flower is the dahlia with honorary flower being the mum. The class colors are red and black.

The Class of 2022 includes Levi Nicholas Albright, Jackson Ray Allbright, Cheaney Michelle Archer, Juan Angel Arroyo-Asbury, Lance Lee Asbell, Seara

over the past ten years and she feels very loved and appreciated.

Jerry Braun thanked the varsity softball coaches for their ability to help start and grow a new team this year.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m. The next board meeting will be June 9.

Cheyenne Baker, Kaden Lee Berger, Jacob Brett Bowman, Keegan Mikeal-Clovvis Brock, Peyton Connor Campbell, Cody Michael Chandler, Joshua River Clifton, Colin William Clingerman, Blake Aaron Cooper, Jazmyne Lee Annette Cooper, Kieara Nicole Craig, Lexiss Electra Davisson, Matthew Alexander Day, Victor Cole Dillon, Haley Elizabeth Fischer, Mason Lee Fisher, Xaviara Diane Fuartado, Victoria Grace Gore, Benjamin David Grogan, Jayleigh Marie Harger, Kirstein Elizabeth Hopkins, Bailee Grace Jones, Brendon Ray Jones, Jaden Parker Jones, Madison Rebecca Jones, Hailey Nichole Justus, Damion Gage McCarty, Danela Jean McCarty, LaRissa Breanne McKibben, Eleora Twilight Neeley, Brayden Cole Perry, Levi Wayne Perry, Chloe Marie Qualkenbush, Carter Daniel Lee Roush, Brian Carey Sinnott, Ava Jade Smith, Darcy Blair Soke, Abigail June Sorrells, Wesley Max Stephenson, Ashton Faith Tedrow, Ashlyn Grace Troutman, Syndell Faith Watson, Ezekiel Allan Wells, Kelton Dean Williams, Lynn Ann Nicole Wilson, Jared Christian Wright, and Remington Sion Wright

## TENNIS

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hungry and determined to defend the title and they did just that," Coach Tippery said after the Paoli matches.

"Though the season is not over, it has been an historic one for this seam so far. The 19 wins is a school record. This is the first time since 1998 we have won both a Conference and Sectional Championship in the same year."

Loogootee/Barr-Reeve results

#1 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Alexis Buse 6-0, 6-0

#2 Singles Annalise Powell (L) defeated Beth Graber 6-2, 6-3

#3 Singles Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Claire Harrison 6-1, 6-7 (5), 6-0

#1 Doubles Dylan Decoursey/Sydney Swartzentruber (BR) defeated Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico 0-6, 6-4, 6-1

#2 Doubles Kaitlyn Wood/Alli Robinson (BR) defeated Madison McAtee/Tessa Bradley 6-3, 6-7 (3), 6-3

Loogootee/Paoli results

#1 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Madison Warren 6-0, 6-0

#2 Singles Annalise Powell (L) defeated Rylie Atkins 6-2, 6-2

#3 Singles Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Amanda Bowles 2-6, 6-0, 6-1

#1 Doubles Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico (L) defeated Gracie Brown/Tinsley Moffatt 6-3, 6-2

#2 Doubles Chelsea Dewese/Micela MacDonald (P) defeated Madison McAtee/Tessa Bradley 6-3, 4-1 (Loogootee retired)

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# OBITUARIES

## RIC STOLL

Richard "Ric" Stoll passed away Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at his home.



A resident of Indianapolis, he was 66.

He was born May 30, 1955, in Loogootee; son of the late Enos and Dorothy (Stoll) Stoll.

Ric married Ruth Ann Lengacher on June 17, 1979, and she survives.

## RIC STOLL

Ric started and owned Stoll Steel Erectors. He then served in missions with Impact North in Thunder Bay, Ontario and Teen Challenge in Landmark, Manitoba. When he returned to the United States, he worked for several companies in steel construction and retired from Custom Agri Builders as a project manager.

Ric and his wife, Ruth Ann, attended Thrive Church in Camby. They also served together in several mission organizations, including MDS (Mennonite

Disaster Service), Impact North and worked in Rwanda. He enjoyed being outdoors where he could garden, landscape, hike, fish, hunt, trap and bird-watch. He loved traveling with his wife and teaching his grandchildren about the outdoors. Ric also liked to collect knives, restoring artwork and frames, raising pigeons, camping, and taxidermy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Enos and Dorothy Stoll; brothers, Clyde Stoll, Ernest Stoll and a stillborn brother; nephew, Tristan Stoll; and great-niece, Alliyia Marie Curtis.

Ric is survived by his wife, Ruth Ann Stoll; daughters, Heather (Grant) Kuhns, Bridgett (Dan) Esworthy, and Holly Stoll; grandchildren, Annabel (11), Benson (8), Nolan (5), Adison (9), Judah (5) and Asher (3); siblings, Owen (Marie) Stoll, Darrel Stoll, Dwight Stoll, Diane (Gary) Wagler, Rose (Omar) Miller, Linda (Darrel) Wagler, Sharon Stoll, Ruth Stoll, Sandy (Jason) Bainbridge, and Leonard (Lana) Stoll; and sister-in-law, Mary Stoll.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 22 at Berea Mennonite Church in Cannelburg. Burial followed in Pleasant View Cemetery.

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

Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery is honored to serve the family of Richard Stoll.

## MARGIE MATTINGLY

Margie Sue Mattingly, formerly of Loogootee, passed away January 21, 2022, at her home. A resident of Greenville, South Carolina, she was 81.

She was born June 22, 1940; daughter of the late Hazel (Thompson) and Michael Newton.

Margie was a member of the Bible Baptist Church in Simpsonville, South Carolina. She enjoyed playing the organ, music, dancing, and spending time with her family.



## MARGIE MATTINGLY

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Mattingly; parents, Hazel and Michael Newton; sisters, MaryAnn Matteson, Georgia Winninger and Carla Frye; and brother, Mike Newton.

She is survived by her children, Tom (LeeAnn) Mattingly, Cheryl (Earl) Adams and Sher Phillips, all of South Carolina; grandchildren, Tommy Mattingly, Howard Phillips, Michelle and Brian Adams; and great-grandchild, Serenity Mattingly.

A graveside service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 2 at St. John Catholic Cemetery in Loogootee.

Blake Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Margie Mattingly.

**Thank you**

The family of Roxanne Lents would like to thank our relatives and friends who expressed their love, support and prayers after her passing. Roxanne was our Beloved Mother, Grandmother, Daughter, Sister and Aunt. Your thoughts and prayers were a great comfort to all of the family.

Thank you to the Blake Funeral Home, Father Kenneth Walker, Dax Lee, Brady Lents, Lynn Gee and Sandy Woods and for the luncheon after the mass.

Thank you for the Masses that were offered up for Roxanne.

God Bless!

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, MAY 16

1:07 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle east of Shoals. Captain Reed was notified.

3:11 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident south of Loogootee. Captain Reed responded.

3:32 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Crane. Captain Reed responded.

5:08 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

6:08 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

7:30 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle north of Loogootee. Major Keller and Corporal Wells responded.

8:57 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Major Keller and Martin County Ambulance responded.

9:53 a.m. - Received a boat complaint in Shoals. South Region Conservation was notified.

2:38 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

5:15 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Crane. Deputy Hawkins responded.

7:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

### TUESDAY, MAY 17

5:57 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle north of Loogootee. Captain Reed was notified.

6:03 a.m. - Received a report of a semi accident south of Loogootee. Captain Reed, Major Keller, Loogootee Officer Seymour, Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth, Loogootee Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense, Haysville Fire Department, Martin County Ambulance responded. The patients were transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:01 a.m. - Received notification of a controlled burn in Loogootee.

10:16 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. INDOT was notified.

11:37 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. ISP Trooper Wilson, Sergeant Gibson, Loogootee Chief Means, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:54 a.m. - Received notification Loogootee Community School was testing fire alarms.

12:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Sergeant Gibson, and Daviess Community Hospital Medic 4 responded. The patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:49 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:35 p.m. - Corporal Wells assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

4:15 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Means and Corporal Wells responded.

5:52 p.m. - Reserve Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist north of Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

6:11 p.m. - Received a report of a theft north of Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins responded.

8:02 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:09 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Po-

lice were notified.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

9:39 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

1:04 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

2:34 p.m. - Loogootee Officer Erwin assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock.

4:34 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Sergeant Gibson was notified.

4:37 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Sergeant Gibson and Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth responded.

### THURSDAY, MAY 19

12:32 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

7:56 a.m. - Received a report of a property dispute north of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene was notified.

8:30 a.m. - Received a report of an accident southwest of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

9:50 a.m. - Deputy Long took two inmates to court.

11:23 a.m. - Received a cat complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

11:51 a.m. - Deputy Long took two inmates to court.

12:01 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth and Chief Greene responded. Indiana State Police were also notified.

12:24 p.m. - Received a cat complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

1:44 p.m. - Received an animal complaint east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene was notified.

3:17 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:45 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person southwest of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Major Keller, Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth, Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded.

4:00 p.m. - Deputy Long took three inmates to court.

5:25 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

9:18 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious pedestrians east of Loogootee. Loogootee Police were notified.

9:50 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

11:18 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Shaw responded.

11:44 p.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm east of Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins and Reserve Deputy Shaw responded.

### FRIDAY, MAY 20

12:48 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

1:25 a.m. - Received a report of water on roadway east of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims and Deputy Hawkins responded.

1:56 a.m. - Received a report of water on roadway east of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins was notified.

1:57 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm east of Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins was notified.

1:58 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

2:02 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down northeast of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins and Shoals Fire Department responded.

2:44 a.m. - Received a report of water on roadway north of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins and INDOT were notified.

3:17 a.m. - Received a report of a power outage east of Shoals.

3:30 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down southwest of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department and Duke Energy responded.

3:49 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

4:22 a.m. - Received a report of a harassment calls north of Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins was notified.

5:17 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Deputy Hawkins responded.

5:59 a.m. - Received a report of damage to roadway due to storm damage. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

6:40 a.m. - Received a report of debris on the roadway due to storm damage. INDOT was notified.

6:53 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

7:50 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down in Crane. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

8:11 a.m. - Received a report of debris in roadway north of Shoals. INDOT was notified.

9:00 a.m. - Received a report a tree down northeast of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

9:28 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Shoals. The property owner was notified.

9:33 a.m. - Received a report of a road closure in Shoals. All Martin County law enforcement were notified, and information was posted online.

11:03 a.m. - Received a report of a county road washed out due to storm damage. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

11:43 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Crane. Major Keller and Loogootee Chief Means responded.

12:35 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee. ISP Master Trooper Lents, Loogootee Officer Erwin and Civil Defense responded.

1:24 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down northeast of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

2:15 p.m. - Received a cow complaint north of Loogootee. Corporal Wells responded.

3:10 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident west of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Erwin responded.

3:35 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

4:23 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Corporal Wells responded.

4:47 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department responded.

6:32 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

8:03 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and REMC responded.

8:42 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:55 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southwest of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Deputy Hawkins responded.

### SATURDAY, MAY 21

2:15 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Erwin responded.

4:54 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

10:16 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:40 a.m. - Received a report of a re-possession north of Loogootee. Deputy Long responded.

10:50 a.m. - Deputy Long and Loogootee Officer Erwin assisted Blake Funeral Home with traffic control.

11:07 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance southwest of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Bloomington.

11:43 a.m. - Deputy Long assisted a motorist east of Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

1:56 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:02 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious item north of Loogootee. Deputy Long was notified.

2:40 p.m. - Received reports of several trees down south of Loogootee. Civil Defense, Deputy Long, Haysville Fire Department and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

3:12 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

3:19 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

3:23 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department responded.

3:38 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Deputy Long responded.

3:52 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southwest of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department responded.

3:52 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

3:55 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

4:44 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southwest Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and REMC responded.

5:39 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. Deputy Long was notified.

7:01 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Shoals. Deputy Hawkins responded.

7:06 p.m. - Deputy Hawkins assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

8:41 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department responded.

9:32 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle southeast of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins was notified.

9:45 p.m. - Lawrence County requested an ambulance in Oolitic. Martin County Ambulance responded.

### SUNDAY, MAY 22

12:20 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins, Loogootee Officer Seymour and Reserve Deputy Shaw responded.

3:33 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour and Deputy Hawkins responded.

6:21 a.m. - Received a report of harassment calls south of Loogootee. Deputy (See 'LOG' continued on page 5)



# COMMUNITY & EVENTS

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



**WANT TO FEEL OLD?**  
Bonanza premiered 62 years ago.  
The Beatles split 52 years ago.  
Laugh-in premiered nearly 54 years ago.  
The Wizard of Oz in 82 years old.  
Elvis is dead 44 years. He'd be 84 today.  
The Thriller video is 38 years old.  
Jimi Hendrix and Janis Joplin dead 51 years.  
John Lennon dead 41 years.  
Mickey Mantle retired 53 years ago.  
Back To The Future is 37 years old.  
Saturday Night Fever is 44 years old.  
The Ed Sullivan Show ended 49 years ago.  
The Brady Bunch premiered 52 years ago.  
The triplets on My Three Sons are 52.  
Tabatha from Bewitched is 57  
The Corvette turned 68 this year.  
The Mustang is 57.

My friend just named her puppy after me. I do not need a Nobel or Pulitzer anymore, do I? Love you, Cindy.

FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LOVERS:

What is the difference between "completed" and "finished?"

No dictionary has been able to define the difference between "completed" and

"finished," but in a linguistic conference in England, Sun Sherman, an Indian American was the clever winner.

His response: When you marry the right woman, you are "complete." If you marry the wrong woman, you are "finished." When the right woman catches you with the wrong woman, you are "completely finished."

His answer received a five-minute standing ovation.

#### THOUGHTS

\*A man down the street says his wife is such a poor driver the police gave her a season ticket.

\*The latest appliance on the market is a combination record player and air conditioner. It's designed for people who like to play it cool.

\*Anybody want to buy some exercise equipment? I'm having going-out-of-fitness sale.

\*Accidentally went grocery shopping on an empty stomach, and now I'm the proud owner of aisle seven.

\*One of the World's Strongest Man events should be "Pulling apart two shopping carts that are stuck together."

\*If I worked in a used-record store, I would tell every customer that "all sales are vinyl."

\*One of the shortest wills ever written: "Being of sound mind, I spent all the money."

\*They say you're only as old as you feel. I think I may be an exhumed mummy or something.

Make someone smile today!

#### Mid-States Town Hall

The Loogootee Public Library will host a Mid-States Corridor Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, May 25 at 6 p.m. at the community building on the fairgrounds. Indiana State Representatives Shane Lindauer and Eric Bassler and Indiana Senator Mark Messmer will be present. The public is invited to attend.

#### Crane cemetery tour

A tour of NSWC Crane cemeteries will take place on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30. Anyone wishing to participate should arrive at the Crane Visitor's Center, at 103 Furlong Street, by 9 a.m. Guides will accompany the visitors and maps will be provided. The tour will end at noon.

#### Historical Society member picnic

The Martin County Historical Society will hold its annual member picnic and June meeting on Tuesday June 7 at the museum. All members are invited to the covered dish dinner and meeting to follow. Meat and table service will be provided. If you plan to attend, please call 812-309-9139 with your name and number of members attending.

#### St. Vincent Food Pantry

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

#### LUMC Food Pantry

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

#### Mental Health Task Force

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

#### Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Redemption Church in Loogootee. This is a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

#### Local recovery meetings

Wednesdays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Martin County Community Corrections Building at 8 p.m.; Thursdays-Narcotics Anonymous, Redemption Church Loogootee at 8 p.m.; Fridays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Loogootee Municipal Building Loogootee at 8 p.m.

#### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

#### SOAR Tutoring

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

#### Solid waste board

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

#### Soil and Water meetings

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

### Advertise in the Martin County Journal

Email [courtney@martincountyjournal.com](mailto:courtney@martincountyjournal.com)

# CLASSIFIED ADS

## YARD SALES

BURNS CITY TOWNWIDE YARD SALES Saturday, June 11, 8 a.m.-? Rain or shine.

## HELP WANTED

**The Martin County Sheriff's Office is currently accepting applications to fill open Part-Time Jail Officer & Dispatcher positions**

**Part-Time Jail Officers - \$15.00 per hour  
Part-Time Dispatchers - \$15.00 per hour  
Advancement opportunities are available.**

#### Minimum Requirements:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Citizen of the United States
- High School Diploma or GED
- Must not have any Felony or Misdemeanor Battery or Domestic Violence Convictions
- Be willing to submit to pre-employment drug screening
- Ability and willingness to work a variety of shifts, including evenings, weekends and some holidays

**To be considered for an open position, interested candidates are encouraged to pick-up an application at the Martin County Sheriff's Office: 318 Capital Avenue, Shoals, IN 47581 (812) 247-3726.**

## HELP WANTED

### PUBLIC WORKS POSITION

The City of Loogootee is accepting applications for the Public Works Department for a full-time position.

Applications may be picked up at the Utility or Mayors' offices 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday.

Deadline for applications is June 17, 2022.

## REAL ESTATE

### Your secluded oasis awaits!

72+/- acres bordered by the Hoosier National Forest. Great for anyone looking to hike, ATV, camp, hunt or simply take in Mother Nature. This property is as turnkey as it gets for an outdoor enthusiast. Hunting cabin, tree stands, food plots, trails, streams, powerline cut, you name it, this property offers it. Property is being sold "as is."



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The experts say one should garden with a plan. A plan will result in a garden that has been thought out, with every plant having been selected to fill a specific purpose. Plants in a planned garden would be spaced properly and each would be in a place it will thrive.

That is all good, but we all know that no matter how much we plan, life sometimes throws a curve ball. On Saturday, after attending a memorial for a relative near Terre Haute, I returned to Sandhill Gardens to find that a storm had passed through in my absence. The walk leading to my house was blocked by a large limb that had fallen from one of the large silver maples in my yard. My plans for the rest of the weekend were immediately changed.

The first order of business was to assess the damage. It was, in fact, a very large limb, with the largest portion being about 15 inches in diameter. I was relieved to find that it had narrowly missed a treasured birdbath, but it smashed a cedar raised bed cart. The smaller branches came down across some flower beds. Somehow, it managed to come down between a black pussy willow and an *Itea* that is in full bloom. There were a few broken branches, but a few snips with the pruners and one could hardly see that there had been any damage. The butterfly bench was unscathed, and the butterfly kinetic sculpture was fine when set back upright. However, some of the plants in the bed did not fare so well. A weeping cedar was damaged beyond repair and had to be cut out. A Sunrise redbud tree had a couple of major limbs broken. I will work on shaping that tree. It should recover in time, but it will likely never have the natural form that was a big part of the original selection of that tree in that spot. A red weigela in full bloom was flattened. However, once the tree branches were removed, it began to

## Patoka Lake hosts kayak tour Saturday, June 11

Bring your kayak and join the naturalist for a tour on Patoka Lake on Saturday, June 11 leaving from the Little Patoka Boat Ramp at 9 a.m. A caravan to the boat ramp will meet at 7:45 a.m. at the Patoka Lake office.

Paddlers will see a rock quarry and waterfall. Beaver and bald eagle have also been seen along the route. Bring life jackets, preferred snacks, refreshments, and sunscreen for this 5-mile journey. The tour is not suitable for beginner kayakers or children under 12 years old.

Non-motorized boat launch permits are required and will be sold at the event for \$5. They can also be purchased at the Patoka Lake office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

For more information regarding this program or other interpretive events, please call the Nature Center at 812-685-2447.

Patoka Lake (on.IN.gov/patokalake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.

recover, and some hummingbirds found its tubular flowers. I will give it a few days to further recover before doing any more trimming. It will come back from the roots in a couple of years if heavy pruning is necessary. A sweet bay magnolia growing on the other side of the sidewalk was hit by some of the outer branches, breaking off some of the small magnolia branches. The tree was poised to start blooming, and it lost several of those wonderful-smelling buds. However, there does not appear to be any major damage to the tree. Beyond that, there were some perennials that were flattened, but should recover. Of course, the time spent cleaning up took away from other planned garden activities, including digging and dividing perennials.

There were some benefits from the incident. I will have a start on next winter's firewood. The clean-up put me into a bed where a small callery pear tree had sprung up, and I was able to remove that invasive plant. It has also served as the impetus to clean out some weeds in the area.

In this situation, there is not a real change in the growing conditions for the area. The limb was large, but the tree is huge, and one limb did not affect the canopy area very much. Sometimes, losing a tree or a large limb result in a shady area's becoming a sunny bed. In such a case, the shade plants would have to be moved to a more-appropriate area and one would have the opportunity to design a bed for plants that need a lot of sun.

No matter how much we may plan, we must be ready to respond to the changes that are thrust upon us. Gardening and life have a lot in common.

The annual Sandhill Gardens garden swap day will be Saturday, June 4 at 10 a.m. Bring your extra plants to trade with other gardeners. If you do not have plants, garden tools, décor and accessories are also appropriate items to trade.

## Patoka Lake hosts beginner archery lessons

Learn about archery from a certified instructor during an introductory lesson at Patoka Lake's archery range on Sunday, June 5 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. All equipment will be provided.

This event is limited to 15 participants age 8 and older, and the cost is \$5 per person. Advance registration is required. Call the Patoka Lake Nature Center at 812-685-2447 to reserve a spot.

The entrance fee of \$7 per vehicle for Indiana residents and \$9 for vehicles with out-of-state plates is required for the Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area, located north of Wickliffe on State Road 164.

For more information regarding this program or other interpretive events, please call the Nature Center at 812-685-2447.

Patoka Lake (on.IN.gov/patokalake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.

## Grants available for field trips to state parks, lakes

Educators interested in taking K-12 students on field trips to an Indiana state park or state-managed lake in the 2022-2023 school year can receive financial help through the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation (INRF).

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

"The Foundation's mission is to celebrate and preserve Indiana's natural legacy," Kress said. "This grant gives children an adventure that showcases some of Indiana's natural and cultural treasures and teaches the importance of protecting and preserving them for everyone to enjoy."

Since the grant program's inception in 2013, a total of 153 grants have been awarded, providing the opportunity for more than 17,000 students to visit state parks at less cost to the schools and students.

Indiana has 24 state parks, eight state-managed lakes, two state recreation areas, and two off-road state recreation areas eligible for field trip funding that will engage students in learning about Indiana's fish, forest, wildlife, natural habitats, conservation, and outdoor recreation opportunities.

## Bluebird program set for June 4

The Friends of Patoka River National Wildlife Refuge will sponsor a program about bluebirds on Saturday, June 4, at 9 am Central Time (10 am Eastern Time).

Besides the life history of the bluebird, retired school teacher, Jerry Hunefeld, will include information he has learned through 45 years of maintaining a bluebird trail in southwestern Dubois County. The hour-long program will take place on the Refuge at the Boyds Trail parking lot, just east of Snakey Point marsh. At the conclusion of the presentation, there will be a drawing for some bluebird boxes which were constructed and donated to this event by the Friends of the Patoka River NWR.

The Boyds Trail parking lot is east of Oakland City and north of SR 64 (watch for the brown Refuge signs on SR 64 directing you to Snake Point Marsh.). Approximately one-quarter mile east of Oakland City, turn north on CR 1275E. In 1/2 mile, bear left on CR 1300E which becomes gravel. Continue one mile to the parking area located on both sides of the road.

In case of inclement weather, the program will take place on June 11.

nificance of Indiana's natural and cultural resources, and at the same time let them make great memories that they will carry into adulthood," said Ginger Murphy, deputy director for stewardship for DNR State Parks.

The maximum grant award is \$250 per application.

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

Applicants will be notified by September 1 regarding potential grant awards. The grant application is at on.IN.gov/state-park-group-programs. Read more about the impact this grant has had at indiananrf.org/the-inrf-difference/education.

A video explaining the program is at [youtu.be/uC4QjhsBLO8](https://youtu.be/uC4QjhsBLO8)

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

For further information, including how to donate, email [discoveroutdoorsgrants@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:discoveroutdoorsgrants@dnr.IN.gov).

## Mustering Elm Park Group holds monthly meeting

The Trinity Springs Mustering Elm Park Group met May 2 for their monthly meeting. Minutes were read and approved, and the treasurer's report was given. The group would like to thank those in the community who sent donations or paid dues to help in getting water to the Park. Donations are always welcome. They would also like to welcome the new members.

New business included the election of officers. They are President – Char Sandel, Vice-President – Cindy Kellams, Secretary – Rowena Tripp, and Treasurer – Sarah Sexton. A new office was established – Fund Raiser/Social Media – Rachel Tedrow and Kaylee Diamond. Resource person is Bill Greene.

Several t-shirts were sold at the meeting. They have a few more to sell and plan to place another order.

The Park already has several reservations. If interested in renting the Park, contact Rowena Tripp at 812-388-6649. Cost for renting is \$30 for park group members, and \$50 for non-park group members.

There were 15 attendees at the meeting. The next meeting will be Monday, June 6 at 7 p.m. at the Park.

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<b>Sullivan</b> (812) 268-5252	<b>Martinsville</b> (765) 342-6623	<b>Linton</b> (812) 847-4494	
<b>Jasonville</b> (812) 665-3969	<b>Bicknell</b> (812) 735-3545	<b>Bloomfield</b> (812) 384-4453	

## Wallace Veterinary Clinic

### VACCINATION CLINICS

**TUESDAY, JUNE 7**  
Shoals Fire Station parking lot 2:30-5 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8**  
Dover Hill Methodist Church parking lot 2:30-5 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 9**  
Bateman Schoolhouse Lost River Township 2:30-5 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 10**  
Wallace Vet Clinic front lawn 1-5 p.m.

**CASH OR CHECK ONLY**

**This year, we will be doing the 5-way K9 booster for \$20; 5-way feline for \$20; and rabies 1yr/3yr K9 and feline for \$12.**

(1 yr to 3yr rabies depends on vaccination history. Pet must be current or within 30 days of past rabies vaccination due date to qualify for 3 yr vaccination. We will not have the ability to look at your history at clinic sites around Martin County, only at the office, or if you have your past vaccination certificate with you at the time of vaccination.)

LHS Dual-Credit Junior English Class  
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## Small Businesses, BIG Stories



BY AVA SUMMERS, ASHDEN  
WALTON & CAITLIN CARRICO  
LHS Dual-Credit Junior English Class

*The dual-credit junior English class at Loogootee High School is working with the City of Loogootee Recast Team to promote locally-owned small businesses. The class is interviewing business owners in Loogootee and Shoals. Below is their next interview.*

The Candy Mill

Carolyn Parsons-Downey

"My family and my parents have definitely been a huge factor in who I am today, and even the locations where I've lived, I had been gone for 25 years living in other places which shaped who I am.

I actually started baking candy at home. It began with cookies, which I no longer do anymore. Someone had asked me to make cookies for a company that no longer did gift baskets they would send to their customers and asked me to bake cookies to give to people, and from there I got an order. Then I just kind of thought that if I wanted to do this again then next year I want different candies, so I just kind of played around and made different candies, tried different things at work. They were my guinea pigs so I would make something, and I asked, "good or bad?" I just got their opinion so every year I added things. I had worked with a lady that kept telling me about these cake balls that she had for a graduation party. She kept telling me I should try to make them. It took me around a year until I ever got around to trying them, so then I spent the next year or so making them and figuring stuff out. So then, I was no longer working outside of home. I just kind of did it at home for fun, but then you make this stuff you have to get rid of it.

I joined the Chamber of Commerce in Martin County to get connections and get advertisements. I mostly advertise on Facebook, since I was just advertising from home and then through the Chamber, I found out about the candy store that is already there, but she sold bulk candy, nothing homemade. So, when that became available, I thought I'd like to buy it, but it's kind of scary because we had owned a business before in Jasper, so you have to know your overhead and your cost. You have to know what it's going to cost to do this business if you can make it on what you're selling. I really didn't feel comfortable about it, but when I talked to the owner at the time, she said there were living quarters in the back. We had thought about renting it out to people to help with income, and then we went to see the building, and I couldn't imagine renting it to anybody. We had already talked about downsizing and so we decided to make a plan to sell our home and live there to do the business, because it's kind of our overhead. Even if I no longer did the candy store everything could still be taken care of and paid for. I actually called it the Gingerbread House of Candy.

When I went to do my business, I had to adjust because I could no longer use eggs unless I was safe certified, but I could use pasteurized eggs to get around that. I am still inspected by the board of health every year, so they do come in and inspect everything. But when we bought this business, we had to build a whole new kitchen because you have to have a certain setup. So, I had to build a whole other kitchen. Now I have two kitchens in my home and over the years I slowly got rid of the bulk candy, and I do nothing but homemade there now. Now that I do work other places again and Covid was my big killer, I just do orders and special occasions now.

My family was very supportive, probably the biggest thing was they couldn't believe we were leaving our dream home to move



into town. Things have changed in my life. My mom has cancer and I've got a grandson. And so, I didn't have the time to put it in the home and I realized that wasn't as important as other things.

As of right now, I am not planning to expand my business. I also do work outside the business. I am retiring in eighteen months. To be honest I even thought of closing it this past year. I had set everything up to get ready to close it and then my grandson wanted to keep it going. Now I am looking to pass it down even though he is only eleven, but I make him come and do the stuff. And it's kind of good cause when I retire, I may want to do the business at that time.

The bad thing right now is the food prices have gone up, which means I have to raise my prices. Then you think about how many cake balls it takes to pay the bills. The downfall is you always have to make sure you make enough money to cover your overhead. During my first year, I never got a paycheck from my business, but it always paid my bills.

That was the one thing I was taught through another business is that when you have your own business you have to put yourself out there. That was my thing about joining the Chamber. I met so many people through there and when I did banking even though most stuff is done online they still walk in and they see your face.

So that's another thing people kinda lose out now. I was always told if you need a cup of coffee don't go through the drive-through go in and get it so people can see your face.

So that's another thing you have to do in person and with Covid, we really lose that, but that was the huge thing you have to put yourself out there. Before my business, my first job was I worked for an optometrist here in Loogootee when I was in college, and I was an office manager and now that I think of that I think how scared I was when I was eighteen and I ran his office. After that, we had moved away, and we moved 11 times in 7 years to give you an idea. So, it was really hard for me to get a job so then finally my husband's company hired me. We were at a restaurant where the interstates connected and there was a gift shop, so I ran the gift shop there. And then a few years later their company hired me again and I was their kitchen manager for restaurants for about 4-5 years. And then when we moved to Jasper that is how I got into banking altogether. I have about over 30 years with a German American. Most of my life I've done banking.

The struggle of owning my business is that I don't sell anything that people have to have. I sell something people want. I sell something that's not really healthy for people. January is what I call my slow month. I get all my taxes ready in January because everyone is out of money from Christmas and on a diet.

My favorite part of my job is probably the sales part, the customers coming in, when you're busy baking all day you want people to talk to. In five years, I might still be doing it but my grandson, when old enough, might be the one to take over and run it. If someone is thinking of running a business, people need to research really hard.



## Making A Difference

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-- MEMORIAL DAY --

This weekend we celebrate Memorial Day. It is a time when people across America pause to reflect on the supreme sacrifice made by American soldiers who have died in service to our nation. It is a particularly meaningful holiday for those who have loved ones who died in military service.

Memorial Day has its origins back to May 5, 1868 when General John A. Logan called for a nationwide day of remembrance on May 30, 1868. The day's purpose was to decorate the graves of their comrades who died in defense of their country as a result of the Civil War. At that time, it was called Decoration Day. It has only been within the last 50 years or so that the day was officially recognized by our government as Memorial Day.

-- MEMORIALS --

To memorialize a loved one is an important part of any family's, and their friends', grieving process. Memorials are a way that families can remember and pay tribute to loved ones who have passed on. Memorials allow a person to be remembered for years to come.

A memorial tells the family that while their loved one may be gone, his or her memory and spirit lives on. They will be forever tied together in the circle of life, that the loved one's life mattered and will continue to matter. Their acts of goodness, kindness and courage will never be forgotten. A memorial is a way to remember a loved one forever.

-- GIFTS TO CHARITIES --

There are several ways to remember our loved ones, some of which are headstones or grave markers, memorialization urns, statues, plants, flag cases, acts of kindness, writing a heartfelt letter to the family, or a donation to a charity.

When making a donation as a memorial

or tribute to a loved one, you need to be sure that it is made to a charity that honors that person. In obituaries you will often see the phrase "in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions/donations may be made to...". This identifies where to make your donation as a memorial. If you do, you need to do this in a timely fashion (within 10 days after the funeral), so that the family can include you when writing thank you notes.

If a charitable organization was not specified, then choose one that may have been a favorite charity of the deceased, or perhaps a medical research organization if they passed on from an illness.

-- MCCF FUNDS --

The Martin County Community Foundation has several funds that will let your memorial donation, and the spirit of your loved one, live on forever. The MCCF funds will always be used for future assistance to our local community needs, whether they be for a cemetery, a library, church or other charitable organization, certain areas of interest, or a variety of scholarships.

And if you are not sure which specific fund or need to donate toward, the MCCF has several unrestricted funds that have the flexibility to address the emerging and changing needs in our community, today and tomorrow.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

If you would like to let the memory of your loved one live on forever with a donation to the MCCF, please contact Curt Johnson, Director, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org), to find out what funds are available or how to establish a new fund.

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at [www.cfpartner.org](http://www.cfpartner.org) and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation).



## Scholarship winners

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The Loogootee Knights of Columbus Council 732 awarded three scholarships to Loogootee High School Seniors. Shown above, from left to right, are Kenny Greenwell, K of C Scholarship Coordinator; Ethan Todd, scholarship winner; Tessa Bradley, scholarship winner; Kylie VanHoy, scholarship winner and Rick Colvin, K of C Grand Knight. Congratulations to these students, we wish you continued success in the future. The Loogootee Branch of Crane Credit Union awarded two scholarships to Loogootee Seniors. Shown below, from left to right, are Kenny Greenwell, Director & Scholarship Committee; Sherry Wade, Crane Credit Union Branch Manager; Brayton Taylor, scholarship winner; and Hannah Harshaw, scholarship winner. Congratulations to Brayton and Hannah, Crane Credit Union wishes you continued success in your future studies.

