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2011 SummerFest royalty

-Photo by Lori Mattingly

Shown above are the winners of the SummerFest Queen Contest held last Saturday at the LHS Auditorium. From left to right, winning the Little Miss crown was Jayleigh Wagoner, daughter of Pat and Nikki Wagoner; Junior Miss Emma Walters and Miss SummerFest Hannah Walters, both daughters of John and Amber Walters; and MiKenna Jones, daughter of Mike and Kristy Jones.

City council won't help pay for parking lot paving

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Alliance Director Tim Kinder approached the Loogootee City Council again at their meeting Monday night, June 13 to ask for the city to pay a portion of the \$55,000 cost associated with paving the former Loogootee East parking lot that now houses STIMULUS Engineering. Mayor Don Bowling noted that the State Board of Accounts said that it would be okay to use EDIT funds to pay for this kind of expenditure.

"Nobody puts my driveways in, I just don't see where this should be tax money. That's just my opinion."

-Loogootee City Councilman Rick Norris

Kinder explained to the council that the Martin County Alliance has pledged \$5,000 to the project because they feel that it is that important. He went on to say that the Martin County Redevelopment Commission will be asked to put in \$5,000 and he is asking the city council to put in \$15,000 with the school's portion being \$30,000. The school recently entered into a two-year lease with STIMULUS for \$13,000 per month.

Kinder told the council that the project had to be started because the lowest bidder for the

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Historical survey results released for Mitcheltree Township

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Mitcheltree in Martin County is the latest township to be surveyed by Tim Miller of the DNR State Preservation Office. The county is being surveyed for the first time so that all locations of historic significance can be documented. The project, funded by INDOT, is being done for all counties associated with I-69 Project. The only township remaining to be surveyed is Perry.

The following are some of the properties that were included on the State Preservation Office's website, www.in.gov/dnr/historic/4505.htm.

Cemeteries

Modrel Chapel Cemetery a/k/a Mountain Springs Cemetery; located on the south side of Highway 58 just west of Highway 162, approximate number of stones: 64; earliest burial date: 1872; most recent burial date: 1939; prominent names: Lewis, Parker,

Baker, Fields; grouped burials: veterans.

Uno Paten Cemetery a/k/a John Patton Cemetery, Uno-Paton Cemetery, Peyton Cemetery; located on the NW corner Highway 58 and Highway 270; approximate number of stones: 1; prominent names: John Patton.

Tempy Cemetery a/k/a Timpy Cemetery, New Trinity Springs Cemetery; located on the east side of George Lane back a lane at a manufactured house less than 1/10 a mile south of Cale Road, approximate number of stones: 12; earliest burial date: 1841; most recent burial date: 1880; prominent names: Tempy, Downs, Wallace.

Wagner Cemetery, located on the west side of Jeep Trail 13 about 1/10 a mile north of the end of the road, approximate number of stones: 3; prominent name: Sarah F. Wagner, infant daughter.

Brock Cemetery, located north of the end of Roberts Lane which is on the north side

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New ambulance service hired for Martin County

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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A large crowd turned out at the Martin County Commissioners meeting Tuesday night, June 14 to hear the outcome of the ambulance contract bids for the county. Four bids were received ranging from \$219,000 to \$440,000 per year. The current ambulance service provider for the county put in a bid of \$285,000 with the lowest bidder being Knox County EMS at \$219,000. Priority One bid \$330,000 and American Medical Response Corporation bid \$440,000.

"We're not taking taxpayer money and running."

-David Simpson, Knox County EMS Assistant Manager

Commissioner Dan Gregory said that as elected officials they are required to spend the money wisely and look closely at the lowest bid. By state statute, the county is not required by law to provide ambulance service – the commissioners choose to do so. David Simpson, the Knox County EMS Assistant Manager, addressed the crowd regarding the service they would provide to the county. He said the level of care currently being provided to the county, the intermediate level, will be maintained and possibly the highest level of care will even be provided which is the paramedic level.

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Loogootee to keep dispatch program

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Loogootee Mayor Don Bowling brought the decision whether to keep the Loogootee Police Dispatch Program to the Board of Public Works Monday night, June 13, or transfer the duties to the Martin County Sheriff's Department. It was discussed in a special meeting last week with the city council with a verbal consensus being to possibly have the sheriff's department take over half of the dispatch calls on a six-month trial basis beginning August 1 with a payment to the sheriff's department of \$10,000.

At Monday night's meeting, Mayor Bowling told the board that he and Loogootee Police Chief Kelly Rayhill feel the cost of maintaining the dispatch program, around \$80,000 per year, has become too costly for the city. The mayor said he felt the city was paying for a duplication of service since the sheriff's department handles all the 911 phone calls for the city currently.

Prior to a vote, Chief Rayhill told the board

"I'm here to make my decisions based on what the citizens elected me to do, not just on what I think is the thing to do."

-Loogootee Board of Public Works Board Member Phyllis Parker

that consolidation of city dispatch programs is going on all over the state. "Loogootee is probably the only dispatch center without 911 that's still in operation," he said. He said that currently the sheriff's department receives the 911 calls and hangs up and calls the Loogootee Police Department when it is in the city's jurisdiction. "Seconds count in some circumstances and we have to get there as soon as we can," said Rayhill.

Mayor Bowling added that with the sheriff's department taking over half the calls it would save the city \$20,000 this year and \$30,000 next year. He added that there are many days that the city police department doesn't receive any calls between midnight and noon.

Susan Brewer who was in the audience asked why the city would have to pay the sheriff's department anything if they would not be getting very many calls.

The mayor replied that the discussion was for the board of public works only.

Phyllis Parker, who is on the board of public works

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-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology
The above house, on a farmstead located on Owens Road, was built in 1880. The farm contains a brooder house, chicken house, dairy barn, garage, grain bin, silo, and transverse-frame barn. The property is listed as "notable" on the survey which means it has quite a bit of historic significance.

Jackson Young to perform at SummerFest Saturday night

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Jackson (JT) Young, former Loogootee, will be performing this Saturday, June 18 at the Loogootee SummerFest. Jackson will have Meet and Greet throughout the day with a performance at 6:30 p.m. Autographed photos and t-shirts will be available for purchase during the meet and greet. This appearance will be the kick-off of his promotional tour for his new video release of "Summertime Kinda Girl". You can view the video online by clicking Jackson's photo to the right. Also making an appearance in Jackson's video is retired Loogootee teacher Ron Gilbert serving as an extra. You can also become a friend of Jackson's at www.facebook.com/jacksonyoungcountry.

Jackson was born in Evansville, and raised by his grandmother Wendy Duvall and has six siblings. His grandfather is the late Jack Duvall. Jackson moved to Loogootee for the second time in the eighth grade and remained until graduation. After graduating in 1997, he attended Vincennes University for awhile before joining the Army. He then attended Indiana State University and after 9/11 elected to go into active duty and was stationed at the 101st Airborne Division 1/502nd Infantry Battalion. After an honorable discharge he made his way to Nashville, Tennessee.

He signed a songwriter's deal with ABET International Music Group, Inc. and a recording contract with Platinum Planet Music, Inc. His first stop in the studio was for the commercial/jingle production house, OTC Creative, and the result was voiceover



JACKSON YOUNG

ad currently airing in Kansas. Shortly thereafter, he began recording his own project at the Sound Shop alongside musicians Chester Thompson, Boh Cooper, Michael Rhodes, Chris Leuzinger along with Grammy award-winning engineer Mark Capps. He also worked with noted producer/publisher/songwriter, Justin Peters.

Jackson said he is looking forward to coming back to his hometown and he hopes everyone can make it out to the SummerFest Saturday night to say hello and listen to him play an acoustical set of three or four songs.

DISPATCH

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lic works, said that she has spoken with several residents of Loogootee and she has been told by all of them that they want the dispatch program to remain in the city. "I don't feel like I could make a decision and change that because that is why I'm here - to make my decisions based on what the citizens elected me to do, not just on what I think is the thing to do," she said. She said she votes to leave the dispatch program the way it is with the other board member Joe Mattox agreeing with her.

"In that case the issue is dead at this time and we'll move on," said Mayor Bowling. "The responsibility of the elected officials of the City of Loogootee is to try to operate it as economically as we can."

The mayor went on to say that the city is putting out \$80,000 a year to operate the dispatch program and if they did away with it entirely it would save the full \$80,000.

"You're not saving that money . . .," started Brewer from the audience.

"I'm speaking now, please," said Mayor Bowling.

"Well, tell the truth then," replied Brewer. "I'm speaking and I'd appreciate quiet," said Mayor Bowling.

Brewer reiterated her statement from the meeting last week that the money would not be saved, it would be spent on something else. Mayor Bowling said that to Susie, saving money is putting it in the bank. "No, we can't put it in the bank, we can't save money like that," the mayor said to Brewer. He went on to add that the state had told the cities and towns that they have been overpaid for the last three years. He said the state wants that money back. He said that the state is currently saying that Martin County doesn't owe any money but that is not set in stone. He

said it is still unclear how much money the city will be getting over the next several years. "It's going to be hard times. If you are going to run the city into the ground then at some point in time it's going to mean jobs of the city employees or maybe benefits," he said. "If you don't have money, you can't pay your bills, now that's simple enough for anybody to understand."

He said that by looking at the budget there are not many places to cut but if there is a duplication of service, "that should tell you something."

"I'm trying to run the city as efficiently as possible, I can't do it by myself, I have to have some help," he said. He added that it is a board of works decision and since they voted no, there is nothing else he can do about it.

In other business for the board of works, Josh Greene was hired to serve as a part-time police officer for the city.

Rich Taylor who was in the audience, brought up concerns from residents, one being shrubs at a residence on the corner of Walker and Wood Streets that are growing out into the roadway causing a traffic hazard. He suggested the police chief and City Attorney Mark Jones send a letter to the property owner asking that they be trimmed back within 10 days or the city would have them removed. He added that it's the city's property where the bushes are planted and the city should have a right to correct the problem by whatever means to keep citizens safe.

Chief Rayhill said that he asks the property owner to trim the bushes every year and he does a little bit. Taylor added that it is a little off the top but not enough.

Mayor Bowling said the city attorney will have to look into it and the legal issues that may be involved.

MITCHELTREE

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of Mount Olive Road, approximate number of stones: 11; earliest burial date: 1892; most recent burial date: 2009; prominent names: Brock, Wade, Wagoner, Roberts.

Roach Cemetery, located on the east side of Hollow Lane back a long lane that begins at the southern lane where the road curves west at an old homestead, approximate number of stones: 27; most recent burial date: 1847; most recent burial date: 1919; prominent names: Chastain, Elkins, Baker.

Chandler Cemetery, located on the west side of Highway 278 which is off of 274 and north of building 1515, approximate number of stones: 14; earliest burial date: 1861; most recent burial date: 1915; prominent names: Ritchison/Ritcheson.

Clark Cemetery a/k/a Clarke Cemetery, located at the end of Clark Cemetery Lane which is on the south side of Clark Cemetery Road about 1/4 a mile east of the west end of the road; approximate number of stones: 122; earliest burial date: 1856; most recent burial date: 2011; prominent names: Clark, Bridges, Fields, Mundy, Dorsett; grouped burials: veterans.

Inman Cemetery a/k/a Cox Cemetery; located south of a log cabin and north of 22042 Kent Farm Road in a farm field; approximate number of stones: 65; earliest burial date: 1852; most recent burial date: 1935; prominent names: Cox, Bough, McDermed; grouped burials: veterans.

Peyton Cemetery a/k/a Hennon Cemetery; located in the woods on the north side of an old power line road near the east end near a gate to a field. The road is northwest of the

manufactured home at 20420 Cale Road; approximate number of stones: 4; no legible dates; prominent name: Thomas O. Hennon.

Residential

House, located on Highway 450; circa 1860; the house has eight fireplaces with three former chimneys; a chicken house, shed, and summer kitchen. According to the owner, the third floor of the house was removed at an unknown date and used to build a house down the road. He also said that the house was used by the Union Army during the Civil War. House listed as "notable" on the historic survey.

Cox House, located on Kent Farm Road, circa 1850; it is possible that the house was built by Isaac Cox before his death 1854. The interior of the log part of the cabin has been gutted. All the sashes have been removed. Part of the log wall has been removed to connect to the south addition. South of the house is the cemetery where the Cox family is buried which is known as the Inman Cemetery, named after a past owner of the property. House listed as "notable" on the historic survey.

Farmstead, located on Owens Road; circa 1880/1915, house contains brooder house, chicken house, dairy barn, garage, grain bin, silo, and transverse-frame barn. House listed as "notable" on the historic survey.

Bridge

Martin County Bridge #21, located north of the new bridge at the intersection of Mount Olive Road and Low Gap Road; circa 1887. The bridge is a rare example of a Baltimore thru truss. The bridge has recently been replaced by a modern two lane bridge.



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

The Cox House shown above, located on Kent Farm Road was built in 1850. South of the house is the cemetery where the Cox family is buried which is known as the Inman Cemetery, named after a past owner of the property. House listed as "notable" on the historic survey.



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

The home above is located on Highway 450 and was built in 1860. The house has eight fireplaces, one for each room. According to the owner, the house was used by the Union Army during the Civil War. It is listed as "notable" on the historic survey.

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KAREN NORMAN

Karen S. Norman passed away at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11, 2011 at the Memorial Hospital & Healthcare Center. A resident of Shoals, she was 54.

She was born on October 26, 1956 in Shoals; the daughter of Myron E. "Mike" and Thelma "Patsy" (Richardson) Hopkins. She married James E. "Pup" Norman, and he survives.

She was a 1974 graduate of Shoals High School, a member of the West Shoals Church of Christ, and former owner of the Jones Cafe. She was previously employed at Velma's Diner.

Other survivors are one son, Larry Jones of Trinity Springs; one brother, William Lee Hopkins of Shoals; sisters Debbie LaBarge of Shoals; Connie Taylor of Elnora; and a special sister Kathy Tolbert of Shoals.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, June 14 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals.

Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Norman Family.

RENA FAY PINNICK JOHNSON

Rena Fay Pinnick Johnson, formerly of Shoals, passed away at 8:35 a.m. Sunday, June 12, 2011 at the Kindred Care and Rehabilitation Center in Greenwood. A resident of that city, she was 74.

She was born on November 17, 1936 in Detroit, Michigan; the daughter of Robert Perry and Lorena (Ralph) Moseley. She first married Carl Thomas Pinnick on October 9, 1956, and he preceded her in death on November 30, 1986. She then married Dale Johnson and he preceded her in death on July 7, 1993.

She graduated from Rochester Michigan High School Class of 1955, and was a homemaker.

She is survived by one daughter, Debra

Wood, and her husband Scott of Greenwood; three granddaughters, Emily Wood of Greenwood, Erin Sims of Greenwood, and Elaina Tavorn of Indianapolis; one great-grandson, Landon Wood of Greenwood; and one brother, James W. Moseley of North Dakota.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, and one brother, Bobby Dean Moseley.

A funeral service will be held today, Wednesday, June 15 at 2:30 p.m. at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Visitation began at noon and ends at the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Spring Hill Cemetery.

ERIC NIGG

Eric Lee Nigg passed away at 7 a.m. Sunday, June 12, 2011, at his home. A resident of Shoals, he was 53.

He was born on March 24, 1958 in Wash-

ington; the son of Bill Nigg and Norma Sorrells Collins.

He was a rail foreman with CSX railway, graduate of Shoals High School Class of 1976, and served his country as in the United States Marine Corps. Eric was also a member of the St. Mary of The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, American Legion Post #61, and Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #2442. He is survived by two brothers, John R. Collins of Shoals and Matthew J. Collins of Indianapolis; three uncles, Loren Sorrells of Spotsville, Kentucky, Lawrence "Son" Sorrells of Shoals, and Charles Sorrells of Montgomery; two aunts, Alice Boyd of Shoals and Ema Lou Lines of French Lick; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation to be held on Friday, June 17 from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals.

AMBULANCE

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Knox County EMS has operations in Knox County and Washington County along with other services throughout southern Indiana.

Simpson explained that three ambulances will be based in the county per the specifications although a location has not been determined. He said they are looking for a piece of property to use or possibly purchase if awarded the contract.

The current ambulance contact ends at midnight on June 30. Simpson said he is interested in speaking to the current personnel working in Martin County for possible employment with Knox County EMS.

A resident in the audience asked Simpson how they would be able to find some residences further out in the county since they were not familiar with the area. Simpson replied that he hoped some of the current personnel would be willing to go to work for them but also they have GPS units in some of their ambulances. Sheriff Rob Street also mentioned the enhanced 911 system at the sheriff's department. He said when someone places a 911 call a map of the location of the call comes up. He said this is also available in most cases with cell phones.

Commissioner Gregory asked the owner of the Martin County Ambulance Service – the county's current provider, Amanda Woodruff, what her feeling was. He told her that requesting bids was nothing personal, that the commissioners feel she has provided excellent service to the county. He said this was a cost issue.

Woodruff said she had issues with the way the bids were requested. She said it wasn't clear on many of the variables in the specs. She said that although her contract only required her to provide basic service to the county, she took it upon herself to up that care to intermediate. She also noted that several years ago the county's ambulance service walked out and she was called and asked to come back. "We had closed the doors and were out of business and the commissioners at that time kept calling us, we were bugged and bugged and bugged until we came back over here," she said. She added that they were paid to provide basic ambulance service. "I didn't feel that was adequate care so we went up for the people of Martin County and for the techs that were increasing their certification levels also."

Gregory replied that they have had to cut in areas that he has become uncomfortable

with. He said that it is hard to justify spending additional money for the same service.

A member of the audience told the commissioners that he was a little concerned as to where the ambulances would be based if the commissioners went with Knox County EMS. Simpson said no determination has been made, it could be in Loogootee, Shoals, or somewhere in between.

"They could set up shop in Crane Village if they wanted to – it's Martin County," said same audience member. "That's a long drive to Shoals, I'd like to know where they're going to be."

County Attorney Dave Lett spoke up saying that Knox County EMS is a for-profit business that would want to make a profit. He said that they have not been awarded the contract yet, "They'd be crazy if they bought property until they had a contract signed with the county," he said. He said they are talking about what they would like to do and what they would try to do, but until they have a contract it is unreasonable to make them answer specifics. "To go down that road and to have that argument and that kind of discussion is not fair," he said.

Kathy Collins who was in the audience asked the commissioners if the four-year contract had a review process. Commissioner Gregory replied that if at any time the contract was not being fulfilled it could be cancelled.

Woodruff said the service that Simpson was describing was the same service her company has provided all along to the county.

A member of the audience asked the commissioners if they were comfortable giving close to a million dollars of taxpayer money to an entity not from Martin County.

"Amanda, where do you live?" asked Commissioner Paul George to Woodruff.

She replied that she lives in Daviess County but the property of the ambulance service is in Martin County and she pays taxes on it.

Simpson said he understands what they are saying but Knox County EMS would invest in the county. He said the ultimate goal would be to buy a piece of property in Martin County. "We're not taking taxpayer money and running," he said. It was also noted that they want to hire local people.

Another member of the audience asked if the service through Knox County EMS would be the same or better than the current service provided by Martin County Ambulance. Simpson reiterated that the service is

the same as is being provided now and the goal is to provide an even higher level and he would include that in the contract if need be.

Woodruff, through tears, told the commissioners that she has been invested in the county for several years. She said she knows the people in the county, cares for the county, and the ambulance crew is like a family. She said she was not trying to get extra money out of the county; she had been operating on too little for a long time. She said that she needed the extra amount to move forward. "We're here, we're vested and we've proven ourselves over and over and there's a great bunch of people here that have served this county tremendously and we want that opportunity to follow it through and to continue on," she said.

"I admire the loyalty, I really do. Amanda, you've assembled a fantastic crew," said Commissioner Gregory. He explained however that the county has gone through a tremendous amount of cuts and they have to save money wherever possible. With that, he made a motion to accept the bid of Knox County EMS with Commissioner John Winger making the second. Commissioner George opposed but the motion passed 2-1.

After the bid, a member of the audience asked how Knox County EMS could come in \$100,000 lower than the next bid. Commissioner Gregory said, "I can't second guess their bid, if they lose money, that's on them."

In other business, Highway Superintendent Jim Williams reported to the commissioners that the State Highway Department will be reworking County Road 650 South and they need to adjust the speed limits on four county roads. Alfordsville Road will be reduced to 20 miles per hour, Truelove Church Road will be reduced to 25 miles per hour, Webb Road will be changed to 20 miles per hour, and Huffman Road will be reduced to 25 miles per hour.

The current speed limit for all un-posted roads is currently 35 miles per hour.

The commissioners also signed the unofficial detour for work on Hwy 450 which will put traffic through County Farm Road and Hickory Ridge Road. Williams said the state highway will be responsible for any damage done to the road while it is being used for the work.

Williams also reported that he received information on the road salt bid. He said the cost will be \$64.25 per ton delivered to Shoals and went up nine percent from last

year. He put in an order for 100 ton.

Nathan Walker with Midwestern Engineers and Shoals Town Attorney Paul Vogler came before the commissioners with a problem getting an easement to put in water lines on Spring Hill Road. The town received a grant for nearly \$1 million for the project. One property owner did not sign the paperwork required for the easement and the attorney needed the commissioners to pass a resolution authorizing a negotiation or execute an easement to the town of Shoals. The commissioners agreed to the resolution.

Steve Sacksteder from Red Door Industries came before the commissioners to request being added again to this year's commissioners' budget. He asked for \$4,000 and had received \$2,800 last year and noted that their budget has been cut by 20 percent in state funding. He explained all the services Red Door provides to the county.

The commissioner agreed to do what they can at next month's meeting when they discussed the budget.

Becky Guthrie with Ride Solutions also approached the commissioners requesting to be added to next year's budget. The county's contribution to Ride Solutions was cut last year down to \$300 which Guthrie said is the lowest amount they receive – the next closest county contributing \$4,500. She asked the commissioners that if possible they increase that amount.

Ride Solutions offers service to 10 counties in Indiana and provided 10,000 rides for Martin County residents last year. Martin County was one of the original four counties where the service began. Guthrie said that 38 percent of their rides are for getting people to work with 29 percent for medical purposes. She said a lot of people believe they only provide service to the elderly, to the disabled, or for medical reasons. She said that anyone can utilize their service. An in-town ride runs \$2 with in-county rides being \$3. The cost to get a ride to outside the county costs a little more. The commissioners also told Guthrie they would see what could be done with the budget.

At the end of the meeting, Dale Tedrow came before the commissioners again looking for dust control on his road. He has been to a few previous meetings asking when oil would be put down.

Commissioner Winger, who is the elected representative of that district, said he would speak to Highway Superintendent Williams to find out what could be done.



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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

Tuesday, June 7

11:48 a.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle on S.R. 450.

2:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:12 p.m. - Received a call regarding trespassing.

5:24 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm on Ziegler Road.

6:22 p.m. - Received a report of a possible stranded motorist on U.S. 231, near Beard Road.

7:35 p.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm on Spout Springs Road.

9:48 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across the roadway on Mt. Pleasant Road.

10:13 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver in Shoals.

10:31 p.m. - Received a report of text message harassment.

Wednesday, June 8

1:27 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle having backed into a pole at Jason Jones Trucking.

1:59 a.m. - Received a report of a fire in front of CVS in Loogootee.

7:43 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:16 a.m. - A female caller advised of a dog that had killed one of her cats.

1:30 p.m. - A female caller reported that her parents' house had been broken into and items were stolen.

2:43 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. No transport was necessary.

3:46 p.m. - Received a complaint regarding skunks at a residence.

4:58 p.m. - Received information about a possible unlicensed driver.

5:02 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle off the roadway on U.S. 150, near Mill Road.

5:07 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle inspection.

6:32 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle making bad passes on U.S. 231, in the Haysville area.

7:11 p.m. - Received a report of a lost cell phone.

7:33 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded truck on U.S. 150.

10:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on S.R. 450. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:50 p.m. - Received a report of a battery.

Thursday, June 9

5:02 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Panhandle Road. The subject was

Yelling pedestrian arrested in Martin County last week

Thursday night, June 9, at approximately 8:45 p.m., Indiana State Police Trooper Jarrod Lents was traveling west on Hwy 150 east of Boyd Hollow Road when he observed a male walking along side the highway.

The male yelled at the trooper as he passed by. Trooper Lents turned around to see what the male needed. The male identified himself as Roger A. Terry, 29, of Shoals.

While Trooper Lents was talking to Terry he noticed his speech was slurred and detected an odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath. Trooper Lents arrested Terry for public intoxication.

A smoking pipe containing marijuana was later found on the ground several feet from where they had been standing which added the charge of possession of marijuana under 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor. Further investigation revealed

Terry was arrested by Trooper Craig Starr for public intoxication and possession of marijuana on June 4 while walking in the same area on Hwy 150. Terry was taken to the Martin County Jail.

Trooper Lents was assisted by Shoals Town Marshall Todd Eckert.

transported to Orange County Hospital.

5:04 a.m. - Received a report of children throwing rocks at cars on U.S. 231, north of West Boggs Park.

5:26 a.m. - Received a report of a broken windshield due to the subjects throwing rocks on U.S. 231.

9:43 a.m. - A female caller advised that someone had hit her vehicle during the night.

12:41 p.m. - Received a call about a civil dispute.

2:30 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle inspection in Shoals.

5:15 p.m. - A male caller advised of a dispute with a neighbor on Chicken Farm Road.

6:38 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver in the Shoals area.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of an ammonia leak at White River Co-Op.

10:34 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at the U.S. Gypsum Plant. No transport was necessary.

Friday, June 10

12:35 a.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 231, at the Alfordville turnoff.

2:20 a.m. - A male caller in Crane Village reported a dog on his porch that would not leave.

3:12 a.m. - Received a report of a tree blocking both lanes of travel on U.S. 50 at the Martin-Lawrence County line.

10:51 a.m. - A male subject called in and requested a report for a tree that fell on his vehicle.

11:15 a.m. - Loogootee Police Department advised to be on the lookout for a black Ford truck that drove off without paying for gas at the Marathon in Loogootee.

1:16 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a motor vehicle accident on JFK Ave. The caller advised it was south of the railroad tracks and no one is injured. Loogootee Police Department responded.

1:51 p.m. - Martin County Ambulance responded to a residence on US 231 near Bramble for a juvenile with a hand injury. Air Evac transported the Juvenile to Louisville.

11:00 p.m. - Received a call from a resident of Shoals advising that a vehicle at the Shoals boat landing was firing off shots and shining a light in surrounding residents.

Saturday, June 11

2:10 a.m. - Deputy Steve Hale was contacted about stolen fishing poles from West Boggs Park. Deputy Hale took the information and passed to Daviess County Sheriff's Department.

5:29 a.m. - Received a report of a tri-axle farm truck broke down on Hwy. 231.

11:16 a.m. - Received a call from a female requesting to speak to an officer. She advised that she was involved in an altercation last night, and found money missing when she awoke this morning.

1:18 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in the Shoals area. The caller

Real estate transfers

Michael S. DeCoursey and Amber D. DeCoursey, of Martin County, Indiana to **Donald F. Bowling and Patricia A. Bowling**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, and containing a calculated area of 15,795 square feet. Also, 17,824 square feet in the same section.

Gerald D. Crouse and Patricia E. Crouse, of Martin County, Indiana to **Jeffrey S. Walton**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana and containing 3.73 acres. Also, a portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana and containing 3.30 acres.

advised his wife had an accident on a four-wheeler. Martin County Ambulance transported the female to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:16 p.m. - Received a call from a female requesting to speak to an officer in reference to a child custody issue.

5:18 p.m. - Received a call reporting a possible break-in in the Shoals area.

5:55 p.m. - Received a report of children on a bus throwing water balloons into oncoming traffic.

6:15 p.m. - A male subject come on station requesting to speak to an officer about some items he had missing.

9:40 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting someone broke into a shed and stole numerous items in the Shoals area.

10:59 p.m. - Shoals Fire Department responded to a report of a possible gas leak at RJ's in Shoals.

Sunday, June 12

1:00 a.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver in Shoals. The description was a red 1990s model Chevy Camaro.

2:50 a.m. - Received a call from Indiana State Police in reference to a juvenile complaint.

10:51 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals for a male that was not breathing.

5:40 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on Brooks Bridge Road. The vehicle was a white two-door car.

8:47 p.m. - Received a report of a possible tank leaking at the White River Co-op in Loogootee. Deputy Steve Nolan responded to scene, and White River Co-op was contacted.

Monday, June 13

12:17 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on East River in Shoals.

8:55 a.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on Hwy 50 near the fairgrounds.

9:44 a.m. - Had a male subject call and request to speak to an officer requesting a report for theft.

10:10 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee for a male with chest pain. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:23 a.m. - Had a male subject call and request to speak to an officer requesting a report for theft.

10:53 a.m. - Received a request for a ve-

hicle unlock in Shoals.

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50. The caller advised the vehicle turned into RJ's in Shoals.

3:31 p.m. - Received a report of a breaking and entering on Chicken Farm Road in Shoals.

3:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee for a male unconscious and is breathing. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:25 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a possible intoxicated driver on US 231.

6:33 p.m. - Received a request to speak to an officer about on-going harassment.

6:52 p.m. - Received a call from a female requesting to speak to an officer in reference to a civil complaint.

8:30 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near the Martin State Forest.

8:43 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance for a female with extremity bleeding.

10:52 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Hwy 50 near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:53 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance for a male with chest pain near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Tuesday, June 14

2:46 p.m. - Deputy Josh Green assisted a motorist at the Sunoco station in Loogootee.

9:10 a.m. - Had a female call in and request to speak to an officer in reference to identification theft.

9:30 a.m. - Received a request for an A.T.V. inspection on Hwy 50 near Loogootee.

9:45 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at a nursing home in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:13 a.m. - Received a dog complaint on Emmons Ridge Road.

12:07 p.m. - Received a report of a verbal altercation on Poplar Grove Road.

1:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance for a male with diabetic issues. Martin County Ambulance transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Martin County accident reports

Monday, June 6

9:35 p.m. - Logan King, of Shoals, had his 2011 Ford parked in the China Wok parking lot. During this time, another vehicle had struck his vehicle and left the scene. No injuries were reported. Sgt. Norris investigated.

Thursday, June 9

10:18 a.m. - Delphia D. Baker was backing her Pontiac in Sunset Trailer Court when she backed into a 2004 Chevy owned by Jared Welker, of Loogootee. The impact caused Welker's vehicle to strike a trailer also owned by Welker. No injuries were reported. Captain Akles investigated.

Friday, June 10

11:16 a.m. - Wilma E. Mason, of Loogootee, was operating a 1998 Toyota stopped on Church Street attempting to proceed onto JFK Avenue. Mason stated she was too close to JFK Avenue and reversed when she struck the front of a 2010 Mercury operated by Starlee Boyd, of Odon. No injuries were reported. Captain Akles investigated.

3:54 p.m. - Ronald Sageser, 67, of Palmyra, was eastbound on US 50 west of Dover Hill Road when the vehicle in front of him was stopped in the eastbound lane waiting to turn into a private drive. Sageser swerved in an attempt to miss the vehicle in front of him driven by Jerry Hayes, 23, of Winslow but was unsuccessful. Sageser's 2008 Dodge Ram sustained damage to the

front end. Hayes' 2003 Chevy Tracker sustained damage to the entire right side. No one was injured in the accident. US 50 between Loogootee and Shoals was closed for approximately one hour. The investigating officer was Sergeant Keith Keller with the Martin County Sheriff's Department. He was assisted by Chief Deputy Tony Dant, Deputy Steve Hale, Loogootee Police Officer Jason Hennette, Loogootee Fire Department, Martin County EMS, and G&M Wrecker Service.

Saturday, June 11

10:11 a.m. - Delilah Jewell, of Shoals, was operating a Ford and backing from a parking spot at Old National Bank. Jena Zimmerman, of Loogootee, was also backing up her Ford at the same time. Both vehicles backed into each other. No injuries were reported. Captain Akles investigated.

Sunday, June 12

1:19 p.m. - Stephen Foxx, 61, of Mount Caramel, Illinois was driving down US 150, east of Fairview Lane, when his motorcycle left the road after exiting a curve. Foxx was ejected off the motorcycle and thrown into a ditch. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire department responded. Air Evac transported Foxx to the University of Louisville for head trauma and was in critical condition. Foxx was not wearing a helmet. The investigating officer was Deputy Keith Keller.

Loogootee Police log

Monday, June 6

10:10 a.m. - Female came on station to report a suspicious person around the high school. Chief Rayhill checked the area and was unable to locate.

11:41 a.m. - A male came on station to report a civil issue.

12:32 p.m. - Caller reported a silver Jeep all over the road. Chief Rayhill located and stopped the vehicle. Driver stated that she was texting.

4:29 p.m. - A male requested a welfare check on his daughter.

5:05 p.m. - A female reported her purse stolen. It was determined that the theft happened outside city limits. Martin County Sheriff's Department was notified.

Tuesday, June 7

2:04 p.m. - Caller stated a two-year-old had been bitten by a dog while in a home on Crane Street. Chief Rayhill responded. Child was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital with minor injuries. Dog was later put down.

5:43 p.m. - Sgt. Hennette assisted with a military convoy.

11:07 p.m. - Caller reported two people on scooters racing. Sgt. Norris located and spoke with the drivers.

Wednesday, June 8

1:59 a.m. - Caller reported landscaping on fire in front of CVS. Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched.

6:30 a.m. - Caller reported extra patrol.

7:17 a.m. - An employee at Marathon reported a suspicious item next to the propane tanks. Chief Rayhill responded along with Fire Chief Morgan Huebner. ISP was notified and the EOD team was dispatched. The item was detonated from a distance and the item did not contain any chemicals that could have caused an explosion. Police believe this was only a prank. Anyone with information regarding this incident may call LPD at 295-2246.

7:41 a.m. - First responders were requested on Byron Street for a male with chest pains.

4:31 p.m. - A male came on station to report a child custody issue.

6:35 p.m. - A female came on station to report she was having problems with her juvenile daughter. Sgt. Hennette spoke with the mother.

7:38 p.m. - A male reported a parking problem on North Line Street.

8:45 p.m. - A female reported a male on her property trying to cause problems. Sgt. Hennette responded.

11:45 p.m. - A female reported a suspicious male in an older green pickup with a red passenger door and camper shell. Female stated this vehicle was following behind some juvenile girls with the headlights off. Extra patrol was requested.

Thursday, June 9

3:19 a.m. - A male reported harassing phone calls.

11:54 a.m. - Captain Akles assisted with a funeral escort.

6:23 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

9:25 p.m. - A male reported a business possibly unsecured. Sgt. Hennette checked the business.

9:56 p.m. - A female requested to speak with an officer regarding her daughter.

Friday, June 10

10:54 a.m. - Washington Police requested

assistance in locating two subjects.

11:12 a.m. - An employee at Marathon reported a person driving an older model black Ford had drove off without paying for gas. Vehicle left eastbound on 50. Martin County Sheriff's Department was notified.

2:05 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department requested the helicopter landing zone set up. Loogootee Fire was dispatched.

3:55 p.m. - First responders were requested on US 50 for a vehicle accident.

4:56 p.m. - Male caller reported a domestic dispute on SW 3rd Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

7:54 p.m. - Female reported loud music and animal cruelty on North Line Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

8:08 p.m. - A male reported being harassed.

9:14 p.m. - A female requested to speak with an officer in regards to her juvenile daughter.

10:18 p.m. - A male reported an open pole barn door.

10:51 p.m. - A female reported people being loud near the high school basketball courts. Sgt. Hennette advised the Relay for Life was going on.

Saturday, June 11

12:12 a.m. - Female caller reported her daughter was battered in Shoals. Martin County Sheriff's Department was notified.

12:20 a.m. - A male came on station to report he had been battered. Statement forms were given. Sgt. Hennette investigated.

4:35 a.m. - A male in Shaded Estates reported dogs being left in the rain without shelter.

8:22 a.m. - Captain Akles assisted with a military convoy.

10:02 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was dispatched for a strong odor on US 231. The gas company was later notified.

1:52 p.m. - Caller reported a smoke alarm going off at the 4-H Center. Loogootee Fire was dispatched and no fire was observed.

2:46 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a controlled burn at the county line.

5:57 p.m. - Female reported kids throwing water balloons from a school bus between Jasper and Loogootee. Martin County Sheriff's Department was notified.

9:23 p.m. - A male reported he was out of town and his garage door may be open. Sgt. Norris arrived and closed the door.

10:35 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute at Wiscaver Apartments. Sgt. Norris responded.

Sunday, June 12

2:50 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department requested assistance with a domestic dispute on US 231. Sgt. Norris responded.

9:00 a.m. - A female reported harassment.

11:30 a.m. - A female came on station to report being harassed by another female.

1:40 p.m. - Captain Akles assisted with a military convoy.

4:51 p.m. - Caller advised of a possible intoxicated driver four miles south on US 231.

6:54 p.m. - Caller advised of heavy smoke in the Whitfield area. Loogootee Fire was dispatched and it was determined to be a controlled burn.

The City of Loogootee would like to remind citizens that if you operate a golf cart in the city limits, it must be registered with the city. Operators can be cited and the cart can be towed.

More than 30 citations issued during 'Click It or Ticket' enforcement effort

Martin County Sheriff's Department officers issued a total of 29 seatbelt citations during the state's annual Click It or Ticket mobilization, conducted May 20 to June 5.

In all, the agency issued a total of 32 citations for all traffic-related offenses such as seatbelt, speeding, and license violations. "We had some strong storms hit the county at the beginning of the blitz which slowed things down a bit," said Sergeant Keith Keller. "However, deputies were able to get out and patrol in the last half of Click It or Ticket." Following is a breakdown of ar-

rests made and citations issued during the 2011 Click It or Ticket mobilization effort.

Seatbelt citations - 29
Child restraint citations - 1
Other citations - 2

"Click It or Ticket" is an annual enforcement effort supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

In Indiana, more than 260 state and local law enforcement agencies participate in the mobilization, through grants administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute's Traffic Safety division.

Martin County Court News

Persons listed on criminals charges are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

June 1

Arthur Charles Terry II, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

June 6

Scott A. Sellers, carrying a handgun without a license, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 7

Roger A. Terry, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Edward M. Grooms, criminal mischief, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Kevin L. Graber, operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCINGS

May 26

Teresa D. Alspaugh, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance, a Class D Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days in the Martin County Security Center with 277 days suspended and 270 days credit. Defendant received 10 months of informal probation.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

June 3

Pamela Padgett vs. Tristan Hamblin, civil tort.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

June 3

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Michael and Carla Carr, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Rebecca L. Keefe, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. John W. Deckard, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Tammara S. Carmichael, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Rodney K. Bridges, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Matthew

S. West, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Efrain Fuentes, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Linda S. Hirasuna, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. John A. Vermeulen, Jr., complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Ronald D. Crowder, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Shawn and Kayla Henderson, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Shaina D. Russell, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Paul M. Edwards, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Angela M. Williams, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Jessica R. Fegan, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Jeriah E. Gamble, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Kristi K. Baker, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Troy R. Daffron, complaint.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID

June 1 - June 7

John Jones, Loogootee, two seatbelt violations, \$25 each.

Leroy Nail, Odon, speeding 63 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

Denise Sandefur, Mortons Gap, Kentucky, speeding 65 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

Jikai Shentu, Bloomington, passing in a no-passing zone, \$124; driving while suspended, \$119.

Joseph Storms, Orleans, speeding 76 in a 55, \$124.

Jeremy Terry, Shoals, seatbelt violation, \$25.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

June 3

Norman John Cole of Loogootee and Jeanine Danae Quinn of Loogootee.

June 8

Daniel James Knepp of Loogootee and Carol Frances Kemp of Loogootee.

Martin County jail bookings

Wednesday, June 8

7:26 p.m. - Michael Like, 26, of Loogootee, was arrested on a Martin County Body Attachment.

Thursday, June 9

1:20 a.m. - Reese Boyd, 42, of Shoals was arrested and charged with domestic battery.

9:02 p.m. - Roger Terry, 43, of Shoals, was arrested and charged with public intoxication and possession of marijuana.

Friday, June 10

2:01 p.m. - Melanie Wiscaver, 29, of Loogootee, was arrested on a warrant for neglect of a dependant. Her bond was set at

\$10,000 cash only.

Sunday, June 12

4:15 a.m. - Viking Wright, 29, of Williams, was arrested by Major Andy Burkhardt on the charge of violation of home detention.

5:07 p.m. - Amy Young, 37, of Bloomington, was arrested by Major Andy Burkhardt after a call was received from an off-duty Spencer County Officer advising he had stopped a drunk driver on Hwy. 231. Young was charged with D.U.I. and neglect of a dependant. Her bond is set at \$10,000 at 10%.

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Animal control commission discusses taxes, fees and laws

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Animal Control Commission met last Wednesday, June 8. Member Ben Survance was not present.

Commission member Don Greene reported that he did research on area animal control ordinances. He said Daviess County does not have an ordinance but Odon and Washington do. Both of those ordinances are similar to what Martin County has. He added that the counties who don't have an ordinance fall back on the state laws. Dubois County just has a leash law but also use the state laws. He said that Dubois County is forming an Animal Control Team that is not government affiliated. The county commissioners, however, have pledged support to the team to help solve the dog problem by paying \$50 per dog that is picked up for the county. The city of Huntingburg has pledged \$10,000 to the team and Ferdinand and Jasper have been approached for help with funding. The group is also not associated with the county's humane society.

Greene also looked into dog tax in surrounding counties. He said that Dubois and Daviess Counties do not charge a dog tax. The only one he has found is the town of Odon.

Commissioner member Johnny Simmons asked Greene if when he says dog tax he is referring to the one dollar charge that is stated in the ordinance. Greene replied that yes, and the cost would be based on whether a dog is altered. He said it would be cheaper for a pet owner who had a dog that had been spayed or neutered.

Simmons replied that he had a problem with charging more for non-altered dogs stating he had a nationally recognized stud that he paid more than \$2,000 for. He said he is already paying a dog tax to the trustee. He said he is unsure when the last time he paid it however but he thought it was \$15 for a kennel license.

Commission member Phyllis Parker stated she thought she had paid \$5 a year per dog. Commission member Terri Dye said that according to state law, the maximum amount the state would allow the county to collect is \$5 per dog, \$50 for breeders of 6 or more dogs, and \$30 for breeders with less than six dogs.

Greene stated that he is just looking for ways to bring in money for the county to help with the dog problem. He said that if the county would just enforce the fines written in the ordinance that may be enough. He added that this doesn't mean fining someone for their dog getting loose. "You don't slap a fine on them right off the bat," he said. He added that first you talk to them and see if the problem can be solved. If not, then the fines can start being written. He said there are a lot of repeat offenders and the police continue to go out to the complaints but nothing is ever done. "The problems are always still there," he said. Greene said that if the calls continue after the ticket is given the first time the fines would continue to go up until the owner is forced to give up the dog.

It was discussed that it would need to be written in the ordinance the steps and levels of complaints and the fines that would need to be imposed for each.

It was also discussed that it was against the law to shoot a dog for just being on your property and not showing any form of aggression.

Discussion moved on to the dog tax with

Commission member Courtney Hughett asking who would assess and/or collect the dog tax if it was put in place. It was previously the job of the township trustees but would possibly be moved to the county level by the auditor's office if it was re-enacted. Commission member Jim Marshall said that when the dog tax was in place before in Martin County, it was up to the owner to voluntarily go in and pay tax on each of their dogs - no bills were sent out. Commission member Parker said that she did receive something in the mail each year for her tax and commission member Dye said that in her township it was listed in the newspaper when it was time to pay. After discussion, it was decided to ask former township assessor Maxine Huebner to attend the next meeting to find out how it was done because she used to collect dog tax in the county.

Commission member Hughett reported that she looked it up in the courthouse and the county was receiving less than \$100 per year for the last four years they collected the dog tax.

Greene stated that in Odon if a person has not paid their dog tax and it is picked up or a complaint is made, the owner is assessed a fine of \$200.

The next item discussed was the licensing. Commission member Parker suggested having owners pay the license fee when they get their dog's annual rabies shot.

Commission member Greene spoke up saying that he felt the law on rabies tags was the most important law that needed to be enforced from the ordinance. He said all dogs six months or older are required to have a rabies vaccination and that those who don't, the owner should be fined. He said it is also convenient for his work with the humane society because when a dog is picked up that has on a rabies tag he just calls the vet to find out whose dog it is.

Commission member Simmons said that putting all dogs in one category is going to cause problems. He said there are regular dogs, working dogs, and hunting dogs. He said there is also a question as to what a nuisance dog is.

Commission member Dye mentioned that state law says that if a county puts in place a licensing system they must have a dog tax in place first.

Commission member Hughett said she didn't feel the commissioners would approve implementing any kind of tax. Noel Harty in the audience asked if even a small tax of maybe \$2 would be denied by the commissioners. Hughett replied that she believed it would really not be worth the time and effort required to collect that small of a tax. She said she felt that the animal control commission would be wasting their time discussing it only to be shot down by the commissioners and that the commission should try to look at how to get the fines enforced by the county and city police departments to help alleviate the dog complaints throughout the county.

Greene agreed stating that people should know that if they have a dog and don't take care of it, a fine would be imposed. It was discussed that a fine of up to \$50 could deter repeat offenders.

Simmons asked about those living in the country and whether a barking dog would be considered a nuisance or whether that would be more of a city issue. It was decided to more closely define the meaning of a nuisance dog at next month's meeting.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 12 at 6 p.m.

Cummins plans 3rd expansion in a year, 600 new jobs by 2014

Governor Mitch Daniels joined executives from Cummins Inc. (NYSE: CMI) last Friday to announce plans for the company's second major headquarters expansion in eight months, creating up to 600 new jobs by 2014.

Cummins' latest expansion, an investment of \$18 million, includes the construction of a 130,000-square-foot office building that will connect to the company's corporate campus in downtown Columbus.

The announcement is the third expansion project in southern Indiana announced by Cummins in the past year. Once the new building is filled, most likely in the first half of 2013, Cummins will employ nearly 3,000 professionals in a two-block area of downtown Columbus, three times its local presence in 2008.

"All of Indiana is proud of Cummins and the huge global success it is achieving. We are running out of ways to thank the company for its continued commitment to Indiana; I guess we'll just thank our stars that Cummins is ours!" said Daniels.

Cummins reported its most profitable year in company history in 2010, largely on the strength of significant growth in large international markets such as China, India and Brazil.

The largest independent maker of diesel engines in the world, more than 60 percent of Cummins' sales are generated outside of the United States. Cummins, who currently employs more than 6,000 workers in Indiana, plans to continue hiring engineering, human resources, information technology, marketing and administrative staff for its Columbus headquarters.

"Today's announcement is another sign that Cummins' strength around the world benefits our business and communities in Indiana," said Cummins chairman and chief executive officer Tim Solso last Friday. "Our strong partnership with the city of Columbus and state of Indiana is crucial to our ability to grow in the state and serves as a model for other communities in which we do business."

Cummins, a nearly century-old, Indiana-born company, designs, manufactures, sells and services diesel engines and related technology through its network of 550 company-owned and independent distributor facilities and more than 5,200 dealer locations in more than 190 countries and territories.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation will support the city of Columbus' application to establish a Certified Technology Park (CTP) designation in the downtown area that encompasses the Cummins campus. IEDC will also consider a request to amend the boundary of the city's existing tech park as part of the project. The city of Columbus will provide \$1 million for local education purposes, and at the request of the Columbus Economic Development Board, will also provide \$12 million in additional local support for project construction costs.

"Today's news is another example of Cummins and the city of Columbus working together to strengthen our community," said Columbus Mayor Fred Armstrong last Friday. "Cummins continues to be a major economic driver in our community, and we remain committed to partnering with the company as it grows here."

Governor requests federal assistance, mainly for state's southern counties

Governor Mitch Daniels last week requested that President Barack Obama provide federal public assistance to 34 counties and individual assistance to 11 counties, mainly in southern Indiana.

The request stems from damage sustained from severe weather, including flooding, tornadoes and straight-line winds, that began April 18, 2011 and continuing.

Individual Assistance

The following counties are included in the request for individual assistance: Decatur, Dubois, Gibson, Greene, Harrison, Lawrence, Monroe, Pike, Posey, Vanderburgh and Vigo.

Individual Assistance can include grants for temporary housing and home repairs, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses, and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

Public Assistance

The following counties are included in the request for public assistance: Benton, Clark, Clay, Crawford, Daviess, Dearborn, Dubois, Floyd, Franklin, Gibson, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Knox,

Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Ohio, Orange, Parke, Perry, Pike, Posey, Putnam, Ripley, Scott, Spencer, Starke, Sullivan, Switzerland, Vanderburgh, Warrick and Washington.

If a disaster declaration for public assistance is granted, state and local governments and certain non-profit organizations in the designated counties would be eligible to apply for federal assistance to pay 75 percent of the approved cost of debris removal, emergency services related to the disaster and repairing or replacing damaged public facilities, such as roads, buildings and utilities.

The request indicated that further damage may be identified and reserved the right to request assistance for additional counties.

IDHS encourages everyone who has not yet reported severe weather damage beginning April 18, 2011 and continuing (including damage from May 25 tornadoes) to report the damage at www.in.gov/dhs. In the middle of the page under "Topics of the Day," click on "Report Damage Beginning April 18, 2011 and Continuing - Wind and Flooding."

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General Motors unveils second major expansion in Bedford

Lt. Governor Becky Skillman joined executives from General Motors last Wednesday to announce the company's plans to expand its manufacturing operations in Bedford, adding 58 new jobs for a total of 91 created and retained jobs by 2013.

The automaker plans to initially invest \$49 million to establish a new line producing block and case castings for a new, eight-speed automatic transmission that will be built in Toledo, Ohio.

"GM's commitment to Indiana remains strong. Its decision to expand and create new jobs in Bedford despite being an industry hard hit by a taxing national economy is good news," said Skillman. "More and more companies are recognizing that Indiana is a great place to do business, and we're glad that GM has selected Indiana for this expansion over other Midwestern states."

Last year, the company revealed plans to invest \$111 million in the installation of a semi-permanent model cylinder head casting line for small block engines and is in the process of fulfilling 245 jobs by 2013. The plant currently uses an aluminum die cast process to manufacture transmission casings and converter housings for the company's fuel-efficient, six-speed transmissions.

"The all-new, eight-speed transmission will improve fuel economy in a number of future vehicles," said Arvin Jones, GM manufacturing manager. "We truly appreciate the support we have received from the Bedford community over the years."

In 2006 and 2007, the company invested \$114 million in Bedford's 915,000 square-foot space to produce transmission cases and converter housings for its fuel-efficient, six-speed transmission. GM's Bedford facility, which currently employs more than 400 associates, opened in 1942 and is one of the company's three Indiana locations: Bedford, Fort Wayne and Marion.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation offered General Motors Co. up to \$200,000 in training grants based on the company's job creation plans. The city of Bedford approved tax abatement for the new manufacturing equipment required to produce the block and case castings.

"The continued investment by General Motors in Bedford is proof of the strong work ethic of our local citizens and the commitment of local officials to support business retention and expansion efforts in our community," said Mayor Shawna Girgis. "I believe that the jobs being retained

and the 58 new jobs being created through this investment marks another economic victory for our community and is once again reason to celebrate."

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Center for Automotive Research, the automotive industry directly employs more than 88,000 workers in Indiana.

About General Motors:

General Motors, one of the world's largest automakers, traces its roots back to 1908. With its global headquarters in Detroit, GM employs 209,000 people in every major region of the world and does business in some 140 countries. GM and its strategic partners produce cars and trucks in 34 countries, and sell and service these vehicles through the following brands: Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, GMC, GM Daewoo, Holden, Opel, Vauxhall and Wuling. GM's largest national market is the United States, followed by China, Brazil, the United Kingdom, Canada, Russia and Germany. GM's OnStar subsidiary is the industry leader in vehicle safety, security and information services. General Motors acquired operations from General Motors Corporation on July 10, 2009, and references to prior periods in this and other press materials refer to operations of the old General Motors Corporation. More information on the new General Motors can be found at <http://www.gm.com/>.

About IEDC

Created by Governor Mitch Daniels in 2005 to replace the former Department of Commerce, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation is governed by a 12-member board chaired by Governor Daniels. Mitch Roob serves as the chief executive officer of the IEDC. For more information about IEDC, visit www.iedc.in.gov.

The Messmer Report By District 63 State Representative Mark Messmer



Obamacare: anything but affordable

I often hear worries from people in my district about the effects of the Affordable Health Care Act, also known as Obamacare. As a small business owner, I also have many concerns about the efficiency and cost of the system when it goes into effect. I was invited by the National Federation of Independent Businesses to speak on behalf of small business owners in Indiana to testify at a Congressional Subcommittee meeting entitled 'The Recent Health Care Law: Consequences for Indiana Families and Workers'.

The hearing, which was held last week, was for the Congressional Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions and was conducted by two members: Chairman Phil Roe and Congressman Larry Bushon. They invited a small group of individuals to testify from many different backgrounds in southern Indiana including small business owners, doctors, representatives from large manufacturing companies in the area and several others.

We all agreed that there were few worthy goals in the new health care reform law; mainly including allowing dependent coverage for individuals up to age 26 and removing pre-existing condition exclusions. But the reality for many is that medical costs and medical insurance costs will increase. Congress, before enacting Obamacare, projected that there would be an increase of only two to four percent in most insurance rates - when in actuality rates have currently increased 30-50 percent for individuals and small groups. They are expected to go up another 50-90 percent for individuals and 10-30 percent for small groups by 2014.

We were each allowed to give a five-minute oral testimony in front of the panel and I laid out my concerns. My company, Messmer Mechanical, Inc., that I co-own in Jasper with my two brothers has already seen a 44 percent increase in our small group health insurance plan this year due to Obamacare; and we pay 100 percent of our employees' health insurance costs. Rising medical insurance costs made it impossible to provide any raises during the 2009 and 2010 recession, and has made it extremely difficult to reinvest in our business.

I believe that the small business tax credit will be very counterproductive to the very

idea of growing a business. People that are successful, instead of being encouraged, will be penalized for that success by having to pay enormous penalties and extra costs. Our worry is that if we expand our business beyond the 47 people we currently employ that the cost will be too much if we want to stay with a private and not a government health insurance plan. There are additional mandates that kick in for companies with more than 50 employees.

I believe that the consensus from the testimony was that business owners from southern Indiana, and all over the country, are uncertain of the ramifications of this mandated insurance. Due to this uncertainty, businesses will likely not be investing in their companies and hiring more employees for fear of the additional costs that will be imposed on them. Instead, most employers and individuals will pay the penalties rather than the unaffordable insurance plans when the mandates take effect in 2014. The new law intentionally drives up the cost of insurance to force employers to drop health insurance, therefore forcing their employees into the government plans in 2014.

The Affordable Care Act is anything but 'affordable'. It will only further harm the economy in Indiana and the United States as a whole. The Indiana General Assembly passed several laws this year that will help reduce some of the harmful effects of Obamacare, and currently Indiana is one of the 26 states have filed suit with the federal government questioning the constitutionality of Obamacare.

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Loogootee filly takes first in Indiana Sires Stakes action

Driver Dan Shetler turned in an outstanding showing in the third leg of Indiana Sires Stakes action Friday, June 10 at Hoosier Park Racing & Casino. Shetler brought home four winners in the \$40,000 events, two of which came from his own barn.

Shetler's final win of the night came behind Lakeview Fest, a three-year-old trotting filly that is now two for three in 2011.

Owned by Lester Raber of Loogootee, the daughter of ABC Garland was a strong contender in last year's series, earning more than \$173,000 and the title in the \$200,000 Indiana Sires Stakes final at Indiana Downs. She has returned to racing this year just as skilled and proved she is a major threat in her category.

Starting from post five in the 11-filly lineup, Lakeview Fest showed just enough early speed to get away in third as She's All Guts and Walter Haynes Jr. stepped out to grab the lead from the far outside, posting the quarter mile time in :28.3. Soxy's Kid and Rick Schaut were right there to challenge and move onto the front before the halfway point in :58.2. However, their spot was not unchallenged. Skyway Priss and Don Eash attempted to unseat the top ones, but could not get the best of them. Shetler saw an opportunity to get out behind Skyway Priss and follow along through the final turn before tipping three wide and getting into position for the stretch drive home.

In the lane, She's All Guts moved from the two-hole and looked primed for a big effort. However, she could not fend off the advances of Lakeview Fest, who trotted home the quickest, picking up the win in a time of 1:59.0. She's All Guts was three-quarters of a length back in second followed by Sergio GL and Marlin Fry, who moved in for third.

"She (Lakeview Fest) is normally strong



-Photo courtesy Hoosier Park Racing

at the end of the mile," said Shetler. "She's just been getting a little better every start. But, it's still a little early in the season."

Shetler, known for his expertise with trotters, also sent out ABC Easter earlier in the night for a win in the first division of three-year-old trotting fillies. Also a favorite in her division, the ABC Garland filly is now three for four this season for owners Crystal Ball Stables of Holland, Ohio and Shetler. She won by a margin of two lengths in a time of 1:59.3.

Other wins on the night included a pair of wins in the three-year-old filly pace divisions with Radar Contact and Endeavor's Glory. Heavily favored Radar Contact was a winner by six and one-half lengths in a time of 1:54.3 while Endeavor's Glory was more of a surprise, only winning by one-half length in a time of 1:55.3, a career best.

"I didn't really expect to win four tonight," said Shetler. "It's always good when you can win that many Sires stakes in one night."

Shetler holds the record for most stakes wins by a trainer over Hoosier Park's oval with 23 heading into the 2011 racing season. With more than 2,200 career wins, he has been a force among the standings each season. He continues to lead the way among all drivers and trainers for most Indiana Sires Stakes wins at Hoosier Park.

Go FishIN Crew Captain Workshop to be held

The Gibson County Soil and Water Conservation District will hold a free Go FishIN workshop Tuesday, June 28 at Princeton, Lafayette Park from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Central Time.

Go FishIN Crew Captain workshops are for adults (e.g. educators and youth leaders) to learn about fish biology, Indiana's aquatic ecosystems, fish management in Indiana, basic angling skills, and angler ethics. Participants will become Crew Captains and can then take this knowledge and these skills to their classrooms and community. Crew Captains also can receive educational

materials (e.g. Hooked On Fishing—Not On Drugs® curriculum) and fishing equipment to implement the program.

Training will be provided by IDNR and the Natural Resources Education Center. No fishing experience is needed and no fishing license is required during the workshop. All fishing equipment will be provided.

The workshop is free but pre-registration is required.

For questions on the details of the workshop, email Clint Kowalik (Go FishIN Coordinator) at gofishin@dnr.in.gov or Ann Ice at 812-385-5033.

Agricultural economist: Indiana farmland values still on the rise

BY LISA SCHLUTTENHOFER
Purdue University News Service

A Purdue agricultural economist expects Indiana farmland values to keep rising this year, continuing a trend that has seen them increase by 270 percent since 1985.

Farmland increased in value by 12 percent last year. In June 2010, the average price for an acre of land in Indiana was \$4,419. With the strong prices in place since last fall, Craig Dobbins expects values to increase significantly.

"When you buy a capital asset, you are buying future income," said Dobbins, who explained that the three main factors driving farmland values are income, interest rates and the growth rate of annual income.

Income has a positive relationship to farmland value. Farm income - what is left after subtracting all costs except land from the overall revenue - has increased greatly with strong commodity prices.

While commodity prices have increased with ethanol production, rising farm input costs need to be watched and have cut into farms' total income, Dobbins said.

"In 2009, petroleum costs went way up and fertilizer costs hit \$1,000 per ton, which was higher than we ever imagined," he said. "This squeezed crop production margins. Farmland values didn't increase as much and, in some cases, small declines occurred."

Interest rates also drive farmland value because low interest rates make it easier to pay for a capital asset like land and make alternative investments less attractive.

"This is one area that a lot of people are talking about, as interest rates peaked in

the 1980s and have been coming down ever since," Dobbins said. "That's helped increase farmland value, but zero is the bottom on interest rates, so it's likely that they will at least flatten out."

Dobbins said that with a growing world population and increased demand, many expect the growth rate of annual incomes to continue to be strong. Better crop genetics, tillage systems and weed control have led to increased yields and increased income.

Many other factors influence farmland prices, such as location and potential development. But, with the greatly decreased housing market of recent years, Dobbins said the movement of farmland into residential developments has slowed dramatically.

Far more people are interested in buying farmland than selling it, Dobbins said. Although it appears likely that farmland values will continue to increase, he advised farmers to be cautious with all purchase and sales decisions.

"Current farmland values are not excessive, but this is all based on the idea that expectations of strong farmland income, low interest rates and a continued growth in farmland income will be realized," Dobbins said. "Sometimes expectations, even widely held expectations, are not realized. When this happens, there can be significant downward adjustments in farmland values. Farmers need to carefully budget through any decision to buy land."

For additional information on farmland values, view the paper and video materials developed by the Purdue Center for Commercial Agriculture at <http://www.agecon.purdue.edu/commercialag/progevents/landvalueswebinar.htm>

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Martin County Chamber of commerce holds May meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce met Wednesday, May 11 at the Martin County Courthouse in Shoals. In attendance were representatives from the following businesses: Tranquil Inn & Spa, Cartridge Depot, Martin County Community Foundation, Century 21, Saltbox Lodge, Highland House B&B, Old National Bank, Pamida, Overlook Rentals and American Tree Experts, Martin County Alliance, and M.C. Special-Tees Candy Store.

FUNDRAISING
It was suggested during the April meeting that the chamber look into selling discount cards as a fundraiser. After polling the membership, it was decided not to follow through with the idea.

Regarding the chocolate and/or wine tasting, Marie Hawkins and Karen Mattingly have been brainstorming ideas and contacted another chamber of commerce to see how they hosted their chocolate expo. Nancy Steiner said she would have more information about the wine tasting for the next meeting. Becky Simmerman suggested contacting the surrounding wineries. Discussion as to when the event should take place lead to Jason Jones' explanation of Tuesday nights being a good time for such an event.

PUBLICATION LISTINGS:
The 2012 Indiana Travel Guide will publish 600,000 copies this year, with 100,000 receiving a special Super Bowl cover to be distributed in key Super Bowl locations. The cost would be \$310. It was suggested that we ask people how they hear about local events or get our contact information so we can see

MarCo Singers present "Land of the Free"

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 18 at 6 p.m. for the MarCo Singers performance at St. John's Lutheran Church in Loogootee. Their appearance is in conjunction with the Loogootee SummerFest. They will present the patriotic musical "Land of the Free" arranged by Russell Mauldin in four-part harmony.

The public is cordially invited to enjoy this beautiful patriotic musical that celebrates God and country. MarCo Singers are a combined-voices choir with members coming from their own church choirs. They are directed by Paula Ringwald with assistance by Debbie Parsons. Narrator is Roger Downey.

Selections include "America the Beautiful", "My Country 'tis of Thee", "Battle Hymn of the Republic", and invites the audience to join in singing our National Anthem. Each attendee will receive a flag to wave during the finale. See you at the SummerFest!

which channel is most effective. Jim Stoughton motioned that the chamber pursue the Indiana Travel Guide for 2012; Marie Hawkins seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The *Washington Times Herald* created an insert focusing on local summertime fun spots. For Martin County to be included in the full-color insert it cost \$125 for a 1/8 page or \$200 for a 1/4 page. The insert was distributed along with the newspaper to local residents and in restaurants, hotels and etc. on Saturday, May 28. J. Jones motioned to take advantage of the opportunity, B. Simmerman seconded the motion and all were in favor.

SUMMERFEST:
The chamber and Alliance co-sponsored the Golf Scramble on Saturday morning, June 11 at Lakeview Golf Course. The chamber also sponsored the Loogootee Queen Competition on Saturday night, June 11 in the high school auditorium.

TOURISM COMMITTEE UPDATE:
On Saturday, May 21 the Indiana Perennial Exchange met at the Martin County Fairgrounds. Chamber member Karen Whorrall hosted the event.

On Monday, June 6 the MG Car Club made a pit stop in Shoals on their cross country trek across U.S. Highway 50. There were an expected minimum of 100 cars that passed through. The tourism committee worked with the Indiana MG chapter president on hosting the drivers and provided them with local information.

Jim Stoughton suggested that we post as many things as possible about Martin County on the Indiana Hill Country Facebook page. Information from the Facebook page will be used in a brochure covering regional information.

Jason Jones is involved in creating a Martin County video promoting local attractions. No date has been set as to when the video will be complete however upon completion it will also be available online.

USDA REVOLVING LOAN:
The chamber's new contact with the USDA, Deb Boudreau, has been in contact with the chamber to set up a time for a review. Nancy Steiner and Jim Henry have meet and will be in contact with Ms. Boudreau for the review.

FINANCE REPORT
Nancy Steiner suggested putting the finance report at the top of the agenda from now on, along with the minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes will also be emailed to the members each month. Chamber treasurer, Susan Arthur, provided a financial report. J. Stoughton motioned to approve the report; M. Hawkins seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Dr. Poirier recognized at annual conference

James Poirier, MD received the "Doc Hollywood" Award at Indiana Rural Healthcare Association's 14th Annual Rural Health Conference in Indianapolis on June 7. The award recognizes rural health physicians who go above and beyond the call of duty to provide health care to rural and underserved residents throughout the state of Indiana.



Dr. Poirier received his medical degree at Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, Canada, where he also completed his internship. He has been affiliated with Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center since 1981. Dr. Poirier sees patients at Loogootee Family Medicine, 105 Cooper Street in Loogootee. Appointments may be made by calling 812-295-2812.

Calendar of Events

New Beginnings ministry

New Beginnings Community Church will hold their distribution of free new socks and underwear to school-age children on June 25 from 9 a.m. to noon at the church located on West Main Street in Loogootee.

Shawl Ministry meeting

The non-denominational Woven with Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet Monday, June 27 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Loogootee United Methodist Church in the prayer room. Yarn, patterns, needles, and hooks are available upon request. For more information, contact Dianna Overall at 295-2639 or Teresa Davis at 295-2947.

Retirement presentation

Creating dependable, predictable retirement income that will last a lifetime is one of the highest priorities when planning for retirement. A special presentation will be conducted by Lucas Chamberlain, Financial Adviser of Northwestern Mutual on Thursday, June 16, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Martin County Community Learning Center. Items to be discussed include: how to effectively address the six key retirement risks, how the right combination of solutions can help protect your retirement assets, and how to establish retirement income that will last a lifetime. If you have any questions, please call 812-471-2200.

Animal Control Commission

The Martin County Animal Control Commission will meet Tuesday, July 12 at 6 p.m. in the city council meeting room of the Loogootee Municipal Building. The meeting is open to the public.

Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Martin County Community Learning Center on the fairgrounds.

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.

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.

Recovery support group

The Overcomers Recovery Support Group meets every Tuesday night at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Learning Center.

Martin County ABATE meetings

The Martin County Chapter of ABATE of Indiana will meet Wednesday, June 15 at 6 p.m. in Loogootee Family Restaurant.

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Golf Scramble

-Photos by Nancy Steiner

The SummerFest Golf Scramble was held last Saturday morning at Lakeview Golf Course. In the photo below, representatives from the two co-sponsors of the scramble prepare lunch. On the left is Tim Kinder with the Martin County Alliance and on the right is Karen Mattingly with the Martin County Chamber of Commerce.



Loogootee resident honored at Purdue University

About 13,000 Purdue University students earned academic honors for the spring 2011 semester.

To earn honors, students must have had at least a 3.5 semester or cumulative grade point average on a four-point scale.

Dana M. Steiner of Loogootee received this honor and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts.

Loogootee School Board

The Loogootee School Board will meet Tuesday, June 21 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room off of the superintendent's office in the high school.

Items on the agenda include end-of-the-year transfers, book lists and fees, along with normal agenda items including personnel.

The meeting is open to the public.

Jug Rox Open to be held July 9

The Fourth Annual Jug Rox Open will be held Saturday, July 9 at Crane Golf course with an 8 a.m. start. All proceeds from this one-day scramble will help with the cost of the Shoals Boys' Basketball Summer Program. The players will be playing in three local team tourneys (Springs Valley, North Daviess, and Linton) during the months of June and July. In addition to the tourneys, the team will be attending the Dan Sparks' Team Camp in Terre Haute during the last week of June. The cost of the camp is \$230 per camper. All money donated and collected from the scramble will help pay players entry fees.

All sponsors will be recognized on a prize sheet that each golfer will receive during registration. Any and all types of donations will be accepted. Last year, they received

gift certificates as well as monetary donations. The basketball program would like to send all players to camp for free. Coach Brian Smith feels the success they have had over the last couple of seasons can be traced back to the hard work that has been put forth during the summer months. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Coach Smith at 247-2090 or by email smithb@shoals.k12.in.us.

If you would like to enter a team, please contact the pro shop at Eagle View Golf Course at 854-0100. The more teams there are, the better the day will be. Lunch will be provided for all golfers.

Coach Smith wants to encourage everyone to come out for a great day of golf, prizes, food and fun. The cost for the scramble will be \$45 per golfer.

Shoals Boys' Summer Basketball Camp

The Shoals Boys' Summer Basketball Camp will be held during the week of June 20 thru June 24. The camp will be open for any boy that will be in grades 1-8 for the 11-12 school year.

The camp will consist of fundamentals, games, and contests. The cost of the camp is \$15 and each camper will receive a t-shirt for attending. Boys' varsity basketball head coach Brian Smith feels that the summer time is the most important time of the year for a player to develop and strengthen their skills.

Along with fundamentals, players will learn the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship with their fellow teammates. Coach Smith looks forward to working with your son and teaching him the essential skills of basketball. If you have any questions feel free to contact him here at school.

Parents may sign their child up on the first day of camp if needed.

The schedule is as follows:

Grades 1 and 2 - 9 a.m. to 9:55 a.m.

Grades 3, 4, and 5 - 10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m.

Grades 6, 7, and 8 - 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

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Giving back

-Photo by Joshua Hughett

Leslie Summers and her daughter Brooklyn set up their own Alex's Lemonade Stand last Saturday at Blake Hi-Y Car Wash. Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was started by Alexandra Scott's parents in 2005 to continue the work that Alex began to help raise money to find a cure for cancer. Alex, who was fighting her own cancer, set up a lemonade stand every year. She lost her battle with cancer in 2004 at the age of eight, but her lemonade stands continue to pop up every year all over. Leslie said that so far they have raised \$610 and their goal was \$500. She said that despite what the photo shows, the sun did come out eventually to allow for a beautiful day. Leslie said Brooklyn worked really hard serving lemonade throughout the day and she and her husband, Travis, are very proud of her. During clean-up at closing time, Travis and Leslie found Brooklyn in the car fast asleep for her day of hard work.



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Shoals School Board approves handbooks, meal price increase

Minutes provided by Andrea Qualkenbush, Superintendent Secretary

The Shoals School Board met in regular session on Thursday, June 9.

The board held a second reading of the 2011-12 elementary parent/student handbook. Carolyn Eubank, elementary principal, asked that the board approve one additional change to the handbook. She explained that she would like to eliminate the afternoon recess time for students in grades K-3 for scheduling language arts times. The board approved the request with member Bill Shobe opposed. He stated that he feels the students in grades K-3 need an afternoon recess break.

The board held a second reading of the 2011-12 junior/senior high school student handbook as well as the extra curricular activities handbook. Mr. Springer, principal, stated that there were no additional changes from those noted at the first reading. The board voted unanimously to approve both handbooks.

The board approved a resolution for transfer of funds that gives the corporation treasurer permission to transfer funds from or within the general fund to any fund in need of cash until money is received from the June county allocation.

The board approved the re-appointment of Lisa Elliott as corporation treasurer and Dorothy Tredway as corporation deputy and

cafeteria treasurer.

The board also approved the re-appointment of Deborah Howell as jr./sr. high ECA treasurer and Darla Holt as elementary ECA treasurer.

Also approved by the board was the increase of breakfast and lunch prices by five cents per meal as follows:

- Breakfast Students - \$1.35
- Breakfast Adult - \$1.75
- Lunch Grades Preschool - 3 - 1.90
- Lunch Grades 4 - 6 - \$1.95
- Lunch Grades 7 - 12 - \$2.05

The board approved additional mileage paid to contracted school bus drivers during road closing due to flooding this spring. The additional mileage claims are as follows:

- Paul George - Bus Route #3, 696 miles, \$2,044.85
- John Gore - Bus Route #4, 616 miles, \$1,680.45
- Keith Emmons - Bus Route #5, 183 miles, \$612.68
- Ted Emmons - Bus Route #6, 338 miles, \$1,283.72
- Warren Albright - Bus Route #12, 238.5 miles, \$1,084.90
- Gerald Montgomery - Bus Route #13, 181.3 miles, \$708.52
- Eva Neeley - Bus Route #16, 240 miles, \$863.52

The board approved a request from the Catfish Festival Committee to use the gymnasium if needed in the event of inclement weather during the 2011 Catfish Festival, July 1-4, 2011 and the use of the baseball field and outdoor areas to hold an Alumni Baseball Game during the 2011 Catfish Festival.

Dr. Nonte reported to the board that with school bus drivers changing to direct deposit for their pay beginning this fall, it has become apparent that it would be helpful to have contracted bus driver pay on alternating weeks of the other staff members due to complications from accounting reports. He explained that a questionnaire has been sent to each bus driver asking for approval of changing pay dates from what was stated in the bid specifications.

If the pay date change is approved by the bus drivers, it will be recommended for approval by the school board.

Dr. Nonte also reported to the board that legislation has been passed that will move the election of school board members from the spring primary election to the fall general election beginning with the 2012 election year.

Any board member who is elected in November of 2012, will then be seated January 1, 2013.

Denise Garrett, board secretary, read thank you cards from Dottie Hopkins and Debbie Stinson. They thanked the board for thoughtfulness following the death of their mother, Jane Patterson.

The next meeting will be a regular session on July 14 at 5 p.m.

Classes and programs at the Martin County Learning Center

Ivy Tech Excel training in Martin County! - Ivy Tech will conduct Excel training for the public beginning on June 23. Training will be held on Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Martin County Community Learning Center, and will focus on preparing participants for the Microsoft Specialist Certification. For more information, contact Katrina Jones at 812-330-6042 or katjones@ivytech.edu. To register, please visit www.ivytech.edu/bloomington/cll/personal-enrichment/computing.html.

NEW! Resume and Cover Letter Basics - This is a basic course designed to help applicants with their resume and cover letter for the private sector or government contractor positions. The class is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on July 14 and the cost is \$25. This course is being offered by Darlene Ridgway with Bramble Consulting. Applicants need to pre-register no later than the Friday before the scheduled class date. Contact Kathy at the learning center to pre-register.

USAJOBS Workshop (Resume Builder) - The USAJOBS workshop is provided by Bramble Consulting (Dar-

lene Ridgway). USAJOBS is the Federal government's official website and provides access to more than 30,000 job listings world-wide. This is an online resume training session and will provide applicants with information and advice needed to apply for a government position. USAJOBS Resume Builder allows you to create one uniform resume that provides all the information required by most government agencies. The next workshop will be held on June 23 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and cost is \$40. Call the learning center to sign up.

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VU Dean's List for Spring Semester 2011

The Vincennes University Dean's List for Spring 2011 includes students from the Vincennes campus, Jasper campus, Aviation Technology Center in Indianapolis, military bases, and other extended sites. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must complete at least 12 credit hours and achieve a grade point index of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Below are the names of honor students from Martin County.

- LOGOOTE
- Ryan J. Allen, Business Administration;
 - Cole M. Arvin, Engineering Science/Mechanical Engineering Concentration;
 - Erin A. Craney, Education/Special Ed, Mild Intervention;
 - Paul C. Crew, Computer/Software Support Specialist;
 - Hannah R. Flynn, Massage Therapy;
 - Shawn E. Graber, Diesel, Truck & Heavy Equipment Mechanics Tech;
 - Kristin L. Mann, Education/Special Ed, Mild Intervention;
 - Jeffrey S. Mersinger, Engineering Science/Mechanical Engineering Concentration;
 - Nicole A. Pendleton, Pharmacy Technician Certificate;
 - Nicholas S. Petit, Electronics Technology;
 - Ashley D. Roach, Education/Special Ed, Mild Intervention;
 - Justin A. Senne, General Studies;
 - Ashley D. Sutton, Education/Special Ed, Mild Intervention;
 - Tracy E. Todd, General Studies;
 - Laura R. Wagler, Physical Therapist Assistant;
 - Emilie J. Williams, Education/Special Education Concentration

- SHOALS
- Ashley D. French, Pharmacy Technician;
 - Kristy J. Gee, Accounting;
 - Rene A. Hert, Automotive Technology;
 - Ashley M. Jones, General Studies/Associate Degree Nursing;
 - Shannon N. Montgomery, Nursing/Associate of Science;
 - Tawnya M. Showalter, Web Publishing & Design Certificate;
 - Emilee J. Survance, Nursing/RN to BSN Completion;

Shoals Sports Banquet

The Shoals Jr./Sr. High Sports Banquet will be held on Monday, June 20. The banquet will take place in the cafeteria and will start at 6 p.m.

Parents and family members are asked to bring a covered dish and/or desert. If you have any questions you may contact Brian Smith at 812-247-2090 Ext. 306.

- Kyle J. Tarr, Biological, Biomedical Science;
- Adam E. Tedrow, Education/Special Ed, Mild Intervention;
- Luke B. Tedrow, Automotive Technology;
- Shannon R. Wagoner, Education/Special Ed, Mild Intervention

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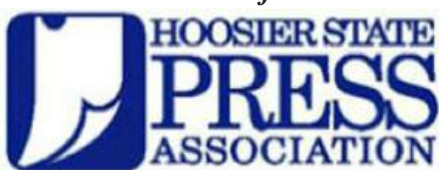
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COUNCIL

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job had other projects that they had to get to and they needed the time to get the job completed prior to STIMULUS's start date of August 1.

Kinder said that 50 jobs will be coming from the lease with STIMULUS, 40 part-time and 10 full-time. STIMULUS will be using the building as a training facility for Crane employees. He also noted that many of those people training come from Lawrence, Monroe, and Greene counties, so it's an opportunity to have new visitors to Loogootee, including some very prominent people. He said this opens the county up for future opportunities. "We have to really give them a good showing and that critical piece is a parking lot," he said. He said someone having to park four blocks away from STIMULUS would probably not want to stick around and spend money after the training.

Council member Rich Taylor said he was going to be blunt and just ask about the talk he has heard around town. He said that residents are saying that the trainees will be bused in and catering will be provided because catering people are already getting contracts. Kinder replied that it is not set in stone about the bus as he has heard it go back and forth. "At this point I cannot say the bus will be happening," he said. As far as the catering, Kinder said that it will be provided to them but they are not required to utilize that serv-

ice. He said he feels the majority will go out referencing the fact that some smoke and they cannot smoke on the property.

Mayor Bowling said he felt it was highly unlikely that people would be bussed down. "No one involved believes that's going to happen," he said.

A resident in the audience asked why the school wouldn't pay for the parking lot since they own the building and the parking lot and they are getting the money in rent. Kinder replied that they are; they are paying \$30,000.

"That's not all of it though," said the resident going on to say that the biggest portion of tax dollars goes to the school also. "I don't understand why the city would want to spend their money to blacktop something that doesn't belong to them and will never belong to them," she said.

Council member Rick Norris said that he has also received a lot of grief about the city paying a portion of this. He said that when it was first discussed, the school was going to pay for the utilities in the lease but now they are not. He said he doesn't understand why they can't take some of the money they are making on the \$312,000 lease and put it toward this project. He said he is also in the rental business, "Nobody puts my driveways in, I just don't see where this should be tax money. That's just my opinion," he said.

It was noted that the school will have to pay taxes on the lease money they make.

Mayor Bowling said he felt this was economic development and the city needs to support economic development.

Council member Rich Taylor said that he doesn't have a problem supporting it he just doesn't feel like the city should have to put in the largest chunk of money.

Council member Phyllis Parker said that she also spoke to a lot of people who were against the city putting in any money on this project. She said those citizens felt that since the school was receiving the lease money, they should pay for it.

Kinder asked Parker about the local businesses. He asked if the city council supported the local businesses that would benefit from those attending training at the facility.

Parker replied stating that there is a restaurant downtown that doesn't have any parking. She asked what the city council would do for that business and others like it.

More discussion ensued on how much to contribute if any. Finally, Phyllis Parker made a motion to pass on contributing any money with Rick Norris making the second and the rest of the council in favor.

Mayor Bowling reported that he and Alliance Director Tim Kinder are still working with Mike Carney of Vincennes to get his business established in the former Perfect Fit building. He said everything is still working out positively and the project is still on-going.

Mayor Bowling recommended that the city employees get a 25 cent raise to be proposed at budget time. This would go for all full-time employees, including the mayor's secretary and the city hall janitor, the mayor and the clerk-treasurer. This would cost a total of \$9,300. Council member Brewer noted that the city council has not had one for eight years. The mayor said this is a recommendation and no action would need to be taken at this time. Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones noted that if passed she was not sure how the raises would come out of the water department funds because it was very low. She added that the MVH fund can no longer support the wages that are currently coming out. She said every year the city receives less and less in that fund. She recommended that the superintendent of road and street, parks, and public work's salary be taken out of different funds. 6.5 percent from the MVH, 6.5 percent from the park and rec fund, and 87 percent from the general fund. This leaves to other employees who get paid out of the MVH fund. The council approved this recommendation.

Going back to the raises, Council member Taylor said that if it is recommended to give some part-time people a raise, all part-time people should get raises including the city council. "The way we get strung up by rope in here every month, I think we deserve another raise," he said. He said that there is not anyone part-time or full-time who doesn't deserve a raise, "and I'm not going to discriminate against any of them," he said. Someone asked him about lifeguards at the pool being included in the raise to which he replied no. Taylor made a motion to this effect with Brewer making a second. The remaining three council members were opposed and the motion didn't pass. In regard to a raise for the city council, Norris said, "I think we are well paid for what we do."

Taylor made another motion taking out the city council for the raise with Brewer making

the second. That motion did pass with Parker and Mattox being opposed.

Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones presented a resolution to the council adding a line to the policy and procedures handbook regarding the grandfathering in of vacation time. She said that it was verbally agreed back when the vacation policy was changed to allow full-time employees to hold onto their vacation time accumulated prior to 2010. Any vacation time accrued after that time had to be used by the end of the year. Jones went on to say that the police chief didn't understand the new policy and gave the police department employees more time than they were allowed last year. She said that his year that has been corrected.

Norris said he thought that the new policy applied to everyone but the police department and that he had a problem with this because when the handbook was changed, he said it was stated that the employees would be able to hold on to their vacation time every year. Jones explained that this was not the case.

Norris said that there is an ordinance in place for the police department's vacation time. Jones said that when the policy manual was passed it cancelled out all the previous ordinances to which Norris replied he doesn't think this is possible. He said an ordinance is a law that must be repealed.

After back and forth conversation, Jones asked Norris if what he was saying was that the police department deserves more vacation time than the other employees. Norris replied that a few of the officers worked longer and should have more vacation time.

The mayor and clerk-treasurer noted that the previous ordinance was changed by someone who penciled in more hours for the police department. "I don't accept that," said Mayor Bowling. Norris explained that when the police department's hours changed back in 1987, that is when the new numbers were penciled in. Mayor Bowling replied that the ordinance that is in the book does not reflect the penciled in information.

After more discussion, the council voted to approve grandfathering in the banked vacation time accumulated prior to January 2010. Norris said he would have the attorney write up a resolution for his recommendation to change the vacation time amounts and present it for a vote at next meeting.

The SummerFest Committee requested the same street closings as in the past. From JFK to Walker Street from 3 p.m. Thursday, June 16 through Saturday, June 18 at midnight and also West First Street on Thursday, June 16 and Friday, June 17 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. and on Saturday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. from Wood Street to Church Street.

Mayor Bowling reported that CSX Railroad came and fixed the crossing at JFK Avenue but not the kind of repair he was expecting. He said they came without any prior notification and when he spoke to the person he thought was in charge, he was told they were there to fix only a broken rail and nothing else. He said he had been asking CSX to repair the rough crossing for over a year.

The council approved the following building permits: Leonard Seal, 105 South Oak Street for a storage shed; Regina Turner, 106 Terrace Avenue for a new porch; Jim Matthews, 300 W Main Street for a duplex.

~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

'Don't allow government to tell us we don't know what's good for us.'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

Government efforts have failed—in everything that has been attempted. Now the future of our republic is up to you and me. Throughout time the creative plans and effort of ordinary people like us has been the vehicle for innovative success. Why? We have seen needs and set forth to use our brains to bring to market products to satisfy those needs because we had the initiative to earn money for our families and assist our communities.

Government attempts to "make jobs" and programs always fail because most people in government have no real-world experience

in business. That's how we've come to this place where we're hopelessly burdened with debt that can never be repaid, and no lasting jobs have been created to boot. That's why the future is up to you and me to create.

How? Left alone to our own devices, we Americans can help each other with immediate needs while innovating and growing small businesses in our communities that will cause our citizens to thrive.

We can only imagine what we may be forced to face in the future. We can help one another in our community and come together when we see needs arise. If we give emotional support to each other, we can survive anything that's ahead of us. Don't allow government to tell us we don't know what's good for us. We can do this.

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BY SHIRLEY CANELL
Pastor's wife

Revelation Chapter 5

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You are called to be missionaries. You are to make disciples. Disciples are the ones baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, someone who is observing the commands of Jesus. This is not an option or a calling for just a select few; it is for all people who publicly identify with Jesus and His church. And for those who are at least

trying through repentance, faith, and the Spirit to obey the teaching of Jesus. It starts here and advances and spreads, this is the calling that Jesus has given each of us.

You are surrounded by people who do not claim Jesus as King and Savior. Who do not worship the God we worship, do not believe the truth of God's word.

A missionary is one who goes to a place where they are surrounded by people who do not believe what they believe then they share the truth with them. The truth so they can come to believe in the one who is the way the truth and the life.

God has given you a network for sharing the love of Jesus. You can be a missionary where you live, at work, school, ball games, gym, on the computer. Where your interests lie, God can use those for you to share Christ.

Through Christ and His supreme, absolute, sovereign authority that was handed to Him, we can witness. It is through the power of Jesus Christ who the authority has been given that you can be a missionary. If you live your life in His authority you will always come out on top. You will always be a powerful witness and missionary.

Being a missionary doesn't mean you add

a lot to your schedule. Jesus is saying we need to have a new way of looking at everything we do as we go about our everyday lives. You are not adding to your schedule you are looking at your schedule in a different way with new eyes to see the opportunity to witness. The way God is accomplishing His purpose is through us, making disciples as we are going about our lives.

Go to work as a missionary. Go to the grocery store as a missionary. Sharing and being a missionary is more than inviting someone to church; ask a friend, "How can I pray for you." Learn to share the gospel. Sharing Jesus is not a "if I feel like it" thing it is a command from your king Jesus. God gives us commands and when we follow them. He takes care of us, blesses us and gives us even more power to do more of His purpose.

Do you want to be a part of His great vision? Follow His purpose with His authority to go and make disciples, to baptize, to teach and to be a missionary with God's almighty blessing of His presence with everything you do. God gives us a command.

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SummerFest pageant in pictures



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Miss SummerFest winner Hannah Walters has her sash put on by pageant coordinator Hannah Kidwell. Last year's winner Tia Pennington could not attend the pageant due to a pre-scheduled trip to Costa Rica with the high school's Spanish class.



-Photo by Lori Mattingly

Miss SummerFest winner Hannah Walters and first runner up Bonnie Street are all smiles after receiving their flowers and trophies. Hannah is the daughter of John and Amber Walters and Bonnie is the daughter of Scott and Lori Street.



-Photo by Lori Mattingly

Allie Henninger was a candidate for SummerFest Tiny Tot. Allie is the daughter of Allen and Denise Henninger.



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Anaya Carrico was a candidate for Junior Miss SummerFest. She is the daughter of Brandon and Melissa Carrico.



-Photo by Jessica Lampert of Lampert's Photography

Emma Walters, crowned Junior Miss SummerFest, grins ear to ear after being crowned. Emma is the daughter of John and Amber Walters.



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Tiny Tot winner Mikenna Jones has her sash put on by last year's Junior Miss winner Jacy Fields. Mikenna is the daughter of Mike and Kristy Jones.



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Abbigail Nonte, daughter of Brent and Bobbi Sue Nonte, was a candidate for Tiny Tot.



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Jayleigh Wagoner, daughter of Pat and Nikki Wagoner, takes her seat as the 2011 Little Miss SummerFest.



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Megan Lampert, daughter of Steve and Jessica Lampert, was a candidate for Junior Miss. Jessica took home the award for best interview.



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Breanna Lytton, daughter of Scott Seals and Lori Mattingly, was a candidate for Junior Miss. Breanna won Miss Congeniality.



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Chantel Greene, daughter of Don and Donna Greene, was last year's SummerFest Tiny Tot. Above she reads her farewell speech to the crowd.