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Shoals School Board talks more on student handbooks

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Student handbooks topped the discussion again at the Shoals School Board meeting Thursday, June 10.

Elementary School Principal Carolyn Eubank reiterated changes to the half-day attendance policy which had stated that a student leaving after 11:30 a.m. would be counted tardy. The new policy says that any student leaving after 11:30 a.m. would be counted absent for the remainder of the day.

Mrs. Eubank then explained changes to the tardy policy. She said that she contacted the Department of Child Services to see if they would address issues of tardiness if it came up and they said they would if it was affecting a child's education. She said that after three tardies parents will receive a letter or phone call, after four tardies a conference with the parents would be requested, and after five tardies the Department of Child Services and/or the Martin County Prosecutor would be contacted. She added that tardies due to a doctor's appointment and accompanied by a doctor's note would not be counted against the students.

Mrs. Eubank also added to the information on parent chaperones on field trips. The wording says that parents will be allowed to accompany students on field trips as determined by the teacher. All chaperones must have an approved limited criminal history check on file with the school prior to the field trip and may ride the bus with the stu-

dents. The number of chaperones accompanying each classroom is as follows: kindergarten and first grade – one chaperone for every five students and second through sixth grades – two chaperones per classroom. Any other parent wishing to attend the field trips must also have a limited criminal history check on file with the school on the Friday before the field trip, give prior notice to the classroom teacher that they will be going on the field trip, be present in the student's classroom before field trip departure, provide their own transportation, and pay their own expenses incurred during the field trip. Parents accompanying field trips will not be given responsibility for students during the trip.

High School Principal David Springer's first change from last month's meeting was to get the board's approval to create a student planner. He said that he and Assistant Principal Chris Stevens had been discussing this option. The planner would allow students to write their assignments down and would also include passes in the back of the book. The planner, the ECA handbook, and the regular handbook would all be included in the book. Mr. Springer said he has not received a price quote from Country Pines but he is guessing it would be around \$5 per planner. He said that now, to print the ECA handbook and the regular student handbook is \$2 to \$2.50 each. He said that the fee for the planner could be added to the textbook rental or taken from the high school's Pepsi account. (‘SCHOOL BOARD’ continued on page 2)

Loogootee Public Works Board hears about several complaints

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Rich Taylor, from the audience of the Loogootee Board of Public Works and Safety meeting Monday night, June 14, brought up some complaints he has received from Loogootee residents.

His first issue was weed problems. He said he has received a lot of complaints about a property on North Line Street, especially the horse pasture which is west behind the old house. "It's pretty high and all along the property lines are quite high," he said. He said residents in the area are concerned. Mayor Bowling said that the owner has recently passed away and he is not sure where that property stands at this point.

Taylor then asked about the ditch between Nobles Court and his son-in-law's property. He said it runs down south towards North Street. He said the ditch is stopped up and there is standing water, a lot of green vegetation floating around on top of it, and there are a lot of mosquitoes swarming the area. He said he didn't know if there was any way

the city could run a trencher and clean it out to get the water moving. Mayor Bowling asked road superintendent Donnie Grindstaff if that is private property. Grindstaff said that he would have to check it out. Taylor said that it is a city waterway and Grindstaff said that the city doesn't have easements on property which is why they had to request easements to do the recent ditch project.

"I'm sure those people up there would be willing to sign anything to get that thing cleaned out," said Taylor.

Grindstaff then asked city attorney Mark Jones who would own the ditch. Jones said the property owner would.

"I guess we will just cover the damn thing in," said Taylor. "Then we'll see what happens."

Mayor Bowling said he had a request in that area a few years ago for the city to dig a ditch. He said he told them the city couldn't do that because it was private property.

Taylor moved on to his next issue which was the sewage smell on Highway 231 North. Mayor Bowling said that Utilities Manager Bo Wilson went out to the area and (‘COMPLAINTS’ continued on page 3)

"We need to do something to help those people out there."

-Loogootee City Council Member Rich Taylor



Royalty

-Photos by Courtney Hughett

The 2010 SummerFest royalty was crowned last Friday night at the LHS Auditorium. In the photo at the top in the back row, from left to right, are Jacy Fields, Junior Miss SummerFest Queen, the daughter of Erik and Cheryl Fields and Tia Pennington, Miss SummerFest Queen, the daughter of Scott and Tiffany Pennington. Shown seated, from left to right, are Maura Gregory, Little Miss SummerFest Queen, the daughter of Monte and Brooke Gregory, and Chantel Greene, Tiny Tot SummerFest Queen, the daughter of Don and Donna Greene. The bottom photos show each queen after their crowning. Photo collage of the pageant on page 13.

City council goes over packed agenda

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Utilities Superintendent Bo Wilson reported to the Loogootee City Council Monday night, June 14, that the cleaning of the water towers is complete. He said that the city received a good report on the inspections. "Overall, the towers are in good shape," said Wilson.

Mayor Bowling reported that his office has still not received word on the annex building grant.

The mayor also reported that 79 percent of city residents have turned in their census forms. He said in 2000 only 78 percent completed the forms.

The council approved a \$1,500 to \$2,500 limit to the recently received credit cards to be kept in the clerk-treasurer's office.

Mayor Bowling reported that the golf cart

community signs have been posted on the city limit signs.

Mayor Bowling reported that since the wastewater treatment plant began accepting waste from septic haulers it has generated \$175 for February, \$305 for March, and around \$300 for April and May.

The council approved a transfer of \$1,411 from the capital outlay fund to the engineering fund to cover the cost of the sidewalk project. The final tally of all the finance for the project has been completed by INDOT. Mayor Bowling said the balance due by the city will require three payments of \$2,602.58, \$2,600, and \$62,397.42 for a total payment of \$67,600 to INDOT.

The mayor said that approximately \$15,000 will be reimbursed by INDOT and \$8,000 will be reimbursed by CSX Railroad from payments made to them. He said the

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He showed the board a generic example of a planner and said that passes in the back would need to be fewer because it contained five per week. "We were thinking maybe five per six weeks, which is still a lot and not all the kids would use them" he said.

Another change is what Mr. Springer called the "Oops rule." He said that any student is allowed to turn in or self report to the office any derivative article in their possession within the first 10 minutes of school without getting punished for carrying it. He said that some kids, who tend to carry their pocket knives all the time, may forget that it is still strapped into their pocket or have a lighter from burning trash. He said that it prevents the school from having to expel someone for a mistake. "I've used it in other schools and found it worked well," he said.

Mr. Springer also reiterated the policy on good academics and attendance for students to participate in school-sponsored activities.

He also added information on Thursday school which states that after the third warning any student who is tardy to school or to classes will be given a two-hour Thursday school. Each additional tardy would result in another Thursday school. Tardy counts start over each semester.

Mr. Springer said that some students are skirting the tardy policy. He said that instead of coming in late for first period, students wait and come in after first period to avoid the tardy. He said that the new policy will be that any student with four unexcused absences to first period will be given Thursday school.

After last month's discussion on final exams Mr. Springer added a sentence that states teachers are encouraged to use semester exams as part of their curriculum.

The board approved both the elementary and junior-senior high school handbooks.

For the Extra Curricular Activities handbook the question arose about athletes who are suspended from a certain amount of games. Board member Bill Shobe asked Mr. Springer if he recalled whether the handbook states that the suspension carries over to the following year if there are not enough games left to satisfy the suspension.

Board member Mary Lou Billings asked if the suspension carries over to the same sport or the next sport the athlete plays. Mr. Springer said that this is tricky because he has seen some students join a sport that they don't normally play just to satisfy a suspension.

Discussion ensued amongst the board members about coach's rules for each sport. Billings said she felt that rules needed to be stated in the handbook. Board member Glen Cundiff then said that different coaches have different rules and board member Christy Farhar then added that coaches change from year to year as well.

"That's why our parents never know what is going on," said Billings.

Farhar said that most of the coaches her children have played for have the parents sign a paper stating they know what the rules are.

Billings asked if the coaches keep the signed papers on file. "If every coach does that and they are all kept, I have no problem with it," she said. Mr. Springer said he was not sure if all of the coaches do that and felt the ECA handbook was more for serious infractions such as drug and alcohol issues.

Billings said she would like to put the issue on hold so she has time to read the handbook more thoroughly.

After much discussion it was decided that, as far as suspensions go, a paragraph will be added stating that all suspension must be served in full and there will be no differentiation between regular season and tournaments. And it was noted that there is a paragraph already in the handbook that states that each coach has a set of rules that will be signed by the parents and kept on file in the athletic office.

Board member Farhar had to leave the meeting due to a prior commitment and the remaining board members voted to approve

the ECA handbook.

The next item on the discussion was the amount of fundraisers per year school programs were allowed to hold. Dr. Nonte said that in the past, fundraisers were limited due to the impact on the business community and each program is allowed one fundraiser per year. Board member Billings said that the band has two or three per year. "Are we going to limit the band to one fundraiser per year?" she asked. Board member Denise Garrett said she thinks the two to three fundraisers was for when the band was trying to raise money for uniforms and instruments. Billings said she thinks the band needs to be limited to one fundraiser a year as well. She added that the Beta Club has a hard time raising funds for their national convention but they are limited to one fundraiser.

Superintendent Nonte said that the fundraisers being limited do not include in-house fundraisers such as bake sales and car washes. He said the limited fundraisers include ones that students go out into the community to try to sell. Mr. Springer also noted that t-shirt sales for different sports should not be included in this either. "I don't know how you break that down to not a major fundraiser to a major fundraiser," he said. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

The board approved an updated Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF) resolution delegating agents to perform duties for matters concerning the fund on behalf of the school.

Under personnel the board accepted the resignations of Rachel Tedrow from the position of Jr. High Title I Tutor, Janice Ramsey from the position of Elementary Teaching Assistant, Jim Goldsberry from the position of Varsity Assistant/JV Softball Coach, and Wayne Underwood from the position of Varsity Softball Coach.

The board approved Nick Beasley, J.J. Johnson, and Derek Holt to serve as summer volunteers with the varsity soccer program.

The board approved the following teachers to teach summer school remediation classes during the summer of 2010: Vicki Tichenor - Kindergarten/1st Grade, Melanie Hawkins - 2nd/3rd Grade, and Jill Holt - 4th/5th Grade. 2010 summer school classes will consist of three hours daily for 10 days beginning on July 19 and ending on July 30.

The board approved the high school senior cheerleaders to take a field trip to I.U. in Bloomington for a cheer camp from June 17 through 20, 2010.

The board approved a \$500 donation to the Speech and Hearing Department from Psi Iota Xi Sorority.

The board approved a resolution giving permission for the corporation treasurer to transfer funds from or within the general fund to any fund in need of cash until money is received from the county allocation. Any money transferred will be returned to the general fund upon receipt of the county allocation.

The board approved the re-appointment of Lisa Elliott as Corporation Treasurer and Dorothy Tredway as Corporation Deputy and Cafeteria Treasurer. They also approved the re-appointment of Deborah Howell as Jr. Sr. High ECA Treasurer and Darla Holt as Elementary ECA Treasurer.

The board approved Vincennes University Jasper to use the gymnasium, a classroom, and the weight room for a lifetime fitness class during the summer on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. from June 7 through August 2, 2010.

Dr. Nonte provided the board with a proposal from Tharp Images for athletic pictures during the 2010-11 school year. The board directed the administration to send out a Request for Proposal to any local photographers who may be interested in taking athletic pictures rather than approving the first and only proposal received.

Summer cleaning is underway. Dr. Nonte explained that in past summers, one member of the summer cleaning crew has assisted the computer coordinator with computer related work as needed. Due to the summer cleaning

crew being reduced by nearly half, Dr. Nonte asked for approval from the board to hire one person to assist the computer coordinator in setting up computers throughout the school at the rate of \$10 per hour for a period of two weeks. After some discussion the board approved the request.

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total grant for the project was \$1,050,000 with a 20 percent match from the city which would be \$210,000.

Mayor Bowling then brought up the grant project with the Ritz Theatre. He said that since the cleanup, he has been in talks with all the contractors who have been willing to discuss how to complete the project by repairs or covering the remaining wall. He said that he has received a total consensus from those he has spoken with that leaving the wall the way it is isn't an option. He said that leaving the wall the way it is would cause quick deterioration and he looked into a system known as EIFS (Exterior Insulation Finishing System). He said this looks and sounds good but is an expensive undertaking that would cost \$18,000 to \$20,000 and is really nothing more than stucco. He said that covering the wall in metal would cost less than half the EIFS system.

Council member Phyllis Parker asked the mayor to elaborate a little more on the metal. "Well, it won't be barn metal," said Mayor Bowling.

"I hope not, because we have spent so much on that and it's right there for everybody to see," said Parker.

He said that what was proposed was 42 inches of a tan wainscoting and white metal the rest of the way up.

"That is going to be ugly," said Parker. "I mean you already cut all the damn trees down," she added which got a good laugh from the room. "That's the first thing I have heard about trees for eight months," said Mayor Bowling.

"The sidewalks are beautiful but I tell you what, this town just looks so naked," said Parker.

"Well, I'll go ahead and make the motion that we put the metal on it then," said Council member Rich Taylor.

"Well, I think we need to think about this," said Parker.

After some more discussion, council member Sue Brewer made the second and everyone was in favor of putting on the metal.

Mayor Bowling also reported that the final coat of blacktop will be put on the parking lot this week. The striping will be done the same day.

In new business the council approved the salary ordinance. Mayor Bowling said that pool employees who are working for the second summer must be paid minimum wage and the current salary ordinance doesn't reflect that.

The council approved the SummerFest Committee's request to close streets for the fest. West Main from JFK to Walker Street will be closed from 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 17 until Saturday, June 19 at midnight. Also,

As of July 1, 2010, the VEBA plan for certified employees will be changing companies from Security Benefit to MidAmerica. The 401(a) plan will also be changing from MetLife Resources to MidAmerica. The reason for the change is due to MidAmerica charging lower fees.

West 1st Street on Thursday, June 17 and Friday June 18, from 5 p.m. to midnight, and Saturday, June 19, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. This would be from Wood Street south to Church Street.

One bid was received for asphalt from Tri County Asphalt and was accepted. Mayor Bowling said that the city hasn't found out how much they will have for paving and that last year no paving was done at all due to funding. He said he hopes this year will not be the same.

The council approved removing a 1973 sewer machine from the asset ledger. The machine has not been operable for several years. Bo Wilson said that some of the parts will be pulled and sold but the rest will be sold for scrap metal.

The council decided to wait until their July meeting to set up a special meeting for the 2011 budget.

Council member Taylor asked Mayor Bowling if CSX Railroad could be contacted about the railroad crossings because they are getting pretty bad. Mayor Bowling said he agrees and would contact them.

Council member Joe Mattox asked Mayor Bowling about the low balance of the water department's operating funds. Mayor Bowling said that in 2004 the fire department was paying \$200,000 a year for hydrants. When that got changed it went to \$20,000 a year. "That is what happened to the water department," said Bowling. "So, we are looking at crunch time here and I suppose one possibility would be to raise that fire hydrant fee again," he said.

He added that they would prefer not to have to raise water rates. "We may have to figure out some way to get more money into the water department," he said. "One thing's for sure we cannot operate on a deficit."

"I think we still need to be looking at annexing, that's the only thing you are going to pull any revenue in," said council member Taylor.

Annexing is having areas outside of the city limits become part of the city.

"Oh, I tell you what, you're going to talk about a fight," said council member Parker. "Oh, my."

Mayor Bowling said that he has heard it is very hard to annex and you pretty much have to have 100 percent consensus.

The council approved the following building permits:

-Carport/storage building at the Wayne Armstrong residence at 318 Crane Street.

-Pole building at the Adam Bowling residence on SW 1st Street and Hwy. 231

-Habitat for Humanity residence at 201 Bridgewater Street

-Residence at Gary Frye property at 1050 Hwy. 550

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put high-powered scent killer in the manhole. Wilson said that he has also been in contact with West Boggs about the issue. He said that another problem is the amount of rainfall that we have had. He said that the rainfall forces the gases to the furthest point and that is the furthest point on the north end.

Mayor Bowling said that another problem is that the pipes used in the sewer system is eight inches which is larger than needed. He said that because the line is so large the water sits in the pipe and is not easily flushed out. He said that Boggs uses lake water sometimes to flush out the line.

Taylor said that some residents on the west side of the highway said the smell gets in their house.

"Again, if it's in their home they have issues inside the home," said Wilson.

"Well only on the weekends," said Taylor.

Wilson said that he has, in the past, looked into a partial solution to the problem but it was expensive and wouldn't eliminate all of the problem.

Taylor's last issue for the board was complaints from people on Scenic Hill about low water pressure. He said that residents say they don't have enough pressure to rinse the soap from their dishwashers and washing machines. "They just about have to call each other to take a shower," he said.

He said that there are 17 residents on Scenic Hill on city water. He said he talked to some outsiders and the solution would be to put a pump in to push more pressure through those lines. "We need to do something to help those people out there," he said.

Sue Brewer, from the audience, asked why no one has said anything before now.

Mayor Bowling said that the last grant the water department applied for they tried to get funds to put in booster stations for Scenic Hill and State Road 550. He said the city didn't pass the wage survey for the grant, it came back too high. Wilson said the total cost to put in a booster station would be around \$30,000. He said the minimum requirements are 20 psi (pounds per square inch) and he said the Scenic Hill area runs about 24 to 26 psi.

"Well, why don't they have water pressure then?" said Taylor. "I mean the stream of water coming out of the faucet is no bigger than a pencil."

Taylor said that their water pressure is only 17 percent.

"Not according to our gauges," said Wilson. But, he said, they could go check it again.

Mayor Bowling said that a resident on 550 put in his own pump to help with water pressure. He said that this might be the most inexpensive way to solve the problem. "I certainly sympathize with them, I wouldn't want that problem," he said.

The board also approved 21 utility adjustments.

School board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Saturday, June 19, at 10 a.m., in the superintendent's office meeting room. This will be the last meeting for outgoing board members David Lingenfelter and Larry Gates.



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Obituaries

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

JUANITA JUNE HANNAH

Juanita June Hannah died at 1:21 a.m. Wednesday, June 9, 2010, at Memorial Hospital in Jasper. A resident of Loogootee, she was 77.

She was born March 1, 1933, in French Lick, she was the daughter of Emery and Helen (Winger) Graves.

She is survived by her husband, John B. Hannah, whom she married October 1957; one son, Dan L. Hannah of Tucson, Arizona; three daughters, Pamela Daffron of Loogootee, Rhonda Dotson of Vincennes, and Paula Brookshire of Loogootee; two sisters, Pauline Wilson of Waterloo, Iowa, and Dolly Hargett of Corydon; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Emery and Helen Graves, one brother and three sisters.

A funeral service was held Friday, June 11, at Brocksmith Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Elnora. Visitation

Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmithfuneralhomes.com.

MARY ANN HARGIS

Mary Ann Hargis died Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at Garden Villa in Bedford. A resident of Orleans, she was 74.

She was born on November 18, 1935, in Martin County, the daughter of Gerald and Kathleen Sheeks Winkler.

She was retired from Essex, Inc. in Orleans, on April 30, 1998, where she worked in computer data entry.

She married Luther Hargis on June 2, 1978, and he survives.

She is also survived by her two daughters, Beth Schellenberger and husband Nathan of Jasper, and Pam and husband Tom Hughes of Memphis, Tennessee; three step-daughters, Debbie Staker of Bellefontaine, Ohio, Joyce Wade of Bedford, and Carla Steir of Fort Wayne; a brother, Harold Winkler of Mitchell; a sister Patty Harris of Green-

wood; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, Harris Neal Winkler.

A funeral service was held Friday, June 11, at Ochs-Tetrick Funeral Home in Orleans with Brother Jeff Williams officiating. Burial followed in the Fairview Cemetery in Orleans.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.ochstetrick.net.

DOROTHY BEASLEY

Dorothy (Farley) Beasley died at 7:50 a.m. Sunday, June 13, 2010, at her residence with her family by her side. A resident of Raglesville, she was 78.

She was born on February 24, 1932, in Harlen County, Kentucky, the daughter of Floyd and Daisey (King) Farley. She was a homemaker and had worked as a dietitian at Ketcham Memorial Center and Loogootee Nursing Home and had worked at Odon Clothing Company. She was a member of Frady United Methodist Church and a past member of Raglesville Ladies Aide.

She is survived by her husband, Carl Beasley, whom she married on September 17, 1949; a son, Bradley Carl Beasley of Odon; daughters and sons-in-law, Sandy Armour of Bloomfield, Carla and Travis Riggins of Lyons, Nancy and Mike Walls of Burns City, and Sharon Beasley of Elnora; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; sisters and brothers-in-law, Anna Lou Meissner of Bedford, Grace and Ernest Beasley of Odon, and Mary Rose and Gerald Frye of Jasper; sisters-in-law, Mauricette Farley of Loogootee, Shirley Farley of Jasper, Janette Farley of Oaktown, and Vivian Evans of Odon; and two caregivers, Dixie Gregory and Mary Marnar.

She was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Jan J. Armour; sisters and brothers-in-law, Marie and Carl Bohn, Carrie and Arthur Saylor; brothers, King, Herbert, Jim, Charles, Allen and Clifford Farley; brothers-

in-law, Elmer Meissner and Bobby Evans; and a grandson, Christopher J. Armour.

A funeral service was held today, Wednesday, June 16, at Frady United Methodist Church, with Bro. Gerald Frye officiating. Burial was held in Raglesville Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to Raglesville Cemetery Fund or the Alzheimer's Association.

Poindexter-Hall and McClure Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DELEMA SANDERS

Delema Ruth (Winger) Sanders died at 12:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 12, 2010, at her home. A resident of Farmland, Indiana, she was 77.

She was born in Martin County on August 16, 1932, daughter of the late Soll and Imogene (Wrale) Winger. She married Clifford W. Sanders, in Shoals, on June 12, 1950. She had lived in Farmland since October of 2009, and was formerly of Shoals, since 1977. She was a graduate of Shoals High School and was a member of the Shoals Holiness Church.

Delema is survived by her husband, Clifford of Farmland; five daughters, Carolyn Sanders of Shoals, Phyllis Tinsman and husband Joe of Farmland, Rita Childress and husband Jr. of Farmland, Mary Wright of Parker City, Naomi Cox of Parker City; and one son, John Sanders of Shoals; ten grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren, two sisters, Louise Lindley and Judy Smock, and three brothers, John, Paul, and Jimmie Winger.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, Tom W. Sanders, and two sisters, Pauline Murray and Juanita Cobb.

Visitation will be from noon until the hour of service on Thursday, June 17.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, at 1 p.m., at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home, in Shoals. Burial will be in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

Calendar of Events

Loogootee Alumni Banquet

The Loogootee Schools Alumni Banquet will be held at St. John Community Center on July 24, 2010. Classes of 1960 and 1985 will be honored. Make reservations by July 1, by mailing \$20 to Loogootee Schools Alumni, P.O. Box 78, Loogootee 47553. There will be no tickets available for purchase at the door.

Methodist church VBS

The Loogootee United Methodist Church located at 608 Main Street, will hold their Vacation Bible School, "Hero Headquarters," from June 21 through June 25 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Those preschool age through sixth grade are invited.

Mustering Elm hog roast

Trinity Springs Mustering Elm Group will have a hog roast on Saturday, June 19, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the park located on Highway 450 in Trinity Springs. They will have dinners consisting of pork, 2 sides, dessert and drink for \$6. The park is a non-profit group and this event will help pay for the upkeep of the park.

Father's Day dinner

Dover Hill Christian Union Church will hold a Father's Day Game Dinner Saturday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m. Meat will be provided and those attending are asked to bring a covered dish or dessert. A representative from the Fishers for Men-Indiana will be the guest speaker. You can RSVP by calling 812-388-6832 and leave a message.

Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month at Loogootee Municipal Building, at 7 p.m. To become a member, contact Martin County Humane Society, P. O. Box 537, Shoals, Indiana 47581, call Don at 296-0952.

Recovery support group
The Overcomers Recovery Support Group meets every Tuesday night at 6 p.m. at the

Martin County Community Learning Center.

Youth football meetings

Martin County Youth Football League meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Pizza Junction at 7 p.m. Questions, call Audrey Robinson at 295-4773.



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MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

Monday, June 7

8:33 a.m. - Martin Co. Ambulance responded to a private call in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

9:25 a.m. - Received a report of a large rock on Weisbach Road. Deputy Pritchard responded and removed the rock from the roadway, but advised the county highway department still needs to move it further. The Martin County Highway Dept. was contacted.

11:16 a.m. - Martin Co. Ambulance responded to Loogootee Nursing Center. A patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Brooks Bridge Road. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:11 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:30 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol for log trucks that had been driving at a high rate of speed.

5:32 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee on U.S. 231. The subject was transported to Bloomington Hospital.

6:12 p.m. - A male caller reported a vehicle parking in his yard. Deputy Greene was notified.

7:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:09 p.m. - A male caller in Shoals reported verbal harassment. Marshall Eckert was notified.

Tuesday, June 8

1:25 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane Village. The Loogootee Fire Department first responders and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:27 a.m. - Received a report of a subject in the Martin State Forest possibly needing medical attention. Deputy Pritchard, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire first responders responded, however the subject checked okay and was just tired.

9:43 a.m. - Martin Co. Ambulance responded to a private call in Shoals. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:45 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check in Shoals. Sergeant Pritchard responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm outside of Shoals. Sergeant Pritchard responded.

1:47 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance to the Loogootee City Pool for a fall from a skateboard. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:20 p.m. - Received a request to check on a hitchhiker in the area of the 4-H fairgrounds. Deputy Nolan was advised.

5:16 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Vincennes Good Samaritan Hospital.

5:28 p.m. - A female caller reported possible child abuse. Child Protective Services was contacted.

6:20 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Dept. was notified.

8:51 p.m. - A caller reported that she had hit a deer on U.S. 50 east of Shoals. Deputy Nolan met with the caller to take a report.

9:34 p.m. - A male caller stated that two people had come to his house and requested that he pull them out of the mud near Hindostan Falls. Conservation Officer Mann and Deputy Nolan responded to check on the subject.

Wednesday, June 9

1:33 a.m. - Received a report of a house fire at the intersection of Rusk Road and Spencer Hollow Road. The Lost River Fire Department and Major Burkhardt responded.

3:48 a.m. - A field fire was reported on Chicken Farm Road across from the Shoals ball field. The Shoals Fire Dept. responded.

1:16 p.m. - A male caller in Shoals reported broken windows and a possible break in at a trailer next to his property.

3:18 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol for fertilizer trucks speeding through the intersection of Beard Road and Old School Road. Deputy Greene responded to the area.

5:55 p.m. - A female caller in Shoals requested an officer assist her with problems with her juvenile grandson. Deputy Greene responded.

7:49 p.m. - Lost River Fire Chief advised he was doing an investigation on a fire that occurred earlier in the morning.

8:06 p.m. - A female caller in Loogootee requested an officer to assist her with an out-of-control son who was threatening her. Deputy Greene and Officer Hennette responded and contacted the probation officer.

8:56 p.m. - A female caller advised a male on a motorcycle had gotten into a verbal confrontation with her and left in a reckless manner, headed toward Shoals. Deputy Greene was advised.

9:23 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on McBride's Bluff Road. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department first responders responded. Subject was transported to Bedford Regional Medical Center.

10:16 p.m. - Deputy Greene responded to the Loogootee High School parking lot to remove a subject from there at the principal's request.

10:27 p.m. - Deputy Greene spoke with an individual about returning a vehicle to its rightful owner.

10:30 p.m. - Received a call from a subject in Daviess County requesting extra patrol around their residence, due to a suspicious vehicle in the area. Daviess County Sheriff's Department was advised of the call.

Thursday, June 10

1:12 a.m. - Major Burkhardt responded to a call of a possible prowler on S.R. 150.

2:05 a.m. - Major Burkhardt responded to another request for extra patrol in the Shoals area.

4:58 a.m. - A female caller reported that her neighbor's dogs and cats were loose and had killed her chickens and ducks. Major Burkhardt was notified.

7:16 a.m. - Received a report of a personal injury accident on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee, two miles north of Haysville. Haysville Fire Dept., Dubois Co. EMS, and Sergeant Pritchard responded.

7:32 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:38 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:15 a.m. - Received a call from Dubois County requesting a welfare check on a subject on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Pritchard responded.

3:17 p.m. - Received a report of an accident at the railroad tracks in Loogootee. It was also reported that the two vehicles had left the scene. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

4:26 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol reference a suspicious vehicle in the caller's neighborhood.

6:38 p.m. - A repossession agency called to advise us of a repossession to occur in Crane Village.

9:48 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver on U.S. 50, eastbound toward Loogootee. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Greene, and Loogootee Police Department were advised.

9:50 p.m. - Received a report of juveniles involved in a dispute. Major Burkhardt and Deputy Greene spoke with the subjects involved.

10:25 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol in Shoals in reference to subjects on the caller's property.

Friday, June 11

12:17 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near the Martin County and Daviess County line, in the West Boggs Park area. Major Burkhardt responded but was unable to locate any accident.

12:37 a.m. - Major Burkhardt checked on a subject on a bicycle at the intersection of U.S. 231 and St. Mary's Road.

12:50 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver on S.R. 150. Deputy Keller and the Orange County Sheriff's Department were advised.

1:32 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

1:49 p.m. - Received a report of a tree over the roadway on Beard Road. County Highway was notified.

2:30 p.m. - Received a report of a street sign and a stop sign knocked down at the intersection of U.S. 50 and Zehr Lane. County Highway was notified.

2:43 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver in Shoals, westbound on U.S. 50. Deputy Keller and Loogootee Police Department were notified.

2:58 p.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm south of Loogootee. Deputy Keller responded.

Friday, June 11

6:52 p.m. - A female caller advised of a stranded motorist in Crane Village. The motorist was contacted and he had already contacted someone to assist him.

6:55 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance to check on a subject in Loogootee. The Martin County Ambulance responded. No transport was necessary.

7:10 p.m. - The Shoals Fire Department advised of a controlled burn on Rama Dye Road.

7:56 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak with an officer in reference to a protective order. Major Burkhardt was notified.

8:29 p.m. - A male caller advised of a possible drunk driver on U.S. 50, just entering the west side of Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

10:49 p.m. - A male caller advised of cows out on Chicken Farm Road. Major Burkhardt was notified.

11:20 p.m. - Marshall Eckert responded to a two-vehicle property damage accident on U.S. 50, near the Jug Rock. Both vehicles were drivable.

Saturday, June 12

12:04 a.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver on U.S. 50. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

12:34 a.m. - A female caller reported a battery on a male at her residence. Major Burkhardt is the investigating officer.

12:50 a.m. - Marshall Eckert responded to a disturbance in Shoals.

6:58 a.m. - Received a report of a tree on the roadway on Bear Hill Road. The county highway department was notified.

10:40 a.m. - Received a call from male subject requesting to speak to an officer about a dog destroying his property. Deputy Nolan was advised.

2:00 p.m. - Received a call from a female subject advising of a person that has a suspended license is out driving in the town of Shoals. Deputy Nolan was advised.

2:20 p.m. - Received a call reporting an erratic driver eastbound on U.S. 50 near Buffalo Bottoms. Deputy Nolan was advised.

3:13 p.m. - Received a call from a female advising her juvenile son ran away to Kentucky to stay with his grandparents. Deputy Nolan went to the residence and spoke to the complainant.

4:36 p.m. - Received a call from a female subject requesting to speak to an officer about domestic battery and problems at home. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

5:02 p.m. - Received a call from a female subject who requested to speak to Deputy Nolan about a previous case.

6:46 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a female subject requesting an ambulance to a residence in the town of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Patient was transported to the Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:07 p.m. - Received a call from the Martin County Healthcare Center requesting an ambulance for a patient transport to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:59 p.m. - Received a call from Lawrence County requesting officer assistance on a vehicle pursuit on Highway 158. Notified Corporal Fischer however Lawrence County advised officer could disregard they got the vehicle stopped.

Sunday, June 13

12:21 a.m. - Received a 911 call from female subject reporting a possible impaired driver northbound on U.S. 231 just past the Crane gate area. Green County was notified.

5:32 a.m. - Received a 911 call from female caller reporting a car in a ditch on U.S. 50 at Sawmill Hill. The driver was not injured and no ambulance was needed. Corporal Fischer responded.

7:56 a.m. - Received a call from a male subject reporting theft at the Truelove Church Cemetery. He reported that a four-foot by four-foot plywood sign with a metal frame and the lettering "Truelove Cemetery, established 1860" missing. Deputy Nolan went to the area to investigate and a case report was completed.

8:55 a.m. - Received a 911 call from female caller requesting an ambulance to the Anderson Road area. Martin County Ambulance and Lost River Fire Department first responders went to scene. Patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

12:39 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a female subject requesting an ambulance. Martin County Ambulance responded, but no transport was necessary.

1:38 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a female requesting an officer to a possible domestic dispute with weapons involved. Deputy Nolan and Loogootee Police Officer Akles responded. Everything checked out okay.

1:41 p.m. - Received a call from a resident of the town of Shoals who reported a strange smell in the area. Shoals Fire Department responded and did not find anything out of the ordinary.

2:00 p.m. - Male subject came on station to report a theft. Deputy Nolan is investigating and a case report was made.

5:00 p.m. - Received several calls reference a traffic light out at the construction zone on U.S. 50, east of Shoals. Deputy Nolan responded. INDOT was contacted. They advised repairs should be made by the construction company. Shortly after this the light began to work.

5:30 p.m. - Loogootee Police Department contacted Martin County Sheriff's Department to escort a male subject to his previous

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Loogootee Police activity log

Monday, June 7

12:29 p.m. - First responders were requested on Brooks Bridge Road in reference to a subject with chest pains.

Tuesday, June 8

12:08 a.m. - A female subject reported her medication stolen. Sgt Norris spoke with the complainant.

1:25 a.m. - First responders were requested in Crane Village in reference to a female with difficulty breathing.

1:47 p.m. - First Responders were requested at the Loogootee City Pool parking lot in reference to a skate boarding accident.

Wednesday, June 9

6:55 a.m. - A female subject called to report her motorcycle had been stolen in Kentucky. She believed it could be at a residence in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill checked the area, but was unable to locate the motorcycle.

9:25 p.m. - A caller reported unruly kids in the Loogootee High School parking lot. Officers arrived and removed two juveniles from the area.

10:28 p.m. - Sgt Hennette assisted a male on a civil complaint.

Thursday, June 10

12:49 a.m. - Caller reported reckless driving in the high school parking lot. Sgt Hennette responded and citations were issued.

12:52 a.m. - Caller reported loud music at Southwind Manor. Sgt Hennette responded.

5:53 a.m. - Caller reported her grandson was stealing her medication. Chief Rayhill responded and spoke with both parties involved.

7:47 a.m. - First Responders were requested on North Line Street for lifting assistance.

Friday, June 11

1:30 p.m. - Caller reported a woman in an electric wheelchair stranded at a stoplight.

2:00 p.m. - Caller reported she was receiving text messages about a bank account that she does not have. Capt Akles spoke with the complainant.

8:29 p.m. - The Martin County Sheriff's Department advised of an erratic driver on

Butcher Boulevard. Sgt Hennette checked the area.

Saturday, June 12

2:13 a.m. - Caller reported damage to his yard on East Broadway Street. Sgt Hennette responded.

10:07 a.m. - Deb Fellers reported that someone had broken a window out at his business. He also reported that a truck on the property had been moved. Captain Akles was the investigating officer.

11:30 a.m. - Caller reported a green Nissan traveling at a high rate of speed and running people off the road. The caller stated he had the vehicle blocked in on North Line Street. Captain Akles responded.

7:09 p.m. - First responders were requested at Martin County Healthcare in reference to a male with shortness of breath.

10:07 p.m. - Daviess County Sheriff's Department requested an officer check a residence on East Washington Street in reference to a missing person. Sgt Norris responded and was unable to locate the subject.

Sunday, June 13

12:21 a.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint on Park Street. Sgt Norris responded.

8:30 a.m. - Caller reported a white and tan terrier running loose on SE 1st Street. Captain Akles responded.

9:50 a.m. - Owen Moore came to station to report that he believed a city backhoe had struck his vehicle while he was at a yard sale on Friday June 11, 2010.

12:00 p.m. - First responders were requested at O'Reilly auto parts in reference to a subject having seizures.

12:59 p.m. - A caller reported a domestic dispute on West Broadway Street. Captain Akles and Deputy Nolan responded.

7:15 p.m. - A male caller requested that an officer escort to his ex-girlfriend's residence to pick up some belongings. Sgt. Norris assisted.

Monday, June 14

1:49 a.m. - A caller reported a red vehicle speeding and occupants throwing trash out of the window. Sgt Norris located the vehicle and the subjects denied throwing trash out of the vehicle.

investigating officer.

Thursday, June 10

11:53 a.m. - Beverly Taylor, of Loogootee, was backing up a 1997 Ford at the Loogootee swimming pool parking lot. At this time, Taylor's vehicle collided with a 2002 Ford, owned by Scott and Pamela Hall, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Captain Akles was the investigating officer.

1:04 p.m. - Donald J Nolan was operating a 2004 Chevy, and backing from a parking spot on West Broadway Street. At this time, Nolan failed to see a 2008 Chevy operated by Thomas G Marks, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer.

Saturday, June 12

4:53 a.m. - Nicholas A. Baker, 24, of Shoals, was westbound on U.S. 50 at Red School Road intersection in a silver 2000 Ford Contour. He stated that he lost steering control of the vehicle due to a front wheel coming off. He was unable to control the vehicle, which traveled off the north side of the roadway, and skidded sideways through a field before striking a utility pole. Impact with the pole caused it to snap off. Damage to the vehicle was sustained to the left front fender, door, bumper, and headlamp assembly. The investigating officer was Deputy Nolan.

Monday, June 14

2:51 a.m. - Terry Weisman, 58, of Jasper, advised that he was traveling north on U.S. 231 near County Road 100S in a blue 2007 Pontiac, when he struck a raccoon. He stated that there was slight damage to the front bumper. Corporal Fischer took the report.

Martin County Court news

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

CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

April 23

Wade D. Johnson, operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor.

May 7

Tracy Lyn Gribben, driving as habitual traffic violator, a Class D Felony.

May 24

Joshua R. Hedrick, theft, a Class D Felony; unlawful possession or use of a legend drug, a Class D Felony; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

May 26

Seth J. Sorrells, operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

CIVIL COURT NEW FILINGS

June 4

Capital One Bank vs. Amber D. Ross, civil collection.

June 7

American Acceptance Co., LLC vs. Steven T. Jenkins, civil collection.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Ronald W. Greenhalgh, civil collection.

LVNV Funding vs. Carl Porter, civil collection.

Brittany Silvers vs. Darrin Silvers, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

June 7

Mary F. Craft to Citibank for \$5,703.91.

Franklin G. Nolley to Procol, Inc., civil plenary for \$8,992.25.

John Wilz to Federated Capital Corp. for \$23,783.

June 8

Amy Quinn Watson to Capital One Bank for \$1,177.80.

June 9

Matthew and Robin Haulk to Boyd, Inc, civil plenary for \$36,713.13.

CIVIL COURT CASES DISMISSED

June 4

Capital One Bank vs. Brenda Grey, civil collection, dismissed.

Capital One Bank vs. Rachel Roach, civil collection, dismissed.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

June 4

Steve Estrada, Carolyn Estrada, and Joe Estrada vs. Sherry Groff, Joshua Tanner, J.D. Groff, Amanda Rustman, and Jim Groff, complaint.

June 7

W.W. Bowling vs. Leland Wilcoxon, complaint.

Waldo Harshaw vs. Patricia Jones, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

June 7

Charla Ivey to Family Dental Care for \$704.30.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID

June 2 - June 9

Jerry Alvey, Velpen, seatbelt violation, \$25.

John Bauer, Shoals, seatbelt violation,

\$25.

Patrick Bruner, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25; child restraint violation - child less than 8, \$25.

Carl Combs, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Russell Cook, Mitchell, failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25.

Matthew Craven, Odon, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Kayla Dant, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Chester Goldsberry, Shoals, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Erin Hawkins, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Mitchell Jeffers, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Chelsea Kidwell, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Whitney Kline, Ferdinand, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Larry Knepp, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Megan Longelin, North Vernon, speeding 67 in a 50, \$124.

Lynn Mayers, Cincinnati, Ohio, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Gerri McAtee, Loogootee, child restraint violation - child 8-16, \$25.

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

Shane Norrell, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Stephen O'Brien, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Dennis Resler, Odon, seatbelt violation, \$25.

James Salmon, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Lisa Sanders, Shoals, seatbelt violation, \$25.

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

Erica Smith, Loogootee, failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25.

Tristan Sullivan, Bedford, speeding 46 in a 30, \$124.

Jason Survance, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Rusty Sutton, Shoals, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Isaiah Swartzentruber, Odon, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Jason Wagler, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Wesley Wildman, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Kimberly Woods, Petersburg, speeding 67 in a 50, \$124.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

June 3

Cameron Scott Truelove, of Jasper and Krista Suzanne King, of Loogootee.

June 4

Joseph Gregg Kidwell, of Shoals and Brandi Dian Brassine, of Shoals.

Justin Lee Wiscaver, of Shoals and Alicia Lynn Sturgill, of Shoals.

Joshua Cody Medina, of Shoals and Charlene Rose Fuhrman, of Dubois.

June 8

Patrick Alan Miller, of Odon and Holly Joyce Carpenter, of Shoals.

SHERIFF'S LOG

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residence to pick up some of his belongings. Corporal Fischer contacted male subject advised he needed to set up a time to have an officer meet with him for escort.

8:50 p.m. - Received call from a male subject reported he observed a large cat at his residence and later found some of his chickens had been killed. Conservation Officer Tony Mann and Corporal Fischer went to the residence to investigate the situation.

9:13 p.m. - Received a call reporting a tree across the roadway on West River Road. Shoals Fire Department responded, but they could not locate the tree.

10:20 p.m. - Received a call reporting there was a tree across the roadway near McBride's Bluff Road. Shoals Fire Depart-

ment was contacted and removed tree.

11:55 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on an overdue motorist. Deputy Keller was notified.

Monday, June 14

1:54 a.m. - Received a request to be checked by ambulance personnel. Martin County Ambulance responded, but no transport was necessary.

12:10 p.m. - A female caller advised of cows in her driveway. Deputy Nolan was advised.

12:38 p.m. - A female caller advised of someone calling her and advising her that she had won a sweepstakes and they would be coming to her residence to deliver her winnings. She requested an officer be present. Deputy Nolan responded.

Martin County accident reports

Tuesday, June 8

12:20 p.m. - Tony Tinkle, 49, of Shoals, was pulling out onto U.S. 50 from Water Street, in Shoals, in a silver 1990 Ford Ranger. Due to traffic being stopped for road construction, he failed to see Daniel M. Steiner, 59, of Loogootee, traveling west in a blue 1999 Ford Explorer. Tinkle pulled out into the path of Steiner's vehicle and a collision occurred. The investigating officer was Sergeant Pritchard.

3:33 p.m. - Heather Tinkle, 18, of Shoals, was southbound on Progress School Road in a black 1998 Ford when she noticed a black Nissan pickup, driven by Edmund J. Cronk II, of Shoals, pulling out of a driveway onto Progress School Road. The Cronk vehicle was turning north and the drive is located on the east side of the roadway. Tinkle stated that she pulled over as far as she could on the west side of the road, but still made contact with the front of the other vehicle as it was pulling onto the roadway. There was minor damage to both vehicles. The investigating officer was Deputy Nolan.

6:20 p.m. - David Schepers, of Loogootee, was operating a 1995 Pontiac, and was attempting to turn onto Broadway Street. At this time Schepers pulled into the path of a 2005 Chrysler operated by Julie Allen, of Monrovia. No injuries were reported. Captain Akles was the investigating officer.

6:56 p.m. - Rose Bridges, of Loogootee, was operating a 2005 Dodge. She was backing the vehicle on Queen Street, when she failed to see a 2007 Honda owned by Justin Randolph, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Captain Akles was the in-

Sheriffs to sport new license plates

When you see your local sheriff out and about in the community, you may notice a different style license plate attached to his car.

Many of the sheriffs in the State of Indiana will be commemorating the Indiana Sheriffs' Association's 80th Anniversary by displaying a license plate designed for this occasion by Deputy Matt Ford, Clinton County Sheriff's Office, in Frankfort. These plates will remain on their vehicles until July 30, 2010.

As these sheriffs proudly exhibit this license plate, they not only recognize the celebrating of the anniversary, but it is intended to call attention that the ISA (Indiana Sheriffs' Association) has been in existence from 1930 to 2010; the drape represents the Thin Blue Line signifying the vehicle owner is either an active or retired law enforcement officer, the relative of one, or soon-to-be sworn-in officer; that the vehicle is owned and driven by one of the 92 Indiana sheriffs – the number on each plate indicates the county represented.

The Indiana Sheriffs' Association was established in 1930 and incorporated as a not-for-profit organization in 1977. The association is comprised of the 92 Indiana county sheriffs, their deputies, and other law-abiding citizens throughout the state of Indiana. Its purpose is to provide assistance to each sheriff, their deputies, and other department personnel, thereby enabling them to improve the manner in which they carry out the responsibilities entailed in law enforcement and correctional services.



Fire station open house

-Photo provided

The newly-built Martin County Fire Station was presented to the public with an open house last Saturday, June 12. The fire station is located on the fairgrounds. In the photo above, from left to right, in the first row are Nancy Steiner, Martin County Auditor; Rhonda Rumble, SIDC, grant coordinator; Mike Ringwald, volunteer firefighter and EMA; Wes Walton, volunteer fire fighter; State Representative Mark Messmer, Messmer Mechanical; Andy Ringwald, Assistant EMA/Civil Defense Director; Cameron Wolf, EMA/Civil Defense Director; Kyle McKibben, volunteer firefighter; Paula Ringwald, Secretary; Paul George, President of the Martin County Commissioners; John Stoll, Martin County Council; and Dan Steiner, Martin County Chief Deputy Prosecutor. In the back row, from left to right, are Matt Sward, SIDC; Tom Schroeder, Schroeder & Associates, PC; Bill Seger, Jasper Lumber Co.; Cory VanMeter, volunteer firefighter; Kevin Gilliland, volunteer firefighter; Jordon VanMeter, volunteer firefighter; Anthony Wadsworth, volunteer firefighter; Justin Davis, volunteer firefighter; Jason Jones, Martin County Community Foundation; and David Lett, Martin County Attorney.

Martin County real estate transfers

Jessica R. (Stahl) Dorsam, of Martin County, Indiana to Dwayne Earley and Sharon Earley, of Shelby County, Indiana, a portion of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing .40 acre, more or less.

Roger D. Duncan, Sr., of Martin County, Indiana to Lawrence R. Carpenter and Linda K. Carpenter, of Martin County, Indiana, situated in the Township of Halbert, and in the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, and being a part of a 265-acre tract conveyed to the Lehigh Portland Cement Company.

Brian L. Potts and Paula L. Potts, of Martin County, Indiana to Eric Strange and

Kasey Arvin, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in the City of Loogootee, and containing .47 acre.

Gladys E. (Wilson) Roberts, of Hendricks County, Indiana to John C. Bauer and Kimberly J. Bauer, of Martin County, Indiana, lot number 9 in Sawmill Ridge Sub-division Section 1 in Shoals, Martin County, Indiana.

David L. Lewis and Karen J. Lewis, of Martin County, Indiana to Jerry D. Schnarr and Patti J. Schnarr, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, and containing 15 acres, more or less.

4th Annual Fallen Officers Blood Drive comes to Martin County

There will be two blood drives held in Martin County. The first is today Wednesday, June 16, from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Shoals Christian Church, at 602 N. Main Street, in Shoals, and the other will be Thursday, June 17, from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Martin County Health Care Center, at 313 Poplar Street, in Loogootee.

On July 10, 2001, Sgt. Dan R. Starnes of the Morgan County, Indiana Sheriff's Department, lost his life as a result of gunshot wounds sustained during a line of duty gun battle with a burglary suspect four weeks earlier.

To keep his memory alive his surviving spouse, Janice organized the Sgt. Dan R. Starnes Memorial Blood Drive in Mor-

gan County later that year, and has organized a blood drive each year since in Dan's memory. In 2007 she decided to take the blood drive statewide and renamed it the Indiana Fallen Officers Blood Drive.

"I ask that everyone please understand the importance of this worthwhile cause and help promote Indiana's statewide blood drive," said Janice Starnes. "In honoring our fallen officers the surviving family members are comforted knowing the sacrifice their officer made will never be forgotten."

Blood donation, commonly known as the gift of life, helps countless numbers of people.

CALLING ALL HEROES!
CALLING ALL HEROES!

Come join forces with God at VBS!!!
 Your mission is
 June 21st - June 25th
 between 6pm & 8:30pm

You are to report to
 Loogootee United Methodist Church
 located at 208 W. Main St.
 Preschool age or equivalent
 up to 6th grade.

HOG ROAST

Saturday, June 19
 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
 at the Trinity Springs Mustering Elm Park
 (Located on Hwy. 450 in Trinity Springs)

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Martin County **OUTDOORS**



NATURE'S WONDERS

By Mike Axsom

Will the oil spill hit home?

There is a lot of attention focused on the oil spill ongoing in the Gulf of Mexico off the Louisiana coast.

There are many sides to that story, with more than enough recrimination and second guessing to go around. In the political arena, some on the left are seeing the event as proof of the evils and contemptibility of the oil industry in general. On the right are some people that are intent on using the tragedy to paint the Obama administration as inept, with some justification; in much the same way the left did Bush with the Hurricane Katrina debacle, also with some justification. Those parts of the story will no doubt play out over the months leading to the 2010 elections, and all the way to 2012. But there are sides to the story that are not getting told, and which are important if we are to understand some of the complexities of the issues.

Last month our local parks department completed an application for a grant to fund some much needed renovation work at West Boggs Park. Many readers know that West Boggs is one of the largest parks in

Indiana operated by a local government agency instead of the state. Taking care of a county park of 1,500 acres in these times of rising costs and economic turmoil is a challenge that unfortunately means some large needs simply go unmet, sometimes for decades. Most people, even those who live here locally, don't know that West Boggs has not received a penny of local tax revenue since 1996. Although owned and operated by both Daviess and Martin counties jointly, the park has survived for those 14 years strictly on revenue it generates from user fees, and from what grant funding that can be found from state, federal, and private sources.

The recently applied for grant, if received, will help pay for some infrastructure needs that have already been far too long in being met. These include road resurfacing, sewer system replacement, renovation of boat ramps, and other such large-scale expense items that just may never be accomplished from charging cars \$5 at a time to get in. Part of the grant plan is to seek the 50 percent of the project total that must come from local sources from a combination of local governments and park generated funds, but the \$200,000 in grant funds applied for now have a back story associated with the news of the day, in the oil spill. We've all heard the refrain, "Think Globally, Act Locally", but this is more a situation where thinking locally might require some change in actions on a more global scale. Bear with me. I promise I'm getting there.

The grant we just applied for was mailed to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Outdoor Recreation. That agency manages a program called the Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). But the LWCF itself is a federal program which operates out of the Nation Park Service, of the Department of the Interior. IDNR manages the state level component of the program, as do similar agencies in other states.

The LWCF was established by Congress in 1965, for the purpose of providing a

source of funding to protect America's outdoor places, national parks and forests; rivers, lakes and oceans; fish and wildlife refuges; and neighborhood parks, like West Boggs. The approved funding level for LWCF is \$900 million, although it has seldom been fully funded. The highest funding level in the past decade came in the second year of the George W. Bush administration, in the year 2002, at \$573 Million. Most people who assume that a Democratic Congress and a Democrat administration might equal more funding for such an environmentally important program, but the 2009 appropriations for LWCF were only \$180 million.

For the past year, there has been a major push from a wide array of environmental, conservation, and recreation organizations to press the government for a higher level of funding for this important program that has had positive effects on the availability of outdoor recreation in every state and nearly every county, city, and town in America. These groups have pressed congress and the President towards making decisions that would enhance the basic source of the LWCF funding and allow for more cash to flow into the system to meet those long ignored needs, like the repaving of West Boggs Park roads.

They say politics makes strange bedfellows, and certainly this issue is proving to do that. For you see, when Congress established this well-intentioned and well-received system for providing money for parks across the nation, they knowingly and intentionally made the decision to use the development and exploitation of one natural resource to provide funding for the protection of another. In 1965 this was an easy decision to make, as the resource to be used was plentiful, needed, and almost universally accepted by the people, and voters. Here in the summer of 2010 things look a little different. That is because the source of funding Congress wrote into the law for LWCF was a portion of the revenue collected by the Department of the Interior for leases on the Outer Continental Shelf for oil and gas exploration and production. Yes, we were expecting projects like the BP well that has now become the icon for offshore drilling concerns to provide the money to protect and preserve our parks, forests, and wildlife habitats.

We now find ourselves in a national quandary. Congress and the President are being asked by environmentalist and conservationists to better fund LWCF, while over a period of a few months the source of that funding is probably doing more environmental damage than all the environmental good that has come from LWCF since it was created. This paradox may provide a near perfect example of how

America, in all our political quarreling, needs to someday come to the realization that we are going to have to find some way to stop some of the finger pointing, and roll up our sleeves to get some things done that have to be done. America, it is not Obama's fault, just like Katrina was not Bush's fault. It is not even BP's fault, per se. We all share some blame, and we all continue to make everything about politics and politicians at our own peril.

Jolly Juniors 4-H Club holds meeting

BY KAYLA ABEL
Jolly Juniors 4-H Club Secretary

The Jolly Juniors 4-H Club met on Tuesday, June 8, at the Truelove United Methodist Church. Leaders present were Kathy Lingenfelter and Louise Parsons. The vice president called the meeting to order. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Club Pledge. Secretary Kayla Abel took roll call by asking each member their summer plans. There were 12 members present including Wyatt and Madisyn Wade, Emily and Ethan Wade, Tyler Simmons, Ariel and Jonathon Jones, Dylan Dant, Dalton Higdon, Tristan Jones and Kayla and Danielle Abel. Kayla then read the minutes of the last meeting. Co-Health and Safety

Officer Danielle Abel read about swimming safety tips.

Demonstrations were given next. Tristan Jones talked about rocks and the different kinds of rocks and geodes. Jonathon Jones showed his rocket that he's taking to the fair and talked about it.

Kathy then went over every member's projects and we discussed point sheets and records. We then judged a plate of chocolate chip cookies. Refreshments were brought in by Dylan Dant. We then discussed who would do demonstrations at the next meeting and Kathy will bring refreshments. The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m., at the Truelove Church. This will be the last regular meeting before the record sheet signing meeting.



Scary skies

-Photo by Wyatt Hughett

Another wave of thunderstorms came through Martin County Tuesday night. This wall of clouds was the scene over downtown Loogootee when the storm came in.

Insects to be watched for in Indiana crops

BY JEANNE GIBSON
Purdue University News Service

Insects are always a problem in Indiana fields during the summer, but the best way to control them is by simply watching for them.

One, the western bean cutworm, is new to Indiana this year, said Christian Krupke, a Purdue University entomologist. It is hitting the northern part of the state the hardest, primarily in the northwest corner's sandy soils.

In addition to monitoring fields for western bean cutworm larvae, farmers can set pheromone traps to tell if female moths are in the area. Field scouting helps as well. Scouting should include at least 20 plants throughout the field, and if 5 percent of the plants scouted have been infected by the insect, Krupke advises spraying.

Farmers also should look for corn rootworm, the larvae of which can damage the roots of corn plants. The corn rootworm can harm cornfields if not controlled by using insecticides or Bt hybrids labeled for rootworm control.

The soybean aphid is the most likely pest to be in soybean fields this summer. The

largest populations fly in from Wisconsin and Minnesota to colonize in Indiana. Although they will start to increase in July and August, they should be monitored now.

If farmers scout soybean fields and find an average of 250 aphids per plant, Krupke said the fields should be treated. He urged farmers to be wary of spraying too early because the field treatment can harm beneficial insects feeding on aphids. This will then cause aphid populations to increase quickly once the residual effects of the insecticide have gone.

"Spraying too early can be harmful to the plants in the long run," Krupke said. "A hundred aphids on a plant today does not mean there will be 250 a few days later."

Fields most susceptible to pests are those planted significantly earlier or later than those around them. Also, cornfields that are on a continuous corn rotation are more likely to have insect problems, Krupke said.

For more information, visit <http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/fieldcropsipm> for information on field crops entomology and <http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/fieldcropsipm/corn.php> for the corn insect scouting calendar.

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In your **OWN WORDS**



My Point of **VIEW**

By Courtney Hughett
Owner,
Martin County Journal

My boys started playing baseball when they were very young. Wyatt was six years old and Alex was four years old. Alex got an excitement for the game the very first day; Wyatt on the other hand spent a majority of his time in the in-field filling his mitt up with dirt and dumping it out and repeating this process over and over.

Back then, I helped coach the boys' teams. Yes, a woman helped coach the boys . . . does that sound sarcastic?

For the first few years, Josh and I coached t-ball. I really, really disliked t-ball. One year, we had 19 kids on our team. The rules for Brown County Youth Baseball stated that all kids must play the outfield and all kids must bat, so you can imagine what that was like. We had 19 kids positioned in the outfield; it was insane. Sure, it was cute, but t-ball was more for the parents than the kids. I don't think any of them learned a thing. It felt more like babysitting than baseball.

When Josh and I moved to the next level to coach things got more interesting . . . more competitive. I really took the coaching position seriously and spent a lot of time on the internet learning about drills and tips for practice, etc. I spent quite a while planning the batting order putting the right kids at the right spot to be most effective. Having played baseball as a kid I knew the rules of the game just wasn't real sure how to get them across to the players.

Alex was in love with the game and Wyatt continued to play with bugs in the outfield. We knew this would be Wyatt's last year, he just wasn't into it, but since he made a commitment to the team, we told him to finish up the season. I think Josh was convinced that he would grow to love it; I felt Wyatt just wasn't going to be a sports kid. It was a shame too, because Wyatt is a really good baseball player.

Josh and I had our own way of coaching. We believed that if you allowed the kids to have fun, especially at practice, they actually wanted to learn and had a strong desire to please you. Josh and I joined in the practices and did the same things the kids did. Josh would chase the kids during running drills, we used the parents to be the "base runners" during in-field practice, and we tried to find drills that the kids liked to do. It worked. We went undefeated every year. We also moved the kids around in positions and allowed the "not so good kids" opportunities to play the "elite" positions. We found this upped their confidence. I always felt that one reason the "good" players were good was because they got all the action. It's hard for the right fielder that gets one ball a game to learn how to handle it.

We watched some coaches berate the kids and spend the entire game screaming to where the kids were so flustered they couldn't even bat.

Some coaches also kept the same kids in the same positions all year long. Each coach has their own style I suppose.

As far as the parents went . . . well you can't always have it perfect. Most parents were a pleasure to deal with, but we had a few over the years that made coaching a nightmare. The last year Wyatt played in Brown County, when he was chasing but-

terflies in the outfield, we actually had a dad storm the dugout and tell us to get our son off the field if he didn't want to play. He was screaming and cursing. Wyatt was eight years old at the time, we didn't know that he had Asperger's, and we felt bad leaving him on the bench every inning. Not only that, it was against the rules to sit a kid out for consecutive innings. This guy was a thorn in our side from the first day. He felt his kid was Babe Ruth and treated him as such. Little Johnny, we will call him, threw a fit during practice and games so many times I lost count. He would throw his mitt and storm off the field. His mom and dad never said a word; just babied him and he would come back. I really, really disliked little Johnny's dad.

The day he stormed the dugout I was sitting there keeping the book and jumped up and went toward him. Josh gave me "the look" and very calmly told the guy to get out of the dugout. I was shocked at Josh's restraint. Everyone heard the guy yelling, the game had come to a halt, and I was so furious. Parents started yelling at him, it was such a mess. We called the head of the league after the game and she told us that he would be banned from the field. Needless to say he came back the next game and no one did a thing. He sat there and very loudly badmouthed us. It was terrible. Little did we know that he had done the same thing to every coach his child had played for and no other coach would take his kid, which is why we got stuck with him. Like I said, we won every game we played by a huge margin, I don't know what the guy was so upset about.

Some parents don't understand that coaches are volunteers. It's not easy to coach a baseball team. You have to lug around the equipment, schedule every practice and call every parent, show up at every game early and work around your job, and deal with some kids who are a little hard to get along with. Not only that, it's hot, tiring, and, sometimes, mentally exhausting. Josh and I coached because we love the game and we loved the kids, there was not some hidden agenda. Parents, like little Johnny's dad, enjoyed sitting in their lawn chairs under an umbrella and telling everyone what THEY would do, yet they never volunteered to help.

So, next time you are at your child's game and you see the coaches doing everything they can to teach your child, try to remember that they are doing it without compensation and usually without a thank you.

So, I will take this time to thank Kelly Rayhill, Shawn Howell, Scott Callison, Clay Dearwester, and Larry Greene - coaches who have volunteered their time to coach my boys since we moved to Loogootee. I may not agree with every one of your coaching decisions, but I respect the fact that you do what you think is best. I feel your pain and sitting on the sidelines in my lawn chair watching has been a nice change of pace the past few years, so thanks!

If you would like to write a guest column for "My Point of View," contact courtney@martincountyjournal.com.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'We will have interim study committees on education, gaming and economic development.'

To the editor of *The Journal*:

My name is Dan Steiner. I am a native of Daviess County, having grown up on my parent's farm near Montgomery. I have also lived in Washington and am now a resident of Loogootee. I am employed as Deputy Prosecutor in Martin County.

This is the time of year that I enjoy most in our area. It is the time for fairs and festivals, parades, and cook-outs and just plain time to spend with our friends and families. With July 4th quickly approaching, many of our communities will have these festivals, such as Washington, Shoals, Alfordsville, Otwell and the little community of Duff in Dubois County.

I hope everyone gets a chance to enjoy them. They are a way to have an enjoyable time without spending a lot of money or travelling a great distance.

On a far different note, this is also the time when the Indiana General Assembly forms interim study committees that meet through the summer and into the fall. They will consider subjects assigned by the Legislative Council, a group of Indiana House and Senate leaders. There are two types of study committees.

One type, created through state statute, meets every summer to look at assigned topics under a general heading. For instance, the Regulatory Flexibility Committee looks at utility issues. The Health

Finance Commission spends each summer looking at the cost of health care in Indiana.

The second type of study committee is created for one year to look at several subjects under a general heading. This summer, for example, we will have interim study committees on education, gaming and economic development.

The group will look at the effectiveness of the tax credits and other incentives offered by state and local government to entice new businesses. It also will examine what kinds of improvements can be made to spur additional development across the state.

The Commission on State Tax and Financing Policy will look at the way we pay for road improvements at the state and local levels. This will not be the first time that such a subject has been the focal point of legislative study, and I suspect the problems remain the same. How do we pay for these improvements at a time when certainly none of us want to pay additional taxes?

One other group is the Criminal Law and Sentencing Policy Study Committee. One of their assignments is the study of the continued impact that the production and use of the drug meth has had on our communities.

If you would like to share your thoughts and opinions with me, I may be reached by phone at 812-617-0200, by email at dmichaelsteiner12@yahoo.com or on facebook. Thank you for reading.

Sincerely,
Dan Steiner
Loogootee

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New Beginnings Church Weekly Message

By Shirley Canell –Pastor's wife

Testing! Can we fail? Are you going through testing now? Are you asking why am I going through this? Why Lord do you want me to do this? How can I do it? In biblical times people were tested. Adam and Eve were tested with the one off-limits tree; the rules were clear from the start. Paul suffered beatings and imprisonment and still wrote God's word. Gideon was tested with trust to reduce the army to 300 men. Ruth stood by her mother in law, took care of her, and did the physical work. Jesus was tested in the wilderness, in the garden, and each step of his journey. We all have similar testing but there is good news in testing.

Testing produces joy. It is hard to find the joy when God is testing us. It's a conscious choice. Is it testing or is it temptation? Testing is of your faith to see where your faith lies. Our faith should be in the true and living God who is mighty and all-powerful and involved in our lives. Do you really believe that Jesus Christ died to save us from our sins and He cares for us more than we, sometimes, care for ourselves? Temptations are those things that are God created for

good that we are led to pervert to satisfy our own lust trying to produce sin that leads to guilt and death of our moral conscience.

Testing produces endurance (patience). God doesn't test us to see if we will fail, testing is how we grow. Many of us may ask: what if I fail the test? What if my faith is not strong enough to pass? We may fail at not falling into sin, but there is no failure if we believe. Testing is to see where you are in your faith not to see if you have faith?

1 Peter 1:7, "that the proof of your faith being more precious than gold which is perishable even though tested by fire may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ." The proof is not to see if you fail but to produce that thing that will make you stronger. We are tested to see how the love of God has been poured out within our hearts. Endurance through testing, we learn to overcome the trial or test until God removes it at His appointed time. We even have joy to say God is testing me so he can help me become stronger. In fact, it says become perfect (mature) and completely lacking in nothing.

Matthew 17:20, "and He said to them, Because of the littleness of your faith; for truly I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'move from here to there', and it will move and nothing will be impossible to you."

Testing produces a desire for wisdom. If any of us lack the strength for the test ask for wisdom and it will be given to you. The catch is you have to ask in faith without doubting. Could you imagine being Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived? Can you imagine what must have been going through his mind when David died and he was handed the crown? How in the world would he be able to effectively lead God's chosen people? Is it any bigger than some of the trails and tests we go through? God, I just got the results of my biopsy back. God, I just lost my job. God, I just . . .

Most of the time when God places a test before us we don't have a clue what to do. The tests that God places before you can make you feel overwhelmed, helpless, and confused. Feeling overwhelmed, helpless, and confused makes you want wisdom.

Where do we go to find it? We go to the Lord. Testing in your life will make you see the need to have the wisdom that only God can give you. It will make you see that need and, when you ask, God will fill that need.

The Lord will not test those he doesn't know. He will give you everything you need to pass the tests of life IF He is your Lord and Savior.

We are preparing for SummerFest. We will have the church open for kids to come in and play games for small prizes. We will be working with Loogootee Martial Arts to sell pizza slices and soda in front of the church. Please join us in our praise and worship of Jesus Christ every Sunday at 10 a.m. Father's Day is June 20, remember our father in heaven and give him the praise and glory. Thank him daily for the father he is and for your earthly father who you love and cherish. We will be having our 3rd Annual Father's Day Cookout at our house to honor the dads of the church. Call Pastor Ernie at 709-0258 if you have any questions concerning the church or your walk with Jesus Christ.

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Local SPORTS

Shoals athletes honored at awards banquet



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Shoals Junior High Girls and Boys Track members honored at the Shoals Athletic Banquet are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are Nicole Harder most points in running events; Reva Troutman, mental attitude award; and Briana Wagler most points in field events. In the back row, from left to right, are Michael Hawkins most points in field events, Jonny Arnett most points in running events; and Cody Hert mental attitude award.



DJ Harder, of the Shoals Golf Team, was honored with the following awards at the banquet - Blue Chip All Conference, Lowest Putting Average, Highest GPA, Lowest 9 hole Score, Low medalist.



-Photo by Joni Harder

Aimee Farhar, was honored with this blanket at the Shoals Athletic Banquet June 10. She received the blanket for lettering over ten times. She lettered in basketball four years, softball four years and volleyball three years. Also earning blankets but not available for the photo were Heather Tinkle and Ashley Taylor.



-Photo by Joni Harder

The following Shoals High School Softball team members were honored at the Springs Sports Banquet. Shown from left to right are Mandi Stewart, best fielding average; Aimee Farhar, best batting average and Blue Chip Honorable Mention; and Lezlie Hart, most RBI's, on base average, Lowest ERA, Blue Chip Honorable Mention. Not available for the photo were Ashley Taylor, stolen Bases and Beth Abel on-base average.



-Photo by Joni Harder

Shoals Varsity Girls' Track team members honored at the athletic banquets are shown above. From left to right are Kelsey Hardwick, most points in sprints and Sasha Mains, most valuable runner, most points in distance events. Not pictured was Jessica Courtwright, freshman/sophomore MVP, most points field events.



-Photo by Joni Harder

Shoals Boys' Varsity Track members receiving awards are shown above from left to right. Jordan Sorrells, most points in distance events; Jondavide Hopkins, most valuable runner, most points in sprints, most points in field events, high point Freshman/Sophomore; and Brian Hert, Freshman/Sophomore MVP.



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Shoals Varsity Baseball team members honored at the Spring Sports Banquet held last Thursday, June 10, are shown above. They are, from left to right, Tyler Price, lowest ERA; John Harder, most stolen bases, best batting average, best on base average; and Darek Turpin best fielding average. Not pictured was Joby Shaw most RBI's

Damon Bailey basketball campers honored with medals



-Photo by Joni Harder

Damon Bailey Camp participants who were honored with medals are shown above. In grades one through three: Bryce Baker, 1 on 1 and Nathen Hart, hot shot and ball handling. In grades four and five boys: Nick Johnson, 1 on 1 and ball handling and Wyatt Crane, hot shot. In grades four and five girls: Sara Peterson, 1 on 1, hot shot, and ball handling. In grades six through eight boys: Jonny Arnett, 1 on 1 and ball handling and Kris Lyon hot shot. 3-on-3 team winners were Isiah Baylis, Ethan Wagler, and Bryce Baker for grades one through three; Kennady Bratton, Hope Baylis, and Kaitlyn Cooper in grades four through six; and Kylee Hardwick, Alexis Bailey, and Loren Bailey in grades seven through nine.



-Photo by Joni Harder

Damon Bailey, shown standing in the center, goes over basketball fundamentals at his annual camp held at Shoals High School. Local camp assistants were Rachel Harder, Darek Turpin, Mikey Shartzter, and Seth McCrary.

Loogootee High School Tennis players receive end-of-season awards



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Tennis All-Conference honors went to, from left to right, Andrea Vaupel, singles; Becca Zins, Lindsay Wininger, Ashton Matthews, and Hannah Lamar doubles. All-State Honorable Mentions also went to Andrea Vaupel, singles; and Ashton Matthews and Hannah Lamar for doubles.



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Hannah Lamar is shown above with her Most Valuable Player Award and her award for Most Wins in a Season (21).



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Loogootee Tennis individual team honors went to, from left to right, Brittany Eckerle, Most Improved Player; Lindsey Wininger, Mental Attitude Award; Ashton Matthews and Hannah Lamar, Most Valuable Players.



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Tennis All-District honors went to, from left to right, Andrea Vaupel for singles and Ashton Matthews and Hannah Lamar for doubles.

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tragedy by using a scholarship to help others. Some simply want to help a young man or lady get an education.

The following Martin County 2010 graduates are the recipients of the scholarships local donors have established.

Whitney Alyn Edwards – St. Vincent De Paul Scholarship, Loogootee

This scholarship is given to a deserving student who has been accepted into a school for continuing education. Whitney is the daughter of Gerald and Brenda Edwards. She plans to attend Indiana State University where she will major in Athletic Training.

Sarah Richardson - St. Vincent De Paul Scholarship, Shoals

This scholarship is given to a deserving student who has been accepted into a school for continuing education. Sarah is the daughter of Kirby Richardson and Kim Stone. She plans to attend college to become a physical therapist.

Josh Divine – Ben Trout Memorial Student Athlete Fund

This scholarship was established as a memorial for Ben Trout. It is given to a college-bound student who has earned an academic honors degree, earned a varsity sports letter, and has shown outstanding mental attitude and sportsmanship. This

year's scholarship was awarded to Josh Divine, son of Jack and Lisa Divine. Josh will attend the University of Evansville to study mechanical engineering.

Kelci Mann – Gerdon Jones Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor Gerdon Jones. It is awarded to a Loogootee High School student athlete, who has demonstrated athletic skill and a positive mental attitude. This year's award was given to Kelci Jeneen Mann, daughter of Don and Lori Mann. Kelci plans to pursue a general studies degree at Vincennes University.

Audra Lannan – Lester Page Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Loogootee Class of 1970 to honor Mr. Lester Page. Each year, the student council nominates five seniors they feel positively influence the lives of others, and the recipient is chosen from those nominees. Audra is the daughter of Charlie and Denise Lannan. She plans to major in physical therapy at the University of Evansville.

Ashley E. Taylor – Terri Sullivan Callaway Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor Terri Sullivan Callaway who passed away



AUDRA LANNAN

in 1998, and to inspire young men and women into the nursing profession. The scholarship is given to a nursing student, who is also a member of the Martin County Catholic Cluster. This year's award was given to Ashley Elizabeth Taylor, daughter of Annette and Tom Taylor. She plans to attend Vincennes University and major in Nursing.

Shoals Jr./Sr. High School final honor rolls announced

GRADING PERIOD SIX

Seventh grade

All A's: Logan Albright, Brittany Bauernfiend, Ashley Montgomery, Holly Self, Kelsey Sellers, and Josey Waggoner

Distinguished Honor Roll: Austin Jones

Honor Roll: Audrey Bowers, Haylie Brace, Kyle Courtright, Michael Hawkins, Grady Key, Ashley McDonald, Enoch Redman, Donald Stoner, Akela Wells, and Alexis Young

Eighth grade

All A's: Robin Hamby, Nicole Harder, and Briana Wagler

Distinguished Honor Roll: Ryan Allen, Caleb Davis, Ariel Hert, Cody Hert, Cole Hovis

Honor Roll: Jenna Bleemel, Erica Bratton, Logan McCrary, Tyler McGuire, Dakota Mullins, Sistoria Neeley, Damon Roach, Katelyn Sanders, Sydney Tedrow, and Kandi Tichenor

Ninth grade

All A's: Whitney Albright, Emily Richardson, and Ramona Simmons

Distinguished Honor Roll: Tristan Bennington, Jonathan Qualkenbush, Jessica Courtright, Austin Kimmel, Brittani Land, and Jennifer Montgomery

Honor Roll: Megan Abel, Amberly Albright, Waylon Bradley, Matthew Bruner, Kayla Butler, Alexander Doane, Jeffery Dorsey, Nicholas Gerkin, Lezlie Hart, Scott Johnson, Ethan Jones, Katie Payne, Elisha Schlaegel, Ellen Simmerman, Enoch Spauld-

ing, and Clayton Tow

Tenth grade

All A's: Darek Turpin

Distinguished Honor Roll: Chelsey Baker, Audra Deckard, Rachel Harder, Jacob Stoner, and Violet Wright

Honor Roll: Michael Basley, Victoria Bauer, Alex Bauernfiend, Zachary Cook, Alanna Dawley, Makayla Hill, Rebecca Kettinger, Grace LaMar, Sasha Mains, Miranda Mullins, Megan Sanders, Audrey Sorrells, and Mindy Tarrh

Eleventh grade

All A's: Bradley Phillips and Augustus Sherfick

Distinguished Honor Roll: Shaelin Adams, Amber Lynn Bauer, Dillon Cornett, Charles Shartzter, and Kyla Tichenor

Honor Roll: Casey Davis, Chase Dawley, Kailea Graves, John Harder, Ashley Hawkins, Jess Jenkins, Hillary Jones, Sarha Jones, Kayla Kidwell, Andrew Meriwether, Megan Montgomery, Tyler Price, Amber Pruet, and Diamond Wright

Twelfth grade

All A's: Bradley Berry and Kimberly Brown

Distinguished Honor Roll: Amanda Butler, Aimee Farhar, Ashlee Kender, Reeve Neeley, Chasity Qualkenbush, Anna Shephard, Ashely Taylor, Heather Tinkle, Danielle Turpin, and Shema Wright

Honor Roll: Molly Brassine, Jessica Butler, Emily French, Angela Graham, Kaci Hall, Douglas Harder, Anthony Lee, Matthew

West, Amanda Witt, and Gabriela Wright

FINAL GRADING PERIOD

Seventh grade

All A's: Logan Albright, Brittany Bauernfiend, Ashley Montgomery, Holly Self, Kelsey Sellers, and Josey Waggoner

Honor Roll: Angel Alsman, Audrey Bowers, Haylie Brace, Kyle Courtright, Kylee Hardwick, Michael Hawkins, Austin Jones, Grady Key, Ashley McDonald, Audrey Sanders, Akela Wells, and Alexis Young

Eighth grade

All A's: Robin Hamby, Nicole Harder, and Cole Hovis

Distinguished Honor Roll: Ryan Allen, Cody Hert, Katlyn Sanders, and Briana Wagler

Honor Roll: Jenna Bleemel, Erica Bratton, Caleb Davis, Ariel Hert, Logan McCrary, Tyler McGuire, Dakota Mullins, Sistoria Neeley, Damon Roach, Sydney Tedrow, and Kandi Tichenor

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Tenth grade

All A's: Violet Wright
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Eleventh grade

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Honor Roll: Garrett Bateman, Jill Bradley, Casey Davis, Chase Dawley, Kailea Graves, John Harder, Ashley Hawkins, Jess Jenkins, Hillary Jones, Sarha Jones, Kayla Kidwell, Andrew Meriwether, Megan Montgomery, Tyler Price, and Diamond Wright

Twelfth grade

All A's: Heather Tinkle

Distinguished Honor Roll: Bradley Berry, Kimberly Brown, Amanda Butler, Aimee Farhar, Ashlee Kender, Reeve Neeley, Chasity Qualkenbush, Anna Shephard, Ashely Taylor, Danielle Turpin, and Shema Wright

Honor Roll: Nicholas, Beasley, Molly Brassine, Jessica Butler, Emily French, Angela Graham, Kaci Hall, Douglas Harder, Anthony Lee, Travis Montgomery, Matthew West, and Amanda Witt

SUMMERFEST QUEEN PAGEANT

A collage of memories

-Photos by Courtney Hughett



State health officials offer sun safety tips

Summer is upon us, and throughout these potentially hot months, Hoosiers will be enjoying the outdoors more with family and friends. State health officials encourage people to get out and be active, but also offer sun safety tips to keep them safe.

Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. The two most common types of skin cancer—basal cell and squamous cell carcinomas—are highly curable. However, melanoma, the third most common skin cancer, is more dangerous, especially among young people. Melanomas are caused by exposure to ultraviolet (UV) light from the sun or tanning beds.

“Melanoma is a serious type of skin cancer. More than 75 percent of all skin cancer deaths are due to melanoma. In 2007, 191 Hoosiers died from melanoma,” said Joan Duwve, M.D., medical director for Injury Prevention at the Indiana State Department of Health. “The damage to skin caused by sunburns during childhood may lead to skin cancers, including melanoma, in older teens and adults. Make sure you protect yourselves and your children while you are out in the sun.”

Dr. Duwve recommends people:

- Use water-resistant sunscreen or sun block that has a sun protection factor (SPF) of 30 or higher and provides broad-spectrum coverage against both UVA and UVB light and reapply as directed;
- Wear a hat;
- Wear sunglasses with UVA and UVB protection; and
- Put on a shirt, especially they will have prolonged exposure to the sun.

When temperatures reach 90 degrees (Fahrenheit) or greater, health officials caution that overexposure to the heat can be a concern.

Young children and the elderly are at increased risk for such heat-related illnesses as heat stroke or heat exhaustion.

Children should never be left in parked cars, even with the windows cracked open, because of the risk of heat stroke and possibly death.

Heat cramps are muscular pains in the abdomen, legs, and arms that occur from strenuous activity and increased sweating. Heat exhaustion can develop after several days of high temperatures and low fluid intake. Heat stroke, also known as sunstroke or hyperthermia, is a life-threatening situation in which the body is unable to regulate its temperature and cannot cool itself down.

“When temperatures and the humidity are high, make sure you drink plenty of water even if you don’t feel thirsty. Participating in strenuous outdoor activity should be done in the early part of the day, when it is cooler,” said Dr. Duwve.

If a heat wave is predicted or occurring follow these safety tips:

- Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing

outdoors.

- Avoid drinks with alcohol or caffeine. They can make you feel good briefly, but make the heat’s effect on your body worse. This is especially true about beer, which dehydrates the body.

- Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water, the safest liquid to drink during heat emergencies.

- Eat small meals and eat more often. Avoid foods that are high in protein, which increase metabolic heat.

- Avoid using salt tablets unless directed to do so by a physician.

- Seek shade and avoid the sun between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

- Slow down. Avoid strenuous exertion on hot days. If you must do arduous activity, do it during the coolest time of the day, which is usually in the morning.

- Stay indoors as much as possible. If air conditioning is not available, stay on the lowest floor, out of the sun. Try to go to a public building with air conditioning each day for several hours.

Health officials say the use of fans may increase comfort at temperatures less than 90 F, but is not protective against heatstroke when temperatures reach greater than 90 F and humidity exceeds 35 percent.

Although fans do not cool the air, they do help sweat evaporate, which cools your body. Taking a cool shower or bath is also a good way to cool the body.

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FATHER’S DAY Wild Game Dinner at Dover Hill Christian Union Church Saturday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m.

A representative from the Fishers of Men-Indiana will be the guest speaker. Meat will be provided.

Please bring a covered dish or dessert.

For fun and bragging rights, bring your favorite mounted trophy (fish, deer, turkey, etc.) to show off.

Please RSVP by calling 812-388-6832 & leave a message.

The public is invited to attend.



CLEC ribbon cutting

-Photo provided

Cutting the ribbon for the Crane Learning and Employment Center (CLEC) during the grand opening ceremony Wednesday, June 9, were from left to right DeEtt Pershing (CLEC Administrative Officer), Vicki Baker (CLEC Director - Crane), Ken Williams (CLEC Director - Indianapolis), Ken Gremore (Westgate Authority-Greene County), Capt. Charles LaSota (NSWC Crane Commanding Officer), Jim Schonberger (CLEC Executive Director), Richard Cottrell (Westgate Authority - Daviess County), Kent Parisian (President Westgate Authority), Loogootee Mayor Don Bowling (Westgate Authority - Martin County), Larry McRoberts (NSWC Crane Director of Veterans Programs) and Erika Carnes (CLEC Services Coordinator). The center is located on Greene County's portion of the tech park.

South Pacific musical opens June 18 at OTP

Old Town Players community theatre will present six performances of Rodgers and Hammerstein's beloved musical South Pacific beginning Friday, June 18 at the OTP Theatre and Arts Center located on Broadway at Fifth Street in Vincennes. Performances will continue on June 19 and 20 and 25, 26, and 27.

The production is led by artistic director Robin L. Overbey who also serves on the OTP Board of Directors. Overbey has over 35 years of theatrical acting and directing experience. In addition to working regularly with OTP, he has assisted with productions for numerous community organizations such as area schools and churches.

The production staff also includes Gretchen Bruner, music director; Jake Harper, assistant director; Charlie Heflin (Patoka), technical director; newcomers Joshua Seprodi and Mike Whitson II (Bicknell), tech crew; Judi Wilson, stage manager; and newcomer Haley Wolf, choreographer.

OTP welcomes several performers who are new to OTP, including Allyson Arial as an island child, Rebecca Arial as an island child, Savannah Arnold as an island child, Megan Balhetchet as Liat, Nick Bauer as Quale, Paul Blair as Billis, Sarah Cary as Cora MacRae, Aly Clouse as Ngana, Nettie Egel as Connie Walewska/Islander, Casey Gillingham as Sue Yeager/Islander, Katie Graves (Sullivan) as Bloody Mary, Kyle Hagemeyer (Bruceville) as Coble, Jessica Leloup as Maria/Nurse, Keaton Rath as Jerome, Barbara Shimer (Robinson, Illinois) as Nellie, Ren Simmons as Brackett, Garry B. Stewart II as Adams, Jennifer Taylor as Pamela Whitmore/Islander, Amanda Whitson (Bicknell) as Bloody Mary's Assistant, and Haley Wolf as Wanda Bailey.

Veteran OTP performers featured in the cast include Tanner Bouchie (Wheatland) as Stewpot, Victoria Bruner as Rita Adams, Michael Compton (Hutsonville, Illinois) as Abner, Aundra Cox as an island child, Samantha Cunningham as Lisa Manelli/Islander, Christian Dart as Harbison, Torey Graham as McCaffery, Steve Gray as Emile, Anastasia Keller as an island child, Samantha Libecap as an island child, Laura Maddock as Bessie Noonan, Katelyn Oexmann as an island child, Ashley Seprodi as Dinah, James Simmons as Professor, Jessica Tarnowski as Janet McGreagor, and

Will Wilson as Marcel. Show times are 8 p.m. (EDT) Fridays and Saturdays, and Sunday performances are at 3 p.m. Tickets will be sold at the door and cost \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and students. Tickets can be purchased in advance at First Vincennes Savings Bank, Eyeworks, and Vincennes University's Old Post Bookstore.

For more information visit OTP's facebook page or www.oldtownplayers.org.

Reservations and inquiries may also be emailed to oldtownplayers@gmail.com, or call 812-882-1639.

About the musical

South Pacific is generally considered to be one of the greatest musicals in history, with music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, and book by Hammerstein and Joshua Logan. A number of its musical numbers have become worldwide standards, including "Bali Ha'i," "I'm Gonna Wash that Man Right Outta My Hair," "Some Enchanted Evening," "Happy Talk," "Younger than Springtime," and "I'm in Love with a Wonderful Guy."

Set in an island paradise during World War II, two parallel love stories are threatened by the dangers of prejudice and war. Nellie, a spunky nurse from Arkansas, falls in love with a mature French planter, Emile. Nellie learns that the mother of his children was an island native and, unable to turn her back on the prejudices with which she was raised, she refuses Emile's proposal of marriage.

Meanwhile, the same fears that haunt Nellie cause the strapping Lt. Joe Cable to deny himself a future with an innocent Tonkinese girl with whom he's fallen in love. Emile is recruited to accompany Joe on a dangerous mission that ultimately affects the lives of many.

Old Town Players

For over 30 years, Old Town Players, Inc., has been dedicated to presenting the performing arts as a means to stimulate and inspire through exceptional artistry. Utilizing volunteer-driven operations and programs, OTP promotes education through opportunities for all ages in an atmosphere of caring, support, and professionalism. As a non-profit community theatre, OTP is committed to the belief that the arts should involve, engage, reflect, and nourish the community it serves.

VU enrollment grows 44 percent in five years

Vincennes University enrollment has grown 44 percent in the last five years.

Comparing fall 2005 headcount enrollment with 2009, VU's system-wide enrollment grew from 9,679 students to 13,948. Enrollment was just under 9,000 students as recently as fall 2003.

"VU's remarkable growth in enrollment began well before the economic downturn began. It indicates that VU is, in fact, offering students the value they seek for their higher education investment," said VU President Dick Helton.

Helton cited VU's affordability, personalized attention, small class sizes, close ties with secondary education, and a wide choice of majors for stimulating VU's enrollment growth. "VU also has outstanding academic facilities as well as for performing arts and recreation. Students receive a well-rounded college experience," Helton said.

VU headcount enrollment was 8,962 in 2003, 9,270 in 2004, 9,679 in 2005, 9,801

in 2006, 10,751 in 2007, 11,586 in 2008, and 13,948 in 2009. Since 2007, VU enrollment has grown 10 percent, 8 percent, and 20 percent, compared to the previous year.

"Current projections are that VU will again achieve strong enrollment growth this fall. We are preparing for more students with major remodeling projects underway at our dining center, Physical Education Complex, the development of an adjacent Aquatic Center, and by opening the new John Deere Ag/Diesel Technology Building," Helton said.

VU's one-day registration program, START VU, is scheduled June 15 through 19 and June 22 through 26. The START VU program features representatives from Financial Aid, Parent and Family Services, the Health Office, Food Services, and Housing, who are available as students complete an academic skills assessment, meet an academic advisor, and register for their fall 2010 classes.

Guess where this is!

This picture was taken somewhere in Martin County. Do you know where? Be the first person to email courtney@martincountyjournal.com and your name will be announced in this box next week as our "Guess where this is" winner and your name will also be listed on our website.



Last 'Guess Where This Is' winner: **SHERRI WAGONER**

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1. What are YOUR values?
2. Does the Federal Government represent YOUR values?
3. If not, what are YOU going to do about it?

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Thank You



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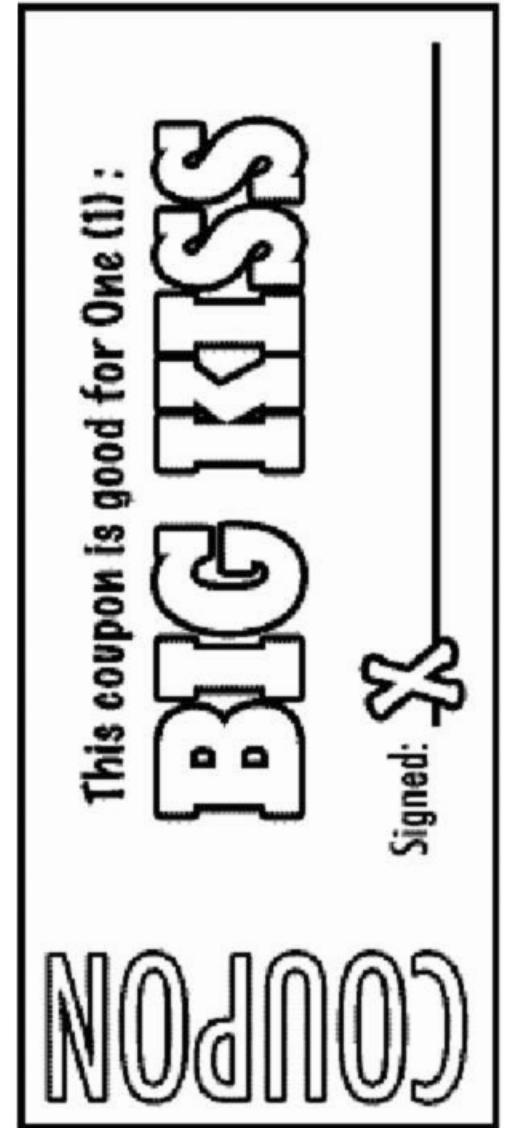
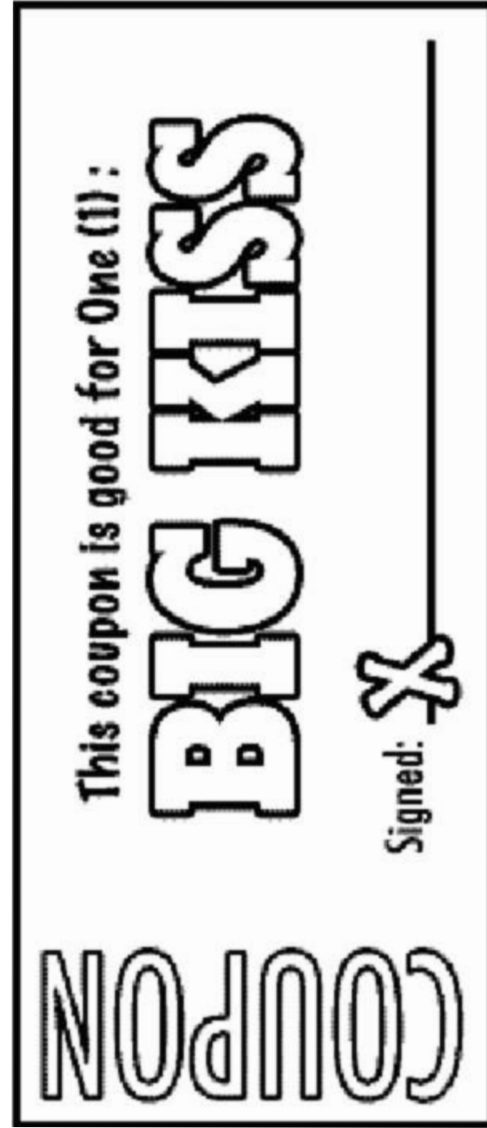
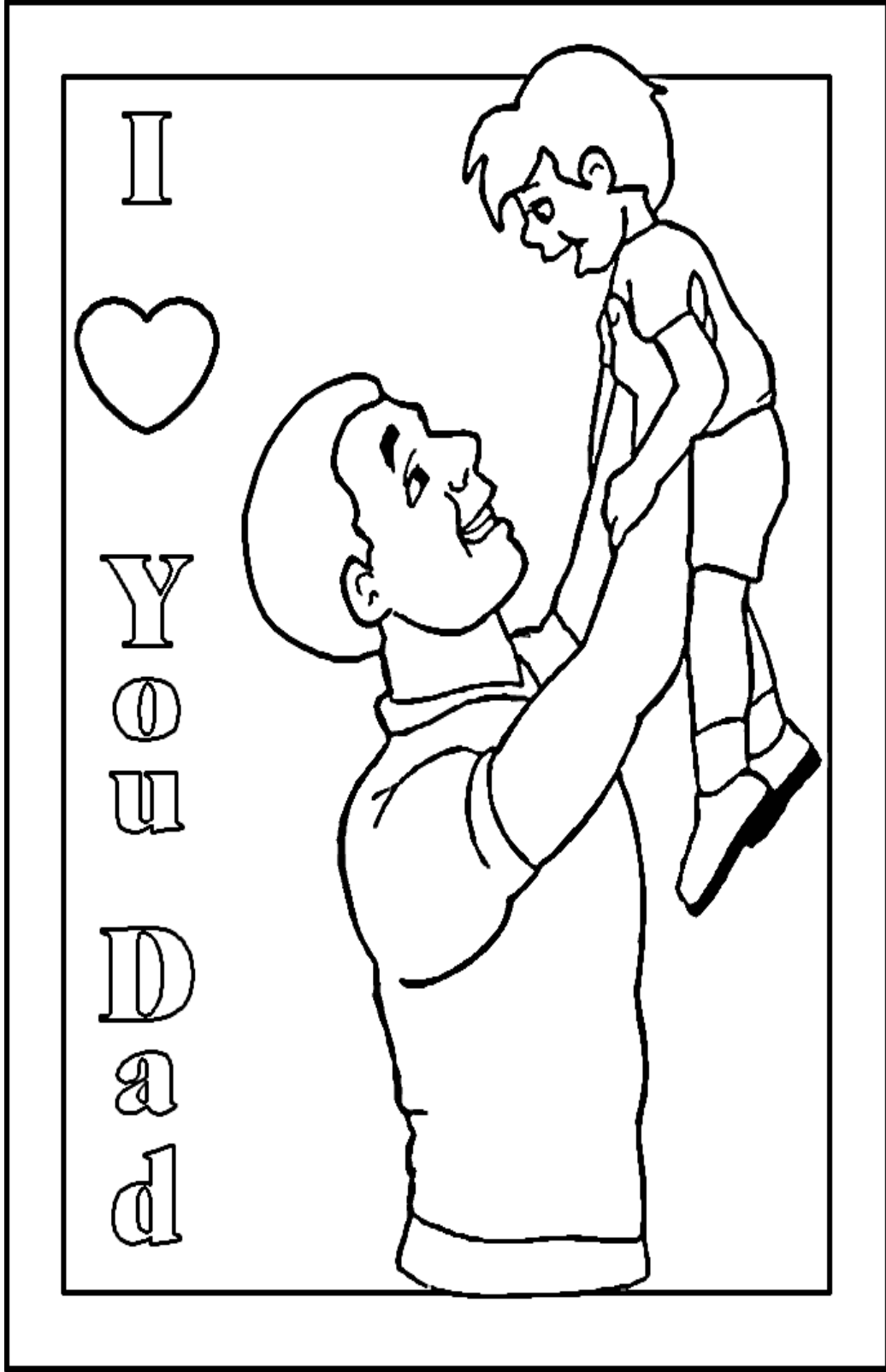
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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Help dad find his way through the maze to get to his gift!

