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New building coming to tech park requests tax abatement

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The Martin County Redevelopment Commission, at their meeting Tuesday, July 27, approved a request for a 10-year tax abatement from CACI who will occupy what will be known as Building 6 in the Martin County portion of WestGate Tech Park. The request will now go on to the Martin County Council for their approval.

CACI provides professional services and IT solutions in the defense, intelligence, homeland security, and federal civilian government arenas. CACI is a member of the Fortune 1000 Largest Companies and the Russell 2000 index. CACI employees approximately 13,100 people working in over 120 offices in the U.S. and Europe. According to JR Kendall of the WestGate @ Crane Development Company, the estimated revenue of CACI last year was \$2 billion and they lease around one million square feet of office space around the United States.

The building will be 30,000 square feet

on 2.86 acres with CACI leasing 20,000 with the option of expanding into the other 10,000 square feet. The building is a \$3 million investment for the park. Kendall said the building will have around 75 employees with 50 possibly in the first year.

Redevelopment Commission Consultant Jerry Ott said that 22 acres remain in Martin County's portion of the park with room for possibly four or five more large buildings.

The other item on the agenda for the commission was to recommend someone to take the place of Gene Shaw on the WestGate Authority, who recently passed away. Shaw was one of three representatives on the authority from Martin County. The actual appointment would come from the commissioners who all three serve on the redevelopment commission. WestGate Authority member Lonnie Hawkins, who was in the audience, made a recommendation on behalf himself and the other authority member Don Bowling. The redevelopment commission members had a lengthy dis-

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Cannonball!

-Photo by Joshua Hughett

Loogootee seventh grader Jayson Bullard takes a huge leap off the diving board at the Loogootee City Pool Tuesday afternoon July 27. With the start of school only a few weeks away, the youth of the area are soaking up what's left of those lazy summer days. Soon those early, hectic mornings will be upon us.

Midwestern Engineers hired to get ball rolling on jail work

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Melvin Beeker with RQAW Engineers came back to the Martin County Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday night, July 27, to discuss the repair work on the jail exterior. Beeker said that at the last meeting engineering costs were discussed but he felt now that the rough estimate given was a little too high and felt his firm could do it for less. The estimated figure given was around \$12,500. Also, he said that he spoke with Sheriff Tony Dant who has a few other issues at the jail. He said the sheriff would like a security fence added around the jail and also have the steps redone. He said he just wanted to let the commissioners know that with the open-ended contract he has with Martin County the costs would be cheaper than originally discussed. The commissioners thanked him for attending the meeting

Later in the meeting commissioner Dan Gregory said he went that morning to take a

look at the jail and get photos. He said that due to some design flaws, as discussed at last meeting, on the exterior of the jail large sections of the stucco have begun to deteriorate. At the last meeting an architect from RQAW Engineers gave the commissioners options on what could be done to the jail exterior. Taking that into consideration and the fact that the county council asked that the contract work be done as locally as possible, Commissioner Gregory said he called Midwestern Engineers in Loogootee who gave him a contract with a cost of \$12,500. He then made a motion to accept the contract from Midwestern stating that the work needed to be started as soon as possible which would probably be next spring. Commissioner Paul George made the second with Commissioner John Wininger also in favor.

In other business, Highway Superintendent Jim Williams updated the commissioners on the culvert that was installed on East River Road. He said the work was complete with the exception of clean-up, seeding and

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Preliminary plan in place to help with traffic congestion at Loogootee Schools

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The Loogootee School Board discussed traffic congestion and the proposed solution at their meeting Tuesday night, July 27. With the transfer of fourth, fifth, and sixth grades to West and the junior/senior high school buildings, traffic has been a topic of concern with parents, staff, and the board members. Technology Director Mike Tippery handed out a map along with dismissal information for each grade and their drop off pick up locations

The preliminary arrangements, which Loogootee Superintendent Larry Weitkamp noted

was not carved in stone, are detailed on the map on page two.

Weitkamp said that adjustments may be made to dismissal times depending on how things go at first.

Teacher Rita Divine, who was in the audience, said she just hopes that parents follow the system put in place. She said that being on duty at dismissal she has seen what problems arise. "That's where we see the most trouble is when parents think they know better than what the staff has worked out, because it does work if they the follow what we've asked them to do," she said.

Board member Eric Ackerman said that ('TRAFFIC' continued on page 2)

Federal EDA awards \$6.6 million to WestGate, SIDC to help fund academy



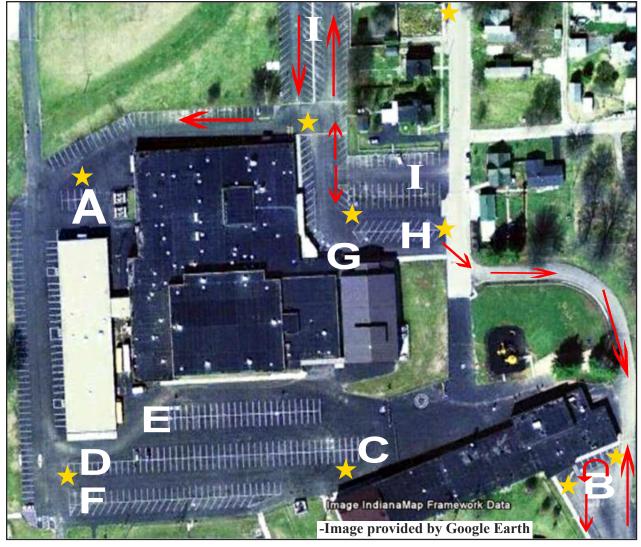
Opening the way to an entirely new round of regional development, the Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce has formally awarded a \$6.6 million grant to the WestGate @ Crane Authority and the Southern Indiana Development Commission (SIDC). The grant will help fund a 60,000-square foot two-story conference center and business incubator that will include training facilities, office space, and room for academic institutional engagement, according to Kent Parisien, president of the WestGate Authority.

"While the formal funding announcement of the Academy is exciting enough, we expect that this new critical addition is but the 'tip of the iceberg' in terms of creating vibrant synergy to attract a hotel developer and operator, new retail space and other long-awaited amenities for the WestGate," Parisien said. "This new facility will change a lot of things, and it will push the already-successful park to a new level."

According to the announcement by Gary Locke, U.S. Secretary of Commerce, the WestGate project is expected to create 255

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TRAFFIC



- (A) 2:55 p.m. dismissal, 5th and 6th grade pickup at north end of intermediate/junior high wing.
- (B) 2:55 p.m. dismissal, K-4th grade pick-up at front of Elementary West utilizing Costello and Brooks Avenue.
- (C) 3 p.m. dismissal, K-4th grade bus dismissal (same as in the past)
- (D) 3:05 p.m. dismissal, 5th and 6th grade bus dismissal at south end of intermediate/junior high wing.
- (E) 3:10 p.m. dismissal, 7th-12th grade bus dismissal at south end of intermediate/junior high wing and gymnasium.
- (F) 3:10 p.m. dismissal, 7th and 8th grade pick-

up at south end of intermediate/junior high wing.

(G) 3:10 p.m. dismissal, 9th-12th grade pick-up at main entrance of jr./sr. high school.

(H) 3:10 p.m. dismissal, 5th-12th grade walkers exiting at the main entrance of jr./sr. high school. (Staff will be present to help walkers go up Brooks Avenue.)

(I) 3:16 p.m. dismissal, drivers.

*Bicycle riders will be asked to report to the building administrator to determine the best dismissal time and safest route.

- *The (H) area will be kept empty for visitors.
- *Brooks Avenue will be closed to traffic.
- ★ Indicates location of school personnel.

"I know everybody wants to be in a hurry to get home, just be careful when you are coming up here," he said. "And be patient with us. If it doesn't work perfect the first time we can adjust and will adjust. It's something that's a work in progress;

the first couple weeks are going to

be chaotic and hectic, just bear with

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everyone needs to be careful when

driving up to the school during

drop-off and dismissal. He said that

kids, especially at the fifth and sixth

grade level, may dart out into traffic.

us and try to be patient."

Ackerman also noted that the Loogootee Police Department will be a strong presence in the parking lot to help with stopping aggressive driving.

Weitkamp noted that a drop-off and pick-up is still being planned at the former East building. Detailed information will be passed out to parents at registration.

In other business, the board received two bids for bread for the upcoming school year. The two bidders were Wonder Bread and Sara Lee and Weitkamp reported that although the bids were close after discussing it with the cafeteria manager it was decided to recommend Sara Lee which the board approved. The board also approved a milk bid from Prairie Farms. Weitkamp noted that the prices are close to the same as last year and are based month to month.

Weitkamp informed the board that with the closing of the East cafeteria it has been decided that there is no need to increase lunch prices for either building for the 2010-11 school year. They will remain the same as last year.

Condolences were offered to Rick and Betsy Graves for the passing of Rick's mother, and to Mike, Marsha, Nikki, Denny, and Jason Wagoner for the passing of Jason's mom, Sharon.

Congratulations were given to Megan Jones for the birth of her baby boy, Mosby and to Susie Nowaskie for the birth of a baby girl, Sarah.

The board formally accepted the resignation of Scott Reid as assistant principal and athletic director. "Scott has done a wonderful job for us in the last three years and gotten better every year and a very strong administrator for an assignment that's not easy to do," said Weitkamp.

"I'd personally like to say that he's done a heck of a job; hate to see him go but he accepted what he called his dream job. He gets to

get back into coaching and be a principal and administrator so I wish him and his family a lot of luck," said Ackerman.

"As a coach I hate to see him go as well," said high school softball coach Greg Clark who was in the audience.

With second grade teacher Amber Smith on temporary disability for the next school year, the board voted to hire Amy Kavanaugh to take her place for one year.

The board also voted to hire Brenda Mathies as the Elementary West secretary. Brenda has 20 years experience as secretary and treasurer and several years working with the special education co-op along with experience helping out in the office. With the new position, the board approved Brenda's resignation as junior class sponsor.

The board approved Reed Graves as the English Academic Team coach, Tim Sanders as Intermediate Math Bowl, Intermediate Spell Bowl coach, and junior high cross country coach, Whitney Wagoner as seventh grade girls' volleyball coach, Debbie Truelove as one of the junior class sponsors, Lacy Wade as Intermediate Student Council sponsor, Roger Willis as Intermediate Yearbook sponsor, Adam Thompson and Betsy Graves to cocoach high school cross country, Joe Kelso, Nancy Sterling, and Carla Trout as volunteers for high school cross country.

Weitkamp asked three board members to sign conflict of interest statements: Larry Craney because of his wife being employed as a cook, Scott Hall because his wife is employed as an aide and Eric Ackerman because he is an insurance agent for the school.

The board approved moving the September meeting to the 20th instead of the 21st to hold the regular meeting and the budget meeting at the same time. The budget hearing will begin at 5 p.m. and is open for the public to speak out about any issues they have with the school's 2011 budget.

The board approved Mike Tippery to dispose of surplus computer equipment.

At the end of the meeting, Elementary West Principal Laura Mattingly commended the custodians who work for the school and the time they have spent preparing the classrooms from the move for the new school year. "They have done a tremendous amount of work this summer and I just wanted to note that," she said.

JAIL WORK

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He also updated the commissioners on the state of the soybean-based oil that was put down for dust control. He said it was all holding up except for certain areas where it is being abused by drivers doing doughnuts. He also said someone had a grader blade out on the road and pulled a bunch of gravel on top of the oil. "Where it's just put on the road and normal traffic is headed, it's holding up great," he said.

He also said that the first round of mowing is coming to an end but crews will be starting over again.

Burns City resident Bill Strange came before the commissioners to discuss a road issue. He said that a neighbor who doesn't live on the road but owns property has been driving through his yard and spinning his tires causing ruts. Strange said that he has lived in the area for 22 years and is the only one who lives on the road. He said that he had hoped some years ago to get the road closed past his property since there were no residences. but learned after calling Highway Superintendent Williams that the neighbor had written a letter to the commissioners wanting the road rebuilt. Strange's wife, who was also in attendance at the meeting, said that their road ends at a railroad and the crossing had been removed several years ago. She said she is unsure if the neighbor has any other access to his property but she said that Crane leaves trains parked on the tracks so he couldn't get across it anyway. Mr. Strange

explained that the road is paved up to their second driveway but beyond that it is gravel. After learning about the letter from his neighbor he said he didn't want the pavement turned back to gravel due to the county trying to rebuild the road. Commissioner Paul George told the Stranges that the road would have to be in really bad shape before it was turned back to gravel which is not the case.

Eric Wade, Martin County Veterans' Service Officer gave a report to the commissioners. According to the report which covers the past four weeks, Wade has received 53 phone calls from veterans, placed 125 calls, transported eight veterans to six VA facilities. Also included in the report was 10 new VA claims filed, six posted veterans' civilian medical bills, \$86,553 in medical bills forgiven, 1,125 miles driven on behalf of veterans and 126 hours he was dedicated to veterans' service. Commissioner Gregory said that any veterans who have any issues can feel free to call one of the county commissioners and they will investigate whatever they need. "We want veterans to be taken care of," he said.

Auditor Nancy Steiner informed the commissioners of a letter she received from the Martin County Learning Center addressed to the president of Ivy Tech Community College which states that the commissioners support the learning center and requests that Ivy Tech give them more time to solve their financial difficulties. The letter was signed by the commissioners.

Terry Tichenor submitted appli-

cations for an auto dealership and motor vehicle salvage licenses. Tichenor said he has had them in the past but let them lapse so he had to re-do the required paperwork. The commissioners approved the applications.

Commissioner Gregory updated the board on a recent survey that was given to county employees on whether they would be interested in a free wellness program. Gregory said 29 responses were received with 23 saying they would like to participate however the county's health advisor said that 23 was not enough participants to start a program that would be financially beneficial. Gregory said that maybe they should wait until next year and survey again. The idea of the wellness program is to help lower healthcare costs by helping county employees with preventive care.

Dale Brown informed the commissioners that Lost River Township is attempting to get a grant to build a fire station. They are working with SIDC.

At the end of the meeting it was briefly discussed that appointments would need to be made to the West-Gate Authority and the Alcohol Beverage Commission in place of Gene Shaw who recently passed away. Those appointments were tabled for now. Commissioner Gregory said, "Gene just gave so much to Martin County and the country for a long time and you don't replace people like that easily or quickly; Gene was a good man. He loved Shoals and loved Martin County and its people and he'll be missed."

ABATEMENT

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cussion on whether to go ahead and take the recommendation or to open up the position for others who may be interested.

Attorney Dave Lett said he would not rush to make an appointment and suggested even holding an executive meeting to discuss it. He said he thinks the authority could function without the third person for awhile.

Hawkins said he disagreed with Lett saying that with the announcement of the academy being built in the park there is going to be a lot more to handle. "The intent was to fill that seat to bring that member up to speed as quickly as possible," he said. The next meeting of the authority is August 11.

"It's an important spot," said Lett. "These are big shoes to fill; I just recommend you go slowly."

It was discussed that the redevelopment commission members possibly come up with names of others who may be interested in serving on the authority and wait to see and possibly speak with them.

"I just have to say that I couldn't have found a better person for Martin County to work with," said Ott about Gene Shaw. "He gave his time, talent, love, heart, body, and soul to whatever task, and no one would out work him. I made a good friend in my opportunity to work with him," he added.

In the end the redevelopment commission opted to hold an executive session Tuesday, August 9, at 5 p.m. to see if there is anyone else who may be interesting in serving.

Obituaries

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

SHARON WAGONER

Sharon Lynn Wagoner died at 5:48 p.m. on Thursday, July 22, 2010, at Indiana U. Medical Center in Indianapolis. A resident of Loogootee, she was 52.

She was born on January 25, 1958, in Portsmouth, Virginia; the daughter of Bruce and Novadine (Dudley) Posey. Sharon was a 1976 graduate of North Knox High School and a 1997 graduate of St. Mary of the Woods College. She was a certified defense financial manager and retired from SPAWAR in Charleston, South Carolina. After retirement, she served as a substitute teacher in the Loogootee School system. She was a member of St. John Catholic Church, in Loogootee, where she volunteered with the religious education program and helping with funeral meals. She was a member of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary and St. John Quilters. She was an avid supporter of Loogootee Girls' Volleyball, enjoyed gardening, knitting, golfing, baking, quilting, and spending time with her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Denny Wagoner, whom she married December 21, 1996; her mother, Novadine Posey of Freelandville; one son, Jason and wife Mary Wagoner of Loogootee; two sisters, Cindy and husband Lowell Stoelting of Lindenhurst, Illinois, and Gail and husband John Stewart of Terre Haute; one brother, Steve and wife Carol Posey of Terre Haute; five grandchildren, John Charles Wagoner, Makenzie Colson, Madison Colson, Tyler O'Conner Wagoner and Caylin Colson; along with 14 nieces, 12 nephews, six greatnieces and 11 great-nephews.

She is preceded in death by her father, Bruce Posey, and one daughter, Melissa

A funeral service was held Tuesday, July 27, at St. John Catholic Church in Loogootee. Burial took place in St. John Catholic Cemetery in Loogootee. Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmithfuneralhomes.com.

PAUL E. "GENE" SHAW

Paul E. "Gene" Shaw died at 2:21 a.m. Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A wellknown resident of Shoals, he was 77.

He was born January 16, 1933, in Shoals; the son of Leland Leonard and Grace Elizabeth (Hall) Shaw. He was a 1950 graduate of Shoals High School and was retired as Sgt. Major of the U.S. Army after 27 years of service. He was then employed at Naval

Weapons Support Center Crane. He was a Paul Heironimus; daughters, Beveraly Ann member of Shoals Christian Church. He was the treasurer and served on the board of directors of Shoals Lions Club. He was also a member of Order of Eastern Star, White River Masonic Lodge 332 F. and A.M., Shoals Dollars for Scholars Award, founding and current member of the Martin County Community Foundation, Scottish Rite of Evansville, National Sojourners, serving as treasurer of the Indiana Chapter No. 328, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission Board in Martin County, Martin County Property Tax Review Board, and former member of the West Boggs Park Board. He was appointed to the Martin County Redevelopment Commission in 2004, served as president of the WestGate at Crane Authority from June 2006 to December 2009, and was a current board member. He received the Distinguished Hoosier Award from Governor Mitch Daniels, Kentucky Colonel, Martin County Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year 2010 and Co-Grand Marshal Catfish Festival Parade in 2010.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann (Albaugh) Shaw, whom he married May 9, 1954; two sons, Paul Eugene Shaw II and Trice Gibbons of Nashville, Tennessee, and John Leland Shaw and David B. de Wetter of El Paso, Texas; two brothers, Donald Shaw of Radcliffe, Ky., and Bill Shaw of Shoals; and one half brother, Leonard O. Shaw of Greenwood.

He is preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Roland Wayne Shaw; and one sister, Doris Louise Shaw Nigg.

A funeral service was held Saturday, July 24, at Shoals Christian Church. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shoals Dollars for Scholars Fund or Martin County Community Foundation "Betterment Fund." Online condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

LAVERNE HEIRONIMUS

Ethel Laverne Heironimus passed away Sunday, July 25, 2010 at Good Samaritan Nursing Home. A resident of Bicknell, she was 90.

She was born September 4, 1919 in Francisco; the daughter of Hosea Usery and Freida (Meiers). She married Kenneth Paul Heironimus on November 21, 1937. She was a retired sales clerk at Kroger Co. She was a member of Clarks Chapel General Baptist

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth

(Darrell) Charles of Bicknell, Fran (Don) Clem of Linn Creek, Mo.; sons, Jerry (Darlene) Heironimus of Bicknell, Gregory (Shelly) Heironimus of San Jose, California; sisters, Martha Jean Gieselman of Silver Springs, Maryland, Evelyn Bell Stone of Somerville, Marietta Ferguson of Evansville; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, 2010, at Providence Primitive Baptist Church with the Rev. Ralph McVay officiating. Burial will be in Providence Cemetery.

Visitation was from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 27 at Fredrick and Son McClure-Utt Funeral Home, 109 E. Sixth St. in Bicknell and from noon until the hour of service on Wednesday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Clarks Chapel. Condolences may be made online at www.fredrickandson.com.

NOAH "NICK" GRABER

Noah "Nick" Graber died at 12:22 a.m. Sunday, July 25, 2010, at his residence surrounded by his family. A resident of Montgomery, he was 75.

He was born May 31, 1935, in Daviess County; the son of Nicholas R. and Ida (Graber) Graber. He was a member of Providence Mennonite Church and was retired from White River Co-Op and worked at the Gasthof. His grandchildren were his pride and joy and he loved attending their ball games or whatever they were involved in.

He is survived by four sons and daughtersin-law, Mike Graber, Bret and Beth Graber, and Mark and Amy Graber, all of Montgomery, and Scott and Donalee Graber of Portage; six sisters, Viola (John) Knepp, Mary Ruth (Daniel) Graber, and Rosa Jean (Paul) Raber, all of Montgomery, Alma (Emory) Helmuth of Plain City, Ohio, Ida Mae (John) Stoll of Odon, and Clara (Joe) Raber of Loogootee; two brothers, Harvey (Leah) Graber of Odon, and Nicholas (Anna) Graber Jr. of Loogootee; 11 grandchildren, Alyssa Graber, Thomas Graber, Trey Graber, Destiny Graber, Charity Graber, Morgyn Graber, Collin Graber, Evan Graber, Tailon Graber, Macin Graber and Karlye Graber.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Sylvia Graber and Pauline Stoll, and one brother, Raymond Graber.

A funeral service was held today Wednesday, July 28, at Providence Mennonite Church, with Jarvis Hochstetler, Brent Cramer and Shawn Otto officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Ed Lee Mortuary was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to www.edleemortuary.com.

CHARLES ROBERT PAYNE

Charles Robert Payne passed away on July 22, 2010, at 7:03 p.m., at Daviess Community Hospital, the victim of a motorcycle accident. A resident of Shoals, he was 51.

He was born on October 12, 1958, in Washington; the son of Charles J. and RuthAnn (Sanders) Payne. Charles married Lois Landers on October 2, 1976 in Shoals and she survives.

He was employed by Indiana Department of Natural Resources at the Martin County State Forest for thirty years. Charles was active in the Shoals Fraternal of Eagles Aries #2442, Shoals Sons of The American Legion, and American Legion Riders of Shoals.

Other surviving relatives include his mother RuthAnn and Donald Willyard of Loogootee, his father Charles J. and Linda Kay Payne of Washington, daughters Amy Payne and Eric Troutman, and Melissa Wilson and Chad Dorsey; and two grandchildren Cody Troutman and Madison Wilson, two

step-grandchildren Malyia and Tryndyll Dorsey of Shoals, one brother George and Darlene Payne of Loogootee, one sister Charlene Underhill of Washington, two step brothers Mark Wininger of Shoals, and Kevin Wininger of Loogootee, one step sister Pam Belmore of Indianapolis.

He was preceded in death by a grandson Rolen Wilson.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 26, at Queen-Lee Funeral Home. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery, in Shoals. Pat McDaniel officiated.

GWEN SANDERS

Gwendolynn Marie Sanders died at 8 a.m. Tuesday, July 20, 2010, as the result of iniuries sustained in an auto accident in Bloomington. A resident of Bedford, she was

She was born January 1, 1979, in Xenia, Ohio; the daughter of Mark Douglas Parkey and Linda Hughes.

She was a cab driver for Yellow Cab in Bloomington, and had formerly worked at Velma's Diner in Shoals.

Survivors include one son, Brian Ramse Sanders, at home; her mother and stepfather, Lawrence E. Jr. and Linda Holt of Bedford; two brothers, Gary Lynn Hughes of Mitchell and Larry Brown of Orleans; her ex-husband, Jason Sanders of Shoals; her grandmothers, Clara Holt of Orleans and Doris Hughes of Mount Holly, Ohio; her motherin-law, Vicky Sanders of Shoals; her fatherin-law, Roger and Flora Sanders of Petersburg; and brothers-in-law, Aaron Sanders and Jeremy Sanders of Shoals.

She was preceded in death by grandfathers, Lawrence Holt and William T. Hodges III; and two stepsisters, Cynthia Fuller and Angela Barber.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, July 27, at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.queenlee.com.

SUSAN JAN SANDERS

Susan Jan Sanders died at 6:28 p.m. Monday, July 19, 2010 at St. Vincent Dunn Hospital in Bedford. A resident of Bedford, she was 59.

She was born February 1, 1951, in Lawrence County; the daughter of John and Angela (Granato) Dillon. She married Gary Sanders on June 11, 1971, at Grace United Methodist Church. She was a homemaker, volunteer, and custodian at Hillcrest Christian Church in Bedford. She was a 1969 graduate of Bedford High School and a member of Hillcrest Christian Church, where she was a Sunday School teacher and was active in various functions of the church.

Susan was a wonderful wife, mother, sister and friend to many. She enjoyed helping others, cooking special meals, and assisting with her church family. She will be missed by all.

Survivors include her husband Gary of Bedford; two daughters, Jennifer (Steve) Flack of Greenwood, and Whitley Sanders of Newport, Oregon; two sisters, Beth Ann (Bill) Lewis of Oolitic and Lisa (Larry) Dillon of Bloomington; one brother, John Robert (Diane) Dillon of Oolitic; four aunts, beloved aunt, Mary Frances Robbins of Oolitic, Mary Baker of Shoals, and Joan Frye and Shirley Dillon of Bedford; her very special sisters-in-law, Reida (Denny) Cummings of Heltonville, and Judy (Jesse) Sampson of Bedford; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A funeral service was held Friday, July 23, at Hillcrest Christian Church in Bedford with Pastors Mark Fugate and Charles Scott officiating. Burial was held in Green Hill Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Glory Days fund, American Heart Association, or the charity of the donor's choice.



Public RECORDS

MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

Tuesday, July 20

8:18 a.m. - A female caller stated that she was trying to get her daughter's belongings from a house in Shoals where the male involved had taken them. She advised Lawrence County is working the case and she will get in contact with them.

11:46 a.m. - A male caller on Turkey Hill Lane requested an ambulance for difficulty breathing. The ambulance and Lost River First Responders responded. No transport was necessary.

12:04 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident east of Shoals on U.S. 50. Sergeant Pritchard and Shoals Fire Department responded.

1:23 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Country Place Apartments in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:34 p.m. - A male caller on Williams Road reported that some Bedford Times-Mail newspapers in the area, including his, has been stolen. Deputy Keller was advised.

3:57 p.m. - A female caller reported her daughter's car was stranded at Buffalo Bottoms. Deputy Keller and Sheriff Dant assisted the driver.

5:27 p.m. - Received a report of a male subject walking down the middle of U.S. 150. Deputy Nolan checked area but was unable to locate.

Unknown time - A male subject came on station to speak with an officer about custody of a child. Deputy Nolan spoke with the subject.

5:32 p.m. - A male caller reported being lost in Martin State Forest. ICO Doane was on station and spoke with the caller and then responded to the forest to assist the hiker.

5:37 p.m. - Marshal Eckert checked on subjects swimming at the boat landing. They were advised there is no swimming at that location. The "No Swimming" sign had been removed.

8:17 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Poplar Grove Road for difficulty breathing and chest pains. Shoals Fire Department First Responders also responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:25 p.m. - Received a harassment complaint from Crane Village by text messages. Major Burkhardt spoke with all subjects involved.

Wednesday, July 21

12:30 a.m.- Major Burkhardt and the Daviess County Sheriff's Department responded to a domestic incident that started in Daviess County, but continued to northern Martin County.

3:53 a.m. - Major Burkhardt removed a tree from Windom Road.

4:50 a.m. - A tree was reported down on U.S. 50 about one-half mile west of the construction site before Huron. The state highway department was notified.

11:30 a.m. - An alarm company requested lift assistance for a patient in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department First Responders responded.

2:36 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Katydid Trailer Court in Shoals for stomach pain. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:10 p.m. - Received several calls about a telephone pole down on U.S. 150. The pole was removed from the roadway.

5:23 p.m. - Received a call from a subject about a bat living in his upstairs.

9:02 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals.

Thursday, July 22

4:04 a.m. - A caller reported a donkey and a horse loose at the Highway 58 and Highway 45 intersection.

9:00 a.m. - Received a report of a tree blocking the roadway on Spencer Hollow

10:16 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on U.S. 231, headed south out of Loogootee.

11:35 a.m. - Received a report of a speeding and reckless driver, headed west on U.S. 50 from the 4-H fairgrounds.

1:58 p.m. - A female caller stated that she was concerned about information she has received that a Martin County Civil Defense member has been asking questions in the

2:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare.

3:32 p.m. - An anonymous caller provided possible information on a theft case.

5:33 p.m. - A caller advised of a large piece of tire on U.S. 50.

7:04 p.m. - Washington Police Department requested our officer deliver an emergency message.

7:17 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Dover Hill Road.

8:02 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak to an officer about her niece.

8:40 p.m. - A male caller advised there was a car that hit a tree on U.S. 231, near Whitfield Church.

9:41 p.m. - Loogootee Police Department advised of a residential burglary alarm at a residence on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee.

9:56 p.m. - Received a report of a possible overdose in Loogootee.

Friday, July 23

10:19 a.m. - Received information about a possible wanted person.

10:52 a.m. - Received a call about a tree across the roadway on U.S. 150, about two miles out of Shoals.

11:23 a.m. - Received a complaint of property damage.

12:02 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Isaacs Road about a fall.

12:18 p.m. - Lawrence County reported a possible drunk driver on U.S. 50, heading into Martin County.

1:35 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a female advising that a male was tearing up her

2:28 p.m. - Loogootee Police Department advised of a speeding driver headed north on U.S. 231 from Haysville.

2:53 p.m. - A female 911 caller advised a man had pointed a firearm at her.

3:07 p.m. - A female caller in Shoals advised that two individuals had attempted to get into her trailer and had also unplugged her refrigerator.

7:35 p.m. - A man called and reported that his horse is missing.

8:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Emmons Ridge Road for possible seizures.

Saturday, July 24

3:05 a.m. - A 911 call was received from a male threatening suicide in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was contacted.

9:00 a.m. - Daviess County Sheriff's Department requested a deputy attempt to locate an individual about an abandoned vehicle in Washington.

12:00 p.m. - A deputy assisted with an eviction in Loogootee.

12:55 p.m. - Received a report of a fight at the Loogootee Little League field.

1:30 p.m. - A male caller requested extra patrol in Crane Village for threatening text messages.

4:35 p.m. - A female caller reported a possible sexual battery.

5:18 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

5:24 p.m. - Received a report of a domes-

tic dispute on North Line Street in Loogootee, near the water tower.

7:01 p.m. - A male caller reported that his neighbor's dog had killed his dog.

8:20 p.m. - A male caller reported a possible intoxicated female that would not leave his property.

8:47 p.m. - Received a report of a two-vehicle accident on U.S. 50, near the Daviess County line.

9:32 p.m. - A male caller requested assistance removing another male from his resi-

Sunday, July 25

2:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Poplar Grove Road.

10:44 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

11:27 a.m. - A female caller reported that her father locked his keys in his car and the car is running.

1:26 p.m. - Received a report of an Alzheimer's patient disoriented and left in a vehicle. The caller called back a short time later and advised he had returned home.

2:11 p.m. - A male caller requested an ambulance on U.S. 150. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:32 p.m. - A male caller reported that he had parked his car in the driveway and it rolled into the garage.

8:04 p.m. - A female caller reported her ex-husband violating a temporary custody agreement.

9:40 p.m. - Received a call for an ambulance in Loogootee for chest pains. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee for chest pains. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Monday, July 26

1:25 a.m. - Received a report of a large horse on U.S. 50, near National Gypsum.

6:22 a.m. - A female caller in Shoals reported someone opening her door during the night.

6:24 a.m. - Dianne Ragsdale called and reported that someone had rummaged through three of their vehicle during the early morning hours. One vehicle had been moved approximately 150 feet down the road. There were several items taken out of the vehicles. If anyone has any information on this case please call 812-247-3726.

8:30 a.m.- Roger Lee Abel, an employee with the Town of Shoals, contacted the sheriff's department and stated that there had been several street signs taken off the sign posts, sometime over the weekend. Mr. Abel stated that they had found several of Akles was the investigating officer.

the signs but that they are still missing approximately four signs. After talking with Mr. Abel, it was decided that the signs were taken sometime after midnight on Monday morning. The signs were all taken from the north side of the highway. Some were found and turned in by property owners. If you have any information on who may have taken the signs you can call the Martin County tip line at 812-247-3726. Anyone caught taking the street signs will be prose-

8:30 a.m. - Debbie Montgomery, the owner of Velma's Diner, in Shoals, called and reported someone had tried to break into the diner. Montgomery showed the officer a door that had chain link made into it. which had been cut with some sort of bolt cutters. This occurred sometime between midnight and 5 a.m. If anyone has any information on the break-in please call 812-247-3726.

11:11 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Rutherford Road.

12:54 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on U.S. 50, near the Martin State For-

3:23 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at the American Legion in Loo-

4:58 p.m. - A female came on station to report her son missing. She called back a short time later and advised she had located him.

5:11 p.m. - Received a report of stolen LP gas off of a camper.

6:22 p.m. - Received a report of stolen keys from a vehicle in Shoals.

10:14 p.m. - Received a request to locate from Lawrence County on a subject driving while suspended and headed toward Martin

Accident reports

Wednesday, July 21

1:30 p.m. - Sarah J. Spaulding, of Loogootee, was operating a 2002 Ford and backing from a parking spot in the Los Bravos parking lot. Spaulding backed into a 2002 Chevy owned by George A. Brace, of Shoals. No injuries were reported. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer. Friday, July 23

3:58 p.m. - Tyson Hilderbrand was operating a 2003 Mitsubishi and turning left from Northeast First Street onto Broadway Street. Hilderbrand turned and collided with a 2005 Ford operated by Christopher Dunn, of Loogootee. Dunn was attempting to cross Broadway Street from Southeast First Street. No injuries were reported. Captain



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Loogootee Police activity log Martin County

Monday, July 19

9:09 a.m. - Female called and requested an attempt to locate her husband who had not returned from Evansville. The female later called and stated her husband had later arrived home.

9:50 a.m. - Received a bank alarm, everything checked ok.

12:02 p.m. - Female caller stated a young boy was laying in the highway on East Broadway Street. Chief Rayhill arrived and spoke with the juvenile along with his

5:06 p.m. - A caller stated a tree had fallen on Boston Street. Duke Energy was ad-

5:20 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department advised they were without power and a phone line was down on 550.

5:22 p.m. - A caller stated a live wire was down near Martin County Video. Duke Energy was contacted.

7:31 p.m. - A caller advised of loud music at Shaded Estates. Sgt Norris responded and did not hear any music.

9:23 p.m. - A caller stated a power line was down on John C. Strange Street. Duke Energy was contacted.

Tuesday, July 20

1:31 a.m. - A caller reported a suspicious vehicle on East Broadway Street. Sgt. Norris checked the area.

9:01 a.m. - A caller on Church Street reported a loose dog outside of her residence. Chief Rayhill responded.

1:29 p.m. - First responders were requested at Country Place Apartments for lifting assistance.

2:35 p.m. - A female caller reported a dog without water on Cherry Street. Chief Rayhill responded.

9:08 p.m.- A female caller reported that she was unable to get to the track at the High School reference to vehicles blocking the right of way. Sgt. Hennette responded.

9:23 p.m. - A caller reported a domestic dispute on Grant Street. Sgt. Hennette responded

Wednesday, July 21

7:47 a.m. - A male came on station to report he was having problems with another male that keeps driving by his place of employment.

9:17 a.m. - A caller from Crane Federal Credit Union requested to speak with an officer in reference to some questionable currency. Chief Rayhill responded.

12:35 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department requested to be on the look out for a suspicious van traveling towards Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

1:35 p.m. - A caller reported a stranded motorist on US 50. Chief Rayhill along with Daviess County Sheriff's Department responded.

7:58 p.m. - A caller reported a civil complaint in Shaded Estates. Sgt Hennette responded.

9:09 p.m. - Sgt. Hennette spoke with a female regarding a domestic issue.

Thursday, July 22

9:43 p.m. - First responders were requested near the Whitfield Church for a vehicle accident.

9:56 p.m. - Martin County Ambulance requested an officer on North Line Street for a male with a possible overdose. Sgt Hennette responded.

Friday, July 23

1:33 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a domestic in Redwing Trailer Court. Captain Akles responded.

2:16 p.m. - A male caller reported a dark Chevy making bad passes and traveling at a high rate of speed on US 231. Captain Akles responded and was unable to locate.

7:22 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a possible intoxicated driver southbound from Bramble. Sgt. Hennette was unable to locate.

Cops Cycling for IN C.O.P.S to ride through southwest Indiana

Saturday, July 24

2:22 a.m. - A female caller reported a possible prowler around her residence. Sgt Hennette responded and did not locate any-

3:06 a.m. – Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a 911 hang up on Jackson Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

5:28 p.m. – Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a domestic dispute on North Line Street. Captain Akles spoke with the parties involved.

11:27 p.m. - A caller reported a reckless driver on Brickvard Road. Sgt Norris stopped and spoke with the driver.

Sunday, July 25

1:51 a.m. - A female caller requested an attempt to locate her son who had not been home for a while. Sgt. Norris responded.

9:42 p.m. - First responders were requested on William Daily Drive for a male with chest pains.

10:56 p.m. - First responders were requested on North Street for a female with chest pains.

Monday, July 26

7:20 a.m. - A male caller stated he was having problems with another male at his place of employment. Officer Branham spoke with the complainant.

3:27 p.m. - A female caller requested an officer in Sunset Trailer Court for a domestic dispute. Officer Branham responded.

11:17 p.m. - A caller reported a lot of yelling and screaming on Southwest First Street. Sgt. Norris responded and was unable to locate.

Tuesday, July 27

12:36 a.m. - A male caller reported a CD player stolen from his vehicle. Sgt Norris will file a case report.

5:20 a.m. - A male caller on Riley Street reported his residence had been broken into. Chief Rayhill responded and will file a case

Saturday, July 31 – Vincennes to Clinton

Sunday, August 1 – Clinton to Kentland

Monday, August 2 – Kentland to Merril-

Tuesday, August 3 – Merrillville to

Wednesday, August 4 – Mishawaka to

Thursday, August 5 – Warsaw to Bluffton

via US 30, Ft Wayne city streets, US 27 to

Decatur, US 224 or paralleling county roads

Friday, August 6 – Bluffton to Richmond

Mishawaka via US 30, SR 2, and city

cennes via SR 64 and US 41

lville via US 41 and US 30

Warsaw via SR 331 and US 30

to SR 301 to SR 124 to Bluffton

via US 41 and SR 63

via SR 63 and US 41

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

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed July 7

Michael E. Norris, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Richard D. Gingerich, possession of methamphetamine, a Class D Felony; neglect of a dependent, a Class D Felony.

July 19

Samuel A. Miller, two counts of criminal recklessness, Class D Felonies; pointing a firearm, a Class D Felony.

CIVIL COURT **New Suits Filed** July 15

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Angela Hunter, civil collection.

July 19

Capital One Bank vs. Bette K. Gibson, civil collection.

July 20

Atlantic Credit and Finance vs. Larry Davis, civil collection.

Discover Bank vs. Carla Besaw, civil collection

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS July 19

Robert W. Allen to Capital One Bank in the amount of \$5,337.23.

Danna Holt to Capital Alliance Financial, LLC in the amount of \$1,810.87.

Tina A. Shaw to GE Money Bank in the amount of \$966.94.

CIVIL COURT DISMISSED July 14

Capital One Bank vs. Monica Holland, civil collection, dismissed.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS July 19

Amber and Jacob Sanders to Norbert D. Mattingly in the amount of \$99.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID **July 14 – July 21**

James Tuggle, Bloomfield, speeding 60 in a 55, \$119.

Justin Warner, Shoals, seatbelt violation,

Haley White, New Albany, seatbelt viola-

Don Williams, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

MARRIAGE LICENSES July 16

Jeffrey William Huls, of Loogootee and Courtney Rose Matthews, of Loogootee.

July 23

Jason Allen Hudson, of Shoals and Brandy Marie Richards, of Machesnay Park, Illinois.

Jail booking

Tuesday, July 20

1:39 p.m. - Donna Brunner, 43, of Odon, was arrested for Habitual Traffic Violator. Thursday, July 22

9:38 p.m. - Melvin Graber, 32, of Shoals, was arrested and charged with Sexual Misconduct with a Minor.

Friday, July 23

3:45 p.m. - Michael Harding, 50, of Shoals, was arrested and charged with Pointing a Loaded Firearm and Intimida-

Sunday, July 25

1:20 a.m. - Daniel Rasche, 36, of Loogootee, was arrested and charged with Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated.

ARE YOU INVOLVED **IN A NON-PROFIT** ORGANIZATION?

The Martin County Journal has started a "Wish List" for you on our website.

Send a list of items you need for your club or organization to courtney@martincountyjournal.com

Wednesday July 28 - Madison to Jeffersonville via SR 62 Thursday, July 29 – Jeffersonville to Huntingburg via SR 64 Friday, July 30 - Huntingburg to Vin-

On Monday, July 26, a collection of active and retired police officers, law enforcement survivors, and friends of law enforcement gathered at the Statehouse in Indianapolis and began a 13-day and nearly 1,000-mile bicycle ride around the perimeter of Indiana. The cyclists are riding in memory of those police officers who have lost their lives in the performance of their duties and to raise awareness of the law enforcement survivors around the state.

According to Master Trooper Rich Crawford, the charity ride, Cops Cycling for IN C.O.P.S., was created in 2004 by Indiana State Police Lieutenant Gary Dudley. Dudley's vision was to support the Indiana Chapter of C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors) to raise awareness of, and to support the survivors of fallen police officers. "Lt. Dudley and Lake County Chief Deputy Gary Martin were killed in 2006 on State Road 63 in Vermillion County during this very ride. All we ask is that when the public sees us during our ride, they take a moment to reflect on the sacrifices made every day by the police officers in their communities" said Crawford.

To date, Cops Cycling for IN C.O.P.S. has raised more than \$250,000 which has been used to provide counseling services, college scholarships, and funding for families to attend National Police Week in Washington, D.C. Monies raised this year will go to a scholarship fund set up to assist the children of those fallen police officers. Information on both the charity ride and how to sponsor a rider can be found at the C.O.P.S. website, www.indianacops.org.

Road, and SR 37

2010 Cops Cycling for IN C.O.P.S. Route

son via SR 446, SR 50, SR 39, SR 250, and

via SR 1, SR 26, SR 3, Greenway bike trail Monday, July 26 - Indianapolis to to end, and US 35 Bloomington via Meridian Street, Fairview Saturday, August 7 – Richmond to Indianapolis via US 40 to Indy city streets to Tuesday, July 27 – Bloomington to Madi-Hinkle Field House to Crown Hill Cemetery Heroes Section.

Jasper Indiana State Police Post reports June enforcement activity

The Indiana State Police had the following enforcement activity for June 2010.

The Jasper State Police Post covers Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Martin, Orange, Perry, and Spencer Counties.

Traffic Arrests (tickets) 2006 Warnings Commercial Motor Vehicle moving arrests 18 19 **DUI** Arrests **Total Criminal Arrests** 103

With the warm and sometimes hot sum-

mer weather, the Indiana State Police warn

against leaving children unattended in ve-

hicles for even the shortest periods of time.

According to a report from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, when the outside temperature is 80-100 degrees, a vehicle parked in direct sunlight can reach internal temperatures up to 131-172 degrees. The report added that approximately 25 children die each year as a result of being left or becoming trapped in hot vehicles. A few children died when parents forgot their child was in the back seat of the vehicle.

State Police Summer Safety Tips

-Teach children not to play in, on or around vehicles and be clear about the dangers of doing so.

-Never leave a child unattended in a vehicle, even with the window slightly open or the air conditioner on.

-Always lock the vehicles doors and trunk, especially at home, and keep vehicle keys and remote entry devices out of children's reach.

-Install a trunk release mechanism if your vehicle does not have one so children cannot get trapped in the trunk.

-Place something you'll need at your next stop such as a purse, lunch, briefcase, or gym bag on the floor of the backseat where the child is sitting. This could help prevent you from accidentally forgetting a child.

Laser pointing incident leads to arrest

Indiana State Police sergeant and helicopter pilot, Rick Cool and trooper Tim Cummins were flying back to Indianapolis after a late night aerial search in Clark County. While flying over Jennings County, Sgt. Cool noticed a green light on the door of the helicopter. Sgt. Cool, suspecting the light to be light from a fixed wing aircraft, took evasive action to avoid a mid-air collision and the light disappeared.

Shortly thereafter the green light reappeared in the cockpit. Sgt. Cool then suspected the light to be a laser light coming from the ground and began a circular search of the area and obtained a GPS reading. Troopers and Jennings County deputies on the ground began a ground search for the suspect but to no avail.

Detective Roger Drew of the Indiana State Police began a joint investigation with Special Agent Jeremy Michaels of the FBI Indianapolis office.

The investigation led to a suspect, 18year-old Clint L. Williams, Jr., of North Vernon. After several discussions between

In early June at approximately 3 a.m., an Jennings County Prosecuting Attorney, Alan Marshall and the United States Attorney's office it was decided to bring state charges against Williams. In the afternoon of Thursday, July 22, Detective Drew arrested Williams at his home without incident. He is currently being held in the Jennings County Jail facing one count of Criminal Recklessness, a Class B Misdemeanor. A Class B Misdemeanor carries a maximum penalty of up to 180 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine. Charged federally, Williams could be facing two to five years in federal prison with the two-year mandatory minimum.

It is important for the public to realize that pointing a laser at a person or a vehicle is extremely dangerous; however pointing a laser at an aircraft can be catastrophic. In this incident the helicopter could have easily crashed killing the pilot, the passenger, and innocent persons on the ground. For this reason, incidents such as this are taken very seriously by law enforcement and if caught, perpetrators can expect to be pros-

Two arrested for dealing methamphetamine

On Wednesday July 21, two people were arrested for dealing methamphetamine after a trooper conducted a traffic stop on SR 62 near Sulphur.

Preliminary investigation reveals that at approximately 12:30 p.m., troopers initiated a traffic stop on a red 2001 Chrysler Pt Cruiser on SR 62 just east of Sulphur. During the stop, the driver Angela R. Elliott, 41, of Paoli, became combative and resisted arrest, but after a brief struggle troopers were able to gain control and get her in custody.

The troopers located nearly 215 grams of methamphetamine after State Police K-9 Diesel, indicated that drugs were present in

Troopers then placed the passenger James E. Bayless, 34, of Paoli, under arrest.

Elliott was taken to the Orange County

Hospital to obtain treatment on a hand that was injured when she resisted arrest. After being treated, she was transported to the Crawford County Jail.

Bayless was transported to the Crawford County Jail without incident.

Arrested and Charges: Angela R. Elliott, 41, of Paoli, Dealing Methamphetamine Over 3 Grams and Resisting Arrest

James E. Bayless, 34, of Paoli, Dealing Methamphetamine Over 3 Grams

Anyone with information concerning the possible manufacture or sales of methamphetamine is encouraged to call the Indiana State Police Methamphetamine Tip Line at (800) 453-4756 or the Indiana State Police, Jasper Post at (812) 482-1441 or (800) 742-

Callers can remain anonymous.



Home for a visit

-Photo provided

Loogootee native Sara Allen, at left, the daughter of Vicky Allen and the late Greg Allen, of Loogootee, stand on the square last weekend while she was home for a visit. Sara is stationed in Great Lakes, Illinois. She has been in the Navy for seven months and holds an E-3 rank. Sara brought a friend, Katie Smith, back to Loogootee with her for the temporary stay.

Calendar of Events

LHS Class of 1990 reunion meeting

The next scheduled meeting for the LHS Class of 1990 reunion will be held on Thursday, July 29, at 6:30 p.m., at Nikki Wagoner's home. They will be addressing invitations; if you have any addresses of classmates please email them to wagoner10@verizon.net or ixray298@aol.com. If you would like to attend the meeting and help, please do. The class reunion is set for September 4 at Lark Farm. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Commissioners Special Meeting

The Martin County Commissioners will hold a special meeting Tuesday, August 3, at 6 p.m., at the Martin County Fire Station at the fairgrounds. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Homeland Security procedures. The meeting is open to the public.

Democrat Golf Scramble

The Martin County Democratic Party will hold a Golf Scramble Saturday, August 21. at Eagle View Golf Course, at Crane. Shot gun start at 9 a.m. Cash prizes will be awarded for 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place, closest to the pin and longest drive. Preregistration fee is \$45 per person and \$50 on the day of the event. There will be fourperson teams. Fees includes green fees, cart rental, and dinner. Dinner will be served by the candidates on the Democrat ballot this fall. There will also be a putting contest and chances for 50/50 drawing. To register call Bobbi Sue Nonte at 812-296-1351. Come out meet the candidates, play, and enjoy the day!

Daviess County Relief Sale

The Daviess County Relief Sale committee met and has announced this year's sale

will be August 21 at the Simon J. Graber Complex, just off of CR 900E.

This is the 30th year for the sale, which began in July 1980. To commemorate the 30th anniversary, the committee is planning to bring back some old-time favorites like lemonade shake-ups. New this year will be a men's softball tourney. It will begin August 20 on the complex diamonds.

For information about the sale or the tourney, please call this year's committee chairman, Darrin Graber, at 812-295-6326 or e-mail darrinshannongraber@yahoo.com.

Humane society meetings

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

Recovery support group

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

Youth football meetings

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

Soil and Water meetings

The Martin County SWCD meets the third Monday of the month at the SWCD office located at Martin County Learning Center. Office hours for the district are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit www.martinswcd. com or call at 247-2423.

the vehicle.

Classified ADS

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Fridgedaire Portable Dish Washer, \$200. Call 812-388-6679.

FOR SALE: Bunk Beds, \$150; Two wardrobes w/mirrors, \$100 each; three 3-drawer chest of drawers, \$75 each; Sears Lawn Bug Lawn Mower w/grass catcher and mulcher, \$500. Call

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YARD SALES

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE, Rain or Shine. Saturday, July 31, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.(No Early Sales) 168 Country Court, Loogootee. Toys; brand-name clothes, including Carters, OshKosh, Gap, all in excellent condition, baby boys 0-18 months, boys clothes 4T, misses; exersaucer; portable swing; stroller; jumperoo; bottles; misc. baby toys and other baby items; toys, misc. household items; weight bench; and much more.

WILLIAMS COMMUNITY YARD SALE Saturday, July 31, from 7 a.m. to ? Guns, fishing/hunting, antiques, kids' clothes, kids' toys, free stuff and much, much more.

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Martin County Youth Football SCHWAN'S FUNDRAISER

Saturday, July 31

from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Pamida parking lot



All money raised will go to help support the Martin County Youth Football League.

For more information, contact Cindy Lagle at 295-5515



Martin County OUTDOORS



Before It's Gone, the Series, Part 3 **Saving the World to Death**

Something that has been almost universal for the past nearly 40 years that I have been in the outdoor business is that most of the outdoor professionals I have known and worked with became outdoor professionals because they were first avid outdoors men and women. I have met very few conservation officers who did not hunt and fish. I do not think I have ever met a forester, wildlife biologist, geologist, or other natural resource scientist who did not decide to do that because they either loved being outdoors, or wanted to help manage the natural world because they loved it deeply. Furthermore, those professions were thought of as dream jobs by a citizenry that felt much the same way. Families made RV camping a national past time in the boom years after World War II, and except for a few big city areas, almost everyone had some opportunity to get outdoors and did so with gusto.

Almost everyone I have ever talked to about their outdoor interests will tell of developing their love of nature as children. They roamed and wandered. They built forts in the woods, fished the creeks wherever they lived, explored the hills, hollers, mud pits, swamps, and woodlots, and ran nearly wild in whatever natural setting their childhood experiences led them to. Girls and boys alike had secret club houses, hideouts, and special places where they could get away from the grown-ups and just revel in nature; bugs, poison ivy rashes, scratches, bruises, and all. In the process, they developed an affinity for the outdoors and outdoor things that lasted a lifetime.

But somehow, slowly at first and then faster than I could have really imagined, this all changed. A large part of our society now looks on hunting as a horrible, evil undertaking populated with cavemen and low lifes. Wearing fur is likely to get you doused with paint by some nut in the city.

Children are bombarded on TV with antihunting, anti-logging, anti almost everything else related to any use of any natural resource. We have moved campaign by campaign, fundraiser by fundraiser to a social structure where nature provided the ultimate victim in a world where victimhood is valued and savored by activists; and proffered as the cause of célèbre by celebrities and politicians who need something to defend to raise their own status. The environment was the perfect straw man for these shysters because it is universal. We all know at some level that it is important not to destroy our planet, even if we don't understand the rhetoric and drum beating used to convince us that it is us it needs protecting from.

Worse, we have run the kids indoors at an alarming rate. Many kids today are more interested in finding an electrical outlet than a mud puddle. This trend is caused by all the things I have mentioned in previous columns, including failures of parents to provide quality outdoor time, an abundance of organized activities that leave little time for natural play, and the plethora of rules and regulations that serve to convince kids it is easier to just stay in their room and play a video game. A few years ago I wrote an article titled "Please Step on the Grass" in which I outlined my belief that parks are for people, and explained that there is a real risk in going too far in protecting everything from everything, all the time. In that work, I warned parks and recreation professionals of the political realities of making the outdoors the exclusive domain of managers and

researchers by excluding the people who vote for the politicians who hire those managers and researchers. But today I see an ever-increasing trend in parks to shift to a preservation mentality and close off access in some horrible ways that push the kids farther away than ever.

As a result of about four decades now of PETA, ELF, Earth First, and other radical organizations spreading this message, natural resource professionals in many disciplines are seeing a worrisome trend. Fewer people are going outdoors, fewer are buying hunting and fishing licenses, fewer are visiting parks and camping as a family activity which is losing ground to the iPod and the Game boy. At least two generations of kids have now grown up with the ideas that people are evil influences on nature and best kept away from it. As they grow up, they become parents and they begin at some point to consider activities they can do with their own kids. What they tend to gravitate to is their own tradition, or what they did as fun when they were kids with their own parents. Today that is less apt to be hunting or fishing, camping or boating, and more apt to be some sort of indoor activity, sports, or if nature related it is often some form of organized event; like a guided nature walk in a national park, a birding club, or a litter clean up event. None of those things are bad, mind you; they are just not good replacements for kids getting their hands in the dirt, their toes in the grass, and their minds freed to explore and imagine while in the midst of nature on their own

As this trend continues, I and others have serious concerns about just where the protectors of nature in the future will come from. If today's kids do not become intimate with nature will they care enough to assure its real protection tomorrow? Perceptions are keyed to how personal a subject is to the most people. By removing the sense of importance of nature from the minds of the average citizen, we risk making it harder to find funding and other support needed to protect the best nature has to offer. If someday a group of politicians, lobbyists, or industry folks decide to do things that may actually be harmful to nature, how will a bunch of people who know nothing about it, and care even less, be prepared to make rational decisions? Who will stand up for

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Deer hunting rule changes gain preliminary approval

sion gave preliminary approval Tuesday, July 20, to a comprehensive package of proposed changes to deer hunting rules in In-

The DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife developed the rules proposal to focus deerherd reduction in a strategically targeted manner to more adequately balance the ecological, recreational, and economic needs of the state's citizens.

Key points of the proposal include:

-Changing the deer firearms season to nine days beginning the Saturday before Thanksgiving

-Adding a two-day antlerless-only firearms season in October in counties that have a bonus antlerless quota of four or

-Adding a statewide antlerless-only firearms season from December 25 to Jan-

-Shortening the muzzleloader season to

-Extending the urban zone season through January 31

–Allowing the use of crossbows during archery season by hunters 64 years old or

-Allowing the use of crossbows by hunters of any age during firearms season

-Allowing a hunter of any age to use a crossbow in an urban deer zone during the urban deer season

–Requiring hunters to take at least one antlerless deer prior to taking an antlered deer in an urban deer zone

"For the last several years, Indiana deer management and associated deer rules were designed to stabilize or slightly grow the deer herd," said Mitch Marcus, wildlife section chief for the DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife. "We are now experiencing recordsetting harvests, record numbers of deer damage complaints, constituent complaints to legislators, and record numbers of deervehicle collisions. The intent of this deer rule proposal is to move Indiana toward a focused, strategically targeted deer-herd reduction."

Hunters have harvested more than 100,000 deer in the state in 15 of the last 17 years, topping 125,000 in four of the last five years, including a record 132,752 in

Further changes would add a new nonresident youth deer license, add license requirements for the new special antlerless ground blinds, allow a rifle cartridge to input as part of the rule-making process."

The Indiana Natural Resources Commishave a maximum case length of 1.8 inches instead of 1.625 inches, and require youth hunters to wear hunter orange during the youth special season.

A complete summary of the proposed changes is at http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/2362.htm

The NRC's preliminary approval moves the proposed changes into the public input phase of the rules-making process. Comments on the proposal can be submitted online at www.IN.gov/nrc; by mail to Division of Hearings, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Ave., Indianapolis, IN, 46204; or at public hearings.

Dates and locations for a minimum two hearings will be announced at a later date.

After the public input process is complete, the NRC will consider final adoption of the rule package.

If adopted, the new rules would take effect in 2011 and would be evaluated over a five-year period to determine if the intended result of reducing the deer herd is being

Success will be measured through maintaining an annual deer harvest sex ratio of 60/40 (females/males), landowner and deerhunter survey responses, reduction in county antlerless quotas, and reduction in deer-vehicle accident rates.

The proposed changes to deer-hunting rules are a result of the NRC Advisory Council's Comprehensive Fish and Wildlife Rules Enhancement Project and a DNR review of Indiana deer management.

The NRAC project drew more than 1,000 suggestions from the public, and the DNR review included discussions with representatives from several stakeholder groups - Indiana Sportsman's Roundtable, Indiana Wildlife Federation, Indiana Deer Hunters Association, Indiana Bowhunters Association, Quality Deer Management Association, The Nature Conservancy, Indiana Farm Bureau, Bloomington City Council, Indiana Forestry and Woodland Owners Association, and a sporting goods retailer.

Leaders or representatives of the Roundtable, IWF, IDHA, IBA, QDMA, The Nature Conservancy and Indiana Farm Bureau spoke in support of the proposed rule changes at Tuesday's NRC meeting.

"We are pleased with the amount of public input given through the Comprehensive Fish and Wildlife Rule Enhancement Project and the agency review of deer management with stakeholder groups," Marcus seasons, add requirements to the use of said. "We look forward to additional public





Scout trip

-Photo provided

The Wolverine Patrol from Shoals Troop 495 spent three days and two nights backpacking in the Charles C Deam wilderness area. The boys hiked and camped along the Sycamore Trail route from Friday, July 16, through Sunday, July 18. The scouts had to carry all their supplies with them in their backpacks. They learned how to use a water filtration pump to glean water from ponds and streams, how to use a backpack stove, and many other useful skills. Saturday afternoon and evening was spent working on advancement and merit badge items. In the photo above, at the fire tower trail head are Davie Qualkenbush, Zach Bleemel, Eli Schlaegel, and Austin Hembree.

SCOUTING MATTERS By Mike Leighty - Odon Troop 481 Scoutmaster

What a great year to be involved with the Boy Scouts of America. With one fantastic week of Summer Camp down . . . and the 2010 Scout National Jamboree just around the corner the 100th anniversary of Scouting just keeps getting better and better. It must sound like I keep harping on this BSA 100-year thing . . . and, yes, I am. Any organization that has successfully sustained itself – with pride and honor – for 100 years should be celebrated. The foundation of our success is "to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law."

The pinnacle of the national celebration will take place, July 25 through August 4, at Fort A. P. Hill in Virginia with the Scout National Jamboree. The Jamboree provides many unique opportunities for the youth and leaders who will participate. Programs, activities, and attractions will focus on the activities of scouting: physical fitness, conservation, ecology, and the universal spirit of brotherhood. Daily activities will be many and varied and promise to challenge the un-

bounded energy of our nation's youth.

Virtually overnight, the site will become an instant city of some 40,000 inhabitants for a total of nine days. Amid the thousands of tents, elaborate gateways, and fluttering flags will be the community services of any city. These include hospital and medical centers, a postal service, food warehouses, a daily newspaper, radio station, trading posts, water and fire departments, a security force, and a park system filled with programs beyond the wildest imagination.

The grand celebration will kick off with the BSA Grand Centennial Parade (July 25) in Washington D.C. Not since the first jamboree in 1937 has there been a scout-specific parade in our nation's capital.

Daily activities will offer fun, challenge, and opportunity for religious resections, citizenship, and the international brotherhood of being with scouts from other countries. Patrol and individual competitive events carried out on a troop and sub-camp level including new methods of practicing and demonstrating skills will be an important part of the Jamboree. The skills will include archery, orienteering, challenge trails, marksmanship, boating, canoeing, hunter safety, as well as updated versions of the disabilities awareness trail, competitive events, merit badge midway, and the Technology Quest.

The Hoosier Trails Council will be well represented by Council Troop 1238, which is made up of 36 Scouts and four adults. Six local youth, Kyle Arney Troop 448 (Elnora), Elijah Leighty Troop 481 (Odon), Gus Sherfick Troop 495 (Shoals), and Jacob Baxter, Dric Long, Jarrett Myers Troop 472 (Washington), will be among the 36 who will participate in all the fun, challenges, adventure, and camaraderie. By deciding to become a scout, these young men have already made a big step toward building a strong, positive future. Many years from now, I am sure they will look back on this exciting adventure as a major highlight of their scouting experience.

I invite you to share in the fun. On Saturday, July 31, 2010, you will be able take part in a historic nationwide broadcast, "A Shining Light Across America," from the 100th Anniversary National Jamboree. "The Shining Light" broadcast will be available via satellite and via webcast starting with the Jamboree Arena Pre-Show festivities at 5:30 p.m. EDT. The highlight of the broadcast is the spectacular Centennial Celebration Show, which will begin at 8 p.m. EDT. I encourage all scouts, volunteers, alumni, families, and community supporters to join in the festivities. Anyone with a high-speed Internet connection can tune in online at www.ustream.tv/shininglight.

As always, if you would like to learn more about the scouting program in your local community drop me an email at mike.leighty@centurytel.net and I will help you make contact with a local unit.

Yours in Scouting, Scoutmaster Mike



FOUND

The Martin County Humane Society has this cute little pup that is looking for his owner. The society is still collecting items for their yard sale, that will be held on September 11, if you have anything that you would like to donate call Don at 296-0952 and he will pick it up. Don would like to THANK everybody that has donated already. Without your support the humane society would not be able to help so many animals.

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NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH Weekly Message By Shirley Canell -Pastor's wife

You Are Chosen John 15:16

"You did not choose Me, but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you." John 15:16.

More and more it seems people are using God or Jesus as a source of getting what they want. When they think about their problems, health issues, financial issues, their life that just isn't going the way they want it to, as a last resort they think I better pray about it. It's ok to pray about all these issues, just watch that you aren't using Jesus as a want list source.

Have you ever heard, "I tried it, it didn't work." Understand it is not us who chooses God but God who chooses us. You may think you chose when you made the decision to give your life to Christ, but you did not choose; you were already chosen by God. It is by grace we are saved and no one comes to the father unless Jesus draws them to him. Genuine faith is never exclusively a matter of human decision. Unless the Holy Spirit comes in and convicts you of sin, you would not choose God.

Jesus chose you out of the world. No one is converted solely by his own choice, but only in response to God's effectual, free, uninfluenced, and sovereign grace.

The burden some carry that they may lose their salvation is not consistent with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Because you were chosen - God not only will keep you to make you stronger but He has a planned purpose for your life. Those who say they are Christians and fall away from the faith may be thinking they chose God and now unchoose him. They most likely never had Jesus in the first place.

In the scripture, Jesus is appointing us to go, go into action. God says I chose you and appointed you to go; I have got so much for you. Sometimes we all get so focused on our own problems we can't seem to understand that some of the problems we have are because we miss our appointment. Because we miss the purposes God chose for us. We lack trust in what God wants for us so we worry about the situations instead of the plan of God. Missing your appointment is missing what God has in store for you, your purpose, and why you were chosen, which allows discouragement, depression, and anxiety to set in.

In the scripture, Jesus is telling us now that we have been chosen, we have been chosen for a purpose that is to go and produce fruit. Galatians 5:22-24, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires." Once you are filled with the fruit of righteousness, which comes through Jesus Christ, the glory and praise will be His.

Jesus promises to answer your prayers. That whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he may give to you. In scripture, the words SO THAT are used to show us the benefits of his choosing us and us going and producing fruit, so that whatever you ask in the Father's name will be given to you. It's a wonderful promise. Here is a prayer you may want to consider, pray, and feel, "Lord, today let me live in joy and

peace in knowing you chose me. You chose me, Lord! You knew, Lord, that I would follow you and be one of yours. Now help me live up to that choice you

Thank you that it's all about you and not about me. Help me to go and produce fruit in my life and Lord make my prayers be according to your will knowing that when I produce the fruit you will answer my prayer always. Thank you for choosing me for eternal life. In Jesus name I pray.

Sunday service is at 10 a.m. starting with awesome praise and worship time. Please

On August 15, we will be holding church service at West Boggs with a pitch-in dinner following.

Also, on this great day we will be baptizing Taylor at the beach. Please join us for this great, joyful experience of watching someone who has been washed free of sin and has become one of God's children.

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Back to SCHOOL

Registration information for **Shoals and Loogootee Schools**

LOOGOOTEE SCHOOLS

Enrollment for all students at Loogootee Elementary West (grades K-4) will be held on Monday and Tuesday, August 9 and 10, from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Kindergarten students who pre-registered last spring will need to pay book rental fees at registration. To enroll in kindergarten, the child must be five years of age by August 1,

All new students must bring a birth certificate and immunization record at the time of enrollment, and any records or report cards from previous schools if available. There is no separate registration day for new students at Loogootee Elementary. New students may register during regular registration hours on August 9 or 10.

Please be prepared to pay textbook fees at the time of registration. If you are unable to pay the fees you may apply for textbook assistance at the time of registration. Textbook rental fees for the are as follows:

Kindergarten:	\$109.50
First grade:	\$115.90
Second grade:	\$99.05
Third grade	\$85.50
Fourth grade	\$102.05
Fifth grade	\$108.83
Sixth grade	\$101.27
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If you have questions concerning registration, you may call the elementary office at

Registration for grades 5-12 Monday, August 9, 12 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. -11th and 12th graders

2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. - 9th and 10th graders 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. - 7th and 8th graders

Tuesday, August 10, 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. - 5th and 6th Graders and anyone in grades 7-12

New Student Registration

Thursday, August 5th 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. - appointments scheduled every 15 minutes for new student enrollment

New students should contact the high school office at 295-3254, ext. 496 to make an appointment to register and are encouraged to pick up a new student information packet in the high school office prior to August 5.

SHOALS SCHOOLS

Elementary New Enrollments ONLY need to report to the elementary office on Friday, August 6. Text book rental and registration will be held at the same location as last year in the junior high building for both elementary and high school for Monday and Tuesday.

Elementary ONLY - New Enrollment - Friday August 6, 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m.

Monday August 9, 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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First grade	\$145.78
Second grade	\$146.00
Third grade	\$119.78
Fourth grade	\$110.31
Fifth grade	\$110.08
Sixth grade	\$106.01

Back-to-school shot clinics set at health department

The start of a new school year is just noon and 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. around the corner.

Kindergarten or first-time first grade students, students in grades six through twelve, and college students may need immunizations before they can begin classes this fall. The Martin County Health Department immunization clinic will be giving vaccinations on the follow-

Wednesday, August 4th: 8:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, August 6th: 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday, August 9th: 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 10th: 12:30 p.m. to

Wednesday, August 11th: 8:30 a.m. to 247-3303.

ing dates:

adult vaccines may be obtained for a fee. Please bring a copy of your child's im-

munization record with you. If you need additional information,

Hours in bold print are for Back to

School vaccinations only. All other vacci-

nations are given during our regular clinic

hours every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to

noon and from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. On

the first Wednesday of each month the

The Health Department office is located

in the Shoals Federal Building (Post Of-

fice). Vaccines are available for children

age 18 and younger through the Vaccines

for Children Program. TB tests and certain

clinic remains open until 6 p.m.

or if you have any questions, please call

New immunization requirements for students in sixth through twelfth grade

The following vaccinations will be required for ALL students entering grades 6 through 12 during the 2010-2011 school

• 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine on or after the first birthday separated by age-appropriate interval or written history of disease. Parental history of chickenpox disease is acceptable proof of immunity. A signed written statement from the parent/guardian indicating month child's doctor or any health department.

and year of disease is sufficient.

- 1 dose of tetanus-diphtheria-acellular pertussis vaccine (Tdap) given on or after 10 years of age.
- 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4).

If your child has already received the required immunizations, please send a copy of their shot record to your school. Immunizations can be obtained through your

Loogootee Schools kindergarten through sixth grade back-to-school supplies lists

*These items will be shared by the class

Kindergarten

- 1 school pouch
- 2 pkg. crayons, 8-count, small size
- 1 pair Crayola or Fiskar Scissors
- 2 small pencils with erasers
- 1 four-ounce Elmer's Glue
- 1 large eraser
- *1 family-size Kleenex
- *1 box broad-tip Crayola markers

First grade

- 1 school pouch
- 1 pkg. 8-count crayons
- 1 pair scissors
- Pencils #2 with erasers
- 1 Elmer's glue
- 1 large eraser
- 1 ruler with centimeters
- *1 family-size Kleenex
- Boys 1 box fine-tip Crayola Markers *Girls – 1 box broad-tip Crayola Markers
- *Last name A-H 1 box quart-size one-
- zip baggies
- *Last name I-P 1 bottle hand sanitizer
- *Last name Q-Z one 78-sheet Clorox

wipes

Second grade

- 1 school pouch
- 1 pkg. 16 or 24 crayons
- 1 pair scissors
- Pencils #2
- 1 Elmer's Glue
- 2 large erasers
- 1 double pocket folder
- 1 one-subject, wide-ruled, spiral notebook
- 2 red pens
- 1 hand sanitizer
- *1 quart-size Hefty One-Zip baggies
- *2 family-size Kleenex
- *One 78-sheet Clorox wipes
- *1 box broad-tip Crayola Markers

Third grade

- 1 school pouch
- 1 pkg. 24-count crayons
- I pair scissors
- Pencils #2
- 1 Elmer's Glue
- 1 large eraser
- 1 ruler with centimeters not bendable
- 1 double-pocket folder

- 3 spiral notebooks, 70-sheet count
- 1 red pen
- *2 family-size Kleenex
- *Boys 1 bottle hand sanitizer
- *1 box Crayola fine-tip markers
- *Girls 1 box quart-size baggies
- *1 box Crayola broad-tip markers
- No permanent markers please.

Fourth grade

- 1 school pouch
- 1 pkg. 16 or 24 crayons, primary colors
- 1 pair scissors
- Pencils #2 (several)
- 1 Elmer's Glue 4-ounce size
- 1 ruler with centimeters not bendable
- 2 spiral notebooks 70-sheet count
- 1 set of 8 colored pencils (primary colors)
- 4 dry erase markers (low odor)
- *2 family-size boxes of Kleenex
- 2 containers disinfectant wipes
- 1 hand sanitizer

Fifth grade

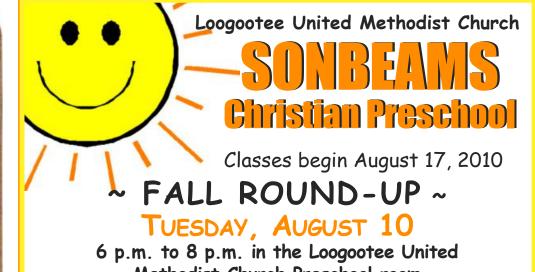
- 1 ruler with centimeters
- 1 Elmer's Glue
- 1 pair scissors

- Crayons
- Pencils #2 (they will go through several)
- Colored pencils
- Yellow highlighter
- Ink pens (black/blue/red)
- Two 70-sheet spiral notebooks
- 4 dry erase markers (low odor) 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 box disinfectant wipes

Sixth grade

- 1 ruler with centimeters
- Glue or glue sticks
- Scissors
- Paper Crayons
- Pencils #2 (they will go through several) Colored pencils
- Colored markers Protractor and compass
- Calculator with square root
- Ink pens (blue/black)
- 2 composition notebooks 4 dry erase markers (low odor)
- 1 container disinfectant wipes
- 2 boxes of Kleenex





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August



On the move

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Loogootee Schools custodian Paul Arvin, on the tractor, digs up the mulch on the former Elementary East playground Tuesday afternoon in preparation to remove the equipment. According to Terry Pielemeier, who was helping with the project, plans are to start digging up the playground equipment today and move it across the city to the high school for the fifth and sixth graders who are relocating to the junior high.

Shoals Elementary school supplies lists

Preschool

Crayons-8 count only

Classic color markers-1 box

1 bottle school glue

1 box family-size tissues

1 pair school scissors

1 pkg dry erase markers-black only

All students in grades K-12 will need to purchase their own ear buds to use during the upcoming school year. They will use the ear buds with the recently purchased iPod Touches as well as when they are using the computer in the computer lab or in their classroom. You can purchase ear buds at Walmart, K-Mart, Radio Shack, etc.. Your child can also purchase them from the office for \$2 at any time.

Kindergarten

Art box-large plastic

2 pair Fiskar Scissors (pointed end)

1 large box Kleenex

Watercolor paints 10 glue sticks

4 boxes basic crayons (box of 24)

1 pkg. dry erase markers

1 pkg. washable Crayola Markers

1 regular-size backpack-no wheels please

1 pkg. napkins

1 container baby wipes or Ziploc bags

1 large blanket or beach towel for rest time

1 package yellow pencils

2 bottles of liquid glue

1 container of disinfecting wipes (Clorox/

Lysol type) *Boys-1 box baggies (qt. or gallon size)

*Girls-1 large container baby wipes

Please do not label art supplies, we label them at school.

First grade

Small art box

50 #2 pencils-sharpened

3 boxes of crayons (boxes of 24)

8 glue sticks

3 boxes of Kleenex

1 spiral notebook

Fiskar scissors

1 pkg. Expo dry erase markers

Backpack

2 paper folders (no prongs)

1 highlighter

Small plastic Snap-top pencil box

*Boys bring 1 box of baggies

*Girls bring 1 container of baby wipes

Second grade

Art pouch with zipper or small art box

2 Expo dry erase markers

24 crayons

2 pkg. (12 ct.) #2 pencils

1 large eraser

Water colors

Glue (1 bottle and sticks)

Fiskar Scissors

Washable markers

Colored pencils 2 Folders (no prongs)

2 Wide-rule spiral notebooks (70 pages each)

2 Boxes family-size tissues

Clorox wipes

Baby wipes

Napkins

Third grade

Washable markers Color pencils

Fiskar scissors

School glue

10 glue sticks

2 pkg. #2 pencils Crayons

10 (70-page wide-ruled) spiral notebooks

2 boxes Kleenex

2 highlighters

1 roll of paper towels

1 large art box/pouch

*Girls – Ziploc bags-gallon size *Boys – Antibacterial wipes (wet wipes)

Fifth grade

2 boxes Kleenex

2 boxes colored pencils

2 bottles glue

Fiskar Scissors

Crayons -2 boxes of 24

5 Expo bold dry erase markers (2 sets)

Pencils – at least 50

Washable markers

Erasers

Notebook paper for classwork – at least 20 4-subject notebooks

8 pocket folders – hole punched – 2 each of 4 colors

Binder – 2" hardback

1 pkg. dividers for binder

Hole punched pencil pouch

Large art box

Note: USA Studies Weekly for Social Studies class. \$4.99 to be paid to the classroom teacher on the first day of school. Checks payable to Studies Weekly.

Sixth grade

2 boxes Kleenex

1 box colored pencils

2 glue sticks

Scissors Large art box

1 bottle glue

6 notebooks

Erasers

8 colored folders with pockets and hole punches (2 of each color)

4 12-packs of pencils

Small pencil sharpener

1 two-inch binder

2 dry erase markers

1 pkg. binder dividers

1 hole punched pencil pouch

Items listed as 2 are 1 per semester

Note: World History Studies Weekly for Social Studies \$4.99 to be paid to the classroom teacher on the first day of school. Checks payable to Studies Weekly.

*The Martin County Journal was unable to secure the fourth grade supply list prior to publication time. Check the website in the near future for the supply list.

2010-2011 Martin County school calendars

LOOGOOTEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

2010-2011 School Calendar

11	Professional Day #1
12	Professional Day #2
13	Professional Day #3
16	First Student Day

Labor Day - No School September 6

23

October 14 End of Term 1 (43 Days) Fall Break - No School (Friday & Monday) 15 & 18

19 Term 2 Begins

November 25 & 26 Thanksgiving Break – No School (Thursday-Friday)

End of Term 2 (45 Days) December 22

Winter Break Begins

January 3 School Resumes – Term 3 Begins

February President's Day – No School or Make-up Day #3 21

End of Term 3 (46 Days) March

Term 4 Begins 28 Spring Break Through April 1

11 No School or Make-up Day #2 April 22 Good Friday - No School or Make-up Day #8

2 No School or Make-up Day #5 May

16 No School or Make-up Day #4 24 End of Term 4 (46 Days)

25 Professional Day #4 or Make-up Day #1 26 Make-up Day #6 27 Make-up Day #7

Professional Day #4 will follow the last student day.

Graduation is tentatively set for Friday, May 27, 2011

The Loogootee Community School Corporation Board of Trustees adopted this calendar on

Shoals Community School Corporation

August 2010 - July 2011

Yearly Planner

March

April

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11 Teacher Inservice - No Studen-

13 First Student Day

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23 Student Days in August September

Labor Day - No School 24 End of 1st Jr/St High 6 Week

Grading Period (30 Days)

21 Student Days in September

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ences 11.30 am to 7:00 21 Fall Break - No School 10/21 -

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November End of 2nd Jr/St High 6-Week

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Grading Period (27 Days) Teanksgiving Break - 11/25

20 Student Days in November December

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November 10

22 End of 1st Semester (88 Days) End of 2nd Elem 9-Week Grad-ing Period (43 Days) End of 3rd Jr/Sr High 6-Week Grading Period (3) Days)

16 Student Days in December

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19 Last Teacher Day

Student Days Required - 180.

July I I

May 18 13 Student Days in May End of 2nd Semester (92 Days) End of 4th 9-Week Grading

11 End of 4th Jr/Sr High 6-Week Grading Period (30 Days)

28 20 Student Days in February

4 End of 3rd Elem 9-Week Grad

21 Spring Break - 3/21 chrough

ing Period (45 Days)

18 Student Days in March

End of 5th Ji/Si High 6-Week

22 Good Friday - No School

25 ISTEP: Progress Assessment

Window 4/25 - 5/4

20 Student Days in April

Grading Period (30 Days)

ISTEP+ Writing Assessment Testing Window 2/28 - 3/9

Period (47 Days) End of 6th Jr/Sr High 6-Week Grading Pened (32 Days)

Make-up Days will not be scheduled during Spring Break.

Make-up days after May 18 week-days beginning May 19, 2011 excluding May 30.

Graduation will be held sometime after the required student days are completed

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March 11

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Bank donates to the needy

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Springs Valley Bank & Trust recently purchased a 248-pound barrow from a 4-H fair auction. The bank then took the barrow and had it processed into 180 pounds of sausage and donated it to the St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry in Loogootee. Shown above, from left to right, are Mike Arvin with Springs Valley Bank, Skip Ackerman, food pantry volunteer, Georgia Ackerman, food pantry volunteer; Sarah Spalding, manager of the food pantry; Paul Weisheit, and Jamie Shinabarger, with Springs Valley Bank. This is the second year in a row that the bank has bought and donated their fair auction purchase.

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"Klickers" knit/crochet group for charity begins seventh year

BY DIANNA OVERALL "Klickers" group member

The "Klickers," a knit/crochet group for charity began their 7th year on July 7th, 2010. Members include Ann Quinn, Kay Hedrick, Martha Greene, Margaret Bridgewater, Mary Rose Mangin, Judy Rasico, Linda Ellis, Joyce Conlon, Anna Marie Hand, Pam Tedrow, and Dianna Overall, all of Loogootee; Barb Schnarr and Rosalie Stenftenagel, both of Jasper; and Debra Sotka of Lincoln City. The newest members include Janice Courter, Patti Renoire, Mary Ann Schwartz, and Marcella Hardwick.

The number of items that have been made and donated thus far is 2225. The items range from and include: spa cloths, regular size afghans, child/adult hat/scarf sets, prayer shawls, newborn hats, baby/child size blankets, lapghans, mittens, socks, and house shoes. The Klickers send our handmade items to Crafty Angels in Chicago, Illinois. Listed below are the projects Crafty Angels are currently involved in supplying items needed.

The 2010 projects that the Crafty Angels, under the leadership of Rev. Christine Pokorny (her interests are knitting, eliminating poverty and helping others) at Crafty Angels, Edgebrook Covenant Church, 6355 N. Spokane Ave., Chicago, IL 60646 are participating in are:

Afghans for Afghans - A4A provides warm items for needy families in Afghanistan, which are delivered by aid workers through relief stations and hospitals. Items needed: baby blankets and caps, hats and scarves for children, and shawls.

Christmas At Sea - a program sponsored by The Seamen's Church Institute which provides warm hats and scarves to seamen (and seawomen) and mariners around the

Cornerstone Community Outreach - on the northwest side of Chicago, Cornerstone provides a wide variety of services for homeless families and people, including homeless shelters and Friendly Towers – a 100-unit assisted living unit for very poor seniors. Items needed: all sizes of hats, scarves, mittens, afghans, blankets, shawls, sweaters, slippers, and soft toys for the children – and "spa cloths" (dishcloths/wash-

Edgebrook Covenant Church - on the northwest side of Chicago. Items needed: prayer shawls, "comfort afghans" for men, afghans, and baby blankets.

Good News Community Kitchen – on the northwest side of Chicago, this is the largest soup kitchen in the city, serving over 150 people every day of the year. Items needed: at least 200 hat and scarf sets for predomi-

Mother Bear Project - The Mother Bear Project provides handmade stuffed toy bears to children in Africa and South America affected by HIV/AIDS. Items needed: toy bears made using their patterns (that way all the children receive bears of similar size), but Angels can personalize the bears however they wish.

Parenting ProGRESS – This organization provides mentoring, assistance, and daycare for unmarried teens in high school and their

young children. Items needed: "blankies" for the children (like baby blankets, but larger), baby things, and hats and scarves and "spa cloths" (dishcloths/washcloths) for the teen moms.

Red Scarf Project - The Orphan Foundation of America supports students who have "aged out" of the foster care system, and are now trying to build lives of their own and go to trade school or college, or are participating in a training program. Around Valentine's Day, OFA sends a "care package" to these kids, and likes to include handmade knitted or crocheted red scarves - as a visible symbol that someone cares for the student and is concerned about their welfare. Items needed: scarves in the required length and width, with red the preferred color, but any unisex color can be used.

Swedish Covenant Hospital - on the northwest side of Chicago, Swedish Covenant Hospital services the most ethnically diverse area in Chicago, and its maternity ward serves a very large number of needy, refugee, and homeless moms and their new babies. Items needed: baby blankets, hats, booties, sweaters, and "spa cloths" (dishcloths/washcloths).

Wellspring Center for Hope – a shelter for victims of domestic abuse and their families. Items needed: hats and scarves for children of all ages, and "spa cloths" (dishcloths/washcloths).

A new project this year, Shawls for Triennial – the Evangelical Covenant Church has a global conference for women every three years, called Triennial, and the Crafty Angels have been asked to spearhead an effort to collect 30-50 prayer shawls to be used for worship purposes in the on-site Chapel during the conference in Washington, DC in July. The idea came from Linda DelGado who grew up in South America. Most women wear shawls to church in South America, and pull them up over their heads for privacy when praying. She thought it would be a wonderful idea to do the same thing at Triennial. Items needed: lightweight shawls

Rev. Chris Pokorny has a blogspot for those interested in seeing the extent of the items made, other Crafty Angel members, distribution at http://craftyangels.blogspot.com.

The "Klickers" meet the first Wednesday, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., and the third Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., of each month at Loogootee Martial Arts building, 204 W. Main Street in Loogootee. Anyone interested in crocheting/knitting for charity, please join us. Yarn, crochet hooks, knitting needles, and patterns will be provided. For further information, please contact Dianna Overall at 295-2639 after 6:00 p.m. The next meeting will be August 11th due to a mission trip the first week of August.

Loogootee Tennis practice to begin

Loogootee High School Boys' Tennis practice will begin Tuesday, August 3, at 9 a.m. Junior high boys' tennis practice begins Tuesday, August 10, at 6 p.m. This is for 7th and 8th grade only. All players must have a physical to participate. If you have any questions, contact Coach Bailey at 455-



The Messmer Report By District 63 State Representative **Mark Messmer**

4-H Season

We are deep into the 4-H Fair season.

The Martin County Fair has just wrapped up. Dubois and Daviess County Fairs were on the 17th and ran through the 23rd, and the Pike County fair is the 25th to the 31st.

4-H, which stands for "Head, Heart, Hands and Health", is a great tool for teaching kids responsibility.

Down in this area, a lot of the 4-H kids are showing animals they have raised.

It takes a lot of foresight and discipline to raise an animal, train it, care for it, and enter

And then there is the showmanship! Coping with an irritated goat or a pig in front of a crowd of people will teach you more about stage presence more than any class speech possibly could. I've seen kids take an unintended ride on the back of a pig or have a goat rear up or have cattle get feisty and handle it with composure beyond their

Then there are tons of kids that do projects with food, fashion design, science, and more. The projects on display are more than just fun summer crafts; they are examples of adolescents who are honing their talents, trying out possible career paths and learning

There's no small boost to their self-esteem, either, as these kids find their niche and then receive recognition for it. My youngest son was in the shooting sports program for several years. He learned valuable lessons on gun safety and some great experience on improving his shooting skills, all the while having a lot of fun.

He also participated in drawing, leather craft, and construction toys.

My eldest daughter has done photography, cooking, and participated in the horse program for many, many years, starting out in the horse's program and culminating in the grand champion of gaming in her final

She was a youth leader in the wrangler club, and gained valuable lessons on leadership. Also, she was the 2009 Dubois County 4-H Queen and a top ten finalist at the State Fair.

My youngest daughter has participated in creative writing, cooking, rug making, and leather craft. She also really enjoys the candle-making program.

It's easy to take great organizations like 4-H for granted, but I hope Hoosiers never do. Although you may have grown up with experiences like these being a part of your life, it's not that way for every community in Indiana, or in the nation.

I have been able to see firsthand the positive effects on my own family, from the hard work my kids have put into their projects and the valuable life skills they have learned, to the many activities which require parent interaction, which is a great bonding opportunity for our family.

Beginning August 3 Hoosiers can apply for federal unemployment extension

Hoosiers eligible to resume collecting the federally funded unemployment extensions will be able to begin filing online for those benefits on Tuesday, August 3, 2010. The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) anticipates the recently passed law will restore eligibility to approximately 80,000 Hoosiers covering nearly 250,000 weeks of payments.

In order to qualify for these retroactive benefits, Hoosiers will need to complete their weekly vouchers through Indiana's online filing system. Each Hoosier will need to verify they were unemployed through no fault of their own, report where they looked for work each week, and list any outside income earned each week in question. Hoosiers will need to complete a voucher for each week of benefits they want to col-

Hoosiers moving into the Extended Benefits (EB) program, the final tier of benefits, will not have vouchers available on August 3. It is a requirement of the Extended Benefits program that each person applies in person at their local WorkOne Center and brings their eligibility letter from DWD. The department will resume sending those letters this week. Hoosiers previously enrolled in Extended Benefits will have vouchers available beginning August 3 to collect the benefits they had remaining when the program ended on June 12.

Due to the anticipated increase of claims, Indiana's 27 full-service WorkOne Centers will be open from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday, August 3 through Friday, August 6. WorkOne Express Offices will maintain normal business hours. In addition, payments on eligible vouchers will be made within 48 hours during that week.

"We recognize that some people may need additional assistance filing up to eight weeks of vouchers, so we are going to keep our offices open late next week," said Mark W. Everson, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development.

This new federal legislation changes the \$25 weekly federal additional payment. Anyone who previously collected the \$25 per week will continue to collect this money weekly. Individuals who file new initial unemployment claims after May 29, 2010 will not receive the additional \$25 per week.

Hoosiers eligible for retroactive benefits should visit their homepage on Indiana's online filing system prior to July 31 to make sure they don't have any pending applications or links seeking information. In some cases this information will be required for vouchers to appear by August 3.

Answers to frequently asked questions about this extension are available at http://www.in.gov/dwd/2750.htm.

Hoosiers can find their nearest WorkOne Center at http://www.workoneworks.com/.

Commissioners reinstate Cumulative Voting System Fund

Meeting minutes provided by Martin County Auditor Nancy Steiner The Martin County Commissioners met

in special session Tuesday, July 20, to conduct a public hearing on the proposed Cumulative Voting System Purchase Fund. Attending were Commissioners Paul R. George, Dan J. Gregory, and John Wininger. Also attending was Auditor Nancy Steiner. Following a discussion, President George asked if there were any objections in reinstating this fund. There were none.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wininger and seconded by Commissioner Gregory to accept and approve Resolution 2010-8 establishing the Cumulative Voting System Purchase Fund. All were in favor and the motion passed.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.



For the second time in less than a month my personal email account has been hacked, hijacked by scam artists and pranksters. It is an extreme aggravation to me, an inconvenience to you, and it is ille-

We are all mindful of the vulnerability of electronic communications. It is the nature of the medium. Hotmail is the most commonly used system because it is free. Because it is free, providers are not particularly interested in making it secure. That would cut down on their profits and keep people from moving to higher cost, more secure systems.

We are acquainted with the anti-social ways of people who have nothing of their own to protect. They are constantly looking for ways to amuse themselves and cause problems for other people. They steal other people's ideas; they are jealous of the accomplishments of other people and they have no positive achievements of their own. They also have way too much time on their hands.

My email account is one of the ways I keep in contact with you, the people in this district. It is a useful tool that allows me to be able to respond to you and for you to be able to contact me with your needs and concerns. You make me aware of your needs and you give me your thoughts. It is our line of communication. This tool has absolutely no value to anyone other than you and me.

My stolen email account was mine. It is not the property of state government. It does not have any legislative information. It does not contain any sensitive data or government statistics. It is not an account for anything other than correspondence with people of this district, my family, my mother and father.

Why would anyone be interested in disrupting my personal mail? Why would anyone be so maliciously intent on blocking your contact with me? Why would anyone by interested in hijacking the list of people who have contact with me?

I wanted to alert you to be careful with your electronic transactions. We are all vulnerable to unwarranted attempts on our electronic media. We need to pay more attention to this issue. My goal is to research this and bring legislation to address the security of our information.

I am in the process of correcting this mess. I am taking steps to reestablish contact. Until that process has been completed, I promise to stay here, in District 62 - no foreign travel for me!

The business of the people continues. The next legislative session will face some serious economic questions. We must continue to find ways to fund essential services, without increased revenue. We must find ways to be more creative. We must be more innovative and imaginative; government must reflect the economic situation of Hoosier families - it must do more with less. We do not need more money going to Indianapolis - no new fees - no TAX increases.

Everyone knows that at some point in time we must address the deficit in the Un-

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employment Trust Fund - but not vet - not now! With the economy starting to show a pulse, it would be shortsighted to impose a higher fee on Hoosier workers and businesses. Let's wait – let's pay the necessities first. As the economy grows, the need for higher fees will be reduced.

High on the agenda in the next session will be local government reorganization and the control of local schools. Already the state is moving mandates in place - already the rules are coming down from on high in Indianapolis. The debate will be intense and vicious.

Radical ideas will come dressed in costumes. They will be presented as "modernization" or "streamlined." They will parade as progressive reforms, but make no mistake about it these impostors mean more control for state government. They mean less control and less involvement for people at the local level. Whatever happened to those people who talked about small government, close to the people?

Everything that masquerades as new isn't. Everything that is "new" isn't always better. Let us decide!

My question is if people are pleased, why destroy a system that has proven workable, productive, and responsive?

There is a method for modernizing our state and local government. It's called constitutional reform. If these new ideas are so advanced – let's debate them and then let's present them to the people as constitutional amendments. Why not let the people decide how they wish to proceed?

Speaking of constitutional amendments, the people will have the opportunity this fall to vote about whether to put the 1-2-3 property tax caps into the Indiana Constitution. Currently, this is already law. Do we want or need this in our Constitution? This issue is complicated and needs to be discussed. I will tackle this subject in my next column.

We need to be aware of OUR rights - we MUST protect OUR freedoms and be responsible stewards of what our forefathers entrusted to us. Decisions that affect us should be made by us.

This summer and fall, I will serve on the following committees and boards:

Interim Study Committee on Drivers Education, Vice Chair - The committee will hear testimony about potential standards for an Internet component of drivers' instruction and a classroom component of driver instruction.

Regulatory Flexibility Commission - The committee will hear testimony about cloud computing technology and potential security risks presented by this technology. Funding for 211 services will also be addressed.

Joint Study Committee on Mass Transit and Transportation Alternatives.

Military Base Planning Council.

Orange County Development Commission - Advisor.

If you wish to share your views or opinions about these issues or any other topics related to Indiana state government, please contact me at h62@in.gov.

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Piece of history

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The Martin County Recycling Center recently donated an original World War II newspaper to the Martin County Museum. The old newspaper was discovered in a bin at the Loogootee Recycling Center. This paper has pictures of every Martin County person who served in the war. Midwestern Engineers used their huge copy machine and donated the eight copies. Jim Marshall accepted the paper which will be displayed in a military section at the museum; the copies will be given to organizations at the discretion of the museum. The Martin County Museum is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Shown in the photo above, from left to right, are Martin County Commissioner John Wininger, Loogootee City Council Member Joe Mattox, Town of Shoals Council Member Robert Abel, Martin County Museum Board Member Jim Marshall, Martin County Councilman Richard Summers, Martin County Commissioner Dan Gregory, Solid Waste Director Laura Albertson, and Martin County Commissioner Paul George.

ACADEMY

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jobs and generate \$10.87 million in private investment.

"This EDA grant will create jobs in the tri-county area by helping entrepreneurs leverage existing local resources to create new businesses and support regional economic growth," Locke said.

Additional funding for the project, which is expected to total more than \$8 million, will come from the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC), WestGate Authority funds, and the Daviess County Economic Development Foundation.

Parisien said that the funding was achieved through intense support from a variety of state and local partners, including IEDC and the Indiana Office of Rural and Community Development (OCRA). Noting that the funding amount for a single rural project was "unusual" for the EDA, Parisien noted that "a great deal of thanks needs to go to Greg Jones and his staff at the Southern Indiana Development Commission. They really went the extra mile on this

The nearby \$2 billion Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) conducts technology and research symposia around the country, as well as several training activities for vendors and technology partners. Parisien said that the presence of a new WestGate conference center and hotel will likely bring "many of those high-end conferences and training sessions back here to southern Indiana, particularly when I-69 opens next to the park."

Vic Lechtenberg, vice provost of engagement for Purdue University, said that the WestGate had already become more attractive to university and technology engagement through the previous development of more than 100,000 square feet of new technology facilities and the presence of numerous major commercial defense companies.

"This new WestGate Academy will likely open fresh opportunities for university-level involvement in defense technology research and development, which will bring new national attention to the region," Lechtenberg continued. "While the development of the WestGate Academy is certainly a good one

for the local region, it is also good for the advancement of commercial defense growth across the state."

The Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, a top-ranked private engineering school located in Terre Haute (Indiana), has maintained a graduate engineering program on the NSWC Crane base for several years.

"We expect that the presence of this new WestGate Academy facility will create new and expanded opportunities for university engagement with the defense companies currently in the WestGate, NSWC Crane contract programs and communities in the region," said William Kline, director of Rose-Hulman Ventures. Dr. Kline, also Associate Dean of Professional Experiences at Rose-Hulman and professor of engineering management for the Institute, coordinated the graduate Rose-Hulman academic program at NSWC Crane for several years.

"This is great news for WestGate, great news for the state's commercial defense industry, and great news for the Crane region in southwest Indiana," said Mark Messmer, Indiana State Representative (District 63) and leader of the Crane Caucus in the Indiana General Assembly. "This will be a most important project that will open the door for many other projects."

A ground-breaking date for the new facility is expected to be set in late fall and active construction is expected to begin before the end of the year, according to Parisien.

The WestGate Park is presently home to technology operations of major defense companies like SAIC, URS, CACI, ITT, CSC, Raydar & Associates, Novonics, NAVMAR, Stimulus Engineering and Technical Services Corporation (TSC), as well as other technology companies.

The park is also expected to benefit from growth associated with the 2012 opening of I-69 in the region. The new Interstate will pass within a few miles of the WestGate, and a new traffic ramp located near the park is expected to increase commercial logistics operations in the region.

More than 275 new high-technology positions have been created in the WestGate in the past few years. Total employment in the park now exceeds 400 employees.

many people roll their eyes at me when I talk to my pooches. I can't help it, I love my When I first met my husband, Josh, in 1996, I also met Leah, a Lhasa Apso pup

I have always had a dog in my life, and I

treat them almost like children. I have had

that he had purchased for the girlfriend before me. The girlfriend's parents wouldn't allow her to keep Leah so Josh took her back to his parent's house where she then got stuck with me. She was only about six months old when I became her step-mom (as I always lovingly joked to my husband) and it was love at first sight.

Leah went through it all with me and Josh. She was there when we got married, had both of our boys, built and moved into the house next door, and then moved to Loogootee 11 years after our first encounter. Leah was "my girl" – the only one I had. She was not much of a lap dog but she never got too far away from me and every night she slept at the foot of my bed. She was there through sicknesses, fights, hardships; she put up with having toddlers yank at her tail and pull out her hair but never acted like it bothered her. She watched my boys celebrate birthday after birthday, and was there for every Christmas, Easter year after year. She was like a member of the family.

Once, when Wyatt was two, Josh had been working second shift at Navistar in Indianapolis so he slept in most mornings. I was in the kitchen washing dishes and Wyatt had been in bed with his dad watching cartoons. I decided to go check on him only to find that he was not there. The front door was partially open. In a sheer panic I woke Josh and he took off on his four-wheeler, next door, to his mom and dad's house. We lived in the middle of nowhere and my mother-inlaw had pet turkeys. One of them named "Turk" was a mean old cuss. He would run at you when you came near and work like heck to flog you and dig those gigantic spurs into your legs or peck with his beak. We hated that bird. Anyway, I stood at the front door unable to move because I had lost all feeling in my legs. A few minutes later Josh came driving up the yard with Wyatt and Leah in his lap. Apparently Wyatt decided to go visit his grandparents (who were not home) and Turk had other plans. Josh said that Leah was in between Wyatt and Turk barking and making sure the turkey didn't harm my son. She must have seen him go out the front door and like the good protector she always was, she went with him.

When I first brought Wyatt home and had the bassinet set up next to my bed, Leah would sleep right next to it. When Wyatt would stir or fuss, Leah would wag her tail and jump around on me until I got up. She loved my boys so much because she loved me so much.

Leah was getting up there in years when we moved to Loogootee. She was 11. She had already lost her vision and I worried sick about bringing her to a new, unknown house. Not only that, she always threw up when she was put in the car. During short trips we learned to roll down the window and put her head out because she would throw up the whole way. On the long trip from Brown County to Loogootee, I laid a pillow in my lap and drove with her laying in it the whole way. I talked her through the

Leah found her way around our new house in no time flat. She was the smartest dog I have ever known and she understood everything I said. I could tell by her ears, her

eyes, and her body language how she was feeling or what she needed – we were about as close as dog and owner can be.

My Point of

By Courtney Hughett

Owner,

Martin County Journal

Leah died on July 30 last year at the age of 14. I've been thinking a lot about her lately which is why I decided to write this. The night she died, I was up all night. I knew this would be our last night together and I laid on the floor beside her and rubbed her head. She had stopped eating, which was always her favorite hobby so I knew we were nearing the end. She laid there looking at me and despite how I felt, I told her it was okay to go and thanked her for the wonderful years she had given me and our family. I got up to refill my coffee and when I came back she had passed on. I had never been as heartbroken in all of my life as I was at that moment. Josh had built her a little coffin lined with carpet and buried her under a tree in my favorite spot in the yard. I still go out and talk to her every now and again. For 14 years she was by my side and gosh I miss her. I knew it would hurt when she left me but I had no idea it would hurt that much and still hurt this much.

Now, I have Duke, Duchess, and Dickens. Duke, named after the college basketball team because I had been obsessed with J.J. Redick, is a full-blooded Shih Tzu. Duchess, named this because it sounded good with Duke, is a full-blooded Lhasa Apso (just like Leah). And, Dickens, is the son of Duke and Duchess. He was the runt of the litter and all of us were too attached to let him go to a new home.

Being the only girls in the house, Duchess and I stick together. She is a lap dog and that's where she is - in my lap - always. At night, she sleeps above my head. I never thought I would love any dog as much as I loved Leah, but it's close.

While I will never, ever forget Leah, my heart has healed a little having these three rascals running around.

I have no idea why I would put myself through getting more dogs to only one day lose them too. But I guess as the old saying goes better to have loved and lost then to have never loved at all.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'The bottom line is, I understand what "everyday" people are all about'

Dear editor of the Martin County Journal: I was born and raised in this district and have lived here most of my life. I grew up on a farm, and my brother, sisters, and I still own interest in our parent's farm. I spent time working in factories in Washington and Jasper back in the 70s. I worked for Mattingly's Feed Store in Loogootee in the

The bottom line is, I understand what "everyday" people are all about; working families and farm families. As Deputy Prosecutor, I understand the problems of families whose members are in crisis because of abuse, neglect and substance addiction. And I certainly feel that people who cause these problems, such as those who get kids started on drugs, need to be held accountable for their actions.

> Sincerely, Daniel M. Steiner Democrat Candidate for Indiana State Representative 63rd District





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