

# Martin County JOURNAL

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## New director

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

James Williams, of Shoals, was hired last month to serve as the director of Martin County Solid Waste, replacing Laura Albertson. Williams is the son of Cyndy Williams and the late Jim Williams, of Shoals. He is lifelong resident of Martin County, a 1995 graduate of Shoals High School and prior to becoming solid waste director, he worked at the gypsum plant, coal mines and drove a semi truck. Outgoing Director Laura Albertson will stay on to train Williams until the end of September. She plans to volunteer at the recycling center a few days a week. Due to a huge turnover of staff at the recycling center in Loogootee due to COVID-19, the center started closing from 1-2 p.m. each day for staff training.

## Martin County had 3rd lowest jobless rate in the state for July

Martin County's unemployment rate dropped from 6.5 percent in June to 5 percent in July putting the county in the third spot in the state for lowest jobless rate, tied with Adams, LaGrange and Posey counties.

In July, the county had 5,443 residents in the workforce and 271 of them were unemployed. In June, there were 5,466 residents able to work and 354 of them were without jobs. In July of last year, Martin County's unemployment rate was 2.6 percent with 5,587 residents in the workforce and 146 of them unemployed.

Daviess County's unemployment rate also dropped from June to July, moving from 5.7 percent to 4.2 percent. The county had the lowest jobless rate in the state for July.

In July, the county had 16,326 residents in the workforce and 686 of them were unemployed. In June, there were 16,573 residents able to work and 949 of them were without jobs. In July of 2019, Daviess County's jobless rate was 2.7 percent with 17,163 residents in the workforce and 467 of them unemployed.

Dubois County saw a percentage point drop in their jobless rate from June to July, going from 7.1 percent to 6.1 percent. The county had the 23rd lowest jobless rate in the state for July, tied with five other counties.

In July, the county had 23,060 residents in the workforce and 1,415 of them were unemployed. In June, there were 23,125 residents able to work and 1,636 of them were without work. In July of last year, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 2.6 percent with 23,783 residents in the work-

force and 611 of them unemployed.

Greene County had a huge drop in their unemployment rate, going from 9.2 percent in June to 6.7 percent in July. The county sat right in the middle of the rankings for jobless rate of the 92 Indiana counties.

In July, the county had 13,032 residents in the workforce and 879 of them were unemployed. In June, there were 13,453 residents able to work and 1,234 of them were without work. In July of 2019, Greene County's jobless rate was 4 percent with 13,429 residents in the workforce and 541 of them unemployed.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest jobless rate for July were Daviess County at 4.2 percent, Boone County at 4.9 percent, Martin, Posey, LaGrange and Adams counties at 5 percent; Hamilton County at 5.3 percent; and White, Jay and Franklin counties at 5.4 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for highest jobless rate for July were Orange County at 14.3 percent, Lake County at 11.3 percent, Fayette County at 10.8 percent, LaPorte County at 10.5 percent, St. Joseph County at 10.2 percent, Marion County at 9.6 percent, Porter County at 9.4 percent, Starke County at 8.9 percent, Howard County at 8.8 percent, and Allen County at 8.6 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate drops to 7.8 percent for July, and the national rate is 10.2 percent. The monthly unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people seeking employment within the prior four weeks as a percentage of the labor force.

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## Community Crossings grants have done 38 miles of road paving since 2017

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Commissioners meet Tuesday night, August 25. Tim Hunt, with HWC Engineering, provided the commissioners with information on the Community Crossings grant and how much it has brought to Martin County over the past five years. Hunt said that in 2016, Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett and Secretary Terri Alcorn submitted the application themselves and were given money to rehab four bridges. HWC was hired in 2017 and the county received funding to do 16 miles of road in 2018, five miles of road for the first round of 2019 and three miles of road and two bridges for the second round of 2019, and 14 miles of road in 2020. He said the total is more than \$4 million in funds, eight bridges, and 38 miles out of the county's 360 miles of road.

Hunt recommended the commissioners share this information with the county council. He added that this is 10 percent of county roads redone in four years. "You've made a dent in it," said Hunt. He added that INDOT said the Community Crossings grant funding is not going to go away - it may have limited funding. but it

will still be there.

Commissioner Paul George noted that the county did some of their own paving too aside from the Community Crossings grant although he wasn't sure how much that was.

Commissioner George also said if they had a bridge fund and didn't have to use Community Crossing grant funds, they would have done many, many more miles. "I know we have to build bridges out of it, I'm just saying," he said.

In other business, Hunt told the commissioners that they chose the low bid, Precision Contracting, of Ferdinand, to do the work on the erosion around Brooks Bridge - a total of 380 feet of the bank. He said the bid came in lower than estimated however he doesn't want to say there is cost savings until they find out how much they will owe the neighboring property owner for crop damage that will come as a result of the repair work. They expect Precision to have the work done in three weeks, once started.

Hunt said they have an upcoming early coordination meeting for bridge 58 on Brickyard Road. They haven't started design on it yet and it's still in the very preliminary stages. CLR will start work on (See 'GRANTS' on page 2)



Shown above, from left to right, are humane society volunteers Josh Hughett, Courtney Hughett, Alexandra Loughmiller-Wathen, Shelly Ringwald (holding cat, Arianna), Jessica Parker and Susan Wittmer (with dog, Freyr).

## Humane society building spay/neuter clinic

The Martin County Humane Society volunteers held a groundbreaking Friday, August 14, for their new spay/neuter clinic. The humane society board of directors decided to move forward with building a clinic after their transport partner, Pets Alive in Bloomington, stopped doing transports. Left with no options for low-cost spay and neuter, the volunteers felt it was a good time to start their own program in Martin County.

Thanks to a grant from Hoosier Up-lands for \$12,500, the clinic can be started now with plans to finish the inside as funds become available. The clinic will do surgeries part-time at first and build up to full-time once a client base is established. Veterinarian Alexandra Loughmiller-Wathen, a humane society board

member, will serve as the clinic's vet.

The spay/neuter clinic will offer the same low-cost options for spay and neuter as other clinics in the state, \$40 to spay and neuter cats and \$65 to spay and neuter dogs. They will also provide vaccine services, microchipping and disease testing. The clinic will serve the entire region and not just Martin County. Once the clinic is open, information will be posted on the Martin County Humane Society facebook page and on their website, www.humane-societyofmartincounty.org.

The humane society is still accepting donations to finish out the inside of the building. Donations can be made on the humane society's website or mailed to the shelter at 507 N Oak Street, Loogootee IN 47553.



## Making A Difference

**MARTIN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

By Curt Johnson  
MCCF Director



-- WANT TO HELP? --

So maybe you have been thinking about how you can help your community? How you can do your part, no matter how big or how small? You've probably heard that giving of your time, your talent, and your treasure are ways that you can do just that. The amount of each that you give is purely dependent upon you as an individual, unique in your own way. If giving of your treasure, no matter how big or how small, is something that you want to pursue, the MCCF has some great giving options. We can help you help others with several types of endowment funds. A great one is an "unrestricted fund."

-- UNRESTRICTED FUNDS --

The unrestricted funds are perhaps the most impactful of the types of funds. You can use your gift to meet ever-changing community needs, including future needs that often cannot be anticipated at the time your gift is made. We evaluate all aspects of community well-being, such as education, health and human services, civic and historical affairs, the arts and culture, recreational activities, and more. The flexibility of your unrestricted gift enables our local board and staff to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow.

-- GRANT TO SHOALS LIBRARY --

One of the ways that the MCCF utilizes these unrestricted funds is with \$500 "Make My Day" grants to nonprofit or-

ganizations where we've seen emerging needs. Recently the Shoals Public Library was awarded one of these Make My Day grants to help with much needed maintenance and repairs to the ceilings and walls. We hope that, with the help of donors like a lot of you, we have made Library Director Sylvia Albaugh's day!

-- WITH MORE NOW --

If you want your giving to have even more impact with an unrestricted fund, the MCCF has a matching grant opportunity in place at this time. With this grant, the MCCF can match \$2 for every \$1 donated to unrestricted funds, which are used for our Impact Grant Cycle and other needs that emerge in the county. We will also match 50¢ for each \$1 donated to any other fund type, such as scholarship, field of interest, donor advised, or designated funds. The matching grant is available on a first-come, first-served basis until the grant funds are depleted.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF and how we can help you help others, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cf-partner.org](mailto:mccf@cf-partner.org).

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at [www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm](http://www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm), follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF](https://www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF), and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation](https://www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation).



Pictured is Garry Smith, MCCF Vice-President, presenting a \$500 Make My Day grant to Sylvia Albaugh, Shoals Public Library Director.

## GRANTS

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bridges 45 and 92 at the end of September or the first of October.

Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins asked if the county council is still planning to hold their regular meeting on September 14. Auditor Bobbie Abel said there is talk of having a public hearing at Shoals High School for the proposed income tax increase that day, along with the regular council meeting. She said no definite decision has been made, however. She noted that the council will still meet on September 14, whether a public hearing is scheduled for that day or not.

Collins also told the commissioners that the planned "Transparent Martin County" event that was scheduled for Thursday has been postponed due to increased cases of COVID-19 in the county. She said it would be rescheduled for later in the year.

Commissioner George asked Andy Ringwald, with civil defense, whether the county could request reimbursement for the \$23,000 in rip rap purchased to fix river slides due to the last rain event. He said the county received 11-14 inches of rain. Ringwald replied that he wasn't sure if that was possible since the county didn't

declare a state of emergency due to the flooding. "It never hurts to ask," he said and told the commissioners he would see what he could find out. "It would really help us a lot," said Commissioner George.

John Church, who lives in Jasper but owns a cabin on Divine Road in Martin County, asked if the commissioners had made a decision about doing chip and seal on his road. Church attended a meeting in July asking for the chip and seal. He said he hadn't heard anything since and wanted to check back in. Commissioner Paul George said he didn't think the county would have the money to do anything to the road this year.

## RATE

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Indiana's labor force had a net decrease of 75,741 over the previous month. This was a result of a decrease of 117,983 unemployed residents and an increase of 42,242 employed residents. Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.31 million, and the state's 62.8 percent labor force participation rate is above the national rate of 61.4 percent.



-Photos provided

Shown above are ISDA Director Bruce Kettler, Jason Greene being presented his certificate, and Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch.

## Agriculture photo contest winners honored at statehouse

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) announced the ten winning photographers for the 2020 Indiana Agriculture Photo Contest. Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch and ISDA Director Bruce Kettler recognized the winners during the 2020 Celebration of Agriculture event at the Indiana Statehouse.

"From rural life to agricultural landscapes, these photographers were able to capture the essence of Indiana agriculture," said Lt. Gov. Crouch. "I look forward to showcasing their photos this year."

The winning photos were selected from hundreds of entries in the following four categories: Agritourism, Conservation, Faces of Agriculture and On the Farm. Two winners were selected from each category, along with two winners overall.

To be considered, the photo had to be taken in the state by an Indiana resident. The photos were evaluated by a panel of independent judges based on creativity, composition and category representation.

"I am humbled to see these individuals using their unique talents to highlight the Indiana agriculture industry," said Kettler. "It was a privilege honoring these photographers today at the Indiana Statehouse."

The winning photos will be displayed throughout the year in the Lt. Governor's business offices.

The following list includes the photo contest winners for 2020:

- Agritourism Category
  - "Above the Fair" by Steve Bensing from Valparaiso
  - "Know Your Time to Shine" by Tamara Shike from Terre Haute
- Conservation Category
  - "Out of Reach" by Penny Anglin from Ladoga
  - "Sunset Flight" by Jason Greene from



Jason Greene, of Loogootee, won in the conservation category of the ISDA photo contest with his photo "Sunset Flight".

- Loogootee
    - Faces of Agriculture Category
      - "Pollinator Protector" by Christina Newby from Greensburg
      - "Passing the Torch" by Noah Poynter from Greencastle
    - On the Farm Category
      - "Old Barn and Brilliant Sunset" by Chris Stofleth from Newburgh
      - "Farmers Sunrise" by Felisha Hall from Oxford
    - Overall Category
      - "Fresh Corn on the Cob" by Lyndsay Ploehn from Frankfort
      - "Kiss a Frog" by Barbara Hatton from Greensburg
- To view the winning photos, visit [www.flickr.com/photos/isda\\_gov/albums/72157715449436372](http://www.flickr.com/photos/isda_gov/albums/72157715449436372). Visit [www.isda.in.gov](http://www.isda.in.gov) to learn more about ISDA.

# STEAK NIGHT

Last Saturday Of Every Month!  
at the Loogootee VFW Post 9395  
300 W. Vine Street, Loogootee IN 47553  
We start serving at 5 p.m.

Grilled Ribeye \$20 or Grilled Chicken Breast \$14  
Served with: Salad Bar, Baked Potato, Green Beans & Dinner Roll

Call to reserve your steak - 812-295-4661  
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# OBITUARIES

## VERA LINNEWEBER

Vera L. Linneweber passed away at 5:55 a.m. Monday, August 24, 2020. She was 82.

She was born on May 12, 1938 in Knox County; the daughter of Lloyd and Nora (Thais) Witsman. She married Max Linneweber on August 18, 1956 and he preceded her in death on August 6, 2014.

Vera was a member of Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church and managed Betsy's Hallmark in the 80's. She also owned and operated LinCo Services,

Inc. with her husband Max for thirty-one years. Vera enjoyed traveling and going on long drives.

Most importantly though she enjoyed her children and grandchildren and did not miss any event they were involved with.

Survivors include her children, Greg Linneweber and wife, Cathy, of Vincennes; Lori Reed and husband, Jeff, of Washington; Jan Linneweber-Ellerman and husband, Brian, of Washington; sister, Pat Brown and husband, David, of



VERA LINNEWEBER

Vincennes; grandchildren, Travis Linneweber and wife, Megan; Ronelle Linneweber, Tyler Reed and wife, Katie; Nora Brooke Reed and Colton Reed and Kaelani Rae Sandoval and husband, David; Alexander Eller-

man; and great grandchildren, Grayson and Lauren Linneweber, Josilyn and Joaquin Max Sandoval.

Vera was preceded in death by her husband, Max and her sisters, Phyllis Witsman, Lela Worland, Donna DeLisle and

Mary Hacker.

Friends may visit with Vera's family on Saturday, August 29 from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, 315 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Washington, IN 47501.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church with Rev. Paul Ferguson and Yvonne Evans celebrating.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Washington Catholic Endowment.

Vera will be laid to rest in St. John Cemetery next to her husband Max.

Goodwin-Sievers Funeral Home in Washington is honored to assist the Linneweber family with arrangements.

## Chamber holds monthly meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce met August 19 at Loogootee Public Library with lunch from Dairy Master. Present for the meeting were representatives from the following businesses: The Candy Mill-Carolyn Parsons-Downey, Hollie's Eat & Treats-Theresa Abney, City of Loogootee-Mayor Noel Harty, Department Workforce Development-Brian Romans, Caleb Clower and Leah Spangler; Loogootee Public Library-Darla Wagler, Daviess Community Hospital-Angie Steiner, DC Broadcasting-Mikki Bradley, Daviess Martin Medical Clinic-Daniel Sumners and Jessica Downey, West Boggs Park-Jameson Hibbs and Crane Credit Union-Sherry Wade.

The treasurer's report was given by Sherry Wade. Money is still coming in from membership dues, all monies going out are normal monthly payments. Theresa Abney made a motion to accept the treasurer's report with Jameson Hibbs making the second and all were in favor.

The secretary's report was given by Carolyn Parsons-Downey and emailed out prior to meeting, with no changes. Theresa Abney made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded with Angie Steiner and all were in favor.

The Chamber, along with Martin County Alliance, will have their Annual Golf Scramble this fall. Mike Arvin will report back with the exact date.

Membership dues are to be paid by the end of July.

Loogootee Public Library Director Darla Wagler gave the program for the meeting. The library moved into their new location at the end of November 2019. Their 2020 programming did take a hard hit with the COVID-19. Children's Librarian Jen Zehr did virtual story time and they did still have the summer reading program. The library, during the shutdown, still offers wi-fi in their parking lot and faxing, copying, and limited computer use. You

can come in and get book or they have pick up service at the delivery door. Darla also shared information from a Zoom meeting on keeping the building clean and about good air quality with the virus.

Angie Steiner, with Daviess Community Hospital, reported that this year the Foundation will have an online auction starting September 1. They will have it up online for 10-14 days. They are also working on their annual health fair they hold at Simon Graber Building. More information will come out at a later day for this event.

Jameson Hibbs, with West Boggs Park, reported on August 29, West Boggs will host a BBQ competition, put on by Romans Warrior Foundation, which is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Their mission is to provide cost-free therapeutic retreat weekends for veterans, Gold Star Families and first responders.

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## CLASSIFIED ADS

### YARD SALES

**GARAGE SALE** Friday and Saturday, August 28 & 29, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 304 NE 2nd St, Loogootee. Furniture, women's clothes, jewelry, Christmas items, and much more.

### HELP WANTED

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT POSITION

The Martin County Highway Department is accepting applications for a

### FULL-TIME OPERATOR

Applicants must have a valid CDL.

A pre-employment drug screen will be required.

**Applications can be picked up and submitted to the Martin County Highway Department, 10753 Sherfick School Rd, Shoals.**

Deadline for submitting applications is September 7, 2020 by 4:30 p.m. Martin County is a drug-free, equal opportunity employer.

### West Boggs Park Program Director (Full Time Position) - Come Join A Great Team

West Boggs Park is looking for a qualified individual to join their full time leadership team as Program Director. This position has the great job of providing our park users with awesome programs, activities, and events! Working closely with our communities helps ensure a positive quality of life and experience for everyone is fulfilled. Essential Duties Include:

- Managing the Activity Center and Campstore
- Developing, facilitating, and evaluating all programs, events, & activities
- Leading & managing summer program staff
- Coordinating with department leadership team and community partners
- Salary and benefits available through Daviess County, Indiana



For more Information and/or to apply; please contact the West Boggs Park office or email Jameson at Jameson@westboggs.com Open until October 1, 2020. West Boggs Park is an equal opportunity employer.

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### West Boggs Park Customer Service Mgr. (Full Time Position) - Come Join A Great Team

West Boggs Park is looking for a qualified individual to join their full time leadership team as Customer Service Manager. This position has unique opportunity to operate the main gatehouse while leading our customer service staff. Get to know the smiling faces of our campers and users of this great facility. Essential Tasks:

- Managing the gatehouse and customer service staff
- Managing the camping reservation and POS software and functions
- Leading & managing summer program staff
- Coordinating with department leadership team and community partners
- Salary and benefits available through Daviess County, Indiana



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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, AUGUST 17

11:35 a.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

2:00 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

2:22 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Shoals. Major Keller responded.

6:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Sergeant Floyd, and Loogootee Fire responded.

7:10 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire responded.

9:07 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

9:17 p.m. - Received a report of a fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County EMS responded.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

6:24 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle accident. Deputy Seymour, Chief Deputy Greene, Martin County EMS, Shoals Fire, and Orange County EMS responded.

8:50 a.m. - Received a request for a vin check. Major Keller responded.

9:36 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded. No one was transported.

2:41 p.m. - Received a report of a single-vehicle accident south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Major Keller and Loogootee Fire Department responded. No one transported.

2:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:50 p.m. - Received a report of an UTV accident. Martin County EMS, Lost River Fire, Deputy Gibson, and ICO Hembree responded.

5:10 p.m. - Received a report of a hit and run. Deputy Gibson responded.

7:05 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:35 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle. Advised Deputy Seymour and Deputy Gibson.

10:51 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle. Advised Deputy Seymour and Deputy Gibson.

11:27 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver. Deputy Seymour and Deputy Gibson responded.

11:32 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute/ hit and run. Deputy Gibson, Deputy Seymour, Shoals Marshal Eckert, ICO Hembree, and Loogootee Sgt McBeth responded.

11:47 p.m. - Received a report of a fight in Shoals. Deputy Seymour and Loogootee Sgt McBeth responded.

11:58 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

1:10 a.m. - Received a report of a dispute in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

4:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

7:55 a.m. - Received a request to speak to a deputy. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

8:39 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS and Haysville Fire responded. Martin Coun-

ty Ambulance transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:56 a.m. - Received a report of livestock out. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

10:20 a.m. - Received a report of livestock out. The owner responded.

11:40 a.m. - Received a request to speak to an officer. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

1:21 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire responded.

2:24 p.m. - Received a report of a fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, and Martin County EMS responded.

5:05 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

6:42 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver. County-wide dispatch for all law enforcement.

8:30 p.m. - Received a report of a car in the river. Shoals Fire, Martin County EMS, and all Martin County Sheriff's Deputies responded. No one was transported.

8:35 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check. ISP responded.

8:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

8:57 p.m. - Received a report of a drunk driver. Advised Chief Deputy Greene.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

7:30 a.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

8:26 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle accident. Major Keller, Shoals Fire and Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

9:55 a.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

11:51 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department Captain Hennette responded.

3:15 p.m. - Received a report of a missing person. Deputy Barnett responded.

3:49 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

6:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

7:40 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance near Shoals. Deputy Gibson responded.

8:40 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle accident. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Fire, Deputy Gibson, and Loogootee Officer Means responded.

9:45 p.m. - Received a report of debris in the road. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

10:00 p.m. - Received a report of a dog fight in Loogootee. Advised Loogootee Police and Animal Control Officer Hughett.

11:54 p.m. - Received a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Means, Deputy Gibson, Deputy Lents and Deputy Dorsey responded.

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

8:00 a.m. - Received a request for an officer in Shoals. Deputy Barnett responded.

8:23 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

10:48 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire responded. Martin Coun-

ty Ambulance transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:19 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle accident. Advised Loogootee Police.

12:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Shoals Fire and Martin County EMS responded. Martin County Ambulance transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:35 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle inspection. Deputy Barnett responded.

2:50 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle inspection. Deputy Barnett responded.

2:55 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

3:25 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle. Deputy Barnett responded.

3:39 p.m. - Received a request for an officer near Shoals. Deputy Barnett responded.

3:39 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Police, and Deputy Flanagan responded. One patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:07 p.m. - Received a disturbance in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert, Deputy Gibson, and Deputy Barnett responded.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a stray dog. Animal Control Officer Hughett was advised.

11:05 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver. All Martin County law enforcement were advised.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

1:55 p.m. - Received a report of a burglary alarm. Deputy Wells responded.

2:20 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Advised Animal Control Officer Hughett.

3:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

3:01 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock. Deputy Barnett responded.

3:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Martin County EMS responded. One patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

4:18 p.m. - Received a request for an officer. Deputy Wells responded.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

12:05 a.m. - Received a request for animal control. Animal Control Officer Hughett was advised.

9:30 p.m. - Received an animal complaint. Animal Control Officer Hughett was advised.

10:14 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock. Deputy Barnett responded.

10:15 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Animal Control Officer Hughett was advised.

10:53 a.m. - Received a report of a missing person. Deputy Barnett responded.

11:42 a.m. - Received a request for animal control. Animal Control Officer Hughett was advised.

11:55 a.m. - Received a report of a burglary alarm. Deputy Barnett responded.

12:20 p.m. - Received a request for animal control. Animal Control Officer Hughett was advised.

1:25 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance. Deputy Wells responded.

1:51 p.m. - Received a report of a burglary alarm. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

2:35 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage. Deputy Wells responded.

4:25 p.m. - Received a report of a burglary alarm. Deputy Seymour responded.

4:30 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute. Deputy Wells, Deputy Barnett, Deputy Gibson, Chief Deputy Greene, Shoals Town Marshal Eckert, ISP Trooper Nolan, Reserve Deputy Dorsey and Reserve Deputy Greene responded.

11:23 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle. Deputy Seymour responded.

## ARRESTS

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

6:35 p.m. - Jacqueline Mains, 54, of Shoals was arrested by ICO Hembree and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated. She is being held on a 10,000 10% bond. Deputy Gibson assisted with the arrest.

1:07 a.m. - Julie Lents, 37, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Gibson and charged with habitual traffic violator. She is being held on a \$15,000 cash only bond. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert assisted with the arrest.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

10:05 a.m. - Juan Hernandez Jr., 21, of Texas, was arrested by Major Keller and charged with driving while never licensed, possession of marijuana, and paraphernalia. He is being held on \$5,000 10% bond.

12:46 p.m. - Mike Mattingly, 42, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Captain Hennette and charged with domestic battery. He is being held without bond.

4:15 p.m. - William Bradley, 33, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Sergeant Floyd on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

9:03 a.m. - Darbi Grannan, 47, of Odon, was arrested by Deputy Barnett and charged with driving while suspended with prior. She is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

11:46 p.m. - Steven Pendley, 46, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Lents and charged with resisting law enforcement with a vehicle and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment. He is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

10:41 p.m. - Mathew Coburn, 32, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Wells and charged with possession of meth, possession of a syringe, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, theft, criminal confinement, and resisting law enforcement. He is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

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# COURT NEWS

# Loogootee Police log

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCINGS

July 14

Nicholas J. Guy, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony and maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced on the first count to serve 1,825 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 377 actual days previously served plus 85 Class B credit days and 7 Class P credit days. Defendant to serve 1,448 days on electronically monitored home detention through Martin County Community Corrections. Sentenced on the second count to serve 912 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 377 actual days previously served plus 85 Class B credit days and 7 Class P credit days. 535 days to be served on electronically monitored home detention through Martin County Community Corrections.

August 10

Damien L. Payne, convicted of driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor and criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 82 actual days previously served plus 82 Class A credit days.

August 11

Juan C. Avalos, convicted of dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 Felony; dealing in marijuana, a Level 6 Felony; and carrying a handgun without a license, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced on the first count to serve 10 years with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 0 days suspended and no credit time. Sentenced on the second count to serve 2 years with 0 days suspended and no credit time. Sentenced on the third count to serve 1 year with 0 days suspended and no credit time.

Dakota Lee Browning, convicted of child molesting, a Level 3 Felony, amended from a Level 1 Felony. Sentenced to serve 9 years with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 4 years suspended and credit for 437 actual days previously served plus 146 Class B credit days. The remaining 4 years shall be served on Martin County Community Corrections Home Detention. Defendant received no probation.

August 14

Shawn M. Brown, convicted of domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor and resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 12 months with 171 days suspended and credit for 97 actual days previously served plus 97 Class A credit days. Defendant received 5 months of probation.

August 17

Mindy Renae Holt, convicted of battery resulting in bodily injury to a public safety official, a Level 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1,825 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 1,595 days suspended and credit for 172 actual days previously served plus 58 Class B credit days. Defendant received 53 months of probation.

Brian M. Padgett, convicted of nonsupport of a dependent child, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 730 days suspended. Defendant received 24 months of probation.

Jerry L. Robinson, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 406 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 203 actual days previously served plus 203 Class A credit days.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

July 14

Nicholas J. Guy, criminal confinement, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; battery, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of a controlled substance with habitual criminal enhancement, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed;

possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

August 10

Damien L. Payne, obstruction of justice, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

August 11

Juan C. Avalos, dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony, dismissed; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony, dismissed; dealing in marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Dakota Lee Browning, rape, a Level 3 Felony, dismissed.

August 14

Shawn M. Brown, disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

August 17

Mindy Renae Holt, two counts of battery by bodily waste, Level 6 Felonies, dismissed; neglect of a dependent, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; three counts of resisting law enforcement, Class A Misdemeanors, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Jerry L. Robinson, possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; false informing, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; false identity statement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

August 13

Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Tammy Nelson, civil collection.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

August 17

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff American Express National Bank and against the defendant Bonnie Reedy in the amount of \$2,415.94.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

August 17

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Matthew G. Baxter in the amount of \$660.56.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Andrew W. Lyon in the amount of \$729.97.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Steven P. Mattingly in the amount of \$556.62.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

August 21

William T. Price, Jr. of Loogootee and Amanda K. Tharp of Loogootee.

## MONDAY, AUGUST 17

2:35 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check.

3:22 p.m. - A male came on station to report an accident that had occurred days prior.

7:15 p.m. - First responders responded to a medical call on Crane Street.

9:21 p.m. - First responders responded to a report of a fire at Southwind Manor.

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

9:39 a.m. - Chief Rayhill completed a vehicle check.

9:42 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a welfare check and assisted a female that had fallen in her yard.

10:45 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a welfare check on a male subject that had been parked along a roadway for an extended time.

2:20 p.m. - Captain Hennette and first responders responded to a report of an accident on US 231, south of Loogootee.

2:38 p.m. - Captain Hennette spoke with a female subject in reference to her receiving threats.

5:42 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth completed a welfare check on children in reference to concerns of a relative.

6:09 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded to a dog complaint.

11:30 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department in searching for a vehicle that fled the scene of an accident.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

11:03 a.m. - Sgt. Floyd assisted Dubois County in attempting to locate a juvenile that had left Gibault School.

2:23 p.m. - Sgt. Floyd and Loogootee Fire Department responded to a structure fire on Mt. Calvary Road.

5:20 p.m. - Sgt. Floyd responded to a residence on South Kentucky Avenue for assisting to remove an unwanted individual.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

8:39 a.m. - Captain Hennette assisted a male in retrieving personal property.

9:15 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a vehicle check.

3:55 p.m. - First responders responded to a medical call on Park Street.

7:45 p.m. - Officer Means completed a welfare check on a male subject off of US 231 South.

8:39 p.m. - Officer Means and first responders responded to a report of an accident at JFK Avenue and Butcher Boulevard.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

10:45 a.m. - First responders responded to a medical call on Vincennes Street.

11:21 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to an accident on Cooper Street.

3:42 p.m. - First responders responded to a medical call on US 231 North.

11:03 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a call of an erratic driver coming into Loogootee on US 231 South.

11:12 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a request for assistance in Sunset Trailer Court for an unknown disturbance at a residence.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

3:37 p.m. - Sgt. Floyd assisted Martin County Ambulance on a medical call on North Line Street.

5:01 p.m. - Caller reported a found item at the Loogootee City Park and Sgt. Floyd responded to retrieve the item.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

8:41 a.m. - Sgt. Floyd responded to a business burglar alarm in Loogootee.

9:45 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth responded to a noise complaint on Cedar Street.

# Martin County real estate transfers

**David E. Franklin and Etta L. Franklin**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Joel I. Gibson**, of Martin County, Indiana. Parcel I: A part of the north one-half of the northwest quarter of Section 20, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Parcel II: A part of the north half of the northwest quarter of Section 21, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing one-half acre, more or less.

**Thomas A. Truelove and John D. Truelove**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Wayne Mae Property Group, LLC**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the north half of Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Rutherford County, Martin County, Indiana, containing 60.98 acres, more or less.

**Steven L. Arvin and Cathy L. Arvin**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Carl J. Arvin and Susan M. Arvin**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the east half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North,

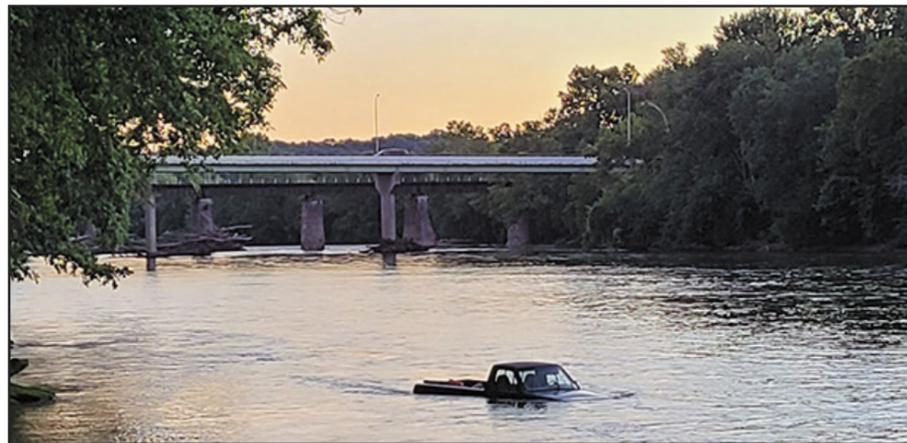
Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2 acres, more or less.

**Stephen W. Hoffman**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kirby J. McGuire**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 2.04 acres, more or less.

Joe Estrada, of Allen County, Indiana to James E. Broyles and Charity J. Broyles, of Martin County, Indiana. Parcel I: The east half of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 20 acres, more or less. Parcel II: The west half of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 20 acres, more or less. After exceptions, containing 6.71 acres, more or less.

**Thomas R. VanHoy, Jr. and Amelia Sue VanHoy**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Robert F. Butcher and Nancy A. Butcher**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 63 in Campbell and Breen's Addition to the town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

**Jeffrey G. Lagenour**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brent D. Jones and Joan M. Jones**, of Martin County, Indiana, the east half of the north half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, in Martin County, Indiana, containing 10 acres, more or less.



## Truck in river

The driver of this truck, shown floating down the White River in Shoals, was backing the truck with boat and trailer into the the boat ramp when it appears his brake system failed causing his peddle to go to the floor and roll into the river. The river then floated the truck down stream approximately 150 feet where it became stuck. The Martin County Sheriff's Department, with the sheriff boat, assisted G&M in the recovery. ICO Hembree is the investing officer.

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# COMMUNITY & EVENTS

## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



So, I just got back home. My brand new dog is laying on the back patio covered in dirt with a rabbit in his mouth. The rabbit's not bloody, just dirty.

Now my neighbor's kids raise these Blue Ribbon WINNER rabbits. I knew instantly it was one of their rabbits, so I took the rabbit away from my dog, rushed inside, and washed off the dirt before my neighbors could come home.

It was stiff, but I heard some animals play dead when they are afraid. I couldn't remember which animals because I was nervous. I took it and placed it back in one of the cages, then I zoomed back home.

Not 30 minutes later I hear my neighbors screaming so I go out ask them what's wrong.

They tell me their rabbit died three days ago and they buried it, but now it's back in the cage.

### LIVING WITH AND COMING OUT OF Covid-19 !!!!!!!!!!!!!

1. Half of us are going to come out of this quarantine as amazing cooks. The other half will come out with a drinking problem.

2. I used to spin that toilet paper like I was on Wheel of Fortune. Now I turn it like I'm cracking a safe.

3. I need to practice social-distancing from the refrigerator.

4. Still haven't decided where to go for Easter ----- The Living Room or The Bedroom.

5. PSA: every few days try your jeans on just to make sure they fit. Pajamas will have you believe all is well in the kingdom.

6. Home-schooling is going well.

Two students suspended for fighting and one teacher fired for drinking on the job.

7. I don't think anyone expected that when we changed the clocks we'd go from Standard Time to the Twilight Zone

8. This morning I saw a neighbor talking to her cat. It was obvious she thought her cat understood her. I came into my house, told my dog..... we laughed a lot.

9. So, after this quarantine.....will the producers of My 600 Pound Life just find me or do I find them?

10. Quarantine Day 5: Went to this restaurant called THE KITCHEN. You have to gather all the ingredients and make your own meal. I have no clue how this place is still in business.

11. My body has absorbed so much soap and disinfectant lately that when I pee it cleans the toilet.

12. Day 5 of Homeschooling: One of these little monsters called in a bomb threat.

13. I'm so excited --- it's time to take out the garbage. What should I wear?

14. Hope the weather is good tomorrow for my trip to "Puerto Backyarda." I'm getting tired of "Los Livingroom."

15. Classified Ad: Single man with toilet paper seeks woman with hand sanitizer for good clean fun.

16 Day 6 of Homeschooling: My child just said "I hope I don't have the same teacher next year.".... I'm offended.

17. Better 6 feet apart than 6 feet under!!!!

Make someone smile today!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Free dinner

The Loogootee Christian Church, located at 206 Sherman Street, is having their monthly free meal for the community. They would like to extend an invitation to the entire community for a free dinner to be held Thursday, September 3 from 6-8 p.m. in the church parking lot. If raining, please check the church sign for details. All members of the community are invited.

### Strange-O'Maley-Jones Reunion

The annual Strange-O'Maley-Jones Reunion scheduled for September 6 has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus. They hope to see everyone next year at The Annex in Bramble on September 4, 2021.

### Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

### Mental Health Task Force

The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 1-2 p.m. at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County Fairgrounds.

### Celebrate Recovery meetings

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

### Local recovery meetings

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

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can

be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

### SOAR Tutoring

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

### Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

### Soil and Water meetings

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

## ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



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It is late summer, and many people begin to tire of gardening. Perhaps you have canned all of the green beans, tomatoes and corn that you will need to see your family through the winter. Maybe you are at the point that you cannot bear the thought of another zucchini recipe. Maybe your garden has begun to slow down, and you are just ready to get everything raked up and the tools put away. Perhaps the weeds have overtaken your flower beds, which may be dominated by the spent flowers that have dropped their seeds, leaving the skeletons of dead stalks. Maybe it looks so hopeless that you are thinking of just abandoning the garden and let nature take its course.

It is okay to slow down the gardening, but my advice is to shift gears, not hit the brakes. If you let the weeds go now, they will bloom and set seed. Allowing this to happen has some somber results. First, as I have often related, flowers attract pollinators and therefore flowering plants do not release pollen into the air. Plants with bright flowers are therefore not the culprits causing your hay fever. However, most of the plants we consider weeds do not have colorful flowers. Since they do not attract pollinators, they release pollen into the air, allowing the wind to carry the pollen to other plants for pollination. Sometimes the pollen enters your sinus cavities instead of another plant's flower. The result is sneezing, runny nose and watery eyes. Pulling or cutting the weeds before they flower and release pollen will reduce the pollen in the air and perhaps your allergies will not be so severe.

If the airborne pollination is successful, the plant will form seeds. Most weeds make literally thousands of seeds. Those

seeds will drop to the ground and be ready to germinate next spring. If you get the weeds out before they make seeds, you may be saving yourself a lot of work next year.

If you still want to get rid of the tomatoes and squash, go ahead and pull them out. If the vines do not have signs of disease, put them in the compost pile. However, if they have turned brown already, it may be because of a fungus and it would be best to bag the plants and dispose of them well away from the garden.

Once the debris has been cleared away, plant a cover crop. I like to use turnips, winter radishes, kale and other greens as cover crops. Even if these crops are not favorites in your home, plant them anyway. They will help reduce the area where weeds can grow. If you do not eat them, you can just turn them into the soil next spring. If you do like them, you may have turnips and radishes until we get a hard freeze. Kale often goes dormant in the winter but returns with a new crop in the spring. Another option is to plant buckwheat or some other green manure crop, which can be tilled into the soil. Besides suppressing winter annual weeds, cover crops add organic matter and nutrients to the soil.

I have come to realize that I will never get all of the weeds pulled at Sandhill Gardens. However, I try to do a little each day as I walk through the gardens. I am also always looking for ways to crowd out weeds with desirable plants and by applying more mulch during the dormant period. I just wish I could convince some other people that weeding is great exercise and I would not even charge gym fees. Any takers?

## Changes to fish & wildlife area hunting and trapping draws

Fish & wildlife area (FWA) hunting and trapping draws will look different this season.

FWAs will conduct draws according to Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines. Property visitors will be required to wear a mask or face covering while inside a property office or while near other people. If you feel sick, please stay at home.

For most draws, visitors will have limited access to FWA offices. Due to the likelihood of people being asked to wait outside during the draw process, visitors should dress for the weather and be prepared for draws to take longer to conduct than in previous years.

Public seating areas will be removed to limit people congregating in certain ar-

reas. If you are participating in a draw and require seating accommodations, please bring a portable lawn chair.

If property offices are closed to public access due to coronavirus concerns, property hunting draws will still take place at FWAs according to each property's specific draw plan. Property draw plans are written based on property accommodations to ensure social distancing practices are being followed.

Property-specific information for how the draws will be conducted can be found at [wildlife.IN.gov/10443.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/10443.htm).

You can also contact the property directly to find out more details.

Contact information for each property can be found at [on.IN.gov/dfwproperties](http://on.IN.gov/dfwproperties).

## BC State Park unveils 7 Vista Challenge

Brown County State Park, in partnership with the Brown County Visitors Bureau and the Friends of Brown County State Park group, has created the eighth challenge at Indiana State Parks, and the first that is drivable.

The park's 7 Vista Challenge takes visitors on a quest to find the most beautiful view in the park by visiting seven different vistas (or overlooks). Those who complete the challenge will get a free 7 Vista Challenge sticker and can purchase a challenge T-shirt at Abe Martin Lodge and the Nature Center in the park, and at the Brown County Visitors Center in Nashville.

The 7 Vista Challenge begins at the West Lookout Tower and ends at Hohen Point. All seven vistas can be accessed by driving or riding on park roads. Details about each stop, as well as a map of the challenge, can be found at [7vistachallenge.com](http://7vistachallenge.com).

The challenge takes about an hour by car and two hours by bicycle. To prove they completed the challenge, visitors must take seven photos, one at each vista, and show them to the staff at the Nature Cen-

ter, Abe Martin Lodge, or Brown County Visitors Center. At each of the selected vistas, there will be a sign attached to a picture frame. Participants should take a picture of the view through each frame or of themselves in each frame to get credit. The seven vistas are West Lookout Tower, Hesitation Point, Friends Trail Vista, Weedpatch Vista, Nature Center Vista, Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Vista, and Hohen Point Vista.

Brown County State Park's challenge joins challenges at seven other state parks: 3 Dunes Challenge at Indiana Dunes, 4 Falls Challenge at Clifty Falls, 5 Mile Challenge at Turkey Run, 6 Ravine Challenge at Shades, 9 Lake Challenge at Chain O'Lakes, 10 Mile Challenge at Spring Mill, and Hell's Point Challenge at Pokagon.

For more information about each of these challenges, see [dnr.IN.gov/healthy](http://dnr.IN.gov/healthy).

Brown County State Park ([on.IN.gov/browncountysp](http://on.IN.gov/browncountysp)) is at 1405 S.R. 46 W., Nashville 47448.

## Generations to host Trailblazer Virtual "Race at Your Pace"

Generations, the local Area Agency on Aging & Disability, will be hosting the Trailblazer 2020 Virtual Race at Your Pace throughout the month of September. The purpose of this event is to encourage physical activity in all age groups. Those who register will participate at their own pace and their activity will be reported to Generations at the end of September.

The first 100 registrants over age 65, who reside in the Generations' six-county service area of Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Martin and Pike Counties, as well as Lawrence County, Illinois, will receive free registration, which will include an event t-shirt. Participants under 65 will be charged a registration fee of \$30 which includes an event t-shirt (\$35 if you wish to receive a t-shirt and an event medal). Online registration will be available through the Generations' website at [www.generationsnetwork.org](http://www.generationsnetwork.org) and will begin on August 25 and run through September 14. If you would prefer to register by phone, please contact Linda Yochum at 812-888-4854 or Cathy Jones at 812-888-5159.

Watch for new information every day in September on Generations' Facebook page and on the Generations' website promoting healthy activities, places to exercise and other information to help you "race at your pace". If your business is interested in sponsoring this event, please contact Alma Kramer for details at 812-888-4527, or by e-mail at [akramer@vinu.edu](mailto:akramer@vinu.edu). Or, you can visit the Generations website at [www.generationsnetwork.org](http://www.generationsnetwork.org).



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## Band boosters plan fundraising events

The Loogootee High School Band Department will have their 3rd annual LHS Band "Run for the Bus" 5k taking place on Saturday, September 19.

Interested participants can pre-register at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeKNntyjyx5Fm95Cqtk\\_A8QxIqLTISqJ0sz0ZxMw2p4d2TvRw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeKNntyjyx5Fm95Cqtk_A8QxIqLTISqJ0sz0ZxMw2p4d2TvRw/viewform) or register the day of the event. Social distancing will be practiced throughout the race, and due to circumstances restroom facilities will be unavailable.

The registration desk opens at 8 a.m., and the 5K run/walk starts at 8:30 a.m. at the elementary school parking lot. Awards will be given to the top three males/top three females in the following four age groups: under 18, 18-35, 36-54, 55+. They are also drawing prizes for five runners who find the five hidden Micky's. Be ready to get your picture taken with your favorite Disney characters.

The entry fee for the 5K Run/Walk is

adult \$20 or student \$15 before/on September 1 and \$25 thereafter. Children 5 and under are free and encouraged and if they register ahead and would like to have a shirt, the cost of their shirt is \$10. Hitchhiking ghost runners are welcome at a cost of \$20. Free t-shirts will be guaranteed for paid pre-registrants. Sizes are not guaranteed.

Another event the band boosters will be having is their annual BBQ taking place at Williams Bros. this year. It will be on September 12 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. or until supplies last. The cost is \$10 and includes a BBQ pulled pork sandwich, green beans, macaroni and cheese, a drink, and a cookie. They will also have extra desserts available for purchase. The BBQ pulled pork is provided by Cannelburg Processing.

The band boosters need a lot of help when planning these events. The next band boosters meeting will be held September 15 at 6 p.m. at the high school.

## Loogootee Varsity/JV Volleyball results

The Loogootee Varsity Volleyball Team went 3-1 at the Plainfield Volleyball Invitational this past weekend. The girls lost to Perry Meridian in two sets, 19-25 and 18-25; defeated Northview in two sets, 25-17 and 25-16; Terre Haute North in two sets, 25-14 and 25-15; and North Central (Indianapolis) in two sets, 25-17 and 25-22. The varsity record moves to 5-1 on the season.

Kylie VanHoy led the team with 30 kills and also contributed 36 assists. Makenzie VanHoy led in assists with 43 and also had 20 kills. Jaelyn Walker added an additional 12 kills on the day. Asia Crim led the team in serving points with 22 followed by Grace Lingenfelter with 21 (and nine aces) and Jocelyn Strange with 19. Strange also led the team in digs with 31. Crim added 15 digs and Lingenfelter had 14.

The varsity girls also defeated Northeast Dubois last week in three sets, 25-17, 27-25, and 25-10. Kylie VanHoy led with 19 kills followed by Makenzie VanHoy with 8. Makenzie led in points with 13 followed by Kylie with 11. Jocelyn Strange had a team-high 16 digs followed closely behind by Asia Crim with 15.

The junior varsity Lady Lions also defeated Northeast Dubois in two sets, 25-19 and 25-11. Kyleigh Courter led in points with 13 followed by Madison McAtee with seven and Lindsey Nolan with six. Mallorie Sutton led the team in kills with seven, McAtee added six and Courter finished with four. Brooklyn Summers finished with 17 assists, Abigail Nonte had seven digs and McAtee, Courter and Sydnee Wittmer each had five digs.

## Daviess/Martin Retired Teachers meeting

BY LINDA STROSNIDER  
*Secretary, Retired Teachers Association*

The Daviess/Martin Retired Teachers Association met at the Gasthof Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. on August 14. President Alice Jones led the membership in the Pledge to the Flag. The minutes, submitted by Linda Strosnider, were reviewed and approved. Dave Lennen submitted the treasurer's report as well as the budget for the 2020-2021 year. The reports were approved.

Lawana Hand reported on the community service project. She encouraged members to continue volunteering as well as they can during the pandemic. She also offered additional suggestions that would count as credit toward the project.

Area Director Dave Lennen reported that they have been utilizing Zoom to conduct their meetings. He discussed the Call and Learn Project, which would count toward volunteer hours. He also announced that the Fall Leadership Meeting, scheduled for October, has been canceled.

Projects for the 2020-2021 year were discussed and voted on. The membership will continue with the Pennies from Heaven collection. Other projects agreed on were Goody Bags for Teachers, first year teacher award, as well as sending notes of encouragement to active teachers and staff.

The program was presented by Julia Albright, Martin County Health Nurse. She spoke about procedures schools have in place to stay healthy from and prevent the spread of COVID-19. She addressed testing, self-quarantine, and isolation.

Rosie Winger and Donna Keller have agreed to plan programs for future meetings. President Alice thanked Linda Strosnider for her past years of serving on the committee.

The next meeting will be held at Lakeview Restaurant on September 11, 2020, at 11:30 a.m. Door prizes were brought by David and Ramona Lennen. Winners were Don Spillman, Alana Thompson, and Donna Keller.

The membership sang the luncheon blessing and adjourned for lunch at 12:35 p.m.

## Loogootee Varsity Tennis team remains undefeated

The Loogootee Lions Tennis Teams took on Northeast Dubois Monday night. The varsity Lions won 4-1 and the junior varsity swept the Jeeps 2-0. The varsity remains undefeated at 6-0.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "This was another hard-fought victory. Our doubles led the way in our matches over the weekend. Today, it was our singles players who stepped it up. This was our sixth match in eight days. Our legs were dragging a little, but we had enough in the tank to step it up at key moments in the second sets to secure the victory."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Aden Thewes 6-3, 6-4

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Tucker Neukam 6-0, 6-3

#3 Singles Bryant Eckerle (L) defeated Nick Hemmerlein 6-2, 6-0

#1 Doubles Luke Nonte/Peyton Bledsoe (L) defeated Tanner Hurt/Logan Lampert 6-3, 7-6 (3)

#2 Doubles Ross Mehringer/Ty Kalb (NED) defeated Rory Tippery/Drew Walker 7-5, 6-3

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Evan Mehringer 8-1

#1 Doubles Isaac Waggner/Austin Brittain (L) defeated Brayden Beck/Corbin Hurt 8-5

This past Saturday, the boys took on Evansville North. The varsity team won 5-0 and the junior varsity 5-2. They also played against Gibson Southern. The varsity again won 5-0 and the junior varsity 7-0.

"This was a great day of tennis," said Tippery. "In the first match, the score is a little misleading. We beat a very good Evansville North Team and it wasn't easy. Our doubles played extremely well and got us on the board first. It took our singles players a little while to get going, but when they did, it was impressive to watch. Jordan avenged one of his losses last year and beat a very good player at #1 singles. After losing the first set and being down 1-5 in the second, he could have easily given up. Instead, he fought for every point, turned the match around, and just blitzed his opponent, winning the last 11 games for a three-set win."

Coach Tipper went on to say, "After a hard fought first match, we could have easily been a little complacent. Instead we came out and played a complete match on all courts to make it five straight 5-0 wins. I was really happy with the junior varsity as well. Several of these guys played two full sets in a JV match Friday night and made the road trip today playing four additional sets of tennis, winning 12 of those 14 sets today."

Evansville North

Varsity results

#1 Singles Jordan Wildman defeated Chris Zimmerman 2-6, 7-5, 6-0

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Kyle Francis 6-3, 6-1

#3 Singles Bryant Eckerle (L) defeated Cole Decker 5-7, 6-1, 6-3

#1 Doubles Luke Nonte/Peyton Bledsoe (L) defeated Will Cusic/Spencer Lenahan 6-3, 6-2

#2 Doubles Rory Tippery/Drew Walker (L) defeated Nathan Mitchell/Griffin Sohn 7-5, 6-2

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Isaac Waggner (L) defeated Ryan Bernfield 6-2

#2 Singles Logan Petit (EN) defeated Luke Lengacher 6-4

#1 Doubles Jacob Hafele/Ike Elliott (EN) defeated Reece Tippery/Austin Brit-

tain 6-2

#2 Doubles Reis Whitney/Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Gabe Wilke/Isaac Alexander 6-1

#3 Doubles Reece Tippery/Austin Brittain (L) defeated Camden Lamey/Isaac Pricher 6-1

#4 Doubles Reis Whitney/Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Matt Fox/Jack Morley 6-1

#5 Doubles Isaac Waggner/Luke Lengacher (L) defeated Kaito Takeda/Aaric McDonald 6-2

Gibson Southern

Varsity results

#1 Singles Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Evan Birch 6-2, 6-1

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Bryce Simpson 6-2, 6-2

#3 Singles Isaac Waggner (L) defeated Eliot Church 6-0, 7-5

#1 Doubles Luke Nonte/Peyton Bledsoe (L) defeated Jake Decker/Dawson Maurer 6-0, 6-1

#2 Doubles Bryant Eckerle/Rory Tippery (L) defeated John Kiesel/Logan McClain 6-0, 6-2

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Kelton Luhring 6-0

#2 Singles Drew Walker (L) defeated Oliver Hamilton 8-0

#3 Singles Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Dawson Clark 8-1

#1 Doubles Reece Tippery/Austin Brittain (L) defeated Isaac Merrell/Carson Brindle 6-5

#2 Doubles Reis Whitney/Luke Lengacher (L) defeated Kyle Stunkel/Wyatt Hamilton 6-2

#3 Doubles Reece Tippery/Austin Brittain (L) defeated Kelton Luhring/Grant Wade 8-1

#4 Doubles Reis Whitney/Luke Lengacher (L) defeated Ezra Pohl/Kyle Stunkel 8-2

Last Thursday, the teams took on Bloomfield. The varsity swept the Cardinals 5-0 and the junior varsity also took the win, 3-1.

"We were not as sharp as we were yesterday against Forest Park. Some of that was us and some of that was Bloomfield. They did a great job of making us earn every point. Our doubles were tested for the first time this year. We got off to good starts but had a little bit of trouble closing things out," said Coach Tippery.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Baylin Graf 7-6 (1), 5-4

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Ryan Schulte 6-2, 6-2

#3 Singles Isaac Waggner (L) defeated Ethan Dean 6-2, 6-2

#1 Doubles Luke Nonte/Rory Tippery (L) defeated Reese Schulte/Wilson Keene 6-2, 6-4

#2 Doubles Bryant Eckerle/Peyton Bledsoe (L) defeated Travis Priest/Nolan Hughes 6-0, 6-4

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Reece Tippery (L) defeated Austin Hall 6-2

#1 Doubles Drew Walker/Austin Brittain (L) defeated Justin Beard/Boone Holtsclaw 8-0

#2 Doubles Reece Tippery/Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Cole Skinner/Brasey Neil 8-0

#3 Doubles Braxton Clark/Kellen Luse (B) defeated Jacob Lengacher/Wyatt Sheetz

Last Wednesday, the varsity Lions defeated Forest Park 5-0. No junior varsity matches were played. These matches were a makeup for rain cancellation the day before.

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## Martin County COVID-19 update

Since August 17th, Martin County has 26 positive cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) reported to ISDH. The total number of positive cases since the start of the virus, is now at 83. To date more than 1,000 people have been tested for Covid-19 from Martin County. There are 31 Covid-19 positive residents who are still in isolation. The remainder are no longer required to be in isolation.

Test results for Covid-19 are reported to the county by zip code. For Martin County that includes all with a Crane, Loogootee or Shoals zip code. Those who have an address outside of Martin County within those zip codes are then transferred to their county of residence.

The most important thing we can do to prevent the spread of Covid-19 is to stay home if you are sick. Those who have symptoms of or test positive for Covid-19 should isolate away from others in your household for at least 10 days from the start of symptoms. Individuals who have been identified as a close contact with someone who is symptomatic for Covid-19 or tests positive for Covid-19 should quarantine at home for 14 days from the date of last contact with that person. A close contact is defined as being within 6 feet of a positive or symptomatic person for longer than 15 minutes.

The Martin County Health Department is working closely with the Indiana State Department of Health Contact Tracing

Team to ensure that contacts of the patients are identified and monitored and that infection control protocols are being followed.

The best way to protect yourself from any respiratory illness is to:

-Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

-Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth any time you are in public.

-Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

-Avoid close contact (within 6 feet) with people who are sick.

-Stay home when you are sick. If you have symptoms consistent with Covid-19 self-isolate for at least 10 days away from other members of your household. A sick individual should continue to isolate until symptoms have resolved for at least 72 hours. For some that may mean isolation lasts longer than 10 days.

-Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

-Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) will provide updates as new information becomes available. Visit the ISDH website at <https://coronavirus.IN.gov> for the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 and information on testing sites in Indiana.

## ~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

*'A question for all voters need to ponder'*

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

With the selection of Kamala Harris by Joe Biden as his vice president just makes one more reason not to vote for the pro-abortion Biden-Harris ticket. When Kamala Harris was Attorney General of California, David Daleiden and Sandra Merritt went uncover and caught Planned Parenthood selling body parts from their abortion clinics for big money. Well instead of prosecuting Planned Parenthood for this devious scheme, Kamala Harris, who was the Attorney General in California at the time, and who received campaign money from Planned Parenthood, went after these two undercover news people in an attempt to protect their friends in the abortion industry.

Both Daleiden and Merritt have been in court for several years and have costs these two individuals millions of dollars to defend themselves against this vicious attack by Kamala Harris and her successor in the Attorney General's Office Xavier Becerra. All because these two individuals caught Planned Parenthood red handed selling aborted body parts and Harris and Becerra wanted to protect Planned Parenthood and their abortion business.

Fifteen felony counts were originally filed against Sandra Merritt and David Daleiden, of the Center for Medical Progress, by former California Attorney General and current democratic vice-presidential candidate, Senator Kamala Harris. Seven charges have been dropped and more may be dropped but these pro-abortion people are out to get these pro-life news people. Isn't it interesting that the people trying to find out what was going under the table at Planned Parenthood is the ones the liberal democrats are going after.

What these democrats are doing here is like what is going on in the major cities across the country where violent rioters and looters are being arrested and democrat prosecutors are refusing to prosecute these people and turning them loose to loot again. It is called selected prosecution because it does not fit the democrat's agenda.

With the addition of Harris to the dem-

ocrat ticket, it only cements abortion into their democrat agenda as Biden has moved from a one-time supported of the Hyde Amendment which cut off funding for abortion now to supporting abortion up to the time of birth. Once abortion at birth thought to be outrageous and evil may now be coming to an abortion clinic or hospital near you if this pro-abortion team of Biden and Harris have their way.

In another show of what Kamala Harris is really thinking, during one of the hearings for a federal judgeship, she said this Catholic individual should not be considered to serve on the federal court because he was a member of the Knights of Columbus and anyone who belongs to this group should not be considered. She may be bias in other ways as well.

We feel the rank and file of the democrat party does not believe in this outrageous left-wing agenda. But the national democrat party has been taken over by people who no longer put God first in their lives. It is time for the silent majority to rise up and voice their opposition at the ballot box.

This brings up a question for all voters need to ponder before they cast their ballot in the Fall Election. Can I be pro-life and vote democrat? The answer is a resounding No!

And another question I pose to the voters, if you go ahead and vote for Biden-Harris, will God be pleased with you? You need to think about this.

Louis Kavanaugh Jr.  
Montgomery, Indiana

## TENNIS

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fore.

Coach Tippery said, "We were definitely a little sharper today than Monday and played well throughout the entire match."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Nathan Jarboe 6-2, 6-2

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Wes Stout 6-2, 6-0

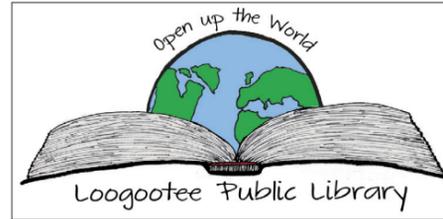
#3 Singles Bryant Eckerle (L) defeated Landen Marks 6-1, 6-1

#1 Doubles Luke Nonte/Peyton Bledsoe (L) defeated Byrson Partenheimer/Carter Fleck 6-0,6-1

#2 Doubles Drew Walker/Isaac Waggoner (L) defeated Conner Tretter/Devan Osborn 6-0, 6-0

## Shoals Ballpark renovations planned

The big ball field at the Shoals Ballpark will be temporarily closed beginning September 2 with a tentative re-opening date scheduled for April 1, 2021. The little ball field, playground, volleyball, basketball, and pickleball areas will remain open for public use. Access to the little ball field will only be available through the playground side of the ball field from September 2 to October



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Don't forget to fill out the U. S. Census by September 1. If you need assistance, stop by the library and a staff person will help you. Martin County response is only 69 percent and neglecting responding costs the county in federal dollars for roads, schools, libraries, and programs.

WorkOne is located in the library building. Currently they are providing WorkForce grants for CDL, welding, automotive, HVAC, CCMA (medical assistant), CAN, computer support specialist, information security analyst, and construction training programs. This is not based on your income.

Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) are planning a book/yard sale at the library on Saturday, September 19 from 8-12. The sale will be held outside. September 26 is the rain date. More information will be forthcoming.

New Books:

Mystery: "Squeeze Me" by Carl Hiaasen.

Fiction: "Someone to Romance" by Mary Balogh, "Whirlwind" by Janet Dailey, "Bitter Pill" by Fern Michaels.

Large Print Inspiration: "A Home for Her Daughter" by Jill Weatherholt, "His True Purpose" by Danica Favorite, "The Amish Newcomer" by Patrice Lewis, and "Seeking Refuge" by Lenora Refuge.

DVDs: "Sweet Bean".

The library phone number is 812-295-3713 or check out the website [www.loogootee.lib.in.us](http://www.loogootee.lib.in.us) or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

5 while a contractor installs underground drainage beyond the little ball field outfield fence. The temporary closures and access restrictions are necessary to allow the Town of Shoals Park Board to complete a renovation of the big ball field. Improvements include the installation of subsurface drainage, laser grading, an enhanced infield area, seeding and sodding. The Town of Shoals Park Board was awarded grant funding for the improvements through the Smithville Charitable Foundation, Martin County Community Foundation along with a donation from the United States Gypsum employees.

Please understand the importance of keeping off the big ball field during this time period as the grass turf is being re-established. The entire Shoals Ballpark area is under 24-hour surveillance and will be monitored. The Town of Shoals Park Board looks forward to sharing a grand re-opening with everyone next spring.

## Candidates for Martin County General Election

Martin County Auditor  
Bobbie Abel (D)  
Martin County Coroner  
Cathy Evans (R)  
Tina M. Franklin (D)  
Martin County Recorder  
Rhonda Sanders (R)  
Martin County Surveyor  
Nathan D. Hoffman (R)  
Martin County Treasurer  
Lori Carrico (R)  
Martin County Commissioner District 1  
Cody Roush (R)  
Martin County Commissioner District 3  
Aaron "Moose" Summers (R)  
Michael "Mike" D. Dant (D)  
Martin County Council At Large  
(Choose 3)  
Warren D. Albright (R)  
Keith Gibson (R)  
Adam Greene (R)  
Richard Summers (D)  
Jim Woody (D)  
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Shoals School Board District 2  
Jenell Hoffman  
Shoals School Board District 3  
Jerry Braun  
Shoals School Board District 5  
Drexel Turpin



## PLEASE VOTE PRO-LIFE!

To Vote Pro-Life means to vote for Candidates for elective office who not only say they are pro-life but are willing to put that meaning in every vote they make once they are elected.

Once elected they can vote for party leadership positions that are pro-abortion and these people kill pro-life bills and the pro-life agenda.

This is why endorsements are made by the Right to Life Political Action Committees that take into account the past voting records, public statements, response to questionnaires and history of the candidates. While they say they are Pro-Life, their actions may not reflect it.

When you vote to support Candidates who either are pro-abortion and not willing to stand up for the Pro-Life Principles, You are voting to support abortion. You are working against everything the Right to Life Organization is trying to do in protecting the lives of the unborn.

So remember, when you go to the polls, think Pro-Life and Vote for Candidates who not only say they are Pro-Life but are willing to put that into practice. There are many important issues to consider but none more important than the killing of unborn children.

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