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### Animal shelter ground breaking

-Photo by Jason Greene

The Martin County Humane Society broke ground for new animal shelter on Saturday, November 5. The shelter will be located at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee. In the photo above, from left to right, are Chewy, MCHS rescued dog; Jennifer Randolph, Teresa Lundy (MCHS Vice President), Terri Dye (MCHS Treasurer), Don Greene (MCHS President), Chantel Greene, Biscuit, MCHS rescued dog; Mayor-elect Noel Harty, Karen Hickman, Doreen Farley, Sandy Sherfick, Courtney Hughett, and Theresa Abney (MCHS Fundraiser Coordinator). Building plans for the shelter can be found on page two.

### **County council** hears about animal control, employee insurance changes

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

Commissioner Dan Gregory and Animal Control Commission President Theresa Abney went before the Martin County Council Monday night, November 7 to show them the newly-revised animal control ordinance prior to it being passed by commissioners.

Commissioner Gregory explained to the council that the ordinance pertains to dogs and cats in the county only and not livestock. He said that one of the changes made from the original ordinance from 1997 was the addition of fines. Fines would be a warning on the first offense, \$25 on the second offense, and \$50 on the third and fourth offenses. Gregory explained that law enforcement personnel would be solely responsible for issuing the fines.

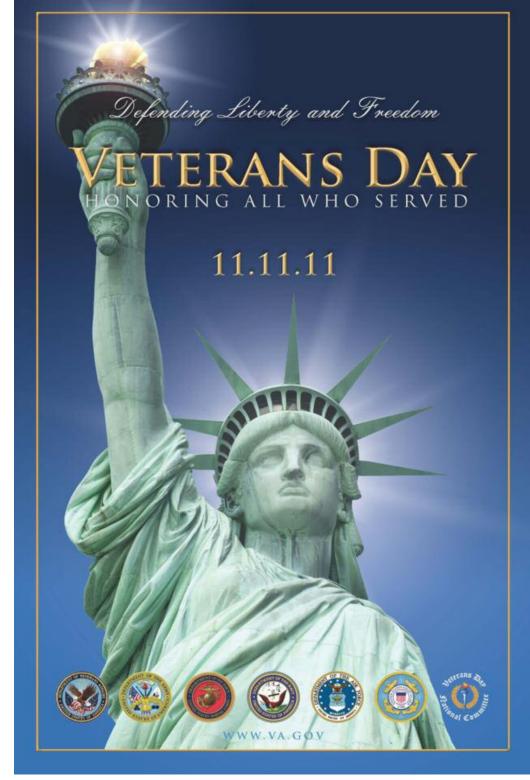
Council president Rich Summers thanked Gregory for bringing the ordinance to the council citing a lack of communication between the council and commissioners in the past.

Council member John Stoll said he felt that there should be a difference in enforcement between violations for those who live in cities and towns and those who live in the country. He said that his dog and cats have never been tied up and he would not have them if they were forced to be.

Summers said that unless there was a problem with Stoll's dogs, then they could still run free from what he understands.

Stoll said that he agrees but feels the ordinance should be written to reflect that.

Abney, with the Animal Control Commission, told the council that the ordinance (See 'COUNTY COUNCIL' on page two)



# **Shoals Schools** forced to make tough decisions

Meeting minutes provided by Andrea Qualkenbush, Superintendent Secretary

Superintendent Dr. Tony Nonte presented budget and revenue information to the Shoals School Board at their meeting on November 1 showing that the estimated expenses for 2012 exceed the state revenue by an estimated \$700,000. Without reducing the budget or getting an increase in revenue, the cash balance would be used up by the end of 2013. He identified the following changes that would affect the outcome:

- If the state would provide more general fund money
- If the A Day's Membership (ADM) stabilizes or increases
- If the corporation were to receive more Federal Stimulus Money
- If costs were reduced, even though the corporation had reduced costs in 2010 and 2011
- If the corporation could negotiate give backs in salary and benefits from employees
- The corporation could use one-time money from the Rainy Day Fund
- The corporation could conduct a referendum to ask the taxpayers to contribute to offset the loss of revenue from the state
- The corporation could consider consoli-

The board reviewed the data on the following information:

- Certified seniority list and grades and (See 'DECISIONS' on page two)

### Boyd, Abel, Ragsdale voted in for Shoals Town Council Tuesday

### BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

282 of the 771 registered voters in the Town of Shoals turned out to cast their ballots in Tuesday night's election. Only one race was included on the ballot this time around and that was the seats for the Shoals Town Council.

Winning those seats were Earl Boyd Jr. (R) with 193 votes, Roger Lee Abel (R) with 181 votes, and Cecil L. Ragsdale (D) with 151 votes. Current town board member Dick Cresgy (D) was voted out with 133 votes and David S. Holt (R) received 41 votes.

180 ballots were cast at the West Memphis precinct with a 35.9 percent voter turnout. 16 straight-party Republican ballots were cast with only three Democratic.

For West Memphis, the candidates received the following amount of votes: Abel 125, Boyd Jr. 117, Ragsdale 100, Cresgy 97, and Holt 27.

At the East Memphis precinct 102 of the 269 registered voters cast a ballot with a 37.9 percent voter turnout. Seven straightparty Republican ballots were cast and two Democratic.

Final count in the West Memphis precinct was as follows: Boyd Jr. 76, Abel 56, Ragsdale 51, Cresgy 36, and Holt 14.

Lori Butler, current Shoals Clerk-Treasurer, ran unopposed in the race which was intentionally not included on the ballot.

# COUNTY COUNCI

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was written to include the entire county. She said that problems with nuisance dogs and cats was not limited to the city and towns and while she had never heard of problems with Stoll's pets, the ordinance allows other problems county-wide to be taken care of with the fines. She then referred to a call recently received by the sheriff's department to prove that point.

Sheriff Rob Street then told the council about a complaint the sheriff's department received about pit bulls running loose. The call came from outside the city or towns. He said that Chief Deputy Dant responded to the call and when he arrived at the location he was immediately surrounded by the dogs in question and threatened with attack. Using his nightstick, he made it to the door and told the owner of the dogs that they must be pinned or tied up or next time enforcement action would be taken.

council as a courtesy and wanted them to know that no funding was required by the county at this time. He said that with any ordinance, if it didn't work, it could be amended. "It does give law enforcement the authority to get into their pockets, that's what it takes," Gregory said referring to the

In other business, Judge Lynne Ellis went before the council out of courtesy to explain the need for replacement of flooring in the downstairs of the courthouse. She said the current carpet in the hallway would be replaced with rubber-type flooring for \$8,900. She told the council she already had approval from the commissioners. Council member John Stoll asked Ellis how the commissioners could approve anything related to giving her money. Ellis explained that since the commissioners are in charge of the courthouse, the money would be coming from their budget. Auditor Nancy Gregory presented the ordinance to the Steiner told Stoll that the money would

come out of the commissioners' budget under courthouse maintenance. "It's coming from money that's already there," she said.

Council member John Stoll then brought up issue with the director of the solid waste district, Laura Albertson, advertising for a meeting to change the tax structure of the county without talking to the council first. Auditor Steiner told Stoll that the issue was discussed at the budget meetings. Stoll replied that it was never decided to have a public hearing.

Council member Lonnie Hawkins explained to Stoll that Albertson was directed by the solid waste board to hold the public hearing. Stoll replied that regardless of who gave authority for the legal notice, he doesn't understand how they could do so without approval from the council. Council member Summers said that the issue is not just local but will be approved at the state

Commissioner Gregory passed out information to the council on new employee health insurance plans. Gregory explained that the major change comes in the cost share from employees. He said that the county will still pick up 100 percent of the tab for all employees but employees would be responsible for paying 30 percent of the premiums for dependants. Also proposed is changing the amount given to employees in their health savings accounts. A single employee currently receives \$1,500 annually which would be reduced to \$1,000. An employee with a family plan receives \$3,500 currently which would be reduced to \$2,000. Gregory added that they also plan to offer buyouts again to any employee who will chose not to have health coverage at all for a payment of \$5,000 – that amount is currently \$1,500. He said there are currently six employees who take the buyout and they estimate that will change to around 12. Deductibles would be \$3,000 for a single plan and \$6,000 for a family plan. In the end, the county would pay \$591,000 for the employees' health insurance.

The other plan presented would cost the county \$541,000 with even higher deductibles of \$5,000 and \$10,000 but offers \$1,250 in health savings account payments for a single employee and \$2,500 for a family plan.

Gregory said that the county has \$630,000 available to pay for health insurance with currently 53 employees on the plan and he believes one of them will work factoring in a 12 percent rate increase for next year.

He added that nothing has been decided yet as the numbers have not come in for available funding or the amount of increase. The new plan would take affect February 1 of next year.

Discussion ensued on how much employees pay after they meet their deductible. It was decided that the insurance company pays 100 percent after deductible is met.

Despite the general fund and rainy day funds being quite low, the council approved the following additional appropriations:

From the general fund, jail utilities for \$15,000 and jail meals for \$8,000. From the rainy day fund, part-time jail officers for \$6,600, part-time jail cook/janitor for \$1,200, jail janitorial supplies for \$3,000, sheriff's department gas and oil for \$1,100 and car maintenance for \$3,500. Also, DSL internet for the sheriff's department for \$3,900.

The council also approved the following transfers:

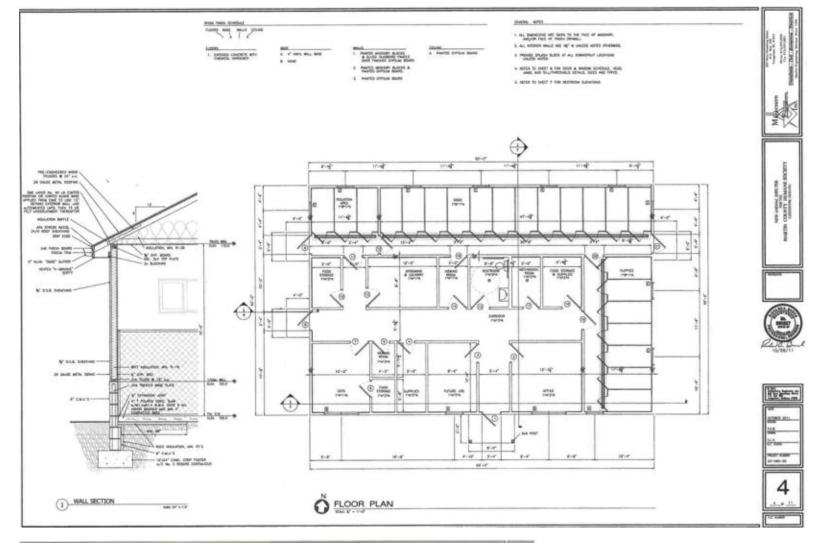
-From the general fund, treasurer, other services and charges, printing to personal services, part-time clerical for \$2,500.

-From the general fund, auditor, capital outlay, equipment to other services and charges, Manatron/Harris training for \$1,484.43.

-From the general fund, circuit court, personal services, bailiff to capital outlay, computers for \$709.

-From the general fund, county extension, personal services, extra help to office supplies for \$440.

-From emergency telephone system, other services and charges, network monthly fee to personal services, social security for \$659.



# SOUTH ELEVATION WEST ELEVATION 6

## **Shelter plans**

Shown above are the building plans for the Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter. Construction is slated to begin November 12. The humane society would like to thank everyone for their donations because without your support this would not be possible. They would also like to give special thanks to Keith Parsons of Builder's Best and Richard Burch, Shari Hulsman, Alan Burch of Midwestern Engineers for all the hard work putting these plans together. The humane society is looking for volunteers. If you would like to help build the shelter, contact Theresa Abney at 812-295-8305 or Don Greene at 812-296-0952. If you would like to make a donation to help with the cost of the shelter, you can send it to Martin County Humane Society P.O. Box 537 Shoals, IN 47581.

### **DECISIONS**

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subject certification of the teachers - Administrative job descriptions

- The recent enrollment history (ADM) of the school corporation
- The RIF meeting of 4-21-11 with the teachers
- Staffing and class size
- Declining state revenue report
- Elementary, junior and senior high
- Selected athletic item costs
- Results of the HB 1260 study on the per-

cent of premium costs that the school corporation contributes to certified and non-certified employees

The board discussed ways of reducing costs beyond reducing staff including that some school corporations have eliminated school bus transportation and/or shortened the school week to four days. Other ideas mentioned included reducing the number of games played during an athletic season and combining coaching duties.

After further discussion, the board requested that Dr. Nonte prepare a list of the recent budget cuts that the school corporation had made, as well as prepare a list of possible additional cuts with the related estimated savings associated with the cuts. This is to be an item on the agenda at the regular monthly meeting of the board on Thursday, November 10 at 5 p.m.

In other business, the board revisited the issue of athletic pictures. They reviewed the proposals as submitted by interested photographers. Following discussion, the board chose Rachel Baker Photos to handle all athletic pictures for the 2011-12 school year.



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# **OBITUARIES**

**JOYCE DOWNS** 

Joyce Downs died at 11:12 a.m. Sunday, November 6, 2011 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of Shoals, she was 89.

She was born October 12, 1922, in Daviess County; the daughter of Ollie and Ora (Gilley) Jones. She married Wilson Lee Downs on May 17, 1941, at the Shoals Holiness Church parsonage, and he preceded her in death on September 28, 1998. Joyce was a homemaker and a loving mother and grandmother. She was very famous for her homemade noodles. She worked at Loogootee Textile and was a janitor for Shoals Community Schools. She attended the Shoals Church of the Nazarene.

She is survived by four sons and daughters-in-law, Larry and Betty Downs of

Shoals, Jim and Genoma Downs of Washington, Tom and Audie Downs and Bob and Donna Downs, all of Shoals; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents, a half sister, Aline Swanson, and a half brother, Herschel Cissell.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, November 10 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial will be in Hickory Ridge Cemetery. Visitation is from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

### **IMOGENE CLOYD**

Imogene Mable Jackman Cloyd, formerly of Martin County, died at the Blue Ash Hos-

pice, Blue Ash, Ohio, on Thursday, November 3, 2011. A resident of Ohio, she was 96.

She was born in rural Martin County on March 21, 1915 to George Albert Jackman and Phoebe Adaline Kail. She married Thomas Cloyd on May 18, 1957, at the University Heights Methodist Church. Her husband preceded her in death.

She graduated from Shoals High School and Central Normal College in Danville, Indiana. While at college, she worked parttime in her uncle's law firm. She taught school for one term in Martin County, and then moved to Indianapolis where she worked at Ft. Benjamin Harrison. She concluded her working career as Head of the Records Section for the Internal Revenue Service where she received Superior Performance Award.

Aunt Mabel, as her nieces and nephews call her, was much-loved. As the last survivor of her generation, she was the preserver of family traditions. A card always arrived for birthdays and for Christmas with a check tucked inside. She threw herself into preparing the family's huge holiday dinners along with her sisters. She became a much sought-after house-sitter and guest. When called with an invitation, she had to check her calendar for an opening. She will especially be remembered for all the special occasions she provided for her nieces and nephews. Birthday presents have included going to the Ice Capades at the Indianapolis Fairgrounds, dinner at the Ayers Tea Room, and others too numerous to mention. She often joined other family members for summer vacations. One memorable trip involved researching the Kail family history

A highlight of her life was her visit to Israel where she was baptized in the Jordan River. She and Tom made many other travels in their van across the United States.

When in her 80s, she purchased her first computer and learned how to e-mail family.

Thus in her life span, she began by writing on a slate in a one-room school and ended by using the World Wide Web. She still drove until she was 95. Throughout her nineties, she maintained her interest in gardening, although the huge gardens of long ago had been replaced by a few tomato

plants and flowers. Her zest for life will be

long remembered by her family.

Survivors are her nieces and nephews, Karen Wilguess and husband, Jim, of Dennison, Illinois; Larry Haines, and wife, Debbie, of Danville; Stephen Haines and wife, Donna, of Indianapolis; Jackie Corbin of Mason, Ohio; Rena Corbin of Grove City, Ohio; great nieces and nephews, David Wilguess and wife, Tammy, Stephen Haines, Sarah Bowron and husband, Pat, Nicholas Haines and wife, Erin, Stephanie Roelfs and husband, Steve; and great-great nephews Brian and Aaron Wilguess.

She was also preceded in death by her brother, Lebert; and sisters, Hazel, Glenn, and Blanche.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, November 8 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.









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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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# Martin County Sheriff's Department log

#### Tuesday, November 1

7:03 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 50 in Shoals.

12:05 p.m. - Received a report of tailgating on U.S. 50, eastbound from Washington.

5:42 p.m. - Received a report of a break in at a storage trailer on Killion Mill Road. 6:05 p.m. - Received a call regarding a property dispute.

8:47 p.m. - Received a call regarding a red-tailed hawk bothering his guineas.

10:46 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on U.S. 50, eastbound, headed toward Shoals.

11:58 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious subject around residences in Burns

### Wednesday, November 2

1:35 p.m. - Received a report of a possible theft in progress south of Loogootee.

2:35 p.m. - Received a residential fire alarm on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

4:49 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm on U.S. 50, east of Loogootee.

4:59 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee, near West Boggs Park.

6:36 p.m. - Received a call regarding a domestic dispute in the Shoals area.

7:34 p.m. - Received a report of an open gate at a business east of Loogootee on U.S. 50.

9:35 p.m. - Received a call regarding possible drug activity in the Shoals area.

10:20 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee.

#### Thursday, November 3

12:58 a.m. - Received a call regarding a domestic dispute and possible overdose in the Shoals area.

1:06 a.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee.

11:20 a.m. - A female caller advised of violation of a protective order.

3:43 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 50, near the fairgrounds.

5:44 p.m. - Martin County Civil Defense was dispatched to assist with possible fire hazards at turkey barns south of Loogootee.

6:16 p.m. - Received a call regarding a possible suicidal subject.

6:41 p.m. - Received a call from a subject regarding missing medication.

8:44 p.m. - Received a call regarding child custody issues.

8:56 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on a subject in the Whitfield area.

#### Friday, November 4

6:02 a.m. - Received a call regarding an injured deer in the roadway on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee.

7:11 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 50, near the Overlook.

7:44 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Tedrow Lane. No transport was

8:56 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check on Killion Mill Road.

11:17 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial

1:16 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless semi on U.S. 50, near Scenic Hill.

3:05 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver on U.S. 50, heading west from the Martin-Lawrence County line.

5:03 p.m. - Received a report of damage to a wooden fence.

5:56 p.m. - Received a call regarding a possible impaired driver on S.R. 550, headed toward Loogootee.

6:00 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle in Trinity Springs.

8:02 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute.

10:24 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute at Village Apartments in Shoals.

10:29 p.m. - Received a request to speak to an officer regarding a custody dispute. Saturday, November 5

1:35 a.m. - Received a report of an attempted break in.

1:45 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:57 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:50 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 50, east of Shoals.

6:15 a.m. - Received a call regarding a cat

9:00 a.m. - Received a request for a title check on Country Pines Road.

9:43 a.m. - Received a complaint of a domestic disturbance on U.S. 231, south of

10:10 a.m. - Received a request for a title check on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

10:18 a.m. - Received a report of cows on the roadway on Country Pines Road

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of two suspicious vehicles in the Killion Mill Road

1:20 p.m. - Received a report of cows on the roadway on Quakenbush Springs Road.

8:51 p.m. - A female caller reported that someone may have tampered with her vehi-

10:55 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:20 p.m. - Received a request for assistance with an unruly teenager in Loogootee. Sunday, November 6

1:25 a.m. - Received a report of a breakin at Larkin Apartments in Loogootee.

3:40 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Odon. Daviess County was con-

4:20 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious people walking with flashlights in Loogootee.

5:30 a.m. - Received a report of a breakin at a business in Loogootee.

5:45 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on a residence in Crane Village for lights turning on and off.

11:12 a.m. - A caller from the Loogootee area reported dogs bothering his chickens.

1:45 p.m. - A male caller reported that someone has hung a tree stand on his property without his permission.

5:33 p.m. - Received a report of cows on the roadway on Max Warren's Curve.

5:49 p.m. - Received a call regarding a custody issue.

6:14 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:39 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on a subject parked alongside the roadway on U.S. 150.

### Monday, November 7

3:25 a.m. - Received a motion sensor alarm in Loogootee.

7:55 a.m. - Received a report of a deer ac- Hospital.

cident on U.S. 231, near St. Mary's Road.

9:25 a.m. - A female caller in Shoals reported a window broken out.

10:48 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Odon. Daviess County was con-

5:59 p.m. - Received an audible burglar alarm in Loogootee.

8:58 p.m. - Received a report of a cow on the roadway in the McBride's Bluff area. Tuesday, November 8

12:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on U.S. 50 just east of Loogootee.

The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital. 1:48 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm

at the Village Apartments. 7:29 a.m. - Received a report of an erratic

driver on U.S. 50 near Rama Dye Road. 2:08 p.m. - Received a report of a brush

fire nearing a residence on Tedrow Lane. 2:18 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded

motorist on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee. 2:42 p.m. - Received a report of a house

fire on Barn Run Road.

3:15 p.m. - Received a request from Haysville Fire for assistance at the house fire on Barn Run Road. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

4:49 p.m. - Received a report of cows on the roadway on Deep Cut Lake Road.

7:00 p.m. - Received a call regarding a cat

7:32 p.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

7:47 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle and a request for extra patrol around Loogootee.

10:30 p.m. - Received a call regarding a sick animal in Crane Village.

11:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Health Care. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial

# Local police looking out for impaired, unbelted motorists

The Martin County Sheriff's Department campaign. Beginning November 11, police last week announced that they will increase their efforts to detect Martin County motorists who drive impaired or fail to wear a seat belt.

Officers will join nearly 250 other law enforcement agencies across the state to conduct the annual Safe Family Travel will be conducting high-visibility enforcement efforts such as saturation patrols and sobriety checkpoints. This annual campaign also targets unrestrained motorists.

"We are simply asking drivers to put safety first this holiday season," said Sergeant Keith Keller. "Getting behind the wheel impaired is never okay," he continued. "Either celebrate sober or designate a sober driver, otherwise, you'll be spending the holiday with us."

There were alcohol-related collisions in Martin County during 2010. A total of seven collisions occurred on Martin County roadways during the 2010 Thanksgiving holiday period (November 24 – 29). Luckily, none of those accidents were found to be alcoholrelated.

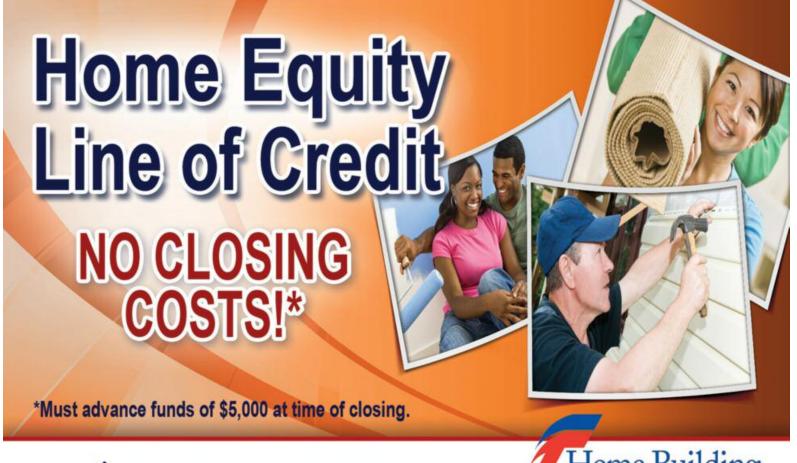
"As the holiday season approaches, we will dedicate even more time to keeping motorists safe on Martin County roadways," said Sergeant Keller. "We're asking drivers to put safety first this holiday season by designating a sober driver if they consume alcohol and remembering to wear a seat belt for every trip, every time"

Research shows that the use of a safety belt can decrease your chances of death or injury in the event of a motor vehicle collision by up to 50 percent.

The Safe Family Travel campaign continues through November 27.

To learn more about high-visibility enforcement efforts, visit www.StopImpaired-Driving.org

The "Safe Family Travel" campaign is supported by federal funding allocated to the Martin County Sheriff's Department from the Traffic Safety division of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI).



# Loogootee Police log

### Monday, October 31

8:38 p.m. - Male caller requested an officer on Park Street for a domestic dispute. Sgt. Norris went to the location.

#### Tuesday, November 1

12:26 a.m. - Male caller from Redwing Trailer Court reported a lot of yelling coming from the city park. Sgt. Norris went to the location was unable to locate anyone.

1:54 p.m. - Female caller request an officer on North Line Street for a domestic dispute. Chief Rayhill went to the location.

4:25 p.m. - Report of someone riding a dirt bike in the road and through peoples' yards. Sgt. Hennette went to the location but was unable to locate anyone.

### Wednesday, November 2

9:15 a.m. - Received a report of a 911 hang up on Riley Street. Chief Rayhill went to the location, a small child had the phone; everything was ok.

12:52 p.m. - Received a dog complaint on West Washington Street. Chief Rayhill went to location and talked with the owner.

6:05 p.m. - Received a call of an alarm going off at a local business on West Broadway. Sgt. Hennette went to the location everything checked secured.

10:20 p.m. - Received a call of an alarm going off at another local business. Sgt. Hennette checked it out and everything was secure.

### Thursday, November 3

1:06 a.m. - Received a call of an alarm at a business on JFK Avenue. Sgt. Hennette Street.

checked it. A deliveryman did not shut the door all the way.

6:18 p.m. - Request for first responders on US 231 South. Loogootee Fire was paged out.

7:17 p.m. - Male caller reported that his neighbor's vehicle appeared to be vandal-

### Friday, November 4

10:29 p.m. - Female requested to speak with an officer regarding a child custody

Saturday, November 5 12:29 p.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm on West Broadway Street. 6:33 p.m. - Caller requested an officer check on his neighbor's property.

7:54 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department advised of a 911 hang-up on Riley

11:02 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Park Street. Officer Todd responded.

11:23 p.m. - Female caller reported having problems with a resident of her house. Officer Todd responded.

### Sunday, November 6

1:25 a.m. - A male in Loogootee reported items missing from his apartment. Officer Todd completed a case report.

4:21 p.m. - A male reported suspicious items near the city pool.

7:39 p.m. - Captain Akles completed a VIN check for a female on East Main

### Martin County real estate transfers

to Charles A. Sergent and Tiffani D. Sergent, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 1 and 2 in Loogootee Land Company's Second Addition to Loogootee, Indiana.

**Leslie E. Wildman,** of Martin County, Indiana to **Adam T. Divine**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, situated in Mitcheltree Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.75 acres, more or less.

Joseph Edward Estrada, of Martin

### Jail bookings

### **Tuesday, November 1**

8:18 p.m. - Anthony Hackney, 45, of Orleans, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated with a controlled substance.

### Thursday, November 3

11:05 a.m. - Shawn Allen, 18, of Washington, was arrested and charged with illegal consumption of alcohol.

### Friday, November 4

12:00 a.m. - Steven Crays, 21, of New York, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

9:20 p.m. - Timothy Witt, 42, of Shoals was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

### Saturday, November 5

1:05 a.m. - Robert Green, 52, of Shoals, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

### Sunday, November 6

9:35 p.m. - Donald Bartley, 52, of Fairborn, Ohio, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

### **Tuesday, November 8**

10:36 a.m. - Nathan Waddle, 36, of Loogootee, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

**Alan F. Burch,** of Martin County, Indiana County, Indiana to **Billie J. Groff,** of Martin County, Indiana, part of the west half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.00 acres, more or less.

> Garry D. LaMar and Nina R. LaMar, of Martin County, Indiana to Ethan J. Graber, Calvin L. Graber, and Katie A. **Graber,** of Daviess County, Indiana, a portion of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 13, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2 acres,

> Nina R. LaMar, of Martin County, Indiana to Ethan J. Graber, Calvin L. Graber, and Katie A. Graber, of Daviess County, Indiana, a portion of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 13, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.63 acres, more or less.

> Donald Ray Holt, of Martin County, Indiana to Roger D. Tinkle, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West.

# **Accident reports**

### Tuesday, November 8

9:50 a.m. - Nathan Waddle, 36, of Loogootee, was westbound on Reinhart Road in a white 2004 Dodge Intrepid. Lonnie Allen, 64, of Loogootee, was eastbound in a 2000 Kenworth tri-axle. The vehicles sideswiped each other. After impact, the Waddle subject left the scene for a short time, but returned. The investigating officer was Corporal Steve Nolan.

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# **Martin County Court News**

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

### **CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed** November 2

Rex Garmon, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor.

### **CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND** SENTENCING

### October 25

Marlin R. Johnson, convicted of possession of marijuana in the amount of less than 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 331 days suspended including credit for 17 days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

### November 3

Ryan M. Terry, convicted of illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with 50 days suspended including credit for 5 days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

### CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

#### November 1

Jessica N. Carter, illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

### **CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed** October 28

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Diana J. and Kirk Kidwell, civil collection.

Central Mortgage Company vs. Carrie A. Spears, Mortgage Electronic Registration, and Discover Bank, mortgage foreclosure.

### October 31

Jeremy B. Sellinger vs. Brandy M. Sell- Hembree of Loogootee.

### inger, petition for dissolution of marriage. **CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS**

### October 31

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Capital One Bank and against the defendant Michael Boone in the amount of \$1,335.88.

### **SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Filings** October 28

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Charles and Mary Tharp, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Roger and Amy Salmon, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Julie Blair, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Kirby J. McGuire, complaint. Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Jason Rob-

bins, complaint. Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Stacy L.

### SMALL CLAIMS DISMISSED

Marquis a/k/a Taylor, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Gregory Woody, complaint, dismissed.

### TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID October 26 – November 1

Thomas Flynn, Loogootee, failure of front seat occupant to use seatbelt, \$25.

Joseph Fricke, Greenwood, passing in a no-passing zone, \$125.

Jeffrey Garbrecht, Peshtigo, Wisconsin, driver's record of duty status not current,

William Oliver, Freeport, Florida, speeding 70 in a 50, \$125.

Jonathan Russell, Shoals, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Richard Stargel, Paoli, violation of 70hour rule, \$119.

### **MARRIAGE LICENSES** October 31

Kirk Darin Sanders of Shoals and Kayla Marie Salmon of Shoals.

Keith D. Keller of Loogootee and Lori L.

### **Indiana Conservation Officers and IDEM** investigate stream pollution

Indiana Conservation Officers along with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management investigated a report of pollution in an unnamed tributary of Greens Creek near Ferdinand in Dubois County.

The investigating agencies discovered hog manure and a disinfectant had been released from a hog farming operation. Water samples taken from various sites in the affected creek indicate high amounts of ammonia nitrogen which is harmful to wildlife

An undetermined quantity of hog manure holding pond designed to temporarily con-

tain animal wastes until proper disposal has been completed. No wildlife or fish appear to be affected at the present time. The responsible farmer was instructed to contain the spill, dike the affected stream and to remove the substance by pumping it out.

The site will be inspected for compliance with guidelines set by IDEM and DNR. The polluter can be held accountable for the actual act and any damage, or destruction of wildlife that may occur as a result of the

Upon completion of the investigation, the had been released from a lagoon which is a reports are then reviewed by the involved regulatory agencies.





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# New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE

**BY ERNIE CANELL** Pastor, New Beginnings Church

> Fire Extinguishers 1 Thess 5:19, Eph 4:30

The fire has started and we can't let it go out. Do not put out the fire of God! When we get saved we receive the Holy Spirit, but if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ he does not belong to Him. Romans 8:9. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Matthew 3:11. Paul pictured the Spirit of God as fire. Fire speaks of purity, power, light, warmth and if necessary destruction.

Purity is everything that is totally pure without any form of corruption, nothing unclean. In the eyes of God we are pure because of the blood of Jesus on the cross. Sometimes in our lives we have some black spots, the Holy Spirit fire begins to burn away the impurities.

We must have power for living, as a car runs because there is a fire in the combustion chamber. We must not extinguish the fire of the Holy Spirit within us. It is power. For God who said light shall shine out of darkness is the one who has shown in our hearts to give the light of knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. 2 Cor 4:6. You were formally in darkness but now you are in light in the Lord. Eph 5:8. All things become visible when they are exposed by the light.

When the fire of the Holy Spirit is at work in our lives and church, we have the warmth of love in our lives. The fire of the spirit must not go out on the altar of our heart. We must maintain that devotion to Christ that motivates and energizes our lives. Do you have things in your life that act as a fire extinguisher putting out the fire of God in your heart/lives?

Being un-teachable will extinguish the fire. We should never get to the point where we think we know so much that we are unteachable. Hebrews 5:11 You have become dull of hearing by this time you ought to be able to be teachers. You need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God.

Are you flexible? Have you heard this before, "We can only do hymns. We can only use the King James Version of the Bible. We have never done it like this before. This has to be done this way." This kind of legalist and formalist will put out the fire. We need to be a fanatic that loves Jesus and would



do whatever God wants him or her to do or go where ever God wants them to go. We are talking about it being important to us that we permit the Spirit of God to teach us to know the truth. If you don't have the truth, if you base the fire of God on some trumped up emotional outburst and not the word of God, you have no Spirit at all. At least not the right one!

We need to be flexible enough to understand that things may happen when we have the fire of God-Holy Spirit fire. Things we have never seen before. The gifts of the Spirit will come forth more as the Spirit leads.

Eph 4:25-32 is full of fire extinguishers. Falsehoods, cheating, making foolish promises, betraving a confidence, making false excuses, lying, stealing, unwholesome words from your mouth, bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, slander, hatred, unkindness, unforgiving heart, darkness.....instead it says be controlled by the Holy Spirit, Eph 5, walk by the Holy Spirit, Gal 5, be lead by the Holy Spirit Gal 5. The Holy Spirit convicts you of your sin reveals your need for salvation, guides you into all truth, Glorifies Jesus, exposes the darkness of the heart, gives you power to receive, witness, and lift up the body of Christ. The Holy Spirit fire refines us to make us more like Jesus. You can't have the Holy Spirit fire if you don't have Jesus. Paul told Timothy to fan into flame the gifts within him.

Keep your fire going by fanning the flame. How? Encourage the faint hearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone, do no repay evil with evil, seek after that which is good for one another and all people, rejoice always, pray without ceasing in everything, give thanks, examine everything carefully, hold fast to that which is good. Abstain from every form of evil or the appearance of evil.

The Holy Spirit will not leave you, Eph 4:30, do not grieve the Holy Spirit by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. We do not lose our salvation because of sinful attitudes but certainly we lose the joy of our salvation and the fullness of the Spirits blessings.

We need to get rid of the fire extinguishers and let the fire of God burn in our lives and hearts so that God can use you in great ways. If you don't your ember will go out and your heart will get harden to the things

Revival was awesome last week. We had 22 people make a profession of faith during Revival. Several were teenagers. We have teenagers wanting to get baptized and wanting to know more about Jesus Christ. Youth group will be meeting Sunday evenings. The fire has been lit we need to fan that fire now and teach and let all glorify God.

Call Pastor Ernie at 709-0258 if you have any questions about the church and the upcoming activities we have planned. Sunday service starts at 10:30 a.m. Bible School for youth and adults is at 9:30 a.m.



# My Point of

**By Courtney Hughett** Owner/Publisher, MCJ

At Monday night's county council meeting, Council Member John Stoll brought up twice the issue of the council's power over the commissioners. Since I have been covering Martin County government - five years or so – this has been a constant subject brought up. From a person on the outside looking in you would assume the two bodies don't get along very well.

Whether it be Republican, Democrat, Independent, or whoever, I agree with those that think government should be downsized. I have had many a debate with elected officials on this issue, but I still stand by my original feelings – Martin County has way too much government.

Our little county of just over 10,000 residents has seven county council members, three commissioners, and six township trustee offices – all paid positions, many also receiving benefits. In the operation and financial aspect of the county that's 10 overseers alone – one for every 1,000 residents. There is also a mayor of Loogootee and councils for each Loogootee and Shoals. That's an additional nine people doubling down on that representation for a total of 19 elected, paid officials operating Martin County. This doesn't include the clerk-treasurers at the town and city level and the auditor, clerk, treasurer, assessor, and recorder at the county level – and the staffs that go with each office.

Most people know how I feel about township government. In my opinion it's an archaic idea. It was put in place hundreds of years ago to allow residents to have easy access to their government. Before cars and phones when people had to drive a horse and buggy or write a letter to communicate with anyone. Township governments were set up all over a county – helping residents have a short distance to go when they needed help. With the technology today, well, it goes without saying.

I am not against all township government; I just don't think there needs to be six of them. Each trustee is paid along with hiring a secretary and paying advisory board members. Also, each township trustee's office is in their home so they are reimbursed for rent and utilities. Yes, money is given to the fire departments, the library, and for cemetery care but why can't one township do that? Way over half of township budgets are used just to keep an office open and the staff paid. And before I get nasty emails from the township trustees – like in the past – I'm not saying you are not doing your job, I'm just saying is that position needed? Indiana is only one of 20 states left in the U.S. to hang on to township governments.

Being a reporter it makes my head swim sometimes trying to keep track of every elected official, every commission, every board, every office out there in Martin County. Not to mention the jobs of each one.

I follow it pretty closely so I know if I have problems trying to make heads or tails of it all, then the average citizen must be completely lost.

Every year when budget time comes around, I sit in or listen to the recording of the hearings and never hear this issue come up. I have great friends in the courthouse including many of the elected officials. Sure, there are few I'm not fond of but for the most part they are all really great people. I don't want anyone to lose their job but with elections, that becomes a possibility anyway and this includes the staff of those elected officials. No one's job is really safe when it comes to a job that is voted by the people.

I guess I would just like to see someone at the state level do an analysis of how much government is actually needed in a county of this size. And why don't the words "cross training" ever come up? And with all the staff comes all the benefits like health insurance, PERF, etc.

Maybe I'm completely wrong and all this is warranted. It's not my job to make that decision, this is just my personal opinion, it's my job to provide the information and let the people decide.

When we are talking about millions of dollars YOU are paying every day and new ones added all the time to pay for all this, someone needs to say enough is enough for heaven's sake.

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# Construction to begin in **Section 4 of I-69 Corridor**

tory of the I-69 Corridor in Indiana. Last week, the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announced Crider and Crider, Inc. of Bloomington as the low bidder for the first segment in Section 4 in Greene and Monroe counties. The winning bid of \$26,883,500.00 was 20 percent below the engineer's estimate.

This contract is the beginning of construction in Section 4 and begins just east of the new U.S. 231 and I-69 interchange and stretches to Taylor Ridge Road. This 4.6-mile contract will include construction of a fourlane interstate highway. Section 4 that connects with the existing four-lane State Road 37 on the south side of Bloomington is scheduled to open to traffic by the end of

In May of 2010 Governor Daniels announced that funding for Section 4 of the Corridor had been secured and design and construction schedules had been accelerated. Samuel Sarvis, Deputy Commissioner of Major Programs stated "Today's announcement is monumental in the story of INDOT and I-69. We will continue to construct this vital connection that will serve as a catalyst for economic growth and opportunity for southwest Indiana and the rest of the state of Indiana."

INDOT is required to allow all qualified companies to bid on all contracts, without consideration to their geographical location. tween Crane and Bloomington.

Nearly 1,000 people gathered for the 15th

Annual Buy Indiana Expo at the Sports &

Exhibits Complex at French Lick Resort on

Hosted by the Indiana Economic Devel-

Buy Indiana Expo is the premier event for

companies to connect with NSWC Crane,

which spends \$1.5 billion doing business

each year. During the Expo companies learn

about unique opportunities to expand their

business into government contracting while

government personnel find new and inno-

vative products or services that can help

NSWC Crane Commanding Officer,

Colonel Alan M. Pratt was on hand to wel-

come the exhibitors, visitors and nearly 500

NSWC Crane employees who work in Mis-

sion Support Services, Special Missions,

in the state and gives Crane the opportunity

companies in Indiana and across the coun-

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opment Group, the expo had 210 vendors

exhibiting at the sold-out venue.

support the Warfighter.

Strategic

October 25.

A new page has been written in the his- Federal guidelines prohibit geographic discrimination when awarding projects developed with federal funds. Thirteen of the seventeen road and bridge construction contracts that have been let in Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 have been awarded to Indiana firms as the lowest bids.

> Steve Crider, President of Crider and Crider, Inc. stated "Crider and Crider is ecstatic to have won the first contract for Section 4. We're building this roadway right in our back yard and couldn't be more proud to be a part of the I-69 construction team." INDOT anticipates that work will begin after the first of the year and include relocation of utilities, completion of final design plans and staking and clearing the right-of-way.

> I-69 is part of Governor Mitch Daniels' Major Moves highway program, capitalizing on Indiana's strategic location as the Crossroads of America by improving and expanding road infrastructure in support of a stronger economy and greater mobility for all. The 142-mile I-69 corridor from Evansville to Indianapolis was divided into six independent sections with the December 2003 Tier 1 Final Environmental Impact Study and was approved by the Federal Highway Administration in March 2004. Sixty five miles of Sections 1, 2 and 3 are currently under construction and scheduled to open at the end of 2012. In September, FHWA approved the 27 mile route of Section 4 be-

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



Veterans Day: Honoring all who served On Friday, November 11, Veterans Day celebrations will be held across the country. Veterans Day is a time where we thank and honor all those who have served in the mil-

We all know someone who has dedicated their life and sacrificed to protect our great country. There are multiple programs going on in our community to commemorate those who have served. On Friday the 11th I will be participating in Precious Blood Elementary's Veterans Day program by playing trumpet during their flag ceremony.

If you're unable to attend a Veterans Day program, then consider participating in the Lt. Governor's 'Hoosier Cheer for Our Heroes' to send your thoughts and prayers to U.S. troops that are spending the holidays away from their homes this year.

There are two ways to send a card to our troops overseas. First, you can send a handwritten card or letter to the Lt. Gov.'s office. For instructions on where to send the notes and suggestions on what to include please visit www.in.gov/lg and click on the 'Hoosier Cheer for Our Heroes' link.

The second option is to go online at

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www.engreet.com and follow the Hoosier Cheer link to send a personalized card that the company will mail to bases around the world every few weeks. Once your card is sent they will notify you via email where your card was sent.

Lastly, the National Moment of Remembrance is an annual event that encourages all Americans to pause across the country at 3 p.m. local time to remember and honor

We would not have many of the opportunities and freedoms we have now without the sacrifice of our soldiers. If you have the chance, please take some time honor them.

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### try," Col. Pratt said. "We value our industry partners and recognize that together we will

Buy Indiana Expo means business for Indiana companies

As one of Indiana's largest employers, NSWC Crane is responsible for \$2 million to the state's economy each day. Through the Buy Indiana Initiative, the Warfare Center looks for opportunities to purchase from Indiana businesses whenever possible companies from industrial to administrative fields can offer important services to

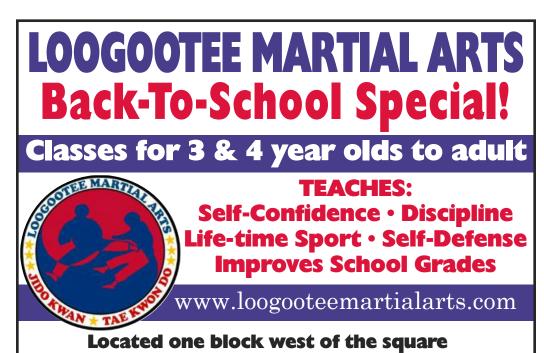
Also in attendance were Linton Mayor Patti Jones, Indiana Representatives Eric Koch, Mark Messmer and Matt Uebelhor as well as Indiana State Senator Brent Steele.

In addition to the NSWC Crane exposure and the business-to business opportunities, the Expo also provided educational sessions for the vendors including workshops on How to do business with NSWC Crane, "This event is one of the largest of its kind Help for Small Businesses with federal, state and local contracts and Regional Ecoto find new products and services from nomic Development.

"I want to thank the Linton-Stockton

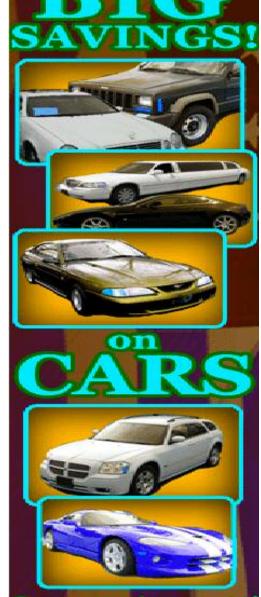
Chamber of Commerce for co-hosting this fantastic event," Col. Pratt said. "With this continue to help Crane achieve excellence kind of support from our local and regional for the Warfighter." community we cannot fail in our mission to provide world-class solutions to our mili-

NSWC Crane and build a stronger business base for the our nation's military.



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# tee and Shoals

### LOOGOOTEE ELEMENTARY

**Breakfast** 

Thursday, November 10

Cereal, toast, fruit, milk

Friday, November 11

Egg, sausage, biscuit, juice, milk

Monday, November 14

Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk

Tuesday, November 15

Breakfast pizza, muffin, fruit, milk Wednesday, November 16

Biscuit and gravy, sausage, fruit, milk

Lunch

Thursday, November 10

Cheese breadstick, mixed salad, corn,

Friday, November 11

Pizza, green beans, apples

Monday, November 14

Ravioli, peas and carrots, applesauce,

**Tuesday, November 15** 

Chicken sandwich, baked beans, pineapple, cottage cheese

Wednesday, November 16

Taco salad, chips, corn, cheese and salsa

### LOOGOOTEE INTERMEDIATE AND JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

Lunch

Thursday, November 10

Chicken strips or pizza, corn, fruit, rice, Texas toast, salad plate, milk

### **Lady Lion scrimmage**

The Lady Lions and Evansville Mater Dei Lady Wildcats will have a girls' basketball scrimmage at the Lion's Den on Thursday evening at approximately 6:30 p.m. There is no admission charge to the open scrim-

Loogootee opens their season next Friday evening, November 18, versus Shoals at 7 p.m. inside Jack Butcher Sports Arena.

### Friday, November 11

Spicy chicken sandwich or pizza, French fries, carrots, fruit, salad plate, milk

Monday, November 14

Hot dogs, corn dogs, or pizza; baked beans, French fries, fruit, salad plate, milk **Tuesday, November 15** 

Turkey and dressing or pizza, corn, sweet potatoes, fruit, rolls, salad plate, milk

Wednesday, November 16 Chicken noodle soup or pizza, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, cheese and crackers,

### **SHOALS SCHOOLS**

**Breakfast** 

Thursday, November 10

fruit, salad plate, milk

Cereal, muffin, juice, milk

Friday, November 11

Breakfast pizza, hash brown, juice, milk Monday, November 14

Sausage McMuffin, fresh fruit, juice,

**Tuesday, November 15** 

Cereal, cheese omelet, juice, milk

Wednesday, November 16

Pancakes, ham, juice, milk

Lunch

Thursday, November 10

Nacho dip with Fritos, green beans, pineapple, milk; choice 4-12: cheese pizza Friday, November 11

BBQ chicken sandwich, potato wedges, fruit, milk

Monday, November 14

**Tuesday, November 15** 

Hamburger sliders, curly fries, apple slices, milk

Fish, sweet potatoes, cole slaw, corn bread, milk; choice 4-12: corn dog

Wednesday, November 16

Mac and cheese, green beans, garlic bread, fruit roll up, milk; choice 4-12: pepperoni pizza

# Loogootee Boys' Basketball season ticket information

Basketball season is fast approaching and Loogootee boys' varsity and junior varsity season tickets will go on sale Thursday, November 10 through Wednesday November 30. Season ticket price is \$35 for adults and \$30 for students.

If you have your card from last year and wish to reserve the same seat you may send your check to the following address and your card will be reactivated. If you do not have your card from last year, a \$5 replacement fee will be added. You need to send a self addressed stamped envelope to: Loogootee Jr./Sr. High School Athletic Department, 201 Brooks Avenue, Loogootee, IN 47553 and your cards will be mailed to you. You may also pick them up at the athletic office, after calling 295-2409 ext. 397 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Please include the name for each ticket holder, section, row, and seat number on your request.

Checks should be made payable to LHS Activities. If you plan to pick your tickets up in person, please call first, so tickets will be ready when you arrive. Also remember that all doors are locked in the junior high so you

must enter through the high school and sign in at the high school office.

If you would like to request a change of seat location, or if you will be a new season ticket holder, it should be indicated when you request your ticket. If you do not purchase a ticket by Friday, November 30 your previous seat assignment cannot be guaranteed.

If you would like to purchase an all sports pass you may do so at this time also. The price of an all sports pass is \$75 for adults, \$55 for adults over 50, and \$60 for students. A family pass may also be purchased for \$150.00 for two adults and \$25 for each student added. If you have already purchased an all sports pass, you will be assigned the same seat as you had the previous year, if you are a first-time ticket holder you will be assigned general admission seating unless you request an assigned seat.

Students in grades 5 thru 12 may purchase tickets for \$30 on Tuesday, November 15 and Wednesday November 16.

All tickets purchased at the door will be \$5. All students K through 12 must have tick-



-Photo provided

Shoals sixth grade fall party costume contest winners were, from left to right, Graham Montgomery and Dalton Parr for doubles, Caleb Tanksley for story book character, and Ben Clymer won the most original.



Fifth graders were, in the front row, from left to right, Maddy Gaines was the story book character winner, Lilly Thacker was a cat to win the animal, and Doubles was Olivia Stoll and Melanie Hawkins. Back row are Jacob Harrison as a gorilla in the animal category, Georgia Bryson won the prettiest, Lori Albright was most original, Kenyon Sorrells won the funniest, and Amber Fields won the cutest.



Shoals Elementary had fun celebrating their fall parties. Grades 4-6 dressed up. Those winning in 4th grade were in the front row, from left to right, doubles-Bryce Baker and Dalton Roush, Prettiest-Taylor Ryan, and Damien Holt was most original. In the back row are Shana Troutman-cutest, Cassidy Shaw won animal with her bee outfit, Maggie Shaw was funniest, and Delani Armstrong won the story book character.

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# Shoals athletes honored at awards banquet



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Those honored from high school volleyball were, in the front row from left to right, Ashton Allbright, most kills; Alexis Young, setter award; Jessica Courtright, high point award; Robin Hamby, most assists and highest serving percentage. In the back row, left to right, are Nicole Harder, Blue Chip Honorable Mention; Michaela Brockman, spiker award, passing award, blocks award, and Blue Chip All-Conference; Rachel Harder, highest serving percentage; and Audrey Sorrells, mental attitude award.



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Shoals Varsity Cross Country awards went to, from left to right, Jordan Sorrells, top finisher; Clayton Tow, rookie award and Jug Rox Excellence Award; Sasha Mains, Jug Rox Excellence Award and Blue Chip All-Conference; and Chelsey Baker, top finisher and Blue Chip All-Conference.

### Community recycling day – November 12

Just a reminder that the Loogootee Intermediate Students, with assistance from the Parents Advisory Committee will be conducting their community-wide collection of recyclable items on Saturday, November 12.

Collection will take place in the back

### **School board meetings**

**Shoals School Board** 

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, November 10 at 5 p.m. in the central administration office. The meeting is open to the public.

### **Loogootee School Board**

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, November 15 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

parking lot of the Loogootee High School. Times for collection will be from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m.

The following will be accepted: newspaper, magazines and catalogs, junk mail and paper, #1 Pete plastic (pop and water bottles)-with caps removed, #2 HDPE plastic (milk, bleach, softener, and detergent jugs)rinse and caps removed, tin cans (rinsed and labels ok), cardboard (no orange juice or frozen boxes), and aluminum. Intermediate students and parents will be available to assist you during those times.

If unable to drop your recyclables at the school during these times, you may always drop your items at the Martin County Recycling Center during their business hours. You are asked to please complete a receipt for the Loogootee Intermediate Recycling Project if you drop your items at the center.

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Shoals Junior and Senior High School Soccer Award winners are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are D.J. Hart, most valuable offensive player and Ryan Hawkins, most valuable defensive player. In the back row, from left to right, are Brian Hert, most valuable defensive player and Blue Chip All-Conference; Cole Kimmel, mid-fielder award; Michael Hawkins, most improved. Not pictured but winning awards were Austin Myers, leading goal scorer and Blue Chip Honorable Mention; Nick Gerkin, most valuable offensive player and Blue Chip Honorable Mention; and Logan Harker, mental attitude award.



-Photo by Joni Harder

Shoals Junior High Volleyball awards went to, from left to right, Taylor Atkison, highest serving percentage and most kills; Hope Baylis, high point award and highest serving percentage; Megan Hawkins, mental attitude award; Emilee Wagler, setter award, and Hope Self, best attacking percentage.

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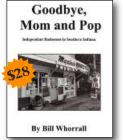
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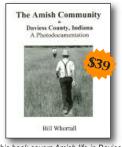
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# Large deer harvest forecast for 2011 season

Firearms season for white-tailed deer in Indiana opens November 12, and a DNR wildlife expert predicts another year of near-record harvest numbers.

Hunters are coming off a third straight record harvest, having tagged 134,004 deer in 2010. DNR deer biologist Chad Stewart said conditions for the 2011 season are shaping up similarly to the 2010 season.

"I'd hate to predict a record, but we should be close to it" Stewart said. "It's almost guaranteed to be a top-three harvest."

Firearms season generally accounts for about 65 percent of the overall deer harvest. Legal firearms for firearms season are shotguns, muzzleloaders, handguns and centerfire rifles of specific cartridge dimensions.

The 16-day firearms season ends November 27.

Hunters on opening weekend of firearms season last year harvested 37,525 deer.

Steuben County led the state in overall number of deer harvested last year with 3,948. The harvest exceeded 1,000 deer in 64 counties; exceeded 2,000 deer in 17 counties; and exceeded 3,000 deer in five counties. Counties with high harvests tend to have a good mix of woods and farm ground.

"For a deer hunter, Indiana is great because it can sustain a very high population and a very healthy population," Stewart

The number of antlered deer harvested in 2010 was 53,007, or about 40 percent of the overall harvest.

Approximately 60 biologists will be at check stations across the state on opening

day of firearms season to collect biological information and sample deer for the presence of chronic wasting disease.

Biologists also will collect samples to test for bovine tuberculosis at the following locations:

-Dearborn County: Tedesco's Convenient Store, 24486 State Line Road, Lawrenceburg (812-637-5777); Day Nite Food Mart, 13891 Indiana 350, Moores Hill (812-744-4300): Widolff General Store, 7981 York Ridge, Guilford (812-487-2665); and Manchester Deer Processing, 18675 Willoughby Road, Aurora (812-926-2600)

-Fayette County: Mustin's Taxidermy, 1660 W CR 350 S, Connersville (765-825-

-Franklin County: 52 Pik-Up, 11183 U.S. 52, Brookville (765-647-3600)

-Ripley County: French's Locker/Prime Meats, 106 Sycamore St., Batesville (812-934-2902)

Muzzleloader season starts December 3 and lasts through December 18. Early archery season, which is already underway, lasts through November 27. Late archery season opens December 3 and lasts through January 1, 2012.

Unless otherwise exempted, a license is required to hunt deer during the firearms season. The DNR is encouraging hunters to buy their licenses early and avoid waiting until the last minute. The DNR Customer Service Center and the DNR Deer Hotline will not be open on Friday, November 11, in observance of Veterans Day.

Licenses can be purchased online at www.IndianaOutdoor.IN.gov, or by calling the DNR Customer Service Center at (317) 232-4200, or at a retailer or DNR site listed at www.IndianaOutdoor.IN.gov.

The Deer Hunting Guide is available onhttp://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/6032.htm.

### **GiveIN Game** program puts venison on table

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources announced last Thursday the launch of the GiveIN Game Program, an initiative designed to put deer hunters in touch with citizens who would like to obtain venison for their table.

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife has created online (www.dnr.IN.gov/giveINgame) where donors and recipients can register their contact information. There is no cost to complete the simple registration.

Here's how it works:

-A hunter registers information on the condition and amount of deer meat he or she is willing to donate. The hunter can choose to donate meat that is field dressed, skinned and boned, or wrapped and frozen. The hunter also provides contact information, either phone number or email.

-A recipient registers information on the amount of deer meat he or she is willing to accept, and designates a preference for meat that is field dressed, skinned and boned, or wrapped and frozen. The recipient also provides contact information, either phone number or email.

-Registrants can search the database for someone matching their designated preferences and use the contact information to work out the transfer details.

A participating hunter still is responsible for field dressing the deer, ensuring the deer is taken to a DNR-designated check station, and obtaining a permanent identification tag, after which it can be transferred or gifted to another party.

Indiana law prohibits the sale, trade or barter of wild game; however, GiveINGame provides hunters who have filled their freezers an opportunity to share extra deer meat with anyone willing to accept it.

Venison is a healthy alternative to beef. It has less fat and calories, and more protein than the same size serving of beef, according to several nutrition websites.

The DNR assumes no responsibility for the quality of venison shared through GiveINGame or the failure of a donor or recipient to follow through with an agreed

"GiveIN Game will serve as a supplemental program to existing venison donation efforts," said Mark Reiter, director of DNR Fish & Wildlife. "While those other efforts focus on distribution to needy families through food banks and charitable organizations, GiveINGame creates a broader opportunity to share the harvest with anyone."

# THANK YOU

The Jug Rox Adult Booster Club would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make the 2011 Fall Festival a success this year.

Thank you to the sponsors of the Kid's Free Door Prizes: Jones Oil, Psi Iota Xi, National Gypsum, Dr. Tod Curtis, R.J.'s Food Mart, Memorial Hospital, Pizza Junction, Great Outdoors, Bailey Brothers, and Propane Direct.

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We also greatly appreciate all of the area businesses who collectively donated the many door prizes, and/or equipment for the Fall Festival, or helped out in any way. All of your help made the night fun for all who attended.

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Thanks to Carla's Catering & Creations, and Chastain's Flowers, for providing decorations and flowers for the King and Queen ceremony.

Thank you also to the Culinary Arts Class, under the direction of Teresa Heckard, for preparing all the food for the evening. Special thanks goes to the Basketball girls' team and the Basketball boys' team for their help in setting up the festival, cleaning up after the festival, and working the games. We appreciate everyone's hard work.

A very big thank you goes to all of the many volunteers who worked throughout the evening and helped the event run smoothly. We appreciate all you do.

And, thank you to Bill Bauer for being our emcee for the evening.

In addition, thank you to the people of our community for your continued showing of strong support for the athletic program in the Shoals Community Schools.

The Jug Rox Adult Boosters

# Basic safety tips can prevent tree stand falls

With firearms deer season approaching in Indiana, hunters must understand the risks of hunting from a tree stand and how to protect themselves from a fall.

Falls from tree stands are the leading cause of deer hunting accidents in Indiana, accounting for almost half of all accidents. In an average deer season, about 18 hunters will experience a fall.

Already this year, deer hunters have reported five falls from tree stands during the early archery season, including one fatal fall on October 29 in Daviess County. Firearms season, the most popular among the different deer seasons, starts November 12 and lasts

Lt. Bill Browne of the DNR Division of Law Enforcement said falls are preventable if hunters follow basic tree-stand precau-

"If they are thinking safety, safety, safety, they should be just fine," he said.

The first step toward tree stand safety is to make sure the stand is in working order. Only use a tree stand that has the approval of the Treestand Manufacturers Association (TMA) and make sure to read the manufacturer's warnings and instructions before installation.

Hunters who use homemade tree stands should check them thoroughly for stability prior to using, especially stands that are exposed to weather from being left outside vear-round.

Hunters should also wear a full-body, fall arrest harness system that meets TMA standards. Single-strap and chest harnesses should not be used. Do not leave the ground until the full-body, fall arrest harness system is on. Always have three points of contact with the tree when climbing and descending.

"Most of the people falling are falling while they are ascending or descending, Browne said.

A hunter should never climb with anything in his hands or on his back. A haul line should be used to lift a gun, a bow or other gear into the stand. Firearms on a haul line should be unloaded with the action open and muzzle pointed downward.

Other safety tips include hunting with a buddy, telling someone the exact location of your tree stand before heading into the woods, getting a full night's rest before a hunt, and making sure a cell phone, whistle, flare or some other signal device is on your person at all times.

# Corn molds of little concern in 2011, despite weather

BY LISA SCHLUTTENHOFER Purdue University News Service

As the tough 2011 cropping year draws to a close, farmers can take solace in knowing that despite unfavorable weather conditions, corn molds don't seem to be of widespread concern, says a Purdue University plant pathologist.

Summer drought often leads to Aspergillus ear rot infections in corn, which produces aflatoxin - a carcinogen and liver toxin that affects livestock. Luckily, it doesn't look like most farmers will have to worry too much about it.

"People might have yield problems with late planting and drought stress, but it doesn't appear that ear rot will be a widespread problem this year," he said.

Aspergillus ear rot is common in plants with drought stress because it thrives in weak plants. Since many other diseases need cool weather to survive, Aspergillus has little competition.

Woloshuk also said many of the other grain diseases don't seem to be a problem this harvest. One common concern is Gibberella rot, which is associated with another toxin, called vomitoxin or DON. Gibberella, however, thrives in cool weather during silking and pollination something Indiana farmers didn't experience this year.

"Since the corn's growth stages were behind and we had a dry summer, Gibberella isn't a problem." Woloshuk said.

The one corn disease that producers and horse owners may want to keep an eye on is Fusarium ear rot. This particular ear rot has been associated with neural tube defects in humans and illnesses or death in horses. The fungus tends to live in hot weather and is relatively common - especially in southern Indiana and in the sandy, drought-prone soils of northern Indiana.

So far this year, however, Woloshuk said he's received no reports of widespread disease.

Farmers who are concerned about grain quality should be sure to store corn properly and to make sure grain is dry in storage. They also can have grain samples analyzed through Purdue's Animal Dis-Diagnostic Laboratory, http://www.addl.purdue.edu/, or 765-494-

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### Shoals Fall Fest

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Hundreds turned out for the annual Shoals Fall Festival on Saturday, October 29. Along with a king and queen contest the festival offered inflatables for the kids, a costume contest, games, and face painting as shown in the photo below. The festival was sponsored by the Shoals Adult Booster Club.



# Calendar of Events

### **MCCF Annual Dinner**

The Board of Directors of the Martin County Community Foundation invites the public to attend their 2011 Annual Dinner. The event will be held on Monday, November 14, in the Martin County Community Building on U.S. Hwy 50 in Loogootee. Tickets are \$12 and available at The Shoals News, German American Bank in Loogootee or at the MCCF office. For more information, contact Jason Jones, MCCF Executive Director, at 295-1022 or email mccf@rtccom.net.

### **Special Service**

The Loogootee Revival Center Church, located on the corner of NW First Street and Wood Street, will have a special service on Sunday night, November 13 at 6 p.m. Speakers will be Rev. Ken and Trudi Blount from Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Blounts are known around the world as Nicodemus and Miss Trudi Lou off of the Gospel Bill Show. Ken and Trudi have a passion to see families and marriages succeed that inspire and equip you to raise up a strong family in this day! Pastor Debbie and the Church Congregation invite you to come and join us for this special time!

### **Hoosier Uplands Hospice Auction**

The 8th Annual Hoosier Uplands Hospice Auction will be held November 12 at Mitchell Church of Christ at 1004 West Main Street in Mitchell. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. with the auction beginning at 5 p.m. There will be beverages, food and baked goods for purchase during the auction. All proceeds to benefit the hospice patients. Questions? Please call 1-800-827-2219.

### Pet Pictures with Santa

Pet Pictures with Santa, an annual fundraising event of the Dubois County Humane Society, will be held on Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. The pictures will be taken at the Flower Stall Hearth & Home in the Southgate Center, Hwy. 231 South in Jasper. L & L Photography, a local photography studio, will be taking the pictures of the furry friends along with their human counterparts. Children and families are welcome to have their pictures taken with their pets and Santa at no extra charge. The cost for a package of one 5x7, one 3x5 and two wallet sized pictures is \$20. Christmas cards and other items with the photo imprinted on them will be available. All proceeds from this event go directly for the care of the shelter animals. For questions or additional information, call 812-634-1955 or email dchsmail@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.

### 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.

### Post delivers hot meals

VFW Post 9395 in Loogootee served 27 hot meals for participants in the Meals on Wheels Program, on November 1. The meals were home-cooked and delivered by members of the Post. The menu consisted of turkey, noodles, dressing, sweet potato casserole, cranberry salad, hot rolls, and pumpkin spice cookies. Chairperson Diane Bauer was assisted by Taylor Gould, Linda Trambaugh, Pam Fellers, Kim Wagoner, George Foster, and Larry Fellers. The post will be serving one meal a month for the next four months, cooking and delivering on the first Tuesday of each month.

### New event planned for 2011 Christmas Stroll

New this year at the Loogootee Downtown Merchants Christmas Stroll will be a golf cart parade. If you have ever been to West Boggs Park on July 4th weekend and at other holiday weekends, you will be familiar with golf cart parades. The general idea is to decorate your cart with the holiday theme and throw candy along the parade route. The route for the parade will be announced in the upcoming weeks. There will be prizes for the best decorated cart. So if you are one of the many golf cart owners in and around Loogootee and want to participate in this new event, contact Nancy Jones at 812-295-3200 during day and 812-295-4426 in evenings to sign up. Organizers are hoping for a large turnout and to make this an annual event! The stroll is set for Wednesday, December 7.

### **Hawkins Health Center** hosts Ladies' Night

Hawkins Health Center hosted a Ladies Night of Indulgence at their Loogootee office Friday, November 4 from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. It was open to all the women in the area and they had a great turnout with many women coming through the office and enjoying all of the wonderful booths set up by local vendors. There were thirteen different vendors offering a wide variety of exciting products. Jewelry from lia sophia advisor Megan Miller was on display along with wreaths from Jolene's Decorating. Food and kitchen items by The Pampered Chef consultant Michele Erler and Tastefully Simple consultant Audree Ader were sampled and on display.

Longaberger baskets and household décor was exhibited by independent consultant Karla Hawk, hair accessories by Helen Dearwester's Hairbows, and Sharon Sutton with Sharon's Knitted Knick-Knacks had many handcrafted items that were on display. Candles from Danielle Kemp's Scentsy booth were also available. All different types of handbags were displayed from 31 Gifts Director Lisa Ader. A large variety of Mary Kay products provided by Representative Theresa Swartzentruber along with Sandi Kidwell's Earth & Wind Creations skin care and homemade products were available.

Jayme Thompson with Team Beachbody Health & Fitness and Fit 4 Life Group Fitness had a display of many different health and fitness products and Hawkins Health Center offered free spinal scans.

The first 50 women through the door delighted in a goodie bag full of free samples and products from the vendors. There were multiple door prizes donated by the vendors.

Dr. Brooke and Dr. Jordan along with the staff at Hawkins Health Center would like to thank everyone who participated in making the evening wonderful.

### Classes and programs at the **Martin County Learning Center**

GED - Adult Basic Education - GED - 812-295-2674. Adult Basic Education classes started September 27 and will run until Christmas break. Classes are on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For information contact Vincennes University at 812-888-5749 or call the learning center.

SAT Preparation Workshop - SAT preparation workshop for college-bound high school students will be offered at the center by Karen Whorrall. This class will assist preparing students in securing competitively high scores for placement. This workshop is scheduled on Wednesdays, January 4 through January 25 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Cost for the session is \$25. This workshop is sponsored by the Loogootee and Shoals Guidance Counselors Offices. For registration or further information, contact Kris at

Resume and Cover Letter Basics - This is a basic course designed to help applicants with their resume and cover letter for the private sector or government contractor positions. The class is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on November 15 and the cost is \$25. This course is being offered by Darlene Ridgway with Bramble Consulting. Applicants need to pre-register no later than the Friday before the scheduled class date. Contact Kris by email or call the learning center to pre-regis-

Learning Center Contact - Kris Beasley, Coordinator, 812-295-2674 or e-mail kbeasley10@ivytech.edu

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### Christmas at Grouseland – Saturday, November 19

Kick off the holiday season at William Henry Harrison's Grouseland - Presidential Home, Indiana Territorial Mansion, and National Historic Landmark. The beautiful 1804 Georgian Mansion, the first brick home built in Indiana, will be decked out for Christmas and offering special tour events on Saturday, November 19. Grouseland is located at 3 West Scott Street, Vincennes.

Throughout the holiday season, visitors can tour the decorated Harrison Mansion. Regular hours through December will be 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., every day. "Christmas at Grouseland" on November 19, will offer some special options at a great family value. Local photographer, Kevin Kilmer, will be available from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. to take family holiday pictures, either on Grouseland's grand staircase or in the famous Council Room. Reenactors portraying Gov. William Henry Harrison and Tecumseh, will be available to pose for pictures (optional).

Also from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. a holiday open house will be held at the Francis Vigo DAR Chapter House (30 W. Harrison, behind Grouseland). Tea and other seasonal refreshments will be served.

An "all-inclusive" ticket includes photography sitting, a photo CD, Open House and Mansion tour. The price is \$10 per person, or \$30 for a family/group of up to 5 people; each additional person will be \$5

For "a la carte" tickets, the Open House and Tours are available at regular admission prices for each (\$5 for adults; \$4 for seniors; \$3 for children and students). For the photography sitting and photo CD only, the cost is a simple \$20, regardless of the group size.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance by calling Grouseland at (812) 882-2096 or emailing grouseland@sbcglobal.net. Advance ticket purchasers will be given priority on scheduling your photo session.

# Volunteers honored at RSVP Recognition Dinner

On Monday, November 7, the RSVP Volunteer Center held their 38th Annual Recognition Banquet at the Gasthof restaurant in Montgomery.

187 volunteers and 39 guests were in attendance.

During the previous 12 months, new records were set as 331 volunteers contributed 80,154 hours of service in Daviess and Martin Counties. The value of this service is over \$1.4 million dollars, which benefits area non-profit organizations and agencies.

Several highlights of the last year were noted. In July, a satellite office was established in Loogootee which allows Martin County residents to volunteer close to

A successful pen pal program was initiated which currently has 71 children corresponding with volunteers in an effort to improve literacy and communication. Hundreds of families experiencing hard times have been helped through area food pantries, thrift shops, and assistance lines manned by volunteers in both Daviess and Martin counties.

The RSVP park gardeners kept Eastside Park beautiful all summer long by planting and maintaining the many flower beds.

Children and adults alike have received vision screenings by RSVP volunteers, with referrals made to an eye doctor when needed.

Washington Mayor Larry Haag and Loogootee Mayor-Elect Noel Harty spoke on the value of volunteerism and their gratitude for service to the community.

Honored during the program were volunteers who have served more than 500 hours in the last year. RSVP Executive Director, Kim Herbertz, presented the Gold Level Service Award to these volunteers: Lisa Bland, Tatsuyo Bovee, Judy Brustkern, Jeannie Burks, Betty Cannon, Margaret Clauss, JoAnne DeVries, Ruth Dickmann, Shirley Dillon, Don Greene, Martha Greene, Nancy Haag, Sue Hayes, Betty Huelsman, Carolyn Jones, Susanne Kinnett, Dwight Maust, Jerry McDonald, Ruby Miller, RaeAnn Mills, Lydia Mosbach, Ethna O'Haver, Terrance O'Haver, Dianna Overall, Daniel Renneker, Elaine Renoir, Emma Silcock, Arlene Sobecki, Jan Steimel, Sandra Traylor, Pat Trowbridge, and Charles Wilkinson.

The highlight of the afternoon was the announcement of the 2011 Volunteer of the Year. Jeannie Burks, of Washington, received the organization's highest honor from Jan Smith, RSVP Board President.

Burks works tirelessly for the betterment of her community in a wide variety of

Burks was the Executive Director of United Way prior to her retirement. Since then, she has not slowed down a bit, staying active working with the Daviess County Community Foundation scholarship committee, Women in Philanthropy Group, CONNECTIONS, and Jubilee Christmas.

She shares her love of crafting with children in the classroom and residents at Washington Towers and was part of a group that established the homeless shelter in Washington.



The RSVP Volunteer Center held the 38th Annual Recognition Dinner at the Gasthof in Montgomery. Shown above are the gold level volunteers who logged in 500 or more hours in the last year. Those volunteers, not in order above, were Lisa Bland, Tatsuyo Bovee, Judy Brustkern, Jeannie Burks, Betty Cannon, Margaret Clauss, JoAnne DeVries, Ruth Dickmann, Shirley Dillon, Don Greene, Martha Greene, Nancy Haag, Sue Hayes, Betty Huelsman, Carolyn Jones, Susanne Kinnett, Dwight Maust, Jerry McDonald, Ruby Miller, RaeAnn Mills, Lydia Mosbach, Ethna O'Haver, Terrance O'Haver, Dianna Overall, Daniel Renneker, Elaine Renoir, Emma Silcock, Arlene Sobecki, Jan Steimel, Sandra Traylor, Pat Trowbridge, and Charles Wilkinson.



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Jeannie Burks, center, is shown receiving the volunteer of the year award from Jan Smith, at left, RSVP Board President and Kim Herbertz, at right.

### Nominations sought for VU Davis Citation award

Vincennes University's 2012 Walter A. Davis Memorial Citation.

Nominations will be accepted through January 6, 2012.

A detailed biographical profile and letters of support are required. Nomination materials may be sent to Jennifer Gilmore, Director, VU Alumni Association, Vincennes University, 1002 N. First St., Vincennes IN

Since 1952 the Citation has been pre-visit www.vinu.edu/alumniawards.

Nominations are now being sought for sented to persons who have given outstanding service to their community. Recipients must be either a VU graduate or a resident of the greater Vincennes area (approximately a 45-mile radius). Recipients are selected by a committee representing the VU Alumni Association, VU Board of Trustees, VU Foundation, Vincennes community, and a past recipient of the Davis Citation.

> More information is available by calling the VU Alumni Office at 812-888-4354 or

# Martin County Solid Waste District moving toward user fee

The Martin County Solid Waste Management District owns and operates the Martin County Recycling Center.

The annual budget for Martin County Solid Waste Management District depends on several funding sources. Currently more than half of the budget is provided through the sale of recyclable materials that are collected and processed. A small source of income comes from accepting trash by the bag from citizens that are recycling customers, the recycling center charges \$2 per bag of trash, and accepts donations for items citizens take from the reuse table. Until two years ago the Solid Waste District depended on Public and Education funds provided by the State of Indiana through a grants program. That program was discontinued. The last source of funds the district gets is from a property tax levy. A property tax levy is based and billed on the value of property a person or business owns.

The current tax levy is three cents per hundred dollar value a property owner has.

The Martin County Solid Waste Board of Directors proposes to drop the property tax levy and charge a user fee. The user fee is a flat fee that is the same for all dwellings and businesses. Typically the user fee will cost less for many than the tax levy. The user fee will be \$2 per month for all dwellings and Businesses or \$24 per year and will be collected in a single billing of the spring installment on the property tax bills.

The Martin County Recycling Center is good for Martin County and our citizens. The center also process materials from Daviess, Dubois, Orange, and Monroe counties. The recycling center has a compactor truck and a box truck that services



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JT McCowan and John Seals tying off a bale of pop bottles at the Martin County **Recycling Center.** 

many businesses by picking up their recyclable materials. With recycling the profits are not just measured by the sale of materials. It costs businesses and citizens \$40 per ton to dispose of trash in a landfill. Martin County's average recycling rate of 5,000,000 pounds of material is a savings of \$100,000.00 a year in avoided trash fees.

The Martin County Recycling Center is also the only outlet for citizens to dispose of special waste safely. The recycling center accepts household hazardous waste such as cleaners, herbicides, insecticides, batteries, paint and florescent tubes to name a few. The recycling center accepts outdated and unwanted medications, and provides education to the public on backyard burning, and illegal dumping. Numerous illegal dump sites have been cleaned up and special events such as the spring and fall clean-up for Martin County citizens to haul in their trash and bulky items below cost. The recycling center sponsors a dumpster for Shoals citizens to clean up their yard for the Catfish

Festival and pays for the trash disposal for Loogootee SummerFest, the school proms, and the ball park in Shoals.

In the past twenty years Martin County has become a cleaner, healthier place to live because of recycling programs.



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