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## Santa strolls downtown

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Santa Claus was available for photographs at Promises Photography in downtown Loogootee last Thursday during the Loogootee Christmas Stroll. Several businesses downtown and in the surrounding area had shopping specials, refreshments, and entertainment. The Martin County Chamber of Commerce sponsored a Business Decorating Contest which was won by German American Bancorp. A plaque, donated by Precision Laser Engraving, was presented to the bank yesterday.

## County's budget must be cut by another half million

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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The last regular meeting for Martin County Councilman Larry Shaw was held Monday, December 6. Shaw did not seek re-election. Keith Gibson will take Shaw's seat starting next month. Council members Lynn Gee, Richard Summers, John Stoll, Lonnie Hawkins, Warren Albright, and Randy Winger will remain. Council President Summers thanked Shaw for his service to Martin County as a councilman for the last six years. He said it was a pleasure of all to serve with him. Councilman Shaw replied that his time with the council had been sometimes trying but enjoyable and thanked each one for their contribution and help.

The county is once again in budget trouble according to a notice received Monday by Auditor Nancy Steiner. The notice is the precursor of the approval of the county's budget. The state says the county must cut an additional \$439,703 from the General Fund and \$180,650 from the Cumulative Capital Fund. The original recommendation from the state back in September was for the council to slash a total of \$1.1 million but the county submitted the budget to the state with only \$581,000 in cuts. The state now wants the rest of the reductions.

According to Auditor Steiner some of the money included in the Cumulative Capital Fund is for the resurfacing of the outside of the jail.

Steiner said that this is the lowest budget since 2004.

She said she was asked by the county council to call Greene County to find out about their health insurance costs and staffing numbers. The county council may have to make a decision regarding both in order to find the money needed to comply with the state. County employees currently receive health insurance for \$1 per pay period and also receive a stipend, up to \$12,000 per year for a family plan, for a health savings account. There are also currently 10 employees who opt out of receiving health insurance who receive \$1,500 a year from the county.

A special meeting may be held in the near future to discuss this recent development.

In other business, at the last meeting it was decided to have the county attorney check the status of the organization of the Solid Waste District of Martin County. Since the council does not have an official attorney, Commissioner Gregory will check with County Attorney David Lett on this matter.

The council approved the following additional appropriations:

-Non-Reverting Voting Fund, Election Expense, Capital Outlay, Voting machines for \$17,100; Cumulative Voting Fund, Election Expense, Capital Outlay, Voting machines, \$18,000; and General Fund, Election Expense, Other Services and Charges, Ballots, \$300. Clerk Fithian was in attendance to answer any questions regarding the appropriations.

-Rainy Day, Coroner, Autopsy and Lab for \$5,000. Coroner Franklin attended the last meeting for this request.

-Rainy Day, Jail, Other Services and Charges, Medical for Inmate for \$7,776 and Riverboat Wagering, Jail, Other Services and Charges, Medical for Inmate, \$2,724. These were approved last month out of the Riverboat Wagering but due to lack of funds in that account, they had to be divided into both funds.

The council approved a reduction in appropriation presented by Sheriff Tony Dant last month for the amount of \$897 for Sheriff, Capital Outlay, Police Car.

The following transfers were approved:

-Election Expense, Supplies to Election Expense, other Services and Charges, Ballots, \$300.

-Cumulative Bridge, Supplies, Deck Lumber to Capital Outlay, Bridge Payment, \$1,841.

-General, Commissioners, Capital Outlay, Computer Upgrade to Other Services and Charges, Maintenance Contracts; General, Commissioners, Personal Services, Health Insurance to Other Services and Charges, Various, \$5,000.

Extension Educator Jonathan Stevens and  
(See 'BUDGET' on page 2)



## Semi overturns on U.S. 50

Yesterday, at approximately 11:21 a.m., Larry Allen, 51, of Cloverdale was driving on U.S. 50 just east of State Road 650, in a 2006 Kenworth semi carrying a load of dry-wall. According to a witness, the load shifted and the trailer started tipping over as the semi was going down through a curve in the road. The semi flipped over entirely on its side blocking both lanes of the highway. Responding to the scene was the Shoals Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense, and the Martin County Ambulance Service. The driver was entrapped in the semi and had to be extricated from the cab. He was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital to be treated for his injuries. Weaver Wrecker, of Bedford, was called to tow the semi. The Indiana State Highway Department was called to clean the drywall from the roadway. The road was closed for approximately 2 1/2 hours. The truck and trailer is owned by Schilli Leasing Inc. The investigating officer was Martin County Sheriff's Department Corporal John Fischer.



-Photos provided



# BUDGET

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Lisa Arvin with the 4-H Council presented the need of \$8,546 to install pull-type fire alarms in the Martin County Community Building which is required by the State Fire Marshal. This building is also used as a backup building for disasters for the Civil Defense. The 4-H Council has gotten a loan to pay for it but would like to have the county help with the cost. The council made it clear they were not against helping the 4-H Council but could not commit to any amount at this time due to the cuts that will need to be made in the county's budget. The decision was tabled for now.

Mr. Kinder reported the commissioners agreed to join forces with the Foreign Trade Zone, Port of Indiana in Mt. Vernon. This endeavor will promote businesses to possibly locate in Martin County.

2011 Appointments:  
Alcoholic Beverage Board, Leroy Albright for one year  
Martin County Corrections Board, Warren Albright for one year

Southern Indiana Development Commission, Randy Winger for one year

Martin County Redevelopment Commission, Warren Albright and Randy Winger each for one year

Economic Development Commission, Warren Albright for one year.

Auditor Steiner will check into the Solid Waste Board and the Samaritan Advisory Board appointments and report back at the next meeting.



-Photo provided

## Holidays for the troops

Mrs. Hawkins' class at Shoals Elementary have been writing to soldiers and have a care package to send to the uncle of one of their classmates. Those pictured are Jarod Waggoner, in the front. In the second row, from left to right, are Amber Fields, Olivia Stoll, Matthew Newkirk, John Sukup, Maddy Gaines, and Angel Hampton. In the third row, from left to right, are Harley Spurgeon, Sean Davis, Josh Richardson, and Chase Fromme. In the back, from left to right, are Lori Albright, Ryan Spurgeon, Calli Winger, Melanie Hawkins, Georgia Bryson, Hallie Wyman, Alyssa Hernandez, Evan Wagoner, Kyle Montgomery, and Klayton Tichenor. Not pictured are Aryonna Braun, Ryan Hawkins, and Lilly Thacker.

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-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Colin Cook, at left, and his family visited the Loogootee Christmas Stroll last Thursday. They are shown above walking across JFK Avenue. Despite the frigid weather several families walked around downtown Loogootee to take advantage of specials.

## 4-H Horse & Pony Club Fundraiser

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**Saturday, December 11**

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

## FRED SWICKARD

Fred E. Swickard, formerly of Loogootee, died at 11 a.m., Thursday, December 2, 2010 in Decatur Township Care and Rehabilitation Center. A resident of Indianapolis, he was 82.

He was born May 2, 1928, in Daviess County; the son of Frank and Constance (Jackman) Swickard. He was a graduate of Alfordville High School and served in the United States Navy and was a retired supervisor for Marley Cooling Tower Company in Kansas City, Kansas.

He was a Kentucky Colonel, member of the Shoals Masonic Lodge and Shiners, and Loogootee Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion. He was an avid fisherman who also enjoyed reading old Western novels and spending time with his family and grandson.

Surviving are one daughter and son-in-law, Joann and Steve Sandlin of Indianapolis; two sisters, Mary Bridgewater of Georgia and Emma Eileen Cole of Alfordville; one grandson, Davy Tomasch of Indianapolis; and three step-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Rita (Arvin) Swickard, whom he married June 4, 1955; his parents; one sister, Clara Mae Harrison; and two brothers, Edward and Roy Swickard.

The funeral was held Monday, December 6 at Brocksmith Funeral Home in Loogootee, with burial in Truelove Church Cemetery south of Loogootee.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.brocksmithfuneralhomes.com](http://www.brocksmithfuneralhomes.com).

## LASZLO "LES" SZABO

Laszlo "Les" Szabo passed away at 9:29 a.m. Monday, November 29, 2010 at the St. Anthony Medical Center in Michigan City, Indiana. A resident of Fort Wayne, he was 76.

He was born June 21, 1934 in Kotah, Hungary; the son of Stephen and Elizabeth (Imrelzi) Szabo. He came to the United States when he was twenty-six years of age. He married the love of his life Reva J. Jones in April of 1984. He was a faithful member of the Church of Christ, and retired from General Electric of Fort Wayne.

He is survived by his wife, Reva J. of Fort Wayne; step-daughter Delphia R. Hellums of Fort Wayne; three step-sons, Milburn Dean Hellums of Shoals, James Lee Hellums of Celestine, and Harold Edward Hellums of Michigan City; nine grandchildren, Rosetta Albright, James Robert Hellums, Jodi Lynn Hellums, Joseph Dean Hellums, Michael Lee Hellums, Christopher David Hellums, Marcie Elizabeth Hellums, Mathew William Hellums, and Dean Edward Hellums; six great-grandchildren, Aaron Michael Bengel, Dustin Tennessee Albright, RhaShawn Omar Albright, Harold Fred Wiegler, Hayden Wiegler, and Kavan Paris Hellums; three sisters, Elizabeth

Csanyi, Margaret Bernaty, and Julie Szentmiklossi all of Hungary; and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, one step-son, Mark Douglas Hellums; three brothers, and one sister.

Funeral services were held Friday morning, December 3 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Mount Union Cemetery.

## MARY LOUISE ENGLISH

Mary Louise English died at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, December 5, 2010 at Hillside Manor. A resident of Washington, she was 88.

She was born October 28, 1922, in Odon; the daughter of Roy and Audrey (Aishe) Callahan. She married Oren Gail English on August 26, 1941. He preceded her in death on January 6, 2004. She formerly worked at Odon Elementary School, Queen's Drive-in, Daviess Community Hospital and was the second generation owner of Callahan Fish Stand, which is currently owned by the fifth generation and in 2010 celebrated its 100th year. She had a special love for flowers, especially her hibiscus that donned her front porch. She loved caring for infant grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Prior to her poor health, she loved to cook. She was a member of New Hope Christian Church.

She is survived by three sons, Gail Junior English, Roger English and Brayton Eng-

lish, all of Washington; one daughter, Diana Evans of Washington; grandchildren, Nellie Mathis and Star Long, both of Loogootee, Mary Rodimel, Brenda Stallman, Michelle Neihaus, Deanna Goodwin, Tyler English, all of Washington, Tina Gillickson of Haubstadt, and Tim Evans of Evansville; 22 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and one brother, Harvey Callahan of Union.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Nadine Riggins and Dot Beabout, and one grandchild, Toy Ann Dant.

Visitation is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, December 8 at Poindexter-Hall and McClure Funeral Home, Washington Chapel.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 9 at Bethany Cemetery.

## RONALD DAVID LENTS

Ronald David Lents died at 2:49 p.m. Sunday, December 5, 2010 at Memorial Hospital in Jasper. A resident of Loogootee, he was 64.

He was born October 26, 1946, in Loogootee; the son of Curtis and Marie (Alvey) Lents. A graduate of St. John's High School in Loogootee, he was a U.S. Army veteran. He retired in 2000 from Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane. He was a member of Mt. Zion Wesleyan Church, Jasper American Legion Post 147 and Shoals V.F.W. Post 8589.

He is survived by two sons, Jason Lents and Shawn Lents, both of Shoals; one sister, Betty Newton of Jasper; two brothers, Larry Lents and Ed Lents, both of Loogootee; and several great nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

Visitation is after 4 p.m. Wednesday, December 8 at Brocksmith Funeral Home in Loogootee.

The funeral will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home in Loogootee. The body will be cremated and burial will follow in Mt. Zion Church Cemetery at a later date.

Online condolences may be made at [www.brocksmithfuneralhomes.com](http://www.brocksmithfuneralhomes.com).

## TAMMRA DYANN ARVIN

Tammra DyAnn Arvin, 38, of Washington, died unexpectedly at 7 a.m. Wednesday, December 1, 2010 at Daviess Community Hospital. A resident of Washington, she was 38.

She was born September 23, 1972, in Washington; the daughter of Dennis R. and Diane (Burruss) McClure. She graduated in 1990 from New Castle Chrysler High School, in 1995 from Trevecca Nazarene University, and in 2006 from Vincennes

University. She married Nathan Arvin on January 27, 2007, and he survives. She was a resource coordinator at ResCare. She attended First Baptist Church.

She is also survived a stepson, Jaden Arvin of Washington; her parents, Dennis and Diane McClure of Washington; a brother and sister-in-law, Stacy and Stephanie McClure of Washington; two nieces, Madelyn and Molly McClure; grandmother, Betty Richardson of Washington; grandparents, Rev. Estell and Joan McClure of Terre Haute; mother-in-law, Susan Smith of Washington; father-in-law, Patrick Arvin of Loogootee; sisters- and brothers-in-law, Emilee Arvin, Nicholas Arvin, Aaron Arvin, Holly Dyer, Julie Wittmer, Jennifer Luken and Jeff Anderson; grandfather-in-law, Paul Bowman; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

She is preceded in death by grandfathers Grant A. Burruss and Jerome Richardson.

The funeral was held Saturday, December 4 at Poindexter-Hall and McClure Funeral Home, Washington Chapel, with Revs. Tim Baxter and Adam Strauser officiating. Burial was in Walnut Hill Cemetery.

## Humane society pets of the week



The Martin County Humane Society has 19 very cute puppies up for adoption. They are around 7 weeks old and are lab/shepherd mix.

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# Martin County Sheriff's Department log

## Tuesday, November 30

7:08 a.m. - Received a complaint of a neighbor's dog in a subject's yard.

7:13 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on a subject walking in Shoals.

8:32 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:45 a.m. - Received a report of a tree on U.S. 150 near Samson Hill.

3:41 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on Poplar Grove Road.

Unknown time - A caller reported a vehicle tailgating on U.S. 50, eastbound from Montgomery.

Unknown time - A caller reported someone parked on their property and stealing timber.

6:18 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals.

6:58 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 50 near Loogootee.

6:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

## Wednesday, December 1

12:00 a.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver near West Boggs on U.S. 231.

6:27 a.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 50 westbound from Buffalo Bottoms.

10:02 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 50 in Shoals.

10:59 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Burns City. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:17 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Vincennes Good Samaritan

Hospital.

5:52 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm near Loogootee.

6:27 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance in Loogootee.

7:40 p.m. - A female caller reported theft of cash from her residence.

8:01 p.m. - Received a report of threatening phone calls.

9:02 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 50, passing through Shoals.

## Thursday, December 2

9:30 a.m. - Received a report of a missing dog on Qualkenbush Springs Road.

10:00 a.m. - A caller advised of a controlled burn just off of Bear Hill Road.

12:35 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on a subject in Shoals.

2:00 p.m. - Received a report of a theft.

3:34 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle making dangerous passes and passing a school bus stop arm on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

9:47 p.m. - Received a report of a prowler at a residence in Shoals.

## Friday, December 3

12:13 a.m. - Received a report of possible intoxicated individuals at a business in Loogootee.

1:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

9:45 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

10:17 a.m. - Received a report of mailbox vandalism.

10:48 a.m. - Received a report of goats on the roadway on U.S. 150.

12:48 p.m. - Received a report of stolen medication.

1:09 p.m. - Received a report of a drive off and theft of gasoline from a business in Loogootee.

3:38 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol reference theft of gasoline from a vehicle.

4:35 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen construction sign.

6:23 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver headed into town on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee.

6:46 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on East River Road.

7:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

8:28 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on Coal Hollow Road. One subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:42 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen four-wheeler.

9:59 p.m. - Received a report of a deer in the roadway on U.S. 231, near West Boggs. The deer appeared to have been struck by a vehicle.

## Saturday, December 4

12:50 a.m. - A business in Shoals reported an attempted theft.

1:10 a.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 150.

6:55 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance on Chicken Farm Road.

9:05 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn on Red School Road.

12:07 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:19 p.m. - Received a report of a flue fire in Shoals.

9:08 p.m. - Received a report of an unauthorized hunter on private property.

10:36 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

## Sunday, December 5

2:30 a.m. - Received a report of possible drug activity.

5:35 a.m. - Received a report of a possible intoxicated subject walking on Love Cemetery Road.

8:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:32 a.m. - A female caller requested to speak with an officer about someone cutting her dog loose.

10:48 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

1:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:30 p.m. - Received a call about a property dispute.

6:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. The subject was transported to Dunn Memorial Hospital.

7:33 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 50 just east of Loogootee.

8:05 p.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 50 just east of the Martin State Forest.

## Monday, December 6

1:30 a.m. - Received a report of a smoke alarm going off in an apartment in Loogootee.

9:09 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Burns City. The subject was transported by Southwest Medical.

1:25 p.m. - A male caller in Shoals advised he was being threatened by another male.

6:15 p.m. - Received a call concerning the health and welfare of a child.

10:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on County Farm Road. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

## Tuesday, December 7

1:04 a.m. - A female caller reported telephone harassment.

6:30 a.m. - Received a call about a possible water leak near the overlook in Shoals and ice on the roadway.

10:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare and Rehab. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:34 a.m. - A female caller reported the theft of a package delivered by Fed Ex.

12:23 p.m. - A home healthcare nurse called for lift assistance in Trinity Springs.

2:51 p.m. - Received a report of an intoxicated subject on personal property.

5:19 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen military identification card.

## Martin County real estate transfers

**William F. Verkamp and Donna S. Verkamp**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard B. Allen**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, all in Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, and lying in Lost River Township, in Martin County, Indiana, and containing 5.19 acres, more or less.

**Bernie E. Burns**, of Lee County, Mississippi to **Bernard E. Holt and Shirley J. Holt**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 17 and 18 in McCormick's Subdivision of Lot 103 in Chenoweth's Extension to the Town of West Shoals, Indiana and part of Lot 41 being in McCormick's Subdivision of Lot 103 in Chenoweth's Extension to the Town of West Shoals, Indiana, and containing 0.64 acres, more or less.

**Frances L. Swayze, unmarried widow**

of **Richard Swayze**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Gilbert L. Martin**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the east half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and a part of the east half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, all in Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Center Township, Martin County, Indiana, and containing 24.29 acres, more or less.

**Joseph M. Matthews and Ashley Mudd**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Joseph M. Matthews and Ashley Matthews**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West.

**Richard L. Andis and Michael D. Andis**, to **Richard L. Andis**, 16 acres in and being a strip of even width off of the West side of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 4 West.



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# Loogootee Police log

## Monday, November 29

9:13 a.m. - Female caller requested an officer check to on the welfare of a dog on Cherry Street.

10:53 a.m. - Caller reported two dogs running loose on South Kentucky Avenue. A note was left on the owner's door.

## Tuesday, November 30

8:35 a.m. - First responders requested on Vine Street for a medical problem.

## Wednesday, December 1

6:27 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a domestic dispute on North Line Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

6:37 p.m. - Female caller reported a van had broke down in front of the Dollar Store.

7:42 p.m. - Female reported a dog on her front porch that would not leave.

## Thursday, December 2

3:43 p.m. - Caller reported a fight in progress in Red Wing Trailer Court. Capt. Akles was advised.

9:01 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious persons on North Line Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

## Friday, December 3

12:12 a.m. - Caller reported four intoxi-

cated females walking around Marathon.

8:42 p.m. - Washington Police Department officer requested an officer to check a residence in Sunset Trailer Court for a juvenile pick up order.

## Saturday, December 4

1:12 a.m. - Sgt. Hennette advised a juvenile was at the city park. The juvenile was escorted back to his residence.

5:02 a.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a 911 hang up on Crestview Drive. Sgt. Hennette responded.

5:59 a.m. - Female reported a domestic dispute at the Eldorado Motel. Capt. Akles responded.

7:40 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue at Country Place Apartments.

## Sunday, December 5

11:26 a.m. - Female caller reported a male had kicked and dented her truck. Capt. Akles responded.

3:41 p.m. - Male caller requested to speak with an officer in regards to getting personal property back.

9:09 p.m. - Memorial Hospital called and advised they were treating a juvenile involved in a traffic accident which was not reported to the police.

# Martin County accident reports

## Tuesday, November 30

7:15 a.m. - Brian Eckert, 37, of Washington, was traveling southeast on U.S. Highway 150 near the Orange County line in a white 2006 Isuzu when he ran off the right side of the roadway and struck a tree.

10:51 a.m. - Alice A. Strange, of Loogootee, was operating a 1996 Buick and attempting to cross SW 2nd Street from Grant Street when she pulled into the path of a 2001 Chevy driven by Charles C. Brown, of Loogootee. No injuries reported. Chief Rayhill was investigating officer.

5:12 p.m. - Lynette A. Arvin, of Loogootee, was operating a 2008 Buick and attempting to cross SW 2nd from Grant Street when she pulled into the path of a 1995 Ford driven by Robert E. Jones, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Sgt. Hennette was the investigating officer.

## Wednesday, December 1

6:09 p.m. - Sherry Markle, 29, of Switz City, was traveling north on US 231 in a gold 2003 Ford Explorer when a deer ran from the west side of the roadway in front of the vehicle. The vehicle sustained damage to the front end, but no injuries were reported. The investigating officer was Deputy Joshua Greene.

## Friday, December 3

12:34 p.m. - Justin A. Winger, 19, of Shoals, was traveling north on Main Street at a very high rate of speed when he lost control of his vehicle. Winger drove off the right hand side of the road and then traveled across both lanes and went off the left hand side of the road. The vehicle spun around after leaving the left-hand side and struck a large wooden porch attached to a trailer on the passenger side door. The porch was ripped off of the trailer. The driver was uninjured and his passenger was trapped inside the vehicle, but refused medical treatment on scene. The investigating officer was Corporal John Fischer.

7:53 p.m. - Evan Hand, 61, of Loogootee, reported that he had collided into a deer approximately an hour prior to him calling and would like a report for insurance purposes. He advised that he was driving his white 1994 Mercury on S.R. 550 when the vehicle collided into a deer that was present in the roadway. Damage was done to the front grill, hood, and headlights, but no injuries were reported. The investigating officer was Major T.A. Burkhardt.

## Sunday, December 5

6:55 a.m. - Jacob Fox, 29, of Loogootee, was eastbound on Reinhart Road, west of Cherry Road, when he stated he hit a patch of ice. Fox tapped on his brakes and the vehicle began to swerve. Fox's vehicle went off the north side of the roadway into a ditch and hit a tree head on. The impact

caused the vehicle to spin and then go off the south side of the roadway into another ditch. Fox had slight injuries but refused treatment. The vehicle is registered to Lisa Denson. Denson's 2008 Pontiac G6 was totaled in the accident. The investigating officer was Deputy Keith Keller assisted by G&M Wrecker Service.

# Jail bookings

## Wednesday, December 1

7:49 p.m.- Ronald J. Blackmon, 19, and Ryan T. Souerdike, 22, both of Loogootee, were arrested and charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of precursors, illegal dumping of hazardous waste, and dealing in methamphetamine.

## Friday, December 3

9:17 p.m. - Travis Bauernfiend, 30, of Shoals, was arrested and charged with battery and violation of a no contact order.

## Monday, December 6

5:03 p.m. - Richard Gingerich, 48, of Odon, was arrested on a warrant and charged with possession of methamphetamine.

8:00 p.m. - Brien Lagle, 23, of Loogootee, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

# Martin County court news

## CRIMINAL COURT

### New Charges Filed

#### November 22

James M. Amos, operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

## CRIMINAL COURT DISMISSED

#### December 1

Christopher J. Profit, two counts of check deception, Class A Misdemeanors, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

#### November 29

RAB Performance vs. Warren Atkison, civil collection.

FIA Card Services vs. Stephen T. Jenkins, civil collection.

GE Money Bank vs. Victoria Sipes, civil collection.

HBSC Bank of Nevada vs. Lori L. Holt, civil collection.

#### November 30

Tad A. Osgatharp vs. Renee M. Osgatharp, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Carol B. Strange vs. Michael Strange, petition for dissolution of marriage.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

#### November 12

Richard T. Howell to Citibank in the amount of \$1,629.13.

Greg Hubbard to Discover Bank in the amount of \$4,446.83.

James R. Parsons to Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC in the amount of \$4,542.98.

Patricia Parsons to Beneficial Financial Inc. in the amount of \$6,961.87.

Cody Simmons to Cach, LLC in the amount of \$1,237.16.

Clara Smith to Citibank in the amount of 8,234.25.

## SMALL CLAIMS DISMISSED

#### November 24

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Mark Neukam, complaint, dismissed.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

#### November 16

Jared and Amy Canfield to Crane Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$2,584.33.

David Daugherty and Jennifer Stowe to Crane Federal Credit Union in the amount of

\$3,170.17.

Charles Gorman to Crane Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$486.71.

Kelly Holmes to Crane Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$1,814.02.

Russell Hopkins to Crane Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$2,266.81.

Jeffrey Sims to Crane Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$1,037.10.

## November 18

Justin and Chastity Keller to Ethan Fernhaber in the amount of \$99.00.

## TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID

### November 24 - November 30

Jill Walker, Loogootee, speeding 60 in a 45; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

Edwin Elkins, Marion, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

### December 1

Timothy Varonne Pottorff, of Shoals and Belinda Rena Smith of Shoals.

## Residents can apply for handgun license online

Martin County Chief Deputy Rob Street would like to announce that the citizens of Martin County can now fill out their application for a handgun license online. If you live in Martin County you may go to <http://aries.in.gov/Firearms/Permit.aspx> to initiate the process of obtaining your handgun license. After you complete the online application follow the instructions listed to complete the process. You will still be required to come to the sheriff's office, if you live outside the city limits of Loogootee or Shoals, to be fingerprinted and pay the county fee for the permit. If you live inside the city limits of Loogootee or Shoals, you will have to go to that respective department to pay the fees and be fingerprinted.

Being able to go online and fill out the application will be more convenient for the applicant and shorten the amount of time they will have to spend at the sheriff's office.

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*My Point of*  
**VIEW**  
By Courtney Hughett  
Owner, Martin County Journal

I know the rumors have been swirling for years about the possibility of Martin County being dissolved and divided up into surrounding counties. The thought of this makes me sick to my stomach – but with budget issues getting worse and worse as the years go on, it makes one wonder if this “rumor” is actually inevitable.

Where have we gone wrong or have we? Do we have too much county government for our size? There are around 71 county employees. This includes a seven-member county council, a three-member board of commissioners, and township trustees and advisory boards for all six county townships. Martin County has, according to STATSIndiana 2009 data, 9,946 residents.

I know the county council has an unpleasant job ahead of them and I am so thankful that I am not in their shoes. Tough decisions are going to have to be made – whether it be eliminating services or laying off staff. It doesn't really matter where they cut because someone is going to be upset.

I know the highway department is barely hanging on with what they receive each year. I attend almost every meeting with the board of commissioners every other Tuesday, and I see how highway superintendent

Jim Williams, who attends every meeting, has to deal with irate residents who want their road graded, dust control put down, ditches cleaned, culverts replaced, etc.

There are also the other departments who are requesting money for different things. The extension office and 4-H council needs money for improvements required by the state fire marshal, the civil defense wants gravel for their lot, the sheriff wants the jail repaired and newer vehicles - the list goes on and on. There may come a point when the Rainy Day fund becomes non-existent.

I personally don't want to see Martin County eliminated. I am a proud Martin Countian and I don't want to be forced into Daviess, Dubois, Orange, or wherever we land.

I remember while growing up in Loogootee and hearing rumors of a McDonald's being built. Year after year it never happened and many laughed at the prospect of it. A McDonald's in Loogootee - yeah right. Well, lo and behold it happened - coincidental or not.

I plan to keep a close eye on this issue and let you all know what the county council decides to do. I, personally, am putting a lot of faith in them to keep our county intact.

~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

*‘If you answered “yes” to questions 1-6, you just may be a freedom loving conservative!!!’*

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*:

I would ask that each of us thoughtfully answer the following questions:

1. Do you believe that all of our rights come from God, NOT the government?
2. Have you and your family read the U.S. Constitution?
3. Do you believe that the U.S. Constitution is the ultimate law of the United States?
4. Do you believe that the U.S. Constitution was divinely inspired by God?
5. Do you believe that our Senators and Congressmen should represent us?
6. Do you believe in a “free market” economy?
7. Do you believe that our Senators and Congressmen should represent their party?
8. Do you believe that you have the

“choice” to end your unborn child's life?

9. Do you believe in higher taxes?
  10. Do you believe in government regulation of our lives?
  11. Do you believe that the government has the right to control our healthcare?
  12. Do you believe that illegal immigrants have the rights of U.S. citizens?
  13. Do you believe in a government regulated economy?
- If you answered “yes” to questions 1-6, you just may be a freedom loving conservative!!!

Thomas Jefferson said “When the people fear their government, there is tyranny. When the government fears the people, there is liberty”

If you would like to have a free copy of the U. S. Constitution, please contact me at (phone) 247-2617.

God bless you and God bless America.  
Dennis Jones,  
Shoals

**Hoosiers send over 41,000 holiday cards to troops**

Lt. Governor Skillman Tuesday presented the Indiana National Guard and the United States Army Reserve 41,088 holiday cards from Hoosiers to be distributed to servicemen and women around the globe. Major General Martin Umbarger represented the National Guard during the Statehouse ceremony yesterday. Maj. Joe Thompson represented Brigadier General Don Cornett Jr., for the Army Reserve.

Hoosiers sent the cards for Lt. Governor Skillman's 5th Annual “Hoosier Cheer for our Heroes” campaign. Last year, 35,629 cards were shipped overseas and to military personnel training at Camp Atterbury.

“The thoughtfulness and sincerity of Hoosiers are represented in these Hoosier Cheer cards,” Lt. Governor Skillman said. “Our servicemen and women deserve to know how much they are appreciated during the holidays and throughout the year.”

This year, cards and letters came from 59 Indiana counties and four other states. In five years of the program, more than 127,000 cards have been sent by Hoosiers

from nearly every county.

The National Guard and Army Reserve will now distribute the cards to servicemen and women serving overseas as well as some stationed at Indiana bases. The cards will begin shipping as early as yesterday and should arrive around the world in late December. The Disabled American Veterans and the Indiana Statewide Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives, Inc. are helping to defray shipping costs.

Lt. Gov. Skillman received cards and letters from various individuals, organizations and groups throughout the state. Many schools, scout groups, churches, military organizations, and 4-H clubs participated in the “Hoosier Cheer for Heroes” campaign.

Video greetings for the Hoosier Cheer YouTube page ([www.youtube.com/hoosiercheer](http://www.youtube.com/hoosiercheer)) will continue to be accepted throughout the holiday season from Hoosiers.

For more information about the “Hoosier Cheer for Our Heroes” campaign, visit [www.lg.in.gov/hoosiercheer](http://www.lg.in.gov/hoosiercheer).

**Sandi Patty to perform at VU's Skelton Center**

Tickets are on sale now for two performances by Grammy and Dove Award winner, Sandi Patty. On March 25 at 7:30 p.m. (EST) she will present her “Broadway” show as part of the VU Alumni Community Series. On March 26 at 7:30 p.m. she will offer a show of her contemporary Christian music. Both performances will take place at Vincennes University's Red Skelton Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are also available for a March 26 brunch with Sandi Patty that will be held at 10:30 a.m. at VU's Green Activities Center. During the “Ladies (and Gents) Who Brunch” event, the popular singer's CDs and books will also be available for purchase. Entertainment will be provided by the local trio, Chosen. Tickets cost \$12 per person.

To purchase tickets, or for more information on these events, contact the VU Foundation and Alumni Office at 812-888-4354. Discount rates are available for groups of 10 or more. A portion of the net proceeds will benefit the VU Campus Ministries and VU Campus Christian Fellowship student programs.

About Sandi Patty

She's won 39 Dove Awards, 5 Grammy Awards, 4 Billboard Music Awards and was a Gospel Music Hall of Fame inductee in 2004. Her albums have sold more than 11 million units, garnering her 3 platinum and 5 gold recordings. As the most-awarded female vocalist in contemporary Christian



SANDI PATTY

music history, her voice is still the gold standard by which all who follow are measured. Detailed information is available at [www.sandipatty.com](http://www.sandipatty.com).

**Humane Society FUNDRAISER**

The Martin County Humane Society will be delivering pizzas Friday night from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. for Pizza & More. The society will receive a portion of the proceeds and tips. **To order your pizza call 812-295-2222.**

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## The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Rep.

**Mark Messmer**



### Complex Operations

I had the distinct privilege to spend Tuesday afternoon at the Governor's mansion last week.

If you've ever driven north on Meridian, you may have passed it - it's at the intersection of Meridian and 46th. No one lives in it now, and it is primarily used for conferences and receptions.

I was there as part of a new economic development initiative that pulled together industry leaders, elected officials, and others to determine the best possible strategy for growing Indiana's national security job sector.

The stated purpose was "to collect input from Indiana's defense industry leaders on how a proposed Indiana Center for Complex Operations would further leverage Indiana's defense assets to support growth in the industry."

In other words, at a time when there is so much political strife at the national level and economic hurdles to overcome at the state level, this was a group of people all interested in one thing: bringing excellent, high-tech, high-paying jobs to Indiana - and continuing to grow Indiana's reputation as a defense industry destination.

We started off with six different speakers: Chad Pittman, the Executive Vice President of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation; Bruce Menshy of the Northeast Indiana Defense Industry Association; Brigadier General Omer C. Tooley from the Indiana National Guard; Don Schulte, Deputy Director of NSWC Crane; Paul J. Mitchell, President and CEO of Energy Systems Network; and Victor Lechtenberg, Vice Provost for Engagement at Purdue.

These men all spoke about the needs and opportunities of Indiana's defense industry.

However, my favorite part of the afternoon was the roundtable discussions. At each of six prepared tables were representatives from Purdue and other higher education officials, military, defense contracting, and economic development personnel in Indiana.

We discussed the opportunities for defense industry growth and ways to enhance interaction with private industry around the table for about an hour, and then shared each table's insights around the room. This was really the meat of the day, in my opinion.

So what would it mean to "strengthen Indiana's defense industry"?

Many people aren't even aware of the unique military programs that are already here. For example, Camp Muscatatuck has a training program that doesn't exist anywhere else: they can actually recreate a city in the Middle East.

They can train and do ground opportunities in that environment which allows them to test equipment in almost the exact conditions in which it will eventually be used around the world.

At Camp Atterbury are many testing and training operations, including a long-range weapon test facility for testing special weapons systems. Crane has been, and will be, instrumental in finding ways to disable improvised explosive devices (IEDs) on the battlefield, along with many other electronic warfare programs.

Programs like these not only boost the economy and help reduce brain drain, but they also give Indiana military bases an edge over other bases in other states when competing for defense manufacturing business.

Senator Mike Young and I were present to represent Indiana's legislature. Senator-elect Dan Coats also dropped by around 4:00 to listen to recaps, address the group and mention some of his own goals for this area.

He served previously on the Defense Appropriations committee, and would like to be back in that position - as, I'm sure, would everyone else present at the meeting.

Having a Hoosier on this crucial committee would mean that Indiana's blossoming defense industry sector would be well-represented before other legislators from across the country, and before military leaders around the world.

It would be a huge bonus for all Hoosiers, for our economy, and especially for job seekers in southwest Indiana. U.S. Senate committee assignments will be announced in the coming weeks, and I will certainly let you know when I hear anything.

As you can tell, this is a subject I'm pretty excited about, because I see the tremendous potential Indiana has to be a leader in this area.

If you ever wish to talk to me further about it, feel free to leave a message with my new legislative assistant, Jason, and I will get back to you. He can be reached in my Statehouse office at 1-800-382-9841.

## Commercial dog breeding operation raided in tax evasion investigation

More than 120 puppies and dogs were seized last Wednesday, December 1 from a commercial dog breeder in Bloomfield after the Indiana Attorney General's Office filed a jeopardy tax assessment in Greene County court. The state contends the dog breeder owes the state more than \$311,000 in delinquent sales and income taxes. The animals were recovered by volunteers and now are being cared for at an animal clinic in Bloomington.

An investigation by the Indiana Attorney General's Office found that the owner-operator of the business Love My Pets, Darlene Clark, sold dogs and puppies to consumers without charging sales tax or remitting sales tax to the state. The state claims Clark owes \$294,293.06 in sales tax from the sale of dogs and puppies that have gone unpaid for approximately nine years, through October 31, 2010. She also owes \$17,168.57 in delinquent income tax over five years ending in 2009, records show. The total delinquency is \$311,461.63, and Clark also is not registered as a retail merchant, as required by law.

"We support small business and entrepreneurship; but it is unfair to law-abiding, tax-paying businesspeople when one individual ignores state law and undercuts the competition by failing to collect or remit sales taxes," Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller said. "Beyond the significant tax delinquency, consumers had complained to my office about diseased dogs being sold by this facility. By no stretch of the imagination can this cash-and-carry operation be considered legitimate commerce."

By law, a jeopardy tax assessment filed in court is immediately considered a civil judgment against the delinquent taxpayer; and if the taxes cannot be paid immediately, then the state has the legal authority to seize the inventory of the business to satisfy the civil judgment. In the case of Clark's business Love My Pets, located at 10203 East Dobson Road in rural Bloomfield, the business' inventory consisted of approximately 120 puppies and dogs.

Last Wednesday, the Attorney General's Office served Clark with the jeopardy assessment after it was filed in court. Then volunteers from several animal-rescue groups began the process of removing the puppies and dogs from their enclosures in a building on the property. The dogs were loaded into cages and transported in trailers and animal rescue vans from Bloomfield approximately 35 miles to Bloomington, an operation that took several hours to complete. Because of the possibility the dogs might harbor disease, the volunteers exercised health precautions. Several of the dogs were in immediate need of medical attention.

The animals were brought to the Pets Alive Spay/Neuter Clinic, 6522 South Empire Road, in Bloomington, where they underwent veterinary triage and will remain quarantined for several days.

The investigation began in June when two consumers complained to the Attorney General's Office that they purchased a pug puppy for \$500 from Clark who did not charge them sales tax. The puppy was diseased, and though the customers spent \$2,986 in veterinary bills, the animal soon died from complications of pneumonia, dog lice, and Coccidia, an infection contracted when dogs ingest fecal matter, the investi-

gation found.

The investigation determined Clark did not register with the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) as a dog breeder or broker as required by a new state law, House Enrolled Act 146-2009, passed by the Legislature last year.

"State law requires anyone who owns more than 20 sexually intact female dogs for the purposes of breeding to register as a commercial dog breeder with the Indiana State Board of Animal Health," said Gary Haynes, Director of Legal Affairs for BOAH. "To date, 98 commercial breeders and two brokers have registered with the agency."

Zoeller thanked Bloomington Mayor Mark Krizan who assisted the Attorney General's Office in locating a facility in Bloomington to which the animals could be relocated, and thanked that location, Pets Alive Spay/Neuter Clinic, which is kenneling the animals. Zoeller also thanked the organized team of volunteers from several organizations who removed, transported, and relocated the animals and provided for their care, as well as Pet Smart Charities, which donated equipment. The Attorney General also thanked the Greene County Sheriff's Department for assisting in the operation.

This is the third time in the past two years that the Indiana Attorney General's Office has taken legal action against commercial dog breeding operations for tax evasion offenses.

In December 2008, under former Attorney General Steve Carter, 74 dogs and puppies were seized from a dog breeding business owned and operated by Tammy Gilchrist in Cloverdale. Gilchrist and two accomplices later pleaded guilty to failure to collect or remit sales taxes and were sentenced to probation.

In June 2009, under current Attorney General Zoeller, 244 dogs and puppies were seized from a dog-breeding business operated by Virginia Garwood and Kristin Garwood in Mauckport. Both Garwoods later pleaded guilty to failure to collect or remit sales taxes and also were sentenced to probation.

Although the Attorney General's Office normally does not have legal jurisdiction to file criminal charges, sales tax and income tax evasion are the exceptions, and the Attorney General can file such charges directly. In last week's tax enforcement action in Greene County, however, Clark has not been charged with any crime while the investigation continues into the delinquent taxes.

The filing of the jeopardy assessment in civil court triggers a legal process where the Attorney General, representing the Department of Revenue, seeks to collect the delinquent taxes. Clark, like any delinquent taxpayer, has the legal right to challenge the state's action in civil court.

"It doesn't matter whether the merchandise consists of puppies, flat-screen televisions or tennis rackets: If a retail merchant is selling merchandise and not collecting and remitting sales tax as required by law, then the State of Indiana is authorized to take appropriate legal action to collect on the judgment owed," Zoeller said.

Consumers who purchased dogs from the Clark operation who wish to file a consumer complaint can do so by visiting [www.indianaconsumer.com](http://www.indianaconsumer.com) or by calling 1-800-382-5516.

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# New Beginnings Church

## WEEKLY MESSAGE

**BY SHIRLEY CANELL**  
*Pastor's wife*

The Gifts we Give  
Romans 12:1-8

An article was published in an Oregon newspaper that was written by a British psychiatrist and showed Christmas shopping is hazardous to men's health. The survey used men from 22-79, after shopping for Christmas it showed the blood pressure rose on the men to the extent that would be the same as a fighter pilot going into war. Women showed no change in blood pressure at all.

This time of year presents a lot of things that are a part of what Christmas brings every year, wonder, anticipation, duty, friends, family, excitement, loved ones and there is an absence of meanness, people are kinder at Christmas.

The true meaning of Christmas has been forgotten. Christmas has been hijacked, commercialized, and when some people say Merry Christmas they have no idea what it means.

Let's cancel this version of Christmas and celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the birth of our Lord. We should give Jesus presents. We need his presence more than we need gifts. But what kind of presents can we give Him? He is a holy God that created everything. We all received gifts when we become true followers of Jesus Christ.

Our love for the Lord is shown in how we serve Him. All things should be done for the glory of God. We give the gift of service with our bodies with what we do for Him in the physical sense. For those in Christ, the only acceptable worship is to offer yourselves completely to Him. Under God's control the believer's yet unredeemed body can and must be yielded to Him as an instrument of righteousness. In light of all the spiritual riches believers enjoy solely as the fruit of God's mercies, it logically follows that we owe God our highest form of service. Our selves!

If we give God back the gift of a renewed mind, He even gives us another gift, His will in our lives. Transformation can occur only as the Holy Spirit changes our thinking, through consistent study and meditation of Scriptures the renewed mind is one saturated with and controlled by the Word of God. When we come up against false doctrine we can give back to God by using our minds and using the Word He has given us, so we can ask where it is in the Bible, show me that in the Word of God.

With acceptance of Christ we receive the gift of Grace. The gifts that are given you are from the Lord and you are nothing without Him. So we serve with humility and will, yield to the fruit of humility. Each of us have a different level of faith, this is not by our own doing, but on the measure of Faith God gives us. When someone goes to

church and thinks of themselves as more knowledgeable, smarter in the Bible, more knowledgeable in leadership or teaching; or even in giving they are not practicing sound judgment and there is no humility.

As we think about giving back these gifts to our Lord, we understand that each one of us is unique. We all have our unique way and God will use our individual gifts to glorify Him. Not one person has had the same up bringing, same experiences, same friends, family as another.

There is something missing when we each don't give back the gifts He has given us. What is prophecy in proportion to our faith, speaking forth, revealing truth in a manner that convicts, and builds up the hearer. How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher? Romans 10:14. From the gift of prophecy the Gospel is heard, the body of Christ is built up, God is glorified and false doctrine is nullified.

There is so much more to the sermon from Sunday. I would be into three pages if I tried to put it all in here. I will break it down to a few quickies.

Serve without grumbling! Be hospitable without complaint! Speak the word, do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God! Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you! Encourage, comfort, and

strengthen struggling believers! God needs us to help each other where by we will grow stronger! Give to God out of simplicity without ulterior motives! God needs leaders and administrators to guide His flock!

Don't think of church as a place where you can go get something. With sincere heart and the gift of giving your attitude won't be what I can get out of church, but what I can give to God through the church. And when we do that, God will fill us and we will get more than we could ever give. You can't out give God.

Now I know Ernie is tired of hearing me use this one at Christmas, "You can't out give God", when I am shopping for the family on black Friday or at the sales. Or look what I saved! We do have to be good stewards of our resources. Now does that sound like a Pastor's wife? LOL.

Enjoy what Christ has so graciously allowed you to have. I do not take my life for granted, I thank the Lord everyday for the blessings He has given me. Demi has choreographed a dance routine for our dance team JAM. The team will be performing it on December 19.

Sunday Service is at 10 a.m., beginning with our awesome praise and worship songs. Call Pastor Ernie at 709-0258 if you have any questions about the church or your walk with Christ. Praise God Praise God.

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## Calendar of Events

### Parkview Open House

Parkview Village Christian Care will host their annual Christmas Open House on Sunday afternoon, December 12, from 2 to 4 p.m. The public is welcome to attend for an afternoon of Christmas music, refreshments, and an opportunity to purchase chances on a homemade quilt.

Parkview Village is located across from the city park in Odon. For more informa-

tion, call 812-636-3000.

### Girl Scout food drive

Girl Scout Troop #440 will be holding a food drive at the Loogootee Hometown IGA from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 11. Non-perishable food will be accepted and donated to the St. Vincent Food Pantry. Please come out and support those in need of food in our community during this holiday season. The girl scouts thank you in advance for your support.

### Commissioners' executive session

The Martin County Commissioners will meet in executive session on Monday, December 13 at 5:30 p.m. at the courthouse in Shoals. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss personnel classified as confidential by State and Federal statutes as authorized by I.C. 5-14-1.5-5.1 (b) (7). The meeting is closed to the public.

### Democrats Christmas Dinner

The Martin County Democrats will hold their annual Christmas Dinner Party Thursday, December 9, at Sandy's Restaurant, on Main Street in Shoals. The dinner will start at 6 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

### Tourism meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee will meet Wednesday, December 8, at 7 p.m. in the Martin County Community Learning Center.

### Walking for fitness at LUMC

Walking for fitness is held each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at the Loogootee United Methodist Church in the Family Center. The program will follow school weather closings. If there is a school delay, or during the week before Thanksgiving and the week before Christmas, there will not be organized walking. Come "follow the blue line". All ages are invited, and it is free. Call Sandy Haseman at 295-9822 with any questions.

### Humane society meetings

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

### Recovery support group

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

## Indiana putting old tires to new use in transportation projects

BY EMIL VENERE  
Purdue University News Service

Civil engineers at Purdue University helped the Indiana Department of Transportation save more than \$1 million over the past two years by using shredded tires as a new low-cost material in construction projects.

"It's a green project that saves materials and eliminates the landfilling of millions of tires," said INDOT Commissioner Michael B. Cline.

INDOT and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management worked with Professor Rodrigo Salgado and Associate Professor Monica Prezzi in Purdue's School of Civil Engineering to develop the green technology.

Research started in the late 1990s, and in 2001 the state began using shredded tire chips mixed with sand. The bulk of the work has been done between 2008 and 2010, saving about \$1.2 million in material costs and using 1.1 million tires over that time.

"That's almost a dollar-per-tire cost savings," said Barry Partridge, research program director of INDOT's Joint Transportation Research Program.

The material has been used in nine construction projects so far.

"Mixtures of shredded tires and sand can be designed to be lightweight, which is particularly important when there is the need to construct fills supporting roadways and bridge abutments built over very soft and weak soil deposits," Prezzi said.

Tire shred-sand mixtures also can be used to shore up slopes prone to landslides and as a backfill behind retaining walls.

"The cost of the tire-shred mixture is significantly less than other materials - in some cases one-eighth the cost of using typical lightweight fill material," Partridge said.

Salgado and Prezzi worked with state transportation engineers including Nayyar Zia Siddiki, supervisor of Geotechnical Operations at INDOT, and Athar Khan, manager of the Office of Geotechnical Services.

The Purdue researchers conducted laboratory studies to evaluate strength, stiffness and other characteristics of the material. They developed a method that allows engineers to plan construction, design structures and optimize performance by determining the proper mixing ratio of tire shreds to sand for specific applications.



Highway workers use a mixture of tire shreds and sand in road construction projects involving civil engineers at Purdue who have helped the Indiana Department of Transportation save more than \$1 million over the past two years. The tire shreds are a green alternative to more expensive materials, and they are more easily compacted, saving construction time and money. (Purdue University School of Civil Engineering photo)

The engineers also studied the effects of tire-shred size on construction procedures and the performance of various types of reinforcement, such as metal strips. Sensors were used in laboratory experiments simulating how the mixture works in the field, Prezzi said.

Findings have been detailed in journal and conference papers. Construction-related aspects of the research will be detailed in a paper being presented during the International Symposium on Testing and Specification of Recycled Materials from Feb. 2-4 in Baltimore. The research paper was written by INDOT engineer Malek Smadi, Siddiki and Prezzi.

A few other states also are using shredded tires in highway projects, but wider use of the materials would create a significant new market, Partridge said.

The tire shred-sand mixture is more easily compacted than other materials, saving energy and representing another source of cost savings. Eliminating the expense of tire disposal in landfills represents yet additional savings.

"Landfilling costs are significant - possibly equal to the savings in materials," Partridge said. "So you can almost double the overall cost savings."

Dillon Tires Recycling in North Liberty, Indiana, and Elk Tires Inc., of Elkhart, Indiana, supplied the tire shreds, which are produced using IDEM-approved processes.

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# Martin County Youth Football ends season

BY AUDREY ROBINSON  
*Martin County Youth Football*

The Martin County Youth Football League wrapped up another successful season of football.

The 2010 season was the 2nd year for the Martin County High School Football team and the 1st year to add the kindergarten – second Grade team (K-2).

The league now consists of five teams: K-2, 10U, 12U, 14U, and HS.

The league is very proud to be able to offer camaraderie, teamwork, and sportsmanship to children ranging from kindergarten through seniors in high school.

Martin County Youth Football league participates in competitions with other teams in the Quad County Football League. Quad County teams consist of: Bloomington Exile, Bloomfield, Eastern Greene, Martin County, North Central, North Daviess, Owen Valley, and White River Valley.

Martin County Youth Football League is a not-for-profit, 501(c)3 organization which operates on fundraising and donations.

In 2009, Matt Lark of Lark Ranch donated the use of some land to build a “home” football field. This has been a wonderful addition to the organization.

We appreciate all the volunteers and parents who continue to support our program.

We are constantly looking for more volunteers and coaches to help our program grow.

If you would like more information, please contact Audrey Robinson 295-4773.

## Loogootee Sixth Grade Boys' Basketball results

The Loogootee Sixth Grade Boys' Basketball team defeated Washington Catholic last night, Tuesday, December 7 at home. Loogootee finished with 23 points, Washington Catholic had 16.

Landon Bell led in scoring with eight points followed by Tokala Richardson with six, Blake Ziegler with two, and Jordan Clark contributed one.

Tye Collins was rebound leader with five and Blake Ziegler led in assists with three.

The boys fell to Washington Monday night, December 6 at home. The final score was Loogootee 26, Washington 44.

Leading the team in points was Tye Collins with 13 followed by Tokala Richardson with four, Landon Bell, Blake Ziegler, Cole Gillick, and Wyatt Nonte with two points each, and Marcus Hopkins contributing a point.

Gillick and Richardson led in rebounds with six apiece.

The boys defeated Jasper's Cedar Crest Gold in overtime in the A game on Saturday with a final score of 30 to 29.

Tokala Richardson led the team with 10 points.

Cole Gillick contributed eight, Landon Bell had seven, and Clayton Thomas and Jake Nonte each scored two points.

Bell ended with four assists and Gillick, Tye Collins, and Richardson each had seven rebounds in the game.

The sixth grade B game brought a loss to the Lions. Final score was Cedar Crest Gold with 22 and Loogootee with 21.

Wyatt Nonte led in scoring with 10 points. Justin Wagler ended with five points, Zack Staats contributed four points, and Marcus Hopkins scored two points.

Jake Simmons and Justin Wagler each had eight rebounds and Wyatt Nonte and Simmons finished with four steals apiece.

The team plays Holy Family Saturday at 1 p.m.



**Martin County Youth Football High School**

-Photo provided

Shown above are members of the Martin County Youth High School Football team. In the front row, from left to right, are Jerald Swartzentruber, Aaron Johnson, Cameron Brown, Will Smith, Cody Waid, Aaron Sanders, Randy Taylor, and Devin Bass. In the second row, from left to right, are Al Martin, Zach Edwards, Jordan Brown, Joey Chrisman, Christian Williams, Roger Hess, and Harvey Abrams. In the back row, from left to right, are Coach Jeff Martin, Remington Greene, Tommy Telford, Garrett Carrico, Jarod Smith, Brook Hawkins, Cory Edwards, and Head Coach Josh Hurst. Not pictured are Cam Chilton, Tyler Hostetter, Dylan Wagoner, and Assistant Coaches Max Wagoner and John Abrams.



**Martin County Youth Football 14U**

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Shown above are members of the 14U Martin County Youth Football team. In the front row, from left to right, are Brett Robinson, Ryan Milligan, Andrew Zins, Jonathan Krezniak, and Brian Riker. In the middle row, from left to right, are Cole Gillick, Noah Holt, Cecil Canady, Damon Earley, Levi Martin, and Nick Lett. In the back row, from left to right, are Coach Chuck Robinson, Mitch Daniel, Justin Kiser, Austin Mesarosh, Soham Shishodia, Grant Carrico, and Head Coach John Daniel. Not pictured is Coach Adrian Arvin.



**Martin County Youth Football 12U**

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Shown above are members of the 12U Martin County Youth Football team. In the front row, from left to right, are Randy Terry, Jonathan Krzesniak, Kyle Smith, Chris Earley, Caleb Sanders, and Steven Swartzentruber. In the middle row, from left to right, are Ryan Milligan, Jociah Earl, Ty Hurst, Andrew Zins, and Brian Riker. In the back row, from left to right, are Brett Robinson, Cole Gillick, Noah Cox, Dalton Parr, Billy Stewart, and Tanner Terry. In the back are Head Coach Chuck Robinson and Coach John Daniel. Not pictured is Coach Adrian Arvin, and Tyler Simmons.

10U and K-2 on next page



# Loogootee Sixth Grade Girls defeat Worthington



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Loogootee Sixth Grader Mayson Riley goes up for the uncontested shot during last Thursday's game against Worthington. Riley finished with 10 points.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Sixth grade Lady Lion Taiya Armstrong prepares to drive around the Worthington defender.

The Loogootee Sixth Grade Girls' Basketball team defeated Worthington last Thursday, December 2 at Elementary East Gym.

The final score was Loogootee 27, Worthington 23.

Mayson Riley led the team in scoring with 10 points. Mya Hedrick contributed seven, Meghan Mathies had 6 points, Kylie Hall has three, and Megan Lampert one.

A balanced scoring attack and 2nd half defensive change allowed the Lady Lions to take control of the game and pull off a win.

## Loogootee Junior High Basketball defeats Bloomfield

Loogootee's Junior High Basketball teams went up against Bloomfield at home Monday night, December 6. Both teams pulled off substantial wins. The eighth grade's final score was Loogootee 39, Bloomfield 18. Gabe Nolley led the team with 12 points followed by Darian Stewart with nine and Ben Blackwell with six. Jordan Berry had the team-high four rebounds.

The final score in the seventh grade match was Loogootee 28, Bloomfield 17. Jake Blackwell was high scorer with nine and Corey Jacobs finished with eight points, followed by Grant Carrico with six. Jacobs also had seven rebounds.

The eighth graders move to 8-2 on the season and the seventh graders are 4-5.

Last Thursday, the teams traveled to Jasper and were defeated. In the eighth grade game the final score was Jasper 27, Loogootee 26.

Hayden Bell led in scoring with 10. Darian Stewart finished with nine points and Ben Blackwell contributed five.

The final score for the seventh grade game was Jasper 37 and Loogootee 21. Jake Blackwell finished with 12 of the team's points. Corey Jacobs contributed six.

Last Tuesday, November 30 at Orleans, the eighth grade pulled off a win in overtime, 34-32.

Hayden Bell finished with almost half of the team's points with 16. Ben Blackwell contributed 10 and Gabe Nolley scored five.

The seventh grade was defeated by Orleans 16-26. Three team members finished with four points: Jake Blackwell, Corey Jacobs, and Grant Carrico.

The teams will play Springs Valley at home on Monday, December 13. The seventh grade game begins at 6 p.m.



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## Martin County Youth Football 10U

Shown above are members of the 10U Martin County Youth Football team. In the front row, from left to right, are AJ Blankenbaker, Caleb Wagler, Jo Martin, Zach Taylor, Isaiah Baylis, and Seth Gillick. In the middle row, from left to right, are Zack Arvin, Aaron Martin, Jaren Grogan, Justin Hellums, Tim Swartzentruber, and Cody Lawrence. In the back row, from left to right, are Head Coach Tim Lawrence, Cruse Bridgewater, Ben Clymer, Leighton Seals, Zach Koenig, Assistant Coach Scott Seals, and Josiah Holt. Not pictured are Jaylon Knepp, Harley Spurgeon, and Jacob Harrison.



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## Martin County Youth Football K-2

Shown above are members of the K-2 Martin County Youth Football team. In the front row, from left to right, are Landon Mattingly, Matthew Wagler, Ethan Earley, Justin Smith, Jamon Marner, and Mason Roark. In the second row, from left to right, are Seth Gillick, Jacob Tedrow, Caden Chandler, Drake Atkins, Adam Sanders, Joe Martin, and Ethan White. In the third row are coaches Bobby White and Charlie Tedrow. Not pictured is Kaleb Daniel.

## 8th grade Lady Lions 2-1 against Dubois County

On Monday November 29, the 8th grade Lady Lions battled Southridge at home. The Lady Lions came away with a 20-11 win for the evening.

Leading the team was Allie Walker with 15 points, followed by Kaelyn Nonte and Malorie Weisheit each with two points, and Waylee Wagoner with one point.

On Thursday, December 2, the Lady Lions traveled to Forest Park where they were defeated 15-33.

Allie Walker came away from the game with eight points, Waylee Wagoner with four points, and Malorie Weisheit with three points.

On Saturday, December 4, the 8th grade Lady Lions once again walked away with a victory at home against Northeast Dubois with a score of 26-15. Leading the team in points was Waylee Wagoner with 16, Allie Walker with 6, and Chassidy Bridges and Malorie Weisheit with two points each.

This brings the 8th grade girls to a record of five wins and four losses for the season.





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Pictured with their award certificate and commemorative tree ornament for filling eight shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child is Mr. Fountain's Class. In the front row, from left to right, are Cassidy Esch, Jonathan Hager, Daman Erwin, Melaina Tippery, Aubrie Reid, and Jarrett Arvin. In the middle row, from left to right, are Rachel Robinson, Tyler Harbison, Emily Crane, Katherine Gilbert, Wyatt Street, Alyssa Taylor, Alexis Long, and Kayden Fuhrman. In the third row, from left to right, are Bethany Welker, Jamie Cronin, Christopher Jones, Logan Keller, Emily Wade, Kendall Tompkins, Chris Ashby, Max Blackwell, and Brittany Potts. In the back row, from left to right, are Classroom Assistant Mrs. Allen, Student Teacher Mrs. Wade, Hannah Bailey, and Mr. Fountain.

## Mr. Fountain's 3rd graders at Loogootee fill eight shoeboxes

Congratulations to Mr. Fountain's Third Grade Class at Loogootee Elementary for working successfully in collaboration with Operation Christmas Child.

Each year, the class participates in a community service project, teaching the benefits of taking an active role in the community. This year, after discussing various service projects, Mr. Fountain's students chose to take part in Operation Christmas Child.

Operation Christmas Child is a fun and rewarding project for the students, who decided to share love, compassion, and advocacy to needy children around the world.

This year, the students set a goal of making the holidays brighter for four children (two boys and two girls). However, after collecting items such as toys, non-perishable foods, school supplies, and toiletries for only two weeks, Mr. Fountain's students incredibly sponsored a total of eight children; four 9-year-old boys and four 9-year-old girls.

As an entire class, Mr. Fountain's students did their part to make the world a better place for other children, and to make the Christmas season more meaningful to those in need.

## Justin S. Mowery Memorial Scholarship

Over the last three years, the Justin S. Mowery Memorial Scholarship was established in his memory from funds contributed by his family, friends, and employer, Peabody Coal Company. Justin, from Jasonville, was a 2006 Vincennes University graduate and the scholarship was created to benefit a student in the VU Coal Mining Program.

Justin was passionate about coal mining, coming from a family of coal miners; including his dad and both grandfathers. He enjoyed working with his dad at the Air Quality mine for Peabody Coal Company. He also collected mine memorabilia. In addition, Justin spent quality time leisurely flying over Southern Indiana on bright and sunny days. For this reason, at the discretion of the selection committee, a scholarship may be awarded to a student enrolled in Justin's other love - Aviation.

Justin's spirit and zest for life will continue for years to come. He would be pleased to know that in his death he will continue to help and encourage others that may be otherwise unable to attend college and realize their dreams. His favorite quote was from the West Point Cadet Prayer:

"Encourage us in our endeavors to live above the common level of life.

Help us to choose the harder right, instead of the easier wrong..."

In honor and memory of Justin, the scholarship program has awarded several scholarships over the past three years to VU students from Greene County and surrounding counties. Through this development stage, the family worked with the VU Coal Mining program and the VU Foundation to coordinate the award process and it was decided recently to transition the administration of Justin's scholarship to the Foundation.

Justin's mother Char Lene, father Bobby, and Bumper Hostetler, president of the VU Foundation, have agreed to continue the scholarship using the criteria previously established. This includes encouraging recipients to "pay forward," to give others the

opportunity they will receive through this scholarship and their education. It is the hope of those involved that the fund will continue to grow through the generosity of those who were fortunate to know Justin, but also through those who will benefit from being a beneficiary of the scholarship.

"To take such a tragedy and turn it into an opportunity for others is an extremely admirable gesture on the part of the Mowery family," Hostetler stated. "From the heartwarming stories I've heard about Justin, he was a compassionate young man who loved adventure and life and would help anyone - friend or stranger - in any way he could. This scholarship is a fitting tribute and will be a lasting legacy."

Recipients can be either full-time, part-time, or summer school students with financial need as a primary consideration. Preference will be given to applications from Greene County, although consideration will be given to applications from surrounding counties. The selection committee will be awarding two or more scholarships each year, with the funds to be used for tuition and fees. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED and will need to include a statement as to why they feel they are a good candidate for the financial assistance.

To make a contribution to the Justin S. Mowery Memorial Scholarship fund, contact the Vincennes University Foundation at 1002 North First Street, DC-38, Vincennes, IN 47591. For additional information about the scholarship criteria, or to receive a copy of the scholarship application, call the VU Foundation at 812-888-4510.

### Shoals School Board meetings

The Shoals School Board will meet tonight, Wednesday, December 8 in special session at 5 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to open bids for school bus routes.

The board will then meet again on Thursday, December 9 at 5 p.m. for the regular monthly meeting.

# The Martin County Journal DEADLINE needs your help!

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## Lesson on giving

Shoals Community School recently held a food drive to raise food for the food pantry. Gus Sherfick and Mr. Sherfick took a truck load of food that the students brought in to the pantry. Those pictured with the food are the Elementary Student Council Members. In the front row is Ruth Wright and in the middle row, from left to right, are Abby Stoll, Lori Albright, Ryan Hawkins, Haylee Davis, and Kenyon Sorrells. In the back row, from left to right, are Jonathan Sullivan, Kaci Norman, Allison Boyd, Brian Conley, Caleb Tanksley, and Dylan Hembree

## Learning center classes and programs

### College classes

The following Ivy Tech classes will be held in Martin County during the spring 2011 semester:

English Composition (ENGL 111) Tuesdays 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Essentials of Algebra I (MATH 023) Wednesdays 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Intro to Sociology (SOC 111) Thursdays 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

\*In-state fees for Ivy Tech classes are \$104.55 per credit hour.

If you need a proctor for an online class or computers with internet to take your classes, contact Kathy at the learning center to schedule a time that works with your schedule.

### Meeting rooms

Meeting rooms, classrooms, and two computer labs are available for businesses and organizations who would like to hold meetings. Call for available dates.

### SAT prep class

An SAT preparation workshop for college-bound high school students will be offered at the learning center by Karen Whorrall. This class will assist preparing students in securing competitively high scores for placement. The class will be held on Wednesdays, January 5 to January 26 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Cost is \$25. Seats are limited. For registration or further information, contact Kathy at 812-295-2674.

### Résumé writing and career planning

Need help with your résumé? Darlene Ridgway with Bramble Consulting will offer Résumé Assistance-Level One on December 9. The class is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and cost is \$25. This is a basic course designed for an applicant needing help with the application process for government civilian and/or government contractor positions, specifically for NSWC Crane. Contact Kathy at the learning center at 812-295-

2674 to register.

Résumé Assistance II will be offered on December 14 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and cost is \$50. This course is for those who have completed Résumé Assistance-Level One and provides information on how to complete a résumé using skill sets and how to tailor job searches.

### Overcomer's group

Indiana Drug Education and Awareness Solutions are conducting an ongoing Overcomer's Recovery Support Group at the center. Meetings are held every Tuesday evening from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and newcomers are invited. There is no cost for participation. For further information, contact Jason Underhill at 812-653-1908.

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Do you know someone who could use some help with his or her reading skills? Anyone interested is encouraged to contact SOAR! at 812-709-1618 for further information.

For GED-Adult Basic Education, call Vicki Conrad at 812-936-2881 or 812-606-2056.

### Coming soon!

The New Year will be here before we know it, and along with a new year comes a new set of classes. In the works are more computer applications courses, résumé classes, Microsoft programs classes, fitness/aerobics classes, music, and more. Keep an eye on the newspapers and website for further updates. The learning center is here to serve the community; call and let us know how we can best serve you!

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### Office hours

Monday through Thursday 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



## LOOGOOTE ELEMNTARY WEST

### Breakfast

Thursday, December 9

Cereal, sausage, muffin

Friday, December 10

Sausage, egg, biscuit, juice

Monday, December 13

French toast, sausage, juice

Tuesday, December 14

Breakfast pizza, hash browns, juice

Wednesday, December 15

Biscuit, gravy, sausage, fruit

### Lunch

Thursday, December 9

Hot dogs, mixed vegetables, applesauce, cookie

Friday, December 10

Sloppy Joe, corn, mixed fruit

Monday, December 13

Chicken sandwich, peas and carrots, pineapple, cottage cheese

Tuesday, December 14

Hamburgers, French fries, cheese, pears

Wednesday, December 15

Chicken nuggets, green beans, apple-sauce, bread

## LOOGOOTE INTERMEDIATE AND HIGH SCHOOL

### Lunch

Thursday, December 9

Chicken noodle soup or pizza, cheese and crackers, peanut butter and jelly, fruit, salad plate, milk

Friday, December 10

Hamburger or pizza, French fries, mixed vegetables, fruit, salad plate, milk

Monday, December 13

Subs or pizza, baked beans, cottage cheese, fruit, chips, salad plate, milk

Tuesday, December 14

Popcorn chicken or pizza, tossed salad, carrots, fruit, salad plate, milk

Wednesday, December 15

Turkey dressing or pizza, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, salad plate, milk

## SHOALS SCHOOLS

### Breakfast

Thursday, December 9

Cereal, muffins, cheese, milk

Friday, December 10

Egg wrap, potato triangle, milk

Monday, December 13

Cereal, yogurt, juice, milk

Tuesday, December 14

Pancakes with syrup, sausage, juice, milk

Wednesday, December 15

Egg with biscuit and jelly, juice, milk

### Lunch

Thursday, December 9

Chicken noodles, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, milk; choice 4-12: pepperoni pizza

Friday, December 10

Sloppy Joe sandwich, buttered corn, apple crisp, milk; choice 4-12: corn dog

Monday, December 13

Hot dog sandwich, French fries, fruit, cookies, milk

Tuesday, December 14

Grilled chicken breast, mashed potatoes, California blend vegetables, roll, milk; choice 4-12: cheese pizza

Wednesday, December 15

Spaghetti with beef, corn, fruit, garlic bread, milk; choice 4-12: sausage pizza



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## Thanksgiving feast

Mrs. Hawkins' and Mrs. Burch's classes at Shoals Elementary recently enjoyed a Thanksgiving feast together with each student bringing in an item to eat. These first and fourth graders get together each week to read, play games, do science or math activities, and much more. Pictured on the right side of the table, from right to left, are Ele Neely, Carter Roush, Kieara Craig, Levi Albright, and Abby Sorrells. On the left side of the table, from right to left, are Maddy Gaines, Chase Fromme, Angel Hampton, Klayton Tichenor, and Amber Fields.



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## Star Students . . .

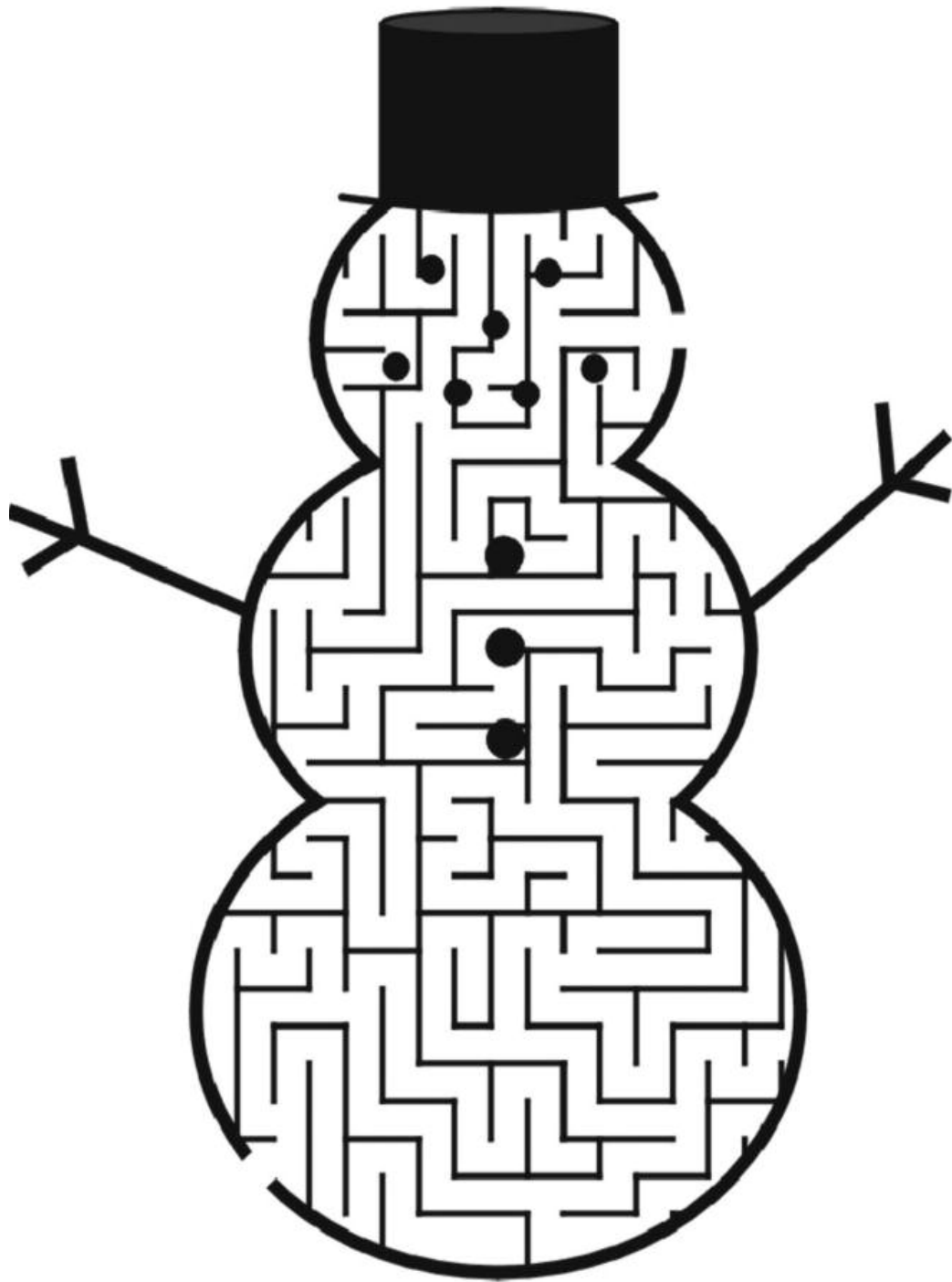
Shoals Elementary students Caleb Belcher, Katrina Sipes, Harley Spurgeon, Evan Wagonner, Tanner Doane, and Jacob Harrison line up to receive ice cream during the Star Student Celebration. Students who are honor roll recipients are recognized throughout the school year for their hard work with parties and other special activities.

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Winter Word Search

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| blizzard   | iceberg    | skis      |
| boots      | icicles    | sled      |
| coat       | igloo      | sleet     |
| cold       | jacket     | slippery  |
| flurries   | mittens    | slush     |
| footprints | penguin    | snowball  |
| freezing   | plow       | snowflake |
| frost      | polar bear | snowman   |
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| hat        | shovel     | toboggan  |
| hockey     | skates     | winter    |



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Nickname: The Natural State

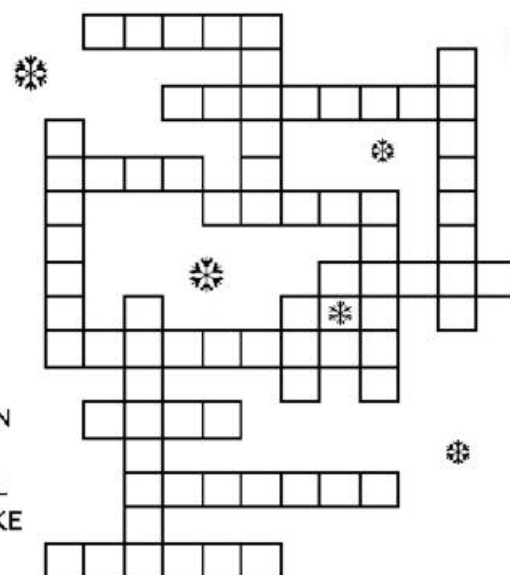
Motto: The People Rule



4. James Madison 1809-1817

Winter Crossword

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 SLIPPERY  
 SNOWBALL  
 SNOWFLAKE



Find the spot where each word fits. Use each word only once.

