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2010 - A look back in headlines

March

Stimulus to purchase leased county building
 Recycling center expands
 Loogootee Schools looking at all options to cut back spending
 Eric Wade chosen as new veterans' service officer
 Log jams to be cleaned up; veterans' service officer appointed
 Highway department in trouble with funding, requests wheel tax imposed
 Senate approves bill to eliminate township boards
 Printing Express opens its doors in Loogootee
 New baby girl for Nolan family (Lauren Nichole daughter of Steve and Amanda Nolan)
 Shoals residents upset about police presence
 City employee manual sparks lively debate at Loogootee council meeting
 Redevelopment commission, SWCD go in to help Shoals fire station
 City of Loogootee employee health insur-

ance rises again
 Fire on Main Street, Shoals (Tammy Carrico residence)
 Loogootee Board of Works hires dispatcher (Lindsey Yokem)
 Loogootee Sixth Grade Band holds third-ever concert
 Recycling center talks trash; seven million pounds of it
 Daviess-Martin Joint Park Board releases 5-year plan
 Martin County's jobless rate one of state's five lowest
 January Roush voted as Psi Ote of the year; flower sales underway
 Martin County Ag Day going on this weekend at fairgrounds
 Shoals, Loogootee participate in Blue Chip Academic Bowl
 Two more Loogootee Schools staff to retire; two coaches resign (John Drake, Virginia Street, Phil Goodpaster, and Tyler Walton)
 Shoals Fire Station not moving
 Commissioners don't want new tax but options limited

Hunters will soon flock to the woods for mushroom season
 Development continues at Westgate
 Martin County Ag Day celebrated last weekend
 So, what exactly is the Martin County Local Coordinating Council?
 Martin County falls one spot in state's unemployment ranking
 Local law enforcement perform dangerous intruder simulation at Shoals High School
 It's a girl . . . (Emilyn Joyce Sparks was born February 12, 2010 to Todd and Jennifer (Divine) Sparks)

April

Shoals senior heads to cooking competi-

tion (Damien Englert)
 County council unanimously votes down wheel tax request
 Martin County Community Foundation announces Lilly Scholars (Heather Tinkle, Shoals and Misty Bough, Loogootee)
 Kentucky native publishes book about mountain life (Co-authored by the late Mike Sheetz of Shoals)
 Local Coordinating Council awards \$9,500 in grant money
 Misty's This and That opens on Mill Street in Loogootee
 Touch screen voting machines to be introduced at primary election
 Crane and Mitcheltree awarded HAVA
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Those we lost in 2010 but who will never be forgotten

Betty Lewis (7-27-28 to 2-10-10)
 Ernest M. Pridemore (9-22-17 to 3-23-10)
 Gary W. Raney (3-25-52 to 3-26-10)
 Shaya Nicole Tompkins (3-28-10 to 3-28-10)
 Lee W. Inman (7-31-47 to 3-29-10)
 Ruth W. "Curley" Wray (8-17-22 to 3-31-10)
 Angel Evans (7-31-76 to 3-31-10)
 Jane Montgomery (9-10-25 to 4-2-10)
 Martha H. Blake (7-2-29 to 4-4-10)
 R. Jeannette Snow (2-19-17 to 4-4-10)
 Carlis Craft (6-18-47 to 4-8-10)
 Helen L. Ellis (8-12-36 to 4-8-10)
 Wilma Jean Winger (8-25-34 to 4-10-10)
 William "Tiger" Napier (8-31-66 to 4-11-10)
 Ora Hamilton (3-24-25 to 4-13-10)
 Jewell E. Gilbert (11-11-23 to 4-14-10)
 Blanche Bowden (3-12-21 to 4-15-10)
 David L. Baker (7-26-45 to 4-16-10)
 Carl Elliott (1-28-29 to 4-17-10)
 Montine Taber (6-24-20 to 4-17-10)
 Orville Roach Jr. (8-23-27 to 4-22-10)
 Maggie Hoover (1-20-11 to 4-23-10)
 Jonathan Denny (10-5-81 to 4-25-10)
 Vera Crowder (9-1-36 to 4-30-10)
 Charles Tomey (5-3-10)
 Camilla "Shorty" Rayhill (7-8-41 to 5-4-10)
 Glen E. Yoder (5-4-32 to 5-5-10)
 Randy Joe Baker (10-13-59 to 5-7-10)
 William Hardin (5-30-40 to 5-8-10)
 Edwin "Sonny" Smith (5-10-10)
 Patty Hert (5-14-10)
 William G. Goldsberry Sr. (5-3-43 to 5-11-10)
 Rolan Wilson (5-27-05 to 5-17-10)
 Lisha Dant (5-4-60 to 5-17-10)
 William Wilson (2-13-32 to 5-25-10)
 Billie Nora Ann Hudson (10-19-34 to 5-27-10)
 Alfred Lee Earl (10-10-29 to 5-28-10)
 Lucy Lagle (12-6-22 to 5-28-10)
 Lucille Strange (3-3-13 to 5-29-10)
 Edith Hoffman (6-9-23 to 5-30-10)
 Vernon Reising (7-26-21 to 6-1-10)
 Mary L. Wildman (9-2-24 to 6-3-10)
 Pat Williams (6-4-21 to 6-4-10)
 Daniel J. "Danny" Daily (9-16-62 to 6-5-10)
 Mary Ann Hargis (11-18-35 to 6-8-10)
 Juanita June Hannah (3-1-33 to 6-9-10)
 Delema Sanders (8-16-32 to 6-12-10)
 Dorothy Beasley (2-24-32 to 6-13-10)
 Don Johnson (8-11-36 to 6-17-10)
 Norma Daily (9-10-32 to 6-18-10)
 Wilbur Knepp (5-20-60 to 6-28-10)
 James "Jim" Schnarr (5-31-43 to 6-29-10)
 Gloria Ziegler (5-22-45 to 7-2-10)
 Hannah Brace (7-2-99 to 7-7-10)
 Francis Hagerty (3-25-21 to 7-9-10)
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-Photos provided

Vernon Thurby, of Evansville, was operating a 2000 Freightliner on Hwy 231 outside Loogootee when he drifted off the roadway and lost control of the semi. Thurby was airlifted to Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.



Semi rolls over on Hwy. 231

Yesterday, at approximately 9:40 a.m., Vernon W. Thurby, 38, of Evansville, was traveling northbound on U.S. 231, about half a mile north of Loogootee. He was operating a 2000 Freightliner, registered to Gibco Motor Express of Evansville, when the tractor trailer drifted off the roadway and onto the shoulder. Thurby stated he was unable to regain control of the vehicle and it traveled approximately 243 feet before overturning down an embankment. The trailer then became separated from the cab. The trailer rolled approximately two times, breaking a utility pole in half and spilling its load of coal. The cab rolled several times

before coming to a rest on its wheels. Thurby was able to crawl out of the wreckage through a hole in the roof of the cab. He sustained unknown internal injuries and was initially transported to Daviess Community Hospital where he was then airlifted to Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. Investigating officer was Deputy Steven D. Nolan. Assisting at the scene was Martin County Sheriff Tony Dant, Loogootee Police Chief Kelly Rayhill, ISP Trooper Ken Miller, Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense, G & M Wrecker and Tri-State Towing of Evansville.

Thank You All

I would like to thank these individuals and businesses who chose to place a Christmas greeting in the Martin County Journal on December 22nd to benefit the Martin County Humane Society.

Karen Hickman
 Bobbi Sue Nonte and family
 Gus Haag
 Missy Kneip
 Kitty Carpenter
 Jason Wagoner
 Adam and Charity (Truelove) Kantz
 Tina Holder Photography
 Omer Chiropractic

Bailey Bros. Used Cars
 Loughmiller Machine, Tool & Design
 Southern Indiana Steel
 Loogootee Collision Center
 Urgent Care of Martin County
 First National Bank of Odon
 Martin County Video
 HHH Massage
 Hoosier Uplands
 Greene's Body Shop
 Builder's Best
 Muffler Menders
 The Bridal Room
 Daviess-Martin REMC

HEADLINES

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grants
 “Seven Brides for Seven Brothers” this weekend at LHS
 4-H hosts shooting sports discipline class
 Shoals School Board approves cuts to help offset budget troubles
 Loogootee City Council discusses health insurance, purchases lot next to park
 Farmers’ market big kick-off to be held next month
 Indiana Department of Environmental Management visits East
 Musical performed last weekend at LHS
 Fate of East to be voted on Saturday
 Martin County’s unemployment rate unchanged from February to April
 Loogootee ends a chapter with closing of Elementary East
 Couple stops in Shoals on their 3,000-mile trek across the U.S.
 Elementary East sixth graders put on Ecology Fair
 Martina Stevens wins Tar Wars Poster Contest

May

Boyd, Street to face off for sheriff in November
 New Martin County business (My Mommy’s Garden and Greenhouse opens)
 Third graders take a tour of the Martin County Security Center
 Former Loogootee residents recover from flooding in their home of Nashville, TN
 Loogootee City Council divided again over employees’ health insurance cost
 Local scouts ‘take Pride in America’ at Lake Monroe
 Mountain lion confirmed in rural Greene County
 Shoals High School Interdisciplinary team is state champions
 Commissioners to help community foundation with operating expenses
 Shoals School Board changes handbook policies
 Redevelopment commission discusses possibility of zoning
 Title I at Shoals reduced to kindergarten through sixth
 Jasper Police looking for Loogootee man suspected of armed robbery
 Farmers’ market to begin this Saturday in Shoals
 Commissioners consider wellness program for county employees
 Loogootee fifth graders participate in Project L.E.A.D.
 Loogootee Bands honored at spring concert
 Loogootee teacher says goodbye after 31 years (Roberta Williams)
 Loogootee graduate releases album, “The First Sessions”
 Martin County’s unemployment rate falls .7 percent in April
 Loogootee sixth graders honored at awards night
 Tickets available for 35th Annual Loogootee Schools Alumni Banquet
 Shoals High School has talent at show last week

June

Goodbye Elementary East
 Two bridges in Martin County don’t fare well in bridge inspection
 Help control the cat population in Martin County - June is Adopt-A-Cat Month
 St. Joseph Church almost repaired
 Loogootee and Shoals Classes of 2010 graduate
 Shoals fifth graders participate in Project L.E.A.D.
 Loogootee third graders throw year-end party
 Dalton Bridgewater wins David Deuter Memorial Essay Contest
 \$6,000 earmarked by commissioners sparks debate on council’s role
 SummerFest to kick off Saturday with Queen Contest at high school
 Krista King and Cam Truelove to exchange vows this weekend in Odon
 Shoals School Board talks more on student handbooks
 Loogootee Public Works Board hears

about several complaints
 City council goes over packed agenda
 Fire station open house
 4th Annual Fallen Officers Blood Drive comes to Martin County
 Shoals athletes honored at awards banquet
 Damon Bailey basketball campers honored with medals
 Scholarships awarded through foundation donations
 Bo-Mac’s celebrating 50th Anniversary
 Martin County’s unemployment rate tied for third lowest
 Loogootee students break records with ISTEP+ scores
 Martin County Commissioners discuss roads, jail repairs, other issues at meeting
 Summer fun at the 2010 SummerFest
 Former Loogootee resident hopes to publish her poetry
 Irate resident lashes out at commissioners
 25th Catfish Festival to begin tomorrow night
 Class ring found after lost for 43 years
 B & B Show Stock earns Grand Champion at American Boer Goat Association’s National Show

July

Laura Albertson - making a difference in Martin County
 Celebrating the 4th
 2010 Martin County 4-H Fair starts tomorrow night with queen contest
 Commissioners hold special meeting for assistance appeal
 Loogootee City Council to add \$10 surcharge to bills of homes outside city limits
 2010 Miss Martin County Ashley Hawkins
 Shoals School Board prepares for 2010-11 school year at meeting
 New Loogootee School Board members take oath; East secretary says goodbye (Board members Shawn Howell and Larry Craney and East secretary Nancy Summers)
 Board of public works to make decision on suspended employee
 Fair ends last night with livestock auction
 SIDC brings \$1.8 million in grants to Martin County over past year
 Nancy Steiner – Getting to know your county auditor
 Martin County in three-way tie for second lowest jobless rate in state
 Redevelopment Commission approves budget, talks funding
 Chamber Tourism Committee holds first familiarization tour of the county
 Community foundation hands out nine checks last week
 Garrett Bateman participates in Indiana Top 100 Showcase
 New building coming to tech park requests tax abatement
 Midwestern Engineers hired to get ball rolling on jail work
 Preliminary plan in place to help with traffic congestion at Loogootee Schools
 Federal EDA awards \$6.6 million to WestGate, SIDC to help fund academy
 “Klickers” knit/crochet group for charity begins seventh year

August

Learning center in need of funding help again; Gonzales says goodbye
 County to establish resolution honoring the late Gene Shaw
 Jasper man flees from police in Martin County
 Shoals scouts swim, work on rank requirements at Loogootee City Pool
 City council passes \$10 surcharge despite adverse opinions from customers
 Perfect Fit in Loogootee to close its doors December 31
 Kelly (Albertson) Baker hired as public health coordinator
 Learning center has new coordinator (Kathy Kerr)
 Shoals School Board changes lunch charge policy, approves personnel
 Loogootee School Board holds short meeting, happy with new traffic plan
 First Ray Clark Memorial Scholarship awarded in May

Engineers go over log jams with commissioners
 Martin County has third lowest jobless rate in the state
 Police eradicate 145 marijuana plants
 Tech park buzzing with activity
 37th Annual Jones Reunion held August 14
 Martin County Democrats hold first golf scramble

September

Council cuts \$580,000 from county budget
 Choice Realty comes to Martin County
 \$200 reward for info on theft at Trinity’s Mustering Elm Park
 Sheriff wants synthetic marijuana “K2 Spice” banned from the county
 Dan Gregory - getting to know one commissioner
 Chambers’ Music Store comes to Loogootee, lessons offered
 Country Lace Flowers and Gifts remodeled and now open in Shoals
 Four arrested in Loogootee for meth
 Tea Party to feature Rivoli Revue and MarCo singers
 Strange-O’Maley reunion held in Loogootee Saturday
 Community foundation awards non-traditional scholarships
 Truelove-Karcz announce engagement
 Less than half of students pass Algebra assessment test at Shoals, 93 percent pass English
 Dr. Brooke Hawkins joins with Omer Chiropractic in Loogootee
 City council discusses trash dumping, political signs, other monthly business
 Loogootee Works Board hires part-time dispatcher (Linda Ledgerwood Ellis)
 Martin Co. Humane Society recognizes Adopt-a-Less Adoptable Pet Week
 Martin County to host mini-job fairs for Perfect Fit employees and other community residents
 Martin County Chamber to host Community Expo
 “It’s No Party” party planned for this weekend
 Martin County Council approves budget with a couple changes
 Commissioners set burn ban, highway secretary resigns
 Shoals School Board discusses remediation, eliminates milk breaks
 Loogootee School Board goes over assessment scores and new budget
 Redevelopment Commission hears about efforts to employ residents
 Fatal accident in Martin County
 Martin County’s unemployment rate goes unchanged from July to August
 Recycling center sets date for Fall Clean-up
 Nostalgia Basketball game to be held again this year, players needed
 60th Anniversary for Louie and Donna Petit
 Loogootee’s Jackson Young lends a hand to Gilda’s Club
 Perfect Fit misled leaders to receive tax incentives
 Lt. Governor Skillman awards Shoals and Crane with \$1.6 million in grants

October

1st Annual Jug Rock Festival this weekend
 Elected officials’ salaries compared
 Job fairs successful, burn ban still in effect
 Loogootee residents asked to ration water to prevent future usage ban
 Ashley Graber – Getting to know your WB pharmacist
 “Inflatable” auction to benefit the Martin Co. Humane Society
 Job fairs yield over 135 jobs for residents
 Grant secured by chief deputy
 Martin County Democrats hold annual ham and bean dinner
 LHS Band spooks out
 Martin County Tax Sale nets \$75,462 from 85 properties
 County closer to sheltering homeless pets
 Community Expo going on Saturday at

the fairgrounds
 Shoals School Board discusses eliminating a bus route
 Shoals Booster Club Fall Festival set for October 30
 Two employees leaving LHS; resident questions her freedom of speech rights (employees Lori Graves and Jason Wagoner)
 Martin County’s jobless rate sits at 6.9 percent for September
 Clerk candidates face off with rebuttals
 Shoals fourth graders learn about energy safety
 Contract awards announced today for I-69 Corridor

November

Street, Ellis, Fithian win in General Election
 Martin County voter turnout compared to the state average
 4-H Junior Leaders hold their annual haunted attic
 MCCF presents challenge grant to Ivy Tech
 Loogootee residents collect gifts for the world’s largest Christmas project
 Sonny Flock and Cassie Davis to wed November 13 in New Albany
 Fifth graders perform musical “Making A Difference”
 Loogootee band members to perform in All-District Honor Band at VU
 Wilcoxon is new veterans’ service officer, bridge inspection report approved
 Saw mill continues to burn after six weeks
 Shoals School Board will not close bus route
 LHS Band at IU
 Annual stroll: Celebrating a Martin County Christmas
 County council okays end-of-the year transfers and additional money requests
 Increased seat belt, impaired driving patrols coming to Martin County
 Shoals athletes honored at fall awards banquet
 Lions vs. Rox repeat at nostalgia basketball game
 Loogootee beats Shoals in men’s nostalgia game
 Pielemeier steps down as Loogootee Fire Chief, Morgan Huebner chosen as replacement
 Loogootee native Scot Greenwell to star in The Santaland Diaries
 Shoals School Board approves personnel changes, field trips
 Loogootee Council leases land to humane society for a dollar
 Community foundation holds annual dinner
 Martin County’s jobless rate stays at 6.9 percent
 Loogootee School Board hears about conventions, receives tobacco-free campus award
 Commissioners lift burn ban, open supply bids

December

Christmas Stroll tomorrow night
 Humane society rescues mother dog, 19 puppies
 Commissioners discuss dog tax, tech park snow removal, other business
 County’s budget must be cut by another half million
 Semi overturns on U.S. 50
 Mr. Fountain’s 3rd graders at Loogootee fill eight shoeboxes
 County council sifts through budget line by line, dollar by dollar
 Commissioners work out health insurance for county employees
 Parent talks to Shoals School Board about math concerns
 Loogootee Mayor publicizes \$10,000 anonymous donation to humane society
 Martin County Soil and Water receives \$7,000 Clean Water Indiana grant
 Indiana’s population up 6.6 percent since 2000 Census
 Loogootee School Board holds very quick meeting
 County adds 33 residents to the jobless column for November

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

JOHN BROWN

John E. Brown died at 4 a.m. Wednesday, December 22, 2010 at the Loogootee Nursing Center. A resident of Shoals, he was 85.

He was born June 10, 1925, in Shoals; the son of James L. and Rosabelle (Neighbors) Brown. He married Carrie Elizabeth "Betty" (Arvin) Brown on April 3, 1948 at St. Mary of The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Shoals. She preceded him in death on December 15, 2010. John was a farmer and worked in construction. He was proud to have sown the first crop of fescue in Martin County. He was also a member of the Carpenter's Local Union No. 64 of Louisville. He was an avid collector of tractors and was very proud of his collection of Covaires. He was a 1943 graduate of Shoals High School and attended Murray State University in Kentucky. He was a veteran of the United States Navy and received an appointment to the Annapolis Naval Academy. He was a member of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and was awarded the Brute by Bishop Gettlefinger.

He is survived by one daughter, Lisa (David) Golay-Hicks of Louisville, Kentucky; one son, Patrick Brown of Loogootee; one grandson Benjamin Golay of Ithaca, New York; one sister, Nancy Baker of Shoals; and several nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by one sister, Mary Frances Miller and one brother, James Brown.

The funeral was held Monday, December 27 at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Shoals. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals was in charge of arrangements. Preferred memorials are to the Alzheimer's Association.

PAUL BRUNER

Paul J. Bruner, formerly of Loogootee, died at 1:30 a.m. Friday, December 24, 2010 at his home. A resident of Jeffersonville, Indiana, he was 57.

He was born February 23, 1953 in Loogootee; the son of Paul R. and Carol (Gates) Bruner. He was a member of the U.S. Navy and a Vietnam Veteran, and worked for the Jeffersonville Postal Service for 22 years and was a member of the APWU Postal Union.

He was a graduate of Loogootee High

School Class of 1971 and was a guard for the Loogootee Lions' Basketball team in 1970 and 1971 that went to the Indiana State Championship Finals. He is also a member of the Wooden View Golf Club in Jeffersonville, Indiana

He is survived by his wife, Patricia (Leech) Bruner of Jeffersonville; two daughters, Mrs. Jerry (Sheryl) Hudson of Jasper and Mrs. Robert (Debra) Miller of Louisville, Kentucky; one son, Larry J. Fromme Jr. and his wife Tina of Jasper; seven grandchildren, his mother, Carol Cabel of Washington, his father and step-mother, Paul R. and Judith Bruner of Loogootee, one brother, David Bruner of Vincennes, two sisters, Deborah McKibben of Washington and Mrs. John (Shirley) Stangle of Vincennes.



PAUL BRUNER

He was preceded in death by his step-father Eugene "Doc" Cabel.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 28 in St. Joseph Catholic Church with private family burial services later. V.F.W. Post # 673 in Jasper conducted military rites.

Becher & Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper were in charge of arrangements.

SHERRY SEALS

Sherry Lynn Seals passed away on December 22, 2010 at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 52.

She was born on July 14, 1958 in Daviess County; the daughter of John and Shirley (Brassine) Bratton.

She married Larry Seals on June 5, 1993, and he survives.

She was a member of the Shoals High School Class of 1976 and was employed by Perfect Fit in Loogootee. She was of the Christian Faith.

She is also survived by one daughter, Jill Lake of Shoals; three grandsons, Wyatt Sipes, Zane Lake, and Remington Lake; her mother, Shirley Bratton of Shoals; two sisters, Cathy (Dennis) Seals of Loogootee and Carrie (John) Gabhart of Trinity Springs; her



SHERRY SEALS

mother-in-law, Irene Seals of Loogootee; six nieces, two nephews, several aunts, uncles, cousins, and a host of friends.

She is preceded in death by her father, John Bratton, two brothers, Robert and John "Tater" Bratton, and her father-in-law, Wilson Seals.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, December 28 at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals, with Bro. Kris Beasley officiating. Burial was in Trinity Springs Cemetery

Preferred memorials to Hoosier Uplands Hospice.

LEO JONES

Leo R. Jones, formerly of Jones Lane in Shoals, passed away at 5:15 p.m. on December 24, 2010 at the Homeview Health and Rehab Center in Franklin. A resident of Franklin, he was 86.

He was born on October 8, 1924 in Martin County; the son of Orville H. and Minnie Mae (Winniger) Jones. He married Mary E. Lynch in Shoals in 1948 and she preceded him in death on October 17, 2002. Leo was a retired farmer, and a faithful member of the Shoals Christian Church, where he formerly served as deacon. He was a member of the Martin County Farm Bureau, and a former member of the Bateman Community Center Board of Directors.

He is survived by two daughters, Cheryl Lee Jones of Vincennes and Anita Tuttle of Arlington, Virginia; one son, Mike and Laudonna Jones of Franklin; two grandsons, Christopher (Jennifer) Jones of Chesterton and Tyler Tuttle of Shoals; one granddaughter, Sarah Jones of Franklin; one great granddaughter Rebecca Jones of Chesterton; and one uncle, Leo (Gladys) Jones of Shoals.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Rebecca; one son, John Jones; one brother, Robert; and one sister, Josephine Jones.

Visitation will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals, with funeral

services to be held on Thursday at 11 a.m. at the chapel. Burial will be in Springhill Cemetery at a later date.

Preferred memorials to the Shoals Christian Church.

MARY STOLL

Mary Stoll died at 6 p.m. Thursday, December 23, 2010 at her home. A resident of Montgomery, she was 86.

She was born June 6, 1924, in Daviess County; the daughter of Peter E. and Lavinia (Graber) Wagler. She married Fred Stoll on August 4, 1942 and he preceded her in death on January 13, 1988. She was a member of Fair Haven Mennonite Church in Montgomery. She is survived by one brother and sister-in-law, Ezra and Lillie Wagler of Loogootee; one sister and brother-in-law, Lorene and Edwin Knepp of Loogootee; one sister-in-law, Elizabeth Swartzentruber of Montgomery; one brother-in-law, Ezra Knepp of Sarasota, Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by two sisters, Edith (Wagler) Knepp and Martha Wagler.

The funeral was at 9 a.m. Sunday at Fair Haven Mennonite Church. Burial was in Zion Amish Mennonite Church Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Brocksmith-Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

SANDRA THARP

Sandra RaNell Tharp passed away on December 22, 2010 from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident on Hwy 50 West of Shoals. A resident of Shoals, she was 49.

She was born on December 25, 1960 in Enid Oklahoma; the daughter of J.R. and Ruth (Morrow) Lumm. She married Marvin Tharp in 1993, and he preceded her in death on December 16, 2010. She was a homemaker, and had received an A.S. degree in Medical Assisting.

Other survivors include a son, Jesse and Tabitha Lumm of Bicknell; grandson, Steven Trey Lumm of Bicknell; her parents, J.R. and Ruth Lumm of Shoals; brother Mark Lumm of Shoals; sister, Cheryl Lumm of Shoals; nephew Levi and niece Jessica.

She was preceded in death by her first husband Ronald Harris.

2010 OBITUARIES

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Lincoln Strange (7-10-10 to 7-10-10)
Susan Jan Sanders (2-1-51 to 7-19-10)
Gwen Sanders (1-1-79 to 7-20-10)
Paul "Gene" Shaw (1-16-33 to 7-20-10)
Charles Robert Payne (10-12-58 to 7-22-10)
Sharon Wagoner (1-25-58 to 7-22-10)
Noah "Nick" Graber (5-31-35 to 7-25-10)
Laverne Heironimus (9-4-19 to 7-25-10)
Wesley F. Cooper (9-6-29 to 7-28-10)
Jewell Canary (11-14-21 to 7-30-10)
Naomi Brassine (8-1-10)
Carson Tyler Warne (9-9-09 to 8-2-10)
Clayton "Al" Coleman (4-29-20 to 8-2-10)
Marilyn Wade (8-9-38 to 8-3-10)
Cecil Pennington (3-21-41 to 8-4-10)
Joseph Soeder (7-15-16 to 8-4-10)
Jim Ellis (12-11-37 to 8-5-10)
Charles Beaty (1-20-37 to 8-8-10)
James "Jim" Dobson (12-19-29 to 8-10-10)
Alvin Swartzentruber (12-16-36 to 8-12-10)
Nancy York (6-22-42 to 8-13-10)
Charles Dant (8-14-10)
Judy Hager (7-22-46 to 8-17-10)
Abraham G. Knepp (6-19-26 to 8-18-10)
Wilma Sargent (11-20-19 to 8-18-10)
Larry Boyd (10-25-46 to 8-19-10)
Dianna Jean Long (12-28-35 to 8-20-10)
Virginia Winniger (2-4-28 to 8-20-10)
Ramona Walton (5-13-47 to 8-21-10)
Marcia Helen Kruchten (8-15-32 to 8-21-

10)
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Kenneth Heironimus (2-7-16 to 8-22-10)
Richard Kerns (2-17-44 to 8-26-10)
Barbara Kaiser (7-28-34 to 8-28-10)
Mary Hawkins (7-21-19 to 9-2-10)
Rita A. Sutton (8-19-37 to 9-3-10)
Bertha Dunbar (2-28-15 to 9-4-10)
James E. Taylor Sr. (3-18-45 to 9-10-10)
John "JD" Smith (9-21-48 to 9-11-10)
Maxine Huebner (10-14-24 to 9-13-10)
Jeraldine Nelson (4-26-35 to 9-13-10)
Leslie Kail (1-11-25 to 9-16-10)
Lisa Lents (3-4-57 to 9-16-10)
James Richardson (12-5-41 to 9-17-10)
Virginia D. Apple (5-28-30 to 9-19-10)
Kathleen Drake (1-23-60 to 9-19-10)
Byron Crane (4-29-25 to 9-20-10)
Betty Stine (11-3-23 to 9-20-10)
Bobbie Jo Jones (8-16-71 to 9-20-10)
Lester Padgett (5-29-25 to 9-20-10)
Caleb Knepp (9-22-10 to 9-22-10)
John Raber (4-27-21 to 9-23-10)
Georgia Strange (6-22-29 to 9-24-10)
Frank "Judge" Fee Sr. (7-11-27 to 9-24-10)
Mary (Wittmer) Wagler (2-24-26 to 9-26-10)
Chance Callahan (9-27-10 to 9-27-10)
Helen Benell (5-8-15 to 9-29-10)
Floyd Harper (8-6-21 to 9-30-10)
Ova Baxter (10-12-13 to 10-2-10)
Carolyn Qualkenbush (7-4-34 to 10-3-10)
Meredith Coleman Sr. (5-3-36 to 10-6-10)
Delbert Fuhrman (7-24-33 to 10-7-10)

Marlin Jay Graber (2-7-79 to 10-8-10)
Diana Taylor (12-11-46 to 10-8-10)
Virginia Hart (12-10-23 to 10-11-10)
Nannie Tharp (12-7-26 to 10-11-10)
Ada Buffington (7-27-29 to 10-14-10)
Beulah Faye Somers (5-23-19 to 10-16-10)
George "Gale" Chestnut (7-15-24 to 10-18-10)
Eva Doyle (10-19-23 to 10-20-10)
Joan Frye (3-1-32 to 10-20-10)
Dorothy Neukam (9-16-23 to 10-23-10)
Maxine Riggins (11-7-18 to 10-25-10)
Janet Lou Conklin (7-17-44 to 10-26-10)
Don Holmes (8-8-26 to 10-26-10)
Samuel Gaines (4-1-36 to 10-27-10)
William Carl Weeks (10-27-10)
Brian Lucas (9-4-76 to 11-1-10)
Mary Cissell (4-30-30 to 11-2-10)
Stephen Michael Smith Sr. (9-7-48 to 11-6-10)
Kerry Rose (4-8-54 to 11-7-10)
Katherine Roy (12-4-47 to 11-8-10)
Martha Blessinger (11-19-52 to 11-9-10)
Ruth "Maxine" Reinhart (4-3-22 to 11-10-10)
Ryan Baker (8-23-90 to 11-11-10)
Chester Burress (2-4-25 to 11-13-10)
Roberta "Bertie" Wildman (11-11-30 to 11-13-10)
Noah B. Wagler (2-13-44 to 11-15-10)
John D. Wagler Sr. (4-30-41 to 11-15-10)
William Eugene Gibbs (4-7-26 to 11-15-10)
Wilma Bateman (12-23-36 to 11-15-10)

Ray L. Porter (7-25-25 to 11-15-10)
Elmer "Sonny" Cox (3-28-19 to 11-16-10)
Charles "Posse" Hellums (3-4-24 to 11-18-10)
Samuel Andis (11-23-25 to 11-23-10)
Clifford Walls (9-3-35 to 11-24-10)
Frederick "Freddie" Hurt (11-21-62 to 11-25-10)
Anna Kollmeyer (3-27-20 to 11-27-10)
Laszlo "Les" Szabo (6-21-34 to 11-29-10)
Tammra Dyann Arvin (9-23-72 to 12-1-10)
Fred Swickard (5-2-28 to 12-2-10)
Mary Louise English (10-28-22 to 12-5-10)
Ronald David Lents (10-26-46 to 12-5-10)
Cindy K. Martin (9-17-59 to 12-8-10)
Judith (Strawn) Wease (6-19-49 to 12-8-10)
David Gingerich Jr. (12-13-18 to 12-9-10)
Lillian Davis (2-14-31 to 12-13-10)
Elnora Tedrow (6-16-19 to 12-14-10)
Hazel "Gene" Cropp (8-31-15 to 12-14-10)
Carrie "Betty" Brown (4-13-27 to 12-15-10)
Martin Tharp (2-25-49 to 12-16-10)
John Brown (6-10-25 to 12-22-10)
Sherry Seals (7-14-58 to 12-22-10)
Sandra Tharp (12-25-60 to 12-22-10)
Mary Stoll (6-6-24 to 12-23-10)
Leo Jones (10-8-24 to 12-24-10)

Martin County Sheriff's Department log

Sunday, December 19

7:22 p.m. - Received a complaint of someone shining a spotlight in his yard.

8:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10: 53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Lundy Road. No transport was necessary.

Monday, December 20

12:04 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance on Misty Road.

5:47 a.m. - Received a report of a chimney fire in Daviess County. Daviess County was contacted.

6:41 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on U.S. 50, east of Shoals.

11:45 a.m. - A male caller reported that his credit card had been stolen a fraudulent transaction had been made.

1:24 p.m. - Received a report of a possible intoxicated subject on U.S. 150.

1:26 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 50 in Shoals.

4:55 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 231 in Loogootee.

6:21 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Burns City and the subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:38 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 50, east of Shoals.

Tuesday, December 21

10:45 a.m. - Received a report of a theft from a vehicle in Shoals.

12:49 p.m. - Received a report of a wounded raccoon in the area of Mt. Zion Church.

3:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Martin County Healthcare. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:00 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism to a vehicle in Crane Village.

7:22 p.m. - Received a call from Orange County Sheriff's Department requesting assistance with a juvenile case.

8:49 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Wednesday, December 22

12:10 a.m. - Received a request for assistance with a locked vehicle in Loogootee.

3:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Panhandle Road. The subject was transported to Bloomington Hospital of Orange County.

4:37 a.m. - Received a report of an accident just inside Orange County and they were advised.

12:10 p.m. - Received a request for assistance with a locked vehicle.

2:09 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on U.S. 50 near the Martin-Daviess County line.

2:39 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in at the Brosmer residence north of Loogootee.

4:52 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance on County Farm Road.

4:59 p.m. - Received a report of a personal injury accident on U.S. 50, west of Rama Dye Road. The accident resulted in a double fatality. The Martin County Sheriff's Department, Indiana State Police, and the Martin County Coroner investigated the accident.

7:14 p.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn on Indian Springs Road.

9:28 p.m. - Received a report of a possible runaway juvenile.

10:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane Village. The subject was transported to Dunn Memorial.

Thursday, December 23

12:13 a.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on S R. 450.

1:17 a.m. - Received a report of cows crossing the roadway on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

8:02 a.m. - Received a report of a house fire on County Farm Road.

9:54 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Sunset Trailer Court. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:30 a.m. - A female caller from Shoals reported meat stolen.

2:00 p.m. - Received call about problems with a neighbor.

2:07 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing.

2:49 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

6:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on S.R. 550. No transport was necessary.

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8:04 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check on a child in Shoals.

8:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Brooks House Road. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:37 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

Friday, December 24

6:10 a.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 231, south of Bramble.

10:30 a.m. - A male caller requested to speak with an officer about following up on a case.S

2:15 p.m. - Received a call from a subject in Shoals requesting to speak to an officer over a civil dispute.

4:25 p.m. - Received a call from a suicidal subject in the Loogootee area.

3:08 p.m. - Martin County Ambulance en route to a private call.

3:20 p.m. - Received a 911 call in reference to a verbal domestic in the Shoals area.

11:13 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Loogootee.

Saturday, December 25

7:05 a.m. - Received a call from Life Line (medical alarm company) advising that an elderly female set off her alarm in the Shoals area.

8:17 a.m. - Received several 911 calls in reference to a fire in Loogootee.

9:53 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in the Indian Springs area. Caller advised there is a female subject that is losing blood and weak.

10:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee for a juvenile with breathing difficulty.

1:35 p.m. - Received a 911 call advising that there is vehicle that slid off the road at

the intersection of Bellbrook and Bellgrade Roads.

1:44 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a vehicle at that slide-off on Powell Valley Road.

3:01 p.m. - Martin County Ambulance responded to Martin County Health Care for a person that fell.

4:10 p.m. - Received a report of a hit and run accident on Mt. Pleasant Road. No further information is available at this time.

5:01 p.m. - Received a call from W&H International (alarm company) advising that there is an alarm going off near the Martin County Learning Center.

5:28 p.m. - Received a call reporting hit and run.

8:29 p.m. - Received a call from an alarm company advising that there is a residential alarm on Hwy 50.

9:30 p.m. - Received a call from a homeowner on Chicken Farm Road. Caller advised that Chicken Farm Road is covered by a sheet of ice, making it impassible.

10:00 p.m. - Received a call from RJ's advising that there is a male subject who failed to pay.

11:16 p.m. - Received a 911 call advising that there is a suspicious vehicle on Hwy 50 near the Martin/Lawrence County line. Caller advised that the driver of the vehicle is possibly intoxicated.

Sunday, December 26

1:35 a.m. - Received a 911 hang-up call.

12:10 p.m. - Received a call from the Trinity Springs area. The caller advised that there is someone trespassing on his property.

4:14 p.m. - Received a call from Loogootee Police Department requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. The call is for a female that is bleeding for a surgical port.

6:49 p.m. - Received a 911 hang-up.

8:40 p.m. - Received a report of a car fire on Doe Run Lane.

Scam alert: People posing as Department of Child Services workers soliciting donations by phone

The Indiana Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division is warning Hoosiers that a person or group of people is posing as a representative of the Department of Child Services in order to fraudulently solicit charitable donations over the phone. Reports indicate the caller claims that someone in the home committed to a donation a month ago and this is a follow up call to confirm the donation. Some consumers have reported their caller i.d. display shows "Child Services" when the call is received. Government agencies or departments will never solicit charitable donations and these calls are a ploy to steal money, identities or both.

Deputy Attorney General Abigail Kuzma, Director of the Consumer Protection Division, offers these tips:

1. Don't be pressured into making a contribution. Ask the caller for written information on the charitable organization, including the charity's name, address, and telephone number. A legitimate charity should be willing to send you materials outlining the charity's purpose and how your donation will be used. You should check out the charity with some of the independent organizations that provide information on charities.

2. Watch out for charities with familiar sounding names. Some charitable organizations use names that are very similar to those of respected organizations. You should check with some of the independent organizations that provide information on charities to make sure you are donating to the correct charity.

3. Beware of callers who claim endorsement by the state. Under Indiana law, a person who solicits charitable contributions

may not use the fact of registration as an endorsement by the State of Indiana.

4. Be suspicious if a caller thanks you for making a pledge that you didn't make. If you have any doubt about whether you made a pledge, check your records. Beware of invoices claiming you've made a pledge when you know you have not. Do not share your social security number, bank account number, Medicare number or other personal information.

5. You can cancel a pledge prior to making a contribution. Under Indiana law, a contributor has the right to cancel a pledge for monetary contributions at any time prior to making the contribution.

"Government agencies, including DCS, can not and do not solicit donations ever. If you receive a call from someone saying otherwise, hang up. Scams disguised as charities are especially disheartening because not only do those making a donation lose, so do all the legitimate charities that could have put the money to good use benefiting our communities," Kuzma said. "It's important to ask questions and don't feel pressured to give. Any legitimate non-profit is going to be happy to provide you with more information about their services and programs so you can make an informed decision about donating."

Victims of scams in Indiana are encouraged to submit a complaint to the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division online at www.IndianaConsumer.com or by calling 1-800-382-5516. To reduce the number of unwanted telemarketing calls, sign up for Indiana's Do Not Call list or confirm a number is on the list by visiting www.IndianaConsumer.com or by calling 1-888-834-9969.

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Loogootee Police log

Monday, December 20

7:07 a.m. - Robert Hellums, of Loogootee, reported items stolen from his residence. Chief Rayhill responded along with ISP.

11:32 a.m. - Male caller reported his girlfriend was receiving harassing text messages.

6:26 p.m. - First responders requested in Burn City for a male with difficulty breathing.

Tuesday, December 21

8:19 a.m. - Female caller reported a male yelling at a female in front of Subway. Chief Rayhill responded and spoke with the male and female.

3:00 p.m. - Male caller reported a possible phone scam.

8:53 p.m. - First responders requested on JFK Avenue for an unknown problem.

Wednesday, December 22

10:08 p.m. - James Gray, of Loogootee, reported someone had broken into his house. Sgt. Hennette responded.

Thursday, December 23

9:54 a.m. - An employee at St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville requested an ambulance for a male subject in Sunset Trailer Court. Martin County Sheriff's Department was notified.

1:47 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a reckless driver on Highway 231.

2:07 p.m. - Male caller reported a trespasser on his property.

8:29 p.m. - First responders requested on Brooks House Road for a male who fell and is having difficulty breathing.

Friday, December 24

1:46 a.m. - Female caller reported her son's cell phone had been stolen. Sgt. Hennette responded.

2:33 a.m. - Sgt. Hennette reported a stranded semi on Highway 231. G&M Wrecker Service was notified.

11:48 p.m. - Employee at Chuckles reported a theft of gas. Officers were notified.

Saturday, December 25

Unknown time - Loogootee Fire was dispatched to SW 2nd Street to a structure fire.

10:06 a.m. - First responders requested on SW 2nd Street for a child with difficulty breathing.

10:31 a.m. - Vicki Voyles, of Loogootee, reported property damage at her residence.

12:53 p.m. - Male caller reported a domestic dispute on SW 3rd Street. Sgt. Norris responded.

4:10 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a green Neon involved with a hit and run on Mt. Pleasant Road.

9:56 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a motorist needing assistance by McDonalds.

10:12 p.m. - DCSD advised to be on look out for a vehicle involved in a hit and run that may be headed to Loogootee. Sgt. Norris later located the vehicle.

Sunday, December 26

12:37 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a possible intoxicated driver westbound from shoals.

2:05 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance in the parking lot behind the Loogootee Police Department. Capt Akles spoke to the parties involved.

4:05 p.m. - Caller reported loud music in Shady Estates.

1:20 p.m. - Viola Knepp, of Loogootee, was operating a 1996 Ford southbound on Broadway Street. Knepp stated the sun was in her eyes and she did not see that the traffic signal was red and she traveled through the red light and struck a 2010 Dodge operated by Michael L. Norris, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Capt. Akles was the investigating officer.

Friday, December 24

7:33 p.m. - Brian T. Welden, of Evansville, was traveling on Dover Hill Road and failed to negotiate the curve and went off the roadway and struck a tree.

Saturday, December 25

5:27 p.m. - Alex Berg, of Pittsboro, was traveling on Turkey Hill Lane when he was unable to make it up a hill due to road conditions. The driver then proceeded to try to pull the van up the hill by a truck with a strap. The strap broke and the van slid down the hill and collided with a tree.

6:15 p.m. - Gary Norris, of Shoals, was traveling eastbound on Hwy 50 near Buffalo Bottoms when a deer ran out into the roadway and struck his vehicle.

6:25 p.m. - Ian T. Perrotte, of Bourbonnais, Illinois was travelling on D.H. Gate Road when he lost control of the vehicle due to road conditions. He then slid off the east side of the roadway and finally came to a rest in a creek bed.

Martin County court news

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING December 13

Dustin D. Campbell, convicted of illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 58 days. Defendant received 0 days probation.

Vernon J. Chastain, convicted of possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 359 days. Defendant received 11 months probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED December 3

Jesse D. Burton, resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Jessica L. Neal, operating a vehicle without ever being licensed, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Jemimah B. Tharp, failure to stop after an accident resulting in damage to unattended vehicle, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

December 7

Tanner W. Diamond, child molesting, a Class C Felony, dismissed.

Julie R. Essick, resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; false informing, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed December 20

Discover Bank vs. Greg Hubbard, civil collection.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suit Filed December 20

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Triple H Trucking, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Backwoods Stone, complaint.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID December 15 - December 22

John Anderson, Indianapolis, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Christopher Graber, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Gary Lyons, Williams, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Gregory Mulberry, Corinth, Kentucky, speeding 75 in a 55, \$124.

Jonathan Payne, Shoals, speeding 72 in a 55, \$124.

Royce Peabody, Bedford, speeding too fast to avoid collision, \$124.

Stephen Smith, Paoli, littering, \$37.

Ivan Stetter, Huntingburg, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

Lowell Stoll, Washington, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Jail booking

Saturday, December 25

12:52 p.m. - Crowder, Brandon, 28, of Shoals, was arrested on the charges of battery and trespassing.

Be aware of carbon monoxide risks while heating your home

State officials are warning that, as the cold weather continues, so do the increased dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning. These dangers are most commonly associated with alternative heating sources, such as small gasoline engines, stoves, generators, lanterns, gas ranges or by burning charcoal and wood.

Carbon monoxide (referred to sometimes as CO) is an odorless, colorless gas that can cause sudden illness and death if inhaled. State health officials say more than 500 Americans die from unintentional carbon monoxide poisoning each year.

"The most common symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion," said Mike Mettler, Director of Environmental Health at the Indiana State Department of Health. "High levels of carbon monoxide inhalation can cause loss of consciousness and even death."

Mettler recommends the following to anyone experiencing symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning:

1. Get fresh air immediately.
2. Open windows and doors for more ventilation, turn off any combustion appliances, and leave the house.
3. Call 911.
4. Before turning your fuel-burning appliance back on, make sure a qualified service technician checks and approves its use.

"All people and animals are at risk for carbon monoxide poisoning," said Mettler. "Certain groups - unborn babies, infants, and people with chronic heart disease, anemia, or respiratory problems-are more susceptible."

Carbon monoxide from combustion sources can build up in enclosed or semi-enclosed spaces.

People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned by breathing CO. State health officials recommend every home has a functioning CO alarm. These low-cost alarms can be found at your local hardware store.

In order to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning:

- Never use generators, grills, camp stoves, or other gasoline, propane, natural gas, or charcoal-burning devices inside a home, basement, garage, or camper or even outside near an open window
- Never allow you car to idle within a closed garage.
- Have at least one working carbon monoxide detector in your home. Check the detector's batteries twice each year, at the same time you check smoke detector batteries
- Exercise caution when heating with propane appliances, older wall or floor gas furnaces and fireplaces.

-Place emergency generators outdoors away from windows and doors to prevent fumes from entering the house.

For additional information about protecting you and your family from carbon monoxide, please visit <http://www.in.gov/isdh/24337.htm>.

Martin County accident reports

Monday, December 20

3:22 p.m. - Ronald D. Gilbert, of Loogootee, was operating a 2008 school bus, owed by Loogootee School Corporation. In an attempt to cross Bloomfield Road from Queen Street he pulled into the path of a 1998 Jeep operated by Ryan Connor, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer.

3:57 p.m. - Madonna R. Heshelman, of Odon, was operating a 2010 Volvo and stopped at the U.S. 231 stoplight. At this time Kevin R. Johnson, of Columbus, was operating a 1999 Honda, and struck the rear of the Heshelman vehicle. No injuries were reported. Sgt. Norris was the investigating officer.

Wednesday, December 22

2:11 p.m. - Dwight D. Crane, of Loogootee, was stopped on US 50 delivering mail in a 2000 Jeep. John A. Slaubaugh, of Loogootee, was eastbound operating a 2005 Ford. Slaubaugh stated he saw the Crane vehicle at the edge of the road and tried to avoid striking the rear but had to in order to avoid a head-on collision with westbound traffic. Slaubaugh was cited for speeding too fast to avoid collision. No injuries were reported. Officer Branham was the investigating officer.

Thursday, December 23

Martin County Council 2011 Meeting Schedule

Each meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Courthouse, 129 Main Street, Shoals unless noted.

Monday, January 10, 2011

Monday, February 7, 2011

Monday, March 7, 2011

Monday, April 4, 2011

Monday, May 2, 2011

Monday, June 6, 2011

Tuesday, July 5, 2011

Monday, August 1, 2011

August—Budget Hearings

Monday, September 12, 2011

September—Budget Adoption

Monday, October 3, 2011

Monday, November 7, 2011

Monday, December 5, 2011

Martin County Redevelopment Commission 2011 Meeting Schedule

All meetings will begin at 5:15 p.m., Tuesdays, in the commissioners' room of the courthouse in Shoals

January 25

February 22

March 22

April 19

May 17

June 28

July 26

August 23

September 20

October 18

November 15

December 27

Is getting fit or losing weight on your New Year's Resolutions list?

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Classes start back up on January 4th at the

Loogootee Methodist Church Gym

Tuesday: Turbo Kick 4:30 p.m. Zumba 5:45 p.m.

Thursday: Zumba 6:00 p.m.

Contact: Jayme Thompson for any questions.

296-0649, jajeffers20@hotmail.com,

or www.beachbodycoach.com/jkthompson20



Lady Rox defeat WC

Last Tuesday, Shoals defeated Washington Catholic 41-35 at home.

The Lady Rox were outscored in the first quarter 10-8 and again in the second quarter 5-4 shooting only 4 for 15 from field goal range and 0-4 from three-point range. The score at half-time had Shoals down 12-15.

In the third quarter Shoals stood their ground with each team putting 11 points on the board.

The Lady Rox came back with a vengeance in the fourth quarter outscoring the Lady Cardinals 20-9. Shoals shot 10 for 14 in field goals and 2-6 from three-point range.

Overall the Lady Cardinals finished shooting 29 percent from two-point range

and only attempted one three-point which didn't land in the bucket.

Shoals finished shooting 40 percent from two-point range and 30 percent from three-point range. Shoals had 12 turnovers to WC's 23.

Rachel Harder finished as high scorer with 12, Nicole Harder with 9, Briana Wagler and Jaylenn Hilderbrand with eight apiece, J. Bleemel with four, and Lezlie Hart with a bucket.

The Lady Cardinal's E. Perkins finished with 12 points, A. Davis with 10, L. Crew with six, E. Schnarr with four, and H. Wild with three.

The Lady Rox shot 10-21 from the free-throw line, WC was 15-22.



Loughmillers donate to humane society *-Photo provided*

Jason and Pam Loughmiller, owners of Loughmiller Machine, Tool and Design, Inc. in Loogootee, donated \$500 to the Martin County Humane Society building fund to help build an animal shelter in Martin County next year. Pictured above are Pam Loughmiller and Martin County Humane Society President Don Greene. The humane society would like to thank the Loughmillers for their donation, it is greatly appreciated. If you would like to make a donation to the building fund call Don at 812-296-0952. All donations are tax deductible.

Classes, programs at the learning center

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.

Free computer class

A free computer applications course is being offered at the center by Fathers Forever Coalition, along with the Marriage & Family Alliance. It is scheduled Mondays, January 3 through January 31 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. This program is geared specifically for those in search of new employment or career advancement. Subjects include: basic computer skills, practical internet savvy, Microsoft applications—such as Word and Excel, résumé writing and professional correspondence. Contact Kathy at the learning center to register.

Résumé writing and career planning

Need help with your résumé? Darlene Ridgway with Bramble Consulting will offer Résumé Assistance-Level One on January 18 and again on January 27. 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.

Sign language class

An exciting, beautiful way to communicate, Intro to Sign Language by instructor Karen Mattingly will be offered at the center on Mondays, February 7 through February 28, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Cost is \$65 and includes textbook. Call today to sign up! The deadline to sign up and provide payment is January 28.

SAT prep class

An SAT preparation workshop for college-bound high school students will be offered at the learning center by Karen Whorral. This class will assist preparing students in securing competitively high scores for placement. The class will be held on Wednesdays, January 5 through 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.

Overcomers' group

Indiana Drug Education and Awareness Solutions are conducting an ongoing Overcomers' 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.

Adult literacy and education

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.

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Applications may be picked up at the Loogootee Police Department at 401 JFK Ave. during normal business hours. Deadline for this process is 4 p.m. on January 10, 2011.

Calendar of Events

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 Christmas, there will not be organized walking. You may still come and walk individually without music. Starting January 5, there will be devotion discussions every Wednesday at 8:30. 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.

Nominations sought for VU Davis Citation award

Nominations are now being sought for Vincennes University's 2011 Walter A. Davis Memorial Citation.

Since 1952, the Citation has been presented to persons who have given outstanding service to their community. Recipients must either be a VU graduate or a resident of the greater Vincennes area (approximately a 45-mile radius).

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Vincennes community, and a past recipient of the Davis Citation.

Nominations will be accepted through January 7, 2011. A detailed biographical profile and letters of support are required. Nomination materials should be sent to Jennifer Gilmore, Alumni Director, Vincennes University, 1002 N. First Street, Vincennes IN 47591.

More information is available by calling the VU Alumni Office at 812-888-4354 or visit www.vinu.edu/alumniawards.



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Indiana Senator Evan Bayh's farewell speech

Remarks as prepared for delivery
Mr. President, if I may be permitted a few moments of personal privilege before my formal remarks.

First, to my wife Susan to whom I am grateful for 25 years of marriage. I wouldn't have been elected dogcatcher without Susan's love and support. I often remember the story during my first campaign of meeting an elderly woman who held my hand, looked up into my eyes and said, "young man I'm going to vote for you." When I asked her why she said, "because I met your wife. You did just fine with the most important decision you will ever make, I will trust you with the other ones too!" Darling, I can never thank you enough. She was a wonderful first lady, is a phenomenal mother, and is my partner for life.

Next, I would like to express my gratitude to my parents. Even though they were very busy, I never doubted that I was the most important thing in their life. There is no question that my devotion to public service stems from their commitment. I have always admired my father's selfless commitment to helping our state and nation. I am proud to follow in his footsteps in the Senate and to share his name. My mother taught me even from the depths of adversity can come hope. I miss her but suspect she is watching from on high today.

Next, to my wonderful sons Nick and Beau, the joys of my life. They came into our lives when I was Governor and were barely three when I was sworn into the Senate. They are the joys of my life. I hope that one day they will draw inspiration as I did from their upbringing in public service and will also choose to devote themselves in some way to making our country and state better places. I am so proud of you both my sons.

Next, to my devoted staff and the staff that works here in the Senate. My personal staff has had the thankless task over 12 years of making me look better than I deserve. They have never let me down. To the extent that I have accomplished anything on behalf of the public, it is thanks to their tireless efforts and devotion. Each could have worked fewer hours and made more money doing something else. But they chose public service. It has been an honor to work with you. I will miss each of you and can only hope that we will remain in touch throughout the years. No one has been privileged to have better support than me. To the men and women who work in the Senate and make it possible for us to do our jobs, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude. You have always been unfailingly courteous and professional. The public is fortunate to have the benefits of your devotion. On behalf of a grateful nation and thankful senator let me express our collective thanks.

Next, to my colleagues. More about each of us later but let me simply say it has been the privilege of my lifetime to get to know each of you. There is not one of you who is not exceptional in some way or about whom I do not have a fond recollection. Each of you occupies a special place in my heart. I am especially fortunate to have served my career with Senator Richard Lugar. I have often thought that Congress would function better if all members could have the kind of relationship that we have been blessed to enjoy. He has been unfailingly thoughtful and supportive. Even though we have occasionally differed on specific issues, we have never differed on our commitment to the people of our state or to the strength of our friendship. Dick, thanks to you and Char for so much.

Finally, to the wonderful people of Indiana for whom I've been privileged to work almost my entire adult life. Hoosiers are hard-working, patriotic, devout, and full of common sense. We are Middle America and embrace middle-class values. The more of Indiana we can have here in Washington, the better Washington will be. To my fellow Hoosiers let me say that while my time in the Senate is drawing to a close, my love for you

and devotion to our state will remain everlasting.

As I rise to deliver my final remarks on this floor, my mind goes back to my first speech as a United States Senator. It was an unusual beginning. I was the 94th Senator to deliver remarks in the first impeachment trial of a President since 1868. The session was closed to the public. Emotions ran high. Partisan divisions were deep. It was a constitutional crisis, and the eyes of the nation and the world looked to the Senate.

My first day as a Senator I was sworn in as a juror in that trial. There were no rules. All hundred of us gathered in the Old Senate Chamber. The debate was hot. But we listened to each other. We all knew that the fate of the nation and the judgment of history - things more important than party loyalty or ideological purity - was in our hands. Consensus was elusive. Finally, we appointed Ted Kennedy, a liberal Democrat, and Phil Graham, a conservative Republican, to hammer out a compromise. And they did. Their proposal was adopted unanimously. The trial of our chief magistrate, even in the midst of a political crucible, was conducted in accordance with the highest principles of due process and the rule of law. The constitutional balance of powers was preserved; the presidency saved. The Senate rose about the passions of the moment and did its duty.

Three years later the Senate was once more summoned to respond in a moment of crisis. The country had been attacked and thousands killed in an act of suicidal terror. This building had been targeted for destruction and death, and that would have occurred but for the uncommon heroism of ordinary citizens. I was told not to return to my home for fear that assassins might be lying in wait. I picked up my sons from their school, and we spent the night with a neighbor.

Two days later Senators who could make it back to Washington gathered in the Senate Dining Room. There were no Democrats or Republicans there, just Americans. Without exception we resolved to defend the nation and to bring to justice the perpetrators of that horrible crime. The feeling of unity and common purpose was palpable.

Fast forward another seven years. In October 2008, I was summoned late at night to a meeting just off this floor. The financial panic that had been gathering force for several months had attained critical mass. The Secretary of Treasury, Henry Paulson, spoke first. He turned to the new head of the Federal Reserve, Ben Bernanke, and said "Ben, give the Senators a status report." Bernanke, in his low-key professorial manner, said: "The global economy is in freefall. Within 48 to 72 hours we will experience an economic collapse that could rival the Great Depression. It will take millions of jobs and thousands of businesses with it. Companies with which all of you are familiar will fail. Trillions of dollars in savings will be wiped out."

There was silence.

We looked at each other, Democrats and Republicans, and asked only one question: what can be done? The actions that emanated from that evening helped avoid an economic catastrophe. The jobs of millions and millions of people were saved. Businesses endured. But the measures required were unpopular. My calls were running 15,000 to 20,000 opposed and only 100 to 200 in favor of acting. The House initially voted down the measures. The economy teetered on the edge of a precipice. But Senators did their duty. Some sacrificed their careers that night. The economy was saved.

I recount these moments from my tenure to remind us of what this body is capable of

at its best. When the chips are down and the stakes are high, Senators - regardless of party, regardless of ideology, regardless of personal cost - doing their duty and selflessly serving the nation we love are capable of great things.

On my office wall hangs a famous print: The Senate in 1850. There is Henry Clay. There, Daniel Webster, Thomas Hart Benton, John C. Calhoun, William Seward, Stephen Douglas, James Mason, and Sam Houston.

Giants walked the Senate in those days...they still do.

In Profiles In Courage, John Kennedy tells the stories of eight United States Senators whose acts of selflessness and fortitude rescued the Republic in times of trial. Serving this body today are men and women capable of equal patriotism if

given the chance - new "Profiles In Courage" waiting to be written.

It shouldn't take a constitutional crisis, a terrorist attack, or a financial calamity to summon from each of us and from this body collectively the greatness of which we are capable. Nor can America afford to wait.

We are surrounded today by gathering challenges that, if unaddressed, will threaten our republic - our growing debt and deficits, our unsustainable energy dependency, increasing global economic competition, asymmetric national security challenges, an aging population, and much, much more.

Each of these is difficult. Each complex. The solutions will not be universally popular. But all can be surmounted, and I am confident that they will with the right leadership from us and the right ideas.

I am confident because I know our history and I know our people. I know all the challenges we have overcome - the wars, the economic hardships, the social turmoil. I know the character of the American people, our resilience, our innate goodness, and our courage - and I know that we can succeed.

But it will not be easy. It will not happen by itself. It is up to us. America is an exceptional nation because each generation has been willing to make the difficult decisions and, yes, the occasional sacrifices, required by their times. America is a great nation not because it is preordained, but because our forebearers both here in the Senate and across the county made it so.

For ten generations the American people have been dedicated to the self-evident truth that all of us are created equal and have been endowed by our Creator with inalienable rights. From the beginning, freedom has been a touchstone of our democracy.

Freedom - not from the benevolence of a king, not by the forbearance of the majority, not by the magnanimity of the state - but from the hand of Almighty God.

The freedom to enjoy the fruits of our own labors. The freedom to speak your mind and worship God as you see fit. The freedom to associate with those of your own choosing and to choose those who govern us.

From the hillsides of ancient Athens, to the fields of Runnymede, to the village greens of Lexington and Concord, to the halls of this great Senate, it has always been the same: the innate human longing for independence now finds its truest expression in the American experiment. We are the guardians of that dream.

Each generation of Americans has been called to renew our commitment to this ideal, often in blood, always with sacrifice.

Now is our time.

Now is the time for us to keep faith with those who have come before and to do right by those who will follow, to lift high the cause of Freedom in all of its manifestations within its surest sanctuary, this United States

Senate.

All of this was put into perspective for me one day on a visit to Walter Reed Army Hospital. I was visiting wounded soldiers. There was a young Sergeant from Georgia. He had been married three weeks before deploying to Iraq. He was missing his left arm and both legs. His wife sat by his side. A look of dignified calm was on his face. I asked if he was receiving all the care he needed. Yes, he said, he was. I asked if there was anything I could do. No, no there was not. Anything he needed? No. I had never felt so helpless or so insignificant.

I left his room, made my way out the front door of the hospital, walked outside into the bright sunshine, sat upon the curb...and cried.

All I could think of was "what can I do to be worthy of him?" What can each of us do? Look at what he sacrificed for America. What are we prepared to give? Is it too much to think that while soldiers are sacrificing limbs on our behalf that we can look across the aisle and see not enemies but friends, not adversaries but fellow citizens?

With service men and women laying down their lives, can we not lay down our partisanship and rancor but for awhile?

Can we not remember we are "one nation under God" with a common heritage and a common destiny? Let us no longer be divided into "red" states and "blue" states but reunite once more as fifty red, white, and blue states. As the civil rights leader once reminded us: "we may have arrived on these shores in different ships, but we are all in the same boat now."

My friends, the time has come for the sons and daughters of Lincoln and the heirs of Jefferson and Jackson to no longer wage war upon each other but to instead renew the struggle against the ancient enemies of man: ignorance, poverty and disease. That is why we are here. That is why. If I have been able to contribute even a little to reconciliation among us, then I have done my duty.

My prayer is that in the finest traditions of the Senate - both in my time and my father's time and in days before - we may serve once again to resolve our differences, meet the challenges that await, and in so doing forge an America future that is worthy of our great past. So that when our children's children write the history of our time they may truly say of us: here were Americans and Senators worthy of the name.

Rep. Messmer paging students for 2011 session

State Representative Mark Messmer (R-Jasper) is encouraging students ages 13-18 to sign up for the Indiana House Page Program. The program allows students to view and participate in the day-to-day activities of the General Assembly and the Statehouse.

"The Indiana House Page Program is one of my favorite educational opportunities for students," said Rep. Messmer. "The program allows students to interact with their representative and get a behind the scenes look at how the Indiana legislative process works."

Hundreds of students in the page program get the chance to tour the governor's office, the chambers of the Indiana House and Senate, and the Indiana Supreme Court. Pages will also receive the opportunity to witness floor sessions while working closely with their representative.

Students will be given an excused absence for one day of school, and are responsible for transportation to and from Indianapolis. Appointments fill up quickly, so those interested should apply as soon as possible.

If you are interested in serving as a page for the House of Representatives send your name, age, address, phone number and school to State Rep. Mark Messmer, 200 W. Washington St., Statehouse Room 401-4, Indianapolis, IN 46204, or e-mail requests to h63@in.gov. You may also visit the page program website at: http://www.in.gov/legislative/house_republicans/page.html.





Omer Chiropractic contest winners

-Photo provided

Dr. Brooke Hawkins with Omer Chiropractic Clinic recently held a Christmas coloring contest at Loogootee Elementary West for grades Kindergarten through 4th grade. Each winner received a certificate and goodie bag. Dr. Brooke is pictured above with all of the winners; Kindergarten - Morgen Wolfe, Lucas Brittain, and Mackenzie Hembree; 1st Grade - Annalise Powell, Nick Keller, and Jamie Salmon; 2nd Grade - Trenton Clark, Conner Wilcoxon, and Kallin Trambaugh, 3rd Grade - Katherine Gilbert, Logan Keller, and Kaeleigh Ross; and 4th Grade - Jaren Grogan, Skyler Padgett, and Marshall Ervin.

Additional contract approved for construction on Interstate 69

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announced yesterday the awarding of a road contract in Pike County for the Interstate 69 (I-69) Corridor in southwest Indiana. Gohmann Asphalt and Construction of Clarksville, Indiana was the low bid for the \$70.5 million contract. This contract is for construction of the new interstate from the Patoka River Bridges to State Road 61 in Pike County.

Construction is anticipated to begin in early 2011. Including this contract, eight of the eleven construction contracts awarded for Sections 1 through 3 have been won by Indiana firms as the lowest bids. Federal guidelines prohibit geographic discrimination when awarding projects developed with federal funds. INDOT is required to allow all qualified companies to bid for the work, without consideration to their geographical location.

In October 2009 Governor Daniels announced the accelerated schedules for the design and construction of the I-69 corridor. Samuel Sarvis, Deputy Commissioner of Major Programs stated "We have been challenged by the Governor to complete I-69 from Evansville to Crane by the end of

2012." "Although this is an aggressive schedule, we are confident we will meet that time frame" stated Sarvis.

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.

Prostate cancer screening

Memorial Hospital offers an annual community Prostate Cancer Screening for men age 50 and over or for those with a high risk for prostate cancer. A lipid profile will also be available during the screening. No appointment or pre-registration is necessary. The cost of the PSA screening is \$20, and the cost of the lipid profile is \$10. (A 12-hour fast prior to your appointment time is required for the lipid profile testing.) The screening will take place at Memorial Southside Office, 1100 West 12th Avenue, Jasper on Tuesday, January 11 and Wednesday, January 12 between 6 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Results will be mailed to participants. For more information, please contact 812-481-2399.

Clarian Health acquires Community Cancer Care

Clarian Health has assumed a leadership role in cancer care statewide with the acquisition of Community Cancer Care (CCC) – an Indianapolis-based health care organization that provides cancer care and programming for 18 hospitals in rural and under-served Indiana communities. For the last 20 years, CCC has had a partnership with Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center, which has been affiliated with the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center (IUSCC) for nearly four years. Clarian's acquisition of CCC will enhance its existing relationship with Memorial Hospital. Through this acquisition, Clarian is dedicated to furthering the vision Community Cancer Center started 27 years ago, as well as maintaining a level of service to which physicians and patients are accustomed.

"When we started CCC 27 years ago, our vision was to provide access to high-quality cancer care for patients across rural Indiana – no matter where they lived. The idea was to bring cancer care to communities such as Jasper instead of requiring patients to travel to other cities for their care. Clarian has the resources Memorial Hospital needs to continue advancing its already robust oncology program. CCC cofounder Sara Edgerton and I are honored to have worked

with Memorial's physicians, staff, and patients over the years. We are very proud of the accomplishments we've all worked to-

Health commissioner announces first flu death

State Health Commissioner Gregory N. Larkin, M.D. reported last Wednesday that Indiana has had its first influenza (flu) death of the 2010-2011 flu season. State health officials say they will not be releasing any additional information about the individual.

"This is a sad reminder influenza can be very serious and even deadly," said Dr. Larkin. "Our sympathies go out to the family of this individual for their loss; especially so close to the holidays."

"The best defense against influenza is to get vaccinated, and everyone over 6 months of age should get the flu vaccine each year," said Dr. Larkin. "In addition, individuals should be sure to practice frequent, thorough hand washing and avoid touching their eyes, nose or mouth. When possible, of course, they should stay away from known infected persons."

Influenza or "the flu" is a viral infection of the respiratory tract. Influenza is spread by respiratory droplets from close contact with infected persons or contact with contaminated surfaces or objects. Infection can occur

ward. Clearly, this outreach effort has been the highlight of my medical career," said William M. Dugan, Jr., M.D., CCC co-

founder and medical oncologist/hematologist. Dr. Dugan has had a long-term professional relationship with Clarian and was the founding director of the Methodist Hospital Cancer Center in Indianapolis.

"We're very appreciative of CCC founders Dr. Dugan and Sara Edgerton for their vision and foresight and including our hospital in their consortium of outpatient oncology programs," said Ray Snowden, Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center president and chief executive officer. "Our hospital has been affiliated with IU Simon Cancer Center since 2007, so we look forward to the opportunities this new relationship will present. The transition will be seamless to our patients, physicians and staff."

Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center's oncology program is accredited by the American College of Surgeons – Commission on Cancer – a gold standard in cancer care. Of the 145 hospitals in Indiana, Memorial Hospital is one of only 44 to hold this prestigious accreditation.

For more information about Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center's cancer program, contact Cheryle Daunhauer at 812-482-0626.

For more information on influenza and the seasonal flu vaccine, visit www.in.gov/flu. Stay up-to-date on the latest flu information by following the Indiana State Department of Health on Twitter at: www.twitter.com/INPublicHealth.

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New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE

BY SHIRLEY CANELL
Pastor's wife

The hustle and bustle of Christmas has come and gone, but the gifts continue to be used and thought about. The past few weeks we have come to realize what Christmas is all about. It's what gifts we can give back to God for the awesome gift of what He gave us by coming to the Earth in form of man, to live among us and then to die for us.

We can't forget just because the day of Christmas is over that God's love for us never ends. He is a faithful God who cares for us all year long.

This coming week is the start of a new year and we will think about what we want to start anew. Maybe a resolution to do something different for yourself; a diet, a change in way you do something, or maybe a new goal in life.

The best thing you can do for yourself is to refresh and renew your relationship with God.

Whether you haven't been to church in a while or you have never known the awesome power of a relationship with Jesus, it's time to renew it.

Jesus came to the Earth to die for your sins and make a way for you to have a relationship with Him. This year begin it by making a commitment to God, ask Him to forgive you of your sins and come in and live in your heart.

Begin this year with a new heart for God, living for Him, It will be the best thing you have ever done. Romans 10:11 says "For Scripture says everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame....For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

That is why Jesus came!

We had an awesome candlelight service on Christmas Eve keeping our focus on what Christmas is all about....Jesus.

Begin this New Year by returning to church. New Beginnings Community Church welcomes you to come and worship with us.

We are Southern Baptist affiliated and worship is more contemporary. So if you need a place to belong, come and see what we are all about....Jesus!

If you have a question about church or your relationship with God, please call Pastor Ernie at 812-709-0258. Have a Happy New Year!



Operation Christmas child

-Photo provided

The Loogootee Revival Center Church received 978 shoeboxes from the community for Franklin Graham's Operation Christmas Child. This was the first year for the church to be a relay center for Operation Christmas Child although they have been participating in making shoeboxes for the past 15 years. The church congregation is very grateful to those who made shoeboxes and for those that donated their time to work at the relay center. The shoeboxes were counted, packed into cartons for another count, then transported to Washington and put on a semi-trailer to be shipped to North Carolina where they were processed. The shoeboxes are then sent throughout the world (including the United States), wherever there are disasters, war, or poverty and given to needy children. The church hopes to have even more shoeboxes for next year and volunteers that would like to help at the relay center. Thank you for making a difference in the life of a child!

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