

Shoals Water Restored Soon; Boil Advisory in Effect - Stay Informed

The Shoals Municipal Water Department announced that water pressure is expected to be fully restored throughout the town within the next few hours. A boil advisory remains in effect for all Shoals municipal customers until further notice.

The advisory was issued as a precaution to prevent the potential ingestion of harmful germs or chemicals in the water. Residents affected by the advisory are advised to boil their water for at least five minutes before consumption by humans and pets. The water is safe for bathing.

The boil water advisory will remain in place for at least 48 hours or until two consecutive water samples pass testing. A subsequent notification will be issued once the advisory is lifted.

Residents with questions or concerns are encouraged to contact the Shoals Town Hall at 812-247-2110. The community is asked to continue with patience and understanding during this time.

Due to a townwide mandatory boil order, businesses are heavily affected, such as Bo Mac's Drive-In in Shoals, Indiana, which cannot serve fountain drinks today but still offers milkshakes and its regular menu. The restaurant extends gratitude to city workers and East Fork Water employees for their efforts in repairing a water leak. Their hard work is sincerely appreciated by the community.

Bo Mac's Drive-In is open today. Orders can be placed at orderbomacs.com or by calling 812-247-3241. The restaurant is located at 408 4th Street, Shoals. All residents in Shoals and the surrounding counties should act diligently and understand words from city officials.

Martin County Community Foundation's Curt Johnson Set to Retire Today After 11 Years



Curt Johnson, the longtime director of the Martin County Community Foundation, is preparing to retire after nearly 11 years of dedicated service. A farewell gathering has been scheduled for Wednesday at the Martin County Community Building from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Community members are encouraged to attend to extend their congratulations and show appreciation for Johnson's contributions to the foundation's growth and success.

Johnson has been a pivotal figure in the foundation's development, working tirelessly alongside generous donors to support local initiatives and improve community well-being. Over his tenure, the foundation achieved significant milestones, including surpassing the \$1 million mark in total contributions and community grants, marking a period of substantial growth.

Throughout his leadership, Johnson championed numerous county-wide projects. Notable efforts included major improvements to Shoals Park, enhancements to the West Boggs Beach House, and funding for school-based mental health programs. His advocacy also extended to preserving the county's history, exemplified by his facilitation of major grants such as a \$20,000 preservation grant awarded to the Martin County Historical Society.

Johnson announced his retirement early in 2026, leaving the organization in a strong financial position and well-prepared to continue serving the community for years to come. Under



his guidance, the foundation strengthened its role as a vital resource for local nonprofits, volunteer fire departments, and scholarship programs, demonstrating his commitment to fostering community development.

The foundation's growth and the county's improved amenities are often credited to Johnson's leadership. His efforts helped facilitate significant projects that have enhanced the quality of life for residents, fostering a sense of pride and community spirit.

Community members who are unable to attend the farewell event are encouraged to share their congratulations with Johnson around town, expressing their gratitude for his years of service and dedication.

Johnson expressed gratitude for the support he

received during his tenure and appreciated the community's role in the foundation's achievements. His retirement marks the end of an era for the foundation, but also the beginning of new opportunities for continued community advancement through upcoming leadership and initiatives.

We at The Loogootee Times thank Mr. Johnson for his contribution to the community.



Hump Day Weather and Weekend Event at Purple Joe's

Wednesday's weather remains unfavorable, but excitement builds for this Saturday's Wicked Sensation event at Purple Joe's. Attendees are encouraged to bring their appetites, as Big Boys Burgers will be available starting at 7PM, the same time the venue opens. Organizers anticipate a great turnout and look forward to welcoming everyone to an evening of entertainment.



**LIGHTNING STRIKE
CAUSES MINI BARN
FIRE IN MARTIN
COUNTY
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**OBITUARIES
WEEKLY OBITUARIES
BROUGHT TO YOU BY
THE BLAKE FUNERAL
HOME (PG. 18)**

LIGHTNING STRIKE CAUSES MINI BARN FIRE IN MARTIN COUNTY

At 7:57 A.M., the Lafayette Fire Department was dispatched to a structure fire involving a mini barn, with propane tanks inside. When crews arrived, the building was fully engulfed. Firefighters extinguished the flames and removed contents, primarily straw bales. To prevent reignition, they removed the roof to allow the rain to suppress remaining embers. Martin County Ambulance Services was on standby, and Martin County Civil Defense was contacted for tanker support. The Martin County Sheriff's Office also assisted at the scene. The cause of the fire was determined to be a lightning strike.

Photos via Loogootee Fire Department/Facebook



DOWNTOWN SHOALS TRANSFORMATION: MAIN STREET APARTMENTS RENOVATION ENHANCES NEIGHBORHOOD APPEAL

Big changes are underway in downtown Shoals. The facade of the Main Street Apartments has been fully renovated, showcasing a striking transformation. New cedar posts and an updated railing have significantly enhanced the building's appearance, adding charm to Main Street. Projects like these bolster the neighborhood's appeal and vitality, reflecting the community's pride. Visitors are encouraged to stop by and see the improvements during their next visit to Shoals.

MAY LUNCH & LEARN EVENT SCHEDULED FOR MAY 27 THROUGH MARTIN COUNTY ALLIANCE

May Lunch & Learn event scheduled for May 27 in Loogootee will feature Roy Hughes, a veteran employment representative from WorkOne Indiana. The session will cover resources available through WorkOne for local employers and job seekers, including an overview of Indiana Career Connect, WorkKeys assessments, job profiling, and the Federal Bonding Program.

The event will take place from 12 PM to 1 PM at the Bowling Manufacturing Building, 99 W. Washington St. Attendance is free, and lunch will be provided. Participants are encouraged to RSVP by May 25 via the provided link or by contacting the Martin County Chamber of Commerce at (812) 295-4800 or assistant@martinalliance.org.

LOOGOOTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY LAUNCHES 2026 'UNEARTH A STORY' SUMMER READING PROGRAM

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — The Loogootee Public Library has officially launched its 2026 summer reading program, "Unearth a Story," featuring a jam-packed schedule of dinosaur- and science-themed events designed to keep local youth engaged throughout the season.

The program, which kicked off reading logs on May 18, is free and tailored for children ages 4 to 12. Public events are scheduled to run from June 2 through late July.

Library officials announced that participants can register online via QR codes found on promotional flyers or by filling out a physical form at the library. In addition to regular reading incentives and prizes, the library has partnered with local organizations to host a variety of specialized activities.

The full calendar of events includes:

June 2026 Events

- June 2: Silly Safari at the Methodist Church (11:00 a.m.)
- June 4: Dino Adoption/Egg Hatching at the Library (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- June 5, 9, 11, 12, 15, 26: Costume Creation at the Library (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- June 12: Land Before Time movie night at the Pavilion, hosted in collaboration with the City of Loogootee (Time TBD, evening)
- June 16: Touch an Earthmover at the Library (Time TBD)
- June 18: Story Time with Brenda Norris of the Soil & Water Conservation District at the Library (11:00 a.m.)
- June 23: Archaeologist Melody at the Library (11:00 a.m.)
- June 25: Dino Dig at Boggs Park (10:30 a.m.)

July 2026 Events

- July 6, 10: Costume Creation at the Library (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- July 7, 21, 28: Little Learners activities for ages 4–12 (10:15 a.m.)
- July 7: Swimming with Spinosaurus at the City Pool (6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)
- July 9: STEM Event: "Save Spike!" at the Library (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- July 14: Professor Steve at the Methodist Church (11:00 a.m.)
- July 16: Catapult Creation (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) followed by the Catapult Competition (5:00 p.m.) at the Library
- July 17: Dancing with Dinos at the Pavilion (7:00 p.m.)

The library notes that the weeks of June 28 and July 1 are designated as "Dig into Reading Weeks." While no formal events will be held during those periods, children are encouraged to continue reading to earn prizes.

The final day for participants to turn in their summer reading logs to claim prizes is Monday, July 20.

While all library programs are free to the public, the Loogootee Public Library is accepting community support through an Amazon Wishlist for supplies and prizes, as well as monetary donations via Venmo. Updates and calendar changes will be posted on the library's official Facebook page.

**Wine and Wellness
Event Expands,
Limited to 25
Participants—Secure
Your Spot Now**



Wine and wellness event expands, attendees warned about limited spots

A popular wine and wellness event is due to take place tomorrow night, featuring good wine, motivational activities, and socializing. Organizers announced that the event has grown significantly and will now be limited to only 25 participants.

The event promises an evening of fun, relaxation, and inspiration, described by organizers as a perfect opportunity for girl time and laughs. Attendees are encouraged to secure their spots quickly.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL
PERSONNEL INVITED TO
FREE LUNCH AT SOUTH
SIDE FIRE STATION ON
MAY 23RD**

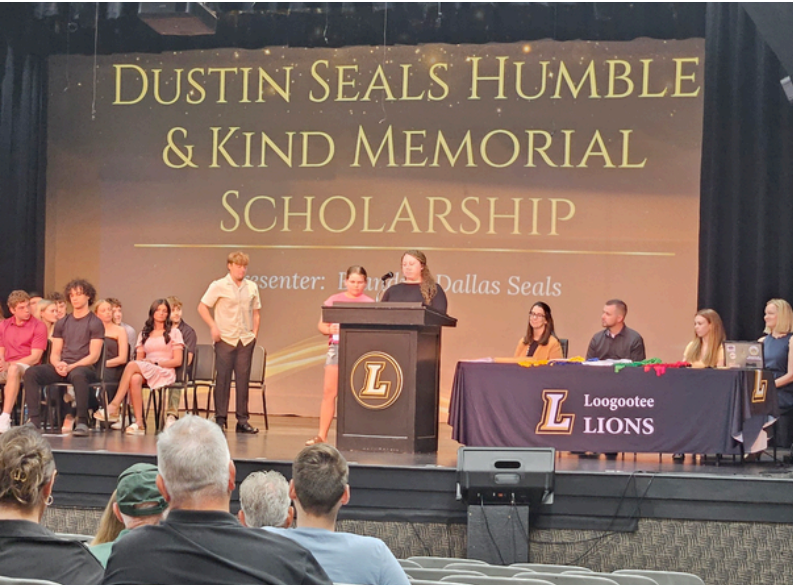
Emergency medical personnel are invited to a free lunch event hosted by the Lindsay Fire Department on Saturday, May 23. The event will take place at the South Side Fire Station, located at 417 Heritage Hill Street.

Air Evac Lifeteam 17 from Paoli, Indiana, is expected to join if they are not on a call. The department encourages all EMTs, paramedics, emergency room staff, and other related professionals to attend. Even those not in the profession are welcome to meet local heroes and interact with them.

**PAINT PARTY FROM THE HART
WELLNESS STUDIO**



LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT AND RECOGNIZES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Loogootee High School hosted a memorable Senior Awards night, recognizing the achievements of graduating seniors. The program, organized by Heather Hawkins and her team, showcased numerous scholarships awarded to talented students. Among the awards, one stood out for its heartfelt message—the Dustin Seals Humble and Kind Memorial Scholarship. Named after Dustin Seals, a 2004 graduate known for his humility and kindness, the scholarship emphasizes character over academic or athletic performance.

Dustin's wife, Brandi, described the award's criteria during the ceremony, with their daughter Dallas present. The recipient, Brody Gilbertson, was acknowledged not only for his character but also for his academic accomplishments, having been named one of LHS's elite students. The Seals family's emphasis on humility and kindness resonated deeply with attendees.

The event highlighted the importance of qualities that go beyond grades and talents, celebrating integrity and compassion. The ceremony concludes with accolades for students who exemplify these values, inspiring others to follow their example. Overall, the evening celebrated both achievement and virtue, fostering a sense of community and emphasizing the character traits that define true leadership.

On a separate note, Macy Knepp won the Wilma L. Bateman Memorial Scholarship.



LOOGOOTEE Senior Center Potluck

GOOD FOOD • GOOD COMPANY • GREAT TIMES

BRING A DISH. SHARE A MEAL. MAKE MEMORIES.

THURSDAY, MAY 21 @ 1130

Everyone is Welcome!

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TOGETHER WE MAKE OUR COMMUNITY STRONGER

BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH
MAIN DISH, SIDE, SALAD OR DESSERT

SHARE, ENJOY & CONNECT
GOOD FOOD IS BETTER TOGETHER

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR LOOGOOTEE SENIOR CENTER FAMILY!

See you there!

CAMPS ARE STARTING TO SELL FAST AS THEY GET CLOSER

4-5 SPOTS LEFT ALREADY! 14 ATHLETE MAX PER CAMP

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BASEBALL | SOFTBALL | ATHLETES (ALL SPORTS) | SPEED & AGILITY

BUILD SKILLS. MAKE MEMORIES. BE GREAT.

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LOCATED IN LOOGOOTEE

PHILLIP OVERTON IN CRITICAL CONDITION AFTER MOTORCYCLE CRASH: FUNDRAISER LAUNCHED

Phillip Overton remains in critical condition following a serious motorcycle crash, according to family members. The incident has devastated the family, especially as they recently experienced the loss of his mother. The family is now seeking community support to assist with his recovery and related expenses.

A GoFundMe campaign has been launched to help cover rehabilitation costs and daily expenses while Overton is unable to work. As of now, donors have contributed \$1,857 of their \$3,500 goal.

"Your support will help ease the financial burden and allow us to focus on what matters most—Phillip's recovery and well-being," Phillip's mother Flip said. "Any contribution, no matter the size, will make a difference."

The family expressed gratitude to all who have shown support during this difficult time. "Your kindness and generosity mean more than words can express," they added.

BARR-REEVE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS HONORS RETIRING FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS

MONTGOMERY, Ind. — Barr-Reeve Community Schools administration and staff are celebrating five veteran faculty and staff members who are concluding their careers with the district.

Honored for their combined decades of service to the school corporation and the "Vikings" community are Steve Bullock, Anita Hart, Sharon Knepp, Jay R. Perkins, and Mark Yoder.

District officials extended congratulations and expressed deep gratitude for the retirees' long-standing commitment to local students and the community. "Best wishes as you begin a new chapter," district representatives shared in a statement. "Thank you for your service and dedication to others."

School representatives did not immediately announce specific plans regarding incoming personnel or formal public retirement receptions.



**THIS AD SPACE
COULD BE YOURS!**

**CONTACT US AT
(812) 361-8635 FOR
MORE INFORMATION**

LAWRENCE COUNTY LIVING HISTORY WEEKEND FEATURES CIVIL WAR BATTLE, LINCOLN PERFORMANCE



MITCHELL, Ind. — History enthusiasts will have the opportunity to step back in time this weekend during the annual Living History Weekend event in Lawrence County. Sponsored by the Lawrence County Tourism Commission, the event is scheduled for Saturday, May 23, and Sunday, May 24. The two-day celebration features interactive historical encampments open throughout both days. Attendees can walk through the camps, view historical gear, and interact with and photograph period reenactors portraying soldiers and their families.

Daily programming includes a midday presentation by historical actor Danny Russel, who will deliver a one-man performance at 12:45 p.m. in the Pioneer Village Meeting House. The show centers on Abraham Lincoln and focuses specifically on his formative childhood and teenage years spent living in Indiana. Following the Lincoln presentation, a daily Civil War battle reenactment will take place at 2:30 p.m. The live-action battle will be staged on the lawn directly behind the sycamore shelter. Organizers note that the tactical demonstrations start promptly at the scheduled time and advise spectators to arrive early to secure viewing locations.

WALLACE VETERINARY CLINIC ANNOUNCES 2026 MOBILE PET VACCINATION SCHEDULE

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Wallace Veterinary Clinic has finalized the schedule for its annual mobile vaccination program, offering discounted pet immunizations across Martin County later this month. The low-cost clinics are scheduled to run over a four-day period from Tuesday, May 26, through Friday, May 29, 2026. The clinic will operate mobile stops in local communities before concluding on the front lawn of the veterinary practice in Loogootee. Clinic organizers announced that standard canine 5-way yearly boosters will be priced at \$25, while feline 5-way yearly boosters will cost \$29. Rabies vaccinations will be available for both dogs and cats at a flat rate of \$15. The shot will be designated for either a one-year or a three-year term depending entirely on the animal's formal medical background. To qualify for the three-year vaccine, the pet's previous rabies booster must be current or have expired within 30 days of the mobile clinic date. Veterinary officials emphasized that staff members will not have digital access to the clinic's master database while operating at the remote county sites. Consequently, pet owners seeking the three-year rabies designation must bring physical proof of prior vaccination history to the site.

The complete 2026 mobile clinic schedule includes:

- May 26: Shoals Fire Station from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- May 27: Dover Hill Christian Union Church from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- May 28: Lost River at the Bateman School House from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- May 29: Wallace Veterinary Clinic Front Lawn, 302 Wood St., from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Pet owners are encouraged to arrive early at the designated locations, as the mobile units operate on strict afternoon timeframes.

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MEMORIAL DAY

★ ★ ★ 2026 ★ ★ ★

On Monday, May 25th, the Ceremonial Unit of the American Legion Post 120 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9395 will pay homage to the Veterans of ALL Wars with a visit to the cemeteries listed below. A special ceremony directed to our departed comrades will be presented. Please, join us as we honor family members and ancestors interred in these cemeteries.

★ TIME & LOCATION ★

9:00 a.m. - Burns City	12:15 p.m. - St. Martin (Whitfield)
9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph	12:45 p.m. - Truelove
10:00 a.m. - St. Mary	1:30 p.m. - Mt. Zion
10:30 a.m. - Goodwill	2:00 p.m. - South Martin Cemetery
11:15 a.m. - St. John	2:45 p.m. - Hindostan Cemetery

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HONOR ★ REMEMBER ★ THANK



MARTIN COUNTY YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE ANNOUNCES BOOTH AT LOOGOOTEE SUMMERFEST



The Martin County Youth Football League is excited to announce we will have a booth at the Loogootee Summerfest! Our booth will have sign-up sheets to gather a headcount of children interested in playing. We will also be selling T-shirts and smoked queso with chips. I will have both spicy and mild queso available. If you haven't tried smoked queso, you're missing out. Be sure to visit them at the Summerfest in June!

WEDNESDAY
11:00AM-12:30PM

27

May



Time Needed: 2 Sets

Ages 7-13

HOST: Artist Within
512.202.7122
Facebook.com/artistwithinllc

LOCATION:
87 E Spring St
Bloomfield

\$15

SIGN UP HERE

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LOOGOOTEE SCHOOLS ALUMNI CELEBRATION FOR CLASSES OF 1976 & 2001: JOIN US AT THE 50TH LOOGOOTEE SCHOOLS ALUMNI CELEBRATION ON JULY 25TH



'76 HOMECOMING

At left is Queen Janie Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Jones. They reside at R. R. 4, Loogootee. She was elected Queen on November 15 when the Loogootee Lions defeated the Barr-Reeve Vikings.

Below is Queen Janie and her court. From left to right are Nancy Bell, Shirley McAtee, Janie Jones, Amy Jones, and Julie Doyle.

Kneeling are Janet Mattingly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mattingly, and Jeff Grannan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grannan. Janet is the sister of Kenny Mattingly and she carried the flowers. Jeff carried the Queen's crown.



The Loogootee Schools Alumni Celebration is set to take place on Saturday, July 25th at St. John Center, offering a special opportunity for former students, teachers, and staff to reconnect. Among the notable attendees will be Janie (Jones) Frye, the LHS Homecoming Queen of 1976, who, along with her husband Gary Frye from the Class of '73, will be returning to their alma mater to celebrate this meaningful event.

The celebration aims to honor the enduring connections formed at Loogootee High School and St. John's. Organizers have extended a warm invitation to everyone who attended or taught at either school to join the festivities. The event presents a unique chance for alumni and former teachers to relive cherished memories and foster new ones.

Guests can look forward to an evening of camaraderie, reminiscing, and community spirit. The event is expected to draw a wide range of attendees, including classmates, educators, and family members of alumni. With a focus on honoring the school's history and its community, the celebration underscores the importance of staying connected to one's roots.

Local organizers have emphasized the significance of maintaining strong alumni relationships, which contribute to the school's ongoing legacy. The gathering at St. John Center will feature activities designed to engage all age groups, highlighting the vibrant history and future of Loogootee schools.

This event symbolizes more than just a reunion; it is a celebration of lifetime bonds and the influence of education. Attendees will be able to enjoy the occasion while reflecting on the role the schools have played in shaping their lives. The evening promises to be a memorable chapter in the ongoing story of the Loogootee school community, bringing together generations of alumni and educators to commemorate their shared history.

Information Regarding the 2026 Loogootee Schools Alumni Celebration for Loogootee & St. John's High School

THE 2026 LOOGOOTEE SCHOOLS ALUMNI CELEBRATION FOR LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL

&

ST. JOHN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND THEIR GUESTS

SATURDAY, JULY 25TH, 2026

ST. JOHN CENTER LOWER LEVEL IN LOOGOOTEE

SOCIAL HOUR AT 6PM FOLLOWED BY A MEAL

CATERED BY WITTMER'S CATERING AT 7:00pm

There will be a cash bar provided by Red Bones!

The 50 year (1976) and 25 year (2001) honored classes will be introduced,
followed by a presentation that promises to be entertaining.

Various classes from both schools have chosen to celebrate their special years with us over these many years. The alumni celebration provides a simple solution for your class to reminisce together without the hassle of finding a venue, food, drinks and décor. So, bring a friend, gather your classmates and join us for this special evening.

Please send your reservation with your year of graduation and school along with

\$30 per person to:

Loogootee Schools Alumni, P.O Box 78 Loogootee, IN 47553

If you prefer to pay by Venmo, you can do so @Gregory-Bateman-1 with the following information.

Alumnus name, School and Graduation Year

- Guest name (Maiden name and Graduation Year ONLY if LHS or St. John alum)
- Alumnus Contact info: phone or e-mail

Please note: we will reserve tables for the honored classes, however we can not take requests as to who you may wish to sit with.

Feel free to e-mail Greg Bateman at gbateman8159@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

Name(s) (Please include maiden name *only* if alum of LHS or St. John)

Names attending:

School and year of Graduation (only if alum)

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Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

PLEASE RESPOND BY SATURDAY, JULY 18TH, 2026!

**Festivites For The Event Begin on July 25, 2026 Honoring The
Classes of 1976 & 2001. Respond by July 18**

MID-STATES CORRIDOR SECTION

Published Weekly by Mr. Jim Arvin



To the Editor,

The Mid-States Corridor is not an old idea. When US 231 was upgraded to 4-lanes from the Ohio River to I-64 it was dubbed "the highway to nowhere". This 4-lane leg was intended to connect the interstates, I-64, I-65, I-165 and I-69, together. It was not intended to be a North-South Corridor.

The original roadway that later became U.S. 231 in southern Indiana was developed in stages during the early automobile era. By the 1910s, many segments already existed as local dirt or gravel county roads connecting towns like Jasper, Bloomfield, Spencer, and Rockport. During the 1910s–1920s, Indiana incorporated these roads into the state highway system under various Indiana State Road numbers. In 1926, when the U.S. Highway System was first created, most of the corridor in southern Indiana was not yet US 231. Parts carried different route numbers. The designation US 231 was officially extended into Indiana on August 22, 1952. Highway signs and full routing were largely completed by 1953–1954. So the "original route" itself mostly dates from the 1910s and 1920s, while the US 231 name in southern Indiana dates from the early 1950s. Since the 1950s there has been talk of improving US 231 in and around the Jasper-Huntingburg area. These discussions centered around improving US 231 and using existing roads as a designated by-pass or truck route. It was not until the early 2000s that Hank Menke and his cohorts decided a 4-lane by-pass was necessary. Why?

Why did it become necessary for Mike Braun and Mark Messmer to write SBI28 to create the Mid-States Corridor? Why was it imperative that the 2004 RDA Act be amended? These questions have never been answered.

We are at a point where public scrutiny has shown the flaws, and deceit of the "studies". Based on the data in the Tier1 and the Tier 2 studies there is not a significant congestion issue, there are no real travel time savings, US 231 is not a dangerous highway and there is no guarantee that the Corridor will bring increased economic development. Then again we ask, Why? Is it about the money to be made by the construction of the Corridor?

Dubois County has opted out of the RDA. Soon Jasper and Huntingburg's City Councils will have their turn to vote on whether or not to stay in the RDA. We hope Jasper and Huntingburg will do the right thing and vote "NO". If this happens then only Spencer County will remain in the RDA. How can an RDA with only one entity be considered a REGIONAL Development Authority? Or, even an Authority?

The Mid-States Corridor is apolitical. All political factions have folks both opposed and supportive of the project. Greed and deceit are not the province of any one party. It's time we all did what is right for our communities and our people. Spending over \$3 billion for an unneeded and unnecessary highway is not a good use of our tax dollars. Huntingburg, for example, is having trouble finding the money it needs to repair 4th Street. Maintenance of 4th Street seems to be going the way of maintenance on US 231.

We need our current roads and highways maintained to the best of our ability. We need to spend our tax dollars on everyday maintenance and not on frivolous studies. Our communities will grow because we have something to offer the public. Jasper, Huntingburg and yes even Loogootee and Shoals have things to offer. Let's support and improve what we have.

Jim Arvin
Rutherford Township
Martin County

PROPERTY RIGHTS ALLIANCE

Meeting

THURSDAY
MAY 14 7pm

at Klubhaus61
2031 Newton St, Jasper

All area residents interested in helping to **STOP** the proposed Mid-States Corridor are invited to attend. *Bring Friends!*

DONATIONS are gratefully accepted:
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Venmo: @propertyrightsalliance

SPORTS

Loogootee Sports Schedule

TRACK & FIELD (CO-ED V) - BOYS
SECTIONAL (A)
5/21/2026 TBD

SOFTBALL (GIRLS V) - SHOALS JR/SR
HIGH SCHOOL (H)
5/21/2026 5:00 PM

SOFTBALL (GIRLS V) - VINCENNES
RIVET JR/SR. HIGH SCHOOL (H)
5/21/2026 5:30 PM

BASEBALL (BOYS V) - NORTHEAST
DUBOIS (V) (H)
5/21/2026 6:00 PM

BASEBALL (BOYS V) - BEDFORD
NORTH LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL
(H)
5/25/2026 11:00 AM

SOFTBALL (GIRLS V) - IHSAA
SECTIONAL VS. ORLEANS (A)
5/25/2026 6:00 PM

LOOGOOTEE SPORTS ON TODAY

SOFTBALL (GIRLS
V) - SOUTH KNOX
(H)

5/20/2026 5:30 PM

LOOGOOTEE SENIOR AJ FOSTER SIGNS TO PLAY BASKETBALL FOR ST. MARY OF THE WOODS



Photos via Loogootee High School Basketball/Facebook

Loogootee High School Senior AJ Foster on his official signing Monday will play for St. Mary of the Woods College.

AJ is set to start his freshman year with the Pomeroy's next fall.

This achievement marks a significant milestone in his academic and athletic journey. Throughout his high school career, AJ throughout his four years at Loogootee High has demonstrated dedication, talent, and leadership, earning him this opportunity to compete at the collegiate level.

St. Mary of the Woods College recognizes his potential and looks forward to his contributions both on and off the field. His commitment and hard work have paid off, opening new doors for his future endeavors. Family, friends, and coaches celebrate his success and are proud of his accomplishments. As he prepares to transition to college life, AJ's focus remains on continuing to excel academically and athletically. His determination and perseverance will undoubtedly serve him well in this next chapter.

We at The Times wish AJ the best of luck as he embarks on this exciting new journey with the Pomeroy's, confident he will make a positive impact and achieve great things in the years to come.

KNOX JEFFERS, BRYLESS BATEMAN, & HIRAM TEDROW QUALIFY FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STATE MEET



Three Loogootee MS Track athletes will compete this coming Saturday in the MS State Meet at Terre Haute after great performances this past Saturday at Gibson Southern in the State Qualifier. Knox Jeffers won both the 1600 and 800 Meters. He ran a 4:48 in the 1600M and ran 2:09 in the 800M. Both are new school records. Brylee Bateman and Hiram Tedrow both placed 5th in the High Jump to qualify for state. Several other LMS athletes competed at Gibson Southern on Saturday. A full list of the results can be found at mwt.live

LOOGOOTEE LEADS TENNIS SECTIONAL TITLE RACE AFTER RAIN DELAY

Loogootee retains a slight edge in the ongoing tennis sectional after a series of weather-related delays. Barr-Reeve defeated Paoli 5-0 in Semifinal #1 on Thursday night, while Semifinal #2 was postponed due to rain and is now scheduled for Wednesday at 5 PM. The sectional final has been rescheduled for Thursday at 5 PM, at a neutral site. Currently, Loogootee holds a 2-1 lead over North Daviess in the championship bracket. The individual matches are as follows:

- Singles 1: Loogootee ahead 1 set to 0, 5-3 in second set.
- Singles 2: Loogootee won.
- Singles 3: Tied 1-1 in sets, Loogootee leading 1-0 in the third set.
- Doubles 1: North Daviess won.
- Doubles 2: Loogootee won.

The final matches are expected to conclude Thursday evening, weather permitting.

LENGACHER DRIVES FOUR RUNNERS HOME IN JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL VICTORY



Jackson Lengacher drove in four runs on two hits to lead the Loogootee Lions past the Washington Hatchets 13-12 on Tuesday. Lengacher doubled in the second inning, scoring two runs, and singled in the third inning, scoring two. Loogootee collected nine hits and Washington had 12 in the high-scoring affair. The Lions got on the board in the top of the first inning after Holden Lingenfelter singled, scoring two runs, and Liam Kluesner laid down a sacrifice bunt, scoring one run. Washington then tied the game in the bottom of the first thanks to a single by Knox Wickersham, a double by Oscar Mora Lopez, and a single by Luke Clark. Loogootee made the score 7-3 in the top of the second after Eli Graber singled, scoring one run, August Weitkamp drew a walk, scoring one run, and Lengacher doubled, scoring two runs. The Lions scored five runs on two hits in the top of the third inning. Landon Frady induced Graber to hit into a fielder's choice, but two runs scored, Weitkamp singled, scoring one run, and Lengacher singled, scoring two runs. The Hatchets scored five runs on four hits in the bottom of the third inning. Cash Cornelius singled, scoring one run, Clark doubled, scoring two runs, Sawyer Baker singled, scoring one run, and Frady singled, scoring one run. Lingenfelter started the game for Loogootee. The starter gave up seven hits and eight runs (six earned) over two innings, striking out three and walking two. Bentley Elsey started on the bump for Washington. The starter allowed four hits and seven runs (six earned) over two innings, striking out three and walking two. Weitkamp appeared in relief for Loogootee. Weitkamp and Lengacher were a force together in the lineup, as they each collected two hits for the Lions while hitting back-to-back. Lingenfelter stole two bases. Loogootee stole seven bases in the game. Washington Junior High amassed 12 hits in the game. Cornelius drove the middle of the lineup, leading them with four runs batted in. The second baseman went 2-for-4 on the day. Frady set the tone at the top of the lineup, leading Washington with three hits in three at bats. Clark and Mora Lopez each collected multiple hits for Washington. Carson Clark stole two bases. The Hatchets stole six bases in the game.

12U AND 9U BASEBALL TEAMS HAVE GREAT WEEKENDS



Our 12U and 9U baseball teams hit the diamonds over the weekends and brought back some hardware. The 12U team traveled to Paoli and went 3-0 on Sunday to bring home the title. The boys beat the Indiana Bulls 10-5; Rawlings Tigers 9-5; and the Hoosier Hitmen 9-0 in the championship. Gunner Inman homered against the Bulls. Kyle Wade pitched a complete game against Rawlings and Reid Wagler did the same in the championship game. Jenner Strange pitched five scoreless innings against the Indiana Bulls. Coach Nick Strange said, "It was a total team effort top to bottom." The 9U team traveled to Mt. Vernon and went 3-2 over the weekend only losing to Princeton. There were lots of big moments for the little guys. In the semifinal game they scored 10 runs in the top half of the last inning to secure a victory over Mt. Vernon and move into the finals. Breck McAtee hit two home runs and Judd Potts homered as well. 9U Coach Pete Smith noted, "This group is starting to turn the corner and show real signs of growth." We appreciate the effort that these coaches, parents, and players are putting in to build the foundation for a strong baseball program in the coming years

LOOGOOTEE MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS BEAT 7TH & 8TH GRADERS IN HISTORIC KICKBALL WIN



Dogs Are
Lost, Animals
Need To Be
Located

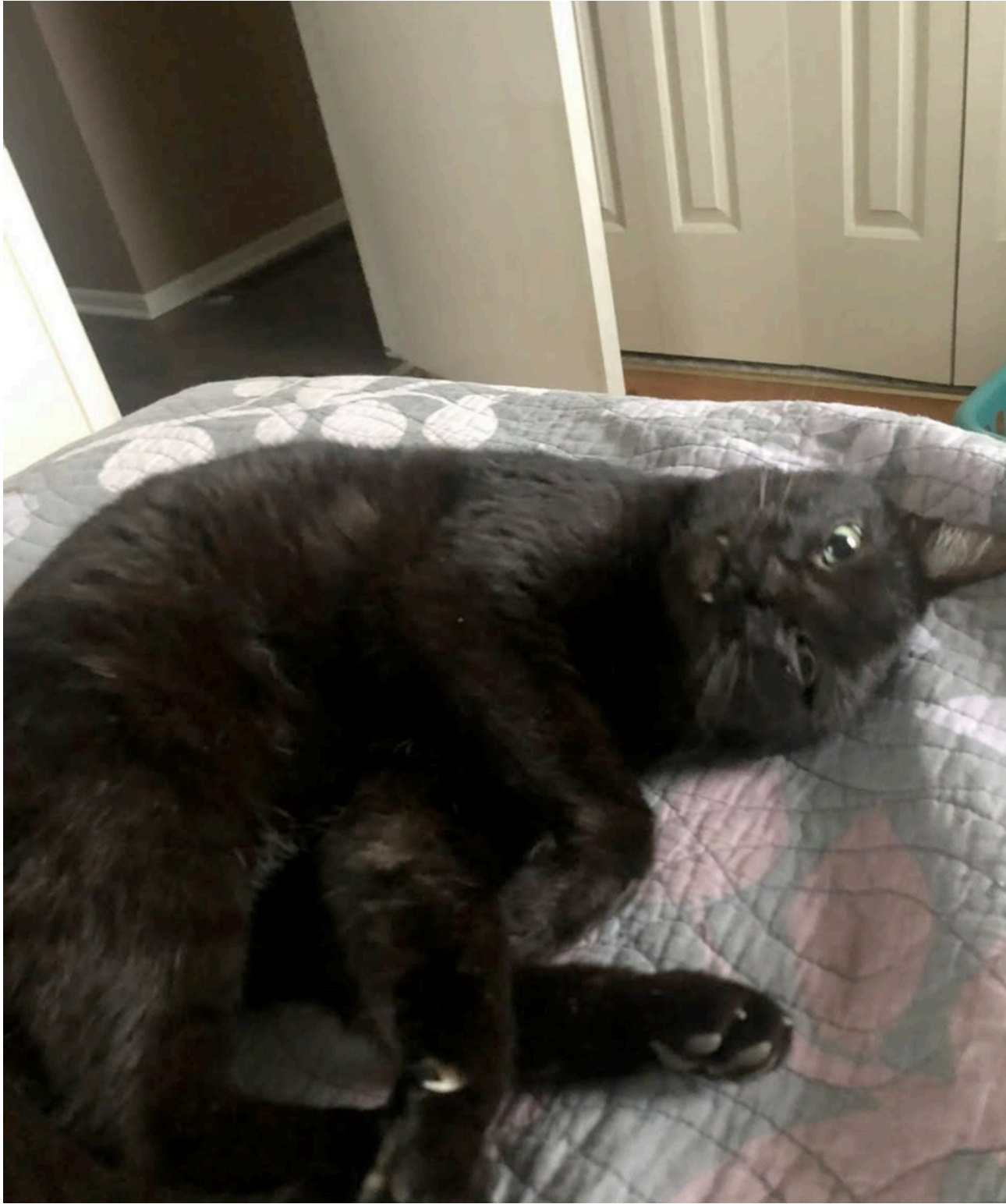
Does anyone recognize these puppies?
They showed up near a house on Rusk
Rd. near the Peggy Hollow Rd turn off.



PETS

Section by The Martin County
Humane Society

Blossom has been missing from her home on Wood Street near the Loogootee H.S. softball field
for about a week. She is 11 yo, very friendly and a smaller cat. Please keep an eye out for her.



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DOGS:
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AND STAFF, ALSO
HAVE A GREAT
SUMMER!**



LION SHOUTOUT!

Weekly Shoutouts & News From The Loogotee Community School District

8th Graders Have Fun at Holiday World Before The End of the School Year



Loogotee Elementary students who achieved 100 Accelerated Reader Points had the chance to pie Mrs. Wade in the face!



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**"Mane" Trait:
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At Loogotee Community Schools we believe that learning never stops.

Middle school is a critical period for academics, social, and emotional development, and it lays a foundation for future success.

- Plan to be a lifelong learner
- Build emotional resilience
- Develop social skills
- Develop essential study skills
- Broaden learning style
- Enhance work ethic, perseverance, and growth mindset



Congratulations!

Pictured: Emsley Waggner, Bristol Lewis, Reba Conn, Addy Lents,

Martin County & Courts16

Monday, May 11, 2026

7:48 a.m.- Received a report of a road closure in Loogootee.
7:58 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. No one was transported.
8:18 a.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to an officer in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
10:00 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, LPD Chief Cummings, LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey and Sergeant Hawkins responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
10:49 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance South of Loogootee. Dubois County EMS, Haysville Fire Department and Captain Gibson responded.
4:30 p.m.- Received a 911 call with no one on the line South of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.
6:20 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
10:47 p.m.- Received a call from Orange County requesting an ambulance in Orleans. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to IU Paoli.

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

12:11 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
12:54 a.m.- Received multiple 911 calls reporting a neighbor dispute in Loogootee. Major Reed and Deputy Clark responded.
2:22 a.m.- Received a 911 call from an Orange County address. Transferred the call to Orange County 911.
4:46 a.m.- Received a report of a traffic hazard South of Loogootee. Major Reed responded.
7:23 a.m.- Marshal Copeland on station with Spencer Stevens, a 19-year-old male from Shoals, arrested for Dealing marijuana to a minor, Possession of marijuana, and Contributing to the delinquency of a minor. He is being held on \$30,000 10% bond.

9:00 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. No one was transported.
9:35 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
10:01 a.m.- Chief Deputy Keller transported three inmates to court.
11:50 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Loogootee Fire Department, Sheriff Greene and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded. No one was transported.
1:10 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlocked in Shoals. Sheriff Greene and Captain Gibson responded.
1:30 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlocked in Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
3:36 p.m.- Received multiple 911 calls reporting a motorcycle-car accident South of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Loogootee Fire Department, LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey, Captain Gibson, Sergeant Hawkins, Big John's Towing and Air Evac responded. Air Evac transported one patient to a Louisville hospital.
3:49 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident South of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2 responded but did not transport.
4:04 p.m.- Received a report of a controlled burn South of Shoals.
4:32 p.m.- Received multiple calls reporting an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey and Captain Gibson responded.
5:09 p.m.- Received a report of a traffic hazard South of Shoals. INDOT was notified.
5:20 p.m.- Received a report of a traffic hazard North of Loogootee. Sergeant Hawkins responded.
6:36 p.m.- Received a report of possible vandalism Northeast of Shoals. Deputy Clark and Shoals Fire Department responded.
7:22 p.m.- Received a call requesting an officer in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.
8:41 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlocked in Loogootee. Deputy Clark responded.
9:49 p.m.- Sergeant Hawkins on station with Robert Neukam, a 58-year-old

male from Freelandville, arrested by ISP Trooper Collins for Possession of methamphetamine, Possession of a legend drug, Possession of a controlled substance, Possession of paraphernalia, Operating a vehicle while intoxicated, Operating a vehicle while intoxicated-endangerment, Operating a vehicle-controlled substance, and on a Vigo County warrant. He is being held \$15,000 cash only bond.

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

5:24 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance East of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
7:55 a.m.- Received a call from WH International advising of a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
9:02 a.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Captain Gibson and Indiana Conservation Officer Graber responded. No one was transported.
9:54 a.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50 traveling East into Loogootee. Captain Gibson, Marshal Copeland and Big John's Towing responded.
10:58 a.m.- Marshal Copeland on station with Justin Truelove, a 38-year-old male from West Baden, arrested by Captain Gibson for Possession of methamphetamine, Unlawful possession of a syringe, and Operating a vehicle while intoxicated-endangerment. He is being held on \$15,000 10% bond.
12:07 p.m.- Received a report of a tree down South of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department responded. REMC was also notified.
2:15 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver on US 50 traveling East toward Lawrence County. Marshal Copeland responded. Transferred the call to Lawrence County 911.
6:12 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
6:42 p.m.- Received a call from Care Center requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
8:16 p.m.- Received a call from Dubois County reporting a reckless driver on US 231S traveling North into

Martin County. Deputy Clark responded.
8:30 p.m.- Received a report of reckless driving Northeast of Loogootee. Deputy Clark responded.

Thursday, May 14, 2026

7:04 a.m.- Received a call from the Care Center advising of a medical alarm press North of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
9:13 a.m.- Received a call from Orange County requesting an ambulance in West Baden. Martin County Medic 1 responded but did not transport.
9:23 a.m.- Captain Gibson transported one inmate to court.
10:11 a.m.- Corporal Erwin transported two inmates to court.
10:42 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and LPD Chief Cummings responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
10:51 a.m.- Captain Gibson transported one inmate to court.
1:02 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance and officers in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Medic 2, LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey, Captain Gibson and Corporal Erwin responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
1:08 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
1:32 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
1:55 p.m.- Corporal Erwin transported two inmates to court.
2:26 p.m.- Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Daviess County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Daviess County transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
2:33 p.m.- Corporal Erwin transported two inmates to court.
3:36 p.m.- Received a call from Indiana Recovery Services advising of a vehicle repossession in Loogootee.
5:44 p.m.- Received a report of an accident with no injuries in Loogootee.

Deputy Nash responded.
6:19 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance North of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Shoals Fire Department, Corporal Erwin and Deputy Nash responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.
6:55 p.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check in Loogootee. Deputy Nash responded.
10:19 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy in Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
10:33 p.m.- Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred the call to Daviess County 911.
10:39 p.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check in Crane Village. Major Reed responded.

Friday, May 15, 2026

8:56 a.m.- Received a report of illegal burning North of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department was notified.
11:47 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident North of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2, Corporal Erwin, Deputy Nash, LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey and Big John's Towing responded. No one was transported.
12:18 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50 traveling West into Daviess County. Notified Daviess County.
12:42 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlocked in Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.
2:23 p.m.- Received a call from Care Center requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
2:34 p.m.- Received a report of an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.
2:36 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a traffic hazard in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings and Loogootee Fire Department responded.
3:13 p.m.- Received a call requesting a Vehicle Identification Number South of Loogootee. Deputy Nash responded.
3:56 p.m.- Received a report of a possible traffic hazard North of Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
4:01 p.m.- Received a report of a possible traffic hazard South of Loogootee. Indiana Conservation

Officer Mann responded.
5:22 p.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check Southeast of Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
5:31 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231S traveling Northbound. All on-duty units were advised.
5:32 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
5:34 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231S traveling North. All on-duty units were advised.
6:18 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting transferred to Lawrence County. Transferred the call to Lawrence County 911.
7:59 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231N traveling Southbound. Deputy Droke responded.
9:35 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a car-deer accident in Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.

Saturday, May 16, 2026

12:38 a.m.- Received a report of a possible missing juvenile North of Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.
4:05 a.m.- Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.
7:03 a.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
7:48 p.m.- Received a report of an alarm going off at the Loogootee Community Schools. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
7:55 a.m.- Received a report of a controlled burn South of Loogootee.
7:57 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a structure fire Northeast of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense and Deputy Nash responded.
9:02 a.m.- Received a call from VEI Security reporting a commercial fire alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, LPD Assistant Chief

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Stuckey and Deputy Nash responded.
9:10 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting a deputy Southwest of Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
10:20 a.m.- Received a 911 call with no one on the line East of Loogootee. Deputy Nash and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
10:44 a.m.- Received a call requesting a Vehicle Identification Number check in Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
12:14 p.m.- Received a report of an accident with no injuries in Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
12:23 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
1:23 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak with a deputy. Deputy Nash responded.
2:42 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey and Deputy Nash responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
3:02 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a neighbor dispute North of Shoals. Deputy Nash and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
3:32 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2 responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.
4:29 p.m.- Received a call from Conversion Technologies advising of a commercial panel alarm in Crane. Deputy Nash responded.
5:33 p.m.- Received an animal complaint in Crane Village. Deputy Nash responded.
7:58 p.m.- Received a report of a possible traffic hazard Northeast of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

Sunday, May 17, 2026

9:30 a.m.- Received a request to speak with a deputy. Sergeant Hawkins responded.
12:40 p.m.- Received a call requesting a Vehicle Identification Number check North of Shoals. Deputy Clark was advised.
1:08 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting officers in Loogootee. Sergeant Hawkins and Deputy Clark responded.
1:41 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting officers in Loogootee. Sergeant Hawkins, ISP Master Trooper Lents, Deputy Clark and Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded.
2:19 p.m.- Received an animal complaint Southeast of Shoals. Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded.
2:22 p.m.- Received a report of a tree down North of Loogootee. Sergeant Hawkins responded.
2:25 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting the same tree. Advised the caller units are enroute.
2:31 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting to speak with a deputy. Deputy Clark responded.
2:40 p.m.- Received a call from Response Center advising of a commercial burglar alarm East of Loogootee. Sergeant Hawkins responded.
3:39 p.m.- Received a 911 and landline call reporting powerlines down South of Shoals. Deputy Clark and REMC responded.
5:20 p.m.- Received a 911 call and multiple landline calls reporting a suspicious acting male subject in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Sergeant Hawkins and Deputy Clark responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
6:22 p.m.- Received a report of reckless motorcycle riders Southwest of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.
6:40 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy in Loogootee. Sergeant Hawkins responded.

LOOGOOTEE POLICE LOG

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

9:04 am- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Church St.
10:00 am- Chief Cummings spoke with a complainant about the process of evicting a person from their property.
10:19 am- Chief Cummings spoke with a complainant on station regarding suspicious activity.
11:52 am- The Loogootee Fire Department, Chief Cummings, and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a medical call on Wood St.
12:50 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey assisted with a vehicle unlock at a local business.
3:37 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a personal injury accident on US 231S.
4:32 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of an erratic driver in a semi, eastbound on East Broadway St.

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

7:30 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey completed a welfare check on Church St.
7:55 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a commercial burglar alarm at a local business.
8:57 am- A caller advised of a possible suicidal subject on S. Kentucky Ave.

Thursday, May 14, 2026

10:43 am- Chief Cummings responded to a medical call on S. Kentucky Ave.
11:18 am- Chief Cummings responded to a property damage accident on Miller Dr.
1:03 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a possible suicidal subject on SW 3rd St.
1:29 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey received a report of a property damage accident at a local business.
2:25 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on E. Broadway St.
5:30 pm- Chief Cummings assisted with a locked vehicle on NE 2nd St.
5:44 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a vehicle in a ditch on Church St.
6:00 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a possible suicidal subject on E. Broadway St.

Friday, May 15, 2026

9:25 am- A complainant called about an aggressive dog in her neighborhood.
10:15 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey completed a vehicle inspection at the station.
11:52 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a property damage accident on US 231N
2:35 pm- Chief Cummings and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a semi that hit a utility pole at Sheridan St. and SW 2nd St.
2:38 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey checked on a stranded semi on US 50.

Saturday, May 16, 2026

7:03 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of erratic driving on 200N, with the driver turning onto Butcher Blvd.
7:48 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to an alarm at the school.
9:02 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey and the Loogootee Fire Department responded to an alarm at a local business.
10:20 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a dropped 911 call on US 50E.
12:23 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a property damage accident at a local business.
2:42 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a possible suicidal subject on S. Kentucky Ave.
3:02 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey assisted Martin County Sheriff's Department with a dropped 911 call on Hopper Lane.

Courts Report

Brought to You By The Martin County Clerk's Office

*The following marriage license has been issued by the Martin County Clerk's Office:
Cynthia Kay Graber, 41, Loogootee, and Melvin Glen Carpenter, 44, Mitchell.*

Local Obituaries

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Elizabeth “Betty” Wagler

*December 11, 1943-May 17,
2026*



Elizabeth "Betty" (Graber) Wagler, 82, of Daviess County, Indiana passed away on Sunday May 17, 2026, at her home.

She was born in Daviess County, Indiana on December 11, 1943, to the late Lewis and Mary (Wagler) Graber.

Betty married John Wagler Jr. on March 23, 1967, and he survives. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Betty is preceded in death by her parents, siblings, Fannie Stoll, Rosemary Wagler, Floyd Graber, and Lillie Graber, two grandchildren, Emery and Ellanie Wagler.

She is survived by her husband, seven sons, John Elmer (Karen) Wagler of Plainville, Floyd Dean (Wilma Jean) Wagler of Plainville, Owen Jay (Orpha) Wagler of Odon, Myron Eugene (Lela) Wagler of Montgomery, Daniel Ray (Regina) Wagler of Clay City, Gary Wayne (Rosetta) Wagler of Plainville, David Leon (Marilyn) Wagler of Plainville, siblings, Rachel (Joseph, deceased) Stoll of Hicksville, Ohio, Jerome (Rosemary) Graber of Montgomery, Alvina (Elmer, deceased) Knepp of Montgomery, Jackson (Marjorie) Graber of Odon, Jacob (Delilah) Graber of Odon, Nancy (Ben Jr.) Wittmer of Odon, 39 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday May 19, 2026, at 9:00 A.M at the Daviess County Community Building in [Montgomery, Indiana](#). Burial will follow in the North Bogard Cemetery.

Visitation will begin on Sunday May 17, 2026, at 5:00 P.M at the Daviess County Community Building and will continue through Monday May 18, 2026 until until the time of service on Tuesday May 19, 2026.

Arrangements provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in [Montgomery, Indiana](#).

To send a flower arrangement in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" Wagler, please click here to visit our sympathy store.

To plant Memorial Trees in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" Wagler, please click here to visit our sympathy store.

Memorial Donation
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Master

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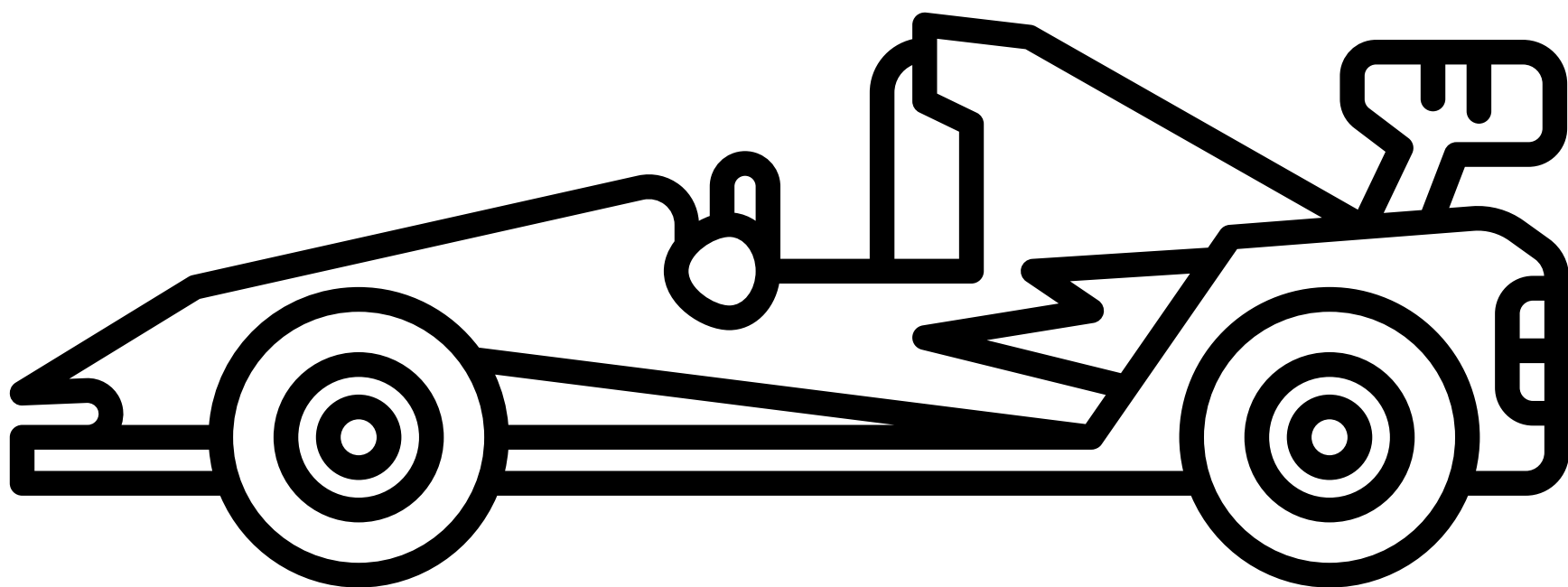
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SOLUTIONS

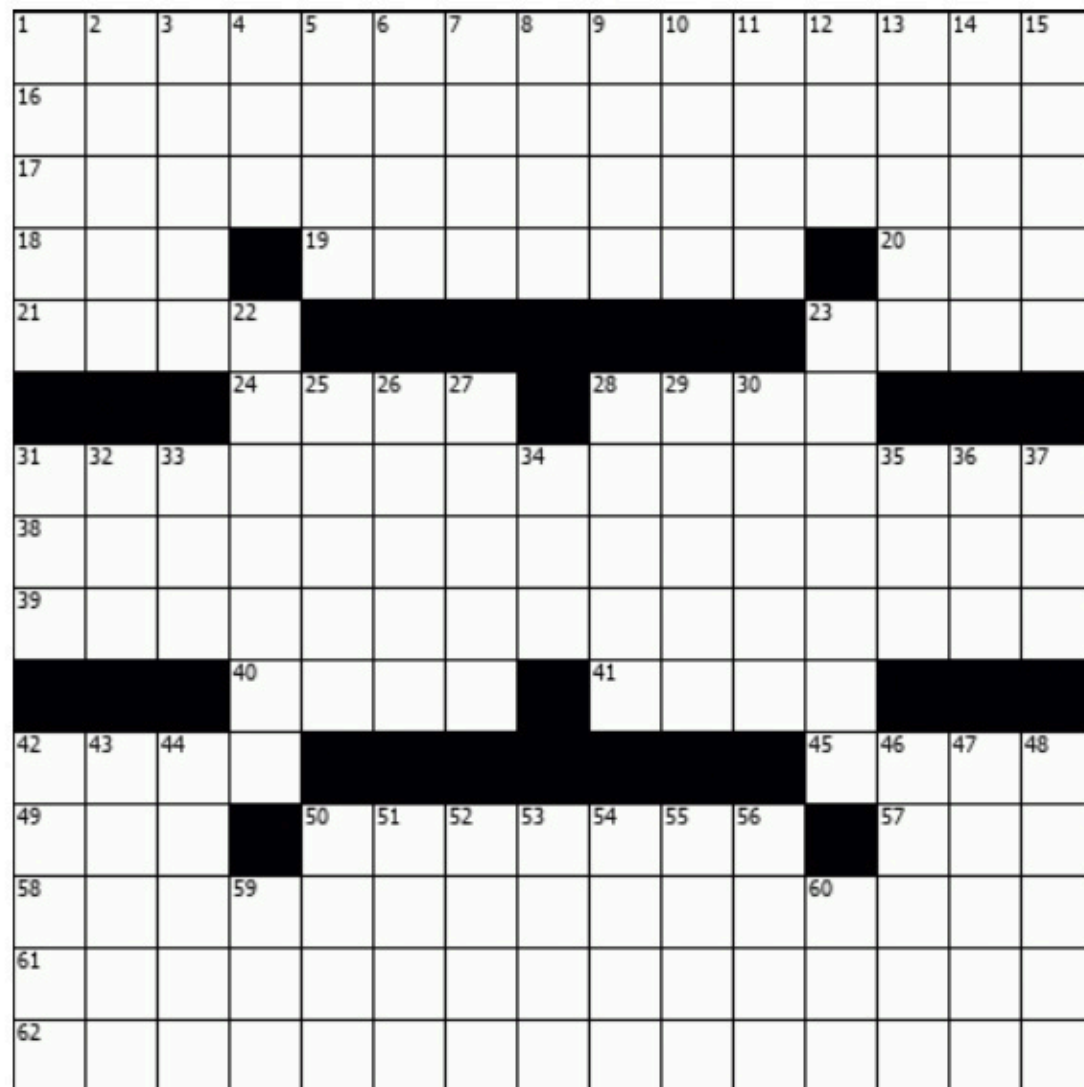
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“Drivers Start Your Engines!”



Across

- 1.** They're often framed
16. Gas, for one
17. Moving
18. Lab svc.
19. Trypanosomiasis transmitters
20. Org. in 1974 news
21. Bear's cry
23. Racehorse buyer's concern
24. Compactor, e.g.: Abbr.
28. Below C level?
31. Crocodile Dundee in Manhattan, say
38. So as to ruffle some feathers
39. Emulate a diva?
40. Sale sign word
41. Judicious
42. Wild (over)
45. Pricing spec
49. An ex of Artie and Frank
50. Lack of inhibition
57. G.I. chow in Desert Storm
58. System fighters
61. Prepare for a premiere, maybe
62. Relaxed to the max

**Down**

- 1.** Chips, at times
2. "Laugh-In" regular
3. Ever
4. Hound
5. Once, once
6. Finders' needs
7. ___-et-Vilaine: French department
8. Pluto chaser?
9. Scout sets
10. Guelph successor of old Italy
11. Wear the disguise of
12. Bad place to be stuck
13. Pension law acronym
14. Bacterium used in cloning
15. Foreign law body
22. It replaced Milan's Royal Ducal Theatre
23. Aid recipient
25. Cell, maybe
26. Landscaping elements
27. Jones's co-creator
28. Unloading places
29. "It's not my cup ___"
30. Due (to)
31. Go figure?
32. Word of annoyance
33. Dogma
34. Asian occasion
35. Letters before F?
36. Jeff Lynne's rock gp.
37. Rembrandt van ___
42. Italy's largest lake
43. Says without hesitation
44. Auction accessory
46. Kind of resin
47. Algonquian speakers
48. "Demian" author
50. What's more
51. Negotiation hurdles
52. Stub ___
53. Silents star Naldi
54. Homer's output
55. Draftable
56. Da __, Vietnam
59. Baja bear
60. Madeira, por ejemplo

Crossword Puzzle #45

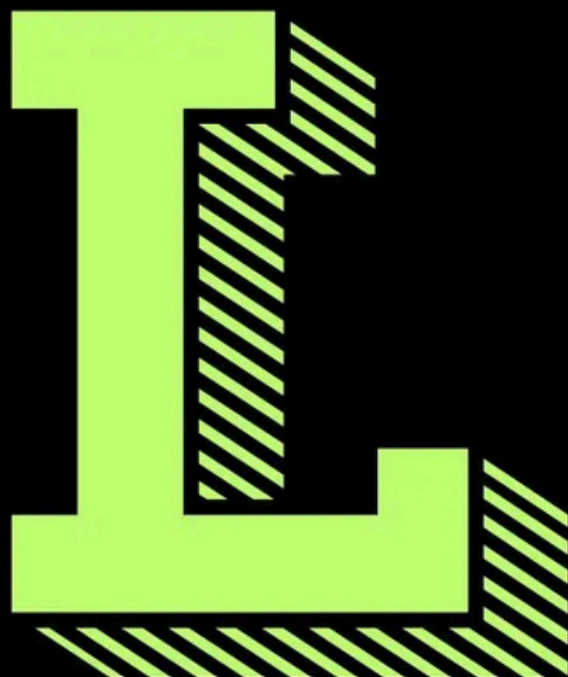
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Crossword Puzzle Solutions #45

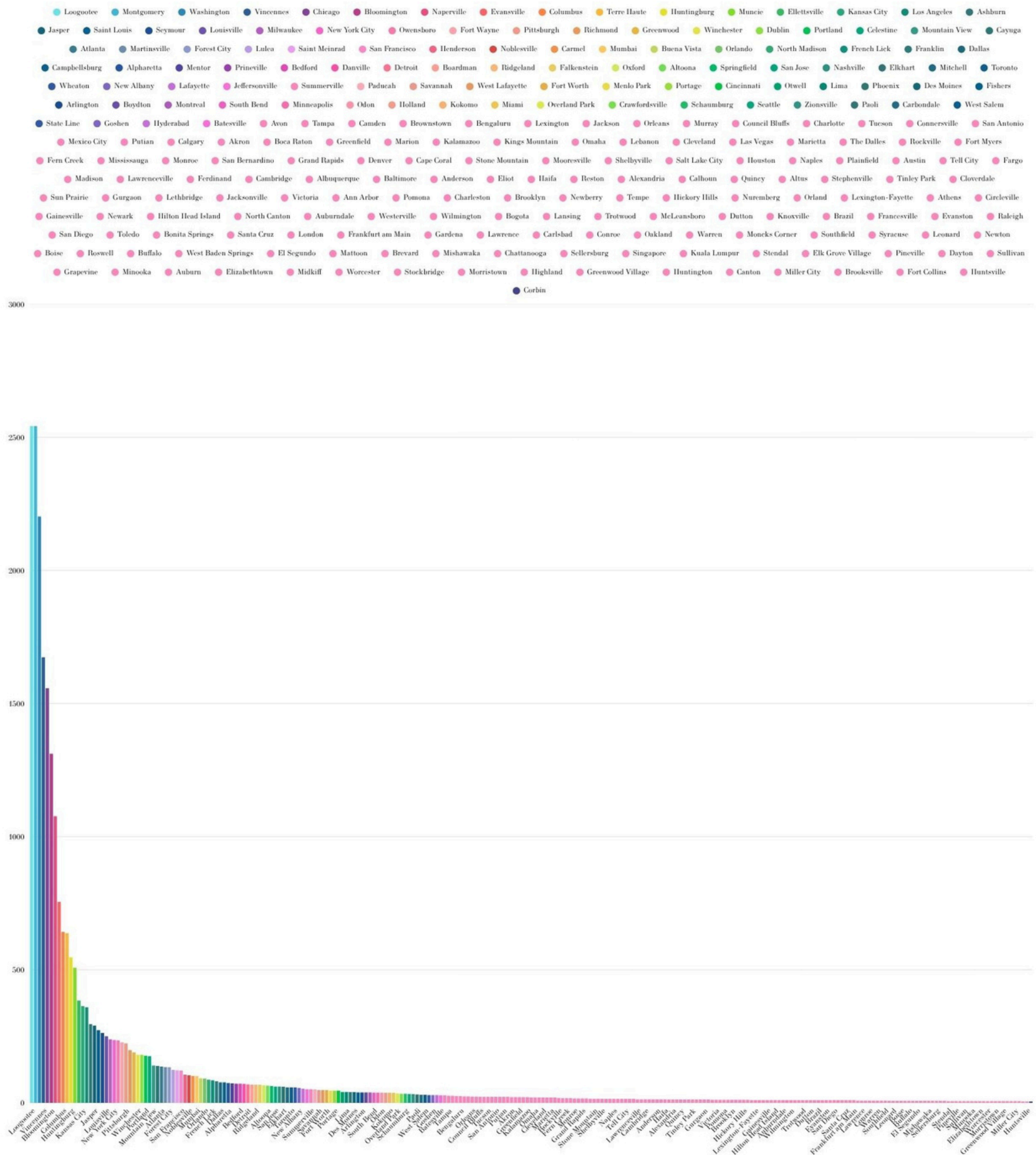
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YES YOU!**

**DO YOU WANT YOUR BUSINESS TO ADVERTISE
WITH US?**

**WE CAN HELP YOU TODAY! THE NEXT FEW PAGES
WILL OUTLINE OUR NEW ADVERTISING POLICY AND
STRATEGY THAT MIGHT WORK FOR YOU. FLIP TO
THE NEXT PAGE TO SEE MORE. IF INTERESTED
CONTACT THE EDITOR AT
BRAYDYN_BEARLENTS@LOOGOOTEETIMES.COM**



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Placement
\$15 per week**

The Bronze Tier
*Side Bar Ad and
Brand Recognition
for 52 Weeks*
\$275

**Small Online Ad Placement
\$20 per week**

The Silver Tier
*Small Size Ad Airing
Online for 52 Weeks*
\$500

**Full Size Online Ad Placement
\$30 per week**

The Golden Tier
*Medium Size Ad
Placement Online for
52 Weeks*
\$1,800

**Medium Size Online Ad
Placement
\$25 per week**

The Platinum Tier
*Large Size Ad
Placement for 52
Weeks*
\$3,500

Loogootee Times Advertisement Rates

Annual Contributing Sponsors
(Business Name on Our Tier List
Recognition is Completely Optional)

Banner/Strip Ad Placement

\$10 per week

10.5 x 3 inches

Small Size Ad Placement

\$15 per week

3.5 x 4.75 inches

11 x 17 inches

Large Size Ad Placement

\$25 per week

Medium Size Ad Placement

\$20 per week *10 x 7 inches*

Printed on Tabloid Style Newspaper 11.4" × 15.0"

The Bronze Tier

*Banner Ad and
Brand Recognition
for 52 Weeks*

\$250

The Silver Tier

*Small Ad Placement
for 52 Weeks*

\$450

The Golden Tier

*Medium Size Ad
Placement for 52 Total
Weeks*

\$1,500

The Platinum Tier

*Large Size Ad
Placement for 52
Weeks*

\$3,000

DEADLINES FOR ADS

Milestone	Deadline
Space Reservation	Wednesday at 3:45 PM (1 week prior to publication)
Ad Copy & Design Requests	Tuesday by 3:00 PM (1 week prior to publication)
Final Proof Approval	Wednesday by 12:00 PM
Publication Day	Wednesday Afternoon at 4 p.m.

The Loogootee Times Ad Information

This document is designed to be the "fine print" of your media kit. It protects The Loogootee Times legally while ensuring your advertisers know exactly what is expected of them.

You can add this as a final tab in your Google Sheet or a standalone page in your PDF Media Kit.

The Loogootee Times | Terms & Advertising Policies

1. GENERAL RATE POLICY

Rate Adjustments: The Loogootee Times reserves the right to revise advertising rates with 30 days' notice. Existing contracts will be honored at the original rate until the contract expiration date.

Payment Terms: All first-time advertisers must prepay for their first three (3) insertions. Established accounts are billed monthly with terms of Net 30.

Late Fees: Accounts 30 days past due are subject to a 1.5% monthly finance charge.

Taxes: All rates are gross; any applicable local or state taxes are the responsibility of the advertiser.

Charitable Rates: To qualify for the Community Rate, organizations must provide proof of 501(c)3 status or be a registered local school/government entity.

2. CONTRACT AND COPY REGULATIONS

Right of Refusal: We reserve the right to edit, reject, or cancel any advertisement that we deem objectionable in phrase, text, or illustration, or that is detrimental to the public interest.

Positioning: While we try to honor "Request for Position" (e.g., Top of Page 3), specific placement is not guaranteed unless a Premium Placement Fee has been paid.

Errors and Omissions: The Loogootee Times is not responsible for errors in ads provided by the advertiser. For ads built by us, our liability for an error is limited to a "make-good" (re-running the corrected ad in the next issue) or a credit for the space occupied by the error.

Political Advertising: All political ads must be paid in advance and must clearly state "Paid for by [Committee Name]" as per state law.

Indemnification: Advertisers assume all liability for the content of their ads and agree to indemnify The Loogootee Times against any claims arising from their advertisements.

3. PRESS-READY AD SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To ensure your ad looks professional and sharp on newsprint, please follow these technical standards:

Deadline: All files must be received by Wednesday at 3:00 PM (one week prior to publication).

File Formats: * Preferred: Press-Optimized PDF.

Accepted: High-Resolution JPEG or TIFF (300 DPI minimum).

Note: We do not accept Microsoft Word or Publisher files as final "press-ready" art.

Color & Ink:

B&W Ads: Must be submitted in Grayscale.

Color Ads: Must be submitted in CMYK color mode. (RGB files from websites will be converted and colors may shift).

Resolution: All images within the ad must be at least 300 DPI. Photos pulled from the internet (usually 72 DPI) will appear "blurry" or "pixelated" in print.

Fonts: All fonts must be embedded in the PDF or converted to outlines/curves to prevent printing errors.

How to Use This in Your Media Kit

Transparency: Keep this on your website so there are no surprises regarding late fees or "make-goods."

Signature Line: At the bottom of your Google Sheet or PDF, add a line that says: "By submitting an advertisement, the advertiser agrees to the terms and regulations listed above."

Would you like me to help you draft a "New Advertiser Onboarding" email that includes these policies and a request for their first payment?



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Tabloid: 289 x 380 mm

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING DEADLINES

PUBLICATION DAY DEADLINE

Every Tuesday by 5 P.M. for Your Ad To Premiere on Wednesday's Print Edition.

ONLINE: Every weekday by 5 P.M. to Premiere on Our Website.

ENTERTAINMENT SECTION

TV Guide 5pm Thursday
1 week prior to publishing

DIGEST-SIZED ADVERTISING SIZES

Full Page 5"x8"

Half Page (horizontal) 5"x4"

Half Page (vertical) 2.5"x8"

Quarter Page 2.5"x4"