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## LOOGOOTE SENIOR CENTER SUCCESSFULLY RAISES TARGET GOAL NEEDED FOR RENOVATION



LOOGOOTE, IND. — The Loogootee Senior Center is close to completing its fundraising efforts, having raised nearly \$13,000 and just \$1,000 short of its \$14,000 goal.

Featured on Vincennes PBS, the center, founded in 1974, is undergoing a significant revitalization to restore its status as a key community gathering place. Once a lively center for about 50 seniors offering daily meals and activities, attendance declined after the COVID-19 pandemic.

There is still time to contribute. There are 39 days left to contribute to reach their goal. As of yesterday, the donation link at Patroncity.com has raised \$12,850 of the \$14,000 target.

Every donation, whether large or small, makes a difference. For more details, contact Mayor Brian Ader, Jessica Potts, or Amber Gilbertson.

## LOOGOOTE BOARD OF WORKS & COMMON COUNCIL AGREE TO HOST PRIDE FEST, BIG CHANGES



LOOGOOTE, Ind. — The Loogootee City Council approved a series of measures at the latest City Board of Works and Common Council meetings held on Mon. June 8, 2026.

Issues ranged from infrastructure repairs to hosting events such as Pride Fest, along with the necessary street closures, as city officials tackled what Loogootee Mayor Brian Ader called "a lot of things going on" across the community.

Present at the Board of Works meeting were Loogootee Mayor Brian Ader and council members Brandon Carrico, Danny Clark, and Mark McAtee, who was absent. Steven Teverbaugh was also present. The session opened with approval of the previous month's minutes, before council members turned to event planning. "I do want to get a motion to close the following streets: Northeast First Street, Southeast First Street, and Ray World Street," said Ader, referencing the upcoming Pride Fest. After clarifying previous confusion about the event's

application, the council voted to permit the festival at the city pavilion with the requested street closures. After much discussion and to avoid any controversies, the board was watching every word they said about the event. "I'll make a motion that we approve the Pride Fest for that event at the pavilion with the street closures," said one council member, a move that received unanimous support. Department heads provided detailed reports. The water plant treated 13.8 million gallons in May, averaging 444,000 gallons daily, while the wastewater plant processed 24.3 million gallons. Public safety officials noted a decrease in accidents and arrests, with police focusing on "background investigations for these new hires." Two conditional offers were accepted, and both recruits are expected to begin academy training in August. But equipment challenges persist. "We are in dire need of computers," the police chief told the board, explaining that the current laptops are nearly a decade old and

increasingly unreliable. A grant application for computer upgrades was unsuccessful, but the city is now seeking quotes from Dell and Taylor Tech. "I want to get the best bang for our buck, and I want to get the best price possible," the chief said, emphasizing fiscal responsibility.

The council authorized the department to spend up to \$15,000 on immediate computer replacements, with funding sourced from the King Capri fund. "I'll make the motion that we at least replace the two that are broken and started, but I mean, if you can get a better deal, would be no for this docking stations and stuff, as long as it's below \$15,000," one councilor stated. The motion passed unanimously.

Other business included an increase in the clothing and equipment allowance for new police hires, raising the limit from \$2,000 to \$3,000. The police chief explained the change was necessary due to rising costs and the need for uniformity. "If we have gear that will fit guys, then most definitely we're gonna use that, and we're gonna save the cost there," he said. "But I want to cover my bases. I don't want to go down there and then say, 'Okay, well, it's actually going to cost you \$2,200

## Regulatory Rain Development Commission Address Growth, Infrastructure, and Community Concerns

LOOGOOTE, Ind. — The Loogootee City Board met on Monday, June 8, with the Regulatory Rain Development Commission in a wide-ranging session that touched on ordinances governing mobile homes, parking and public safety in the historic downtown, and ongoing infrastructure improvements. Present at the meeting were Loogootee City Mayor Brian Ader and several board members, featuring candid discussions and a focus on balancing development with community needs.

Mayor Ader opened the meeting by clarifying ongoing discussions regarding the city's mobile home ordinance. "We have some people that are concerned about that, and that was just discussion on some other places," Ader said. "We have some places that used to be a mobile home park that are no longer considered a mobile home park. We're looking into what we need to do to get that range open, because it's not a mobile home park or anything like that. But also, if something does get moved out of an area, we would like to have it upgraded with a type of home assumption or water, anything like that."

Ader emphasized that no decisions had been finalized, stating, "Nothing's in concrete. I just want to make that clarification so nobody's really upset, but you know, I know they have some concerns, and rightfully so. Not here to cause issues, we're here to hopefully be progressive in the community."

As the meeting turned to new business, Speaker 4 outlined a list of pending ordinances, including those affecting parking and public safety. "We're developing ordinances for that stuff," Speaker 4 said, noting that the downtown area was a particular focus. Discussion then shifted to the city's ongoing downtown restriping efforts aimed at making parking more efficient and organized.

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# SAVE YOUR BUSINESS WITH SMART COVERAGE STRATEGIES – JUNE LUNCH & LEARN EVENT

The Martin County Alliance is hosting the "June Lunch & Learn: Insuring Success - Smart Coverage Strategies for Businesses" on June 22, from 12 PM to 1 PM at the Bowling Manufacturing Building, 99 W. Washington St., Loogootee, Indiana. The free event, which includes lunch, aims to provide small business owners, aspiring entrepreneurs, and current employers with insights into insurance coverage and asset protection. Participants are encouraged to RSVP by June 22 via an online form or by calling the organizers at 812-295-4800. For additional information, interested individuals can email [martinalliance@martinalliance.org](mailto:martinalliance@martinalliance.org).

# LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES NEW UPSKILL STUDENTS



The Martin County Alliance wanted to congratulate the Shoals Public Library in order for the successful completion of their expansion project. This significant development marks a new chapter for the community, expanding the library's capacity and services to better serve local residents. The project, which took extensive planning and effort, reflects the dedication and resilience of everyone involved.

The expanded facility now offers more space for visitors, enhanced technology, and additional resources that support a wide range of educational and recreational activities. The community's investment in the library underscores its importance as a hub for lifelong learning, literacy, and community engagement.

This achievement also highlights the collaborative spirit of the community and local officials who prioritized this project amidst various challenges. The new facilities are expected to attract more visitors, fostering a stronger sense of community and encouraging greater participation in learning opportunities.

The library's improved infrastructure will serve as a foundation for future programs and initiatives aimed at enriching the lives of residents. It will also support local schools and organizations by providing a reliable space for educational events and community gatherings.

Overall, the completion of the expansion project signifies a remarkable milestone for the Shoals Public Library and the community it serves. With a bigger and better library, residents now have access to more resources and opportunities for growth. This accomplishment demonstrates that perseverance and hard work are rewarded, ultimately benefiting the entire community and future generations.

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# THE UPLANDS REGIONAL LAND BANK IS TRANSFORMING SOUTHERN INDIANA, ONE PROPERTY AT A TIME

LOGOOTE, Ind. (June 08, 2026)— Paving the way for new community development, the Uplands Regional Land Bank has acquired a total of 17 vacant, abandoned, or deteriorated properties in the three years since its founding. Of those acquired, three have been sold and 14 are being prepared for sale or are currently for sale.

"With every property we acquire, we focus on finding the best solution to reinvest it back into the community," said Bobbie Abel, director of the Uplands Regional Land Bank. "First, we assess any remaining structures on our sites to determine if they can be rehabilitated. If they cannot be—which is often the case— then we demolish and clear the site, readying it for redevelopment."

Having gone through the assessment and preparation process with the sites that the URLB owns, 11 properties (vacant lots, homes that need rehabilitated, or freshly demolished lots) are for sale in the region with an additional property pending sale in Daviess County.

In addition to its properties for sale, the URLB is donating one of its vacant lots to the French Lick Redevelopment Commission, which will become additional green space as part of The Parks at Cherry Hill.

Another site, located on SR 558 in Odon, is being prepared for future redevelopment. To make this happen, the URLB partnered with CFDI Friendly Bloomington and Indiana Brownfields' Petroleum Orphan Sites Initiative (POSI) program to conduct an environmental study, demolish the building, remediate the site, and seek future opportunities.

"The last several months our community partnerships have grown, which has allowed us to take on so many property redevelopment projects," said Abel. "As our organization continues to expand, we are committed to continually improving our southern Indiana communities. Whether that's creating workforce housing, parks, lots for development, or anything else."

With its sold properties under ongoing renovation contracts, two of the three properties are in the process of being rehabilitated into homes for first-time homebuyers. The third is in the process of being turned into a pollinator garden.

"It's great to see the transformation in Martin County," said Jessica Potts, who serves as the executive director of the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth and as an active board member for the URLB. "Working together as a community is so important for economic development and improving quality of life. That's why I look forward to continuing our partnership, boosting economic development in our county and beyond."

To sell, donate, or buy a property from the Uplands Regional Land Bank or to learn about partnership or contracting opportunities, visit [www.urlandbank.com](http://www.urlandbank.com) or follow the organization on Facebook.

# LILLY ENDOWMENT ISSUES REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO INDIANA NONPROFITS

LOGOOTE, Ind. — The Lilly Endowment Inc. has issued a statewide Request for Information (RFI) to better understand the current landscape of human service organizations serving vulnerable populations across Indiana.

The philanthropic foundation announced it is seeking data from organizations that directly support Indiana individuals and families most heavily impacted by poverty and other complex societal challenges. According to the announcement, the insights gathered from this initiative will be used to guide and inform the Endowment's future grantmaking strategies and endeavors.

The submission deadline for organizations wishing to participate is July 31.

## Key Focus Areas

The Endowment is specifically looking to connect with human service providers that address immediate and systemic needs, including:

- **Poverty Alleviation:** Programs designed to support low-income families and individuals struggling to meet basic needs.
- **Societal Challenges:** Organizations tackling community-specific crises, including food insecurity, housing instability, and access to essential resources.
- **Landscape Assessment:** Compiling a comprehensive view of how regional nonprofits operate, where funding gaps exist, and how services are distributed geographically across the state.

## Future Grantmaking Impact

While the Request for Information itself is not an application for a specific grant, foundation officials noted that the data collected will play a pivotal role in shaping how the Lilly Endowment allocates its resources moving forward. By assessing the current capacity and hurdles faced by Indiana's human services sector, the foundation aims to ensure future funding is strategically targeted to areas of greatest need.

Eligible human service organizations throughout Indiana are encouraged to submit their information before the July 31 cutoff. Additional details regarding submission guidelines can be found directly through the Lilly Endowment's official communication channels.



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# MCDONALD'S AND LOCAL LIBRARIES BRING BACK HAPPY MCREADERS SUMMER PROGRAM

SOUTHERN INDIANA – The Happy McReaders Summer Program is returning for another year, bringing together participating McDonald's restaurants and local libraries to encourage summer reading. Through the program, children can earn a free Happy Meal by reading 10 books and completing a Happy McReaders punch card available at participating libraries.

Families can visit any participating library to pick up a Happy McReaders punch card. Each time a child reads and returns a book, they'll receive a punch on their card. After reading 10 books, children can redeem their completed card at a participating McDonald's restaurant for a free Happy Meal.

Since its inception, the Happy McReaders program has helped thousands of local children continue the joy of reading. Last summer, young readers participating in the Happy McReaders program read more than 100,000 books, a remarkable achievement that highlights the program's positive impact on literacy while helping children stay engaged throughout the summer months. For local McDonald's Owner/Operators, supporting education and literacy is an important way to give back to the communities they serve. Through Happy McReaders, they are proud to help encourage summer reading while creating fun, rewarding experiences for families at their local libraries and McDonald's restaurants.

Happy McReaders punch cards are available at participating libraries while supplies last through Monday, August 31, 2026. Families can learn more about the program and view a complete list of participating libraries on the [McDonald's Happy McReaders Webpage](#).

# PUBLIC INVITED TO HOLY MASS CELEBRATING DEACONESS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER'S 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Jasper, IN – The public is warmly invited to join in a special Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph M. Siegel to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Deaconess Memorial Medical Center and to express gratitude for its service to the community.

The Mass will be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. EDT at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1029 Kundek Street in Jasper, Indiana.

Following the Mass, a reception will be held in the Parish Center. All are welcome to join in fellowship and celebration.

# M&M ELECTRIC TEMPORARILY CHANGES LOCATION AS OFFICE SEEKS REPAIRS



M&M Electric Heating & Cooling & Plumbing have temporarily relocated their office to 204 West Main Street in Loogootee while repairs are underway at our original location the company announced on Facebook this morning. The move comes after a sprinkler line break on Memorial Day caused flooding in our building, prompting urgent response and cleanup efforts. During this period, we will operate between both buildings as needed, ensuring minimal disruption to our services. Customers and clients are encouraged to contact us at 812-295-4699 for assistance. Despite the setbacks, our business remains open and fully operational, committed to serving our community without interruption.

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## **BINGO NIGHT AT SHOALS AWARDING \$1,800 CASH ON SATURDAY TO LUCKY WINNER**

A bingo event offering a \$1,800 cash jackpot is scheduled for this Saturday, June 13th, at the Shoals Eagles. The game begins at 5:30 pm, with all games played for a flat fee of \$32 throughout the evening.

The jackpot will be awarded if a player completes the game within 58 numbers called, with the progressive board also in play. Players on the winning board are encouraged to arrive early to claim their prize. The organizers emphasize the importance of board attendance, highlighting the potential for a sizable cash payout.

Participants are encouraged to share the event with others to increase community involvement. The bingo night promises an entertaining evening with the chance to win a significant cash prize while supporting local activities. Attendees are advised to arrive promptly and prepare for an engaging experience.

The event aims to attract bingo enthusiasts in the area, foster community spirit, and provide an opportunity for affordable entertainment. Participants should check the event's details beforehand to confirm participation and prize conditions.

## **MARTIN COUNTY DEMOCRATS SCHEDULED MEETING IS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 16**

Interested in getting involved in the community? Looking to meet like-minded individuals or make a difference? Considering running for office this fall? Join us at our next meeting to connect with others, explore opportunities to get involved, and find ways to make an impact in the community. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, visit the Martin County Democrats website.

Martin County Dems



## **Public Meeting**

Tuesday, June 16  
5:30 pm EST  
Loogootee City Hall  
401 JFK Ave.

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# LOGOOTE CITY COUNCIL

# RDC MEETING

for this employee, but we're going to get by with the other hire for \$800." Council members also addressed ongoing maintenance projects. Mayor Ader updated the public on downtown striping and upcoming paving: "Quite a bit of striping being done to help with the organization of parking, instead of just having anybody park anywhere." Milling and paving are expected to take three to four weeks, weather permitting, with major work on Wood Street, Walker Street, and other areas. "Once they get started, you know, because, like, on Wood Street, you do an all-new curb and sidewalk plus filling on the first block, and then from Walker Street up to the school, that's all new curb and sidewalk plus paving," Ader said.

The council also approved a motion to allocate future rent proceeds from the city's annex building into a dedicated repair fund, and they discussed repairs to the municipal pool, which is losing an estimated 120,000–130,000 gallons of water weekly due to an undiagnosed leak. "We have tried several things out there ... we have no idea what made decision to keep the pool open because it's one thing that we have here," said Ader, noting that a specialist is scheduled to investigate the issue. The mayor acknowledged the high cost of potential repairs and the age of the facility, which dates to 1958. "It's an investment, first time and expense every time after that," he said.

Finally, the board celebrated reaching its fundraising goal for senior citizens' programs, unlocking a \$5,000 AARP grant. "Tom and wife are doing a great job over quality, other volunteers, too many volunteers to name them all," Ader said, expressing gratitude for the community effort.

With major summer projects and community events on the horizon, Mayor Ader concluded, "We got a lot of things going on. Apartments are really coming along down there."

"We are currently in the process of restriping your downtown areas," Ader explained. "We're getting some signs ordered for the one way, and they do not enter, they'll be here, probably hopefully sometime this week or first of next week. Then we'll get that stripe down around the square in front of the businesses and places people are living."

Ader further detailed the expansion of parking spaces, stating, "Behind the old First Federal Bank, we got five places in there. We did put one parking space there in front of Edward D. Jones's there on Door Street. We got to get down in front of Taylor Tech and the law firm, both sides there, just, you know, parallel parking. Same way with the KFC area on East Main Street, and then we look at the other areas to get striped out." The intent, as summarized by Speaker 4, is "to maximize parking, but still keep safety in mind for everyone. All parked correctly within lines, and then the right directions and stuff."

Ader also addressed the need for sidewalk repairs and highlighted a major drainage issue at the intersection of North Street, North Line, and Wood Street. "We definitely need to get some sidewalks repaired and fixed," he said. "I know we've got a major drain issue right there... We're doing a lot of replacement there, and a lot of that can be done through our stormwater fund. We won't know what we have there, though, until we excavate."

The board also discussed the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district and its importance to future development. "What the pass through is with the TIF district is what I gotta do, do the project pass through. Basically, we're going to capture all the taxes from these test jurisdictions," Ader explained. "One of the reasons the TIF district is to utilize and capitalize all that tax money coming in that we get it for our future development."

Speaker 4 recalled a previous public meeting: "Didn't we do some type of public meeting where some of the landowners came in and talked about, like, over here by Smiths and all that stuff, and kind of gave their grievances or non-grievances, that type of stuff about it? We explained, didn't we do that, like, a few months ago?"

Ader confirmed this but noted that additional steps remain before final approval, including a public hearing scheduled for July 13. "One more thing still, and we got to do the public hearing, then everything's... what we did before was getting everything on a time frame locked in," Ader said.

The meeting concluded with updates on ongoing development projects, including progress at the Shady Estates housing site and infrastructure orders for new duplexes. As Mayor Ader summed up, "It's just going to take a little bit to kick it off, you know, get it going. But got a bunch of trees down and removing stuff and doing a lot of things."

The next city board meeting is scheduled for July 13, where further updates on these key issues are expected.

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# Silly Safaris Summer

## Reading Program

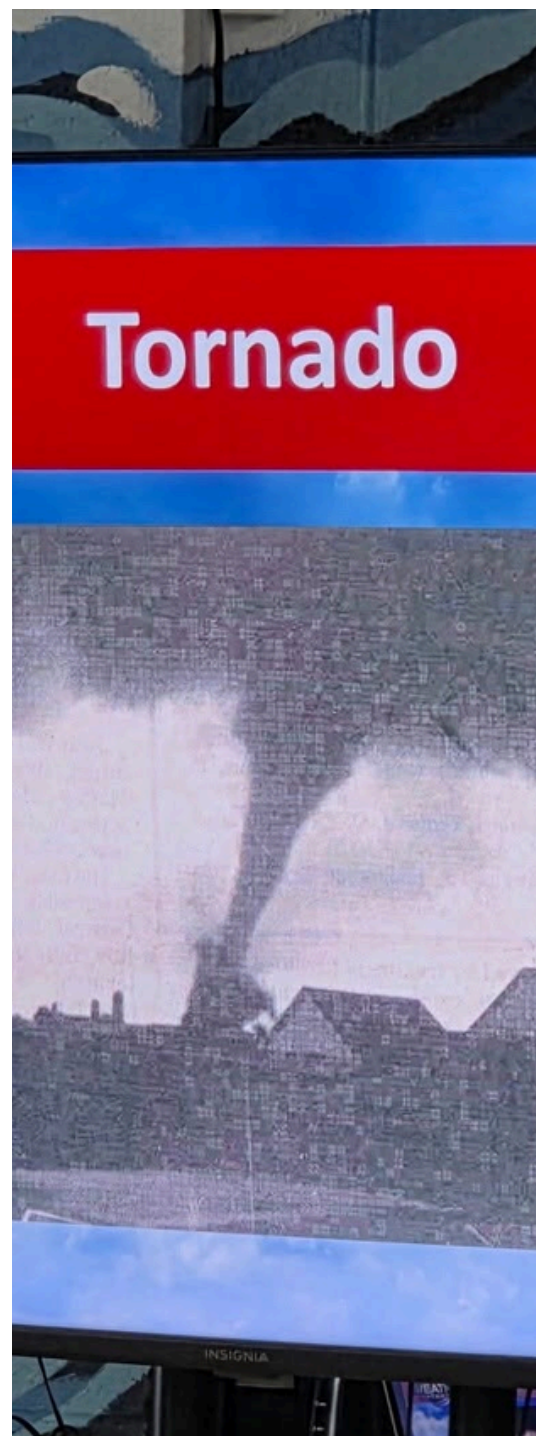
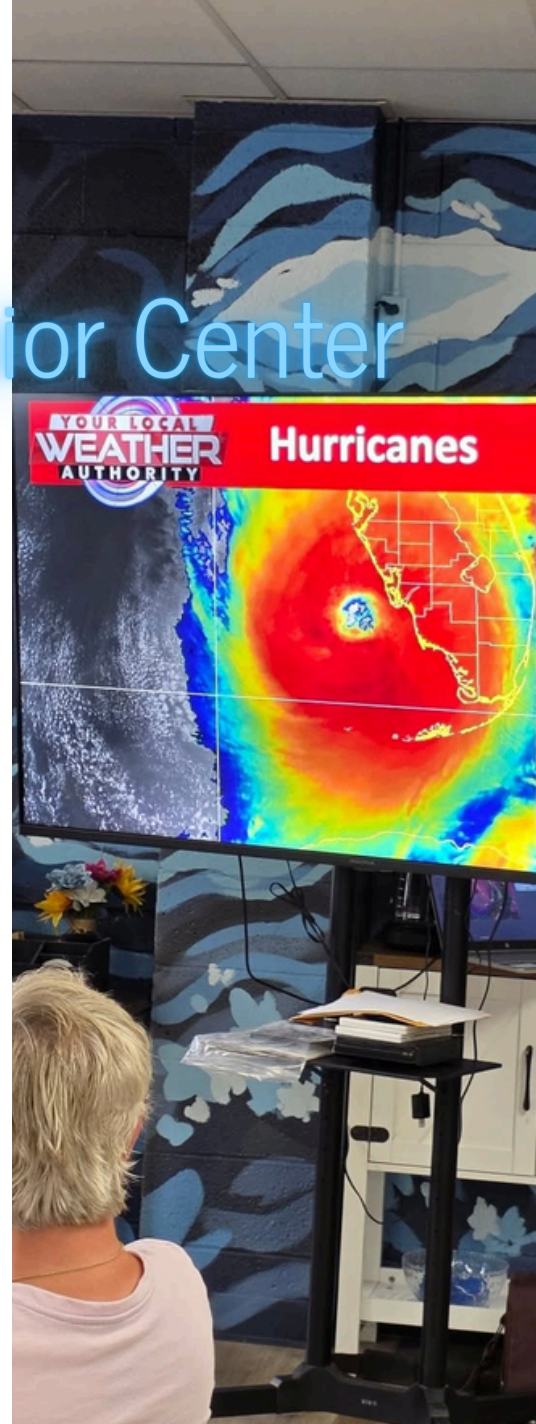
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Senior Center





Weather at 7!  
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# LOOGOOTEE SUMMERFEST SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, JUNE 18

**THURSDAY, JUNE 18**

**8:30 AM**

**Summerfest Golf Scramble -- Registration**

**Lakeview Golf Course**

**9:00 AM**

**Summerfest Golf Scramble -- Shotgun start**

**Lakeview Golf Course**

**5:00 - 10:00 PM**

**Vendors open**

**Downtown Loogootee**

**5:00 - 10:00 PM**

**Carnival Rides -- provided by Lark Ranch**

**Downtown Loogootee**

**6:00 PM**

**Summerfest Queen Pageant**

**Main Stage Pavilion**

**Following Pageant**



**Live Music -- performance by "First & Main"**

**Main Stage Pavilion**



# LOOGOOTEE SUMMERFEST SCHEDULE

## FRIDAY, JUNE 19

5:00 - 10:00 PM

Vendors open

Downtown Loogootee

5:00 - 10:00 PM

Carnival Rides -- provided by Lark Ranch

Downtown Loogootee

4:45 PM

Tri Kappa Sidewalk Chalk Contest

Main Stage Pavilion



6:30 PM

Live Music -- performance by "Alyssa Gallarneau"

Main Stage Pavilion

8:00 PM



Live Music -- performance by "Alex Miller"

Main Stage Pavilion



# LOOGOOTEE SUMMERFEST SCHEDULE

## SATURDAY, JUNE 20

7:00 AM

Summerfest 5K -- Registration & Packet Pickup

West Boggs Park

7:30 AM

Summerfest 5K -- Fun Walk begins

West Boggs Park

8:00 AM

Summerfest 5K -- Run begins

West Boggs Park

9:00 AM

Summerfest Sand Volleyball Tournament

City Park

5:00 - 10:00 PM

Vendors open

Downtown Loogootee

5:00 - 10:00 PM

Carnival Rides -- provided by Lark Ranch

Downtown Loogootee

5:30 PM

Summerfest Parade -- Participant lineup

Loogootee High School

6:30 PM

Summerfest Parade "Stars, Stripes, and Summer Nights"

Downtown Loogootee



8:00 PM

Live Music -- performance by "Dirty Deeds" (AC/DC Tribute Band)

Main Stage Pavilion

10:00 PM

Fireworks -- provided by Wagler Pyrotechnics LLC

Downtown Loogootee



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

THE 2026 LOOGOOTEE SCHOOLS ALUMNI CELEBRATION FOR  
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SATURDAY, JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

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**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](mailto: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!**

**Festivities 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 propaganda from INDOT and the Lochmueller Group is beyond belief. Just visit their "Mid-States Corridor" Facebook page for verification. After both a local and a statewide poll showed there is overwhelming opposition to the Mid-States Corridor, and its \$3+ billion cost, they keep insisting this ill-conceived project is for the benefit of all the people. It's this arrogance that is truly unbelievable.

As of today, the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority is hardly a "Regional" authority about anything. One county, Spencer, and 2 towns, Jasper and Huntingburg, in all good conscious, do not constitute a "region". In the near future both Jasper and Huntingburg will be voting to exit the Mid-States Corridor RDA; and, hopefully they will vote the RDA out. When this happens how can Spencer County be a "region" that can impact 4 counties, Dubois, Martin, Daviess and Greene? This may have been Mike Braun, Mark Messmer, Hank Menke and their cabal's intent with SB128; but, it was never the intent of the 2004 RDA Law.

Here are just 3 of the latest propaganda initiatives by INDOT and the Lochmueller Group:

First, is their updated analysis that they say shows the anticipated relocation impacts will be lower than they originally estimated in the Tier 1 FEIS. The latest estimated relocation impacts will be roughly 50% less than their earlier estimates. At first reading this sounds like a good thing; however, the estimates should have been, and should be, zero relocations. We the people do not want or need this boon-dogle.

Next, is the attempt to minimize public comment. Yes, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has issued a Notice of Intent (NOI) to issue the Tier 2 FEIS. They are doing this even though their data has been shown to be faulty.

Then, there are the comments that soon the preferred corridor/route will be selected and once selected right-of-way acquisition will begin, ahead of construction, pending FHWA approval. How this will happen without funding is going to be a good magic trick.

What one won't see on their Facebook page is that the FHWA very quietly opened a 30 day Comment Period on the Mid-States Corridor, beginning June 1 and ending July 1. One can find how to submit a comment on the STOP-THE-CORRIDOR Facebook page and in the Dubois County Free Press. At this time over 70 people have commented with only one comment in favor of the Corridor. Just shows that, one more time, the majority of people in "the region" are adamantly opposed to the project.

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Jim Arvin  
Rutherford Township  
Martin County

## May 28, 2026 PROPERTY RIGHTS ALLIANCE MEETING

76 people present, including 8 new members and 6 guests.

**Property Rights Alliance Meeting**

**Thursday June 11, 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!*

**PROPERTY RIGHTS ALLIANCE**

DONATIONS are gratefully accepted:  
Property Rights Alliance Inc.  
PO Box 64, Jasper IN 47547

GoFundMe: [gofund.me/12fd6495](https://gofund.me/12fd6495)  
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**MID-STATES CORRIDOR**  
Coalition Against The Mid-States Corridor

# Mid-States Corridor Comments Due July 1, 2026



On June 1, 2026, the Federal Highway Administration announced a 30-day period for the public to send their comments regarding the proposed Mid-States Corridor project for Tier 2, Section 2. This includes the Dubois County portion of the project that is currently being studied.

To submit your comments online go to

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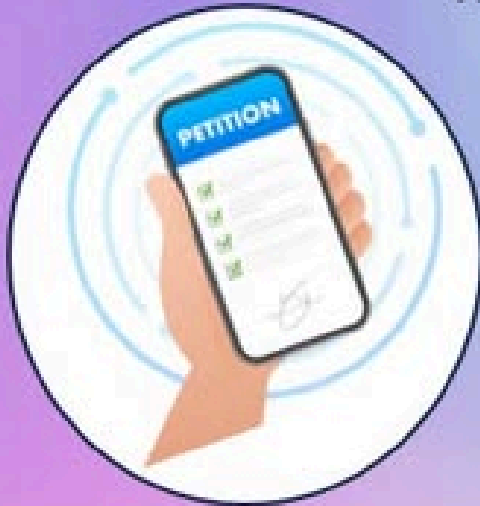
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1. Search for FHWA-2026-0562
2. Click on the Comment button
3. Type your comment
4. Select a comment category
5. Enter your email address
6. Select an identity (individual)
7. Enter your contact information
8. Check the "I am not a robot box"
9. Click on Submit Comment button

In addition to submitting comments online, you can also mail or hand deliver them to the Mid-States Corridor Project Office, Vincennes University Jasper Campus Administration Building, Room 216, 850 College Avenue, Jasper, IN 47546. Comments can also be submitted directly to Erica Tait, Interim Deputy Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Indiana Division at [erica.tait@dot.gov](mailto:erica.tait@dot.gov). Please remember to include the docket number FHWA-2026-0562 with your comments. All comments must be submitted no later than July 1, 2026.

Mark Nowotarski  
Coalition Against the Mid-States Corridor



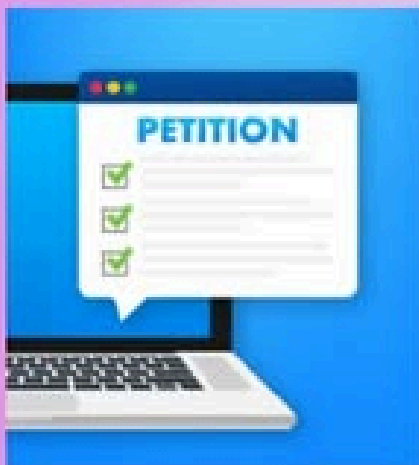
If you haven't already signed a paper  
or online petition AGAINST  
the Mid-States Corridor,

Please *Sign*

the ONLINE petition at

<https://www.change.org/p/stop-the-mid-states-corridor-project>

(The live LINK is included in the post)



And please encourage family and  
friends all across Indiana to sign it.

The corridor will impact  
ALL Hoosier taxpayers.

# SPORTS

## BARR REEVE SOFTBALL WIN MAKE HISTORY, ADVANCING TO THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME



NASHVILLE — Just like so many times before this season, a Barr-Reeve team will be going to State. The girls softball team used a pair of comeback wins on Saturday to make it the fifth Viking squad to take a swing at the ultimate prize. The Class A No. 1 Vikings defeated West Washington, 6-2 at the Class A Brown County Semi-state using a pair of home runs and four runs in the seventh inning to move to 31-1 on the season. Hurler Charley Paurazas picked up the win in the circle, as B-R had eight hits and shutout the West Washington Lady Senators after the second inning. “It’s a work ethic thing at Barr-Reeve. These kids, they grind every single day, they do everything we need them to do. We have fun, we love each other, and man, they know how to get it done. It is absolutely every kid. When some kid is down, everyone picks up everyone. It’s the greatest night in Viking softball history,” said B-R coach Josh Huff.

“Defensively we didn’t come out and do what we needed to do, and thought shifting some things around is what needed to happen. So the hook (changing pitchers) was sooner than normal, for sure, even in the game earlier today.

But, man, it’s about the team, and you just got to focus on what the team needs to do. I thought Haley could help us defensively, so I thought we just needed to make the switch. Charley, like I said, worked out fine. Oh my gosh, those Knepp girls were absolutely amazing today. They’ve been stepping up big. With JJ, I go back to the rainbow at sectional, and I think that means something. And, man, she’s been pulling through every single time.” To start the game, Barr-Reeve again took advantage of the long ball with lead-off hitter Sydney Wilson hitting one over the left field fence. However, West Washington’s Ava Cooper responded with a dinger of her own to tie it at 1-1. West Washington added a second run in the second inning and Josh Huff again made an pitching change, bringing in Paurazas, who had an extended outing in Game 1.

The Vikes looked to make some noise by loading the bases with no one out, but Cooper pitched her way out of the inning with three ground balls and no runs. Freshman JJ Knepp tied the game for the second time on Saturday with her second home run of the day, this time to right field and a 2-2 for B-R.

The game moved into speed mode with both halves of the inning taking on a 1-2-3 scenario. Paurazas did allow a single in the sixth, but other than that handled the the Lady Senators without trouble. JJ Knepp used her speed to open the top of the seventh with an infield hit and after single from Wilson, B-R had runners at 1st and third. Paurazas then added a long fly to give B-R the lead. Hallie Knepp then put one off the fence to score two more, followed by a Jones double that made it 6-2 and essentially securing the trip to State in Lafayette at Purdue.

Jones, JJ Knepp and Wilson ended the game with two hits, while Hallie Knepp had two RBIs to pace the Vikes, while Wes

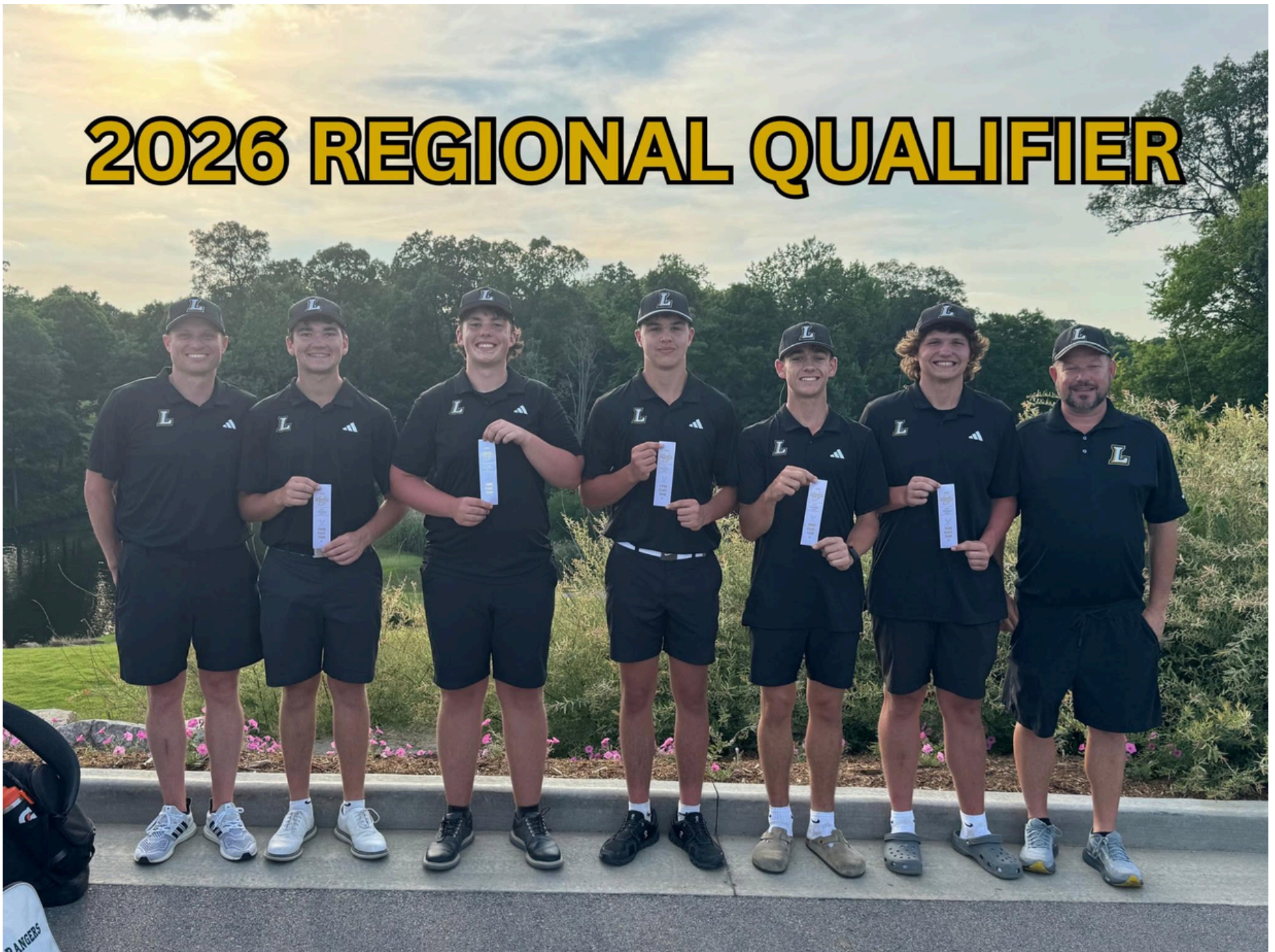
t Washington had just five. The Class A Finals are scheduled for 4:30 p.m. at Bitteringer Stadium on Purdue’s campus on Saturday.

Barr-Reeve 6, Lutheran 5, Game 1  
NASHVILLE – For the Barr-Reeve Vikings softball team, the first game of the Brown County semi-state looked like it would be the last game. However, with a 5-1 lead for Lutheran late in the game, B-R posted a 5-run comeback in the final two innings for a 6-5 comeback, and a place in the final later in the night. It was a two-run shot from freshman JJ Knepp that tied the game in the sixth, and then a run driven in by sister Hallie Knepp in the seventh to win it.

The Saints wasted little time getting on the board with back-to-back home runs from Layla Miller and Gracie Boggs to make it 2-0. Josh Huff bringing in Charley Paurazas to finish out the inning for starter Haley Huff. Boggs faced just seven batters in the first two innings, with on Addi Jones reaching on a walk, while Shaylee Stoll picked up single, for B-R’s first hit in the third.

Pauraras was helped by a double play to the middle of the order to keep the game at 2-0. The Vikes put two runners on in the top of the fourth with Jones and Huff reaching, but got a hard hit grounder to end the inning. Lutheran responded to the threat with its third solo shot of the game to Riley Torres to make it 3-0. Lutheran ended up loading the bases, but a deep ball was handled by Lucy Wirtz to end the threat. The Vikes picked up its first run as JJ Knepp walked, then used her speed to steal second and found herself on third before scoring of a wild pitch. The Saints used two hits and a pair of throwing errors to add two more runs and take a 5-1 lead into the top of the sixth. B-R had a pair of doubles from Paurazas and Jones to cut it down to 5-2, along with Jones scoring on a fly to center. After a double from Lottes, Lutheran brought in Lillian Schultz and she was immediately tagged by freshman JJ Knepp for a two run homer to tie it at 5-5 to deep center to complete the comeback. Lutheran threatened in the bottom of the sixth with two runners but it would be the Vikes came up with the next run. Paurazas hit her second straight double with two out and Hallie Knepp, sister of sixth-inning hero JJ, added a double off the fence to make it 6-5 and finishing off the game by the same score and sending them in to the final game. West Washington beat Milan in Game 2 to earn its trip to the final.

# Loogootee Boys' Golf Team Prepares for Regional Tournament at Country Oaks



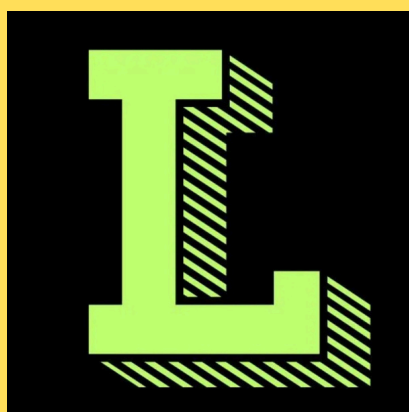
The Loogootee boys' golf team is gearing up for the upcoming regional tournament after a strong showing at the sectional round. Held at Sultan's Run Golf Club in Jasper, Indiana, the Lions finished in third place with a team score of 338, just edging out Tell City by two strokes for the final qualifying spot.

The regional will be held at Country Oaks Golf Club in Washington, Indiana, where the top three teams and the top five individual scores will advance to the IHSAA Boys Golf State Finals. Fans eager to follow Loogootee's progress can stay tuned for live scoring updates and details on how to track their performance tomorrow.

# FORRE!



**Good Luck in Regionals To The Loogootee  
Lions Boys Golf Team**



**The Loogootee Big-L Times**

# PETS

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## ADOPTABLE CATS



Lainey

Kuza



Simba



Gizmo



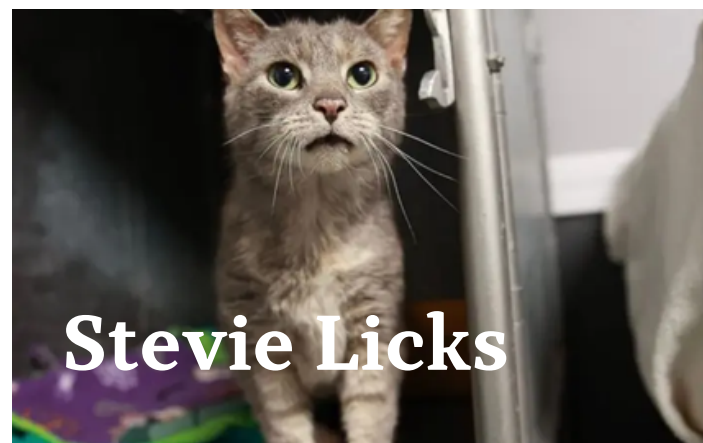
Birdy



Kitty



Snoopy



Stevie Licks



Tawny



Peach



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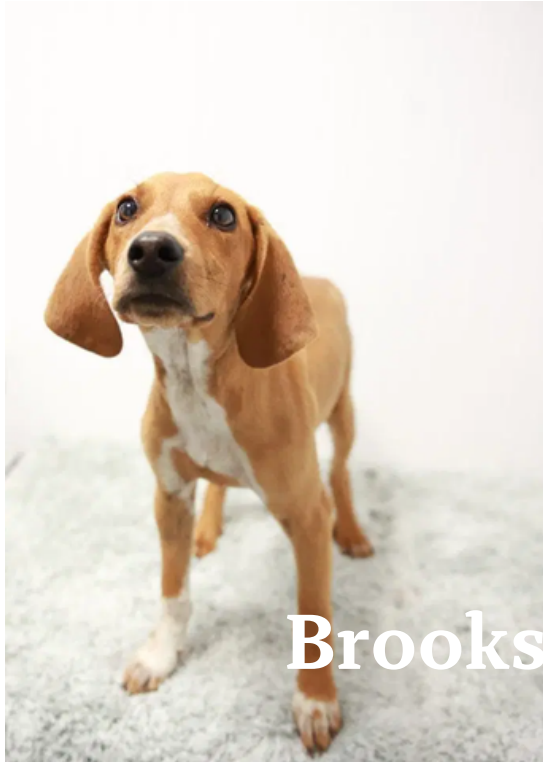
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## ADOPTABLE DOGS



Dunn



Brooks



Diesel



Sienna



Ranger



Barney



Fred



Arwin



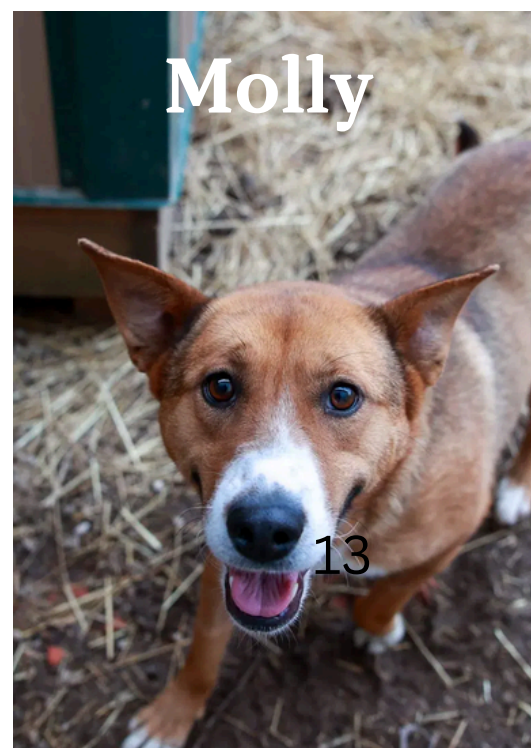
Tater



Knox



Biscuit



Molly

# Martin County & Courts 14

Monday, June 1, 2026

8:10 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting aggressive dogs in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.  
12:03 p.m.- Monthly weather siren test was conducted.  
12:09 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
12:19 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
12:45 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2, Loogootee Fire Department, LPD Chief Cummings and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
3:41 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
4:30 p.m.- Received a 911 call with no one on the line South of Loogootee. Deputy Clark responded.  
4:32 p.m.- Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred the call to Daviess County 911.  
6:05 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak with a deputy. Deputy Clark responded.

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

2:03 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance East of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
3:48 a.m.- Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident East of Shoals. Martin County Medic 2, Shoals Fire Department, Major Reed, Storks Towing, and INDOT responded. No one was transported.  
9:30 a.m.- Chief Deputy Keller transported two inmates to court.  
10:05 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
10:47 a.m.- Chief Deputy Keller transported two inmates to court.  
10:54 a.m.- Received a report of an accident with no injuries Northeast of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
12:12 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance South of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Lost River Fire Department responded.

Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
12:42 p.m.- Received a call requesting a Vehicle Identification Number Check Southwest of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
12:55 p.m.- Received a call requesting assistance for traffic control East of Shoals. Martin County Civil Defense responded.  
2:11 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a disabled vehicle South of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
2:25 p.m.- Chief Deputy Keller transported two inmates to court.  
5:59 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.  
6:06 p.m.- Received a request for an ambulance South of Shoals. Orange County EMS, Lost River Fire Department and Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
9:11 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a verbal dispute in Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

1:46 a.m.- Received a call from Care Center requesting an ambulance North of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.  
5:47 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
7:46 a.m.- Received a call requesting to speak with a deputy. Chief Deputy Keller responded.  
8:49 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance Southeast of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Martin County Civil Defense responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
8:53 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 2 and Martin County Civil Defense responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
9:11 a.m.- Received a call from Care Center advising of a medical alarm push in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department responded.  
10:22 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a small tree in the roadway West of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
12:06 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance and a deputy in Shoals. Martin County

Medic 1, Marshal Copeland and Sergeant Hawkins responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
1:26 p.m.- Received a report of a cow loose Northeast of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
1:40 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy South of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
2:47 p.m.- Received a report of property damage Southeast of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.  
6:02 p.m.- Received a report of a possible traffic hazard in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.  
6:23 p.m.- Received multiple calls reporting low water pressure in Loogootee. Loogootee Utilities advised they are draining a water tower.  
6:59 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a disabled vehicle South of Loogootee. Deputy Nash and Deputy Droke responded.  
7:46 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance and an officer in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, LPD Chief Cummings and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded. No one was transported.  
9:21 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlocked in Loogootee. Deputy Nash responded.

Thursday, June 4, 2026

3:33 a.m.- Received a report of a water tower leaking in Loogootee. Loogootee Utilities was notified.  
4:16 a.m.- Received a report of a pony in the highway South of Shoals. The owner was notified.  
9:26 a.m.- Received a report of a pony in the roadway Southeast of Shoals. Captain Gibson and Marshal Copeland responded.  
11:25 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Shoals Fire Department, Chief Deputy Keller and Corporal Erwin responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to IU Bedford.  
11:35 a.m.- Corporal Erwin on station with Raven Davis, a 30-year-old female from Shoals, arrested on a Martin County warrant. She is being held on \$15,000 cash only bond.  
12:53 p.m.- Deputy Branham transported one inmate to court.  
12:56 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance North of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2 and Loogootee Fire

Department responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
1:46 p.m.- Deputy Branham transported two inmates to court.  
1:51 p.m.- Received a report of a water leak North of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department responded. East Fork Water was also notified.  
2:16 p.m.- Jail Officer Mooneyham on station with Christopher Bearden, a 48-year-old male from Loogootee, arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.  
4:01 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 Daviess Community Hospital.  
5:17 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting officers and an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Loogootee Fire Department, LPD Chief Cummings and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
6:23 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. No one was transported.  
6:40 p.m.- Received a report of a possible theft South of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.  
7:06 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver on US 231N traveling South. Advised all on-duty units.  
7:14 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 IU Bloomington.  
8:58 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
11:43 p.m.- Received a report of a possible prowler South of Shoals. Deputy Droke and Deputy Nash responded.

Friday, June 5, 2026

2:41 a.m.- Received a 911 iPhone crash detection East of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Deputy Nash, Deputy Droke and Big John's Towing responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.  
6:36 a.m.- Received a report of a car-dog accident in Shoals. Deputy Droke and Big John's Towing responded.  
8:10 a.m.- Received a call requesting a

deputy in Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller responded.  
8:18 a.m.- Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred the call to Daviess County 911.  
8:45 a.m.- Received a call requesting assistance in Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.  
10:56 a.m.- Corporal Erwin on station with Dane Davis, a 49-year-old male from Loogootee, arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held on \$45,000 cash only bond.  
11:15 a.m.- Received a request to speak with a deputy in Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.  
11:21 a.m.- Received a request for a wrecker in Loogootee. Big John's Towing responded.  
11:44 a.m.- Received a call requesting a Vehicle Identification Number check in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.  
12:30 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak with a deputy. Chief Deputy Keller responded.  
3:10 p.m.- Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident with no injuries North of Loogootee. ISP Troopers, Deputy Branham and Big John's Towing responded.  
3:16 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
3:26 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a possible traffic hazard on US 231N traveling into Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings and Corporal Erwin responded.  
4:41 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
5:00 p.m.- Received a report of a possible traffic hazard Southeast of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.  
6:03 p.m.- Received a call requesting assistance in Loogootee. Corporal Erwin, Deputy Branham, Deputy Nash and Indiana Conservation Officer Graber responded.  
6:40 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance South of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Lost River Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
8:18 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak with a deputy in Crane Village. Deputy Droke responded.  
8:25 p.m.- Deputy Branham on station with Kevin Clayton, a 65-year-old male from Georgia, arrested for Operating a vehicle while intoxicated-prior, Intimidation x2, Operating a vehicle while intoxicated-endangerment,

Public intoxication and Disorderly conduct. He is being held on \$30,000 10% bond.  
8:48 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy South of Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.  
11:43 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

Saturday, June 6, 2026

2:56 a.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.  
8:21 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
9:20 a.m.- Mitchell Wagler, a 43-year-old male from Loogootee, on station to turn himself in on a Martin County warrant. He posted bond \$10,000 10%.  
11:12 a.m.- Received a 911 call with no one on the line Southwest of Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.  
11:56 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
12:24 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.  
1:03 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
1:32 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50 West of Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.  
2:58 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50 traveling East. Deputy Branham responded.  
3:01 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance Northeast of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Corporal Erwin and Deputy Branham responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.  
3:05 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance North of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 2, Loogootee

# MARTIN COUNTY LOG

Fire Department, Crane Fire, ISP Troopers and Martin County Coroner Todd responded.

5:37 p.m.- Received a 911 call with no one on the line South of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

4:03 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Dubois County Medic, Loogootee Fire Department, Crane Medic and Corporal Erwin responded. Dubois County transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:39 p.m.- Received a report of a vehicle repossession North of Shoals.

6:10 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver on US 231S traveling North into Loogootee. Deputy Nash responded.

6:35 p.m.- Received a report of harassment North of Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded. Extra patrol requested. Advised all on-duty units.

6:49 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

6:54 p.m.- Received a residential alert alarm call in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Deputy Branham and Deputy Nash responded.

8:05 p.m.- Deputy Nash on station with James Clayton, a 64-year-old male from Georgia, arrested for Operating a vehicle while intoxicated and Operating a vehicle while intoxicated-endangerment. He is being held on \$20,000 10% bond.

8:58 p.m.- Received an animal complaint East of Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.

9:44 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy in Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.

Sunday, June 7, 2026

2:07 a.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlocked in Loogootee. Deputy Nash responded.

5:38 a.m.- Received a report of a tree down South of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense and Deputy Droke responded. INDOT was also notified.

7:54 a.m.- Received a report of a water tower in Loogootee that is spraying water out. Loogootee City Utilities was notified.

1:18 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a tree down North of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

2:02 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance Northeast of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Indian Creek Fire Department and Corporal Erwin responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to IU Bedford.

2:05 p.m.- Received a report of an accident with no injuries in Shoals. ISP Trooper Watson responded.

3:04 p.m.- Received a report of a traffic hazard North of Loogootee. Corporal Erwin responded.

3:33 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting motorcycles driving recklessly South of Shoals heading towards Orange County. All on-duty units were advised. Orange County was also notified.

4:13 p.m.- Received an iPhone crash detection North of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Corporal Erwin responded.

5:34 p.m.- Received a report of a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Corporal Erwin responded.

7:47 p.m.- Received a call reporting a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.

8:32 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

# LOOGOOTEE POLICE LOG

Monday, June 1, 2026

8:13 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of two aggressive dogs running loose on A St.

12:17 pm- A commercial burglar alarm was received from a local business.

12:47 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department, Chief Cummings, and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to an accident on Lincoln Ave.

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

10:17 am- A complainant advised of a power line possibly torn down by a wide load on US 231N.

11:23 am- A caller reported almost hitting a vehicle on W. Broadway St. due to its turn signals not working.

11:30 am- A complainant came to the station to speak with an officer about damage to the pickleball court from yesterday.

4:30 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey completed a vehicle inspection on Industrial Park Dr.

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

8:10 am- A caller advised of flags outside of a local business that are a traffic hazard.

9:15 am- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical alert on Able Lane.

10:00 am- Chief Cummings responded to a report of a possible impaired subject in a local business.

2:15 pm- A female came on station to report a battery.

2:45 pm- A male called and reported a residential entry.

3:38 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of possible gunshots in the area of North Line St. and Sycamore St.

3:48 pm- A male reported a leaky load of gravel on US 231N.

4:40 pm- Chief Cummings took a report of lost property.

Thursday, June 4, 2026

12:35 pm- A male caller requested assistance in retrieving personal property.

12:58 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Mt. Calvary Rd.

3:15 pm- Chief Cummings completed a vehicle inspection on SE 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

4:53 pm- Chief Cummings spoke with a complainant on station about a suspicious person that came onto her property on W. Broadway St.

5:17 pm- Chief Cummings and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a female that was possibly attempting self-harm on Redbud St.

Friday, June 5, 2026

8:09 am- A caller requested a welfare check on an individual who appears to be asleep in a car at a local business.

8:40 am - A male caller reported that he had lost his driver's license.

10:29 am- A local business called regarding a vehicle in an area that is scheduled to be paved today.

11:46 am- Chief Cummings completed a vehicle inspection on Hill St.

12:30 pm- Chief Cummings assisted with a funeral procession.

3:04 pm- Chief Cummings assisted Martin County Sheriff's Dept. on a traffic stop with a vehicle involved in an accident in Dubois County and left the scene.

3:26 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of a semi with doors open on US 231N, nearing Loogootee.

Saturday, June 6, 2026

2:56 am- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on SW 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

1:03 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Cedar St.

3:05 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on First Rd. in Burns City.

4:03 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Cedar St.

Sunday, June 7, 2026

4:13 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a report of an accident on US 231N.

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# Courts Report

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***NO COURT  
NEWS THIS  
WEEK***

# Property Records &

*Transfers June 3-10*

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Jace Adam Walton and Grace Lingenfelter, as joint tenants with rights of survivorship, residing at 202 Sycamore St, Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Lot Number Six (6) and the West one-half of Lot Number Seven (7) in Summers, Cannon and Crane Addition to Loogootee, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel: #51-08-24-100-115.000-008) from the current owner, Noah M. Callahan and Blake M. Callahan, husband and wife.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Patricia V. Fowler, residing at 18179 Tripp Road, Shoals, IN 47581, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Mitchelltree Township, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: A life estate interest in a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, and a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 23, all in Township 4 North, Range 3 West; Parcel #51-05-22-400-043.000-006) from the current owner, Robert W. Aldrich and Margaret A. Aldrich, husband and wife.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Ronnie Fraley, Jr., residing at 210 Queen St., Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at First North Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana (Legal Description: Lot Number Fourteen (14) in First North Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana, except Forty-five (45) feet off of the South end thereof; Parcel #51-08-24-100-257.000-008) from the current owner, Barbara A. Allen.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Kaleb L. Daniel and Kaylynn S. Daniel, husband and wife, residing at 210 Queen St, Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at First North Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana (Legal Description: Lot Number Fourteen (14) in First North Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana, except Forty-five (45) feet off of the South end thereof; Parcel #51-08-24-100-257.000-008) from the current owner, Ronnie Fraley, Jr..

# Local Obituaries

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300 Church Street, Loogootee, Ind. 47553*

## Patricia “Patty” Jane Paul

*May 29, 1940- June 5, 2026*

Patricia “Patty” Jane Paul, 86, of Loogootee, Indiana went to be with her Lord and Savior on June 5, 2026. Born on May 29, 1940 in Vintondale, Pennsylvania, she was the beloved daughter of Frank and Pearl Burgoon. She was known for her beautiful, contagious smile, kind spirit, and love for Jesus. Patty touched the lives of everyone who had the honor of knowing her. A wonderful mother, grandmother, and friend, she exemplified selflessness and warmth. As a devout Christian, her generous spirit will be remembered forever, leaving behind a legacy of love, strength, and compassion that lives on in all of us.

For 23 years, Patty worked as a nurse’s aide for the state of Pennsylvania. She later moved to Saint Louis, where she continued her calling at The Veteran’s Hospital as a nursing assistant before returning to Pennsylvania to care for family members for many years. Fourteen years ago, she relocated to Indiana, where she served as a teaching assistant at The Shoals Community Schools and contributed her time to the Afterschool Program.

Patty was also an active volunteer, lending her time at the Loogootee Library and engaging in various community activities. She volunteered with SOAR and the Martin County Community RSVP. Her passion for learning was evident as she continued to take computer and online classes. An avid reader, she found joy in books and loved listening to audiobooks. For many years, she spent her winters volunteering in the kitchen at Avon Park Holiness Camp, Florida.

She attended the Shoals Nazarene Church and was a member of the Loogootee Methodist Bible study



group. On January 31, 1996, she married William “Bill” Paul, and he preceded her in death.

Patty was also preceded in death by her parents, a great-granddaughter, Ayden Jane McKinley, and her former husband, Bernard Homer Mervine.

Patty is survived by her beloved family, which she said was her greatest blessing including her children: Debra “Debbie” (George) Younkin and Theresa “Terry” (Gary) Holt; ten grandchildren: Tiffany Young, Shannon (Josuha) Cable, Ashley (David) Price, Chelsea (Michael) Williams, Audrey (Nick) Conlon, Lindsey (Cody) Douglas, Janelle (Brian) Riggle, Jennifer (Jordan) Sinnott, Derek (Nicole) Holt, and Eli Holt; and 22 great-grandchildren; she is also survived by her sisters-in-law, Cathrine Spotts, and Rosemary Roles.

She is a great example of how to live and love life and she will be deeply missed, but her spirit and legacy will forever inspire those who knew her.

Friends and family are welcome to visit on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee, Indiana. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the family for funeral expenses.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, July 5, 2026 at 1:00 PM at the Shoals Nazarene Church in Shoals, Indiana.

Patty will be laid to rest with her beloved husband in the United Brethren Cemetery in Belsano, Pennsylvania on Monday, June 15, 2026. A Celebration of Life is being planned in Pennsylvania for a later date.

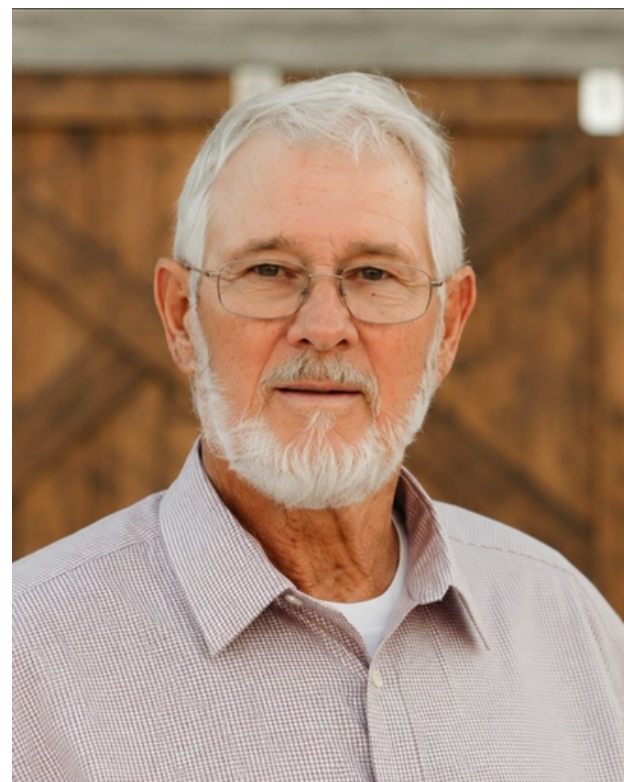
Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com). For more information regarding the services in Pennsylvania, contact the Askew-Houser Funeral home in Nanty-Glo, PA. <https://askew-houser.com/>

Blake Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Patricia Jane Paul.

To send flowers or plant a [memorial tree](#) in memory, please visit our [flower store](#).

## Wallace “Wally” Knepp

*June 5, 1950-June 7, 2026*



Wallace “Wally” Knepp, 76 of Washington, Indiana went to his heavenly home Sunday June 7, 2026. He was born June 5, 1950, at home in Montgomery, Indiana to the late Arthur and Magdalena (Wagler) Knepp. He attended Epsom and Parsons schools. He was a member of Bethel Mennonite Church in Odon, Indiana.

September 19, 1970, he married Lydia (Lengacher) Knepp. Together they shared more than 55 years of marriage. Wally started his own business - Wally’s Construction in 1983. In his free time he loved to hunt and fish. He also enjoyed watching St Louis Cardinal Baseball, Indiana Hoosier Basketball, and the Indianapolis Colts.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Lydia, five children: Heath (Julie) Knepp, Montgomery, Melanie (Larry, Jr.) Knepp, Washington, Gordon (Mary Lynn) Knepp, Eldon (Jodi) Knepp, and Lela (Greg) Wagler all of Montgomery. Eight grandchildren Kalin (Tara) Knepp, Chloe (Walter) Martin, Hayley Knepp, Elle Knepp, Wyatt Knepp, Tori Wagler, Dylan Wagler, Sierra Knepp, all of Montgomery and six foreign exchange students (Natnicha, Erin, Sunshine, Jiwoo, Jiwon, and Harrison) who lovingly adopted him as their grandpa. Three great - grandchildren Tucker Wallace Knepp, Walter Casey Martin VI, and Adeline Jane Martin. One brother Calvin (Sharon) Knepp, two sisters Naomi (Nick) Stoll both of Montgomery, Esther (Wesley) Slaubaugh, Hayes, Kansas, and one sister-in-law Dorthy Knepp of Hendersonville, North Carolina. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother Paul Knepp, and one brother-in-law Samuel Knepp, Jr.

In lieu of his memory the family requests donations to be made to The ~~Galilean~~ Home in Kentucky. Contribution envelopes will be available at the church.

Viewing will be held Tuesday, June 9th at The Bethel Mennonite Church in Odon, Indiana from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Wednesday, June 10th from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

The funeral service will be Thursday, June 11th at 10:00 am at the church. Interment will be in the church cemetery. Blake & Wagler Funeral home is in charge of the arrangements

Online condolences can be made at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com)

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**Easy**

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**Hard**

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**Expert**

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**Master**

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**Easy**

9	6	2	3	4	5	8	1	7
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**Medium**

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**Hard**

4	7	3	5	6	2	9	8	1
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**Expert**

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**Master**

7	4	2	5	1	9	8	3	6
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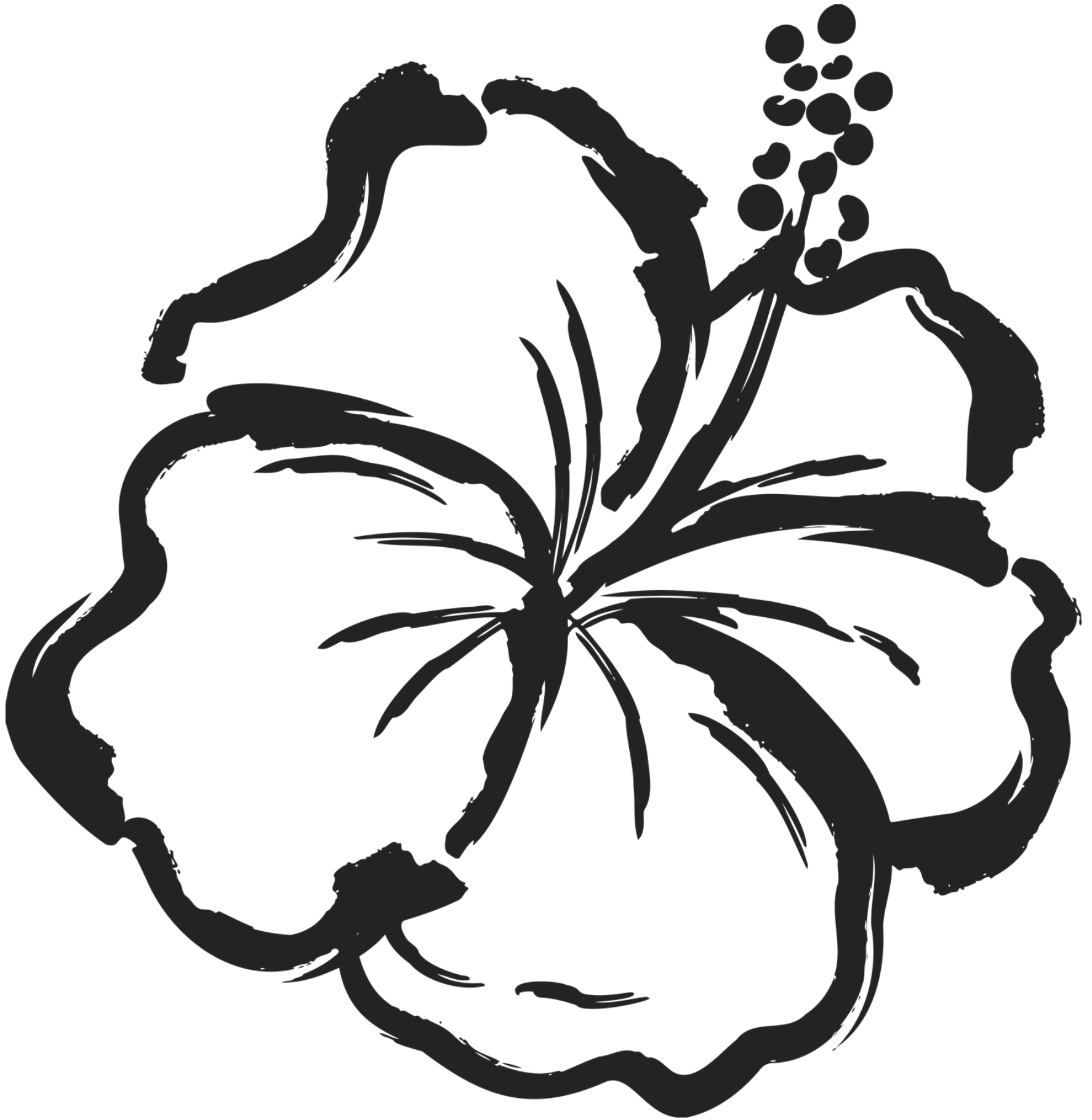


# Sudoku Daily Game #48

# SOLUTIONS

# Coloring Sheet

## Country Summer



**Across**

- 1. Sooner's alternative
- 6. Dalai \_\_\_ (chief Tibetan monk)
- 10. Apprentice
- 14. Place to remember
- 15. Look \_\_\_ (visit briefly)
- 16. One with will power?
- 17. Served as gondolier
- 18. "\_\_\_ as a bug in a rug"
- 19. Pontificate
- 20. Entry requirement, sometimes
- 23. Baby word
- 24. Fret and fume
- 25. Arena take
- 28. Opposite of flushed
- 31. Costa \_\_\_, Spain
- 35. Pet for King Solomon
- 36. Man Friday
- 37. Relating to the eye
- 38. Spy
- 41. Car styles
- 42. Dutch town
- 43. Some of the IBM line
- 44. Authority to decide
- 45. Short reptile?
- 46. Oft-quoted unnamed ones
- 47. "So what \_\_\_ is new?"
- 49. "To Kill a Mockingbird" author
- 51. It's often buried
- 58. Charles' game
- 59. "Help \_\_\_ the way!"
- 60. Pricey strings, for short
- 61. "Yeah, right!" in teenspeak
- 62. Soul singer Hendryx
- 63. Conduct the class
- 64. Like Helen Keller
- 65. \_\_\_ per second (luminosity unit)
- 66. 1991-93 Australian Open winner

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64						65					66				

**Down**

- 1. Drinks like a cat
- 2. Skin cream additive
- 3. Powder ingredient
- 4. Come to the fore
- 5. Beverly Hills Drive
- 6. Say "something" wrong?
- 7. "The King and I" schoolteacher
- 8. Whipped dessert
- 9. Feeling of foreboding
- 10. Small floor covering
- 11. Senior or junior
- 12. Coat you throw away without regret
- 13. Fun food for Fido
- 21. Talking points
- 22. Transmitter of digital photographs
- 25. Magnetic induction unit
- 26. Sleep disorder
- 27. Woman's one-piece undergarment
- 29. Bustle
- 30. It may pry
- 32. Beth follows it
- 33. Ball cohort
- 34. Like some craft shows
- 36. First name in action films
- 37. Delphic prophet
- 39. Retreated, in a way
- 40. Tokyo, formerly
- 45. Sitcom overseer
- 46. Final taker
- 48. Rouen's river
- 50. Some bridge defenders
- 51. NASCAR engine part
- 52. Pelvic bones
- 53. Chinese society
- 54. Gene components
- 55. River past Orsk
- 56. Word with human and rat
- 57. Anglo-Saxon letters
- 58. Bachelor's digs

# Crossword Puzzle #48

C	O	D	A		H	I	P	P	O		S	C	O	T
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## Crossword Puzzle Solutions #48

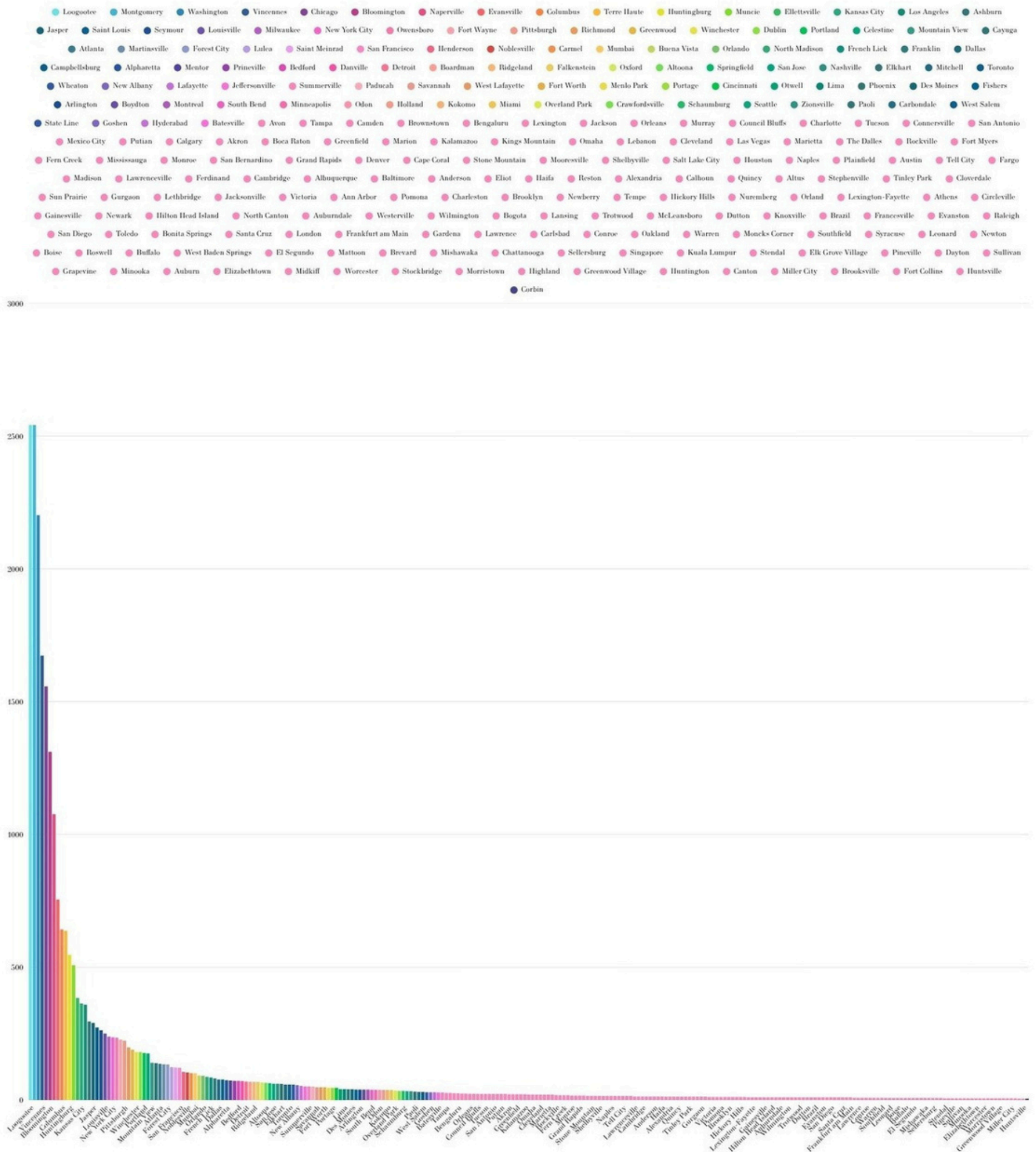
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