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## LOOGOOTE SENIOR CENTER NEAR FUNDRAISING GOAL - SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITY

## LOOGOOTE SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD MEETING DISCUSSION ON MAY 21, 2026

## DINOSAUR- THEMED 'FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY' TO BRING CARS, CUISINE, AND COMMUNITY TO LOOGOOTE



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.

The Martin County Sheriff's Office urged drivers to avoid US Highway 50 from the town of Shoals to the Martin County 4-H Grounds for approximately four hours beginning around 5 p.m. on Monday, due to an oversized load passing through the area.

In a social media post, the sheriff's office explained that traffic was being backed up and that officials were working to keep the public informed amid concerns about congestion, especially since the delay occurred during rush hour. "Please avoid the area of US Highway 50 from the town of Shoals area to the Martin County 4h Grounds for approximately 4 hours." The police said in the post. "There is a big, oversized load coming through and traffic is backed up."

Meanwhile, delays also affected local sports activities. The Orleans High School baseball team, traveling from Orleans, Indiana, required a police escort to reach Loogootee High School for an IHSAA Sectional Baseball Championship game. The team's travel was significantly delayed, causing a major disruption to their schedule.

Further south, emergency crews responded to a vehicle crash just east of the Martin State Forest. Officials announced that US Highway 50 would be temporarily closed on Monday, sharing the update on Facebook around 11 p.m. to complete the investigation.

Drivers in the area were advised to seek alternate routes and to exercise caution.

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LOOGOOTE, Ind. — The Loogootee Beautification Board has announced the return of its popular "Food Truck Friday" event, scheduled for Friday, June 12, featuring a distinct prehistoric theme and a full lineup of family-friendly activities.

According to an official event flyer designated as image\_954225.jpg, the festivities will kick off at 4 p.m. and run until 9 p.m., bringing together local culinary vendors, classic car enthusiasts, and community artists.

The evening's itinerary begins at 4 p.m. with a Car Cruise In, inviting local automotive enthusiasts to showcase their vehicles. As the night progresses, families can transition into a creative activity scheduled from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., where attendees are encouraged to use sidewalk chalk to draw their favorite dinosaurs. The event will culminate at dusk with a free outdoor screening of the classic animated film, *The Land Before Time*.

Organizers have secured a diverse lineup of food trucks to anchor the event. Scheduled culinary vendors include:

- Ice Cubed
- Big Boys Burgers
- Una Pizza Sandwich Express
- Bad Brad's BBQ
- CD's Treats
- Dani's Bakes
- Sips and Snacks

In addition to the food trucks, the event will feature other local vendors, including Lisa's Lovelies and Yona Cove Creations.

The Loogootee Beautification Board noted that space is still available for businesses looking to participate. Event organizers are actively accepting additional food trucks and merchandise vendors.

Interested vendors are instructed to coordinate logistics by contacting event representatives Brittany Potts at 812-709-8830 or Tracy Stoll at 812-709-0498.

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# MAY'S LUNCH & LEARN SESSION CANCELLED TO ANOTHER DATE

LOGOOTE, Ind. — The City of Loogootee is gearing up for a major overhaul of its roadways, announcing an ambitious slate of street improvement projects set to begin in the next three weeks, pending adherence to the schedule.

City of Loogootee officials revealed the plans through a video posted to the municipality's Facebook page, expressing both anticipation and gratitude toward community members and local videographer David Novak, who produced the video highlighting the scope of the upcoming work. "We know how important our streets are to residents, businesses, and visitors, and we are committed to making these improvements while keeping everyone informed throughout the process," the City of Loogootee said in the announcement via Facebook. The city emphasized ongoing communication about timelines, progress, and potential traffic impacts as construction gets underway. The improvement initiative will target multiple thoroughfares across Loogootee, with a particular focus on resurfacing, sidewalk replacement, and infrastructure upgrades. Among the streets slated for work are South Oak Street, Walnut Street, Poplar Street, East Third Street, and Wood Street. Each project features a combination of road resurfacing, widening, sidewalk replacement, and drainage enhancements.

On South Oak Street, work will include a 1.5-inch mill-and-resurface, tree removal, and road widening from Elm Street to Pine Street, along with new sidewalks and concrete approaches. Walnut Street will see similar resurfacing, new storm piping, and a new

culvert, extending from South Oak Street to Terminus. Poplar Street is scheduled for milling and resurfacing from Elm to East First Street. East Third Street, stretching from U.S. 50 to Terminus, will undergo resurfacing, curb and sidewalk replacements, and installation of a new culvert. Wood Street's improvements are scheduled for two sections: from First Street to U.S. 231 and from Walker Street southwest to West Main Street, featuring resurfacing, curb and ramp upgrades, new crosswalks, and sidewalk repairs. Other streets on the list include Mulberry Street, which will be widened and resurfaced from Vincennes to Williams, with new crosswalks, concrete approaches, and sidewalk enhancements. Sycamore and Doyle Streets round out the slate, each set for milling and resurfacing from Clark Street to Terminus. City leaders called for patience and cooperation as work progresses. "We appreciate your patience and support as we work to improve our city," the statement read. "We will continue to provide updates on project timelines, progress, and any impacts to traffic as work moves forward. Thank you for helping us make Loogootee an even better place to live, work, and visit!" The city has not specified the total cost of the projects, but emphasized the long-term benefits for safety, accessibility, and quality of life for all residents and visitors. The improvements are part of a broader effort to modernize local infrastructure and foster economic development in the southern Indiana community.

- List of Areas of Work:
- South Oak Street
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface
    - Tree Removal
    - Road widening
    - Replace sidewalks
  - The Mill Resurface of South Oak Street from Elm Street to Pine Street
    - Replace sidewalks
    - Concrete approaches
    - HMA Road Widening
    - Regrade Ditch
  - Walnut Street
    - Mill & Resurface of Walnut Street from South Oak Street to Terminus
    - Replace sidewalks
    - New storm pipe
    - New Culvert
  - Poplar Street
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of Poplar Street from Elm Street to East First Street
  - East Third Street
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of East Third Street from U.S. 50 and Terminus
    - Replace Sidewalks
    - Replace Curbs
    - Remove and Replace Existing Sidewalks
    - New Culvert
  - Wood Street
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of Wood Street from First Street to U.S. 231
    - Replace sidewalks
    - Replace Curbs & Ramps
  - Wood Street
    - Replace Crosswalk
    - Replace Curbs and Ramps
    - Replace Sidewalks
    - Replace Culvert
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of Wood Street from Walker Street, Southwest to West Main Street
  - Mulberry Street
    - Replace crosswalk
    - Road widening
    - Concrete Approach
    - Replace sidewalks
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of Mulberry Street from Vincennes Street to Williams
  - Sycamore Street
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of Sycamore Street from Clark Street to Terminus
  - Doyle Street
    - 1.5" Mill and Resurface of Doyle Street from Acton Street to Terminus

# LOGOOTE HOSTING COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHTS WITH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Loogootee Beautification Board is seeking volunteers to support upcoming community Movie Nights, a series aimed at bringing families together and enhancing local engagement. The events are scheduled throughout the summer, providing numerous opportunities for residents to participate and contribute.

Volunteers are essential for the success of these movie screenings, which take place outdoors in a designated event area. Tasks include setting up equipment before the movie begins, decorating the space to create a festive atmosphere, assisting with activities and games for children and families, managing concessions, and maintaining cleanliness by emptying trash cans and helping with cleanup after each event.

High school students are encouraged to get involved, as volunteering for Movie Nights can fulfill community service requirements, such as graduation hours, Beta Club hours, and other organization-led service projects. Whether volunteers can spare a few hours for a single event or commit to multiple nights, their help is highly valued.

The Movie Nights are designed to foster community spirit, offering entertainment for local families while encouraging civic involvement. The events not only provide a fun, relaxing evening but also serve as a platform for neighbors to connect and build a stronger community.

Interested individuals can contact Amber Gilbertson, President of the Loogootee Beautification Board, for more details. She can be reached by phone at 812-295-1000, extension 1, or via text at 812-296-2030. Messages can also be sent through local community channels.

Participation in these community-focused events supports a collective effort to make Loogootee a vibrant, welcoming place for all residents. Volunteer today and help create memorable experiences at the upcoming Movie Nights.

## REGISTER EARLY FOR SAIS SUMMER BASEBALL DAY LEAGUE — LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

More than half of the available spots have already been filled, prompting early registration for interested participants. Organizers at the SAIS Summer Baseball Day League will not accept more than 20 players to ensure balanced teams of 10 each. The event includes morning practice and an afternoon game, both of which will provide ample playing time. The game will be streamed live on Game Changer.

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

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. – Local business owners can gather on June 23 for a Lunch & Learn session hosted by The Martin County Alliance focused on insurance strategies to protect their assets. Hosted at the Bowling Manufacturing Building, the event featured Alyssa Kerns, who provided insights on coverage options tailored for small businesses. The session aimed to assist current entrepreneurs, those considering starting a business, and employers seeking guidance on insurance coverage.

Attendees enjoyed a complimentary lunch and had the opportunity to ask questions about safeguarding their businesses. The event was organized by the Martin Alliance and took place from noon to 1 PM. Participants are encouraged to RSVP by June 22 via the organization’s website or by calling the office at 812-295-4800.

The next session is scheduled for June 23, 2026.

# LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES NEW UPSKILL STUDENTS



LOOGOOTEE, Ind. – Several students from Loogootee High School participated in the Regional Opportunity Initiatives UpSkill Signing Day on May 28, officially committing to a work-and-learn program designed to prepare them for future careers.

The UpSkill program is a competitive youth apprenticeship that connects students with regional employers, allowing them to earn wages, gain workplace experience, and develop professional skills while continuing their education. Students must apply, interview, and be selected by participating companies, making their achievements notable.

Included among the selected students are those working with prominent regional employers such as CACI, Artisan Electronics, Graber Post Buildings, Amentum and Reliable MicroSystems.

This opportunity provides students with hands-on experience in high-demand industries and helps them build skills and networks that will benefit them after graduation. Their selection highlights their talent and work ethic, as well as the strength of career readiness programs at Loogootee Community Schools.

The district thanked ROI and its employer partners for investing in the future workforce of Southern Indiana. Officials expressed excitement to watch these students grow and succeed through this valuable program.

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# HOOSIER UPLANDS OPENS APPLICATIONS FOR FREE HEAD START PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS



SHOALS, Ind. — The Shoals High School robotics team has capped off a historic season after advancing from the Indiana State Championship to compete on the national stage at the prestigious Run for Robots Premier tournament.

As the sole representative from Indiana, the Shoals Robotics Team competed in a highly competitive field of 72 elite teams from across the country.

By the conclusion of the final rounds, the local competitors secured a sixth-place finish within their distinct 36-team division.

The Shoals team expressed immense pride in the students' dedication and performance throughout the year. They also extended a heartfelt thank-you to all their corporate and community sponsors, noting that the historic run would not have been possible without their continued financial and foundational support.



# KNOX AND DAVIESS SCHOOLS SET DATES FOR FREE ON-SITE AND TO-GO SUMMER MEALS

BRUCEVILLE, Ind. — Local school districts are launching free summer food service programs to ensure children have access to nutritious food while school is out of session.

According to a program informational flyer labeled image\_a0a231.jpg, the free meals are open to the public for all children ages 18 and under. The initiatives span multiple locations across Knox and Daviess counties, offering both on-site dining and grab-and-go meal kits.

## North Knox School Schedules

The North Knox School Corporation is hosting its program at two separate school locations on alternating schedules:

- North Knox Intermediate: Located at 7820 North Camp Arthur Road in Bruceville, this site will operate Monday through Friday from June 1 to June 12. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., followed by lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- North Knox Primary: Located at 215 East 4th Street in Bicknell, this site will open Monday through Friday from July 13 to July 24. It will follow the same serving times, with breakfast from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Washington Community Schools is also providing food options through the federal SUN Meals program, featuring two distinct distribution methods:

- In-Person Dining: From May 26 to June 5, Washington Intermediate will serve congregate meals open to the public. Breakfast runs from 8:45 a.m. to 9:05 a.m., and lunch is scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Students not enrolled in summer school must enter through the front door and check in.
- To-Go Kits: From June 9 to July 28, the district will pivot to distributing non-congregate "SUN Meals To Go" kits at Washington High School. Distribution will take place each Tuesday between 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. at Gate 4. The weekly pickup provides five days' worth of breakfast, lunch, and milk for every child in the household. Parents or legal guardians amaypick up the food, but children must be present to receive the kits.

The program operates under strict U.S. Department of Agriculture regulations. Per federal guidelines, all congregate meals must be consumed entirely on-site, though participants are permitted to leave the area with a single item consisting of a fruit, vegetable, or grain component.

Individuals aged 19 and older are strictly prohibited from consuming or sharing any portion of a child's meal. Additionally, meals will only be distributed during the explicitly published serving windows.

Organizers noted that any meal substitutions required due to a life-threatening allergy or disability must be supported by an official statement from a recognized medical authority detailing the necessary alternative foods.

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# LOGOOTE LIBRARY HOSTING ADOPT A DINOSAUR EVENT TOMORROW

LOGOOTE, Ind. — Children in Loogootee will have the opportunity to take home a new prehistoric companion this week as part of a unique summer reading and community engagement initiative.

According to an event flyer on Facebook, the Loogootee Public Library is hosting an "Adopt your Dinosaur!" event on Thursday, June 4. The program will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the library facility.

The interactive event encourages participants to bring home a toy dinosaur and document their upcoming seasonal travels. Organizers are asking families to share updates and photos of their summer adventures alongside their adopted dinosaurs on the official Loogootee Library Facebook page.

The community initiative introduces a friendly competitive element for local youth, tracking which participant's dinosaur travels the farthest distance and which one manages to visit the highest number of unique locations over the break.

Pre-registration is required for families interested in participating. Community members can secure a spot by scanning the QR code provided on the promotional flyer or by contacting the library directly by telephone at 812-295-3713.

# SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES AT VINCENNES TEXAS ROADHOUSE ON JUNE 11TH – MENTION TRI KAPPA FOR A DONATION

Looking for a way to support local communities on June 11th? Visit Vincennes Texas Roadhouse between 3pm and 10pm and mention the Loogootee-Shoals Chapter of Tri Kappa.

The chapter will receive 10% of your pre-tax, non-alcoholic bill as a donation. Tri Kappa raises funds to support various local initiatives, with chapters across Indiana making a positive impact in their communities. Join us at Vincennes Texas Roadhouse on June 11th and help us continue our work.

# RESIDENTS REMEMBER TORNADO THAT HIT LOGOOTE 36 YEARS AGO ON JUNE 2, 1990



FAIRFIELD, Ill. (WEVV) -- Three violent F-4 tornadoes hit the region 36 years ago, resulting in killing 7 people and injuring scores.

The National Weather Service in Paducah stated on this day in weather history, on June 2, 1990, three F-4 tornadoes hit Wayne, Hamilton, Edwards and Wabash counties in Illinois, along with Gibson and Pike counties in Indiana.

Weather officials said a total of 74 people were injured, along with the seven killed, as a result of the three tornadoes.

The F-4 twisters were part of a larger tornado outbreak, resulting in a total of 65 tornadoes, with 37 occurring in the State of Indiana.

Red Cross surveys found hundreds of homes and mobile homes were damaged and destroyed due to the outbreak.

# LOOGOOTEE TIMES SUMMERFEST INTERVIEW SERIES

## ALEX MILLER



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Braydyn

So, why I have you on here this afternoon? This should take about 30 minutes or so. I wanted to talk to you about your Summer Fest concert as we're doing a summer fest conversation series, talking to artists that will be performing at the Loogootee Summerfest this year.

Alex Miller 01:09

Sure thing.

Braydyn 01:11

So I wanted to ask you about your about some just two general questions real quick. What your name, of course, a little bit about you, and why are you excited to perform at the Summer Fest this year?

Alex Miller 01:25

Well, my name is Alex Miller. I'm from a little town just south of Lexington, Kentucky, called Lancaster, Kentucky, and excited to be playing because we're on a little bit of a tour this year. I've got a brand new record that came out called More Country Than You, and we needed to make a stop and see my friends up in Indiana, and so that's what we're doing.

Braydyn 01:46

So you're going to be playing in down the downtown park stage, right in the heart of Lagody. For an artist who cuts traditional storytelling and country music, what's the difference in energy when you're playing in more of a tight-knit community like Lugodi in the Summerfest, compared to a massive impersonal arena or a stadium.

Alex Miller 02:06

Well, for me, you know, I grew up in a town that was populations about 3000 so I'm any place that's small, I understand, and I mean that I grew up farming and spent many an hour on old tractors and things, so coming to a place like Lagodi will be just like coming home for me, because it's just the same kind of hometown atmosphere that I grew up in.

Braydyn 02:30

So you placed in the top 15 nationwide for the Farmer Federations of America talent contest recently at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indy, and so coming back to Indiana, for you as a touring headline, does playing in the state feel like a full circle moment for you, or is it going to really help your career get kicked off to a more higher gear?

Alex Miller 02:55

Well, I think so. You know, I do love Indiana. I owe Indiana a lot. I've recorded a song with Tracy Byrd called The Bird, and I met Tracy in Indianapolis, and of course, like you said, being an FFA, you know, their headquarters is in Indiana, in Indianapolis, and so, yeah, it does kind of feel like a little bit of a homecoming, so, but no, I love Indiana, when I was a little boy, I used to play in a place called Scottsville, Illinois, and they had, I mean, Indiana, excuse me, and yeah, we've played up there many, many a time. So it always, they're always great folks up there, good farmers.

Braydyn 03:33

And so you mentioned that a part of you sometimes wishes you were building your music career entirely from the ground up rather than the fast track of American Idol. How do you balance keeping that grounded farm raised work ethic that you mentioned in one of your interviews when the music industry pushes you at warp speed?

Alex Miller 03:55

Well, like you said, I was going to say the music, and they, yeah, they fly. Good things take time to grow and build. I think if you look at a farmer, for instance, you know he can't plant his seeds one day and expect to have a plant the next morning. It takes time for them seeds to kind of develop and grow, and that's what I feel like my career is doing right now. It's just growing, and it's growing pretty quick, you know. And it's just like a, like you said, with a farmer and corn or any other kind of crop, it, they have little growth spurts, and then they'll take a little break, and then we'll have another little growth spurt, and I feel like that's what my career is doing, it's just constantly growing, and been very, very thankful and blessed, and because of it,

Braydyn 04:38

on more country than you, you co-wrote a song, you co-wrote six of the 10 tracks, and work with the legendary Jerry Sally, if that is correct. Songs such as "As Far as Miriam Lets Her Go, and just like Mom Lean On into a softer, more mature storytelling style that I really noticed in a lot of your music. What did you learn about your story writing or your songwriting boundaries when digging into those more serious subjects?

Alex Miller 05:09

Well, recording songs like As Far As Memory Letter Go, and Just a Mom, you know, Just a Mom was a song that's written by Wood Newton and Steve Williams, and when I heard the song, it reminded me so much of my mom's story that I thought a lot of other folks could relate to it as well, and when you record songs and music, that's what I look for as a song that not only I can latch onto and sing, it's one that I believe in too, and those two songs definitely do that. But leaning into that side of things is very easy for me, you know. There's everybody has good times, everybody has bad times too, and I just had to lean on them bad times just a little bit to get songs like that to sound right.

Braydyn 05:44

I know that's a really good point, because you even did a cover of Daryl Singletary's Too Much Fun on the album, and I really liked it. It was pretty much a fan favorite by many. Single Terry was famous in the 90s, but what is it about his specific style of twang that made you want to cut that track for the record?

Alex Miller 06:08

Well, I give credit to my fans on that when they turned me on to that song, and they said I sounded a lot like Darryl Singletary, and said I should record it, and I heard him, I heard him, and heard the song, and fell over the song, we started doing it in my live shows, and it became one of my, you know, fan favorites at my show. And if the people like something, you just might not give it to them, you know. So that's that was my idea with that one. The people wanted it, so there they got it.

Braydyn 06:36

The title track, More Country Than You, is also very high energy duet. If people are listening, it's a really good song as well, with you and Emily Ann Roberts. When you guys were writing that with Billy Witt White, did you, it started as a friendly competition or did it have a playful battle

Alex Miller 06:59

to it? Well, you know, Kentucky and Tennessee, that we've been feuding a long time, and I feel like this song is because she's from East Tennessee and I'm from Central Kentucky, so there's a, there's a rivalry there, not only on the just on the skin level, but it goes a lot deeper too. If you look at Kentucky and Tennessee sports, you know, we're always a big rivalry, so we kind of just used that and played off that a little bit, and, but, like I said, people been feuding for 100 years, so we just finally thought we would put it in song form at each other, and I think the song turned out great, and Emma Lan is one of my best friends, and I'm very thankful for her, and very thankful for this song, it's been a career changer for me, the

Braydyn 07:39

musical talent skipped two generations in your family before landing squarely into your lap, where you were very talented. We had a very talented fiddle playing grandfather and banjo playing great grandmother. When you made your debut at the Grand Old Opry stage, did you feel like you were bringing their old time musical legacy into the circle with you

Alex Miller 08:02

felt like I was bringing not only my family with me, but my whole community, because you know that I've heard whenever I was a little boy that nothing, nothing ever comes from Lancaster, and you know you can't ever get out of that town, and that kind of stuff, you know, just very small town kind of things, and I just wanted to prove them wrong, and I felt like I brought my whole community with me, and I think I uplifted my whole community by doing that, and playing at the Opry. That I don't know if the Opera knows it or not, but they don't know how much they mean to me for letting me get up there and bring my people with me.

Braydyn 08:35

And this is the final question about songs, and when God made the South, you gave a shout out to RCA Cola and Moon Pies, since you're playing at the Lagoti Summer Fest this year. What's your actual go-to cheat meal or fair food that you would always like to have on the road?

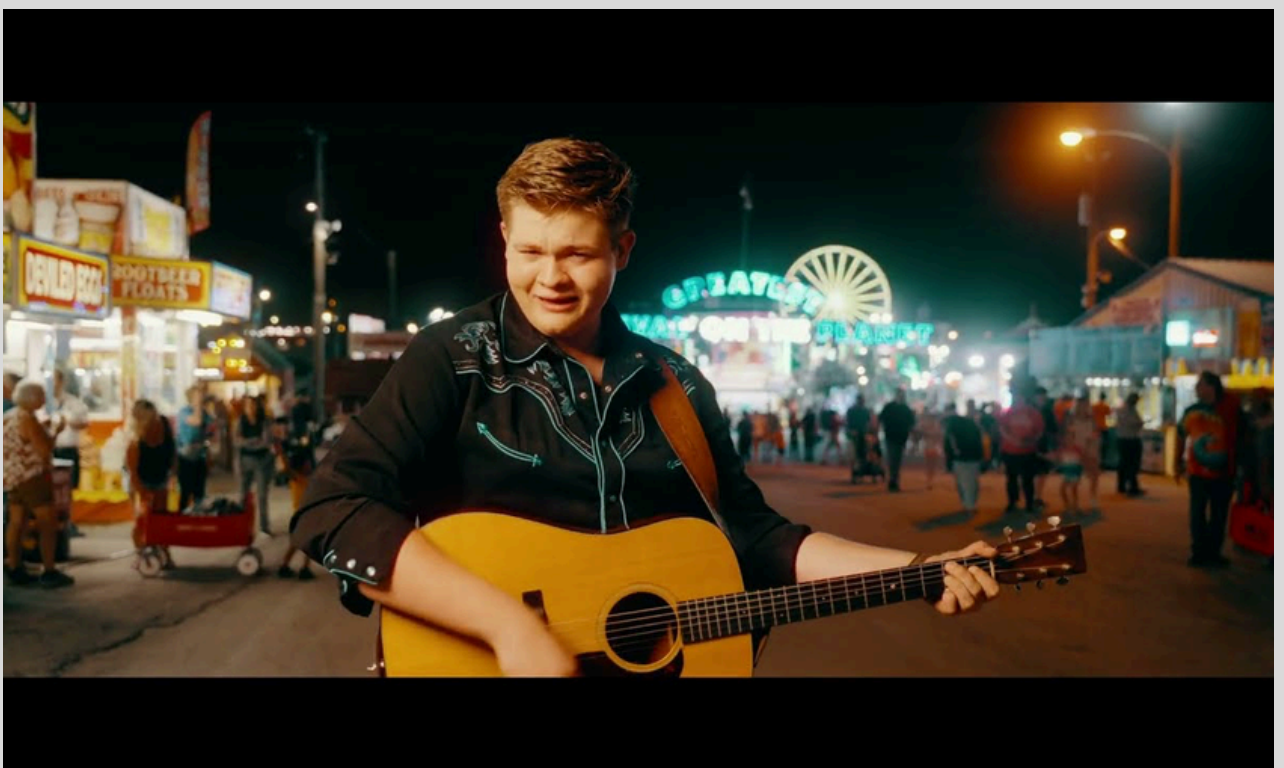
Alex Miller 08:55

Hmm, my favorite fair food's probably the funnel cake. I'm excited, hopefully they'll have some fun with cake care for me, but as far as my cheap food, we have down here in the South something called Whataburger in Nashville. It's one of the.. that's a really good hamburger restaurant, that's probably.. and it's.. and it's pretty cheap compared to a lot of other places. So that's the place that I would say is my guilty pleasure, for sure.

Braydyn 09:19

And then the final question I had was, the Summer Fest is the kind of event where the whole Martin County community shows up with carnivals of parade and food vendors coming from a small town in Kentucky. Yourself, does pulling into a festival like this feel a little bit of a home game to you? I know you mentioned Kentucky-Tennessee rivalry. It does, it feel like you're bringing in a ball game every time for you, whenever you're coming out to a concert like this.

Alex Miller 09:47



Absolutely, it does. It feels like I said before, it kind of just feels like homecoming for me, and I get to see people and meet new people that I haven't got to see before. In fact, I start a lot of my shows out with this question: How many of y'all ever see. Me before, and how many of y'all have never seen me before, and a lot of times I'll just say, well, if you haven't seen me before, well, I haven't seen you before either. So now we're friends, so that's how I try to kick all my shows off. And I just love getting to meet folks, and I think I'll fit right in, and I think y'all are going to really like my show.

Braydyn 10:19

I'm really looking forward to it, we're all looking forward to it, and Loogootee, we thank you so much for your time, and we thank you for taking the time to do this interview.

Alex Miller 10:29

Well, thank you as well, and you have a good rest of your day, and can't wait to see you there in Indiana. You're coming right up.

Braydyn 10:36

Sounds good. Thank you very much.

Alex Miller 10:38

Thank you.

# 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

&

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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 Jasper/Huntingburg By-Pass has been "talked about" since the 1960s. The focus, in the early days, was a desire to eliminate traffic congestion in Jasper and Huntingburg. Some 60+ years later and folks keeping bringing up the same false problem. There is no way to completely eliminate traffic congestion in urban/suburban areas. The "problem" of congestion has been addressed and corrected as US 231 has been updated and improved over the decades.

Remember, US 231 is not that old of a highway. It was only about 70 years ago that US 231 was "built" through Indiana. It's interesting that in the intervening years the leaders of Dubois County never had the support of the people to build a by-pass. In fact, most of the early studies/commissions/panels could not justify a by-pass.

There were no formal INDOT studies or commissions from the 1960s–1980s focused on a Jasper/Huntingburg bypass. This concept existed only as local political and business advocacy during this period. The formal studies activity record begins in the early 1990s. Another interesting factoid is that the "congestion" was at it's worst in these early years.

Since 1990 there have been several "investigations" (studies):

The Donohue Study (1990), officially known as the Evansville-to-Indianapolis transportation study, conducted by Donohue & Associates. It's findings recommended improvements to existing highways, including US 231 but not a new terrain highway.

US 231 Corridor Study / Rust Study (1993–1996), was sponsored by INDOT, Dubois County interests and the Local "Sight Committee" and community leaders. It's findings concluded that TSM improvements alone would not adequately address future traffic demand. It recommended pursuing bypass alternatives for further consideration but not a new terrain highway

Earth Tech Study / US 231 Environmental Impact Study (2002–2004), its purpose was to conduct a formal environmental review of bypass alternatives around Jasper and Huntingburg and to analyze eastern and western routes. It did not conclude the project was neither feasible or infeasible and it generated significant public opposition, particularly among affected landowners.

Supplemental DEIS Update (2011) was a continuation and update of the Earth Tech work. Its purpose was to refresh traffic forecasts and environmental analyses and to reassess bypass alignments. Its findings reaffirmed concerns about: congestion on US 231, crash rates and future capacity needs. This study was never completed into a Final EIS and was effectively shelved.

I-67 Corridor Feasibility Study (Cambridge Systematics, 2012) its purpose was to examine a larger corridor connecting I-64, Jasper/Huntingburg, Washington, and I-69. Its findings revealed there could be substantial economic and transportation benefits. It recommended continued development and further engineering studies and it shifted the discussion from a local bypass to a broader regional highway corridor.

Mid-States Corridor Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (2018–2023) became the largest and most comprehensive study ever conducted on the issue. Its purpose was to evaluate a new highway connection from I-64 near Dale to I-69 near Crane/Bloomfield and to determine whether bypassing Jasper and Huntingburg should be part of a larger regional corridor. In its findings it elected a preferred corridor east of Jasper and Huntingburg. It concluded that a new-terrain highway should move forward for detailed study and the Final Environmental Impact Statement approved in 2023.

Mid-States Corridor Tier 2 Study (2024–Present). Its purpose was to determine the exact route, access points, right-of-way needs, and environmental impacts. It focused first on the Dubois County section around Jasper and Huntingburg. It will determine the final alignment of the bypass east of Jasper and Huntingburg.

As one can see the "Mid-States Corridor" has been studied to death with the same results for the past 7 decades. We all, well most of us, have heard that the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results. So are we insane? I don't think so but I do believe that some of our elected leaders are not representing us. They seem to be representing the Cabal of folks like Ken Mulzer, Mike Braun, Hanke Menke and Mark Messmer.

We the people must continue to oppose the Cabal, the Lochmueller Group, INDOT and the Mid-States Corridor RDA. We are so close, we cannot give up now. Come out and support the PRA. Come to the Jasper and

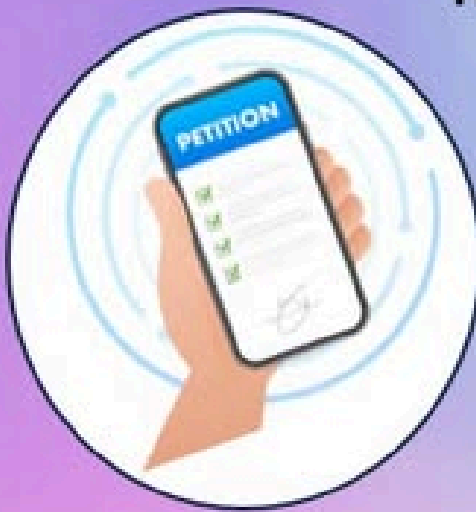
Huntingburg City council meetings and demand that they vote to quit the RDA.

It's not over till it's over and we are very close to the horror of the RDA and the Corridor being over.

Jim Arvin  
Rutherford Township  
Martin County

**PRA May 28, 2026  
Meeting Notes**

**76 Attendees  
Petition Update --  
13,100+ have signed the  
most recent petition  
Next meeting will be  
June 11, 2026**



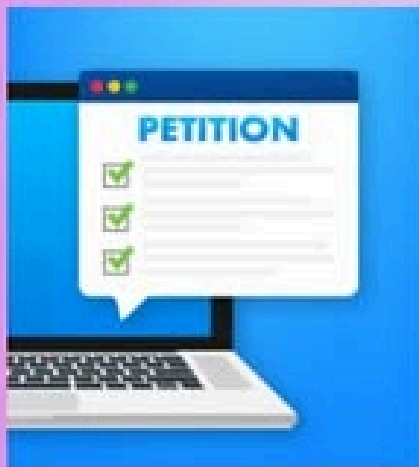
If you haven't already signed a paper  
or online petition AGAINST  
the Mid-States Corridor,

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

NO  
LOOGOOTEE  
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UNTIL 2026-  
27 SCHOOL  
YEAR

## BARR REEVE SOFTBALL WIN FIRST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN PROGRAM HISTORY

## NORTH DAVISS ADVANCES TO REGIONALS BEATING ORLEANS 16-1



Photos From Kylie Schepers Photography

MONTGOMERY (Washington Times Herald) - When you are No. 1, you find a way to win. On Tuesday No. 1 Barr-Reeve (29-1) earned the Class A Regional title over Bloomfield, 6-3, on a beautiful sun-splashed afternoon in Montgomery. The Lady Vikings did things exactly the right way, manufacturing runs, was aggressive on the base paths and was solid in the circle with from Haley Huff going 5 2/3 innings. Barr-Reeve got three hits from Syd Wilson and saw JJ Knepp scored twice, as the Vikes made the most of their nine total hits. The win was the first regional championship for the program and continues the school's parade of success during the 2025-26 school year. "We focus on taking care of business. Actually, we had that conversation earlier this week, and today I said, "Hey, we all have a job to do, everybody needs to do their job, and we need to take care of business, and that's what they came out and did. Success, breeds

success, and several of these kids were volleyball champ championship, you know. Now we have our first regional, several of these kids have several sectionals in softball already. It just continues for them, as they have grown up watching this school be successful," said B-R coach Josh Huff. "The nice thing about this team, is this team all buys into each other, they all believe in each other, they all support each other, and it takes every single kid on the field, it takes every kid in the dugout, it takes every kid that's on JV that helps us at practice. There's not one who is a superstar, but they all do their job, and everybody comes alive at different times."

Bloomfield opened the game with a little infield pop-up that turned into its first run, as Lila Koontz reached and was doubled home by Bloomfield's Bella McIntosh to make it 1-0. In the bottom of the inning, the Vikes squared it up after Syd Wilson reached and runner Mollie Jo Anderson scored on a double from Hallie Knepp to tie it at 1-1. B-R added to the lead with a long double from Lilly Lottes, who posted a double down the left field line, while JJ Knepp reached as a hit batsman and scored on a wild pitch to make it 3-1. B-R reached to open the third straight inning with a double from Hallie Knepp and then she scored all the way from second on a sacrifice to continue piling on the runs and make it 4-1. Haley Huff had her best inning in the top of the fourth with a 1-2 3 inning on just seven pitches.

The Vikes continued to get runners on and get them in. JJ Knepp reached and Syd Wilson blasted a ball up the middle to score Knepp for the second time and a 5-1 lead. Bloomfield did make a little noise in the top of the fifth with three straight hits and a run that caused B-R to make a change in the circle with Charley Paurazas coming in for Huff and getting a strike out to end the inning at 5-2. The Vikes got the run right back in the sixth after Lucy Wirtz reached and Paurazas brought her home for to make it 6-2. Bloomfield did not quit though, with a walk and two balls off B-R outfielders gloves that cut it to 6-3 in the seventh, but would still end up with the Viking win and a trip to semi-state. The Vikes advance to a two-game semi-state at Brown County on Saturday against Indianapolis Lutheran at 11 a.m., while the second game will feature Milan and West Washington. The championship game will be at 7 p.m.

LOOGOOTEE (Washington Times Herald) - The Orleans Bulldogs needed a police escort to get to the game on Monday, but it was North Daviess that got the Sectional 62 champion fire truck ride after the game. ND (15-14) earned coach Shom Berry his first sectional title in his second year in charge, and the first for the program since 2015 with the 16-1 win in five innings over Orleans at Les Page Field in Loogootee. The game was delayed over an hour as Orleans faced serious traffic issues outside of Shoals on its way to Loogootee, and needed to have area police escort them to the sectional. However, even the anxious waiting, and sitting around in the heat didn't slow North Daviess. "This is great, I can't explain it. I've been waiting for a moment like this. I'll be honest, I was not looking for 16-1. But hey, we came out, we competed that stretch there in the second inning. That's some best at-bats we've had all season. I've been challenging these guys to keep it going and step up, and hey, some things click tonight, and I can't be more proud of these guys," said ND coach Shom Berry. "Getting here and having the hour delay was, was not on my bingo card, but I'll give it to these kids. They say locked in, they stayed cool, they stayed ready for the moment. They didn't let the moment get too big. They knew once it was game time that it was going to be well, he thought 21-out game, and we came out, did our business, and we got out a few innings early. "I can't give enough to No.27 (pitcher Zane Sample) out here. He went out there, he did what I asked him to do, he battled game one against Loogootee, he did what I told him, kept under 80 pitches to have a shot to help us out here tonight, and then he went out there and battled for three innings." Orleans had an early chance getting their first two batters to reach, but Zane Sample was able to get the final three outs without damage.

The Cougs also started the game with a single and an error, while a second error led to Koen Stoll scoring. Gentry Rollins added a fielders choice that led to a second run as Orleans pitcher Cade Berning threw 30 pitches during the inning. The Bulldogs cut the lead in half after a lead off triple that helped cut it to 2-1, ND would break it open in the bottom of the inning, ND used a tree-run double from Hayden Sample and an RBI single but was thrown out at second. Keaton Graber took over from Sample on the mound, after Sample threw 72 pitches and 70 on Friday. ND's 16th run came in the bottom of the fourth as an error led to Campbell Wittmer scoring Graber finishing things out with a K to guarantee the ND win. Regional will be a one-game regional with West Washington (19-7) on Saturday at a site yet to be determined. West Washington defeated Borden 5-4 on Monday.

# PETS

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## ADOPTABLE CATS



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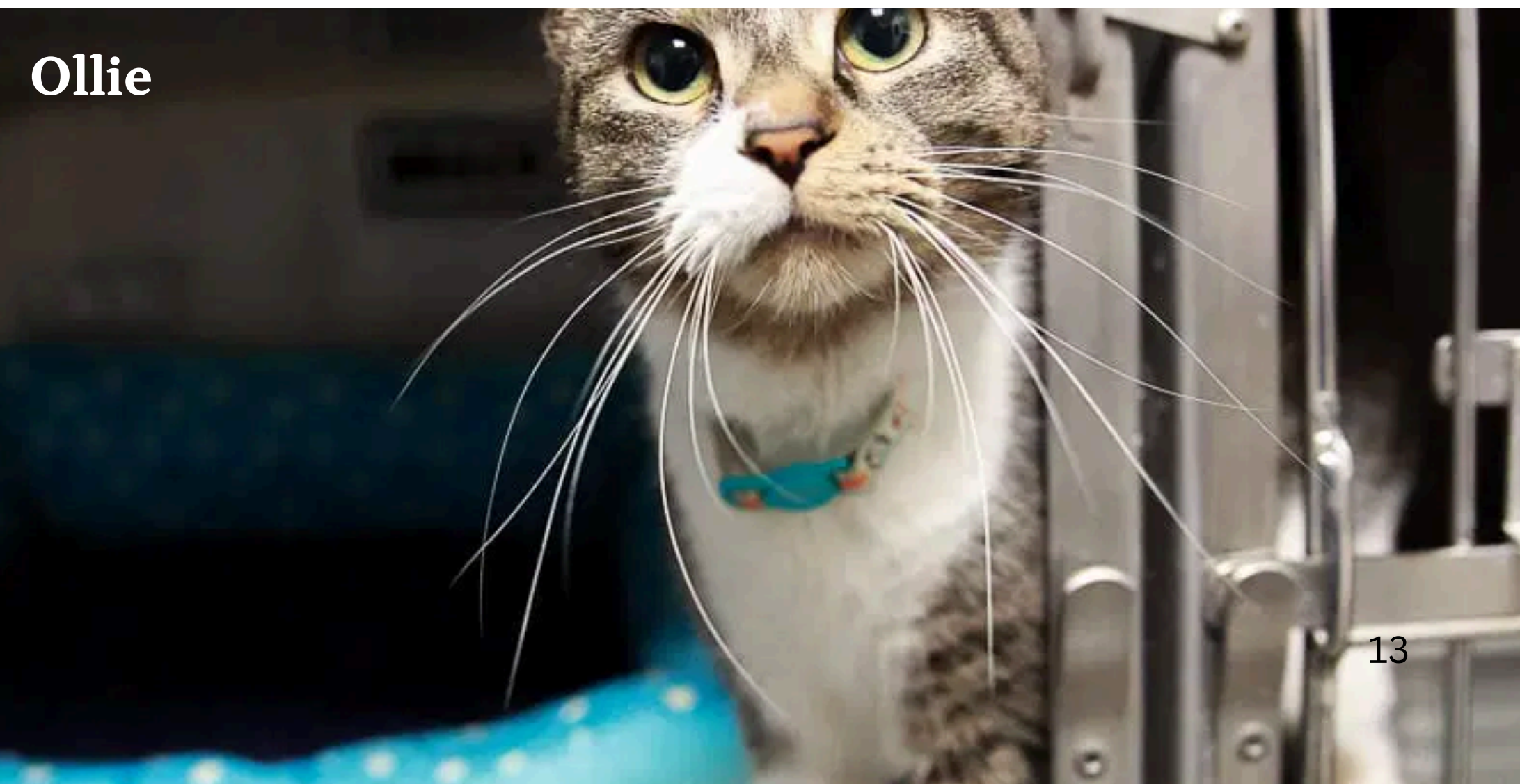
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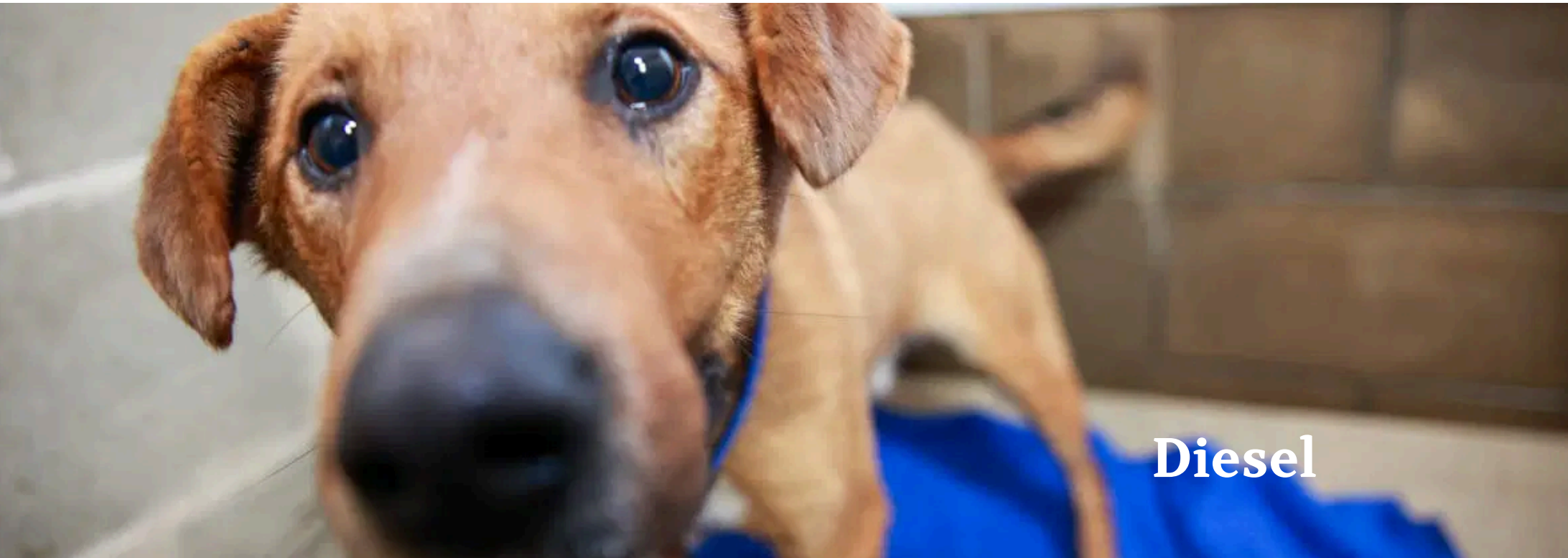


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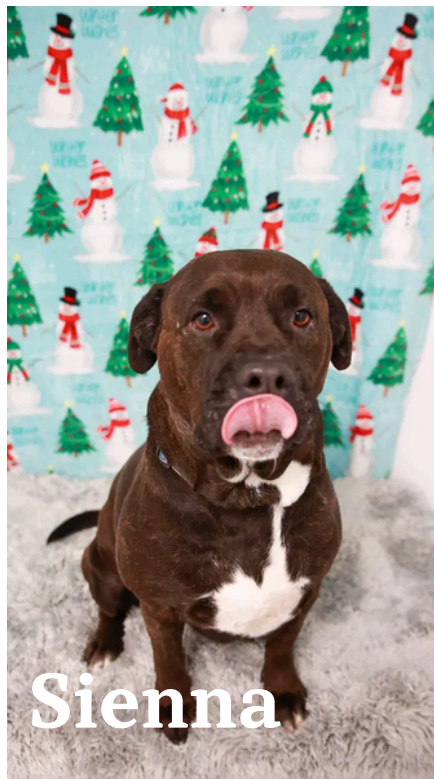
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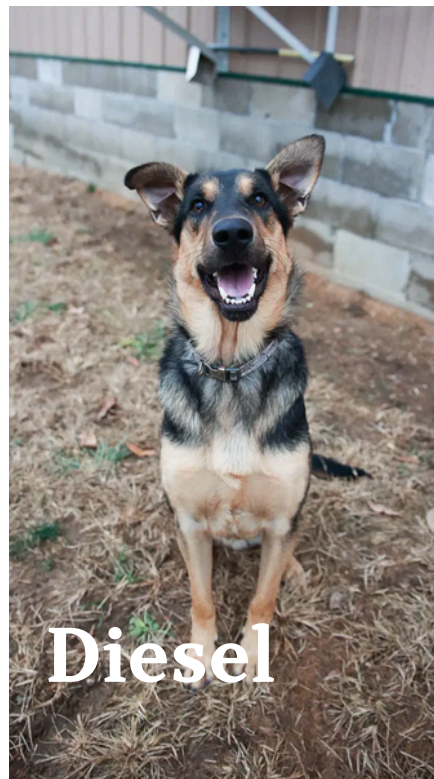
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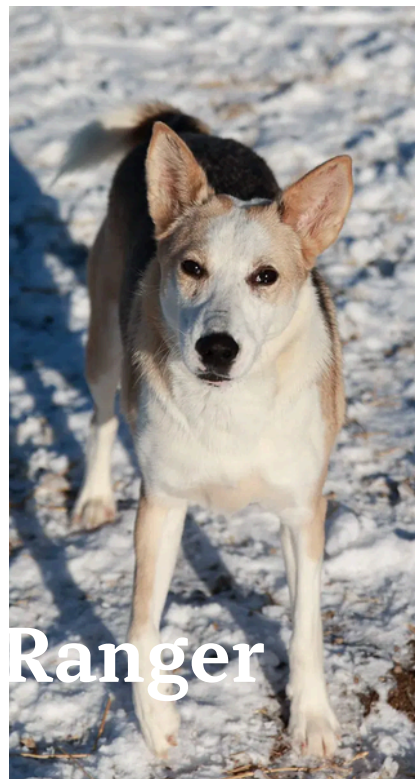
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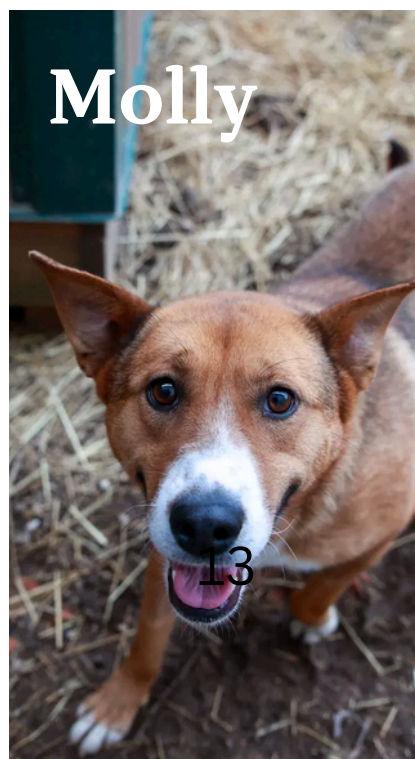
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**Molly**

# Martin County & Courts 14

Monday, May 25, 2026

8:15 a.m.- Lawrence County Sheriff's Office on station with John Grimes, a 54-year-old male from Bedford. He was arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

8:31 a.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check North of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.

10:06 a.m.- Received a call reporting a burn North of Shoals. Indian Creek Township Fire advised.

10:17 a.m.- Received a call reporting an animal complaint in Loogootee. Captain Gibson responded.

10:23 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

11:00 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

11:12 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Daviess County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Daviess County EMS transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

11:47 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

12:02 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

12:58 p.m.- Received a 911 call in Daviess County. Daviess County Dispatch responded.

1:23 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

1:24 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.

3:44 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings, Martin County Medic 1, and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

3:58 p.m. An individual on station requesting to speak to a deputy. Deputy Clark responded.

4:43 p.m.- An individual on station requesting to speak to a deputy. Deputy Clark Responded.

5:09 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, LPD Chief Cummings, and Martin County Medic 1 responded. No patient was transported.

6:45 p.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Marshal Copeland responded.

8:38 p.m.- Received a call requesting assistance from a deputy in Crane Village. Deputy Clark and LPD Chief Cummings responded.

8:59 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting assistance from an officer in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.

9:40 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a vehicle fire West of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Marshal Copeland, and Big Johns Towing responded.

10:32 p.m.- Received a call reporting a commercial fire alarm East of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Marshal Copeland, and Deputy Clark responded.

11:17 p.m.- Marshal Copeland on station with Reginald Taylor, a 28-year-old male from Texas. He was arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated- Refusal and Possession of Marijuana. \$10,000 10% bond was posted.

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

3:02 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance North of Shoals. Major Reed and Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

1:58 p.m.- Received a call reporting a commercial fire alarm in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Captain Gibson, and Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded.

3:22 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.

3:53 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting assistance from an officer in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.

3:59 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a harassment issue in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings and Captain Gibson responded.

5:21 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident South of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Haysville Fire Department, Captain Gibson, and Big Johns Towing responded. No patient was transported.

5:47 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.

6:23 p.m.- Captain Gibson on station with Walter Martinez Vasquez, a 19-year-old male from Honduras. He was arrested for Operating While Never Licensed. \$3,000 10% bond was posted.

6:55 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident

East of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Martin County Medic 1, Deputy Clark, Marshal Copeland, Captain Gibson, and Big Johns Towing responded. No patient was transported.

7:04 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a physical domestic dispute South of Loogootee. Conservation Officer Graber, LPD Chief Cummings, Captain Gibson, and Deputy Clark responded.

7:44 p.m.- Received a call reporting an accident without injuries in Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.

9:55 p.m.- Marshal Copeland on station with Jason Stone, a 42-year-old male from Loogootee. He was arrested for Intimidation, Resisting Law Enforcement, Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct, and Possession of Marijuana. He was released to Pretrial Probation.

9:55 p.m.- Marshal Copeland is on station with Randy Holman, a 62-year-old male from Shoals. He was arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated-Endangerment and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated- Controlled Substance. He is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

10:40 p.m.- Received a call reporting a drug complaint in Loogootee. Deputy Clark and Major Reed responded.

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

6:22 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a car-deer accident East of Loogootee. Major Reed responded.

7:12 a.m.- Received a call reporting criminal activity in Shoals. Marshal Copeland responded.

9:30 a.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to an officer in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.

10:16 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded. No patient was transported.

10:40 a.m.- LPD Chief Cummings on station with Dante Cates, a 36-year-old male from Winslow. He was arrested on a Pike County warrant.

1:02 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance South of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Orange County EMS, Shoals Fire Department, Sergeant Hawkins, Captain Gibson, and Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded. No patient was transported.

1:39 p.m. Received a report requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Martin County Medic 2, Loogootee Fire Department, and LPD

Chief Cummings responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

2:53 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a verbal domestic dispute in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.

3:44 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a verbal domestic dispute in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings and Captain Gibson responded.

8:40 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance North of Shoals. Indian Creek Fire Department, Deputy Droke, Sergeant Hawkins, Martin County Medic 1, and Coroner Abel responded.

9:02 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 2 and Marshal Copeland responded. No patient was transported.

9:27 p.m.- Received a call reporting a property dispute in Shoals. Marshal Copeland responded.

Thursday, May 28, 2026

2:09 a.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Major Reed and Deputy Clark responded.

3:56 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.

4:46 a.m.- Received a call reporting a tree down South of Shoals. Major Reed responded.

5:54 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.

12:08 p.m.- Received a report of heavy smoke in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

1:33 p.m.- Received a call reporting two trees down South of Loogootee. Captain Gibson and Sergeant Hawkins responded.

1:42 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to a deputy South of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

2:23 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident South of Loogootee. Corporal Erwin, Martin County Medic 1, and Haysville Fire responded. No patient was transported.

5:25 p.m.- Received a call reporting a tree down causing sparks North of Shoals. Deputy Branham, Indian Creek Fire Department, and Daviess Martin REMC responded.

6:32 p.m.- Received a call reporting a tree down East of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

7:27 p.m.- Received a call reporting a tree down East of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Deputy Branham, and Frontier Communications responded.

8:05 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance South of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Shoals Fire Department, and Deputy Nash responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

9:37 p.m.- Received a call reporting a verbal domestic dispute in Crane Village. Deputy Nash responded.

10:02 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Martin County Medic 2 responded. No patient was transported.

Friday, May 29, 2026

12:07 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident South of Loogootee. Deputy Nash and Haysville Fire Department responded.

12:55 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

4:55 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.

7:30 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident in Loogootee. Corporal Erwin and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

12:41 p.m.- Received a call requesting traffic control in Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins and Deputy Branham responded.

1:36 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Marshal Copeland and Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

2:09 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver South of Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.

3:23 p.m.- Received a call reporting a road hazard South of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

3:24 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to an officer in Loogootee. LPD Chief Cummings responded.

3:29 p.m.- Received a report of a stranded motorist South of Loogootee. Deputy Branham, Loogootee Fire Department, Big Johns Towing, and Indiana State Police responded.

5:32 p.m.- Received a

call requesting to speak to an officer in Shoals. Marshal Copeland responded.

8:43 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

8:58 p.m.- Received a call reporting a reckless driver South of Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.

9:02 p.m.- Received a call reporting a suspicious driver in Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.

9:47 p.m.- Deputy Nash on station with Brian Brown, a 60-year-old male from Shoals. He was arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated- Endangerment and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated- Controlled Substance. 10,000 10% bond was posted.

11:37 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting to speak to a deputy. Deputy Nash responded.

Saturday, May 30, 2026

1:54 a.m.- Deputy Droke on station with Lee Sorrells, a 31-year-old male from Loogootee. He was arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated and Possession of Marijuana. He is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

6:44 a.m.- Received a call reporting a commercial burglar alarm South of Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.

10:10 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

12:02 p.m.- Received a call requesting traffic control in Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.

12:30 p.m.- Received a call reporting reckless drivers in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.

12:52 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Corporal Erwin, Shoals Fire Department, and Martin County Medic 1 responded. No patient was transported.

1:04 p.m.- Received a call reporting an animal complaint in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

1:25 p.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

1:29 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to a deputy South of Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.

1:39 p.m.- Corporal Erwin on station with TJ Strait, a 33-year-old male from Bedford. He was arrested for Burglary, Criminal Trespass, and Theft. \$30,000 10% bond was posted.

1:39 p.m.- Corporal Erwin on station with Yvonne Strait

# MARTIN COUNTY LOG

, a 38-year-old female from Bedford. She was arrested for Burglary, Criminal Trespass, and Theft. \$30,000 10% bond was posted.

3:56 p.m.- Received a call reporting a residential burglar alarm North of Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.

5:46 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to an officer in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.

6:01 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to an officer in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.

8:15 p.m.- Deputy Droke on station with Cameron Ackerman, a 59-year-old male from Loogootee. He was arrested on Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated- Refusal and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated- Endangerment. \$10,000 10% bond was posted.

8:48 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a physical domestic dispute North of Loogootee. Deputy Droke, Deputy Branham, Martin County Medic 1 and ISP Trooper Collins responded. No patient was transported.

9:41 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance North of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

10:06 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

Sunday, May 31, 2026

12:36 a.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy North of Shoals. Corporal Erwin and Deputy Nash responded.

10:20 a.m.- Received a call reporting a traffic hazard East of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.

11:12 a.m.- Received multiple 911 calls reporting a three-vehicle accident in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Martin County Medic 2, Loogootee Fire Department, Sergeant Hawkins, ISP Trooper Lents, and Big John's Towing responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:51 a.m.- Received a call reporting a traffic hazard West of Shoals. Sergeant Hawkins responded.

11:52 a.m.- Received an accident 911 call.

12:53 p.m.- Received an accident 911 call.

2:15 p.m.- Received a call reporting property damage South of Shoals. No report was requested.

2:23 p.m.- ISP Trooper Lents on station with Curtis Crisp, a 42-year-old male from Worthington. He was arrested for Contributing to Delinquency of a Minor, Neglect of a Dependent, Dealing Marijuana, Possession of Marijuana, OWI with Minor Passenger, Possession of Legend Drug, OWI Endangering a Person. He is being held on a \$30,000 10% bond.

2:38 p.m. Received a call reporting reckless drivers in Loogootee. Deputy Clark responded.

3:07 p.m.- Sergeant Hawkins on station with Waylon Winger, a 38-year-old male from Loogootee. He was arrested for Domestic Battery in the Presence of a Minor, Strangulation, Criminal Recklessness, Possession of Marijuana, and Possession of Paraphernalia. He is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond and a 48-hour hold.

4:55 p.m.- Received a report of a tree down East of Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.

5:36 p.m.- Received a text-to-911 requesting assistance for a Greene County location. Greene County Sheriff's Office was notified.

7:18 p.m. Received an accidental 911 call.

8:46 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.

10:46 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting a deputy in Crane Village. Deputy Clark responded.

# LOOGOOTEE POLICE LOG

Monday, May 25, 2026

3:44 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department and Chief Cummings responded to a medical call at the Loogootee City Pool.

5:09 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department and Chief Cummings responded to a medical call at a local business.

8:38 pm- Chief Cummings assisted Martin County Sheriff's Department with a report of a violation of a protective order on Ball Park Rd. in Crane Village.

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

9:16 am- Chief Cummings completed a welfare check on SW 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

10:10 am- Chief Cummings responded to a report of a suspicious noise at a residence on Hill St.

10:30 am- A caller reported speeding on Bloomfield Rd.

2:30 pm- Chief Cummings assisted a subject on station with fingerprints for employment.

3:20 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Sycamore St.

3:38 pm- A caller reported speeding on Bloomfield Rd.

3:59 pm- Chief Cummings completed a welfare check on Queen St.

4:20 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a local health care facility to assist with problems with a patient.

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

10:06 am- Chief Cummings served two Pike County warrants on Dante C. Cates, a 35-year-old male from Otwell, In.

10:13 am- A caller requested a welfare check on S. Kentucky Ave.

11:26 am- A caller reported trespassing and a possible theft.

11:58 am- Chief Cummings completed a welfare check on SW 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

1:27 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a request for a welfare check on North Line St., which resulted in a medical call that the Loogootee Fire Department also responded to.

2:55 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of a verbal dispute on SW 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

3:45 pm- Chief Cummings returned to SW 3<sup>rd</sup> St. due to a report that the dispute had restarted.

Thursday, May 28, 2026

3:56 am- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Eastgate Ave.

5:54 am- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call on Fairview St.

1:20 pm- Chief Cummings assisted city street department with traffic.

3:55 pm- Chief Cummings spoke with a complainant on station regarding a scam.

Friday, May 29, 2026

12:43 pm- A caller reported an erratic driver, westbound on US 50, nearing Daviess County line.

2:22 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of three young males driving ebikes recklessly on W. Broadway.

2:33 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a complaint of a road blocked by construction equipment on Poplar St.

10:02 pm- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to a medical call at a local business.

Saturday, May 30, 2026

5:46 pm- A caller reported a possible odor of drugs from a residence in Loogootee.

6:01 pm- Asst. Chief Stuckey spoke with a complainant reporting property damage.

Sunday, May 31, 2026

11:12 am- The Loogootee Fire Department responded to an accident with entrapment on N. JFK Ave.

# 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:*

*Laura Rose Yoder, 22, Loogootee, and  
Benjamin Dale Wager, 25, Milroy.*

# Property Records &

## *Transfers May 27-June 3*

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Emanuel Stoll and Alyson Stoll, as husband and wife, residing at 4164 E. 500 N., Montgomery, IN 47558, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at 501 SW 3rd St., Loogootee, IN 47553 (Legal Description: Parcel No.: 51-08-24-300-208.000-008 and Parcel No.: 51-08-24-300-207.000-008) from the current owner, D.R. Myers LLC.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Kelvin Eugene Canady, residing at 115 Cedar Street, Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at 115 Cedar Street, Loogootee, IN 47553 (Legal Description: Parcel No. 51-08-25-100-083.000-008) from the current owner, Kelvin Eugene Canady and Clarence Ray Canady.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Ryan Oleykowski and Andrew Reedy, residing at 2002 N. Adams St., Junction City, KS 66441, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at 207 Miller St., Shoals, IN 47581 (Legal Description: Parcel No. 51-07-25-100-016.000-002) from the current owner, Susan L. Reedy.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Billy Lee Chaplin and Lisa Renee Chaplin, husband and wife, residing at 2628 Emmons Ridge Road, French Lick, IN 47432, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Emmons Ridge Road, Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-12-11-300-036.001-005) from the current owner, Lisa Chaplin.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Billy Lee Chaplin and Lisa Renee Chaplin, husband and wife, residing at 2628 Emmons Ridge Road, French Lick, IN 47432, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Emmons Ridge Road, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-12-11-300-037.000-005) from the current owner, Billy Lee Chaplin and Lisa Renee Chaplin f/k/a Lisa Renee Roach, as Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorship.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Michelle C. Quinn, residing at 13558 East River Rd, Shoals, IN 47581, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Southeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North,

Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-06-18-400-008.000-003) from the current owner, John E. Thorman.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Jeffery J. Eckerle, Karla J. Eckerle, and Brandon M. Eckerle, residing at 223 Nobles Ct., Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at New Fairway Addition, Loogootee, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-08-24-200-004.000-008) from the current owner, Marilyn K. Summers.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Noah M. Callahan and Blake M. Callahan, husband and wife, residing at 980 Bellgrade Dr., Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-08-13-400-099.000-007 and Parcel #51-08-13-400-095.002-007) from the current owner, Albert T. Ackerman.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Michael D. McLaughlin, Jr., residing at 164 Salem Road, Heltonville, IN 47436, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-07-01-400-173.000-001) from the current owner, Michael D. McLaughlin.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Gary A. Seiler and Judy M. Seiler, husband and wife, residing at 309 SE 1st St., Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at Lot 16 and the East Half of Lot 17 in Ackerman's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Parcel #51-08-24-400-370.001-008) from the current owner, Chad M. Wade and Karla Wade, husband and wife.

# Local Obituaries

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300 Church Street, Loogootee, Ind. 47553

## Ernest Leland Abel

October 10, 1967-May 22, 2026



Ernest Leland Abel, 58, of Loogootee, Indiana passed away on Thursday, May 28, 2026 in Evansville, Indiana.

He was born on October 10, 1967 in Washington, Indiana to Roy Leland Abel and Beverly Ann (Buchta) Abel.

Ernest is a 1985 graduate of Loogootee High School. Known to many as "Lee," he had a deep passion for automobiles, which he carried into his career as a mechanic. He was a member of New Beginnings Church in Loogootee and was guided by his Christian faith.

Ernest was preceded in death by his parents. He is fondly remembered by three step-siblings: Cindy Pridemore, Julie McQueen, and Sam Kearby; three aunts: Bonnie Buchta, Fay (Kenny) Smith and Janice (Delmus) Hamm.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, June 5, 2026 at 12:00 P.M. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee, Indiana with Pastor Ernie Canell to officiate. Burial to follow in Burns City Cemetery, Loogootee.

Visitation will begin the same day from 11:00 A.M. to the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Burns City Cemetery.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com)

Blake Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Ernest Abel.

## Cleta Helen Kavanaugh

May 28, 1948-May 28, 2026



Cleta Helen Kavanaugh, 78, of Montgomery, Indiana, passed peacefully on May 28, 2026, at Heart-to-Heart Hospice in Evansville, surrounded by her loving family after a courageous battle with cancer. Her life came full circle as she was called home to God on her birthday. Cleta was born on May 28, 1948, in Vincennes, Indiana, to Dorothea and Warren Edmondson. She attended St. Rose Academy in Vincennes before continuing her education at Vincennes University and Indiana State University, where she earned her undergraduate degree in elementary education and went on to get her Masters of Education.

Cleta dedicated 33 years to teaching third grade at Loogootee Elementary School, much to the chagrin of her children, who all attended Barr-Reeve. However, she made a lasting impact on generations of students, and her passion for teaching and nurturing young minds was evident to all who knew her. She will be remembered most for her gentle spirit, unwavering kindness, and quiet strength. Though he rarely raised his voice, it could always be heard cheering proudly from the stands as he supported his children and grandchildren at their many activities. she rarely raised her voice, it could always be heard cheering proudly from the stands as she supported her children and grandchildren at their many activities. She is survived by her beloved husband of 56 years, David B. Kavanaugh of Montgomery, Indiana; her children, David A. Kavanaugh (Melanie) of Winslow, Indiana, Kara Landgrebe (Kyle) of Ellettsville, Indiana, Kristi Griffin (Justin) of Bowling Green, Kentucky, and Kayla Acton (Kevin) of Newburgh, Indiana; and nine cherished grandchildren Ethan, Karley, Katie, Kimmie, Grady, Jaxon, Lilly, Katelyn, and Jase. She is also survived by her siblings,

Keith Edmondson (Penny) of Mitchell, Indiana, and Jane Campbell (Robert) of Monroe City, Indiana.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Dorothea Edmondson Radwanski and Warren Edmondson. Cleta's warmth, compassion, and devotion to her family will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who knew her.

The family would like to extend their sincerest thanks and appreciation to the wonderful caregivers at Heart-to-Heart hospice in Evansville.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday June 1, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. at St. Peter Catholic Church in Montgomery, Indiana with Father Stephen McGinnis, Father Lowell Will, and Father James Koressel to officiate. Burial will follow in St. Peter Catholic Cemetery.

A visitation will be held on Sunday May 31, 2026, from 2:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. and again on Monday from 9:00 A.M. until the time of service at St. Peter Catholic Church in Montgomery, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to St. Vincent De Paul and the American Cancer Society in honor of Cleta Kavanaugh.

Online condolences can be made at [Cleta Helen Kavanaugh, 78, of Montgomery, Indiana, passed peacefully on May 28, 2026, at Heart-to-Heart Hospice in Evansville, surrounded by her loving family after a courageous battle with cancer. Her life came full circle as she was called home to God on her birthday. Cleta was born on May 28, 1948, in Vincennes, Indiana, to Dorothea and Warren Edmondson. She attended St. Rose Academy in Vincennes before continuing her education at Vincennes University and Indiana State University, where she earned her undergraduate degree in elementary education and went on to get her Masters of Education.](http://CletaHelenKavanaugh.78.of.Montgomery.Indiana.passed.peacefully.on.May.28.2026.at.Heart-to-Heart.Hospice.in.Evansville.surrounded.by.her.loving.family.after.a.courageous.battle.with.cancer.Her.life.came.full.circle.as.she.was.called.home.to.God.on.her.birthday.Cleta.was.born.on.May.28.1948.in.Vincennes.Indiana.to.Dorothea.and.Warren.Edmondson.She.attended.St.Rose.Academy.in.Vincennes.before.continuing.her.education.at.Vincennes.University.and.Indiana.State.University.where.she.earned.her.undergraduate.degree.in.elementary.education.and.went.on.to.get.her.Masters.of.Education)

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Blake & Wagler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Cleta Kavanaugh. To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Cleta, please visit our floral store.

**Easy**

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**Medium**

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**Hard**

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**Expert**

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**Master**

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**Easy**

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

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

**Hard**

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

**Expert**

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

4	2	6	8	3	7	9	1	5
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5	3	1	6	9	8	4	2	7
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# Sudoku Daily Game #47

## SOLUTIONS

# **Coloring Sheet**

## **Meet Mr. Summertime Sun**

**Across**

- 1. Musical conclusion
- 5. "Fantasia" dancer
- 10. Caledonian
- 14. Presage
- 15. You need this for a two-run homer
- 16. Salutation, somewhere
- 17. Indonesian skirmish?
- 19. It's a long story
- 20. Greek nickname
- 21. Cork locale
- 22. Tempest locale
- 24. Curing agent
- 25. Tom or Thomas
- 26. Spanish island group
- 29. Judgment time
- 32. Set straight
- 33. Manacles
- 34. Org. of 11 Southern states
- 35. "Beauty's Punishment" author
- 36. Oil state
- 37. Equine offspring
- 38. Brit. award for Lester Pearson
- 39. Bones up
- 40. Long-tailed songbird
- 41. Fat cats
- 43. Band leader?
- 44. It's not in the library often
- 45. Edinburgh miss
- 46. Pugs' milieux
- 48. Man Friday
- 49. Musician's tapper
- 52. Street in a Sinclair Lewis title
- 53. Censored rockers?
- 56. It follows what
- 57. Double quartet
- 58. Play start
- 59. Word with empty or mare's
- 60. Levelers in rivers
- 61. Word with beer or cellar

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		44						45						
46	47						48					49	50	51
52					53	54					55			
56					57						58			
59					60							61		

**Down**

- 1. Cook thriller
- 2. Torrijos or Bradley
- 3. Sub station?
- 4. Santa trailer
- 5. Sermon
- 6. Powerless to act
- 7. Soccer superstar
- 8. "The Cask of Amontillado" author
- 9. Score requiring overtime
- 10. Bundles up
- 11. Kidnapped Egyptian?
- 12. Haphazard collection
- 13. Diplomat's skill
- 18. Pine
- 23. Trees in an O'Neill title
- 24. Mahatma
- 25. Through here to grandmother's house?
- 26. Chocolate substitute
- 27. Cover story?
- 28. Good-natured stone?
- 29. Tom-toms and timbales, e.g.
- 30. Light \_\_\_ (ethereal)
- 31. Historic conference site
- 33. Fit to be tied
- 36. Weapon similar to an arbalest
- 37. Fishy controls?
- 39. Pet with green "hair"
- 40. Presented, as a problem
- 42. Shelley's "Ozymandias," e.g.
- 43. Budding officers
- 45. Word with one or ocean
- 46. Grace period?
- 47. Respiratory rattle
- 48. Opposed
- 49. Filled tortilla
- 50. Fully aware of
- 51. Chop copy
- 54. Something up your sleeve, perhaps
- 55. Salad or sushi

# Crossword Puzzle #47

C	O	D	A		H	I	P	P	O		S	C	O	T
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A	R	I		E	I	R	E		T	E	A	P	O	T
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## Crossword Puzzle Solutions #47

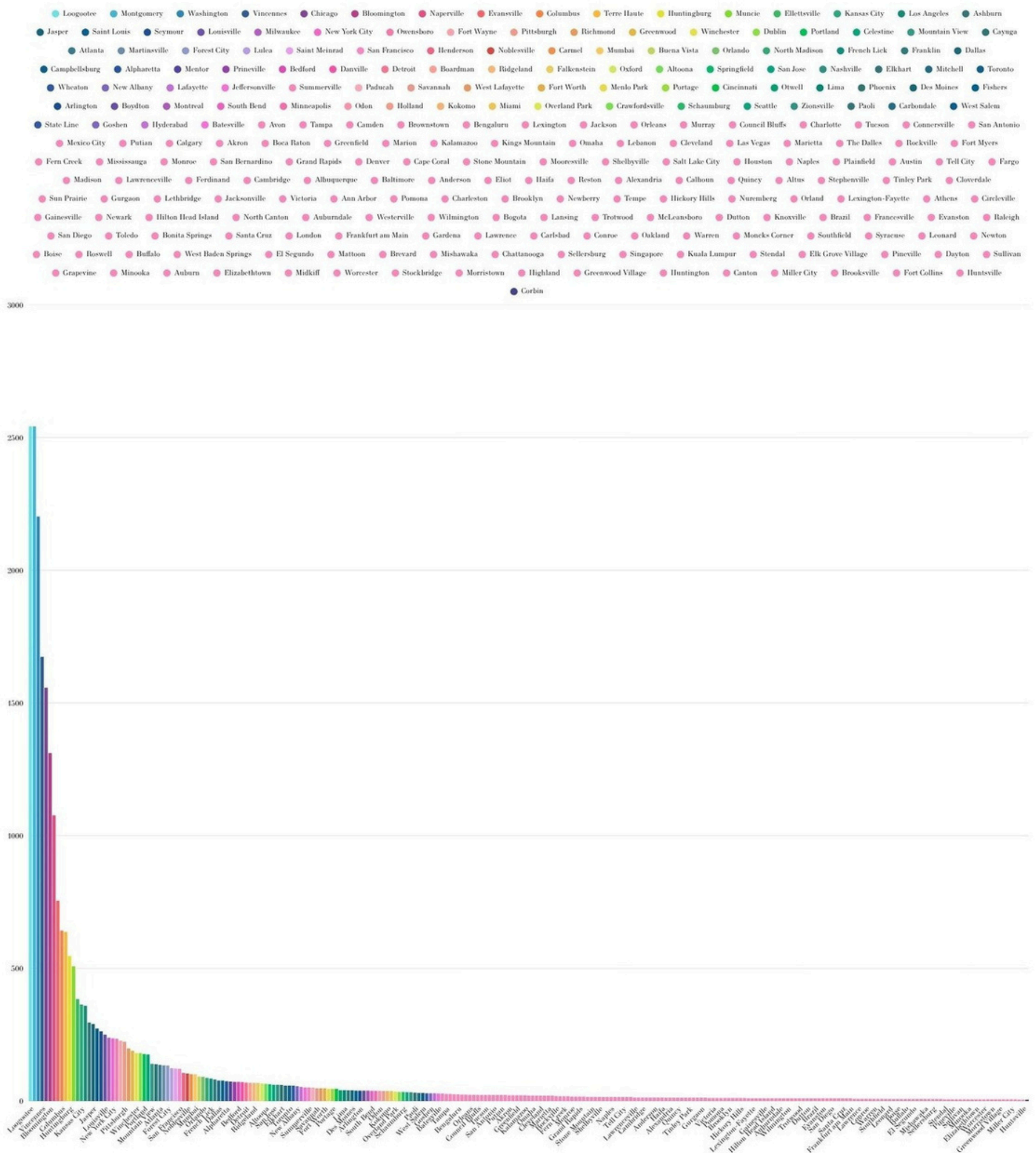
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YES YOU!**

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**WE CAN HELP YOU TODAY! THE NEXT FEW PAGES  
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**Medium Size Online Ad  
Placement  
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*Small Size Ad Airing  
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Weeks*  
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*for 52 Weeks*

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Weeks*

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**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.

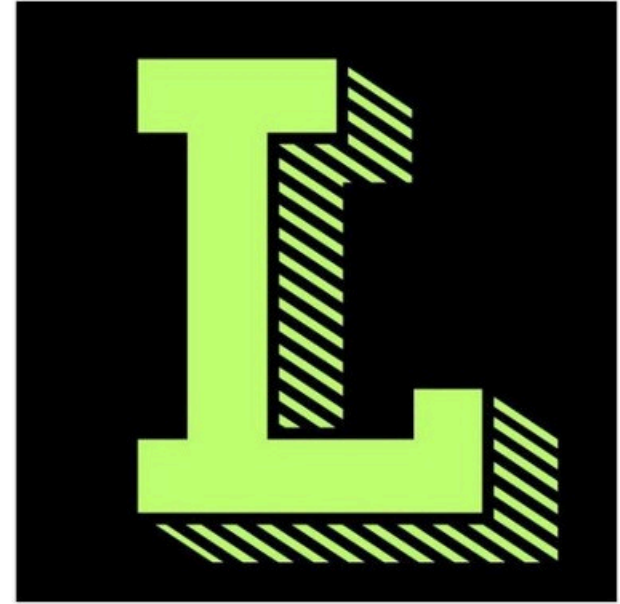
**Fonts:** All fonts must be embedded in the PDF or converted to outlines/curves to prevent printing errors.

**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?



## NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING SIZES

**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"