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SHOALS SWEEPS ORLEANS TO CAPTURE FIRST VOLLEYBALL SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SINCE 1993



LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Thirty-three years of waiting, heartbreak, and near-misses came to an emphatic, thunderous end Saturday night inside Jack Butcher Arena as the Shoals High School volleyball team swept the Orleans Bulldogs 3-0 to capture the Class 1A Sectional 63 championship.

Shoals dismantled Orleans in straight sets (25-11, 25-22, 25-12), clinching the program's first sectional title since 1993. The dominant sweep capped a legendary, emotional day of postseason volleyball in Martin County, cementing this roster as arguably the greatest Jug Rox team in school history.

Coming off an exhausting, emotionally draining five-set semifinal marathon against host and archrival Loogootee earlier in the afternoon, Shoals showed zero signs of weary legs when they took the floor for the 6 p.m. championship final. Instead, the Jug Rox fed off pure adrenaline and unyielding confidence, seizing total control over Orleans from the opening whistle.

Shoals wasted no time setting the tone in the opening set. Dictating the tempo with blistering service runs, crisp floor defense, and precise offensive sets, the Jug Rox overwhelmed the Bulldogs early and often. Shoals raced out to a massive lead and never looked back, storming away to a lopsided 25-11 victory to draw first blood. The Bulldogs, who had survived their own grueling five-set reverse-sweep against Lighthouse Christian Academy hours earlier, appeared stunned by Shoals' relentless pace and struggled to penetrate the Jug Rox front-row block.

Orleans refused to fold quietly, pushing back with desperate urgency in the second frame. Cleaning up their passing and tightening their net defense, the Bulldogs traded blows with Shoals through the middle rallies. Orleans tried to gain an advantage and level the match, testing the Jug Rox with aggressive shot-making. However, Shoals repeatedly showed why they are the most complete and formidable Jug Rox squad in over three decades.

With the second set hanging in the balance late, setter Brazelea Lents delivered one of the defining moments of the championship match. Reading an open spot in the Orleans back line, Lents caught the defense flat-footed, dropping in a clutch dump kill to push the Shoals lead to 21-17. The heads-up play halted the Bulldogs' momentum and gave the Jug Rox the breathing room they needed to close out a hard-fought 25-22 victory, pushing Orleans to the brink of elimination.

Throughout the match, the dynamic duo of Lents and Riley Bauer proved completely unstoppable. Bauer consistently found ways to successfully swing the momentum of the game, rising high above the net to hammer down thunderous spikes whenever Orleans threatened to make a push. The timing and court vision between Lents and Bauer kept the Bulldogs' blockers guessing all evening, opening up seams and keeping the Orleans defense in perpetual scramble mode.

Any hopes Orleans harbored of mounting another storybook reverse sweep evaporated rapidly in the third set. With the taste of history within their grasp and a raucous, blue-and-white-clad crowd roaring on every touch, the Jug Rox unleashed a relentless closing surge. Shoals dictated every single phase of the set, passing flawlessly, frustrating the Bulldogs' hitters, and converting transition points at will. Shoals built an insurmountable cushion and powered across the finish line with an emphatic 25-12 triumph, sealing the championship sweep.

When the final ball hit the hardwood, the arena erupted. Shoals players rushed center court in tears of joy, mobbing each other in a wild celebration before proudly raising the sectional championship trophy high into the rafters.

The triumph snapped a 33-year championship drought, securing Shoals' first sectional volleyball title since 1993. The victory also put an exclamation mark on an extraordinary Saturday that saw the Jug Rox battle through eight grueling sets across two matches, taking down their fiercest county rival in the semifinals before dispatching Orleans in straight sets for the crown.

For Orleans, the loss brought a sudden conclusion to an admirable postseason push. The Bulldogs showed immense resilience throughout the tournament, but they simply ran out of answers against Shoals' firepower and tournament poise.

With sectional hardware finally returning to Martin County, Shoals now advances to next Saturday's Class 1A regional tournament. For the players, coaches, and a passionate community that had waited over three decades for this moment, Saturday night inside Jack Butcher Arena was nothing short of perfection.

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SHOALS OUTLASTS LOOGOOTEE IN HISTORIC FIVE-SET VOLLEYBALL SECTIONAL SEMIFINAL THRILLER



LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — In an electric, five-set postseason classic at Jack Butcher Arena on Saturday afternoon, the Shoals Jug Rox cemented their place in school lore, outlasting archrival Loogootee 3-2 to advance to the Class 1A Sectional 62 Championship match.

Shoals prevailed in a grueling, back-and-forth marathon (25-22, 21-25, 29-27, 14-25, 15-8), earning what fans and program followers hailed as the finest victory in Shoals volleyball history. With the monumental win, the Jug Rox punched their ticket to face the Orleans Bulldogs for the sectional title at 6 p.m. Saturday.

From the opening whistle, the Martin County rivals traded heavy blows before an energized, divided crowd. Shoals set the early tone in the opening frame, absorbing Loogootee's frontline pressure and capitalizing in transition to take the first set 25-22. The host Lions, who entered the postseason tournament with a 19-9 record and a first-round bye, quickly regrouped in the second frame. Loogootee cleaned up its passing, established consistency at the net and countered with a 25-21 victory to knot the contest at one set apiece.

The third set produced high drama and tournament volleyball at its absolute peak. Neither team led by more than two points throughout the closing stretch, as both squads repeatedly turned away set points in tense, marathon rallies. Pushing well past the traditional 25-point threshold, Shoals showed remarkable resolve in the clutch, edging the Lions 29-27 to reclaim a 2-1 match lead.

Loogootee refused to bow out quietly on its home court. Re-energized and determined to extend the contest, the Lions dominated the fourth set from both the service line and the front row. Middle hitter Alaina Diamond delivered several impressive moments at the net, producing timely spikes and anchoring the block to spark the host crowd. Loogootee raced away to a decisive 25-14 win, leveling the match at 2-2 and pushing the semifinal showdown into a winner-take-all fifth set.

With a sectional championship berth on the line, the Jug Rox seized complete command in the tiebreaker.

While Loogootee's offense suddenly stalled and struggled to find points in the final frame, Shoals surged out of the gate with infectious energy. The Jug Rox got critical contributions throughout their rotation, highlighted by a composed, fearless performance from their freshman talent under heavy postseason pressure. Shoals quickly jumped ahead, dictated the tempo from the service line, and suffocated the Lions' attack down the stretch, pulling away for a runaway 15-8 set win and igniting jubilant celebrations on the floor.

Statistically, Shoals was powered by standout individual performances. Loren Bauer (#17) led the offensive charge, hammering home a team-high 19 kills while adding two blocks, two assists and an attacking percentage of .189. Journey Chastain (#13) provided vital two-way balance at the net, contributing six kills, two total blocks and a .150 hitting percentage to keep the Lions' block off-balance throughout the afternoon.

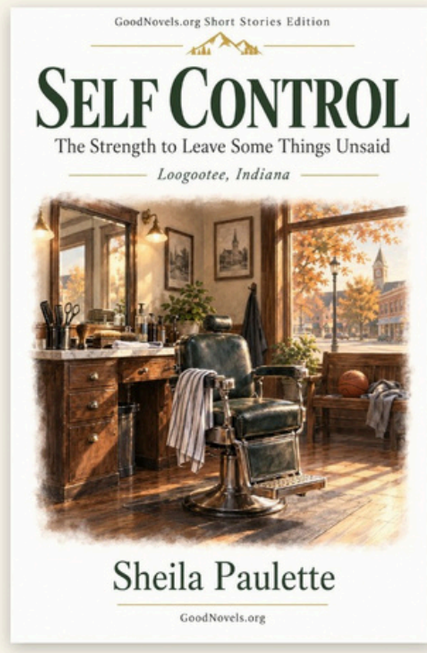
Libero Peyton Harger (#9) anchored the defensive back row with rock-solid passing and court coverage, even finding the floor for a kill on her lone attacking opportunity of the day, finishing with a flawless 1.000 hitting percentage.

For Loogootee, Diamond's flashes of dominance kept the Lions within striking distance, but the prolonged scoring drought in the fifth set proved insurmountable. The defeat ends the Lions' season with a 19-10 record, bringing an abrupt end to an otherwise strong campaign for the tournament hosts.

The afternoon's opening semifinal was just as dramatic. The Orleans Bulldogs mounted a stunning five-set comeback to eliminate Lighthouse Christian Academy 3-2 (18-25, 23-25, 25-23, 25-20, 15-13). After dropping the opening two sets, Orleans staged a resilient turnaround, reeling off three straight set victories to complete the reverse sweep over the Lions.

The stage is now set for an all-out battle for postseason hardware. Shoals and Orleans will meet for the Class 1A Sectional Championship at 6 p.m. Saturday inside Jack Butcher Arena, with the Jug Rox carrying momentum from a historic rivalry win into the title match.

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LOOGOOTEE SCHOOL BOARD REVIEWS TEACHER CONTRACT AGREEMENT, APPROVES CALENDAR CHANGE

The Loogootee Community School Corporation Board of School Trustees held a special meeting on Monday, October 19, 2026, in the Superintendent's Boardroom. The meeting was called to order at 2:49 p.m. by Board Secretary Mr. Brent Courter, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present included Mr. Brent Courter, Dr. Brooke Hawkins (virtual), and Mr. Chad Wade. Corporation personnel in attendance were Dr. Shelley Christmas, Mrs. Dana Campbell, and Mrs. Sara Lengacher. Also in attendance was Phill Goodpaster.

There were no patron statements pertaining to the agenda.

During the public meeting, Dr. Christmas provided information regarding the 2026-2027 tentative agreement between the school corporation and teachers' union. Information regarding the agreement included the following:

- Stipend: All teachers will receive a $500 stipend.
- Literacy endorsement: $100 will be added to the base salary of teachers who have attained a literacy endorsement. For the 2026-2027 school year, proof of literacy endorsement attainment must be submitted to the Superintendent's Office by no later than the date of ratification of the 2026-2027 contract. Effective June 30, 2027, proof of a literacy endorsement must be submitted to the Superintendent's Office by August 1st.
- ECA: Girls varsity golf will be added to the ECA chart. If student participation is sufficient to have a varsity team per IHSAA rules, then an additional pool of funds in the amount of $1,555 will be available for the program.

During the meeting, the Board also considered a revision to the 2026–2027 school calendar. The number of teacher professional development days will be decreased from three to two. As a result, January 5, 2027, will no longer be designated as a professional development day for teachers. Mr. Chad Wade made a motion to approve the 2026–2027 LCSC calendar change, with a second by Dr. Brooke Hawkins. The motion passed unanimously with a 3–0 vote.

With no further business, Dr. Hawkins made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wade. The motion passed 3–0, and the meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on October 22, 2026.



LOOGOOTEE STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE IU ATHLETICS VISIT



BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Members of the Loogootee High School student advisory committee gained behind-the-scenes insight into major collegiate sports administration during an educational leadership visit to Indiana University on Tuesday.

The delegation, representing the school's Indiana High School Athletic Association Student Advisory Committee, traveled to the Bloomington campus to meet directly with IU Assistant Athletic Director Beau Bauer and members of the university's athletic administrative staff. The program provided student leaders with an inside perspective on high-level collegiate athletics operations, career paths, and leadership principles.

During the interactive session, Bauer and his staff guided students through comprehensive discussions focused on daily department operations, large-scale event planning, sports marketing initiatives for IU Athletics, and practical leadership strategies. Students explored how collegiate administrators coordinate complex game-day logistics, manage facilities, build brand engagement, and oversee student-athlete services within the competitive landscape of the Big Ten Conference.

The visit carried a strong hometown connection for the visiting group. Bauer shares close ties to Martin County: his mother, Darla (Cox) Bauer, is a 1976 graduate of Loogootee High School. That personal heritage resonated with the student leaders, demonstrating firsthand how a foundation built in small-town Indiana athletics can lead to leadership roles on the national collegiate sports stage.

Following the round-table discussions, committee members received an extensive guided tour across several flagship athletic facilities at Indiana University, visiting competition venues, training centers, and student-athlete support hubs. The tour allowed students to see how back-office planning translates into world-class athletic execution.

School officials expressed deep gratitude to Bauer and his staff for hosting the Loogootee advisory group, noting that the experience offered both inspiring memories and tangible leadership skills that students can bring back to their school and community programs.

MARTIN COUNTY 4-H OFFERS FREE ENROLLMENT DURING '20 DAYS OF TERRIFIC' DRIVE

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Martin County youth can join local 4-H programming at no cost this November as Purdue Extension Martin County launches its annual "20 Days of Terrific" membership campaign.

The special enrollment promotion runs from Nov. 1 to Nov. 26, allowing area children to sign up for the youth development organization completely free of charge, with all registration fees covered courtesy of Martin County 4-H. Organizers announced that the 2026 campaign also features an exciting new "Wizard Weekend" addition for enrolled members.

Outside of the promotional window, standard 4-H membership for students in grades three through 12 carries a $20 annual enrollment fee. Mini 4-H, tailored for younger participants in kindergarten through second grade, remains completely free of charge year-round.

Extension officials highlighted the national 4-H theme "Beyond Ready," noting that the initiative is designed to remove financial hurdles and ensure that every local child has an equal opportunity to build confidence, leadership skills, and lifelong success right now. Martin County 4-H programs provide youth with hands-on learning experiences across a wide range of interests, including agriculture, STEM, expressive arts, healthy living, and civic engagement.

Families can register their children online by scanning the official enrollment QR codes featured on campaign materials or by consulting the Martin County 4-H 101 Guide for comprehensive program details.

Parents and guardians seeking more information or assistance with the registration process can contact the Purdue Extension Martin County office by calling 812-295-2412, texting 812-653-2089, or emailing heldd@purdue.edu. In-person registration support and program materials are also available at the extension office, located at 2666 U.S. Highway 50 in Loogootee.

INDOT ANNOUNCES U.S. 231 CLOSURE NORTH OF LOOGOOTEE STARTING ON OR AROUND OCT. 26

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Motorists traveling between Martin and Greene counties should expect delays and detours as the Indiana Department of Transportation begins a full closure of U.S. 231 late this month.
Transportation officials announced that U.S. 231 will be closed in both directions between Pine Tree Road, located three miles north of the Loogootee area, and State Road 58, approximately four miles south of the Scotland area. The planned closure covers a seven-mile stretch extending from mile point 74.27 to mile point 81.34 in northern Martin County.

The highway shutdown is scheduled to take effect at 7 a.m. EDT on Monday, Oct. 26, and remain in place until approximately 3 p.m. EDT on Friday, Oct. 30, weather permitting. According to INDOT officials, the multi-day project is necessary for maintenance crews to complete an essential drainage pipe replacement beneath the roadway just north of West Boggs Lake.

An official mtate detour will guide regional highway traffic safely around the active construction site. Commuters traveling daily between Loogootee, Crane and Bloomfield should anticipate additional travel time on surrounding state and county roadways, or consider utilizing Interstate 69 to bypass the construction corridor entirely during peak morning and evening drives.

INDOT emphasized that while through traffic will be strictly prohibited through the pipe replacement work zone, local property owners, area residents and emergency response vehicles will retain continuous access to points along U.S. 231 up to the physical closure barricades.

Highway officials urge drivers to exercise heightened caution, strictly adhere to all posted warning signs and avoid cutting through unauthorized rural routes that cannot accommodate heavy commercial vehicles. Motorists can monitor real-time road conditions, work zone advisories and official detour maps through INDOT's TrafficWise mapping portal at 511in.org or via the state agency's mobile application.

ODON VFW ANNOUNCES OCTOBER DINING SPECIALS SUPPORTING LOCAL VETERANS

ODON, Ind. — The Odon Veterans of Foreign Wars post has rolled out its featured menu lineup for October, inviting area veterans, auxiliary members and local community patrons to gather in support of local veterans' programs.

The fall specials feature an enticing array of hearty comfort food selections designed for seasonal dining, headlined by a specialty smash burger topped with thousand island dressing, shredded lettuce and melted American cheese served on grilled Texas toast.

Patrons seeking traditional diner favorites can also choose a savory grilled cheese sandwich enhanced with crispy bacon and fresh sliced tomatoes. For poultry lovers, the post kitchen is serving a grilled chicken cordon bleu sandwich, topped with melted Swiss cheese and creamy ranch dressing on a toasted hoagie roll.

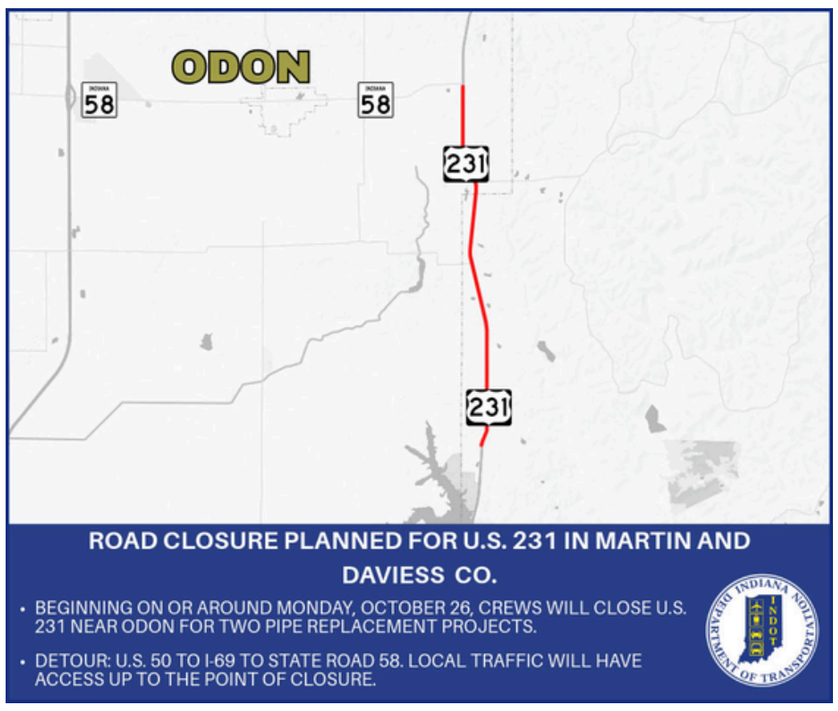
In addition to its featured rotating entrees, the Odon VFW continues its popular weekly "Taco Tuesday" tradition. The Tuesday offering gives diners their choice of seasoned tacos or a generous taco salad, providing an affordable mid-week dining option for local families, military veterans and workers across northern Daviess County.

Post leadership emphasized that community participation during lunch and dinner services directly supports the organization's ongoing outreach initiatives. Revenue generated through kitchen sales helps fund vital assistance programs for military service members, local memorial preservation, community youth activities and emergency relief funds for area veterans in need.

"Good Food, Good Company, Support Your VFW," the post noted in its seasonal announcement, underscoring its long-standing role as a welcoming social and philanthropic hub for the Odon community

The Odon VFW post invites residents from across Daviess, Martin and surrounding counties to stop by throughout October to enjoy the hot and delicious limited-time food specials while giving back to those who served. The kitchen serves dining specials throughout standard operating hours, with carry-out and dine-in seating options available to patrons.

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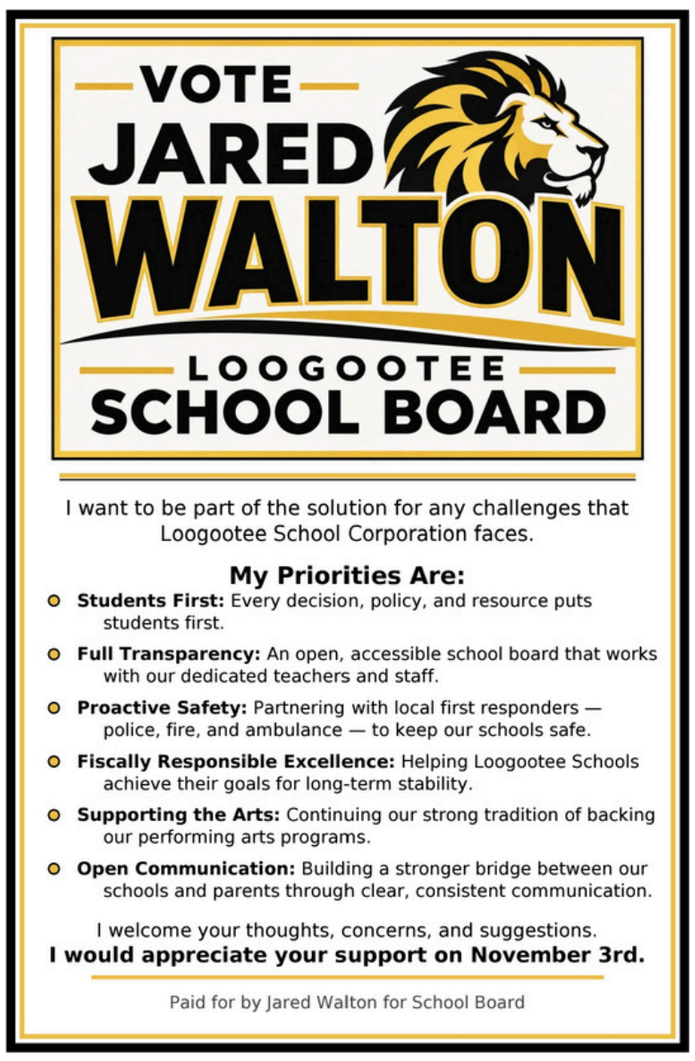
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LOOGOOTEE PREVIEWS KIDS CITY USA DAYCARE AND 50-UNIT OAK STREET VILLAGE HOUSING



LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Community leaders, municipal officials and regional economic development representatives gathered Tuesday for an exclusive preview tour of two transformative construction projects nearing completion in Loogootee: the new Kids City USA childcare facility and the neighboring Oak Street Village Apartments.

While construction remains actively underway across both project sites, representatives from multiple regional and local participating organizations expressed tremendous enthusiasm during the on-site walk-through, noting that the coordinated investments directly target two of Martin County's most critical community infrastructure needs: accessible early childhood education and modern multi-family residential housing.

The brand-new Kids City USA-Loogootee facility represents a major breakthrough for area working families, introducing 58 newly licensed childcare seats to Martin County. Specifically designed to serve young children ages 2 through 5, the center will also offer dedicated before- and after-school care programs tailored to accommodate parents working non-standard shifts or commuting daily to regional employers.

A persistent regional shortage of licensed childcare options has long posed a significant economic hurdle throughout southwestern Indiana, often requiring working parents to seek distant providers or adjust their career commitments. By establishing dependable, high-quality care capacity locally, the new center aims to strengthen the regional workforce, directly supporting personnel employed at nearby Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division as well as local commercial, manufacturing and educational facilities.

Tour attendees and community leaders commended the high-quality layout and safety-focused design of the early learning center, praising the spacious classroom environments, secure outdoor play zones and modern administrative spaces currently taking shape inside.

Directly complementing the childcare development is the Oak Street Village Apartment Complex, a newly constructed residential neighborhood intended to broaden affordable, quality housing opportunities within the city limits of Loogootee. The development brings a diverse 50-unit residential footprint to the community, featuring a balanced mix of floor plans suited for individual workers, young couples and growing families.

According to project developers, the modern Oak Street Village complex features: • 15 one-bedroom apartments • 27 two-bedroom apartments • 8 three-bedroom apartments

Local economic planners view the addition of spacious two- and three-bedroom apartments as particularly essential for retaining young families and attracting talented new professional workers to Martin County. The strategic co-location of modern rental units alongside a full-service childcare provider creates an integrated campus that simplifies daily logistics for busy households.

Construction teams are currently advancing interior finishing trades, utility connections, cabinetry installations, flooring and exterior site work. While the facilities are not yet ready for immediate residential occupancy or student enrollment, project organizers confirmed that comprehensive leasing packets, application timelines, pricing structures, move-in schedules and formal registration guidelines will be announced publicly in the coming weeks.

Civic leaders emphasized that pairing expanded early childhood education capacity with modern workforce housing provides a successful, forward-looking model for sustainable rural community revitalization, establishing a stronger, enduring foundation for Martin County's long-term economic growth.

Area residents, families and prospective applicants are encouraged to monitor upcoming municipal and developer announcements for the official launch of the residential leasing process and childcare enrollment dates.

LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL BAND DEPARTMENT TO HOST FREE ANNUAL FALL CONCERT FRIDAY

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — The Loogootee High School Auditorium will resonate with live brass, woodwinds, and percussion this weekend as the Loogootee Band Department takes the stage for its annual Fall Concert on Friday, Oct. 23, 2026.

The performance is scheduled to begin promptly at 7 p.m., offering local residents, families, alumni, and community music patrons a vibrant evening showcase of the instrumental department's musical growth. Admission to the concert is completely free and open to the public.

Student musicians across the band program have devoted weeks of rigorous preparation and daily rehearsal to assemble this year's autumn repertoire. Under the direction of the school's music faculty, the students have tackled challenging rhythm structures, refined their ensemble balance, and developed mature performance poise. Program organizers emphasized that the musicians have made rapid strides since the start of the school year, demonstrating exceptional dedication both during daily class periods and in specialized sectional practices.

"The band students have been working hard to prepare this music, and they are playing really well," the Loogootee Band Department stated in an announcement to the community. "It should be a fun evening. You don't want to miss it!"

The annual fall concert serves as the formal indoor performance debut for the school's instrumental music groups following the early-season transition into dedicated concert literature. The program will highlight an engaging, diverse musical lineup that spans traditional concert band overtures, rich melodic chorales, cinematic selections, and spirited contemporary works tailored to appeal to music lovers of all ages.

Each piece selected for Friday's program was chosen to challenge the students technically and artistically, showcasing the individual strengths of the woodwind, brass, and percussion sections while creating a cohesive, balanced ensemble sound. Throughout the evening, concertgoers will hear a progression of pieces that highlight dynamic contrasts, rhythmic precision, and harmonic expression developed through months of focused practice.

Educators and music boosters emphasize that live public performances represent a foundational pillar of the performing arts curriculum at Loogootee Community Schools. Beyond teaching technical instrumental technique, ensemble playing instills discipline, teamwork, accountability, and stage confidence in participating students. The fall concert provides young musicians with an authentic stage to share the fruits of their artistic labor with their hometown crowd.

Community arts advocates noted that public support in the stands makes a profound difference in the morale, enthusiasm, and long-term vitality of school music departments. Family members, friends, neighbors, and supporters from throughout Martin County and surrounding areas are warmly invited to fill the auditorium seats in support of the district's youth.

With admission completely free of charge and open seating throughout the venue, attendees are encouraged to arrive early to ensure preferred seating before the house lights dim for the 7 p.m. opening downbeat.

The Loogootee High School Auditorium is located on the main campus at 201 Brooks Ave. in Loogootee. For more information regarding the instrumental music program or upcoming fine arts events, community members may contact the Loogootee Community Schools music department.

HARLEM WIZARDS BRING COMEDY AND TRICK HOOPS TO SHOALS FOR MARTIN COUNTY 4-H FUNDRAISER

SHOALS, Ind. — High-flying slam dunks, dazzling ball-handling wizardry, and lighthearted family comedy will collide on the hardwood this weekend as the world-renowned Harlem Wizards bring their high-energy national tour to Martin County for a charity exhibition clash against the Martin County Marvels.

The community spectacle is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 23, 2026, at 7 p.m. inside the Shoals High School Gymnasium. Doors open to the public at 6 p.m., giving spectators ample time to find seats, explore concessions, and soak in the pre-game excitement.

The Harlem Wizards, famed across the globe for their interactive entertainment, theatrical basketball stunts, and trick hoops, will face a spirited hometown challenge from the Martin County Marvels. The Marvels' lineup brings together a recognizable roster of local educators, coaches, school administrators, and civic figures from across the county who have volunteered to trade their daily routines for sneakers and basketball jerseys. While the Wizards bring elite acrobatic flair and world-class showmanship to the court, the hometown squad aims to delight local fans with hustle, grit, and good-humored competition.

Beyond the laughter and athletic feats on the court, the evening carries a major philanthropic mission: all proceeds generated from ticket sales and event promotions directly benefit the Martin County 4-H program. Funds raised will help finance youth leadership camps, county fair programming, educational workshops, STEM activities, and livestock and project development for hundreds of local youth involved in 4-H clubs across southwestern Indiana. Purdue Extension educators note that support from community events like this ensures that local youth programs remain accessible and affordable for families throughout the county.

Admission is $10 per person for advance tickets purchased before game day, and $12 per person for tickets bought at the door on Friday night. Children ages 5 and under are admitted free of charge.

Fans and families have several convenient ways to secure their tickets in advance. Digital passes can be purchased online by scanning the promotional QR code featured on official event flyers, while physical tickets are available locally through Purdue Extension Martin County, area bank branches, and Richer Farms.

Organizers describe the exhibition as "trick hoops for a great cause," promising a fast-paced evening tailored for spectators of all ages. The Wizards' presentation features interactive court contests, energetic music, comedic referee skits, souvenir giveaways, and opportunities for local children to join players on the floor between quarters.

With excitement building across Martin County communities, event coordinators encourage families from Shoals, Loogootee, Crane, and surrounding rural areas to purchase tickets early and arrive promptly at 6 p.m. when doors open to secure prime courtside viewing.

Shoals High School is located at 7900 U.S. 50 in Shoals. Additional details on the game and advance ticket sales can be obtained by contacting the Purdue Extension Martin County office or by visiting participating ticket sponsor locations throughout the county.



MARTIN COUNTY TOURISM ANNOUNCES FIRST SWEET TREAT TRAIL WINNERS, REMINDS PARTICIPANTS TO TAG PAGE

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — The Martin County Tourism Council has announced its first round of raffle winners following the successful launch of the countywide Sweet Treat Trail promotion.

Council officials revealed the winners from the campaign's opening two weeks, celebrating residents and visiting food enthusiasts who toured local dessert shops, confectioneries and bakeries across Martin County. Winning participants can collect their promotional prize packages Wednesday afternoon at Loogootee City Hall.

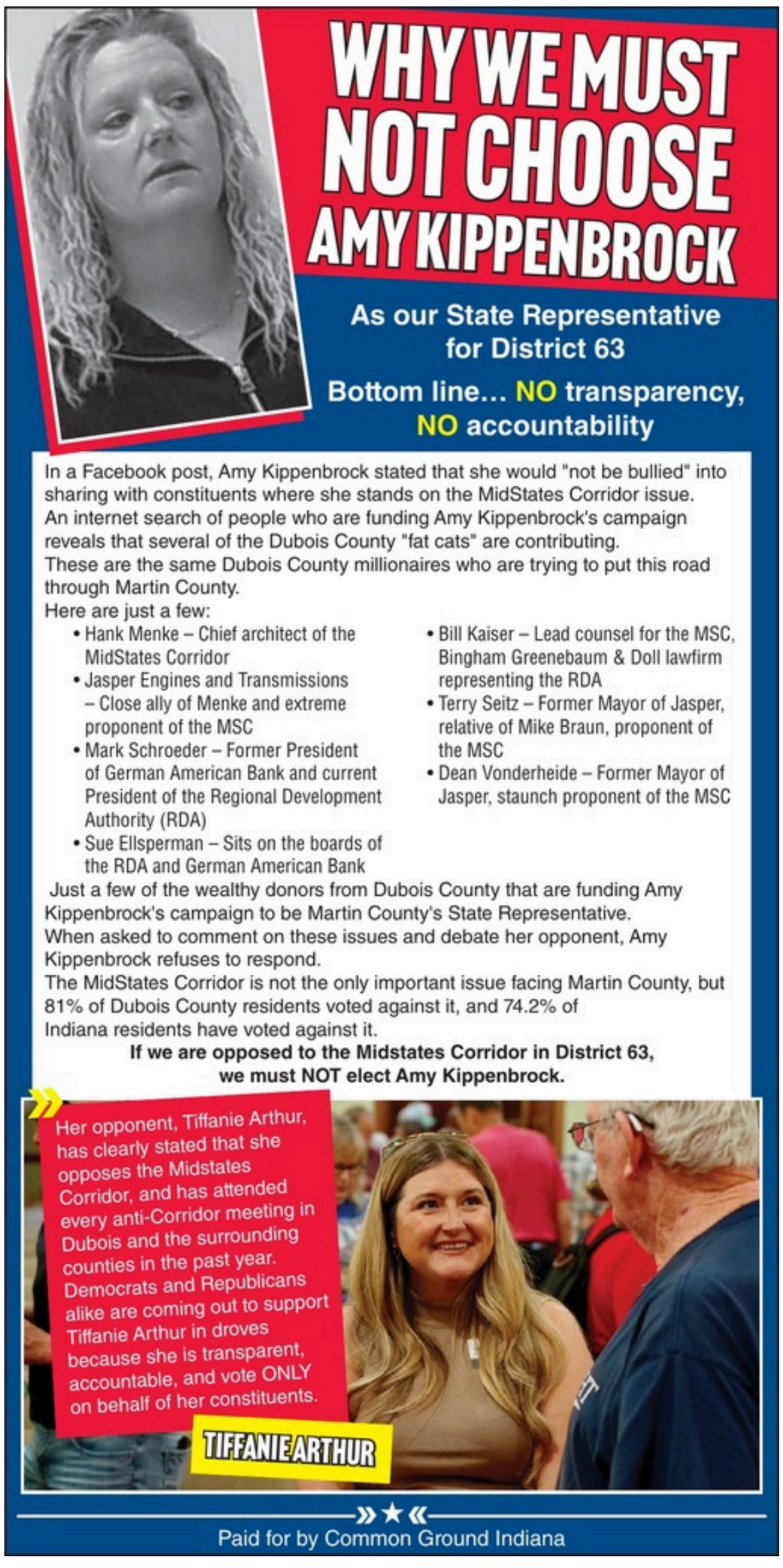
The Sweet Treat Trail serves as a seasonal tourism initiative designed to bolster foot traffic for locally owned food establishments throughout Loogootee, Shoals and surrounding rural communities. Participants travel along a curated self-guided dessert trail, stopping at participating venues and sharing snapshots of their culinary visits on social media to qualify for regular drawings and an eventual grand prize package.

Following the initial two-week drawings, tourism organizers issued a reminder to help participants ensure their ongoing stops are properly recorded. Due to user privacy settings across several social media platforms, tourism staff have encountered difficulties viewing some shared posts and photo check-ins. To resolve the issue, officials urge all participants to directly tag the official Martin County Tourism page in their photos, reels and status updates.

Directly tagging the tourism organization guarantees that each completed stop is verified, entered into the remaining weekly prize drawings and credited toward eligibility for the final grand prize giveaway.

Council leaders expressed appreciation for the community's enthusiastic response to the initiative, noting that the campaign has introduced new customers to independent storefronts and reinforced downtown commercial districts across the county.

Community members interested in joining the Sweet Treat Trail can obtain passports and view participating vendor locations by visiting local municipal centers or by following the Martin County Tourism Council online.



ODON VFW ANNOUNCES OCTOBER DINING SPECIALS SUPPORTING LOCAL VETERANS

ODON, Ind. — The Odon Veterans of Foreign Wars post has rolled out its featured menu lineup for October, inviting area veterans, auxiliary members and local community patrons to gather in support of local veterans' programs.

The fall specials feature an enticing array of hearty comfort food selections designed for seasonal dining, headlined by a specialty smash burger topped with thousand island dressing, shredded lettuce and melted American cheese served on grilled Texas toast.

Patrons seeking traditional diner favorites can also choose a savory grilled cheese sandwich enhanced with crispy bacon and fresh sliced tomatoes. For poultry lovers, the post kitchen is serving a grilled chicken cordon bleu sandwich, topped with melted Swiss cheese and creamy ranch dressing on a toasted hoagie roll.

In addition to its featured rotating entrees, the Odon VFW continues its popular weekly "Taco Tuesday" tradition. The Tuesday offering gives diners their choice of seasoned tacos or a generous taco salad, providing an affordable mid-week dining option for local families, military veterans and workers across northern Daviess County.

Post leadership emphasized that community participation during lunch and dinner services directly supports the organization's ongoing outreach initiatives. Revenue generated through kitchen sales helps fund vital assistance programs for military service members, local memorial preservation, community youth activities and emergency relief funds for area veterans in need.

"Good Food, Good Company, Support Your VFW," the post noted in its seasonal announcement, underscoring its long-standing role as a welcoming social and philanthropic hub for the Odon community

The Odon VFW post invites residents from across Daviess, Martin and surrounding counties to stop by throughout October to enjoy the hot and delicious limited-time food specials while giving back to those who served. The kitchen serves dining specials throughout standard operating hours, with carry-out and dine-in seating options available to patrons.

LOOGOOTEE SENIOR CENTER SEES DIGITAL SURGE WITH OVER 94,000 MONTHLY VIEWS

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — The Loogootee Senior Center is experiencing an unprecedented surge in digital engagement and community visibility, according to recently released social media metrics showing tens of thousands of area residents connecting with the local organization's online platforms over the past month.

Center leadership announced Tuesday that over the trailing 28-day tracking period, the organization's official social media channels accumulated 94,267 total content views and generated 9,586 active user engagements, including likes, shares and comments. The platform also gained 42 new followers during the same span, highlighting an accelerating public interest in local senior programming across Martin County.
For administrators and community organizers, the sharp rise in online reach represents far more than digital vanity metrics. The numbers reflect expanding avenues to raise awareness about vital social services, wellness programs, nutritional initiatives and recreational gatherings designed to support older adults throughout southwestern Indiana.

"That means thousands of opportunities to share what is happening at the Senior Center, highlight our programs, and connect with more people in our community," officials said in a statement celebrating the milestone. "We love seeing the word spread about what we are building here. Every interaction helps more people discover the Senior Center and the opportunities available to them."

Located in the heart of Loogootee, the center serves as a foundational gathering space for local seniors, offering regular social activities, seasonal health clinics, nutritious congregate meals and supportive community resources. In smaller rural communities, keeping aging residents actively engaged and socially connected plays a crucial, proven role in combating isolation, boosting overall mental well-being and linking individuals to essential regional services.

The surge in digital visibility comes as the center continues to modernize its community outreach, leveraging social media to bridge generational gaps and ensure families, caregivers and seniors stay informed about scheduled events. Recent initiatives highlighted across the center's feed have included local healthcare access events, such as mobile immunization clinics, structured game days, craft workshops and practical educational sessions.

Organizers emphasized that the sustained engagement wave has been largely driven by grassroots word-of-mouth and dedicated community members actively sharing updates across neighborhood networks.
"Thank you to everyone who likes, shares, comments, and helps us get the word out," center representatives added, noting that digital shares frequently translate into first-time visits by community members who previously were unaware of available services. "We are growing, we are connecting, and we are just getting started."
With regional public health agencies and civic groups placing renewed focus on rural community connectivity, the center's digital milestone marks a significant step forward in ensuring Martin County seniors maintain active ties to neighborhood community life.
Looking ahead, staff members plan to build on the momentum by rolling out expanded event schedules, interactive workshops and regular updates and community resources heading into the upcoming holiday season.
Community members, area seniors and caregivers interested in learning more about weekly programs, volunteer opportunities or meal services are warmly encouraged to visit the center or follow its official social media channels for daily announcements.

MARTIN COUNTY CEO STUDENTS TOUR BE SWEET BAKERY IN HISTORIC SHOALS RIVER DISTRICT

SHOALS, Ind. — High school students participating in the Martin County Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities program gained firsthand insight into small-business ownership during a recent immersive site visit to downtown Shoals.

On Sept. 10, the Martin County CEO cohort traveled to the Historic River District of Shoals to meet with local entrepreneur Jessica Hert, owner of the Main Street bakery and custom dessert shop Be Sweet.

During the interactive session, Hert detailed her entrepreneurial journey for the students, explaining how baking custom cakes as an at-home hobby gradually transformed into a full-fledged commercial storefront. She shared candid advice regarding startup challenges, financial management, customer service standards and the persistence required to take a home-based craft into the competitive retail sector along Shoals' main business corridor.

Hert’s connection to the initiative runs deep: in addition to running her downtown bakery, she currently serves as president of the board of directors for Martin County CEO. In that leadership role, Hert collaborates with regional educators, civic partners and community mentors to guide young people through the fundamentals of entrepreneurship, professional communication and personal responsibility.

The visit offered cohort members a tangible look at everyday business operations, covering everything from daily inventory management and production scheduling to civic engagement and community investment. Students had the opportunity to ask questions about navigating local markets and turning personal passions into viable, sustainable enterprises within southwestern Indiana.

Program leaders expressed their appreciation to Hert for welcoming the students into her shop and providing an authentic look at what it takes to succeed as an independent business owner in a rural community.

The Martin County CEO program is an experiential, year-long entrepreneurship class funded by local business investments, designed to prepare area high school juniors and seniors for modern business leadership.

MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SEEKS OWNER OF STRAY DOG FOUND NEAR RED SCHOOL ROAD

SHOALS, Ind. — Authorities in Martin County are turning to the local community for assistance in locating the owner of a stray dog discovered roaming along a rural road this week.

According to deputies with the Martin County Sheriff’s Office, the canine has been observed in the Red School Road area continuously over the past 24 hours. Law enforcement personnel confirmed that the animal is a female and was found without a collar, rabies tag or any visible form of personal identification.

Sheriff’s officials are working to safely reunite the dog with its family and keep the animal out of harm's way along rural roadways. In countryside stretches of Martin County, unattended domestic animals frequently wander away from adjacent farmsteads, private residences or outdoor wooded properties after slipping away from home or becoming disoriented.

Deputies noted that prompt community tips regularly play a crucial role in reuniting lost pets with their households before they face roadside dangers, harsh autumn weather or placement into regional animal rescue shelter systems.

Area residents living along Red School Road or throughout the surrounding rural neighborhoods who recognize the dog, know its caretakers or possess any pertinent details regarding where the pet resides are strongly encouraged to contact local law enforcement immediately.

Anyone with information that could assist in identifying the dog or locating its rightful owners is asked to phone the Martin County Sheriff’s Office dispatch center directly at (812) 247-3726 to arrange a pickup or provide tips.

Deputies also took the opportunity to remind local pet owners of the importance of outfitting animals with secure collars containing updated owner telephone numbers, or registering them with microchips, which dramatically streamlines the process of returning lost pets safely back to their homes.

MARTIN COUNTY ALLIANCE LAUNCHES 2027 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ACROSS SOUTHWESTERN INDIANA

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — As local business leaders, civic organizations and entrepreneurs look ahead toward the upcoming calendar year, the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth has officially opened its annual membership drive for 2027.

Membership application packets to join or renew support with the regional economic development organization are being distributed by mail to area businesses and community stakeholders this week, according to alliance officials.

The annual membership campaign allows regional commercial operators, industrial partners and civic institutions to take an active role in shaping the county's economic trajectory. Membership contributions help sustain the Alliance’s collaborative programs, workforce development initiatives, small-business educational workshops and countywide promotional campaigns aimed at fostering long-term investment across Martin County communities.

"Thank you for your continued support in our communities," Alliance officials said in an announcement launching the campaign. "We are excited for another wonderful year of progress."

The Alliance serves as a regional conduit for public-private collaboration, working closely with municipal leaders in Loogootee, Shoals and Crane to attract new commercial ventures, assist established local enterprises and bolster rural community infrastructure. Returning members and prospective new partners who participate in the 2027 drive gain direct access to resource networks, economic data, localized business support and community advocacy designed to foster commercial growth.

Area business owners, sole proprietors and community organizations that have not yet received an application packet in the mail—or individuals seeking to become first-time members for the 2027 calendar year—are encouraged to request materials directly. Membership inquiries, enrollment forms and details regarding participation levels can be obtained by contacting Martin County Alliance Executive Director Jessica Potts via email at jessica.potts@martinalliance.org.

With mailing efforts underway across the county, Alliance officials anticipate strong community participation as local partners unite to maintain economic momentum into the new year.

INDIANA SBDC AND MARTIN COUNTY ALLIANCE HOST FREE SMALL BUSINESS STARTUP WORKSHOP IN LOOGOOTEE

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Aspiring entrepreneurs, innovators and prospective small-business operators across Martin County will have the opportunity to transform their commercial concepts into functioning enterprises during a free, two-part startup workshop scheduled for next week in Loogootee.

Presented by the Indiana Small Business Development Center (ISBDC) South Central office in collaboration with the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth, the "Launch Your Own Business" event will take place on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2026. The evening educational program will be hosted inside the Martin County Alliance Conference Room, located at 404 N. John F. Kennedy Ave. in downtown Loogootee.

The workshop is structured into two practical, topic-specific sessions, allowing participants the flexibility to register for either segment individually or participate in both consecutive presentations. Session 1, titled "Idea & Market Validation," begins at 5:30 p.m. and concludes at 6:45 p.m., focusing on vetting business concepts, analyzing market competition and identifying viable consumer demand. Following a brief intermission, Session 2, titled "Formation & Operations," runs from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m., addressing formal legal entity structures, regulatory compliance, operational workflows and day-to-day management fundamentals.

Organizers designed the curriculum to provide actionable, tangible takeaways for individuals ready to establish a new commercial venture. By the conclusion of the evening, attendees will leave equipped with a written business plan framework, an operational launch checklist, eligibility for free ongoing one-on-one business advising with certified ISBDC advisors, and the foundational confidence needed to launch.

Attendance is completely free of charge and open to all members of the public, though advance registration is strongly encouraged.

Individuals interested in participating or seeking further details can register online through the Indiana SBDC website at www.isbdc.org or contact event coordinator Grant Sherfick directly via email at dsherfick@isbdc.org.

MARTIN COUNTY ALLIANCE HOSTS QUICKBOOKS TRAINING WORKSHOP IN LOOGOOTEE

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Small-business owners, entrepreneurs and bookkeepers across Martin County will have an opportunity to sharpen their financial management skills next month during a comprehensive QuickBooks training workshop in Loogootee.

Hosted in partnership with the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth, the full-day training session is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 16, 2026, running from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Bowling Manufacturing, located at 99 W. Washington St. in downtown Loogootee.

The workshop is designed to help area business operators eliminate guesswork from their financial tracking. Led by instructor Kari Johnson of Penny Tracker LLC, the hands-on course focuses on QuickBooks Online, equipping attendees with practical methods to accurately track revenue, manage business expenses and generate key financial reports to make smarter, data-driven commercial decisions.

Throughout the interactive program, participants will explore the software's capabilities, software integrations and built-in automation features designed to save administrative time. The structured curriculum also guides attendees through setting up a QuickBooks company file properly from the beginning, organizing general bookkeeping workflows, understanding double-entry accounting fundamentals and reading standard financial statements, including balance sheets and profit-and-loss reports.

Registration for the all-day workshop is $25 per attendee.

By providing affordable, localized professional development, the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth aims to empower regional businesses with practical accounting literacy, cleaner records and stronger fiscal oversight. Whether launching a new venture, directing an established company or overseeing internal office bookkeeping, participants will gain the tools needed to maintain orderly accounts and maintain healthy cash flow.

Area entrepreneurs, managers and bookkeepers interested in attending the educational session are encouraged to secure their registration ahead of the Nov. 16 training date by contacting the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth or visiting the host facility.

DAVIESS COUNTY CRASH CLAIMS LIFE OF 9-YEAR-OLD; DRIVER ARRESTED ON OWI CHARGES

On Sunday, October 18, 2026, at approximately 2:46 p.m., Daviess County Central Dispatch received a 911 call reporting a two-vehicle traffic accident on State Road 57 near County Road 700 South.

Upon arrival, first responders determined that a northbound 2022 Chevrolet had lost control and struck a southbound 2017 Dodge minivan.

The driver of the minivan was identified as 62-year-old Melinda Pea of Monroe City. All three occupants of the minivan were transported to the hospital for treatment. One passenger, 9-year-old Keith Walton of Monroe City, was airlifted to Riley Children’s Hospital in Indianapolis, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

Further investigation revealed that the driver of the Chevrolet was 25-year-old Jacob Sisco of Washington. Sisco showed signs of impairment and was transported to Daviess Community Hospital for chemical testing. Following testing, Sisco was placed under arrest and transported to the Daviess County Security Center. He was charged with Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated Causing Serious Bodily Injury and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated Resulting in Death.

Sisco was not injured in the crash.

The crash remains under investigation, and accident reconstruction is ongoing. Assisting agencies included: the Daviess County Sheriff’s Office, Daviess Community Hospital Ambulance Service, Washington Township Fire Department, Veale Township Fire Department, Indiana State Police, Daviess County Coroner’s Office, Marion County Coroner’s Office, Pike County Ambulance, and Countryside Towing.

TRI KAPPA HOSTS FALL JEEP AND VINTAGE CAR RIDE SATURDAY IN LOOGOOTEE

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Automobile enthusiasts and community supporters will take to the scenic backroads of Martin County and surrounding areas this weekend for the "Fall into Southern Indiana" Jeep and Vintage Car Ride, hosted by local philanthropic organization Tri Kappa.

The charity event is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 24, 2026, beginning at the Loogootee Methodist Church. Festivities kick off bright and early with on-site registration alongside a community pancake breakfast at 8 a.m., giving drivers, passengers and local residents time to gather, dine and admire the vehicle lineup. The convoy officially rolls out to begin the scenic tour through the countryside at 10 a.m.

Owners and drivers of vintage classics, restored hot rods and modern Jeeps will navigate a route tailored to highlight peak autumn foliage and the rolling hills of southern Indiana. Organizers have scheduled several fun group stops along the way, providing participants with opportunities to stretch their legs, take seasonal photos and socialize with fellow motoring enthusiasts.

Following the conclusion of the ride, Tri Kappa will distribute prizes and awards recognizing standout entries across multiple showcase categories, including top honors for Best Jeep, Best Vintage Car and a community-voted People’s Choice award.

Admission and entry is $15 per person for those who pre-register online through Eventbrite prior to Saturday. Same-day registration will also be open at the Loogootee Methodist Church beginning at 8 a.m. for $20 per person.

All proceeds collected from registration fees, breakfast plates and community donations directly support Tri Kappa's ongoing charitable efforts, funding civic grants, scholarships and philanthropic programs dedicated to supporting local families throughout the region.

Anyone interested in joining the charity cruise can register by scanning the official event QR code on promotional flyers or by visiting the registration tables Saturday morning at Loogootee Methodist Church.

LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL SEEKING VETERAN SUBMISSIONS FOR ANNUAL VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Loogootee High School is calling on students, staff, and area residents to submit names and photographs of military service members for recognition during the school’s upcoming annual Veterans Day Program.

The community ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 1:30 p.m. inside the Loogootee High School auditorium. The program serves as an enduring Martin County tradition, honoring both active-duty personnel and military veterans while teaching students the lasting value of service, sacrifice, and civic responsibility.

Event organizers are seeking submissions for any United States military veteran connected to the local area or school families. Submissions must include the veteran’s full name, branch of armed service, and military rank if known. Contributors are also invited to submit a photograph of the veteran, preferably in uniform if possible, as well as an optional note identifying any family or personal relation to a current Loogootee student or school staff member.

School organizers noted that families who submitted veteran information for last year’s presentation do not need to submit the material again, as previously honored veterans will remain part of the annual roll call and recognition slides.

All new submissions and accompanying digital photos must be submitted via email to tshowalter@loogootee.k12.in.us. The final deadline to submit all details is Wednesday, Nov. 4, giving organizers sufficient time to assemble presentation slides, biographies, and printed ceremony materials prior to the assembly.

The school invites veterans, military families, and local community members to attend the Nov. 11 event to help celebrate and honor the service of men and women across all branches of the United States Armed Forces.

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER SAMANTHA SPELLMEYER JOINS DEACONESS CLINIC NEUROLOGY – JASPER



Jasper, Ind. – Deaconess Memorial Medical Center is pleased to announce the addition of Family Nurse Practitioner Samantha Spellmeyer to the staff at Deaconess Clinic Neurology – Jasper. Spellmeyer joins Neurologists Naghma Mufti, M.D.; Kristi Nord, M.D.; and Jignesh Shah, M.D., as well as Nurse Practitioner Tiffany Murrell.

Spellmeyer received her Master of Science in Nursing from University of Southern Indiana in Evansville, Indiana, and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana. She is certified by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners and brings more than seven years of nursing experience and eight years of experience as a nurse practitioner at Deaconess Clinic Urgent Care – Huntingburg.

Deaconess Clinic Neurology – Jasper specializes in the in diagnosing, treating and managing disorders of the brain and nervous system, including Alzheimer's disease, ALS, concussion, epilepsy, migraines, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, and stroke.

For more information on Deaconess Clinic Neurology – Jasper, go online to deaconess.com. To schedule an appointment, please call 812-996-5781.

LOOGOOTEE VFW POST 9395 HOSTS DENNY GEHL MEMORIAL HALLOWEEN BASH SATURDAY

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9395 will host its annual Denny Gehl Memorial Halloween Bash on Saturday, Oct. 24, welcoming area residents and visitors for an energetic evening of live music, fellowship and competitive costume festivities.

Doors at the post home in Loogootee will open at noon, giving patrons, auxiliary members and guests an early opportunity to gather and socialize before the evening entertainment officially begins. The official annual memorial event honors the life, dedication and military service of longtime post comrade Denny Gehl while fostering community support for the local veterans organization.

Live musical entertainment kicks off at 8 p.m. featuring the Puking Buzzards, a popular regional band known for delivering a dynamic setlist blending Southern rock, country anthems and classic blues. The live performance is expected to draw music enthusiasts and dancing crowds from across Martin and neighboring Daviess and Dubois counties.

A centerpiece of the night's autumn entertainment is the official Halloween costume contest, which features cash prizes awarded across multiple competitive categories. Contest judges will present cash awards to first-place, second-place and third-place individual entries, along with a dedicated cash prize for best dressed couple. Attendees planning to participate in the contest are encouraged to wear creative, festive attire ahead of formal judging later in the evening.

Post leadership emphasized that seasonal gatherings like the memorial bash serve an essential role in strengthening local camaraderie while supporting the post's ongoing veterans relief funds, community service projects and charitable outreach initiatives throughout southwestern Indiana.
Admission is open to the public, with refreshments, food and seating available throughout the afternoon and evening hours. Community members, families and guests seeking additional information regarding event schedules, dinner offerings or costume contest entry guidelines can contact Loogootee VFW Post 9395 directly or visit the post home on Saturday.

HINDOSTAN CHURCH TO HOST 6TH ANNUAL BACK ROAD ADVENTURE BENEFIT RIDE FOR JOYCE JONES ON OCT. 17

The West Boggs Park Foundation is hosting its first 50/50 Cash Raffle! One lucky winner will receive 50% of all ticket sales, while the remaining 50% will help fund park improvements and future recreational opportunities at West Boggs Park.

Ticket Prices: 1 ticket for $5, 3 tickets for $10, or 20 tickets for $20. No limit on how many tickets a person can buy.

Drawing: Saturday, October 31, 2026, at 6:00 PM at the Lakeside Stage at West Boggs Park, 16117 US Highway 231, Loogootee, IN.
The winner does not need to be present to win! The winner will be contacted after the drawing.

Ticket Purchases: Tickets are available in person at the West Boggs Park Camp Store, Wednesday–Sunday during regular business hours. Cash, check, and credit/debit cards are accepted. Purchasers must be 18 or older. If you're unable to make it to the park to purchase tickets, please contact Elaine Taylor at 812-295-3421 or elaine@westboggs.com to discuss purchase options and coordinate ticket delivery.

The more tickets sold, the bigger the cash prize and the more money raised to support West Boggs Park!

Don't wait — get your tickets before October 31!

For more information and official raffle rules, visit HINDOSTAN, Ind. (AP) — Hindostan Church will host its sixth annual Back Road Adventure Benefit Ride Saturday, Oct. 17, to raise money for a local woman facing mounting medical expenses as she battles cancer.

Proceeds from the event will go to Joyce Jones, who is suffering from pancreatic cancer that has spread to her liver, according to organizers. They said the goal is to help ease her medical bills.

The ride is open to side-by-sides, Jeeps, cars, and trucks. Registration is $20 per vehicle. Sign-ups will run from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the church, and participants will leave the church parking lot at 10:30 a.m.

Organizers said riders will travel country roads on what they described as a scenic fall drive. Organizers will hold two prize drawings during the ride. A third drawing will take place when participants return to the church.
After the ride, the church will serve a soup-and-sandwich meal free of charge to anyone who wishes to attend, including those who did not take part in the drive.

Organizers said donations are welcome from those who cannot join the ride but still want to support Jones and her family. The event is designed to bring community members together while providing financial relief during a difficult time.

Benefit rides are a common fundraising tradition in rural Indiana communities, where neighbors often rally around families facing medical hardship. Organizers said they hope the sixth edition of the Back Road Adventure draws a strong turnout of vehicles and supporters.
Those interested in participating or donating can contact Hindostan Church for additional details. The flyer did not list a phone number or address.
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LOOGOOTEE TO HOST BULLY-FREE BMX SHOW FOR RED RIBBON WEEK TOMORROW

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — High-flying bicycle stunts and motivational youth messaging will take center stage in Loogootee this month as the community marks national Red Ribbon Week.
The City of Loogootee and the Loogootee Beautification Board are partnering to host the “Bully-Free BMX Show” on Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Loogootee City Pool grounds, located at 411 Heritage Hill St. The family-friendly event will run from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The centerpiece of the evening features a 40-minute “Big Air” stunt exhibition led by professional BMX riders, designed to combine athletic entertainment with practical character-building lessons for local students and families. Throughout the performance, riders will deliver motivational messages focusing on anti-bullying strategies, positive decision-making, mutual respect, teamwork, and drug-free living.

Red Ribbon Week is recognized annually across the United States to encourage youth to make healthy, responsible lifestyle choices and remain drug-free. Loogootee organizers emphasized that pairing high-energy athletic demonstrations with open community discussions provides an engaging platform to reinforce positive habits among area youth.
“Be Kind, Make Good Choices, Live Drug Free” serves as the evening’s guiding theme.

In addition to the performance, organizers will offer affordable concessions during the event. Attendees can purchase a meal combo consisting of a hot dog, chips, and a soda for $5.
The event is open to all community members, families, and neighboring residents across Martin County and the surrounding region. Attendees are encouraged to arrive early to secure seating and enjoy concessions before the main stunt demonstration begins.
For more details regarding the performance or event schedule, residents can contact the Loogootee Beautification Board or visit local municipal community channels.

DISTRICT 63 CANDIDATE TIFFANIE ARTHUR ATTENDS LOOGOOTEE SCHOOL BOARD FORUM

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — Statehouse candidate Tiffanie Arthur attended the Loogootee School Board candidate forum this week, meeting with local educators, community leaders and residents to discuss public education priorities ahead of the upcoming November general election.

Arthur, the Democratic nominee seeking election to Indiana House District 63, emphasized that state-level policy decisions directly shape vital classroom resources available to rural school districts like Loogootee Community Schools.

"I attended the Loogootee School Board Candidate Forum last night, and it was great to hear directly from the candidates about their goals and visions for the future of Loogootee Community Schools," Arthur said. "But what really stuck with me were the conversations with teachers, community leaders, and neighbors."

During the forum, board candidates outlined platform goals focusing on curriculum standards, facility operations and long-term enrollment trends. Following the candidate presentations, Arthur engaged with audience members regarding community support for public education.

"I heard from people who hope to see their grandchildren graduate as Lions, people who take tremendous pride in their school and their town, and people who care deeply about making sure future generations have the same opportunities they’ve had," Arthur noted. "Everyone in that room wants to see our public schools thrive."

Connecting local school governance to state legislative action, Arthur underscored the Statehouse's role in establishing state tuition support formulas and school funding distribution.

"Our local school boards make important decisions about how school funding is spent, but it’s our state legislators who largely determine how much funding our schools receive in the first place," she said. "We can’t expect our local schools to keep doing more with less while decisions made at the Statehouse continue to affect the resources available to them."

Arthur urged voters to research candidates and actively participate in legislative and school board elections this November.

HILLTOP RACEWAY IN SHOALS HOSTS COMMUNITY HO SLOT CAR RACE THIS FRIDAY

SHOALS, Ind. — Miniature motorsports enthusiasts and local families will gather Friday evening for an action-packed night of competitive HO slot car racing at Hilltop Raceway in Martin County.

The community racing event is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 23, hosted by track operator Vaughn Montgomery at his specialized raceway facility located at 11408 Hilltop Honey Road in Shoals. Open practice sessions and test laps begin at 6 p.m., with official green-flag competitive heat races getting underway promptly at 6:45 p.m.

Organizers emphasize that the community event is completely open to racers of all skill levels, from experienced hobbyists to newcomers looking to experience tabletop racing for the very first time. To ensure accessible competition for everyone, Montgomery is generously furnishing all slot cars and hand controllers for participants throughout the entire evening program.

Racers will compete on the raceway’s signature custom layout, dubbed "The Lucky Dragon." The competitive division will feature high-performance AFX Mega-G chassis fitted with iconic American muscle car bodies, including Chevrolet Camaros and Ford Mustangs, delivering high-speed side-by-side action on the intricate multi-lane circuit.

"I furnish the cars and controllers, come and enjoy a good slot car race," Montgomery said, extending an open invitation to area youth, parents and hobby enthusiasts across southwestern Indiana. "Everyone is invited."

The gathering aims to foster grassroots community fellowship while keeping the vintage hobby of scale electric model racing thriving across Martin, Daviess and Lawrence counties. Spectators are also welcome to attend, cheer on the drivers and watch thrilling scale racing down to the wire.

Interested participants can obtain additional details, track guidelines or driving directions by calling or texting 812-247-2129. Area fans and competitors can also stay updated on upcoming racing schedules, track modifications and event photos by visiting the official Facebook page at "Hilltop raceway, HO slot car racing."

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOST DONATION-ONLY COOK FUNDRAISER SATURDAY, OCT. 24

LOOGOOTEE, Ind. — The Knights of Columbus will host a community cook fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 24, inviting local residents, parishioners and visiting families to enjoy a traditional autumn dinner while supporting charitable outreach initiatives across the area[cite: 11].

Serving begins at 4 p.m. and will continue until all food is sold out[cite: 11]. The seasonal cookout features two classic Midwestern staple entrees prepared fresh on-site by council members[cite: 11].

Diners can select a signature Indiana-style breaded tenderloin sandwich served with classic dressings, or hearty smoked bratwurst topped with sauteed onions and peppers[cite: 11]. Both featured offerings highlight traditional local cookout favorites designed for comforting autumn dining alongside friends and neighbors[cite: 11].

In keeping with the fraternal organization’s core principles of charity and service, the entire meal is offered on a freewill donation basis[cite: 11]. Rather than establishing fixed meal prices, organizers are accepting voluntary financial contributions from patrons to ensure the event remains fully accessible to all area families and community members[cite: 11].

Proceeds generated from Saturday’s dinner will directly fund the Knights of Columbus charitable outreach programs throughout the region. Council fundraising efforts traditionally provide vital financial support for local youth organizations, community food distribution pantries, parish programs, scholarship initiatives and emergency relief for local residents in need.

Organizers emphasize that food is prepared in limited quantities and will be served strictly on a first-come, first-served basis starting promptly at 4 p.m. until supplies are exhausted[cite: 11]. Community members, visiting neighbors and long-time council supporters are strongly encouraged to arrive early to ensure their preferred hot entree selections[cite: 11].

Both carry-out service and dine-in seating options will be made available for patrons throughout the dinner. Additional event details and council volunteer opportunities can be obtained through local parish bulletins, Knights of Columbus council members or official community announcements.

SPORTS

LOOGOOTEE SPORTS SCHEDULE

NO LOOGOOTEE SPORTS EVENTS THIS WEEK

PERRY TOWNSHIP REPUBLICAN TEAM



November 3rd

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SHOALS VOLLEYBALL SHIFTS FOCUS TO SHAKAMAK IN REGIONAL MATCHUP FOLLOWING HISTORIC SECTIONAL TITLE



SHOALS, Ind. — The celebrations that echoed through Martin County over the weekend have begun to give way to renewed focus and determination for the Shoals High School volleyball program.

Days after capturing the Class 1A Sectional 63 championship to snap a 33-year title drought, the Jug Rox are shifting their collective attention toward the next postseason milestone: a high-stakes regional showdown Saturday afternoon against Shakamak.

The historic accomplishment, which saw Shoals outlast archrival Loogootee in a five-set semifinal classic before sweeping Orleans 3-0 in the championship match at Jack Butcher Arena, brought the program its first sectional trophy since 1993. The monumental twin-bill performance sparked an overwhelming outpouring of pride and enthusiasm across the small southwestern Indiana community, uniting generations of fans who had waited over three decades to see sectional volleyball hardware return to Shoals.

In a statement shared with program supporters following the championship run, the team expressed deep appreciation for the community's backing while making it known that their postseason mission remains unfinished.

"Thank you to everyone who has congratulated our sectional champs," the team stated. "Your messages, support, and excitement have made this moment even sweeter. We're so proud to represent this community."

The triumph marked the culmination of years of rebuilding, dedicated offseason development, and relentless perseverance. Navigating a grueling eight-set slate on championship Saturday, the Jug Rox relied on clutch execution and fearless poise. Behind the powerful hitting of Riley Bauer, the pinpoint setting and court vision of Brazelea Lents, and steady back-row defense from libero Peyton Harger, Shoals proved capable of overcoming adversity under heavy postseason pressure.

Against Loogootee, Shoals answered a fierce fourth-set surge by the top-seeded Lions by dominating the decisive fifth frame 15-8. Hours later, facing an Orleans squad riding high off an emotional reverse-sweep victory of their own, the Jug Rox dictated tempo from the opening whistle to secure the sweep in straight sets (25-11, 25-22, 25-12).

While the drought-ending victory etched the roster into school lore, the squad wasted little time pivoting back into film sessions and rigorous practice routines as they prepare for the next round of tournament action.

"Now it's back to business as we prepare for regional," the team emphasized as gym preparations resumed early this week.

Shoals will square off against the Shakamak Lakers on Saturday, Oct. 24, at 4 p.m., returning to a familiar battleground: Jack Butcher Arena in Loogootee.

The matchup pits the surging Jug Rox against a disciplined Shakamak squad that navigated its own sectional bracket with gritty defensive play, strong net coverage, and balanced attacking options. For Shoals, playing the regional contest at Jack Butcher Arena provides a distinct psychological advantage and a level of comfort. Having captured both of their tournament victories on that exact hardwood just days earlier, the Jug Rox understand the sightlines, the floor feel, and the intensity required under the arena's historic lights.

To recreate the electrifying postseason environment that propelled them through the sectional bracket, the team is calling for a unified show of support from every corner of Martin County.

Program leaders have officially declared Saturday's regional showdown a "Blue Out," urging the student body, alumni, and local residents to travel in force and fill the gym in school colors.

"Rox Nation, we need you there," the program urged in its rallying cry. "Wear your blue, pack the stands, and bring the energy from the first serve to the final point! Let's keep this journey going!"

The call to action highlights the deep bond between the volleyball program and the tight-knit town of Shoals, where small-school athletic success serves as an enduring source of civic pride. Local storefronts, yard signs, and community message boards have displayed blue and white since Saturday's final whistle, with anticipation steadily building toward Saturday afternoon's first serve.

As the Jug Rox enter the final stages of technical preparation, coaches and players recognize that regional competition demands heightened focus, disciplined passing, and relentless floor communication. Yet with the weight of a 33-year championship drought lifted off their shoulders, Shoals enters Saturday playing with the freedom, confidence, and determination of a team that believes its best volleyball is still ahead.

The Class 1A regional clash between Shoals and Shakamak is scheduled for 4 p.m. Saturday in Loogootee, with the victor advancing to compete for regional championship honors.

THREE LOOGOOTEE RUNNERS ADVANCE TO REGIONAL 5 AT CRAWFORD COUNTY



BEDFORD, Ind. — Three Loogootee High School distance runners punched their tickets to the regional championship round after turning in gritty performances Saturday morning at the Indiana High School Athletic Association Sectional 22 meet hosted by Bedford North Lawrence High School.

Competing in a deep field featuring 20 southern Indiana schools, the Loogootee boys cross-country squad battled through challenging rolling terrain to claim a solid seventh-place team finish overall.

The Lions were spearheaded by standout runner Knox Jeffers, who secured an individual regional qualifying berth with a blistering seventh-place overall finish. Jeffers crossed the line in a personal-record time of 16 minutes, 44 seconds, pacing Loogootee's varsity lineup against tough, deep Class 3A and 4A regional competition.

Teammate Mosby Jones also secured individual advancement out of the competitive boys field. Jones placed 37th overall,recording a strong time of 19:24 to earn one of the coveted advancing berths awarded to top runners from non-advancing teams.

In the girls division, Ava Jeffers delivered a determined postseason race to extend her autumn campaign. Running in a crowded field of regional competitors, she crossed the tape in 27th place with an official time of 22:32, successfully securing an individual spot in next weekend's competitive regional championship race field.

Under official IHSAA tournament rules, the Lion trio will advance to compete in Regional 5 next Saturday, Oct. 24,hosted by Crawford County High School.
The regional meet brings together advancing teams and individual qualifiers from four sectional feeder sites across southwestern Indiana, serving as the penultimate stepping stone toward the IHSAA State Championship in Terre Haute.

Loogootee cross-country coaches, parents and supporters praised the student-athletes for their tactical mid-race pacing,endurance and composure in high-stakes championship conditions, noting that Jeffers' sub-17-minute breakthrough and the team's strong pack execution highlighted a proud fall cross-country campaign.



BARR-REEVE FALLS TO JASPER, SNAPPING ITS 11-GAME WIN STREAK



Despite a phenomenal regular-season run, Barr-Reeve couldn't carry that success into at the State Regionals Volleyball Tournament.

They came up short against the Jasper Wildcats on Saturday, falling 3-0. The Vikings' loss ended their 11-game winning streak.
The final set scores were 25-21, 25-11, 25-18.



Leading Jasper to victory were Halle Recker and Nora Breitwieser. Recker had 34 assists and six digs, while Breitwieser had 19 digs and two aces. Kendall Corbin was another key player, getting 15 kills and a solo block.
Barr-Reeve has no more games scheduled for now. After both having extra time off, Jasper and Providence will shake off the rust and duke it out at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.



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FROM ALL OF US AT THE LOOGOOTEE TIMES,

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SHOALS JUG ROX & LET'S WIN REGIONALS!



EVENT PLANNER OCTOBER 21-28

The Loogootee Senior Center continues to offer area seniors a welcoming environment for wellness, local education, and social connection through its ongoing community calendar.

Located at 406 NW 1st St. in Loogootee, the Senior Center provides a full lineup of activities designed to keep older adults active and engaged. The following is the schedule of programs and events from Wednesday, October 21 through October 28.

- Thursday, Oct. 22: Taylor Tech Scam Presentation & Device Assistance (1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
- Friday, Oct. 23: Medicare Reviews with Kym (8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.), Chair Exercise (10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.), & Game Day (1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
- Monday, Oct. 26: Rhythm & Strength with SRF (1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
- Tuesday, Oct. 27: Lunch provided by The Strategies (11:30 a.m.) & Game Time (1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
- Wednesday, Oct. 28: Road trip to Martin County Historical Society (10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., meet at center at 10:00 a.m. to carpool)

REST OF OCTOBER

- Thursday, Oct. 29: Lunch and Bingo with Martin County Council on Aging (11:30 a.m., bring $5 prize)
- Friday, Oct. 30: Chair Exercise (10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.) & Game Day (1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, Oct. 31: Trick or Treat at the Senior Center (6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)

Area seniors interested in joining daily activities or registering for special events can stop by 406 NW 1st St. during normal operating hours.



EVENT PLANNER OCTOBER 21-28

The Loogootee Public Library continues to offer engaging youth reading programs, creative workshops, and community events for Martin County families each week.

Supporters who want to contribute to the facility's ongoing programs and operational supplies can donate directly via Venmo (@loogooteelibrary) or purchase items from the library's official Amazon wish list.

Located at 504 Park Street in Loogootee, the library offers a wide variety of activities each week. The following is the schedule of operational hours and scheduled events taking place from Wednesday, October 21-28

- Thursday, Oct. 22 & Oct. 29: Wiggle Worms (11:00 a.m.)
- Friday, Oct. 23: Sweet Treat Social (5:00 p.m.)
- Tuesday, Oct. 13 & Oct. 20: Little Learners: Fall Craft (10:15 a.m.)
- Monday, Oct. 26: Adult Craft Night: Pumpkin Painting (5:00 p.m.)
- Tuesday, Oct. 27: Little Learners: Halloween Craft (Wear Costumes!) at 10:15 a.m., followed by Cemetery Hoppers at 1:30 p.m.

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REST OF OCTOBER

- Saturday, Oct. 31: Trick or Treat at Pavilion! from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

In surrounding community news, the Loogootee Senior Center (406 NW 1st St.) recently welcomed members for its popular "Cookout and Casino Night" on September 18 and its community Potluck Dinner on Wednesday, September 30. Area seniors can sign up for upcoming fall gatherings and holiday events by visiting the senior center front desk.

MID-STATES CORRIDOR SECTION

Published Weekly by Mr. Jim Arvin



To the Editor,In the Wednesday, October 14, 2026, edition of the Dubois County Free Press, Bob Brush's letter was titled “The Mid-States Corridor, a different point of view.” But a different opinion is not necessarily a different body of evidence. Mr. Brush argues that economic growth requires better highways and questions polling that shows substantial opposition to the Corridor. Those are legitimate subjects for debate. However, questioning a poll does not establish that its findings are wrong, and arguing that growth is desirable does not demonstrate that this particular highway is necessary or worth its cost. Those questions deserve answers supported by evidence.

Let's start with the polling.

Mr. Brush questions whether approximately 360 people can speak for a county of 44,000 residents. That question misunderstands how polling works. Properly conducted surveys routinely use samples to estimate the views of much larger populations. National polls often interview only about 1,000 to 2,000 people. Their reliability depends on how respondents are selected, how questions are worded, and how the results are analyzed—not simply on the percentage of the population surveyed.

In December 2025, Public Policy Polling surveyed 636 registered voters in Dubois County. The published results reported 72% strongly opposed to the Corridor, 9% somewhat opposed, 14% in support, and 6% unsure. In other words, approximately 81% opposed the project, compared with 14% who supported it. These are local results, and they deserve attention when we discuss what Dubois County residents want.

I recognize that the poll was funded by Corridor opponents. Sponsorship matters and should be disclosed; but who pays for a poll should prompt scrutiny, not automatic dismissal. If the sampling, question wording, or methodology is flawed, identify the flaw and explain why it undermines the results. The same standard must apply to polls funded by Corridor supporters. We cannot demand evidence from those who disagree with us while exempting one's own side from the same scrutiny.

The statewide survey of 554 Indiana voters conducted in February 2026 provides a separate measure of opinion. Statewide results should not be confused with county-level opinion, but both surveys are relevant to understanding public sentiment. Neither should be accepted or rejected merely because we like or dislike the reported outcome.

Now let's consider Mr. Brush's principal argument: economic growth.

He writes that if a community isn't growing, it is dying. That is an opinion, not proof that this particular highway is necessary. I support economic development, manufacturing, and good-paying jobs. The question is whether the proposed Corridor will deliver sufficient benefits to justify its enormous public cost.

Which businesses have committed to locating here because of the Corridor? How many additional jobs will be created, what will those jobs pay, and how much public money will be spent for each job? What evidence demonstrates that the projected economic benefits will actually materialize? Could improvements to existing roads and bridges address documented transportation problems at substantially lower cost?

Economic projections are not guarantees. Before committing billions of public dollars and placing private property at risk, taxpayers deserve credible answers.

Mr. Brush points to I-69 as an example of a highway that people appreciate today despite earlier opposition. Some people undoubtedly value its convenience. Public appreciation for a highway does not, by itself, establish that its full costs were justified or that its projected economic benefits were achieved.

Consider I-69 Section 6. Its environmental study projected approximately 1,400 additional jobs, 1,700–1,800 additional residents, $3.8 billion in additional business output, and $1.6 billion in wage income through 2045. Those figures were projections, not verified outcomes. In my earlier examination, I could not identify a post-construction INDOT study comparing those forecasts with actual economic results. The highway was not fully open until late 2024, so it is too early to draw a definitive conclusion about its long-term economic impact. And, that is precisely why we should insist on measuring results rather than treating projections as proof of success.

If we are going to use I-69 to justify another major highway investment, we should ask what the evidence shows about its costs, benefits, and continuing obligations. The same questions should be asked of the Mid-States Corridor before billions more in public resources are committed.

We should also apply a consistent standard to other development proposals. Battery energy storage systems (BESS), solar farms, and data centers are presented by their proponents as opportunities for investment, infrastructure, and economic development. Yet these projects also encounter local opposition.

In my observation, some of the most vocal opponents of these developments are people commonly identified as liberal. That raises a broader question: Is opposition to a particular development necessarily opposition to economic growth, or do people judge individual projects according to their perceived costs and consequences? If we criticize Corridor opponents for resisting growth, we should apply that same standard consistently to opponents of other proposed projects. Political labels do not settle the merits of a proposal.

There is a difference between supporting economic development and agreeing that every proposed development is worthwhile. People can support manufacturing, good-paying jobs, and a stronger regional economy while questioning a highway that could affect private property, farmland, homes, and established communities.

Furthermore, the Mid-States Corridor is not solely a Dubois County issue. Its potential impacts extend into Martin and Daviess counties and beyond. The concerns of residents throughout the affected region deserve consideration.

Mr. Brush cautions against allowing a small, vocal group to speak for everyone. That principle should apply equally to Corridor proponents. Neither supporters nor opponents can claim to represent the entire public without evidence. The December 2025 survey provides one measurable indication of local opinion. Its methodology can be examined, its limitations acknowledged, and its findings discussed. Dismissing it simply because of its sponsor does none of those things.

Ultimately, this debate should not be about whether we want growth. It should be about which investments best serve the public, what they will cost, who will benefit, and who will bear the consequences. Supporters of the Corridor have every right to make their case, but they should be expected to substantiate their claims with credible evidence and comparisons with reasonable alternatives.

I encourage voters to examine the available evidence, question the promises made by both sides, and ask candidates where they stand on the Corridor and the use of public funds. Then vote accordingly. An informed electorate should decide the future of our region, not unsubstantiated assurances, political labels, or the assumption that a more expensive project must be a better one.

Jim Arvin
Rutherford Township
Martin County

PETS

Section by The Martin County Humane Society

ADOPTABLE CATS

The Martin County Humane Society is encouraging local residents to consider adoption and support community animal welfare initiatives as it spotlights available pets and ongoing shelter needs.

Every animal adopted through the shelter receives comprehensive care prior to joining a new home. Pets are spayed or neutered, fully vaccinated, microchipped, dewormed, and treated for fleas. To ensure long-term health, dogs undergo testing for common tick-borne diseases, while cats are tested for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) and Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV).

Adoption fees remain accessible to promote pet placement throughout the region, with cat adoptions set at $45 and dog adoptions at $100.

Prospective adopters can submit applications directly on the organization's official website at martincountyhumane.orgto schedule a meeting with available animals, or email inquiries to info@martincountyhumane.org.

In addition to adoption efforts, the non-profit organization relies on community donations to maintain daily operations and provide essential care. Community members wishing to support the shelter can view critical supply needs through the society's official Amazon Wishlist.

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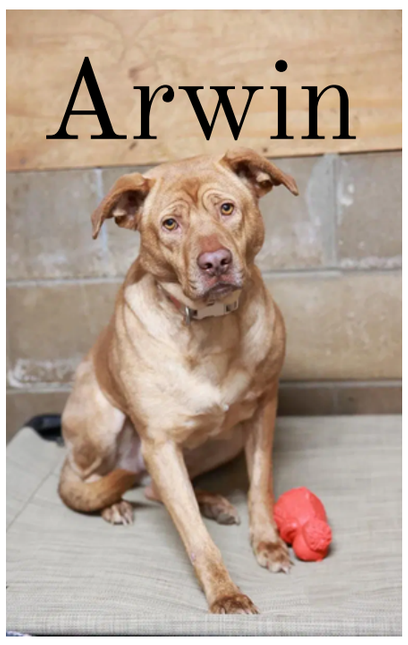
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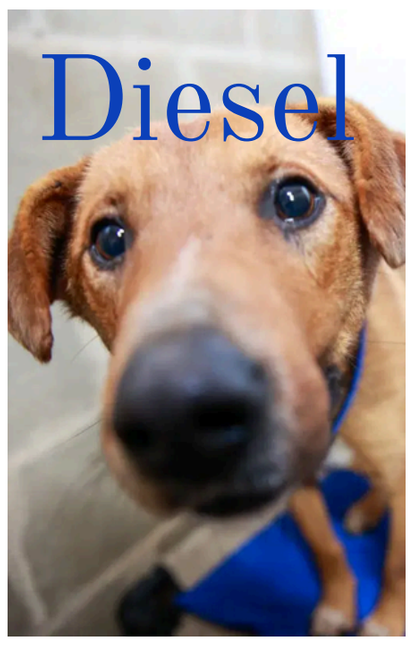
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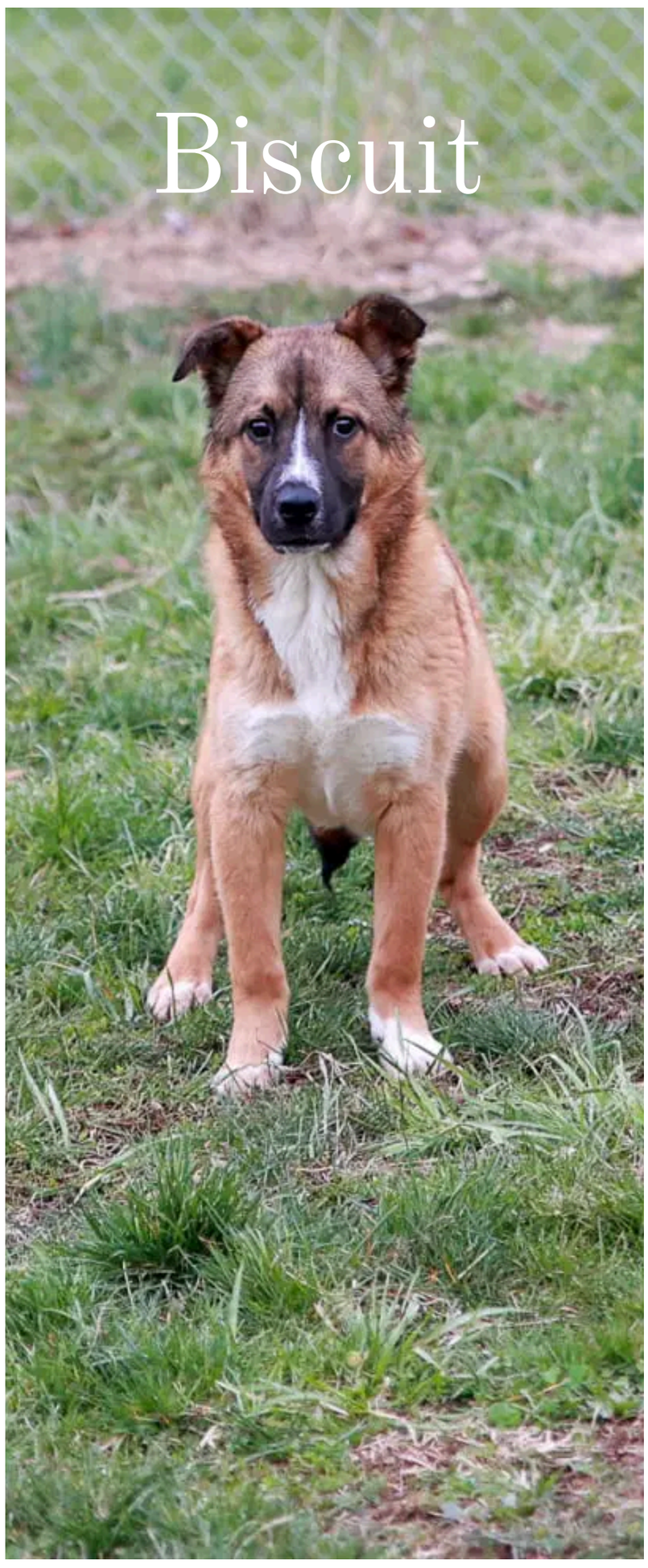
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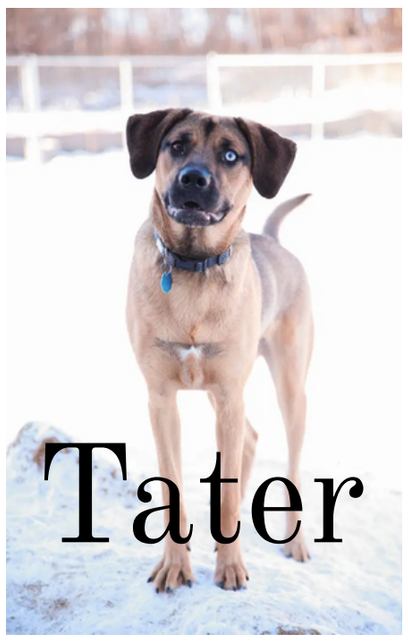
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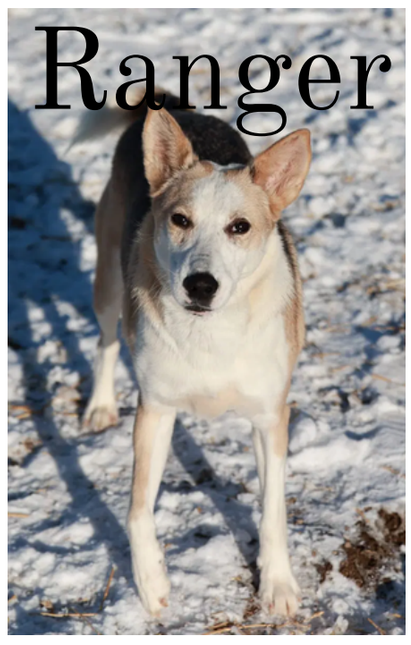














Martin County & Courts

Monday, October 12, 2026

3:20 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance South of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.
6:34 a.m.- Received multiple calls reporting an injured deer in the road North of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
6:48 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries Southeast of Shoals. Major Reed and Big John's Towing responded.
7:14 a.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231N traveling North. Notified ISP.
9:26 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting a vehicle unlocked Southeast of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
11:01 a.m.- Received a report of a verbal dispute North of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
11:28 a.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
2:17 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance North of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
2:56 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Crane Village. Martin County Medic 2, Loogootee Fire Department, Deputy Clark and ISP responded. Medic 2 transported one patient to Greene County General.
3:25 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Daviess County EMS, Loogootee Fire Department and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded. Daviess County transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
3:35 p.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
5:15 p.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.
6:05 p.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.
7:50 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident South of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Loogootee Fire Department, Deputy Clark and Big John's Towing responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
8:09 p.m.- Received a report of possible trespassing in Loogootee. All on-duty units were advised.
8:30 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance South of Loogootee. Dubois County EMS and Haysville Fire Department responded.
8:37 p.m.- Received a report of a commercial burglar alarm in Crane. Corporal Erwin responded.
8:56 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
9:55 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
10:25 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a disabled vehicle in Shoals. Big John's Towing responded.
11:52 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver in Daviess County. Transferred the call to Daviess County 911.

Tuesday, October 13, 2026

1:46 a.m.- Deputy Clark on station with Harold Spears, a 78-year-old male from Loogootee, arrested for Operating a vehicle while Intoxicated and operating a vehicle while intoxicated-endangerment. He is being held on $15,000 10% bond.
2:02 a.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
8:09 a.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.
11:08 a.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Advised all on-duty units.
11:26 p.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
1:01 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.
4:15 p.m.- Received a request to speak with an officer. LPD Chief Cummings responded.
5:43 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance Northeast of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Indian Creek Fire Department and Captain Gibson responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to IU Bedford.
6:08 p.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.
10:20 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy in Loogootee. Major Reed responded.
10:55 p.m.- Received a report of a suspicious vehicle Southeast of Shoals. Major Reed responded.
11:50 p.m.- Received a report of a disabled vehicle East of Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.

Wednesday, October 14, 2026

12:53 a.m.- Received a report of a malfunctioning traffic light in Loogootee. INDOT was notified.
4:27 a.m.- Received a report of a suspicious vehicle East of Loogootee. Major Reed responded.
6:20 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver on US 50 in Loogootee traveling West. Notified Daviess County.
6:36 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a piece of farm equipment on fire North of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Major Reed responded.
6:42 a.m.- Received a 911 call reporting suspicious activity South of Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey and Major Reed responded.
7:04 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Dubois County. Notified Dubois County.
10:06 a.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Captain Gibson responded.
10:14 a.m.- Received a call from INDOT advising US 50 East of Shoals is now open.
11:59 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.
1:14 a.m.- Received a report of a controlled burn in Shoals.
1:14 p.m.- Received a 911 call with no one on the line in Shoals. Marshal Copeland and Captain Gibson responded.
1:54 p.m.- Received a report of a possible scam in Shoals. Marshal Copeland responded.
3:45 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey, Loogootee Fire Department and Duke Energy responded.
4:05 p.m.- Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Shoals Fire Department, Marshal Copeland and Captain Gibson responded. No one was transported.
4:27 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy South of Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.
4:50 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a cow in the road in Orange County. Notified Orange County.
7:00 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
9:33 p.m.- Received a report of suspicious activity East of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

Thursday, October 15, 2026

5:23 a.m.- Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded.
8:52 a.m.- Chief Deputy Keller transported two inmates to court.
9:29 a.m.- Jail Commander Gregory transported one inmate to court.

MARTIN COUNTY LOG

9:45 a.m.- Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. No one was transported.
12:39 p.m.- Corporal Erwin transported one inmate to court.
1:38 p.m.- Corporal Erwin transported one inmate to court.
3:32 p.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver East of Shoals on US 50 traveling West. Deputy Branham responded.
3:33 p.m.- Received a report of a property damage accident East of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.
4:55 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.
5:43 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting a transfer to Marion County 911. The call was transferred to Marion County.
7:14 p.m.- Received a report of property damage in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.
8:43 p.m.- Received a report of a disabled vehicle in Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
9:53 p.m.- Received a report of trespassers Southeast of Shoals. Deputy Nash and Deputy Droke responded.
10:00 p.m.- Received a call advising the town will be flushing fire hydrants the rest of the week.

Friday, October 16, 2026

7:24 a.m.- Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred the call to Daviess County 911.
10:06 a.m.- Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
10:26 a.m.- Jail Commander Gregory and Jail Officer Carrico on station with Colton Smart, a 33-year-old male from Mitchell, arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.
11:44 a.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an officer in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
11:55 a.m.- Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50 traveling West towards Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.
1:35 p.m.- Deputy Branham on station with Ashley Harris, a 41-year-old female from Shoals, arrested on a Martin County warrant and Resisting law enforcement. She is being held on $15,000 10% bond.
2:23 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a possible theft in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
2:45 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting possible gunshots South of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.
5:30 p.m.- Received a 911 call on Crane Naval Base. Transferred the call to Crane Naval 911.
7:14 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a traffic hazard South of Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.
7:48 p.m.- Received a report of a disabled vehicle East of Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.
8:11 p.m.- Received a traffic complaint East of Shoals. Advised all on-duty units.
9:24 p.m.- Marshal Copeland on station with Larry Holt Jr, a 51-year-old male from Shoals, arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.
9:40 p.m.- Received a 911 call from a Dubois County address. Transferred the call to Dubois County 911.
10:43 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting a deputy in Loogootee. Deputy Branham and Deputy Nash responded.
10:50 p.m.- Deputy Droke on station with Gregory Guy Jr, a 37-year-old male from Loogootee, arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held on $15,000 10% bond.

Saturday, October 17, 2026

3:24 a.m.- Deputy Nash is on station with Robert Bateman Jr, a 24-year-old male from Loogootee. He was arrested for Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated-Endangerment, Operative While Intoxicated- Controlled Substance, and Possession of Marijuana. He is being held at $10,000 10% bond.
1:08 a.m.- Received a call reporting a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.
6:45 a.m.- Received a call reporting a suspicious male South of Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.
7:05 a.m.- Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident West of Shoals. Corporal Erwin, Conservation Officer Mann, and Big Johns Towing responded.
7:25 a.m.- Received a call reporting an animal complaint South of Loogootee. Conservation Officer Mann responded.
8:48 a.m.- Received a call reporting a commercial burglar alarm North of Loogootee. Corporal Erwin responded.
2:33 p.m.- Received a call reporting 4 suspicious males in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.
3:35 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Loogootee Fire Department, and LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.
4:20 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Daviess County EMS, Shoals Fire Department, Corporal Erwin, Deputy Branham, and Deputy Nash responded. Daviess County EMS transported one patient to IU Health Bedford.
4:53 p.m.- Received a call reporting a tree down North of Shoals. Corporal Erwin responded.
6:07 p.m.- Received a call reporting a reckless driver North of Loogootee. Corporal Erwin responded.
6:49 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlock in Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
7:29 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver South of Loogootee. Deputy Droke responded.
7:38 p.m.- Received a call requesting to speak to an officer in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
10:24 p.m.- Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin Count y Medic 1, Loogootee Fire Department, Deputy Nash, Deputy Branham, and Deputy Droke responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Deaconess Memorial Medical Center.

Sunday, October 18, 2026

2:08 a.m.- Received a call reporting suspicious activity in Shoals. Deputy Nash responded.
3:17 a.m.- Deputy Nash on station with Robert Roach II, a 40-year-old male from French Lick. He was arrested for Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated-Prior and Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated-Endangerment. He is being held on a $15,000 10% bond.
5:43 a.m.- Received a call from WT International reporting a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Deputy Droke responded.
8:00 a.m.- Received a call from Earth Cam reporting commercial trespass in Loogootee. Corporal Erwin responded.
8:33 a.m.- Received a call reporting a controlled burn in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department was advised.
8:33 a.m.- Corporal Erwin on station with Alexandra Rogers, a 27-year-old female from Loogootee. She was arrested for a Johnson County Warrant. She is being held without bond.
12:01 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a domestic dispute North of Shoals. Corporal Erwin and Martin County Medic 1 responded. No patient was transported.
1:10 p.m.- Received an accidental 911 call.
5:24 p.m.- Received a call requesting a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. LPD Assistant Chief Stuckey responded.
5:26 p.m.- Received a call reporting a disabled vehicle in the roadway South of Loogootee. Deputy Clark responded.
6:22 p.m.- Received a call requesting a deputy South of Loogootee. Corporal Erwin and Deputy Clark responded.
7:23 p.m.- Received a call reporting cows in the roadway South of Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.
7:28 p.m.- Received a 911 call reporting a domestic dispute North of Shoals. Corporal Erwin, ISP Trooper Collins, Conservation Officer Fuhrman, and Conservation Officer Mann responded.
7:52 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.
8:14 p.m.- Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Clark responded.
8:50 p.m.- Corporal Erwin on station with Melchi Pennington, a 39-year-old male from Williams. He was arrested for Domestic Battery and Cruelty to an Animal. He is being held on a $15,000 10% bond and a 48-hour hold.

LOOGOOTEE POLICE LOG

Monday, October 5, 2026
1:39 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of a possible impaired driver on W. Broadway St.
3:32 pm- Chief Cummings arrested Jarrett Schuetz, a 60 year old male from Washington In. Schuetz was charged with Operating a Vehicle With BAC of .15 or higher, Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated with Endangerment, and Operating a Vehicle with a Controlled Substance in the Body.
3:42 pm- A male subject came on station to turn in a found item.
4:45 pm- Chief Cummings assisted with a vehicle unlock at a local business.
6:50 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of suspicious activity on Cedar St.
8:47 pm- Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a medical call on Mount Pleasant Rd.
9:20 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of trespassing on N Oak St.
11:23 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of possible trespassing on Queen St.

Tuesday, October 6, 2026
3:21 pm- Chief Cummings responded to a report of a truck with a tarp hanging out of the back on US 231N.

Wednesday, October 7, 2026
7:25 am- Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a property damage accident on W. Broadway St.
8:00 am- Chief Cummings and Asst. Chief Stuckey attended "Coffee with a Cop", a public relations event, at McDonalds.
8:52 am- Chief Cummings and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a report of a suspicious male in the city park.
10:45 am- A subject came on station and turned in a found item.

Thursday, October 8, 2026
7:49 am- Loogootee Fire Dept. and Asst. Chief Stuckey responded to a medical call on SE 1st St.
2:44 pm- Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a commercial fire alarm on 1400E.
3:28 pm- Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a report of illegal burning around CR 800S.

Friday, October 9, 2026
2:42 pm- A subject came on station to pick up personal property.
2:58 pm- A caller advised of a road hazard on Bloomfield Rd.

Saturday, October 10, 2026
9:17 am- Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a medical call on SE 3rd St.
4:34 pm- Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a medical call on SE 3rd St.

Sunday, October 11, 2026
8:11 am- Chief Cummings spoke with a subject regarding an investigation in Dubois County.
4:15 pm- Loogootee Fire Dept. responded to a medical call on SE 1st St.

Property Records

Transfers October 14-21

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Taylor Breanne Atkison, residing at PO Box 397 / Lower Circle Drive, Shoals, IN 47581, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated in the Town of Shoals, Indiana (Legal Description: TRACT I: Lots Numbered Forty-three (43) and Forty-four (44) in Stiles Addition to the Town of Shoals, Indiana; State ID: 51-07-24-400-095.000-002; TRACT II: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 24 in Stiles Addition and running along the West right of way line of Circle Drive, North 11 degrees 49 minutes 52 seconds East for a distance of 110 feet to the true point of beginning, containing 49,344.7 square feet and/or 1.132 acres, more or less; State ID: 51-07-24-400-177.000-002) from the current owner, Warren A. Atkison.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Sheila R. White, residing at 15113 Mount Calvary Road, Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated in Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: All undivided interest in a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing Seven (7) acres, more or less; State ID: 51-08-01-400-040.003-007) from the current owner, Robert E. White, III.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Monty L. Gregory, residing at 14332 Love Cemetery Rd., Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at 107 W. Washington St., Loogootee, IN 47553 (Legal Description: A part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, beginning at a point where the South line of West Washington Street intersects the West line of Dewey Street, thence West 210 feet to the true point of beginning, containing .17 acre, more or less; State ID: 51-08-25-200-016.000-008) from the current owner, Gregory & Sons Properties LLC, an Indiana Limited Liability Company.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Stephen C. LaFree Jr., residing at 16295 US Hwy 231, Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated in Perry Civil Township, Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: Part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 36, Township 4 North, Range 5 West of the Second Principal Meridian, Perry Civil Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2.674 acres; State ID: 51-03-36-300-041.000-007 & 51-03-36-300-039.000-007) from the current owners, Mark Fields and Mary Fields, husband and wife.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Dylan Street, residing at 522 Dog Wood Hill Rd, Loogootee, IN 47553, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated in Martin County, Indiana (Legal Description: A portion of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section Twenty-four (24), Township Three (3) North, Range Five (5) West, containing 2.068 acres, more or less; State ID: 51-08-24-100-030.000-008) from the current owners, Wyatt M. Wade and Savannah H. Wade, husband and wife.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client, Wildflower Cottages LLC, of Greene County, Indiana, residing at 1154 E Antioch Rd, Bloomfield, IN 47424, is negotiating to purchase/transfer the property situated at 17045 US Hwy 231, Loogootee, IN 47553 (Legal Description: A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 36, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Second Principal Meridian, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.00 acres, more or less; State ID: 51-03-36-200-009.001-007) from the current owner, Countryside Enterprises LLC, of Martin County, Indiana.

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

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7	5	3	4	8	2	1	9	6
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Medium

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9	4	6	5	2	7	8	1	3
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Hard

3	7	4	2	8	9	5	6	1
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Expert

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Master

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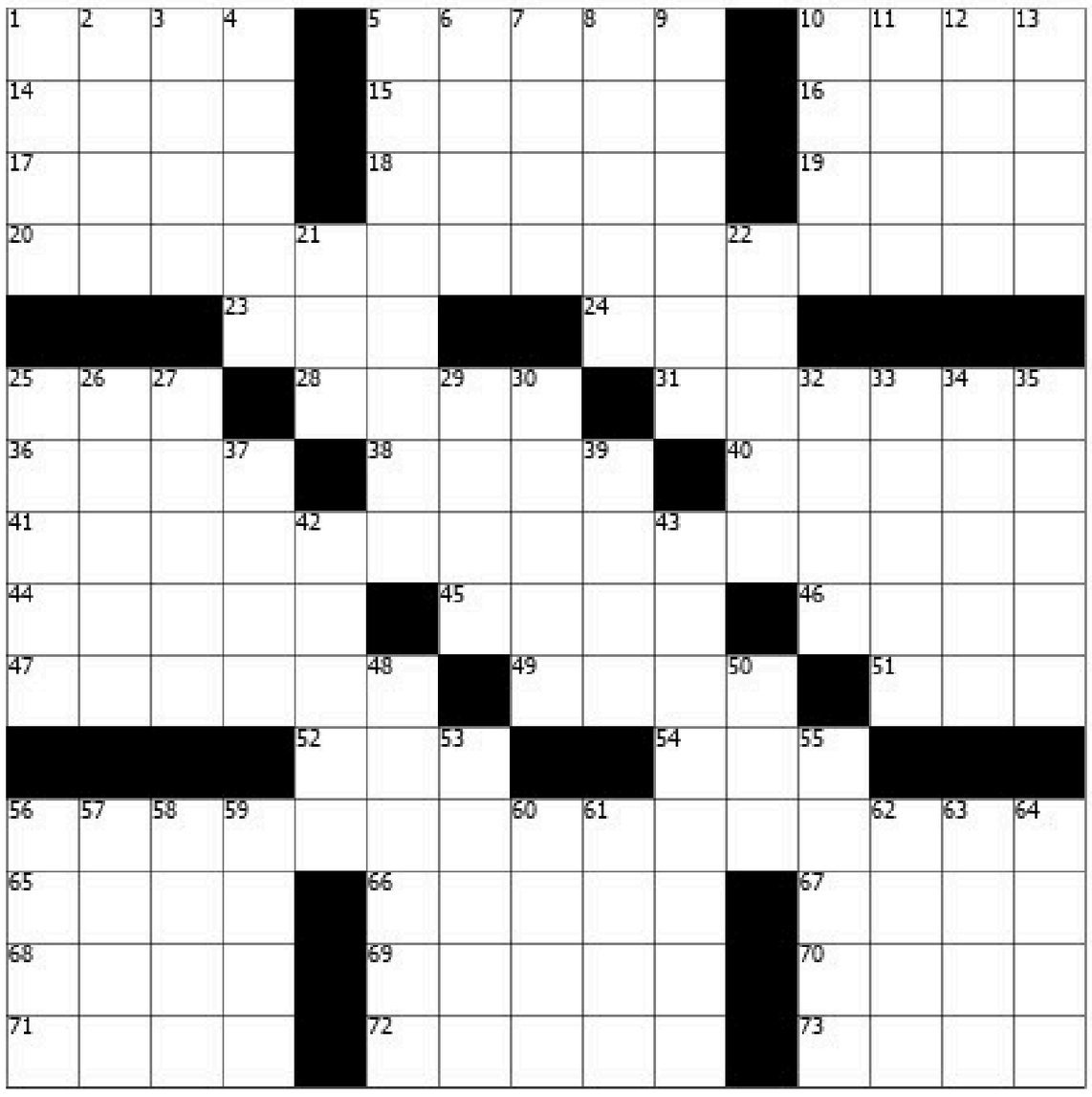
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Across

1. Building toy
5. Get the ball rolling
10. RPM dial
14. NYSE counterpart
15. Kind of eclipse
16. Not a pretty fruit?
17. Hollywood crosser
18. Port of old Rome
19. Crowd noise
20. "You're pulling my leg!"
23. List-ending abbr.
24. Capitol Hill VIP
25. Bell, Barker, Joad, etc.
28. Lighter-air connection
31. Subject of some tests
36. "Diana" singer
38. Notable periods
40. Wheel spokes
41. "You're pulling my leg!"
44. Improvise
45. Ticked off
46. Inscribe with acid
47. Hardly ever
49. Toga party supply
51. Film location
52. Cabin component
54. Weight room unit
56. "You're pulling my leg!"
65. Party pooper
66. "Try ___ see!"
67. Pack of pennies
68. Monthly occurrence
69. Verdi's "___ Miller"
70. Printer's primary color
71. Sweep's target
72. Disney World attraction
73. Georgetown player

Down

1. Gas-grill rock
2. Mideast bigwig
3. Characteristic carrier
4. Certain daisy
5. Is in a slump?
6. Elongated tooth
7. Apt to say nay
8. Bookies' nightmares
9. Lines of work
10. Rotate
11. Slack-jawed
12. Nontalkative one
13. What this gun's for?
21. Polo Grounds legend
22. Opening
25. Yucatán peoples
26. Terminal type
27. Jolly Roger depiction
29. Sciences partner
30. Tycoon, for one
32. Roué
33. Makes a long story short?
34. Inasmuch as
35. Word with eye or hind
37. Within
39. Dried-up
42. Letter-shaped fastener
43. Made fun of
48. Roving
50. Gun in a car?
53. Go's mate
55. Freshwater food fish
56. Hieroglyphics bird
57. Featherbrain
58. Nabisco treat
59. It may be feathered
60. Not of the clergy
61. Preceder of many words?
62. Show wild instability
63. Oil of ___
64. Inner arm bone

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