

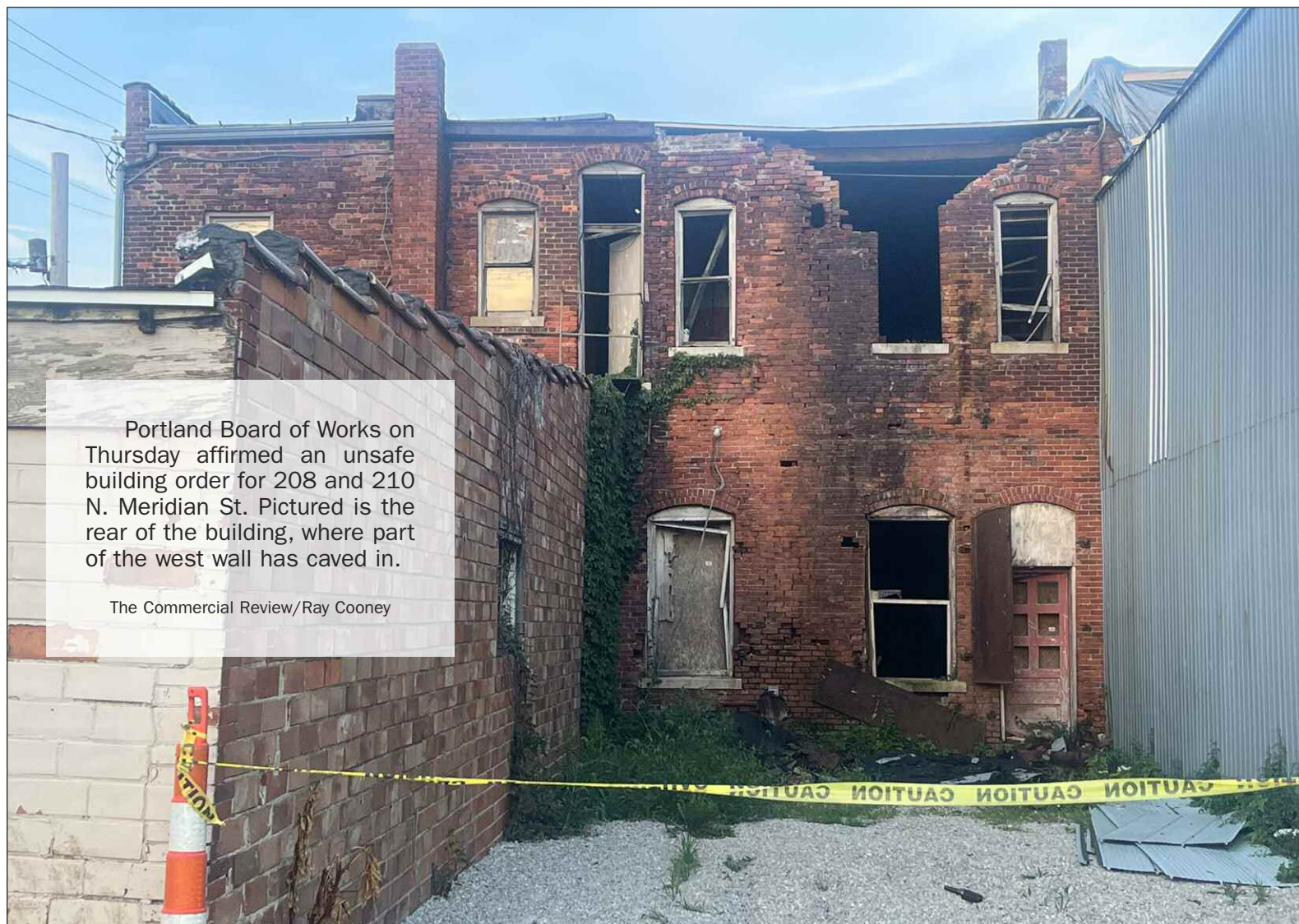
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Order affirmed



Portland Board of Works on Thursday affirmed an unsafe building order for 208 and 210 N. Meridian St. Pictured is the rear of the building, where part of the west wall has caved in.

The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

New faculty chair named

As it prepares to get started with a new year, the MusicWorks program has a new leader.

Arts Place announced recently that Kathryn Fenstermacher has been selected as the new faculty chair of MusicWorks.

She takes over for Pete Vogler, the longtime faculty chair of the program, who retired from the position earlier this year. She will handle management/consultant services for MusicWorks at both the Jay County Campus of Arts Place and Blackford County Arts Center.

"Arts Place would like to thank Pete Vogler for the many years he taught music at Arts Place and served as faculty chair," said Arts Place executive director Carolyn Carducci in a press release. "His dedication to MusicWorks and willingness to serve as an ambassador for the program was second to none.

"We have no doubt that Kathryn will be just as successful in continuing, and expanding, the program at the Blackford County Arts Center and the Jay County Campus of Arts Place. We are fortunate to have such a talented musician take a leadership role in our MusicWorks program."

Fenstermacher has been an adjunct instructor for Arts Place and teachers harp at the Jay County Campus. An accomplished harpist, she has performed in orchestras and groups based in Indiana, Pennsylvania and Delaware. She earned her bachelor's degree from Taylor University.

Online registration for fall MusicWorks classes will begin at 10 a.m. Tuesday at myartsplace.org. (Classes will begin Sept. 5.) Class times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information, or assistance with registering, call (260) 726-4809.

Building at 208 and 210 N. Meridian St. has been declared unsafe, must come down within 30 days

By RAY COONEY
The Commercial Review

A downtown building will have to be demolished.

Portland Board of Works on Thursday affirmed Jay/Portland Building and Planning's unsafe building order for 208 and 210 N. Meridian St.

The unsafe building order requires that the building be torn down within 30 days. If it has not been removed in that time, the city can advertise for bids for its demolition. Once a cost is determined, the property owner would have 15 days to pay for the demolition. Otherwise, the city could pay for the demolition and place a lien on the property.

The building, owned by Juan Marentes, is located on the west side of Meridian Street, adjacent to a building LeeAnn Miller is renovating as the new

home of her business Reclaiming Design and across an alley from Pit's Cocktail Lounge. Jay/Portland Building and Planning director John Hemmelgarn explained that the building has not been properly maintained and is a hazard to public safety. He said some effort was made to fix the roof, but that there is still a problem and part of the west wall has fallen. A section of the wall that remains is leaning.

He said he is concerned the building is going to collapse.

"I don't think that wall is going to make it through the winter," he said. "The way those buildings are built, they're a structure where all the parts — the walls, the floor the ceilings — everything is built as a skeleton to hold the whole thing together. And when one thing fails, they'll all start to fail."

"That thing is unsafe, and something needs to be done as soon as possible," he added. "The sooner the better."

He said he has been talking with Marentes about the building for about five years with no significant progress made.

Hemmelgarn and city attorney Wes Schemenaur both said they had talked to Marentes and notified him about Thursday's meeting. He was issued the unsafe building order July 31.

Portland Fire Chief Mike Weitzel concurred with Hemmelgarn's assessment of the building. Schemenaur added that Weitzel's inspection indicated it is a fire hazard and would be unsafe for firefighters trying to put out a potential fire at the location.

"It does look good on the front. It really does," said Hemmelgarn. "But if you get out

and look inside of that, it's really bad. And it's dangerous."

"This has been an ongoing issue for years now," said Schemenaur as he explained the unsafe building process. "We've tried to take the soft approach with people to try to get them to fix this up. And now I think the safety of the city is at risk here."

Portland Mayor John Boggs expressed concern about potential damage to Miller's building during the demolition process. Hemmelgarn said he thinks the buildings have separate walls, but that it is difficult to know for sure until the process begins.

Board of works members Jerry Leonhard and Boggs voted to affirm the unsafe building order. (Board member Steve McIntosh arrived later in the meeting.)

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Retrospect

Jay County finished a surprising second

Thirty years ago this week, the Marching Patriots were state fair runners-up.

The Aug. 12, 1993, edition of The Commercial Review featured coverage of the Jay County High School marching band's second-place finish at the Indiana State Fair.

It was a result that was unexpected, as the Marching Patriots had dominated the preliminaries by more than three points. Franklin Central rallied to edge them by 0.35 points in the evening's finals.

"A lot of people were shocked when we didn't win — just like we were — but, hey, that's just the way it works sometimes," said JCHS band director Dave Humbert

during a rally after the band arrived back at the school. "That happens, you know ... We're real proud of the kids. They worked hard and did well and will do well in the future. They never let you down."

After being announced as the runners-up, drum major Laurie Miller and guard captains Brenda Locker and Lisa Butcher hurried across the stage to congratulate the Franklin Central group that won its first Indiana State Fair title.

"At least it was them," one Patriot band member said. "They were nice."

The day got off to a slow start for everyone, as overnight rainfall had turned

the grandstand track to mud. The contest that was scheduled for 10 a.m. was delayed initially for three hours and didn't officially start until 2:10 p.m. after students had quite literally stomped the track into shape.

Jay County's show featured the "NBC Chimes Festival," a New York medley and selections from the Broadway musical "Cats." The band won caption awards for music, marching and general effect during the preliminaries, but their 3.1-point lead over the field disappeared in the finals.

"We warned the kids it would probably shrink some tonight," Humbert said before the performance. "We've got to be honest with them."



The Commercial Review/Jack Ronald

Jay County High School Marching Patriots guard captains Brenda Locker (left) and Lisa Butcher (right) flank drum major Laurie Miller as they pose with their second-place trophy at the Indiana State Fair on Aug. 12, 1993.

Deaths

Nedra Hough, 85, Bryant
Allegra Morningstar, 78, Portland
Gerald Baker, 86, Bluffton
Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 82 degrees Saturday.

Today's forecast calls for a high in the mid 80s with humid conditions and a 40% chance of rain. Skies will be mostly sunny Sunday with a high in the lower 80s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

The Gas Boom Days festival is scheduled for this weekend in Redkey. The parade is scheduled for 11 a.m. today. A cornhole tournament will be held at 3 p.m., with Cook and Belle to perform at 4 p.m. Sunday's activities include Redkey Volunteer Fire Department pancake and sausage breakfast from 7 to 10 a.m.

Coming up

Tuesday — Coverage of Monday's Jay County Commissioners meeting.

Wednesday — Fall sports preview section for Jay County High School.



CR almanac

Sunday 8/13	Monday 8/14	Tuesday 8/15	Wednesday 8/16	Thursday 8/17
84/65	79/60	74/54	78/59	81/57
Mostly sunny on Sunday, when the high will reach the mid to lower 80s.	There's an 80% chance of showers or thunderstorms. The high will be around 79.	Mostly sunny skies are in the forecast for Tuesday with a high of 76 degrees.	Sunny skies are expected Wednesday when the high will be 78 degrees.	Sunny skies are expected Thursday when the high will be 81 degrees.

Lotteries

Hoosier Midday Daily Three: 6-1-5 Daily Four: 4-2-5-7 Quick Draw: 4-8-9-11-12-13-24-25-32-38-42-48-51-53-54-56-57-64-70-74	Pick 3: 5-2-3 Pick 4: 5-8-5-1 Pick 5: 3-0-9-5-3 Rolling Cash 5: 14-18-21-32-34 Jackpot: \$110,000
Ohio Midday Pick 3: 0-7-7 Pick 4: 8-0-3-3 Pick 5: 6-3-7-4-6 Evening	Powerball Estimated jackpot: \$194 million Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$20 million

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn.....5.47 Oct. corn4.67 Wheat5.87	Sept. beans12.63 Wheat5.69
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Today in history

In 1851, Isaac Merrit Singer patented the sewing machine and created the business I.M. Singer & Company.

In 1877, Thomas Edison completed his model for the first phonograph.

In 1881, film director Cecil B. DeMille was born in Ashfield Massachusetts. He directed the Biblical epic "The Ten Commandments," twice, originally in 1923 and then in his final move starring Charlton Heston in 1956.

In 1883, the last known quagga died in a zoo in Amsterdam. The animal was a type of zebra native to South Africa.

In 1887, theoretical physicist Erwin Schrödinger was born in Vienna. He shared the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1933 and is famous for the thought experiment known as Schrödinger's cat.

In 1922, the home of Frederick Douglass was dedicated as a memorial in Washington, D.C.

In 1944, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., the brother of President John F. Kennedy, died in a plane crash while flying on a World War II secret mission.

In 1961, East Ger-

many began construction of the Berlin Wall, which separated East Berlin from West Berlin until 1989.

In 1972, the 100th Jay County fair closed with a fireworks display. The fair board reported a total of \$8,600 received for fair admission at the gates for the week.

In 1981, IBM's first personal computer was available for sale in stores.

In 1985, the highest in-flight death toll was recorded when 520 were killed after a Japan Airlines Flight crashed into Mount Takamagahara.

In 1990, the largest dinosaur fossil of a Tyrannosaurus Rex, was found in South Dakota.

In 1991, Metallica's self-titled fifth album debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 chart.

In 2012, the Summer Olympics closed in London.

In 2021, Jay County Commissioners and Jay County Council held a joint session to discuss potential plans for utilizing the county's allotment of about \$4 million in federal coronavirus relief funds through the American Rescue Plan Act.

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Citizen's calendar

Monday 9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 11:15 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners executive session, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 3:45 p.m. — Jay County Election Board, voting room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 4 p.m. — Jay County Public Library Board of Trustees, library, 315 N. Ship St. 6 p.m. — Dunkirk Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St. 6:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery School Board,	community room, high school, 400 E. Butler St. 7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Council, city building, 131 S. Main St.
Wednesday 4 p.m. — Portland Board of Aviation, airport, 661 W. 100 North. 6 p.m. — Jay County Council, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.	
Thursday 6 p.m. — Redkey Town Council, park cabin, 200 S. Mooney St. 6 p.m. — Jay County Board of Zoning Appeals, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.	

Obituaries

Nedra Hough

May 18, 1938-Aug. 9, 2023
Nedra "Kay" Hough, 85, of rural Bryant, Indiana, (Penn Township, Jay County) passed away at 10:53 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2023, at Adams Memorial Hospital in Decatur, Indiana.

She was born on Wednesday, May 18, 1938, in Summitville, Indiana. She married Fred Hough on Saturday, June 2, 1956, at the Nazarene parsonage in Geneva, Indiana.

Kay was a 1956 graduate of Bryant High School. She had driven bus #41 for Jay School Corporation for many years and was also a homemaker. Nedra was a member of the Home Economics Association, Jay County Historical Society and Balbec Historical Society.

Kay will be sadly missed by her daughters Freda (husband: Neal) Corwin, Bryant, Indiana, Debra Lynn (husband: Richard) Reef, Bryant, Indiana, Patricia Ann Hough, Pen-ville, Indiana, and Bonnie Hough, Le Sueur, Minnesota; brothers Tom Waymire, Gaston, Indiana, Bob (wife: Sally) Waymire, Muncie, Indiana, and Jay (wife: Anna) Waymire, Muncie; sisters Diana (husband: Phil) Loy, Bryant, Indiana, Lou Ann (husband: Dave) Green, Gaston, Indiana, Judy Martin, Manchester, Tennessee, Janie Mullens, Farmland, Indiana, Ruth Ann (husband: Chad) Estes, Muncie, Indiana, and Pam Coats, Muncie, Indiana; sister-in-law Kathy Waymire, Elwood, Indiana; 11 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Fred Hough; mother Ruth L. (Mann) Waymire; father Julius Waymire; daughter Tamra Hough; and brothers Bill, Dick and Rex Waymire.

Family and friends may gather to



Hough

share and remember at Downing & Glancy Funeral Home, 100 N. Washington St., Geneva, Indiana, on Sunday, Aug. 13, 2023, from 2 to 6 p.m. and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 14, 2023.

A service to celebrate her life will be at Downing & Glancy Funeral Home at 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 14, 2023, with Mitch Corwin officiating. Interment will follow in the Backesto Cemetery in Adams County.

Preferred memorials may be sent to the choice of the donor.

Arrangements are being handled by Downing & Glancy Funeral Home in Geneva.

Condolences may be expressed at glancyfuneralhomes.com.

Barbara Ford

March 11, 1931-Aug. 10, 2023
Barbara Joan Ford, 92, of rural Redkey, Indiana, passed away at her home in the presence of her family on Aug. 10, 2023.

Joan was born in Winchester, Indiana, on March 11, 1931, the daughter of the late Gilbert and Geraldine Williams of Dunkirk, Indiana. Joan was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Wayman R. Ford. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Dorothy L. Campbell.

Joan was valedictorian of the 1948 graduating class of Dunkirk High School. She attended Indiana University, served as state president of the Indiana Extension Homemakers and belonged to the Delta Theta Tau Sorority, North Niles Extension Homemakers and Redkey Town and Country Extension Homemakers. She attended Sugar Grove Global Church of Redkey.

Joan is survived by two daughters, Nancy E., wife of Fred Garringer of Redkey, Indiana, and Melinda A. Ford



Ford

of LaFollette, Tennessee; two sons, Steven R., husband of Jane Switzer of Redkey, Indiana, and Stuart W. Ford of Redkey, Indiana; one sister-in-law, Barbara Ford of Redkey, Indiana; seven grandchildren, Trevor Ford (Tanya) of Bloomington, Indiana, Travis Ford (Krissi) of Shelbyville, Kentucky, Rachel Benirschke of Dunkirk, Indiana, Sarah Link (Jim) of Portland, Indiana, Stacy Buckley (Jared) of Greenfield, Indiana, Mark Garringer (Emilie) of Eaton, Indiana, and Sara Garringer of Greenfield, Indiana; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Joan enjoyed a lifelong love of reading, crosswords and "Jeopardy!"

The children will conduct a Celebration of Life for Joan and Wayman on Saturday, Aug. 19, 2023, at Sugar Grove Global Church in Redkey, Indiana. Calling will be from 10 to 11 a.m., followed by celebration of life.

Joan has donated her body to the Indiana University Medical Research Program.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be given to The Center for Neurological Development, 78 W. Main St., P.O. Box 117, Burkettsville, OH 45310.

Allegra "Nickie" Morningstar, Portland, Jan. 25, 1945-Aug. 10, 2023. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Claycomb Cemetery.

Gerald W. Baker Sr., Bluffton, a member of Portland Elks, Feb. 10, 1937-Aug. 10, 2023. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier, Indiana.

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The Commercial Review publishes death notices for those with a connection to our coverage area free of charge. They include the name, city of residence, birth/death date and time/date/location of services.

There is a charge for obituaries, which are accepted only from funeral homes or mortuary services.

Order ...

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Marentes will be issued a notice that he has 30 days to comply with the order.

The property is the second the city has gone after this year for demolition because it is unsafe, along with the Bailey Building at the southwest intersection of Main and Commerce streets.

During Thursday's meeting, Hemmelgarn issued a warning to others with properties that are not being maintained. He specifically mentioned the former Tom and Rod's restaurant at 214 W. Main St.

"To everybody that owns the downtown buildings, it's time to start taking care of them," he said. "Or sell it and let somebody else take care of it."

In other business, the board:

- Opened bids for self-contained breathing apparatus tanks for all of the county's fire departments. The base bids came in at \$675,185.15 from Donnelly Safety, \$762,974 from Hoosier Fire and \$856,000 from MacQueen Emergency. The bids

were taken under advisement and will be reviewed. (The new tanks are being paid for via an Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the Federal Emergency Management Agency.)

- Approved reimbursement of \$566.03 for electrical work done at 333 W. Main St., Portland. The work was required because a trash truck tore down an electrical line after it was moved as part of the prep work for the Blaine Pike paving and sidewalk project. The building is owned by Triple 3 Enterprises.

- Agreed to split the cost of a \$525 property survey by Farber Surveying of Decatur on 204 E. High St. with Jay County Civic Theatre. The board last month approved the sale of the property to the non-profit organization for \$7,246.62. The survey is part of the process of Jay County Civic Theatre seeking a zoning variance, which was a contingency of its purchase.

- Approved a sewer tap at 217 1/2 W. Lafayette St.

Felony arrests

Neglect

A Geneva man was arrested Thursday for neglect of a dependent.

Joseph A. Green, 40, was charged in Jay Circuit Court with a Level 5 felony for the alleged crime, along with a Class B misdemeanor for visiting a common nuisance. A habitual offender enhancement was also added to his case.

He was released on a \$20,000 bond from Jay County Jail.

Failed to appear

A Portland woman was

arrested Friday for failing to appear in court.

Kelli Morningstar, is charged in Jay Circuit Court with a Level 4 felony for the alleged crime, along with a Level 6 felony for unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 felony for dealing marijuana and a Level 6 felony for maintaining a common nuisance and a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia.

She's being held without bond in Jay County Jail.

Capsule Reports

Dog hit

A dog was killed after running in front of a Portland woman's car on county road 200's south about 8:50 a.m. Thursday.

Caren M. Huey, 47, was driving west on the road

near Indiana 1 when the animal ran in front of her 2018 Buick Enclave, causing an accident. The dog's owner was Craig Homan of rural Dunkirk.

Damage is estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

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Communicate with your co-parent

By JANN BLACKSTONE
Tribune News Service

Q. My daughter tells me she doesn't want to go back to her father's house when her time with him is up. I told her father and he said that is exactly what she tells him (about going back to my house). I am confident my daughter wouldn't lie about something like that. What's good ex-etiquette?

A. That your child tells you she doesn't want to leave does not necessarily mean she prefers your home. It means exactly what she is telling you. She doesn't want to leave — and she may very well be telling her father the

Ex-Etiquette



same thing because she doesn't want to leave him, either.

Your child may be torn between the two people she loves the most. When she's settled in, she doesn't want to pack up and go back to the other home. Consider that she's not lying, and neither is her father. They are both telling the truth.

Some responses are better than others when you hear your child does not want to go to the other parent's home.

Some examples of poor responses:

"You have to go, it's a court order." "The judge says you have to go."

A child's parents or other trusted caregivers are that child's greatest source of security. If you tell a child that someone other than their parent can make decisions that trump their parents, you have just given up your personal parental power and your ability to guarantee your children feel safe and protected.

Essentially, you told your child someone has more power than you over their welfare.

"I know, sweetie, just suck it up. You'll be home soon."

With this response, you have just undermined the child's relationship with their other parent by implying that you are their real parent (and home), and they are just visiting their other one. This teaches children to disrespect their other parent and just bide their time until they get back home where they belong. Eventually, with this attitude, the child will say they do not want to

return. That's what they have been taught.

The correct response is to be empathetic but firm, and support the child's time with their other parent: "Honey, this is your time with your father. He loves you and looks forward to seeing you."

If a child truly likes it better at one home, that's a red flag. It means you as co-parents are not on the same page.

Speculating, it could just be creature comforts. Maybe they like the TV in their room, or they get more screen time at mom's house than dad's. But it could also be abuse

of some sort. It merits exploration.

Whatever the reason is behind the sentiment, it doesn't sound like mom and dad are on the same page. It's time to stand back, take a look at what you are both doing, compare notes, and make the changes necessary for your child to be well adjusted in both homes. That's good ex-etiquette.

Jann Blackstone is the author of "Ex-etiquette for Parents: Good Behavior After Divorce or Separation," and the founder of Bonus Families, bonusfamilies.com. Email her at drjann@exetiquette.com.

Years later, widow isn't ready to let go

DEAR ABBY: I have a dear friend whose husband passed away six years ago. They had a 45-year marriage with plenty of ups and downs. She's 81 and in excellent health. You would think she was 60 if you met her. She is very youthful and full of energy.

The problem is, when I'm with her she constantly talks about her late husband as if he's still with us: "Oh, Joe would love this," "Joe always said ...," "Joe would say ...," etc. During one luncheon, she mentioned him 20 times as if he were sitting with us! In retrospect, her marriage now seems to have become the greatest love story ever told, and Joe has risen to sainthood. It's unnerving.

Is this healthy behavior? It seems excessive to me. On the anniversary of his death, she says she's "going to stay home and be with Joe," which translates to her being at home, alone, becoming depressed and

Dear Abby



crying. I hear how sad and emotionally drained she is afterward. I am at a loss about what to do, if anything. I offer a sympathetic ear, but should I say anything to her, and if so, what? She has a grief counselor, and I'm wondering if he's really helping her move forward. My friend seems stuck in the role of grieving widow. I don't mean to be insensitive to losing a life partner, but I worry about her mental state. Please advise what I can say or do to help her. — DOESN'T SEEM NORMAL IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR DOESN'T: I am relatively new to the grieving experience, having lost my

husband 3 1/2 years ago, but allow me to share some insight. The adage that there is no timetable for grieving is accurate. Some widows and widowers are able to move on quickly. For others, it takes a long time for the ache to subside, and their spouse pops into their consciousness every day. If your friend needs to idealize her "up and down" 45-year marriage, please don't rain on her parade. Let her enjoy the fantasy, if it is one. And, when you know she's going to be depressed and crying on those milestone anniversaries, ask her out to lunch or dinner so she won't be as isolated as she feels. If necessary, tell her that after such a great loss, it's no wonder she's feeling awful, AND SHE SHOULD MENTION IT TO HER THERAPIST.

DEAR ABBY: In lieu of a regular "pizza night," some good

friends invited my wife and me to join them at a high-end restaurant. We agreed. We had a good dinner and an enjoyable evening. When our separate checks arrived, our friends paid theirs with a gift card. Ours was a whopper, and the reason they wanted to eat there became quite obvious. I was annoyed because I felt our friends should have applied their gift card to the entire bill, and we would then split it. My wife says we had a nice evening and I shouldn't feel miffed, but I still think we were treated poorly. What are your thoughts about this? — HEFTY BILL IN THE SOUTH

DEAR HEFTY BILL: It would have been gracious for your friends to have applied the gift card universally. However, the two of you are good friends with this couple. You had a nice time and enjoyed your meal. This is not something worth nursing a grudge over, so let it go.

Community Calendar

Notices will appear in Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, email news@thecr.com.

Saturday

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-3336 or (260) 729-7000.

Sunday

A BETTER LIFE - BRIANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Sunday at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2006.

Monday

PORTLAND BREAK-

FAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

PING PONG — Will be played from 9 a.m. to noon each Monday at Jay Community Center.

EUCHRE — Will be played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP — Meets at 3 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at Mercer Health in Coldwater, Ohio.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 4:30 p.m., with the meeting at 5 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church, 323 S. Meridian St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5924.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and

after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY FAMILY MEAL — Will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 204 E. Arch St. in Portland. Everyone is welcome.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Monday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

REDISCOVERING JOY — The support group of widows and widowers meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at R & R Fabrications, 601 E. Washington St., St. Henry, Ohio. For more information, email rediscoveringjoy@yahoo.com.

Tuesday

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public is welcome.

ALZHEIMER'S CARE-

SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 5:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Jay County Public Library community room. For more information, call Deb Tipton at (260) 729-2806 or Elasha Lennartz at (765) 729-4567.

FRIENDS OF JAY COUNTY LIBRARY — Will meet at 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the library.

A BETTER LIFE - BRIANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for substance abuse. Meal starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-2107.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (567) 279-8352 or (260) 729-7000.

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Sudoku

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Level: Advanced

Friday's Solution

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

The objective is to fill a nine-by-nine grid so that each column, each row, and each of the nine three-by-three boxes (also called blocks or regions) contains the digits from 1 to 9 only one time each.



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Great nonprofits have great boards

By JUD FISHER

As a foundation that supports many local nonprofit organizations, Ball Brothers Foundation has had a front row seat to see how excellent boards have transformed local organizations over the years. We strongly believe in the importance of outstanding board governance and leadership, as good boards have a profound effect on an organization's ability to serve its constituents and adapt to meet changing community needs.

It is inspiring to see the selflessness of so many of our local citizens who dedicate countless hours to serving on boards, often unpaid and unrecognized. Organizations rely on board members who are willing to give up their weeknights, weekends, and early morning hours for meetings, helping at special events, making connections, hosting fundraisers, reviewing financials, and more.

Jud Fisher



Serving on a nonprofit board is rewarding but can often be equally challenging, as nonprofit organizations inevitably face significant roadblocks that leaders must help them navigate, such as the departure of key staff members, fundraising or financial difficulties, unanticipated expenses, and expanding services.

Through our experience with nonprofits, we have identified several key characteristics top-performing boards share. These boards focus their meeting time on matters of key strategic importance. The chief executive

and board chair work together to carefully craft agendas that ensure board members focus on key issues and opportunities. They recognize that the effectiveness of each position is mutually interdependent, and great boards build a culture that values inquiry, constructive debate, and perspectives from all angles.

Effective boards are comprised of people who are deeply passionate about the organization's mission, often volunteering in some capacity before joining the board. These boards also place a strong focus on ensuring prudent financial management to grow and steward the organization's assets. They hold individual board members, the chief executive, and the overall organization accountable. They bring diverse perspectives, backgrounds, and lived experiences that inform decision-making and debate. In the words of leadership guru Jim Collins, they

"confront the brutal facts." They deeply understand — and discuss — their organization's strengths and weaknesses. By embracing continuous learning and using their own networks, they capitalize on new opportunities to strengthen their organization.

Ball Brothers Foundation believes so strongly in excellent governance that we present an annual award to an outstanding board member of a nonprofit based in Delaware County. The Fisher Governance Award recognizes a board member who goes above and beyond to help steer their organization.

Notably, over the past several years, we have witnessed many local nonprofits struggling to find board members. This is a significant stressor for local executive directors, undoubtedly impacting the degree to which local nonprofits can provide services to the community. To help address this

challenge, we are proud to support local organizations including Shafer Leadership Academy and newly-established Nonprofit Support Network, which offer a range of workshops and supports to help nonprofits strengthen their boards.

How can you get involved? If you're not serving on a board, we encourage you to consider what skills and background you could contribute. Start by volunteering at a local nonprofit and then, once you're familiar with the organization, inquire about board positions. You can also visit shaferleadership.com/join-a-board to fill out the board member interest form and keep an eye out for future sessions of the annual "All Aboard" workshop hosted in partnership with the Heart of Indiana United Way.

Fisher is president and CEO of Ball Brothers Foundation.

Indiana Guard critical in Niger

The Herald Bulletin
(Anderson)
Tribune News Service

His nation under attack by a military junta, Niger President Mohamed Bazoum penned an op-ed piece that was published Aug. 3 in The Washington Post.

He cited the economic and social gains he had helped implement since being democratically elected in 2021. Indeed, U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken has called the west-central African country "a model of resilience, a model of democracy, a model of cooperation."

Niger has been plagued by the terrorist group Boko Haram. But Bazoum wrote that there had been no attacks for two years.

He thanked the U.S. Agency for International Development for shifting operations from humanitarian aid to development initiatives such as building sustainable energy, improving agricultural productivity and educating the next generation of Nigerian leaders.

He then wrote, "Thanks to our allies' support and training from partners, including the Indiana National Guard, Niger is now the safest it has been in the past 15 years."

Hoosiers often think of the Indiana National Guard assisting drivers in navigating icy roads or encouraging high schoolers to consider military careers. But Niger's president brought the guard's mission, or one of them, to light.

The guard is part of the 100-nation State Partnership Program that is administered by the National Guard Bureau and executed by state adjutants general. Guided by foreign policy goals of the U.S. State Department, the program has established the Indiana National Guard as a partner with Slovakia for 20 years and Niger since 2017, among other partnerships.

Last September, the guard at Camp Atterbury hosted three medics from the Niger Armed Forces. The week-long training included sessions on public health, mental health and basic sanitary needs.

As Niger faced extremist threats in 2018, Indiana guardsmen went to train with Nigerian troops in a multinational exercise. Last year, soldiers from the

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138th Regiment Indiana Regional Training Institute trained 120 Nigerian armed forces for six weeks in an effort to move Niger closer to American doctrine.

That might have been one reason — anti-American sentiment — for the July coup; junta leaders recently recalled ambassadors to the U.S. and its important military partner, France.

Granted, the Indiana National Guard has come into Indiana news recently as some guard members questioned legislation signed into law that gives its adjutant general ability to convene the still rare court martial among other disciplinary changes, and also for a guard member who allegedly uploaded porn while at Camp Atterbury.

Such distractions, though serious, shouldn't place the objective into question. The Indiana National Guard is not only a partner with Hoosiers in times of need but an international partner spreading U.S. policy, military training and democratic principles to guide other nations in becoming stable and prosperous.

Bazoum's op-ed underscored the promise of the Indiana unit's mission. The Indiana National Guard deserves praise for partnering to deliver strategic aims inside a country striving to carry out democratic principles.



Don't create new slush fund

By WILLIAM D. HARTUNG
Tribune News Service

It's been a strange, complicated year for Congressional decision making on the Pentagon budget. First came the debt ceiling agreement, where Congress rolled back domestic programs but left the Biden administration's \$886 billion request for national defense untouched. Now, final passage of the main bill authorizing Pentagon spending — the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) — is hung up on culture war debates rather than debates about the hundreds of billions in expenditures at stake in the legislation.

But the biggest fight over the Pentagon budget is yet to come. Hawks like Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-SC, and House Armed Services Committee Chair Rep. Mike Rogers, R-AL, have argued that the current proposal of \$886 billion in military spending for Fiscal Year 2024 is not enough. Instead, they are advocating for an emergency package that could arrive in Congress as early as later this month that would give them the opportunity to add tens of billions of dollars for the Pentagon beyond what is already contemplated.

On the flip side, House Speaker Kevin McCarthy, ever mindful of commitments he made to Freedom Caucus members in exchange for his appointment, has said that it is "not time" for an emergency package for the Pentagon.

Even given these complexities, there will almost certainly be an effort to boost the Pentagon budget, likely tied to a new aid package to Ukraine. This would be reminiscent of what was done from 2011 to 2020, when Congress and the Pentagon used the war budget — officially known as the Overseas Contingency Operations account (OCO) — to fund hundreds of billions of dollars of

William D. Hartung



Pentagon programs that had nothing to do with the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. OCO essentially served as a safety valve — a slush fund — to evade upper limits on the Pentagon budget established by the Budget Control Act of 2011.

Using war spending to fund unrelated items was a bad idea during the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and it is a terrible idea now. It's important to keep supporting Ukraine's efforts to defend itself, in tandem with a diplomatic track aimed at ending the war on terms acceptable to Kyiv. However, mixing Ukraine aid with additional funding for pork barrel projects that only benefit key members of Congress will muddy the waters of any debate on the size and conditions under which additional military assistance to Ukraine should proceed.

\$886 billion is more than enough to provide an effective defense. This military budget is already hundreds of billions of dollars higher than at the heights of the Korean or Vietnam wars or the peak of the Cold War. It is three times what China spends annually on its military, and ten times what Russia spends.

All that money is being spent on an overly ambitious strategy that calls for the U.S. to police the world and to win a war with Russia or China rather than working to prevent such conflicts from occurring in the first place. Ukraine's ability to hold off Russia without U.S. boots on the

ground underscores the fact that a large army is not necessary to address so-called great power conflict.

The defense department doesn't need more money. It needs more spending discipline. The Pentagon is the only major federal agency that has failed to pass an audit, a circumstance that invites waste, fraud, and abuse. Price gouging by contractors is systematic, as Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-MA, has pointed out — most recently in a July 27th hearing. Her findings were reinforced by a May investigation by CBS 60 Minutes — price gouging by contractors is rampant, wasting untold billions year in and year out.

To add insult to injury, the nation's largest weapons makers are spending tens of billions of dollars buying back their own stock to boost share prices. These expenditures do everything to enrich the companies, their executives and their shareholders, while contributing nothing to the defense of the country. Throwing more money at the Pentagon will only incentivize this counterproductive profiteering.

Congress should spend more time debating what our defense strategy should be going forward and what weapons are needed to carry it out. Instead, they routinely bankroll parochial projects that bring funds into their states and districts regardless of whether the projects supported by this extra spending align with any meaningful defense plan.

For all of the above reasons, Congress should avoid using the issue of Ukraine aid to lavish more money on a Pentagon that is already overfunded and underperforming.

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Bees see steep losses

Moscow-Pullman Daily News (Moscow, Idaho)
Tribune News Service

Honey bee producers in the United States saw steep losses of their bees last year, according to a recent survey by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS).

The greatest losses came from varroa mites and pesticides, the service said. Honey bee losses in the Pacific Northwest were consistent with drops nationwide.

According to the service report, honey bee operations with five or more colonies in the U.S. totaled 2.68 million as of Jan. 1, 2023, down 7% from the previous year. From January to March, losses were down 14% and from April through June the number of colonies lost totaled 9%.

In Idaho, Oregon and Washington, honey bee colonies were down an average of 9% from April to June. Idaho beekeepers lost 5%, or 7,000 of their colonies; Oregon lost 18% or 17,500 colonies and Washington was down 11% or 14,000 colonies.

In Idaho, varroa mites, which are a small parasite that feed on bees and bee larvae, were responsible for 40.9% of the stressors on colonies from April to June this year, NASS reported. Mites were responsible for 27.9% of the stressors in Oregon and 41.6% in Washington. Pesticides accounted for 5.7% of the stressors in Idaho; 14.3% in Oregon and 9.2% in Washington.

Steveson won cat show

It was Dominic's turn this year.

Dominic Steveson won best in show with his long-haired cat Silvey at the Jay County 4-H Cat Show on July 10.

Steveson also won the costume contest, and his short-haired female cat, Reeses, was reserve champion of its class.

Elizabeth Calvary, who participated with her pet Mr. Pickles, was named both beginner and intermediate showman. Audrey Hambrock — her cats are Dobby and Cousin Lump — won the cage decorating award.

Other results are as follows:

Short-hair

- Adult male
Champion: Audrey Hambrock
- Reserve champion: Elizabeth Calvary
- 3. Makinsey Murphy
- 4. Keisha Adair

- Adult female
Champion: Sophia Calvary
- 3. Alivia Toney
- 4. Keisha Adair

- Overall
Champion: Audrey Hambrock
- Grand champion: Elizabeth Calvary

Long-hair

- Adult male
Champion: Rachel Heitkamp
- Reserve champion: Jayme Harker
- 3. Makinsey Murphy
- 4. Selene Hambrock

- Adult female
Champion: Dominic Steveson
- Reserve champion: Audrey Hambrock

- Overall
Champion: Dominic Steveson



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Dominic Steveson had the best in show July 10 during the 4-H cat show at the Jay County Fair.

- Reserve champion: Rachel Heitkamp

- Kitten short hair female
Champion: Jayme Harker

- Showmanship**
- Beginner
Reserve champion: Sophia Calvary
- Intermediate
Reserve champion: Alivia Toney

- Cage decorating**
- Reserve champion: Makinsey Murphy

- Costume contest**
- Reserve champion: Keisha Adair

Ambassador test

- Level 1
Champion: Sophia Calvary
- Reserve champion: Selene Hambrock
- 5. Elizabeth Calvary

- Level 2
Champion: Keisha Adair
- Reserve champion: Audrey Hambrock
- 3. Alivia Toney
- 4. Jayme Harker

- Level 3
Champion: Makinsey Murphy

- Reserve champion: Dominic Steveson
- 3. Rachel Heitkamp

Wilson set to oversee Ag Online

By JILLIAN ELLISON
Purdue Ag News

Bernie Engel, the Glenn W. Sample Dean of Agriculture, has promoted Christine Wilson to the position of Senior Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs. In addition to her current responsibilities, Wilson will now oversee Purdue Ag Online to ensure delivery of high-quality, financially viable online programs and courses.

"Dr. Wilson has successfully made significant transformations in the Office of Academic Programs. I look forward to seeing the impact her leadership will have in the key area of online learning," said Engel.

Wilson joined the College of Agriculture in 2020 leaving her position at Kansas State University, where she was a professor and director of undergraduate programs for the college's agricultural economics department. Wilson had begun her academic career as an assistant professor in Purdue's agricultural economics department, where she served from 2001-08. She returned to Kansas State to serve as assistant dean for academic programs for student services and retention in the college of agriculture, a position she held for seven years. Prior to her academic positions, Wilson worked in industry as a grain market analyst for Koch Industries.

An award-winning educator, Wilson has been recognized with the Dis-

tinguished Alumni Award from the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State, the David Mugler Outstanding Teaching Award from the Kansas State Ag Alumni Association, the Kansas State University Presidential Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching and the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association's Distinguished Teaching Awards. Wilson also received the Richard L. Kohls Outstanding Undergraduate Teacher Award from Purdue's College of Agriculture in 2007 and the Charles B. Murphy Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award from Purdue in 2008.

Seeing the opportunity to provide leadership for Purdue Ag Online for the college as a new challenge, Wilson said she looks forward to continuing the development of innovative and exciting program opportunities in the online space.

"We have outstanding people in the College of Agriculture, and I am surrounded by exceptional colleagues in the Office of Academic Programs. I am excited to expand my responsibilities to our Ag Online initiatives, where we, too, have an outstanding team of professionals," Wilson said. "We are the No. 3 college of agriculture in North America and No. 5 in the world in the 2023 QS World University Rankings, and we can further expand our reach and impact with high-quality online programs."

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE WOMAN SAID WE ONCE CHATTED IN THE VEGETARIAN RESTAURANT, BUT I'VE NEVER MET HERBIVORE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Y equals G

8-14 CRYPTOQUIP

Q V M G C A P G E W V Z Q F M CQMAOZPFW ZK OAEDHQLT KBAQO TZM ZLE AFAHKOQH PQFFM,

KBZK'M DKQFQKW VDKQFQKW. Saturday's Cryptoquip: WHEN DOING A MATH PROBLEM TO OBTAIN A QUOTIENT, ONE SHOULD WEAR GLASSES. IT IMPROVES DIVISION.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals G

Trivial Review (Answers are printed below, upside down.) Women and girls 1) "Don't Take the Girl" was the first No. 1 song for what country music artist? 2) Physicist Marie Curie holds the honor of being the first woman to win what award? (2) Nobel Prize (1) Tim McGraw

CRYPTO FUN ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ Determine the code to reveal the answer! Solve the code to discover words related to immunizations. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 18 = E) A. 14 12 11 11 25 15 18 Clue: Protects against illness B. 10 19 11 23 19 9 Clue: Medical professional C. 15 18 18 10 3 18 Clue: Pointy instrument D. 16 9 19 23 18 11 23 25 19 15 Clue: Provides safeguards

WORD SCRAMBLE Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to immunizations. JITCNE

Guess Who? I am an actor born in Australia on August 11, 1983. I began my career on an Australian soap opera. Despite appearances in many films, I am best known for my portrayal of a god in a series of Marvel movies. Answer: Chris Hemsworth

kids' corner Color in this picture to create your own masterpiece.

PEOPLE FACT: THIS IS THE TERM TO DESCRIBE A PERSON WHO CREATES SOME NEW PROCESS, APPLIANCE, MACHINE, OR ARTICLE. ANSWER: INVENTOR

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New Word CONCEPT an abstract idea or notion

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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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Yesterday's answer 8-12

Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

On the beam South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH ♠10 ♣J96542 ♢K63 ♣Q8 WEST ♠K96 ♣7 ♢J109752 ♣J53 EAST ♠Q87532 ♣— ♢Q SOUTH ♠AJ4 ♡AK1083 ♢A84 ♣A7 The bidding: South 1♥ West Pass North 4♥ East Pass Opening lead jack of diamonds. Declarer starts the play of many hands knowing very little about how the opposing cards are distributed. But as the play progresses, rays of light often emerge to illuminate the landscape and help him find the winning line of play. Take this case where South is in six hearts and West leads a diamond. Declarer wins with the ace and must avoid the loss of either a diamond or a club. This is by no means an impossible feat. South begins by cashing the ace of hearts and ace of spades, ruffs a spade, leads a trump to the king and ruffs another spade. He then cashes the diamond king, producing this position: North ♠QJ9 ♣6 ♢Q8 South ♠1083 ♣8 ♡A7 Declarer now faces a crucial decision. He is sure to make the slam by guessing who has the king of clubs. If West has it, a diamond lead will force him to win and return a club from the king or concede a ruff-and-discard. If East has the king, playing the ace and another club will force him to win and yield a ruff-and-discard. The evidence gathered to this point makes East a strong favorite to hold the king. West is known to have started with six diamonds, a heart and at least three spades, leaving him with at most three clubs. East consequently has at least six clubs and is therefore much more likely to have the king. So, South plays the A-7 of clubs, and East must resign.

Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

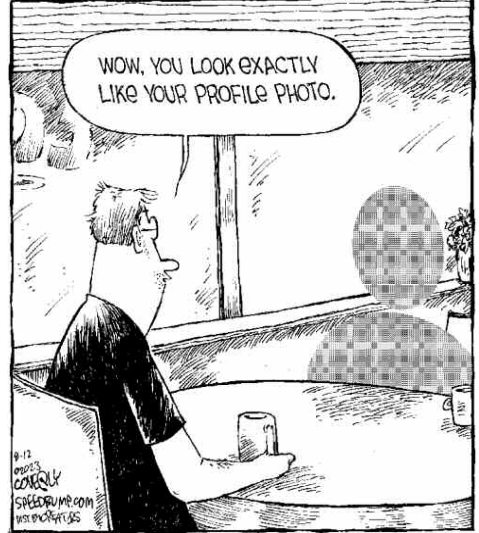
Famous Hand South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH ♠AJ2 ♡— ♢1054 ♣AKQ10852 EAST ♠KQJ1073 ♡AK98 ♣76 SOUTH ♠KQ98743 ♡62 ♢762 ♣J The bidding: South 3♠ West Pass North 5♠ East 1♥ Pass 4♥ Pass 5♠ Pass Opening lead — diamond queen. This deal occurred in a four-table team-of-four match, and the participants included some of the most famous names in bridge. The hand illustrates, as it often does when very good players get together, that their minds don't all operate in the same channels. The closest to par result occurred at the first table, where the bidding went as shown. West led the queen of diamonds, which seems a sensible thing to do, and the defenders took the first three tricks to put the contract down one. At the second table: South 3♠ West Pass North 5♠ East 5♥ Pass 4♥ Pass 5♠ Pass At the third table, the bidding was identical except that East doubled five spades instead of West. Again, West led a heart, and again declarer scored 1,250 points. Needless to say, both of these Wests, having lost 1,450 points because of their opening leads, were ready to cut their respective throats. At the fourth table: South 2♠ West Pass North 3♥ East 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass 5♠ Dble North-South were playing weak two-bids. North made the imaginative bid of three diamonds (forcing) at his first turn. He planned to support spades later and was hoping to stop a diamond lead. Here, once again, West led the ace of hearts, but this time South scored 1,860 points. At this table, West's opening lead cost him 2,360 points! That night West cut his throat (while shaving, he said).

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

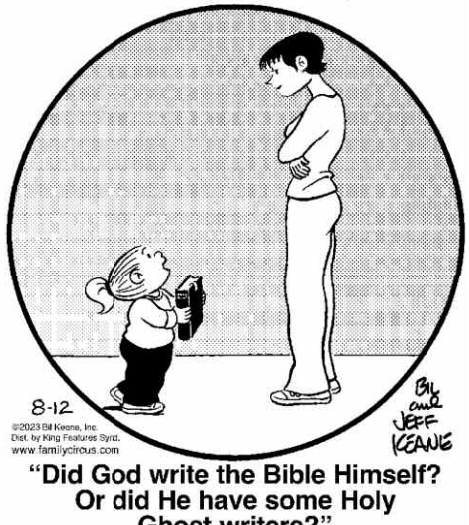
ACROSS 1 Emmy winner Alan 5 Green prefix 8 "Sad to say ..." 12 Grump 14 Rain delay cover 15 Peter Allen song 16 Moth variety 17 Med. plan option 18 Front-runner 20 Waffle topper 23 Understands 24 Paraphernalia 25 Prisoners 28 Sun-bather's goal 29 Slow mover 30 "What's — use?" 32 Alternative to pasta 34 Native of Inverness 35 Latin I word 36 Group spirit 37 Egnog sprinkling 40 Flamenco cry 41 Guesser's words 42 Casanova 47 TV host Kelly 48 Private professional gp. 49 Tic-tac-toe win 51 Raced DOWN 1 "— was saying ..." 2 Journal span 3 Pair with an air 4 Camelot royal 5 Franc king 6 Hit CBS series 7 Traditional Italian tune 8 "Finally!" 9 Praise 10 "Alfred" composer 11 Mast splendor 13 Splendor 19 List-ending abbr. 20 Boot camp VIP 21 Calendar 22 Hindu royal 23 Pesky insects 25 Engraved design 26 Engrave "Scram!" 29 Not all UFO fliers 33 Pacific islander 34 Cooks, as dump-lings 36 K thru 12 37 Asta's feeder 38 "Topaz" author 39 Recipe amts. 40 "A Man Called —" (Tom Hanks film) 43 Musician Yoko 44 Knock 45 Mineral suffix 46 British ref. work

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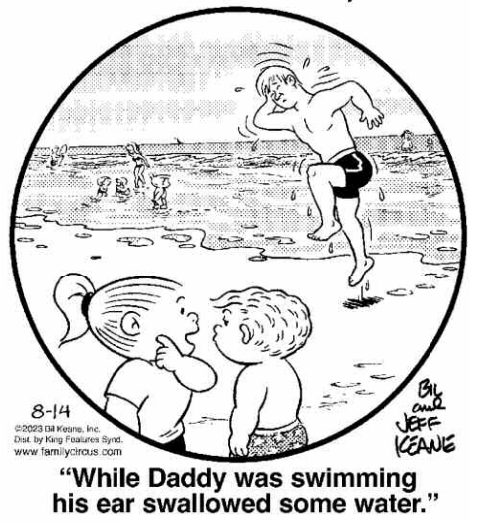
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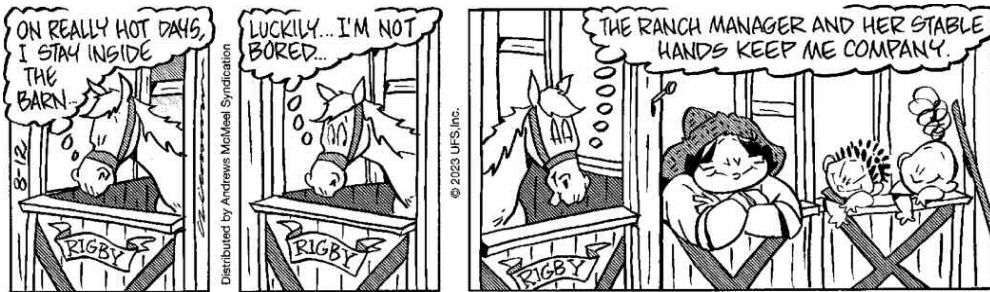
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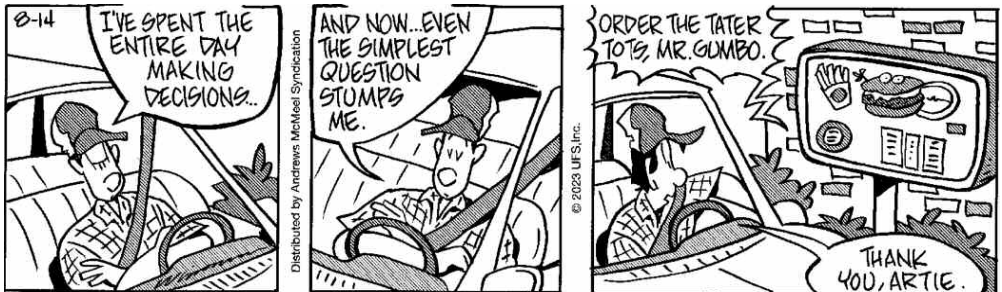
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Jon Eads
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Jay County, Indiana
Suzan Dillon Myers, Atty. #10646-68
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CASE NO.
38C01-2306-MI-000012
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ORDER SETTING HEARING
The Court, having considered Petitioner's Verified Petition for Change of Name filed in this matter, now sets the matter for hearing on October 2nd, 2023 at 1:00 pm for 30 minutes of the Court's time.
ORDERED July 26, 2023.
Brian Hutchison,
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He executed the shot to get ahold of his ball, but sent it sailing beyond the green.

The final "Oh, no!" LeFevre was able to come back with a solid chip to put the ball near the cup and then tapped in for par. He finished with Fort Recovery's second-best score of 41.

Matthew Romer scored out of the sixth position totaling 42 strokes, and Nate Jutte's 43 rounded out the team score.

Also participating in the

match but not contributing to the final were Eli Lennartz (45) and Alex Dues (47).

While Mississinawa Valley didn't have enough golfers for a full JV match, three Indians were able to get some work in. Caleb Smith shot the best of the three with a 50 while Drew Back had a 51 and Riley Grieshop had a 53.

"I'm really proud of the guys. We shot very well tonight," Sanders said. "We have a great nucleus of guys that really can play great golf."

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Today
Jay County — Boys tennis Trojan Kick-off Duals at New Castle — 9 a.m.

Monday
Jay County — Boys tennis at Madison-Grant — 5 p.m.; Girls Soccer vs. Richmond — 6 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Boys golf vs. Parkway — 4:30 p.m.; Girls golf at Parkway at Celina Lynx — 4:30 p.m.; Middle School volleyball at Celina — 6 p.m.

Tuesday
Jay County — Boys tennis vs. Alexandria — 5 p.m.; Boys soccer at Muncie Central — 5 p.m.; Volleyball at Madison-Grant — 6 p.m.; JV boys soccer at Muncie Central — 6:30 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Girls golf vs. Arcanum at Beechwood — 9 a.m.; Middle School volleyball scrimmage vs. St. Henry — 6 p.m.

TV sports
Today
3 a.m. — Women's World Cup: France vs. Australia (FOX)
6:30 a.m. — Women's World Cup: Colombia vs. England (FOX)
7 a.m. — LPGA Tour: Women's British Open (USA)
12:30 p.m. — Premier League: Aston Villa vs. Newcastle United (NBC)
1 p.m. — NFL: Indianapolis Colts at Buffalo Bills (CBS)
2 p.m. — IndyCar: Gallagher Grand Prix (USA)
3 p.m. — PGA Tour: Fedex St. Jude Championship (CBS)
3:30 p.m. — La Liga: Real Madrid vs. Athletic Club (ABC)
4 p.m. — NFL: New York Jets at Carolina Panthers (CBS)
4 p.m. — UFC: UFC Fight Night (ESPN)
5 p.m. — NFL: Jacksonville Jaguars at Dallas Cowboys (FOX)
5:30 p.m. — NASCAR Xfinity Series: Pennzoil 150 (USA)
6 p.m. — High School Basketball: Under Armour Elite (ESPN U)
7 p.m. — NFL: Philadelphia Eagles at Baltimore Ravens (ABC)
7 p.m. — MLB: Cincinnati Reds at

Pittsburgh Pirates (Bally Indiana)
7 p.m. — MLB: Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago White Sox (FOX)
7 p.m. — Top Rank Boxing: Emanuel Navarrete vs. Oscar Valdez (ESPN)
9:30 p.m. — MLB: Baltimore Orioles at Seattle Mariners (FS1)
9:45 p.m. — UFC: Vicente Luque vs. Rafael Dos Anjos (ESPN)

Sunday
7 a.m. — LPGA Tour: Women's British Open (USA)
4 p.m. — NFL: San Francisco 49ers at Las Vegas Raiders (CBS)
1:30 p.m. — MLB: Cincinnati Reds at Pittsburgh Pirates (Bally Indiana)
2 p.m. — PGA Tour: Fedex St. Jude Championship (CBS)
2:30 p.m. — NASCAR Cup Series: Verizon 200 (NBC)
3 p.m. — NHRA: Menards NHRA Nationals (FS1)
3 p.m. — WNBA: New York Liberty at Indiana Fever (ESPN)
6 p.m. — WNBA: Phoenix Mercury at Seattle Storm (FOX)
7 p.m. — MLB: Atlanta Braves at New York Mets (ESPN)
9 p.m. — WNBA: Atlanta Dream at Las Vegas Aces (FOX)

Tuesday
4 a.m. — Women's World Cup: Sweden vs. Spain (FOX)
6:30 p.m. — MLB: Cleveland Guardians at Cincinnati Reds (Bally Indiana)

Local notes

Adams Memorial Hospital 5K
The Worthman Fitness Center and the Diabetes Education Team of Adams Memorial Hospital will host the "Catch Your Breath ... while you Dash for Diabetes 5K Run/Walk" on Sept. 9 in cooperation with Adams County Parks and Recreation.

Pre-registration is open for \$20 through Friday, Sept. 1 at which point the entry fee will be raised to \$25.

Participants may also sign up at 8:30 a.m. on Sept. 9 at the Adams Memorial Hospital under the Cancer Institute terrace.

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Rookie ...

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Richardson has been competing throughout training camp with veteran Gardner Minschew for the starting quarterback role. That competition will continue beyond Saturday's exhibition game.

Richardson has taken all the snaps with the first team in five of the Colts' nine practices in which he has participated at Grand Park, and he split the first-team reps with Minschew in a sixth session.

It's been a roller-coaster ride for the rookie.

Thursday marked another dip in the track when he finished 5-for-12 in 11-on-11 drills working with the first team. But he did throw an impressive touchdown pass to wide receiver Michael Pittman Jr. — that's already gone viral on social media — in 7-on-7 work.

For training camp overall, Richardson is 51-of-83 (61.4%) with eight touchdowns and three interceptions in 11-on-11 work. He's 27-of-50 (54%) with five touchdowns and two interceptions when running the first-team offense.

Saturday brings a new challenge, one that comes without a red non-contact jersey and with television cameras recording the quarterback's every move.

It's one Richardson is eager to embrace.

"I get to go out there and showcase what I'm able to do with the ones a little bit," Richardson said. "First NFL experience — I'm excited for it, but it's the same rodeo. Just get to play ball again."

Steichen expects the starters to play about one quarter but added snaps for individual players will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Richardson learned he'll get the nod against the Bills just minutes before Thursday's indoor practice began.

It means Minschew — who has 24 career regular-season starts for the Jacksonville Jaguars and Philadelphia Eagles — will begin his Indianapolis tenure

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—Anthony Richardson

on the bench. The easy going Mississippi native took the news in stride and offered some advice for his 21-year-old teammate.

"I think the goal is just to go out there and try to win, lead your team to win," Minschew said. "I think you can get caught up in everything else. Just try to go score. Try to go win each drive and win each play. I think that's the biggest thing."

Richardson made just 13 starts during his college career at Florida, and the Colts have noted a lack of experience as his greatest hurdle since draft day in April.

The rookie has been consistently praised by teammates for his work ethic and maturity, but Saturday will be the first time many fans have seen him play in an Indianapolis uniform.

If the moment is overwhelming for him, Richardson is hiding it well.

"It lets me know where I'm at, so I'm definitely excited to go against a different opponent instead of going against (linebackers) Zaire (Franklin) and Shaq Leonard every single day," he said. "I'm excited to get to play football again against a

new opponent, and we'll see what happens."

Richardson said he's looking forward to taking his first hit and feeling like he's playing football again.

There's a natural concern about allowing the quarterback to showcase his elite rushing ability while also making sure he's protected for the regular-season.

It's a balancing act the coaching staff has been working to perfect throughout the summer, but Steichen said Richardson already has a good feel for the risk-reward ratio.

"That's one of his powers that makes him a dynamic player," Steichen said of the quarterback's ability to beat defenses with his legs. "(We're) obviously being safe. He has a natural feel, too — watching his college tape — of getting down and being smart. It will be good to see him in live action on Saturday."

Asked to detail his goals for his professional debut, Richardson focused only on the team.

"Get a victory," he said. "First NFL experience — just try to get a victory, showcase my talents, my ability and just be a leader and push the team."



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Sports

FRHS falls by three strokes

Indians overcame most miscues, still fell just short

By **ANDREW BALKO**
The Commercial Review

WINCHESTER — “Oh, no!”

That was the most used phrase by the Indian golfers Thursday.

After almost every drive, iron or wedge, the phrase was muttered.

Yet things never turned out quite so badly for the Indians.

A lot of saves helped keep the Fort Recovery High School boys golf team in their match against the Mississinawa Valley Blackhawks on Thursday afternoon on the Pony holes at Winchester Golf Club, but were ultimately edged out 162-165.

The “Oh, no!” shot was a staple of many players during the match, particularly including the top four golfers in the Indians lineup — Keegan Muhlenkamp, Reece LeFevre, Eli Lennartz and Nate Jutte. A prime example of one of those shots came on the fourth hole for Muhlenkamp.

The junior teed off on the 520-yard, par-5 when he shanked his drive off to the right, causing his ball to land on the opposite side of the fairway to hole No. 5 that ran parallel to the fourth going in the opposite direction.

Oh, no!

“Usually when we say, ‘Oh, no!’ directly after the shot, it’s because we either hit it a little too far right or left where we just hit it right off the club,” Muhlenkamp said. “It’s not like it fades or draws, it initially starts in the wrong direction.”

That was the case for Muhlenkamp on this hole, but after the shot was over it didn’t phase him. Despite being nearly 200 yards off of the fairway to the right, he was able to track down his ball and analyze the situation and make a game plan to recover.

Rather than trying to hit back onto the fairway for hole No. 4, he decided to play the fifth hole backwards, hitting his second shot to the tee box for hole No. 5. One more shot and Muhlenkamp found himself on the green with a chance to birdie.

Although he left a pair of putts short resulting in a three-putt bogey, he saved the hole from being much worse by playing five backwards.

“Reece (LeFevre) and Keegan (Muhlenkamp) seemed to be making some really good decisions and making some good shots,” coach Dean Sanders said. “I would say a really important key about play-



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FRHS senior Nate Jutte hits his ball up a slope on Pony hole No. 6 at Winchester Golf Club during the Indians’ 162-165 loss against Mississinawa Valley on Thursday. Jutte sent his first ball into the water before being forced to take a drop on the slope but was able to quickly reach the green and save the hole for a bogey.

ing golf is making really good decisions. He seemed to keep the ball in play and cut back on penalty strokes.”

Clutch saves because of strong decision making helped Muhlenkamp to Fort Recovery’s low score of 39. He finished with three six pars and three bogeys. Muhlenkamp was one stroke off of match medalist, which went to Aron Hunt with a 38.

LeFevre was also a part of the foursome with Muh-

lenkamp and wasn’t immune to the “Oh, no!” shot himself. He seemingly subconsciously uttered the phrase three times during the 442-yard, par 5 hole No. 5.

LeFevre had a good drive off the tee. The ball flew straight. He didn’t hit it too high where the wind could affect it. Despite hitting it well, some poor luck struck when the ball splashed into some standing water, taking about 40 yards off the drive.

There was the first “Oh, no!”

When he got to the ball, he found that it had bounced just beyond the puddle it splashed in. His next shot flew to the left of the cart path, landing in the long grass of the rough and right in front of another puddle.

A second “Oh, no!”

The lie made for a difficult shot so that he didn’t catch too much water in his swing while still being able to dig the ball out of

the grass. “The water just slows down your club, it feels completely different,” LeFevre said. “It kind of feels like you just get hit by a brick wall when you swing.”

“I had to change clubs just so I could make sure I get it through that through that tall grass and all the standing water and had a good good ship and once I got out of the water and got up and down.”

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Colts rookie to start

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WESTFIELD — It’s time to see what Anthony Richardson can do.

That was the message sent by Indianapolis Colts head coach Shane Steichen on Thursday when he named the No. 4 overall pick the starting quarterback for Saturday’s preseason opener on the road against the Buffalo Bills.

“Want to just see where he’s at,” Steichen said of the decision-making process. “Get him out there — and he’s been doing a nice job — get him out there with the guys and go from there.”

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