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House speaker ousted

McCarthy voted out of role

By JENNIFER SHUTT, ARIANA FIGUEROA and ASHLEY MURRAY

States Newsroom WASHINGTON — Dissident Republicans in the U.S. House voted with Democrats on Tuesday to oust Kevin McCarthy as speaker, a historic move that came just nine months after he secured the gavel following days of negotiating with the GOP's right flank and 15 rounds of voting.

It wasn't immediately clear after the vote how the House would proceed in the coming days, having entered uncharted territory. No speaker has ever before been removed by the House. North Carolina Rep. Patrick McHenry was named speaker pro tem until the election of a new speaker.

The House later recessed until next Tues-

The 216-210 vote on a motion to vacate, which Florida Republican Rep. Matt Gaetz filed Monday evening, capped off months of growing dissent among a small group of House Republicans.

All of Indiana's Republicans voted against the motion and its two Democsupported removal.

Republican Reps. Andy Biggs of Arizona, Ken Buck of Colorado, Tim Burchett of Tennessee, Eli Crane of Arizona, Gaetz, Bob Good of Virginia, Nancy Mace of South Carolina and Matt Rosendale Montana voted to remove McCarthy.

They also voted against tabling the motion, which took place just before the vote and would have stopped the process from moving forward.

Warren Davidson of Ohio, Cory Mills of Florida and Victoria Spartz of Indiana voted against tabling, but for keeping McCarthy as speaker.

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Catch and release



Fishing is allowed in the pond at Portland's Hudson Family Park, such as the Portland Optimist Club fishing derby (pictured) that was held in June. But Portland Park Board is asking Portland City Council to pass an ordinance establishing catch-and-release fishing only after parks employees recently noticed that some who fish at the park have been using nets and leaving with 20 to 30 fish at a time.

Park board sends ordinance to council

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Portland Park Board is taking a stand against folks stealing fish from the pond at Hudson Family Park.

Board members agreed Tuesday to forward a catch-andrelease fishing ordinance to are still welcome to fish recre-Portland City Council.

According to a draft of the a state fishing permit. ordinance, park board allows Park board decided to edge, but it doesn't allow boats. All fishing must be catch-andrelease, and fishing nets are not permitted.

'Catch and release is identified as returning the fish back to the water (and it is) caught without harm, keeping for consumption or moving to a different location," the ordinance says.

tacted if someone is discovered taking fish from the pond or using a net to fish, per the ordinance. (From there, individuals would be cited with an ordinance violation through Portland City Court.) All ages ationally in the pond without

after hearing from park employee Matt Shauver about individuals netting 20 to 30 fish at a time at the park and leaving with them.

Park board president Brian 16. Ison noted he looked online to find other communities with a catch-and-release ordinance,

out signs have been put up at Ison: the park in both English and Spanish clarifying the rules.

He added that if the city left enforcement Indiana to Department of Natural Resources, anyone fishing without a license would be ticketed.

visitors to fish from the water's into creating the ordinance department is not able to do County Pickleball Players' anything without having an ordinance," said Ison.

moves next to city council, ed today on the project. (It had which meets at 5:30 p.m. Oct.

Also Tuesday during a less than 15-minute meeting, park board members Shauna Runkalthough he said he didn't see le, Michael Brewster, Jennifer

Portland police will be con- anything specific. He pointed Weitzel, John McFarland and

•Canceled park board's Nov. 7 meeting in recognition of Election Day. Park board will meet next at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 5.

•OK'd putting up signs prohibiting bicycles, skateboards and roller skates on the new pickleball courts at Milton "I feel that this will help to Miller Park. Community memdress (this) The police ber Steve Craig, who led Jay effort to raise \$18,160 in donations for building two courts, A decision on the ordinance noted construction work startbeen expected to start in August.) He requested signs to prevent bicycles, skateboards and roller skates from damaging the court's surface.

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Dispute is over murder of

Sikh leader in Vancouver



roll

On a

Milo Wellman, 2, rolls a ball as part of a game offered at The Rock Church's stand Saturday during Portland Main Street Fall Festival's activities.

Canada, India in talks

By BRIAN PLATT and LÁURA DHILLON KANE

Bloomberg News Tribune News Service

Canada's government is still in discussions with India about its diplomatic presence in the South Asian country as a dispute rages over the murder of a Sikh separatist leader in a

Vancouver suburb. Foreign Minister Melanie Joly said Tuesday that Canada is in "constant cooperation and dialogue with India" after reports that Canada has been instructed to cut the number of diplomats by twothirds — a move that would send dozens of staff home and significantly reduce its contingent in New Delhi.

'In moments of tensions - because indeed there are tensions between both our governments — more than ever it's important that diplomats be on the ground and that's why we believe in the importance of hav- Minister Narendra Modi's ing a strong diplomatic footprint in India," she said

'That being said, we are in ongoing conversations with the Indian government and we will continue to protect Canada.'

in Ottawa.

India's Ministry of External Affairs didn't respond to a request for comment. The South Asian country had earlier informed the Canadian government that it expects a reduction in its diplomatic presence to bring it to parity with the Indian high commission in Ottawa.

The Financial Times earlier reported Prime alliance.

government told Canada it must repatriate 41 diplomats — out of 62 currently in India — by Oct. 10. The Canadian government has an embassy in Delhi and consulates in Bangalore, Chandigarh and Mumbai.

The diplomatic spat has put the U.S. in an awkward position. Washington spent years courting Modi as part of an Indo-Pacific strategy to clip China's economic and military expansion while enjoying close ties with Canada, a Group of Seven country and member of the Five Eyes intelligence-sharing

Deaths

Terry Vaughn, 68, Dunkirk William Calhoun, Berne

Marilyn Bowers, Muncie **Bobinell Long**, 88, Battle

Mountain, Nevada Kevin Tobias, 62, Geneva Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 86 degrees Tuesday. The low was 55.

Rain is expected tonight with a chance of thunderstorms and a low in the upper 50s. Expect partly cloudy skies Friday with a chance of showers and a high in the upper 60s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Former WWE stars The Godfather, Victoria and Gangrel will headline the Cornfield Carnage 2 professional wrestling shot at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, at Jay County Fairgrounds. Tickets are available at jaycountyfair.com.

Coming up

Friday — Results from the JCHS boys soccer sectional semifinal.

Saturday — Coverage of this week's Portland Board of Works meeting.



Ousted

Continued from page 1 All House Democrats present voted to declare the office of the speaker vacant.

So far, there have only been three instances where a motion to vacate was filed, one in March 1910, one in July 2015 and the one this month.

McCarthy said before the vote that he was calling Gaetz's bluff, though he appeared to accept he would be ousted as speaker.

"At the end of the day, if you throw a speaker out that has 99% of their conference, that kept the government open and paid the troops — I think we're in a really bad place for how we're going to

run Congress," McCarthy said.

The California Republican said he believed his support for passing a bipartisan short-term spending bill on Saturday, preventing a partial government shutdown, was the "right decision."

"I stand by that decision and at the end of the day, if I have to lose my job over it, so be it," McCarthy said. "I'll continue to fight."

Gaetz and other hard-line conservatives have publicly rebuked McCarthy for not holding to a private deal he struck with them in January in order to secure the speakership.

The group of GOP lawmakers, some of whom are in the Freedom

Caucus, have lamented McCarthy striking an agreement with President Joe Biden in May to avoid a default on the nation's debt and for relying on Democratic votes to pass the short-term government spending bill.

Gaetz, speaking Monday on the floor, called on McCarthy to detail whether he had brokered a private deal with Biden to hold a vote on legislation that would provide additional aid to Ukraine in its fight against the Russian invasion. He also criticized McCarthy for reportedly adding border security to those talks.

"I get that a lot of folks might disagree with my perspectives on

Vaughn

the border or Ukraine," Gaetz said. "But could we at least agree that no matter how you feel about Ukraine or the Southern border, they each deserve the dignity of their own consideration and should not be rolled together."

House Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries released a "Dear Colleague" letter just before the vote announcing House Democrats would vote to vacate the chair.

"Given their unwillingness to break from MAGA extremism in an authentic and comprehensive manner, House Democratic leadership will vote yes on the pending Republican Motion to Vacate the Chair," Jeffries wrote.

Felony arrests

Failed to appear

A Fort Wayne man was arrested Tuesday for failing to appear in court. Benedicto Velazquez-

Villalpando, 39, 3305 Reed St., is charged in Jay Superior Court with two Level 6 felonies for possession of cocaine and possession of methamphetamine and a Class C misdemeanor for possession of parapherna-

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

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Friday 10/6	Saturday 10/7	Sunday 10/8	Monday 10/9	Tuesday 10/10
67/41	54/36	53/38	58/39	63/39
There's a 30% chance for showers. Otherwise, mostly sunny with the low hitting the 40s.	has another 30% chance of rain. The tem- perature at night may	Another cool day Sun- day, when the high won't pass 60 degrees.	Mostly sunny skies for Columbus Day, with a high forecast- ed at 58 degrees.	Tuesday's forecast looks to be mostly sunny, with a high of 63 degrees.

Lotteries

Powerball

Estimated jackpot: \$1.2 billion

Mega Millions

3-19-32-39-59 Mega Ball: 24 Megaplier: 3 Estimated jackpot: \$350 million

Hoosier

Tuesday Midday Daily Three: 3-5-9 Daily Four: 0-7-6-3 Quick Draw: 2-4-8-12-17-19-24-27-29-38-43-45-49-54-59-63-64-67-71-78

Evening Daily Three: 9-0-2 Daily Four: 1-8-4-8 Quick Draw: 4-6-11-12-15-19-21-30-37-38-43-50-54-59-63-66-72-74-78-79

Ohio Tuesday

Midday Pick 3: 6-2-3 Pick 4: 1-6-8-7 Pick 5: 1-8-1-8-2 Evening Pick 3: 4-1-2 Pick 4: 6-9-5-3 Pick 5: 8-2-7-7-8 Rolling Cash: 8-14-26-34-36

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery

Corn	5.27
Late Oct. corn	4.97
Wheat	4.90

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Wheat	4.77
Dec. beans	12.68

Montpelier Corn.....4.76

Nov. corn	4.56
Beans	12.30
Nov. beans	12.40
Wheat	5.20

Heartland Anthony

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Corn	5.22
Oct. corn	4.92
Beans	12.14
Wheat	4.67
July wheat	5.65

Today in history

In 1813, Indian forces under the leadership of Tecumseh and the British army defeated U.S. troops in the Battle of the Thames — it took place in what is now Ontario, Canada — during the War of 1812.

In 1829, Chester A. Arthur was born in High School cross coun-North Fairfield, Vermont. He was elected vice president of the United States in 1880 and became the 21st president following the assassination of President James Garfield.

In 1877, Chief Joseph, leader of the Nez Percé, surrended in the Bears Paws Mountains in Montana. He had previously negotiated in order to allow his people to stay on their land, but a change in policy left them to fight for their land. By the time he sur-

rendered more than 200 Nez Percé had died.

In 1970, the Public Broadcasting System launched. Made up of public TV stations across the U.S., it provides cultural, educational and scientific programming.

In 1972, the Portland try team placed fourth out of nine teams at the Limberlost Invitational. Greg Harrod led the Panthers with a fourth-place finish.

In 2021, the Jay Countv High School girls soccer team dominated New Castle 7-0 in the opening round of the Class 2A Sectional 24 tournament at Hamilton Heights. The Patriots would defeat Delta in the semifinal before falling to the host Huskies in the championship game.

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Obituaries

Terry Vaughn

April 19, 1955-Oct. 3, 2023 Terry L. Vaughn, age 68, Dunkirk, died Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2023, at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital following an illness of five months.

Born in Portland on April 19, 1955, he grew up in Dunkirk and attended Dunkirk High School. Terry worked over 30 years at Indi-

Glass Co., Dunkirk, as a hot-end specialist before retiring in 2004 from the Oklahoma plant. He was also a glass consultant for the country of Thailand.

He was an avid bowler and enjoyed

fishing, camping, spending time with family — especially his grandchildren — and his beloved dog Toby.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Betty E. (Jones) Vaughn; sons Terry Eugene Vaughn (wife: Jennifer), Dunkirk, Charles Vaughn (wife: Betty), Albany, and Paul Vaughn, Dunkirk; loving nephew Bobby Wolfe (wife: Bobbi Jo), Dunkirk; brother Bobby Vaughn (wife: Penny), Dunkirk; sisters Barb Foy (husband: Larry), Dunkirk, and Wanda Little (special friend: Ty), Berne; 16 grandchildren; six greatgrandchildren; and nieces and

He was preceded in death by his parents Charles "Charlie" and Aldora Vaughn; brothers J.R. Vaughn and Frankie Vaughn; and sister Louise Vaughn.

Visiting hours will be Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, from 5 until 7 p.m. at Meacham Funeral Service. Cremation will follow with burial at I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Dunkirk.

Condolences and other expressions of sympathy may be given at MeachamFuneralService.com.

William Calhoun

Oct. 5, 1955-Oct. 2, 2023 William "Bill" Calhoun, 67, of Berne, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Oct. 2, 2023, after an extended illness.

He was born on Oct. 5, 1955, in Portland, Indiana, to Charles and May (Smith) Cal-

houn. Bill was a 1974 graduate of Portland High School. He was united in marriage to Sharyl Turner on Oct. 22, 1977, and was employed as a driver for Zurcher's Best-One of Monroe for 35

years. Bill attended Fellowship Baptist Church of Portland and Old Path Baptist Church of Portland.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, as well as sister Naomi Livezey.

Bill is survived by his wife of 46

years Sharyl Calhoun of Berne, Indiana; and his children Amy Orr (Eric) of Berne, Matt Calhoun (Alissa) of Berne and Jonathan Calhoun (Chandra Zimmer) of Decatur. Bill especially cherished every moment spent with their grandchildren, Easton, Anna and Grant Calhoun; Sophia, Audrey and Kathryn Orr; and Addison and Makenna Rich.

Other survivors include a brother, Dan Snyder (Jan) of Florida: sisters Charlene Duff of Berne and Sandra Young of Portland; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Monday from 4 to 7 p.m. at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Mike Hodson of Old Path Baptist Church of Portland officiating. Burial will follow at MRE Cemetery, Berne with friend Kevin Lehman, Berne, presiding

Condolences may be expressed at williamsonspencer.com.

Marilyn Bowers June 16, 1941-Oct. 2, 2023

Marilyn Sue Bowers, age 82, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Monday, Oct. 2,

2023, at her home in Muncie after a battle with cancer. She was a longtime resident Portland and retired to Muncie to be closer to family.

Sue was born in Portland on June 16, 1941, the daughter of Gordon and Cleo

(Elick) Darby. Sue attended Portland High School and worked as secretary of Jay County Hospital and Citizens Bank and First Merchants Bank in Portland.

Bowers

in Muncie. Sue enjoyed cooking, baking, reading, ball games, playing cards and spending time with family and friends. She was a member of Friends of the Limberlost, Jay County Historical Society and Portland Cincinnatus League.

Sue married Jacob Bowers on Sept. 1, 1979, and he passed away on Sept. 12, 2007. She later married Dale Robbins.

Survivors include:

Her husband — Dale Robbins

Her children — Kim VanSkyock (Cathy), Lonna VanSkyock, Monna VanSkyock (Sheila), Becky Wellman held at a later date. (Rick), Terry Bowers (Lisa), Becky Smith (David), Julie Kates (Bill), Mark Robbins (Jennifer) and Jennifer Hughes (Jim)

Twenty-one grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, several cousins and an aunt

Visitation will be held on Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home al homes or mortuary services.

in Portland. Services to celebrate Sue's life will follow at 2 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Pastor Steve Graves will officiate and burial will follow at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

Memorials may be directed to Asbury United Methodist Church in Portland or Fountain Square Church in Muncie.

Condolences may be sent to williamsonspencer.com.

Bobinell Long

On Thursday evening, Sept. 28, 2023. Battle Mountain. Nevada, resident, Bobinell Long passed away peacefully with family by her side.

Bobi, as she was affectionately known, was born in Grants, New Mexico, in 1934 during the midst of the Great Depression.

The economic turmoil of the times led

her family to settle in northern California. There, she attended school, married, had 6 children, worked, thrived and raised a family.

She enjoyed music, dancing, gardening, being outdoors and reading throughout her life.

Although her body was failing, Bobi remained mentally sharp, and she continued to enjoy literature and adventures through audiobooks right up to her passing.

Eventually, Bobi moved to Battle Mountain, Nevada, in 2015 where she enjoyed the warm sunny weather the remainder of her life.

Bobi was 88 years old and is survived by her beloved sister in Arizona, her children who live throughout the United States, 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchil-She was a member of Asbury dren and nine great-great grand-United Methodist Church in Port--children. Local survivors include land and Fountain Square Church her son Norman Peterson of Portland; and a granddaughter, Leeann Jones of Deerfield.

The family would like to thank Battle Mountain General Hospital Long Term Care Center and staff for their supportive care of our mother.

Memorial services were held at Sonoma Funeral Home in Winnemucca, Nevada, on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2023, with private burial at a later date.

Kevin L. Tobias, Geneva, Feb. 13, 1961-Sept. 27, 2023. Services will be

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 funer-

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Calhoun

•Heard the park board has requested each youth or adult program utilizing the parks share their needs. "What have you done to the parks this calendar year, and what are you looking at for next year?" explained Ison. He said so far he's heard from Jay County Pee Wee Football, which he said has not indicated any needs for 2024. He set a deadline of Oct. 16 to hear from each organization so he can take the information to park board's next meeting.

·Learned Ison will be attending city council's meeting Oct. 16 to give an update on park board's projects completed this year, discuss Portland Water Park — he noted the water park has a significant increase in funding in the 2024 budget — and talk about projects slated for 2024.

•Agreed to the \$800 purchase and installation of two cameras NuWave Technology at Portland Water Park.

SERVICES

Friday Ward, Leemon: 2 p.m., Dunkirk Church of Nazarene, 226 E. Center St.,

Dunkirk.

Bowers, Marilyn: 2 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Tuesday Calhoun, Bill: 10 a.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

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Citizen's calendar

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Thursday

of Works, mayor's office, city hall, 321 N. Meridian St.

Monday

Court St., Portland. 3 p.m. — Jay County

Redevelopment

9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N.

mission, auditorium, 4 p.m. — Portland courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 3:45 p.m. — Jay Coun-

ty Election Board, vot-

ing room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 4 p.m. — Jay County Public Library Board, Community Room,

library, 315 N. Ship St.,

Portland.



Photo provided

Trustworthy students

East Elementary School recently awarded several of its students for being trustworthy. Pictured above, first row, are kindergarteners Mark Nieport and Sophia Jellison. In the second row are kindergarteners Breah Kahlig, Nation Kiwanuka and Karter Ward. Not pictured are Camden Shewmake and Porter Huntsman.

Father feeling helpless

DEAR ABBY: I have failed in a 30year relationship and as a father of five. After feeling terrible for a number of years, I was finally diagnosed with a blood disorder. I was prescribed a chemotherapy pill and, two years later, was diagnosed with extreme neuropathy. Depression set in. I let myself go and rarely got out of bed. My wife complained because she wanted me to be more involved with the children, but I failed.

We are now going through a divorce. I have been cut off from my 13-year-old son, and I don't know how to reconnect. He's the youngest of my kids, and he's very special to me because he is adopted, as was I. I need help. I'm not good at asserting myself. Please help me because my heart is broken. — NEEDS HELP IN PENN-**SYLVANIA**

DEAR NEEDS HELP: The individuals who can provide the help you are looking for would be your

Dear Abby



divorce lawyer and a licensed mental health professional. The former will see to it that your legal rights as a parent are enforced; the latter can help you become more assertive as well as, hopefully, reconnect with your youngest child. Your heart may be broken, but it will heal more quickly if you start now.

DEAR ABBY: Out of nowhere, my husband announced he thinks we should unfriend each other on Facebook. I got upset and told him it

would make me feel insecure about us, because I think there is no reason for it. I find it very suspicious, and if there is a reason, I think we should split up. He unfriended me anyway. He called me closed-minded and said I value Facebook over our marriage. Is he right? — SOCIAL MEDIA-MINDED IN GEORGIA

DEAR S.M.M.: No, he's not right. Your husband's announcement was a red flag. When a spouse does what your husband has done, it's usually because he doesn't want his partner to see what he is posting and doesn't want to be monitored.

You need to discuss this further so he can explain his reasons. If the discussion is not productive, offer your husband the option of counseling with a licensed marriage and family therapist. If he refuses, consult an attorney so your interests will be protected.

Enrollment now open for 4-H

It's that time of year. Enrollment is now open for the upcoming 4-H year.

Children in third through 12th grades are welcome to join 4-H. Mini 4-H is also offered to kindergarteners through second graders.

The youth development program started more than 100 years back offers a variety of clubs and hands-on experiences for children to learn about their community and world. Jay County Purdue Extension Office advises children to sign up by Jan. 15 for the full experience. Enroll at v2.4honline.com. To learn more, call (260) 726-4707.

Dancing lessons

Square dancing introductory lessons continue today at Jay County Campus of Arts Place.

The class starts at 6 p.m. It costs \$5 per person to

For more information, contact John Cook at (765) 768-6329 or (765) 215-5924 or email squardance@aol.com.

Flu-Lapalooza

It's flu season.

Meridian Health Services is hosting its annual Flu-Lapalooza event from 1 to 6 p.m. today.

Flu-Lapalooza features free flu shots at Meridian location. Shots are available to anyone 6 months and older. Meridian will offer the shots at the MeridianMD locations at 406 W. Votaw St., Portland, and 1150 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

Lecture tonight

The Winchester Foundation will host a special lecture tonight to honor the anniversary of the death of its founder.

Leslie Lenkowsky, an Indiana University professor emeritus and former president of the Hudson Institute, will present "American Exceptionalism The View from the Midwest" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 5 at First Presbyterian Church in Winchester.

Lenkowsky served as CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service, appointed by President George W. Bush, from South Adams Senior Cen-2001 to 2004. He is a gradu-

Taking Note

ate of Franklin College and Harvard University.

The event is being held in Pierre F. honor of Goodrich, who died Oct. 25, 1973. Goodrich established The Winchester Foundation in 1945. Lenkowsky's presentation at the church, 201 E. Franklin St., is free.

Auditions upcoming

Creative Arts Theater of Wells County will hold auditions for its production of "White Christmas" Friday and Saturday.

Auditions will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Creative Arts Council, 428 S. Oak St., Bluffton. They are open to ages 12 and older.

Those interested in auditioning are urged to preregister at wellscocreativearts.com/holiday-production.

Performances will be Dec. 7, 8 and 9. For more information, call (260) 824-

Red Cross donations

The American Red Cross has a blood and platelet shortage.

In order to incentivize blood donations, the Red Cross is offering \$15 Amazon.com gift cards to those who donate between Oct. 1 and 20. Red Cross blood drives

are scheduled for 2 to 6 p.m. today at CrownPointe Assisted Living, 745 Patriot Drive, Portland. Schedule an appointment by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, using the Red Cross app or calling (800) 733-2767. Other blood drives in the area include 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 16, at First Presbyterian Church, 215 E. Dustman Road, Bluffton; 1 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 16, at Lehman Park Pavilion, 212 Park Ave., Berne; and noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at ter, 825 Hendrick St., Berne.

Community Calendar

email 8792. mit an item, news@thecr.com.

Thursday

ond Chance At Life Min- p.m. istries, 228 S. Meridian St.

Community Calendar as Eads at (260) 726-9625 or space is available. To sub- Dave Keen at (260) 251-

PORTLAND LIONS CLUB — Will meet the first Thursday of the CELEBRATE RECOV- month at Portland Lions ERY — A 12-step Christian Civic Center, 307 W. 100 recovery program meets North. The meal will be at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. served at 6:30 p.m. and the each Thursday at A Sec- meeting will begin at 7

FORGET-ME-NOT — A in Portland. For more support group for par-

Notices will appear in information, call Brenda ents, friends and relatives who have lost a baby through miscarriage, birth or illness will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Vincent Randolph Hospital, Winchester, in community room 1. For more information, call Kimberly Sibery at (765) 964-6075 or Nikki Bosworth at (765) 584-6452.

Friday

DUNKIRK HISTORI-CAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first and third Friday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

RECOVERY PAST SERVICES — Peer Addiction Support Team recovery support group meets at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. each Friday at the Jay County **Drug Prevention Coalition** office at 100 N. Meridian St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-

SOFT SHOULDERS — A support group for anyone suffering from memory loss, will meet at 10:30 a.m. the first Friday of each month in the Fireplace Room at Edelweiss Place at Swiss Village in Berne. For more information, call (260) 589-3173.

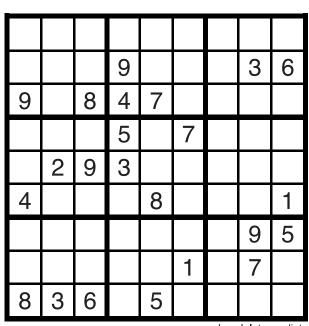
CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will meet at noon Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

Saturday

LOCALS MARKET — Is held from 8 a.m. to noon each Saturday in May through October on East Main Street in Portland. For more information, contact The Flower Nook at (260) 726-7166.



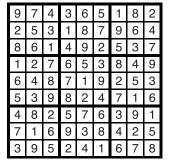
Sudoku



Level: Intermediate

Wednesday's Solution

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



Why don't we value front-line jobs?

By MORTON J. MARCUS

My friends are traveling. They were in Sioux City, then Pierre, and headed for the Badlands. They are thoughtful people, and they'll leave a good tip for the maids who clean their motel or hotel rooms.

Just for fun, I looked up some data about their journey. In Iowa, according to the latest (May 2022) report from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, maids and housekeeping cleaners average \$13.58 per hour. In South Dakota, they average \$13.32 per hour. Both are less than Hoosier maids and housekeeping cleaners who get a royal \$13.79 per hour.

I understand. The pay level is not a reflection on the quality of

Eye on the Pie



work these workers do scrubbing junior's chewing gum off the TV screen and dad's explosion after consuming that third bowl of chili. No!

It's old supply and demand, bringing about equilibrium where willing firms hire willing workers in a highly competitive

"What's it worth to you to step ana, the premium for being a voice when we learn Hoosier into a nice clean room each night, with fresh sheets and folded towels, a clean toilet and an empty waste basket?" what do you think they'd say?

Of course, the sophisticated people who read this column recognize it's not the maid alone who should get credit for the clean room. Don't forget Ms. Legree, the first-line supervisor of housekeeping and janitorial workers, who makes sure each room is spotless and prepared according to The Manual of Travel Accommodations.

In Iowa, Ms. Legree earns \$21.46 per hour, 58% more than the maid. In South Dakota, the If someone asked my friends, differential is 52%, and in Indi-

supervisor is 60% more per hour than being the maid.

Lest we forget, there are management folks up the ladder. Plus there is the mortgage on the property, the return on investment for all that infrastructure (including the SuperComfy® mattress), the franchise fees and the local "hospitality" taxes on the traveling

If you were a person seeking equity, you might argue that the people who protect us are among the most important people in society. That's why firefighters and police officers are well paid for their jobs. Then why not pay more for protection from disease.

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janitors make \$15.44 an hour, dishwashers \$12.31 and refuse collectors \$20.45? Is it because they deal with what you leave behind, what you cast away, what you don't value, what you say 'uuch' to when your 2-year old comes to you with a big smile and a big pile of uuch in hand?

These occupations are on the front line of public health. In their absence, we would need more doctors and nurses. Why are we unwilling to pay more to those who clean up after us?

Marcus is an economist. Email him at mortonjmar-

GOP must give us better debates

The Gazette (Colorado

Springs, Colorado) Tribune News Service

Our country faces overwhelming challenges. Each requires swift and effective action, not a debate-stage food fight among bottom-tier candidates in the Republican primary.

Each day, Americans see a humanitarian crisis at the border, a deadly crime budget-busting inflation, soaring fentanyl deaths and a president who lost on stage as China and Russia plot against him.

parallel drop in consumer confidence, the electorate wants viable solutions to take back America and make her great again. Average Americans — people who don't immerse themselves in politics full time — want solutions, and they don't care which party delivers them.

One might hope Americans could look to the Grand Old Party for solutions, given their recent experience with Democratic control of the White House and one branch of Congress.

Wednesday's debate should have left voters with inspiring ideas and a dilemma regarding which candidate is best. Instead, the debate was so low rent it made an absent Trump seem within reach of normalcy.

Throughout the night, candidates talked over each other, name called standoff among three and basically created an unsightly affair few look forward to seeing again.

a share of blame, but only the Republican Party can regulate the circus. It must host future debates with a structure and vibe less like reality TV and more becoming of the White

At this point, crowded debates are too chaotic for a country desperate to lower the drama. Wednesday's display appeared

needlessly goofy.
All seven on Wednesday offered similar, traditional Republican platforms on key issues. The party's only job at this juncture is to help Republicans choose a likable and electable key word "electable" candidate who will inspire with vision followed by actions and results.

Former New Christie Chris inspired and entertained few, if any, by nicknaming former President Donald Trump "Donald Duck." It fell flat. Maybe Christie audiences like the cartoon Haley, Scott and Trump.

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duck. By playing the duck card, Christie looked like a version wannabe Trump — the master of derogatory branding. Given a choice between two tristate bullies, voters will choose Trump as the evil they know.

North Dakota Gov. Doug Burgum, a self-funded bil-Given our plight, and the lionaire, appears dignified and knowledgeable — just not electable. He did himself no favors by interrupting and demanding more attention from moderators.

Like Burgum, former President Vice Mike Pence appears dignified and becoming of the office. But the party must acknowledge his low prospect of success. Sadly, flamboyance means more in modern politics than staid elder statesmanship.

Vivek Ramaswamy, also a self-funded billionaire, exudes self-confidence and adores the camera. Former South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley and others on stage have exposed Ramaswamy as politically feckless with much to learn about public policy.

If Republicans want to win, they will limit the field for a third debate in November. The party could and should produce a viable Trump alternatives, including:

-Florida Gov. Ron Each candidate can take DeSantis, a war veteran and scholar who worked

through Yale and Harvard Law School with a good record for his pandemic leadership.

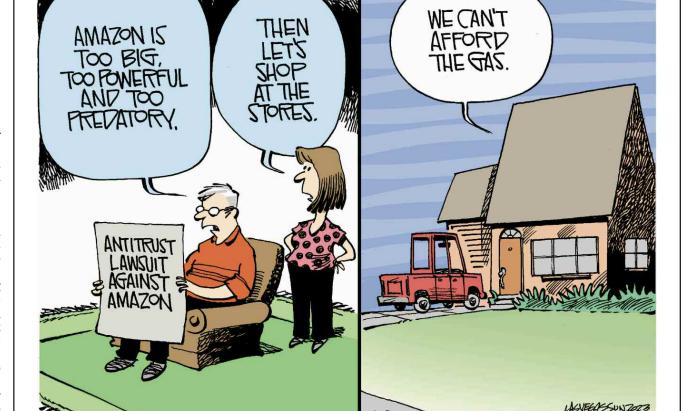
—Haley, an astute political insider with a high acumen for politics foreign and domestic.

Carolina South Sen. Tim Scott, an affable man who grew up in poverty under the tutelage of his single mom and scrapped his way to success. -Trump, if he will par-

ticipate.

Candidates Trump for not showing up Wednesday. While lamenting this fact, those on the crowded stage appeared so desperate for a breakout they made Trump seem almost normal.

If Republicans want to preclude another Biden term, they will stop with come-one-come-all debates. Limit these shows to four candidates with the didn't get the memo, but best odds to win: DeSantis,



Stubbornness defined her success

By MARK Z. BARABAK

Los Angeles Times Tribune News Service

On Thursday, Dianne Feinstein cast her final Senate vote, on a measure aimed at preventing a looming government shutdown.

Hours later, she was gone. That last public act is a fitting one

for California's legendary U.S. sena-Her life was devoted to politics and

public service, words she used with sincerity and no hint of irony. In truth, Feinstein really had no

other life outside government, which explains why she remained in office, a shell of her old self at age 90, long after mental and physical incapacity should have forced her retirement.

It was selfish, no doubt — though it should be noted Feinstein was reelected, handily, at age 85 when her diminished state was plain for voters to see.

There another, was admirable side to that stubbornness and refusal to quit: A ramrod determination and unsinking resilience that girded Feinstein through a lifetime filled with maelstrom.

A nightmarishly abusive childhood. Widowhood at a relatively young age. A recall effort. An attempted assassination. Failed tries at office and a political career headed to an unremarkable end until, in a blink, it wasn't.

Feinstein had planned on quitting politics on the November 1978 day that San Francisco Mayor George Moscone was shot and killed along with Harvey Milk, her colleague on the board of supervisors. As board president, Feinstein assumed the job she had twice failed to capture on her

It was a cinematic moment captured in a television ad that years later catapulted her into contention for California governor. Feinstein lost that 1990 contest, narrowly, but two years later, her momentum car-

Mark Z. Barabak



she became one of the most importhe state has ever sent to Washing-

It is easy now to overlook, in Feinstein's sad and diminished final days, the commanding and regal figure she once was

Feinstein ruled over San Francisco like a potentate, hands on and fingernails dug in. She became, according to polls, one of the most admired women in America and nearly landed as Democrats' 1984 vice presidential nominee.

She was a path-blazer for women in politics. It was not just aspiring to offices that once seemed off-limits. Rather, Feinstein showed the possibilities of women in power by becoming a Senate master on subjects such as crime, national defense and intelligence policy — areas once seen beyond the purview of a female law-

She fought the National Rifle Association and scored a rare victory by pushing through a 10-year ban on assault-type weapons. She muscled through legislation protecting a vast swath of the California desert. She brought the CIA to heel with a report condemning its detention and interrogation practices.

Covering her steel core was a thick skin. ("Never let them see you cry' was the advice Feinstein gave and the title veteran political reporter Jerry Roberts used for his 1994 biography.)

Despite her San Francisco pedigree, Feinstein was despised by many on the political left, who found her personally too prissy and politiried her into the U.S. Senate, where cally too centrist. She made her entry California and the West.

on the state political scene being booed at a Democratic convention for defending the death penalty. (Feinstein eventually changed her stance.) Disdainful liberals were among the loudest voices seeking her exit when she fell ill.

It was a sign of changing times, which were not kind to Feinstein, and not just because of the physical and mental infirmities that came with her advanced age.

Politics is much different than when she started. There is less room and inclination for bipartisanship. There is a performative aspect tweets and stunts and show-offy antics aimed not at passing legislation or accomplishing very much of substance but rather scoring points and "owning" the opposition.

That was neither Feinstein's strength nor inclination. She regularly infuriated fellow Democrats by reaching across the aisle to work with Republicans.

Soon after President Donald Trump took office, Feinstein caught unshirted hell from the left for suggesting — just maybe, in a make-thebest-of-it concession — that if Trump performed a 180 and changed, he might make a good president. It was a triumph of hope over experience, but showed her willingness to at least give the other side the benefit of the

Those who knew her well — and few knew Feinstein better than Roberts — insisted she would never bow to pressure, however strong and unrelenting, and leave the Senate before she chose. Indeed, in characteristic fashion, Feinstein departed on her own terms, suddenly and, despite her widely chronicled ailments, unexpectedly.

She remained determined, unwavering and, for good or ill, fixed on her course to the very end.

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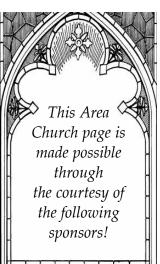
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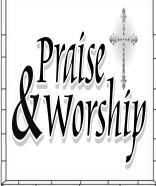
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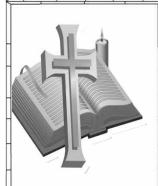
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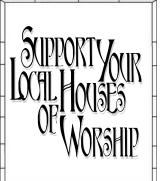
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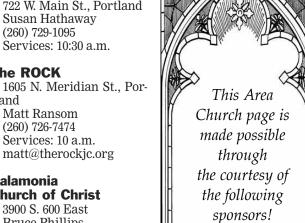
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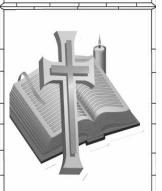
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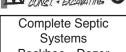
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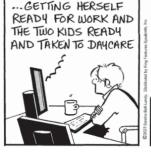




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*artificial, strong Opening lead — jack of diamonds.

One of the best ways to decide whether you have the values to open with a forcing two-bid is to imagine that you open with one of a suit instead and partner passes. If your immediate reaction is that you would like to be in game even though partner has less than six points, you should open with a forcing two-bid.

Here South, looking at 11 solid

tricks, had a clear-cut opening two-bid. When partner had enough to make a positive response and later showed the ace of clubs in response

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to Blackwood, South very reasonably undertook a grand slam. His next problem was how to play the hand after West led a diamond.

South has one potential loser to take care of — the queen of hearts — and there are three possible ways to take care of it. Two are obvious He can try a heart finesse, or he can try a club finesse. If the finesse he chooses succeeds, he makes the

grand slam. But if the finesse loses, South does not get a second chance. Furthermore, there is no compelling reason to prefer one finesse over the other. Each has a 50% chance

of success.

The third approach, not quite as easy to see, substantially increases declarer's chances. For starters, South gives up on the club finesse. This leaves him no worse off, since he still has the heart finesse in

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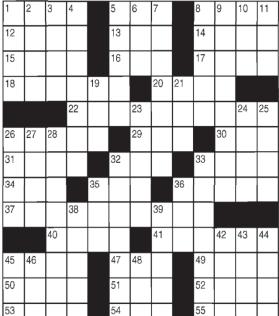
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Breaks

The Huskies have now ended the season for Jay County in each of the last five years. The Patriots fell to Hamilton Heights by 5-0 scores in the 2019 opening round and 2020 semifinal, and dropped the 2021 sectional championship game 9-0 before last season's penalty-kick thriller.

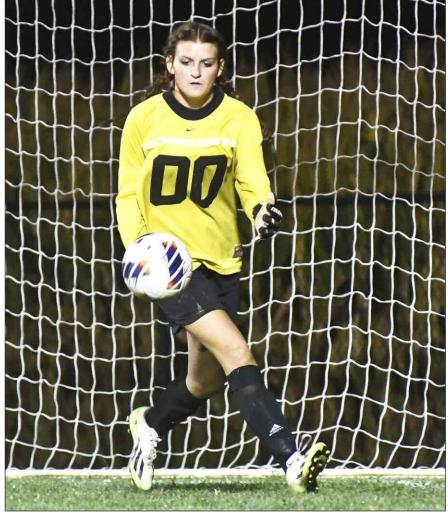
Jay County's offensive opportunities were generally limited to attempts at through balls, which were either turned away or scooped up by goalie Audrey Lang, and long-distance shots from 20 yards and beyond.

"When you have someone like number 32 (HHHS senior Annabelle Peterson) ... I don't think a ball went past her," said Muhlenkamp. "She didn't mess up at all. ... Any type of long ball we had it was either too deep of a ball and the goalie got or (Peterson) would stop it before we got there.'

Molly Muhlenkamp took three corner kicks in the final 40 seconds of the opening half, with the last one coming closest to a score as Morgan DeHoff's deflection went off the crossbar. (Had the ball gone in, however, the Patriots were going to be called for offsides.)

JCHS also had a chance to tie the game early in the second half when the Huskies were called for a foul just outside the 18-yard box. The ensuing free kick from Aixa Lopez sailed high and over the goal.

Hamilton Heights tacked on two second-half goals, the first coming on a give-and-go between Lizzy Smith and Ella Hickok. The former found her way through what remained of the Patriot defense after the passes and fired a shot just over six minutes later when left corner.



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Goalie Angel Clairday of Jay County slides over to make a save during the second half Tuesday. The Patriots finished their season at 6-9-1.

high to the right corner for a 2-0 Hickok, the team's leading scorer, advantage with 19:12 remaining.

fended off JCHS senior Ellie Wen-The Huskies' final goal came del and connected on a shot to the

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Today Jay County — Volleyball at New Castle –

Fort Recovery — Volleyball vs. Minster – 5 p.m.; Middle school football vs. Parkway – 5 p.m.; Middle school volleyball

vs. New Knoxville – 5 p.m.

Blackford — Girls soccer sectional vs. Manchester at Wabash - 5 p.m.

Friday

Jay County — Football at Lapel – 7 p.m. Fort Recovery — Football at Parkway

TV sports Today

- Major League Baseball playoffs: Texas Rangers at Tampa Bay Rays (ABC)

4:30 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: Toronto Blue Jays at Minnesota Twins (ESPN)

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10 p.m. — NHL: Colorado Avalanche at Vegas Golden Knights (TNT)

9:30 a.m. — Qatar Grand Prix

p.m. — College football: 7:30 Kansas State at Oklahoma State (ESPN) 8 p.m. — College football: Nebraska at Illinois (FS1)

Local notes

Wrestling clinic set Jay County Wrestling Club has set their free elementary wrestling clinic for Monday, Oct. 9 through Thursday,

athletes Young between kindergarten and sixth grade are able to participate by arriving at the high school wrestling room at 4:25 p.m. Participants should wear a t-shirt and shorts. The clinic will then start at 4:30 and run until 5:30.

There is no need to pre-register, as the club will take names, grades and weights on the first day of the clinic. At the clinic, young athletes will

receive instruction from the Jay County wrestlers and coaching staff to learn the sport. On the final day, there will be a small tournament held in the wrestling room with three or four different pools.

The event is designed for those who are new to the sport, but experienced wrestlers are also welcome. If interested in continuing with wrestling, there will be a signup on the final day of the clinic for Jay County Wrestling Club.

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Jay County Patriots

Portland, 4-3

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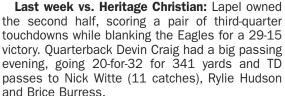
Last week at South Adams: Jay County had a chance to win on fourth-and-1 from the 6-yard line with 10.2 seconds left and no timeouts, but the Starfires' Diesel Zeigler snagged quarterback Sean Bailey's jersey as he tried to run a bootleg to preserve his team's 23-23 homecoming victory. A.J. Myers and Bryce Wenk ran for 107 and 87 yards, respectively, to lead the Patriot offense.

Season leaders: Passing — Sean Bailey – 44-of-80 for 705 yards and 10 TDs. Rushing — A.J. Myers – 175 carries for 816 yards and 11 TDs. Receiving — Justin DeHoff – 12 receptions for 317 yards and four TDs, Benson Ward – 12 receptions for 211 yards and four TDs. Defense — Garrett Bennett - 55 tackles.

at **Lapel Bulldogs**

Coach: Tim Miller, 11th year

Conference: Independent



Season leaders: Passing — Devin Craig – 135of-222 for 1,808 yards and 20 TDs. Rushing -Jack Miller – 93 carries for 408 yards and two TDs. Receiving — Nick Witte - 53 receptions for 745 yards and seven TDs, Rylie Hudson - 32 receptions for 460 yards and nine TDs, Brice Burress -23 receptions for 263 yards and four TDs. Defense Rylie Hudson – 48 tackles.

Last season: The Patriots led 21-7 before giving up three consecutive touchdowns. They still had a chance to tie the game, moving the ball to the Lapel 23-yard line in the final minute before Bulldog cornerback Rylie Hudson stepped in front of Sean Bailey slant intended for Patrick Hemmelgarn and intercepted it. Lapel freshman quarterback Devin Craig threw for 183 of his 266 yards in the second half.

Game notes: Jay County is 0-4 all-time against the Bulldogs After a 3-0 start, the Patriots have lost three of their last four games. They need to win one of their final two games in order to have a winning regular-season for the first time since 2016 ... Lapel must win its last two games in order to finish with a ninth straight winning regular season ... Cal-Preps.com lists the Bulldogs as 18-point favorites.

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HH breaks through



County High School senior Molly Muhlenkamp tries to send the ball upfield against Emma Linville (8) of Hamilton Heights during the first half of Tuesday's sectional semifinal game at Yorktown Sports Park. (Trailing the play is Natalie Marcum of the Huskies.) The first 34 minutes of the game were scoreless before Hamilton Heights broke through. JCHS went on to a 3-0 loss, marking the fifth consecutive year in which its season has come to an end against the Huskies.

Goal late in first half snapped long scoreless streak as Jay County's season again came to an end against the Huskies

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

YORKTOWN — The Patriots and Huskies had played 128 sectional minutes against each other without a goal being scored.

It took a midfielder's aggressiveness to find a shot to break the silence.

Addyson Ferguson's score with 5:10 left in the first half broke the lengthy stalemate and sparked her Hamilton Heights Huskies as they ended Jay County's season in the IHSAA

Sports Park.

"I think tonight was one of those nights when you go in and play a team you know that they can be beatable as long as everyone shows up," said JCHS coach Kendra Muhlenkamp, whose team finished its season at 6-9-1. "Everyone did show up. Everyone gave 100%. ... I really couldn't ask for any more.

"They're a really good team. That's kind of the bottom line."

The win sends the Huskies

round Tuesday at Yorktown first of two sectional semifinal also not shy about circling the as they played to a scoreless games at 5 p.m. tonight at Yorktown Sports Park. (The Eagles disposed of Centerville 9-0 in Tuesday's other opening-round game, which ended about two minutes early by way of the mercy rule.) New Castle and the host Tigers will follow in the other semifinal.

Ferguson plays a key role in controlling the ball for the Huskies in the midfield. Often that involves sending the ball forward and then dropping back Class 2A Sectional 24 opening (10-4-3) to play Delta (9-6-2) in the toward the center line. But she's other in 128 minutes, 50 seconds,

play to make herself an offen- deadlock through regulation sive weapon, HHHS coach Jarrod Mason said.

That's what she did to get the breakthrough goal Tuesday for the Huskies. She was in position

in the top right corner of the 18yard box and ripped a powerful shot that got past Jay County goalie Angel Clairday, hit the net and caromed quickly back out onto the field.

team had managed against the played."

and two seven-minute overtime periods before deciding last season's sectional championship game in penalty kicks.

"This was a tremendous match-up last year," said Mason. "We knew ... nothing was going to be easy. We assumed they would come out with a lot of fire...

"I'm happy with the score. I'm It marked the first goal either really happy with how we

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Dirksen keeps his season alive

Senior's victory advances him in singles tournament

NOBLESVILLE — It was the end of the road for most

of the Patriots. One will still play on.

The Jay County High School boys tennis team's season came to an end Tuesday as it fell 4-1 to the Delta Eagles in IHSAA Regional 14 at Noblesville.

Although the team lost, Abraham Dirksen at the No. 1 singles position won. He is undefeated in tournament play thus far, qualifying him to move on as an individual.

The senior earned the sole win for the Patriots (12-9). He dropped the first set this season, with Eli Dirk-

storming back for a 3-6, 6-3,

6-2 victory.

The closest Jay County came to earning another win came at No. 2 doubles from Isaac Miller and Luke Muhlenkamp. dropped the first set 6-2 to Aaron Elliott and Tyce Dishman. They forced a tiebreaker in the second, but couldn't finish, falling to Elliott and Dishman 6-2, 7-6 (7-5).

Jake Bilby had the best day for Delta, beating Liam Garringer in the No. 3 singles match 6-1, 6-0.

Eli Dirksen tested Kody Vest in the first set of the No. 2 singles match as he took three games. The second was controlled by Vest to give the Delta junior a 6-3, 6-0 victory.

In the No. 1 doubles match, Sam Myers and Gage Sims fell to Dalton Royal and Preston Shanayda 6-1, 6-2.

the seven players in the lineup to graduation after

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