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Council gives OK for Joyce Dayton

Abatements approved for expansion and new equipment

By **RAY COONEY**

The Commercial Review

A local firm will get some tax breaks as it plans to invest millions in its facility.

Portland City Council on Monday approved a pair of tax abatements for Joyce/Dayton, which plans to purchase new equipment and expand its site at the southeast corner of Meridian Street and county road 100 North.

Travis Richards, executive director of Jay County Development Corporation, presented the tax abatement requests from Joyce/Dayton to council last month.

The company plans to expand its operation at 1621 N. Meridian Street with a 25,000-square-foot addition. It is estimated at \$6 million.

Joyce/Dayton also plans to purchase \$1.7 million in new equipment.

Combined, the expansion and the new equipment are expected to create 22 new jobs.

The expansion is eligible for a 10-year abatement that would save the company \$823,000 in taxes. (It would generate \$953,000 in taxes over 10 years.)

The new equipment is eligible for a three-year abatement that would save Joyce-Dayton \$45,000 in taxes. (It would generate \$135,000 in taxes over 10 years.)

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At the polls

Rick Shannon, right, hands over his driver's license before voting Tuesday morning at Jay Community Center. This year's municipal election includes contested races for mayor in Dunkirk and Portland. For election results, visit thecr.com.

FR to get second traffic light

By **BAILEY CLINE**

The Commercial Review

FORT RECOVERY — It won't be a one-stoptlight village anymore.

Bids for installing a new traffic signal at the intersection of Elm and Butler streets will be opened Thursday.

Fort Recovery Village Council heard project updates Monday as well as news of utility superintendent Ryan Thien's resignation.

The village has been working with Ohio Department of Transportation

for months to allow for a new traffic light at the village intersection, which also serves as the intersection of Ohio 49 and Ohio 119. Fort Recovery decided

in October to move forward with the process, which involved engineering work and selecting a contractor. The village posted an advertisement

for bids Oct. 26. Village administrator Randy Diller noted several businesses have expressed interest in the project. Delivery for the device is expected to take nearly a year.

Council also learned Thien submitted his letter of resignation effective this week. Diller confirmed Thien has accepted a job elsewhere, and council decided in executive session Monday to advertise for the open position.

Diller reminded council members that Fort Recov-

ery Merchants Association will be hosting its Christmas Open House from Thursday through Sunday in the village. Activities include visits from Santa Claus on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday in Krenning Park, a tree-lighting ceremony at 7:15 p.m. Thursday in Krenning Park, a live nativity scene Sunday in the open lot next to A Simple Touch, horse and carriage rides Sunday at Fort Recovery State Museum and holiday shopping each day.

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Court hearing case about guns

By **DAVID G. SAVAGE**

Los Angeles Times

Tribune News Service

The Supreme Court on Tuesday confronted a major test of the 2nd Amendment and its protection for gun rights, including whether they extend even for people who are subject to a domestic violence restraining order.

At issue is the broader question of whether modern gun control laws may deny firearms to potentially dangerous people, including felons and drug addicts.

The court's conservatives strongly support the 2nd Amendment, and last year Justice Clarence Thomas wrote an opinion for a 6-3 majority that threatens many of the nation's gun laws enacted since the 1960s.

Thomas said the government may not deny an individual's right to bear arms unless it can "affirmatively prove" the restriction is "consistent with this nation's historical tradition."

Few gun laws can meet that test because there were few legal

restrictions on guns in early American history.

Relying on Thomas' opinion, the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans struck down the 1994 federal law that takes away the firearms of persons who have been judged to pose a "credible threat" to an intimate partner or their children.

"Doubtless," the appellate judges said, the law was well-intended and "meant to protect vulnerable people in our society," but that is not sufficient.

They ruled for Zackey Rahimi, a Texas man who had grabbed an ex-girlfriend and tried to force her into his car. She escaped and sought protection from the courts after he threatened to shoot her. He was later involved in five shooting incidents after a Texas state judge had put him under a restraining order that required him to give up his guns.

When police went to arrest him, they found two guns in his home, and he was charged with violating the court order.

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Picketing Paramount

SAG-AFTRA national executive director and chief negotiator Duncan Crabtree-Ireland (center) raises his fist while speaking Friday at the conclusion of picketing outside Paramount Studios on day 113 of their strike against the Hollywood studios in Los Angeles.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 72 degrees Monday. The low was 41.

Rain is expected tonight with a low in the upper 40s and winds gusting to 30 miles per hour.

Expect cloudy skies Thursday with a high in the mid 50s and continued windy conditions. Thursday's low will be in the upper 30s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Portland Redevelopment Commission has scheduled a special meeting for 8 a.m. Friday at Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland. An executive session will begin 10 minutes following the conclusion of the special meeting.

Coming up

Thursday — Results from tonight's JCHS girls basketball season opener.

Friday — Coverage of Wednesday's Jay County Council meeting.



Council ...

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Council members Kent McClung, Janet Powers, Don Gillespie, Michele Brewster, Matt Goldsworthy, Dave Golden and Mike Aker unanimously approved both abatements on the recommendation of the city's tax abatement advisory committee.

Golden thanked Richards for his work on the abatement and said he is hopeful Jay County Development Corporation will be fully funded soon. McClung echoed those sentiments.

Joyce/Dayton was one of 17 companies named to Indiana Chamber of Commerce's Best Places to Work in Manufacturing last month. The rankings for the list will be announced at the 2023 Best IN Manufacturing Awards Luncheon on Dec. 13 in Indianapolis.

Also Monday, council fell short of approving a change to the 2023 payroll ordinance to allow for a modification for police officer Kyle Denney.

Portland Mayor John Boggs, who was absent Monday, and

police chief Steve Schlechty previously requested the change as Denney returned to the department in September with a promise of full-time pay. Because he was gone from the department for more than 180 days, he cannot be considered full-time until he goes through a process related to the Public Employees Retirement Fund. The proposed ordinance change would have created a second tier of part-time pay to bring Denney up to match the full-time level.

Council members discussed the issue Monday, with McClung and Goldsworthy expressing support for the ordinance to fulfill what the city

promised Denney. Powers and Golden said they were uncomfortable with potentially setting a precedent and creating issues of unfairness toward other employees.

The ordinance nearly died for lack of a motion before Goldsworthy asked a question about the process and subsequently made a motion that it be approved retroactively to Denney's hire date in mid-September. Council split 3-3-1 with McClung, Goldsworthy and Brewster in favor, Powers, Golden and Aker against and Gillespie abstaining, leaving the ordinance one vote short of passage.

In other business, council:
•Approved making the inter-

section of two alleys on the west side of Arts Place a three-way stop. Shawnda Roussey of Arts Place visited council last month to request the change for the safety of those who walk to and from the Arts Place parking lot.

•Learned from clerk-treasurer Lori Phillips, answering a question from Brewster, that work on Walnut, High and Arch streets related to the Meridian Street storm sewer project is expected to be complete Monday, Nov. 13.

•Heard comments from Powers and Golden that city residents appreciated the large trash item pick up last week, with Golden saying there is a sentiment that such clean-up

days should be held at least twice a year.

•Were reminded by Goldsworthy and McClung that the city is picking up leaves. McClung reminded residents to remove sticks from leaf piles. He added that they should be raked to the edge of, and not into, the street.

•Learned from Phillips, answering a question from Golden, that bids for the live-streaming and recording of city meetings will be opened at the December Portland Board of Works meeting. A state law requiring live-streaming and recording of government meetings will go into effect July 1, 2025.

•Approved additional appropriations, including \$120,000 in the other contractual fund, \$50,000 from the cumulative capital improvement fund, a total of \$38,000 related to Portland Water Park and \$23,000 from the local option income tax (LOIT) police gas fund.

•Heard Golden encouraged residents to vote in the municipal election.

Motion to modify 2023 payroll ordinance deadlocks 3-3-1

Capsule Reports

Deer season

Two vehicles were towed after striking deer in Jay County recently.

Zane M. Massey, 20, Greenwood, was driving north on Indiana 1 just south of county road 900 North about 6:49 a.m. Thursday when a deer ran in front of his 2016 Chevrolet Cruze. He wasn't able to avoid hitting the animal. Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Brenda Cline, 60, Portland, was

driving her 2008 Ford Taurus X south on county road 400 South near the intersection with county road 700 East about 9:15 p.m. Wednesday when she hit a deer. Damage is estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

Turning accident

A Portland man attempting to change lanes on Meridian Street hit a Muncie woman's car with his truck about 10 a.m. Friday.

Charles Denney, 71, was driving his 2010 Ford F-150 east on the road at its intersection with Votaw Street. He told police he realized he was in the turning lane and needed to continue east, so he tried to pull into the eastbound lane. He didn't realize the 2015 Chevrolet Equinox driven by 32-year-old Jessica Clevenger next to him, and he crashed into her.

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

CR almanac

Thursday 11/9	Friday 11/10	Saturday 11/11	Sunday 11/12	Monday 11/13
56/37	52/30	50/29	52/33	55/34
Thursday looks to be mostly cloudy with high winds gusting as much as 20 mph.	Friday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies and a low at night below freezing.	Mostly sunny on Veterans Day, when the low will dip below 30 degrees.	Sunday should be mostly sunny with a high during the day in the 50s.	Sunny skies are on the horizon for Monday, when the high will be around 55.

Lotteries

Powerball Monday 12-25-40-59-61 Power Ball: 26 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$196 million	Daily Four: 1-0-1-2 Quick Draw: 6-14-20-24-25-38-40-43-44-46-48-50-51-52-56-58-66-67-69-71 Cash 5: 8-14-26-28-43 Estimated jackpot: \$1.034 million
Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$196 million	Ohio Monday Midday Pick 3: 1-0-0 Pick 4: 7-4-5-1 Pick 5: 5-6-7-2-7 Evening Pick 3: 8-2-8 Pick 4: 8-4-2-6 Pick 5: 8-7-6-7-5 Rolling Cash: 3-16-18-24-33 Estimated jackpot: \$110,000
Hoosier Monday Midday Daily Three: 3-6-8 Daily Four: 9-7-1-3 Quick Draw: 1-7-12-19-21-22-25-27-28-29-30-32-33-41-42-52-55-64-74-77 Evening Daily Three: 5-7-7	

Markets

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Today in history

In 1960, Democrat John F. Kennedy was elected president in a close race against Richard Nixon, who would become president eight years later.

In 2021, Jay County Commissioners allocated \$400,000 in economic development funds from Scout Clean Energy's Bitter Ridge Wind Farm to local municipalities, including \$100,000 each for Portland and Dunkirk and \$50,000 each for Redkey, Pennville, Salamonia and Bryant.

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Citizen's calendar

Today
5:15 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners and Jay County Council joint executive session, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St.
6 p.m. — Jay County Council, auditorium, Meridian St., Portland.

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Friday
8 a.m. — Portland Redevelopment Commission, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.

By NIKI KELLY

Indiana Capital Chronicle
indianacapitalchronicle.com

Two Indianapolis hospitals and a Goshen clinic will be forced to further answer civil demands on health care provided to transgender Hoosier minors, a judge has ruled.

Marion Superior Judge Gary Miller on Wednesday denied the motion to quash sought by Indiana University Health, Eskenazi Health and Mosaic Health and Healing Arts in a one-paragraph order.

He heard arguments in the case Oct. 31.

The documents in the case were all filed under seal. The demands themselves were released to the Indiana Capital Chronicle on Monday.

The civil investigative demands — which are similar to a subpoena — are the same for all three entities and were sent July 11.

They say the Attorney General's Office is conducting an investigation to determine whether the three health care providers are "misrepresenting and/or failing to disclose medical risks

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(For a complete list of activities and times, visit the merchants association's Facebook page.)

Also Monday, council:

•Amended its wage ordinance to give a probationary raise of 75 cents to Haiden Stidam, who has been with the police department for six months.

•Learned plans to do paving and drainage work on the driveway at Fort Site

Park will be delayed until spring. However, patch work will be completed Monday, Nov. 13, along several streets including Butler Street, Caldwell Street near its intersection with George Street and Fort Site Street near Fort Site Fuel gas station.

•Heard lights have been installed along the recreational trail at Fort Recovery Community Park, and lights are also expected to be installed soon along Wabash Road at its intersection with First Street.

Felony arrests

Drug possession

A Pennville woman was arrested Thursday for drug possession.

Amanda G. ShROUT, 45, 410 E. Pleasant St., Pennville, was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony for possession of

methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony for possession of cocaine or narcotic drugs and a Class A misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia.

She was being held on a \$4,500 bond in Jay County Jail.

SERVICES

Wednesday

Jackson, Tredasa: 11 a.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Baughman, Pamela: 1 p.m., Highland Memorial Park Cemetery, West Liberty, Ohio.

Ridgway, Terry: 8 p.m., Dunkirk Church of the Nazarene, 226 E. Center St., Dunkirk.

Thursday

Bumbalough, Robert: 4 p.m., MJS Mortuaries, 109 S. Meridian St., Redkey.

Friday

Whitesell, Chris: 2 p.m., Meacham Funeral Service, 648 W. State St., Albany.

Saturday

Osborne, William: 11 a.m., Cornerstone Church of Pennville, 190 W. Main St., Pennville.

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Ads 15 inches or larger may include a photo of your staff. For those who provide their own photo, the fee will be \$20. (The fee will be waived if you get your photo to us by Nov. 30.) If you'd like us to come take your picture, the fee will be \$50.

Deadline for all ads & photos is December 8th!

We try hard not to miss anyone who wants to be in this issue.

If you do not get contacted and would like to be in our Christmas Greetings special section, please email ads@thecr.com or call (260) 726-8141.

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Respectful students

East Elementary first grade students recently won awards for demonstrating respect. Pictured above, front row, are Autumn Murphy, Alaina Tenorio and Yaro Trejo Nieto. In the back row are Daneyri Lopez-Lucas, Daniela Alig and Carmen Laux.

Hospitals offer veterans meal

Two nearby hospitals will be serving a free meal to veterans in the next week.

Adams Memorial Hospital will be offering free meals to veterans from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the hospital's cafe, 1100 Mercer Ave., Decatur. Veterans may choose to bring one guest each with them. For more information, call (260) 223-4059. Reservations are not required.

Mercer Health will have a free lunch for veterans from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday at Mercer County Community Hospital, 800 W. Main St., Coldwater, Ohio. The hospital requests veterans bring their military identification cards.

Taking Note

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.

Enroll in 4-H

Enrollment is open for the upcoming 4-H year.

Grandparents prepare their final gifts

DEAR ABBY: For years, we have given generous gifts to our six out-of-town grandchildren and received almost no thanks or acknowledgment. It hurts my feelings because I devote a lot of thought, in addition to money, to choosing something special for each of them.

Obviously, they don't care, but when we have just sent checks, not knowing what they read, wear or want, our checks are always cashed. It's the same with gift cards. This year, we will send gifts to their parents — our own children. PERIOD. The grandchildren will receive your Let-

Dear Abby



"ticked off" readers each year. I'm sorry you didn't mention how old your grandchildren are, because the fault may lie with their parents, who should have taught their children this social skill from the time they were old enough to hold a writing implement. Some people procrastinate because they don't know how to express their feelings via the written word and fear they will say the wrong thing. They mistakenly think a thank-you note must be long and flowery when, in fact, short and to the point is

more effective. This is why the "How to Write Letters" booklet was written. It contains samples of thank-you letters for birthday gifts, shower gifts and wedding gifts, as well as those that arrive around holiday time. (It also includes letters of congratulations and ones regarding difficult subjects, such as the loss of a parent, a spouse or a child.)

This booklet can be ordered by sending your name and mailing address plus a check or money order for \$8 (U.S. funds), to: Dear Abby Letters

Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price.

With the holiday season fast approaching, this is the perfect time to reply with a handwritten letter, note or well-written email. Although handwritten notes are the "gold standard," many folks these days opt to take a shortcut by using technology that didn't exist before the quill and inkwell. While texts may seem cold or terse, they are better than no acknowledgment at all.

Community Calendar

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

Today

WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

PING PONG — Will be played from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays at West Jay Community Center.

BRYANT/NEW CORYDON SENIOR CITIZENS — Will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Bryant Community Center for a carry-in dinner. Meat is provided.

PORTLAND ROTARY CLUB — Will meet at noon each Wednesday in the cafe at John Jay Center for Learning, 101 S. Meridian St., Portland.

JAY COUNTY CIVIC THEATRE — Holds its regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in the boardroom at Arts Place, 131 E. Walnut St., Portland.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP — New Beginnings, a support group for friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 726-8229.

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 Wednesday at Redkey United Methodist Church, 122 W. Main St. Come early for a meal. For more information, call Pastor Randy Davis at (765) 369-2085.

Thursday

CELEBRATE RECOVERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. each Thursday 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.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH JAY HOSPITAL OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month in Indiana University Health Jay Hospital Conference Room B. The group is for ostomy and intestinal diversion patients and their friends and family to offer mutual support and learn about the latest products and information.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY POST 211 — Will meet at 6 p.m. Nov. 9 at the post at 211 W. Walnut St., Portland.

JAY COUNTY TRAILS CLUB — Will meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Jay Community Center.

Friday

PAST RECOVERY 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) 251-3259.

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 BREAKFAST 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.

Sudoku

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

Level: Intermediate

Tuesday's Solution

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

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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With aging comes some struggles

Editor's note: This column is being reprinted from Nov. 5, 2008. Anyone who loves a pet should be able to relate to this piece. It's not a good feeling when there's something clearly wrong with your pet but they are unable to communicate their dilemma with you.

By JACK RONALD
The Commercial Review

You know you're dealing with an old friend when the first words out of her mouth are, "How's the dog?"

Ruth Ann and I go way back, further than either of us would like to admit. I'm guessing the friendship pre-dates kindergarten.

She and Dale have lost a dog this year and are still dealing with the tough emotions that go along with that.

Fortunately, when the question was posed during intermission at Saturday's concert at Arts Place, Connie and I were

Back in the Saddle



the plastic poop bag I always need for such an occasion.

And the look I got back gave me some alarm.

She looked confused, as if something were going on with her body that she didn't understand. There was a pleading quality to it, and I wasn't in any position to answer her plea.

Eventually, she took the leash and we headed out the back door. There, she struggled with two short steps.

Like many big older dogs (she's a 15-year-old Lab), she's having more and more trouble with her hindquarters. Sometimes it seems as if her back legs are asleep. She no longer attempts to go upstairs at our house; the last time she did, I had to carry her down.

Normally, we just go around the block, though sometimes we take a shortcut through an alley. And, these days, we move pretty slowly, very much at her pace.

But on Wednesday, she was having none of that.

It was a struggle to simply walk around the house, and when we got back inside, she wanted nothing to do with dinner.

Clearly, something was wrong. But we had no idea what.

This is uncharted territory for our family. I lost a dog as a kid, but that was a long, long time ago.

Our only course of action was to watch and wait.

Thursday was no better. In fact, it was scary at times. The dog's level of unconsciousness when she slept seemed deeper than ever. Rousing her required concerted effort, and there was still no interest in food.

Should we call the vet? We didn't know, but we decided to wait until noon Friday before making the decision.

Should we call Sally and let her know what was going on? She received Shadow as a gift on her

seventh birthday. We thought about it and decided to wait on that as well.

Finally, on Friday, the old dog began to return to normal.

She sought Connie out during the day to let her know she wanted to go out and piddle. By noon, some of her appetite had begun to return.

By Saturday afternoon, she was able to make an abbreviated trip around the block and I came home with a poop bag that had been put to use.

That's why, on Saturday night, that simple question — "How's the dog?" — had hit the mark so cleanly. And that's why that simple answer — "Better" — felt so, so good.

It's not going to be an easy path. We're well aware of that. Anyone who has loved a pet can bear witness to that fact.

But right now, things are better. We've made it through another week.

Online drama continues IRL

The Dominion Post
(Morgantown, West Virginia)
Tribune News Service

Many were likely shocked, though perhaps not surprised, by the story of an online fight that ended in real-world violence in Westover, West Virginia, with an 18-year-old in police custody and charged with assault and a minor in the hospital with a concussion and other injuries.

"Shocked" because of the brutality of the fight. "Not surprised" because it is no longer uncommon for arguments started on social media to result in real-world drama.

Social media is no longer just a reflection of our lives — it's an extension. We actively engage with others through comments, shares, tags and direct messages. For young people, social media is essential to their interactions with their peers. So what starts in the real world can continue on social media, and what starts on social media can continue IRL — "in real life."

What can we, as the adults in kids' lives, do to prevent a fight like the one in Westover?

We can teach them to withstand peer pressure and that actions have consequences. We can also keep an eye on them and their social media interactions without invading their privacy.

Standing up to peer pressure means our kids have to have enough self-assurance to go against the crowd — but that requires a strong support system. When our kids know they can talk to us and that we will support them regardless, it makes it easier for them to say "no" when peers want them to say "yes."

We also have to teach them that actions have consequences: Online actions can have real-world consequences, and real-world actions definitely have real-world consequences. For example, schools are cracking down on cyberbullying, even though it mostly occurs off-campus. And if an online argument becomes physical, like the fight in Westover, then kids can be seriously hurt and, yes, even end up in jail.

Keeping an eye on our

Guest Editorial

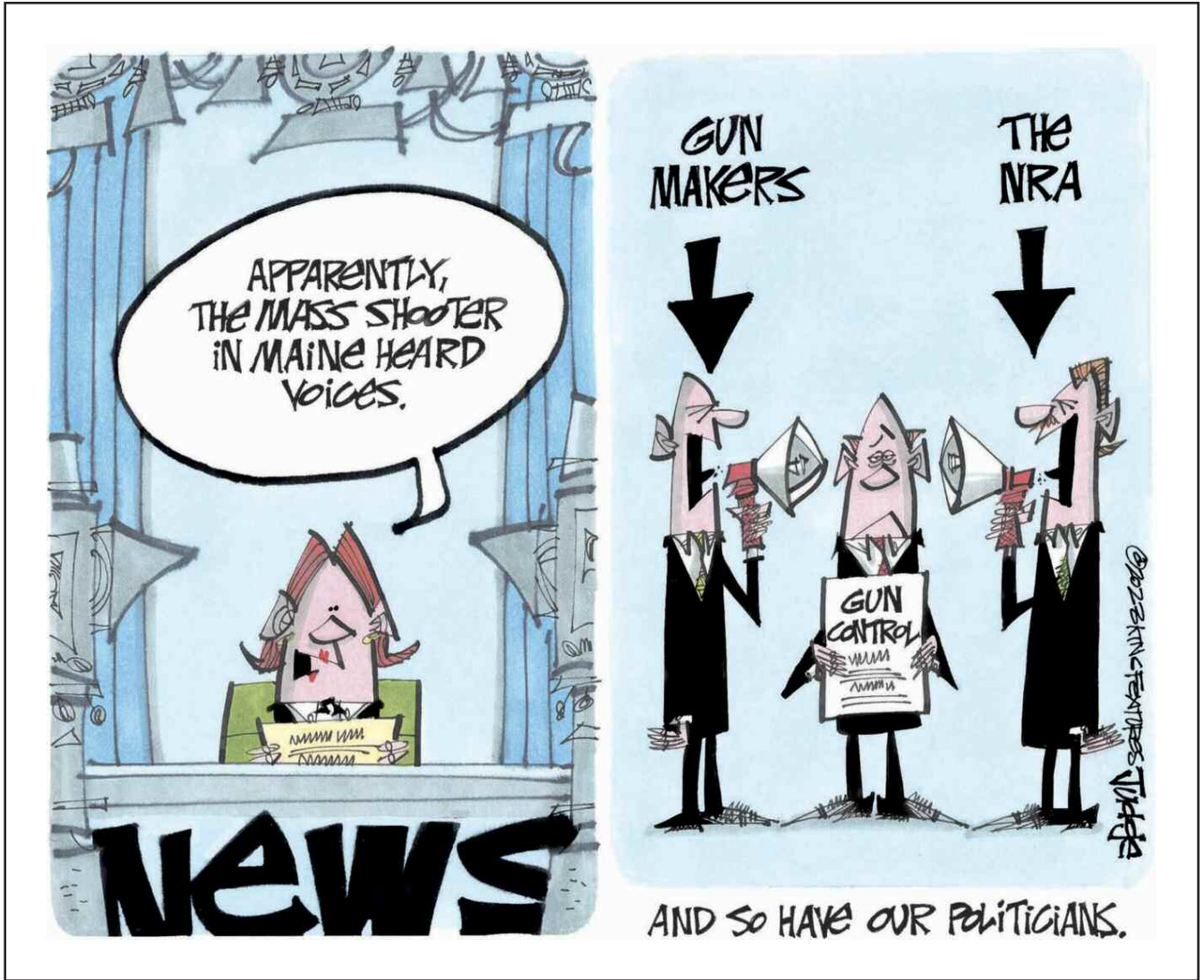
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kids requires walking a fine line. University of Connecticut assistant professor Caitlin Elsaesse has worked on dozens of studies about adolescence, violence and social media — one of which found the most effective way to prevent kids from being involved in cyberbullying — as victims or perpetrators — was a combination of "high warmth" and "high control" (with a caveat).

"High warmth" meant parents were supportive and active in kids' lives. We understand this to be as simple as having regular check-ins, open and honest conversations and reassuring them that family and friends are there for them.

"High control" did not mean "high restriction." Rather, parents were aware of their kids' online and offline activities. In the most effective strategies, parents worked with their kids to set boundaries regarding social media use, such as what apps were appropriate to use, how much time should be spent on them and who they should interact with and in what ways.

Parents who made unilateral decisions about what their kids can and can't do did not lower the chances their kids would become cyberbullies or victims. In our anecdotal experience, using highly restrictive control on kids doesn't prevent certain behavior — it just makes them hide it better. And that can make it even harder to keep our kids safe.



Attacks are overwhelming

By AVITAL PERES RACHMILEVITCH
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It's too much. Too much heartbreak. Too much fear. Too much anger. Too much hopelessness. I don't know how to feel all these feelings at once.

I'm drowning in my own sadness, my anxieties, my anger and dread. Every time I come back to the surface and catch my breath, I'm pushed back down by the unbearable weight of collective grief and horror and fear. I can't wake up from the nightmare of those first days after the attacks on Oct. 7 as the headlines rolled and the country reeled — another hour, another hundred bodies counted, another missing person added to the list of the abducted, another friend called up to serve.

I'm terrified. Terrified that the feeble barrier that's been protecting my family from danger in our home in central Israel will break, or that there is no barrier at all, that it's just an illusion. Terrified that we can no longer safely believe that our military might and our intelligence and our sophisticated defense systems can keep us safe. Terrified that when we wake up from the nightmare, this crazy place is going to have fallen off the precipice, beyond the point of no return. Terrified that the last faint ember of hope for justice and security and peace for us and our Palestinian neighbors will have finally burned out. That hate and resentment will be the only things that remain.

And I feel guilty. Guilty for my priv-

Avital Peres Rachmievitch



ilege. I live in a place where I can let my kids go and play in the yard because, if we hear a siren, we have 90 seconds to get to a shelter (90 seconds and not 60 or 30 or 15). Just far enough away from Gaza that rockets are less likely to land here and underground tunnels can't easily reach here. Just far enough from the sea. Just far enough from the Lebanese and Syrian borders.

And if it turns out that I'm not far enough away, I have another home. I could always just pack up my life and move back to an easier place. I'm privileged that none of my immediate relatives had to put on a uniform and run headfirst into the inferno. I'm privileged that none of my immediate relatives has met an unspeakable horror. I'm privileged that not a single one of the cacophony of fighter jets flying overhead is armed with explosives aimed at my house. Everything is happening just outside my small, insulated life.

I'm devastated. Crushed that this is how it had to go down. The terrorists won, and the rest of us lost. Everyone in this loud, hot, cramped corner of the globe is losing. Likewise, everyone on the outside who is at all connected to this place. Everyone in the

world who dreams of an independent Palestine alongside an independent Israel is losing. Sanity and patience and tolerance are losing. Only the haters are winning. They will come out of this feeling vindicated and self-righteous. The rest of us will be left with our fear, burying our dead and licking our wounds.

How did we get here? Why can't we talk to each other anymore? How have we let the voices of reason get drowned out by all this hate?

I'm angry. Angry that the people acting in my name don't share my dream of a just and sensible outcome. Angry that the people acting in the name of Palestinian rights have been hijacked by murderers. Angry that we're looking at each other and seeing the demons we each conjured with our own fear and mistrust.

Israel is my personal and collective homeland, but I have never had an easy relationship with it. I've been the scornful, judgmental child, not withholding my disapproval and disdain. I've been the ashamed, distant child, attempting to dissociate myself as much as possible. I've been the angry, rebellious child, screaming out my hate and resentment, lashing out with all the vitriol I can muster.

Through all of it, though, I just can't shake this place. Can't just walk away. So I'm stuck here, crying these endless tears, feeling all the feelings. I'm just so tired.

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Rachmievitch, a longtime Chicagoan, is now living and working in Israel with her husband and two small children.

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Fleeing Gaza

Palestinians fleeing Gaza City towards the southern areas walk on a road Tuesday amid the ongoing battles between Israel and the Palestinian Islamist group Hamas.

EU to move on making Ukraine a member

By ALBERTO NARDELLI, JORGE VALERO and JASMINA KUZMANOVIC
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Tribune News Service

The European Union's executive arm was scheduled to meet Tuesday to finalize a decision on whether to recommend formally opening Ukraine's membership talks, with expectations of a positive outcome for Kyiv but with conditions attached.

The European Commission will likely recommend that member states open formal negotiations upon the completion of reforms and legislation on minorities, anti-corruption as well as "de-oligarchization" and lobbying, according to people familiar with the matter and documents seen by Bloomberg.

The move comes as the E.U. looks to inject impetus into its enlargement policy following Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The final wording of the opinion was yet to be finalized, said the people, who asked not to be identified because the process is private.

Hundreds turn out for prayer vigil

By AMY LAVALLEY
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Tribune News Service

Varun Raj Pucha's parents put all of their resources toward their oldest son getting a graduate school education at Valparaiso University so he could succeed and ultimately assist his family, and he was on the cusp of graduating in December with a master's degree in computer science.

Now Pucha, 29, the victim of a stabbing on Oct. 29 at a Planet Fitness in Valparaiso, is in critical condition and in a coma at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, attended to by his cousins who live in the U.S. and his roommate from his off campus apartment, as his parents scramble to get the passports and visas they need to come to Fort Wayne from Khammam, in the state of Telangana in India, to be at his bedside.

Sunday, almost 300 people from the Indian community in the region, as well as representatives from the university, the Valparaiso International Center and the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana came together to lift Pucha and his family in their prayers.

They spoke out against the violent nature of the stabbing that, according to court records, gives Pucha a 0% to 5% chance of survival, wondered if it would

be categorized as a hate crime, and chanted Hindu prayers while they lit LED candles and held them above their heads in a darkened room at the Indian American Cultural Center in Merrillville.

"It's one of the most powerful mantras we have for healing," Sheela Kanda, who led the vigil, said of one of the prayers.

The prayer is for mental and emotional health and healing, and bestows longevity and immortality, "which is what we're hoping for, for Varun."

Police were called around 9 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 29, to Planet Fitness, 1270 Strongbow Centre Drive, after the altercation, in which Jordan Andrade used a knife for cutting open boxes to stab Pucha in the head with a wound so deep it reached his brain stem, according to charging documents.

Andrade, 24, of Porter Township, is being held in Porter County Jail on a Level 1 felony charge of attempted murder and a Level 3 felony charge of aggravated battery. During an initial hearing Friday, his bond was set at \$500,000 cash and \$500,000 surety and he was assigned a public defender.

Those charges are likely to be upgraded if Pucha dies from his injuries. Andrade has pleaded not guilty; his next court hearing is scheduled for Jan. 19.

Court ...

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But the 5th Circuit overturned his conviction and struck down the law as unconstitutional. "While hardly a model citizen, [Rahimi] is nonetheless among the people entitled to the 2nd Amendment's guarantees," wrote 5th Circuit Judge Cory T. Wilson.

On Tuesday, the court hears the Biden administration's defense of the law in the case of U.S. vs. Rahimi.

The oral arguments may give hints as to whether the court's conservatives remain united behind Thomas' history and traditional approach to the 2nd Amendment.

In the past, Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. and Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh said they believe the 2nd Amendment permits "a variety of gun regulations." And Justice Amy Coney Barrett said dangerous people may be denied guns.

In her appeal, U.S. Solicitor Gen. Elizabeth Prelogar wrote "the 2nd Amend-

ment allows Congress to disarm persons who are not law-abiding, responsible citizens."

She noted the court's conservatives had repeatedly described the Constitution as protecting the "right of an ordinary law abiding citizen" to have a gun for self-defense. However, "from the earliest days of the republic to modern times, legislatures have disarmed individuals who could not be trusted with firearms," she said.

States enforce these restraining orders, she said, and at least 48 states authorize taking away guns from people who are judged to pose a danger to a domestic partner. However, if the high court ruled the federal law violates the 2nd Amendment, its decision would likely void the state laws as well.

Prelogar said the need for the law was obvious. "Firearms and domestic strife are a potentially deadly combination," she wrote, quoting a 2009 opinion by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

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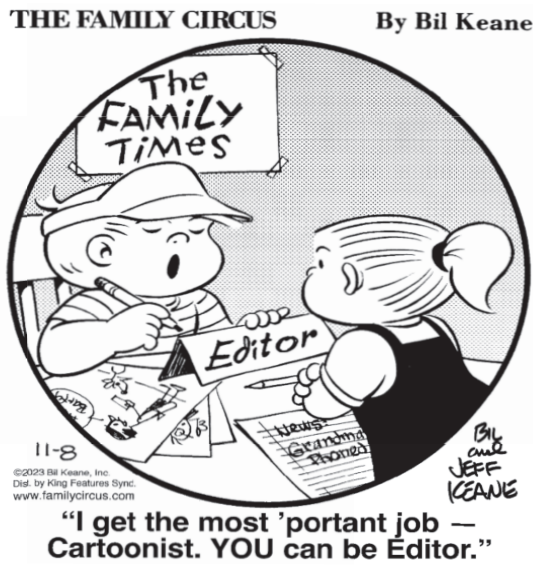
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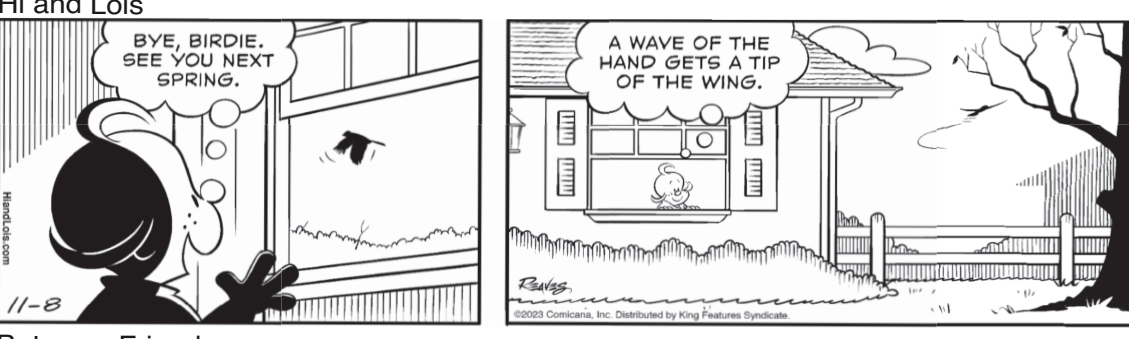
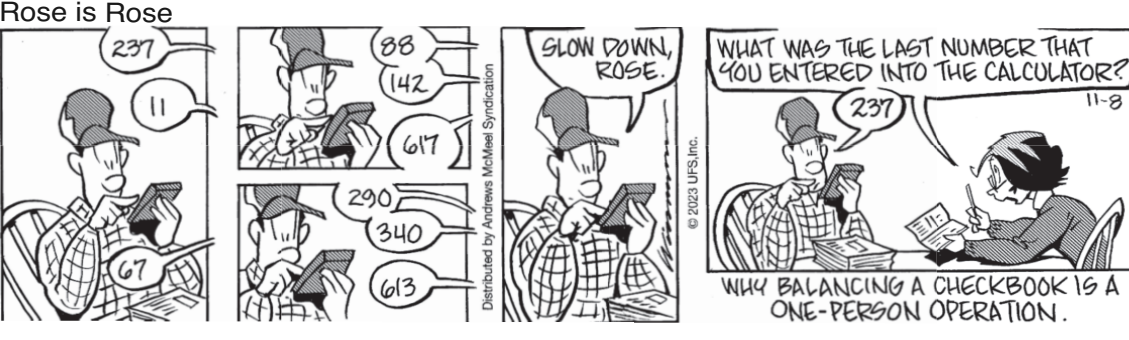
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Cubs hire Counsell to replace Ross On tap

By **MEGHAN MONTEMURRO**

Chicago Tribune
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SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — In a shocking twist, the Chicago Cubs are hiring Craig Counsell as their manager.

The Cubs announced Monday they are bringing in the former Milwaukee Brewers manager, whose contract expired at the end of this past season, and moving on from David Ross, who was under contract through next season with a club option for 2025. Counsell will get a five-year contract worth more

than \$40 million that would make him the major leagues' highest-paid manager. The Athletic's Ken Rosenthal reported. Counsell's agency, Meister Sports, confirmed that report.

"Today we made the difficult decision to dismiss David Ross as our major-league manager," Cubs President Jed Hoyer said in a statement. "On behalf of the Cubs organization, we express our deep gratitude for David's contributions to our club, both on and off the field.

"First as a player and then as a manager, David continually showcased

his ability to lead. David's legacy will be felt in Chicago for generations and his impact to our organization will stack up with the legends that came before him."

It's an abrupt ending to Ross' tenure in Chicago that saw the Cubs go 262-284 (a .480 winning percentage) under his direction the last four years. They were poised to reach the postseason this year for the first time since 2020, Ross' debut season as manager, before they collapsed during the final three weeks to squander their wild-card position. Despite the painful end-

ing, Ross received public support from Chairman Tom Ricketts and Hoyer when both were asked whether the former catcher on the 2016 World Series champions would return for the final year of his deal.

Ricketts and Hoyer commended the job Ross did in leading the Cubs turnaround this past season, going from 10 games under .500 in June to 12 games over .500 in early September, a first in franchise history.

Ross' strengths centered on managing the player and clubhouse element of the job and he

was well-liked by the team, with Hoyer noting during his end-of-season news conference in October that "creating that type of culture is incredibly difficult and he does a fantastic job of that."

The Brewers went 707-625 (.531) in Counsell's nine seasons as their manager and made the playoffs five of the last six years, including three National League Central titles.

His departure for a division rival will add spice to Brewers-Cubs series. The Cubs' first series in Milwaukee next year is scheduled for May 27-30.

Local schedule

Saturday
Jay County — Girls wrestling at East Noble — 9 a.m.; Girls basketball at Hamilton Heights — 6 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Girls basketball scrimmage vs. Russia — 12 p.m.

TV sports

Today
7 p.m. — NBA: Utah Jazz at Indiana Pacers (Bally Indiana)
7 p.m. — NBA: San Antonio Spurs at New York Knicks (ESPN)
7 p.m. — MLS: Philadelphia Union at New England Revolution (FS1)
7:30 p.m. — NHL: Florida Panthers at Washington Capitals (TNT)
7:30 p.m. — College football: Eastern Michigan at Toledo (ESPN2)
10 p.m. — NBA: Golden State Warriors at Denver Nuggets (ESPN)
10 p.m. — NHL: Los Angeles Kings at Vegas Golden Knights (TNT)

Thursday
7 p.m. — NBA: Milwaukee Bucks at Indiana Pacers (Bally Indiana)
7 p.m. — College basketball: Southern Indiana at Michigan State (BTN)
7:30 p.m. — College football: Virginia at Louisville (ESPN)
7 p.m. — Women's college basketball: Iowa at Virginia Tech (ESPN2)

Friday
6:30 p.m. — College basketball: LeMoine at Villanova (FS1); Youngstown State at Michigan (BTN)
7 p.m. — College basketball: Arizona at Duke (ESPN2)
7:30 p.m. — NBA: Brooklyn Nets at Boston Celtics (ESPN)
8:30 p.m. — College basketball: Rider at Marquette (FS1); Dayton at Northwestern (BTN)
9 p.m. — College football: North Texas at SMU (ESPN2)
10 p.m. — NBA: Los Angeles Lakers at Phoenix Suns (ESPN)
10:45 p.m. — College football: Wyoming at UNLV (FS1)

Saturday
7:30 a.m. — Premier League: Tottenham Hotspur at Wolverhampton (USA)
10 a.m. — Premier League: Luton Town at Manchester United (USA)
12 p.m. — College football: Michigan at Penn State (FOX); Tulsa at Tulane (ESPN2); Georgia Tech at Clemson (ABC); Texas Tech at Kansas (FS1); Indiana at Illinois (BTN)

Badger ...

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On the surface, it's clear how the death of leaves is beautiful. They change from green to bright and vibrant yellows, oranges and reds. Those of us who have yards may not care for them to be scattered all around their property, but unless you're colorblind, there will be some level of appreciation.

The beauty of dead leaves runs deeper than just the pretty aesthetic. It can bring back nostalgic memories of playing with neighbors and siblings after raking them into large piles. They will also decompose into the soil to help promote plant growth. There just are multiple ways to find beauty in their death.

There is also Dia de los Muertos, which is celebrated at the start of

November. The Mexican holiday, which translates to Day of the Dead, is a day for family and friends to come together and remember those who have died.

The theme of death here is clear without any further explanation. A name like Day of the Dead would imply the holiday is full of somber mourning. It couldn't be more opposite.

It is a day of celebration. Altars are adorned with bright colors like the orange Mexican marigold, photos, memorabilia and calaveritas or sugar skulls. Food is offered and consumed by the living. It truly is a beautiful holiday of death.

Then we roll around to the death of my social life. Friends can forget that I exist with how much of a recluse I become. If you want to

schedule time with me in the fall, you better do it before 6 p.m. on a weekday.

Why? NCAA basketball begins. The sport that keeps me going kicks off in early November. The sport that inspired me to become a sports journalist tips off.

Nothing else matters now. College basketball will now suck hours out of my week. At the time of writing this column, the first game tipped off 14 hours ago and I've already watched 10.5 hours worth of the sport.

I've seen IUPUI secure the best record in the NCAA with a 70-63 victory over Spalding. I watched Oregon outlast Georgia 82-71 in the first power five matchup of the season. I checked in on 2023 National Player of the Year Zach

Edey as Purdue steamrolled Samford 98-45. I had my first split-screen situation to watch No. 4 Michigan State be upset by James Madison 79-76 in overtime while No. 21 USC took down Kansas State 82-69 in Las Vegas. During all of this I was texting friends back home about the Wisconsin-Arkansas State game that wasn't televised. Finally, my night finished with mid-major basketball just past 2 a.m.

It truly is an obsession that will result in the death of my social life. But it's worth it to consume the most beautiful sport to grace the globe.

So don't hate autumn or mourn the death it brings. Celebrate it for all the beauty that comes with the season.

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Saturday morning
NOVEMBER 11, 2023
9:30 A.M.
REAL ESTATE
PARCEL #1: 2 Story home with 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, large family room, partial basement, and a 2 car attached garage.
This home has a new gas furnace plus a wood furnace, newer windows, new well, and a metal roof. This parcel has several outbuildings and will contain approximately 4 acres.
PARCEL #2: 58.11 Acres of land with 48 acres tillable, 6.5 acres of woods and the balance in roadway and ditch.
Parcel #3: 62.11 acres of land with house and outbuildings.
HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS
Whirlpool side by side refrigerator; Whirlpool washer & dryer; Oak punched tin cabinet; wood bench; galvanized rinse tubs; horseshoes; metal horse clock; 2 milk cans with seats; and many other items not listed.
VAN-MOWER-GOLF CART-EQUIPMENT-TOOLS
2004 Chevrolet Venture van; Easy Go Club Car electric golf cart; Grasshopper 618 zero turn mower with 1099 hours; Hover Round mobility cart; pony saddles; work horse harnesses; scrap metal; and many other items not listed.
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PERSONAL PROPERTY TO SELL IMMEDIATELY AFTER REAL

PUBLIC AUCTION Located : 1889 E 200 S, Portland, IN
Friday Morning
November 10th, 2023
10:00 A.M.
VEHICLE -RV-FARM EQUIPMENT-TOOLS
2016 Chevy Equinox LS with 73,000 miles, 2006 GMC Envoy with 144,000 miles and rebuilt title, 2016 Keystone Sprinter 5 th wheel RV with triple slide, 2 bathrooms, fireplace and sleeps 9, 2007 John Deere TS Gator with gas engine and hydraulic dump, John Deere 3010 diesel wide front tractor with 3 point, John Deere semi mount sickle mower; and many other items not listed.
HOUSEHOLD GOODS-OLD AND COLLECTORS ITEMS
GE Profile washer & dryer;(2) Smith Bros sofas; (2) Lazy Boy recliners; TOY TRACTORS (NIB). crows; Longaberger baskets; Little Golden books; 1957 Corvette and 1955 Chevy Street Machine toy cars; and other items not listed.
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PUBLIC AUCTION MONDAY NOVEMBER 13TH, 2023 TIME 5:00 P.M.
LOCATED: 7259 W 200 N. Pennville, IN
REAL ESTATE
79 Acres in section 7 Greene Township, Jay County Indiana. To be offered in two tracts and entirety.
Tract 1: 16 acres with approximately 13 acres tillable, balance being road frontage on County Road 200
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9:00 A.M.
LOCATED: 3430 W State Road 67, Portland, IN or 3 ½ miles west of Portland at the corner of Hwy 67 and County Road 200 South.
FARM TRACTORS-FARM EQUIP.-CONSTRUCTION EQUIP. - TRUCKS-TRAILER-VEHICLES- RIDING MOWERS-ATVS- ATTACHMENTS-MISC.
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TIME 6:00 P.M.
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Portland IN
64 ACRES OFFERED IN TRACTS
Tract 1: 3 Bedroom two story home containing 2376 square foot of living area. Home has central air and is in move-in condition. 55' x 44' Barn with lean-to and porch. Nicely situated
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Sports

Let Me Badger You



Social life will decline in fall

By ANDREW BALKO

The Commercial Review

Autumn is different in the Midwest.

Especially coming from Wisconsin, it could often be a God-send. Living next to Lake Michigan meant that summers were humid and nearly unbearable. Winters are frigid, with enough snow to cancel school for any city south of the Mason-Dixon line. Spring brings a good temperature but is often bogged down by rain.

But fall, fall brings two to three of the only perfect weeks of weather throughout the entire year in Wisconsin.

Fall is about more than just a few good weeks of weather. It's a time of change over. Fall is filled to the brim with death.

Normally the connotation of death is dark and grim. If you type death into Google, it brings up images that are black and gray with gravestones and the grim reaper.

The death in fall is different. It's a beautiful death.

A prime example of death in the fall comes in the leaves.

See *Badger* page 7

Keep 'er movin'

Natalie Brunswick of Fort Recovery High School approaches the one-mile mark during the OHSAA cross country state championship on Saturday. Brunswick paced the Indians with a 19 minute, 41.65 seconds finish for 43rd place, which was five seconds off of her time in 2022.



The Commercial Review/Andrew Balko

No. 4 Spartans upset in OT

By KYLE AUSTIN

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Tribune News Service

EAST LANSING – Michigan State is one game into a 31-game regular season and already Tom Izzo is talking about making some significant changes.

That's what happens when your No. 4 team opens the season with a home loss to James Madison, as the Spartans did on Monday night.

"There'll be some adjustments," Izzo said afterward. "We didn't show much leadership."

Much of Izzo's criticism was directed at three of his veteran starters: A.J. Hoggard went 2-for-11 with three assists, Malik Hall went 2-for-12 from the field, Jaden Akins went 2-for-10 but did have a team-best 11 rebounds.

That left little support for Spartans senior guard Tyson Walker, who scored 35 points but couldn't will the Spartans to a win.

In the Spartans locker room, nobody was deflecting blame.

"We've got to be better," Hoggard said. "There's no excuses. We've got to be better, we're a veteran group. We've got to be better all across the board."

Hall said he's hopeful that Michigan State can learn from the performance.

"I think it's mostly just reflecting, about taking the time to make sure we look ourselves in the mirror, just look at yourselves and make sure that you can wake up tomorrow and do something to improve upon it," Hall said.

Izzo's criticism of his seniors went beyond just their shooting, though. He said he's looking to most of them for more leadership he hasn't seen.

"I don't have very good leadership right now," Izzo said. "That's one thing I said at the first press conference this year."

Izzo demurred when asked if he'll make a starting lineup change but suggested that his team's playing rotation could look different when it takes the floor next on Thursday against Southern Indiana.

Specifically, he said, he'll look at expanding roles for the Spartans' freshmen.

"I don't have a good answer why three juniors and seniors played like they played, but I also don't care, because I'll play some freshmen," Izzo said. "Let the controversy begin."

Izzo was particularly complimentary of freshman forward Coen Carr, who recorded 14 points and six rebounds as the only player besides Walker in double figures. That earned him a spot on the floor late in the game.

"About the only guy I thought played well was Coen," Izzo said. "And he played awfully well."

Carr already played a significant number of minutes in his first collegiate game: 27, the fourth-most of any Spartans player.

He was one of three freshmen who saw action against the Dukes: Jeremy Fears Jr. had one point and one assist in 12 minutes and Xavier Booker had two points in five minutes.

Michigan State's 10-player playing group this year has allowed Izzo more flexibility in crafting his lineup and playing rotation. Decisions can be made based on performance, not just fatigue, as was the case in recent years.

It took only one game, but Izzo is already hinting on using that playing group flexibility for the Spartans.

"I'm really big on giving guys a chance, but there were some things that happened that..." Izzo said, trailing off. "We'll see."



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