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## Board OKs buying new vehicles

*Portland police plan to buy three Chevrolet Silverados*

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review  
Portland Police Department will be getting some new vehicles.

During a special meeting Tuesday, Portland Board of Works approved the purchase of three new trucks for the police department. It also OK'd having them equipped as police vehicles, pending approval of funding for that purpose from Portland City Council.

At its March 18 meeting, city council approved \$149,999 for the purchase of new vehicles for the police department. The approval came after council members had expressed concern last month about a department fundraising letter that was distributed seeking to raise \$350,000 for an "urgent request for assistance" for new police vehicles and equipment.

Portland Police Chief Dustin Mock explained at the council meeting that the goal is to have one vehicle per officer and to eliminate two of the current vehicles that are older and ready to be removed from service. (He was requesting five new vehicles to achieve that goal.)

Portland police investigator Jeff Hopkins presented the proposal for the purchase of vehicles at Tuesday's meeting. He noted that the department had considered buying Chevrolet Tahoes but that they came in at \$50,685 apiece, which would have limited the department to two new vehicles based on the amount allocated by city council. He said Kelley Chevrolet of Decatur had several pursuit-rated Chevrolet Silverados available at a cost of \$48,320.

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## Library loot

Four-year-old Gracie Sanderson checks out some of the items in the eggs she found Wednesday morning during an Easter egg hunt at Jay County Public Library in Portland. Children were allowed to find 15 eggs apiece that were scattered throughout the library and also participated in various Easter-themed crafts.

## Court appears skeptical of ruling

By MICHAEL MACAGNONE  
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WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court appeared skeptical of a lower court ruling that would restrict access to medication abortion Tuesday, during oral arguments in two cases challenging the Food and Drug Administration regulation of the drug mifepristone.

Most of the justices aired concerns about the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit decision in a challenge to the FDA's loos-

ening of prescribing rules in 2016 and 2021 by anti-abortion medical groups and four physicians.

And some key justices, including some conservatives on the court, focused on whether the case should be in court at all or why the moral objections of a handful of doctors should lead to a court ruling that would limit access in all 50 states.

The justices are set to decide the case before the conclusion of the Supreme Court term at the end of June, in the middle of the election season

where abortion access has emerged as a key campaign issue.

The challengers, in a lawsuit brought by conservative legal group Alliance Defending Freedom, contend the new regulations would lead to them being forced to provide abortions over their conscientious objections to the practice.

The 5th Circuit overturned the FDA decisions that allowed non-doctors to prescribe the medication, reduced the dose, reduced in-person visitation rules, reporting requirements

and allowed the drug to be sent through the mail.

Three justices on the conservative majority who were appointed by President Donald Trump aired concerns with the scope of that ruling.

Justice Neil M. Gorsuch questioned the 5th Circuit's use of a nationwide injunction against the FDA to address the objections raised by the doctors.

Gorsuch said there have been a "rash" of sweeping court orders in recent years and said this case may be "a prime example of turning

what could be a small lawsuit into a nationwide legislative assembly on an FDA rule or any other federal government action."

And Justices Brett M. Kavanaugh and Amy Coney Barrett pointed out that the challengers were still protected by federal law that allows them to not participate in an abortion.

The attorney for the challengers, Erin M. Hawley, responded that the doctors could not rely on a narrower order that would give them conscience protection or some other exemption.

## Gubernatorial candidates go on offense

By LESLIE BONILLA MUNIZ  
Indiana Capital Chronicle  
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Four GOP candidates for governor made time to call each other out while highlighting signature campaign planks during a Tuesday evening debate.

U.S. Sen. Mike Braun, Brad Chambers, Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and Eric Doden traded jabs in front of the cameras at the event, hosted by FOX59/CBS4. Two other candidates didn't make the cut.

The debate featured queries aimed at specific campaigns sandwiched in between nine questions for the whole group. The candidates graded Gov. Eric Holcomb's time in office, pledged to maintain in-vitro fertilization (IVF) access and weighed in on marijuana.

It concluded with a round of light-hearted rapid-fire questions and closing statements.

Multiple gubernatorial candidates knocked Braun — the only candidate with congress-



Indiana Capital Chronicle/Screenshot of FOX59/CBS4 livestream

Republican candidates U.S. Sen. Mike Braun, Brad Chambers, Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and Eric Doden debate on Tuesday. The debate featured queries aimed at specific campaigns sandwiched in between nine questions for the whole group.

sional experience — for national immigration woes. Braun has held his post in the U.S. Senate since 2019; before that he served in the Indiana House of Representatives.

Asked if they'd send Indiana soldiers to the U.S.-Mexico border should a reelected President Donald Trump request it, all four said they would. Chambers took the opportu-

nity to assert that the federal government — including Braun — had failed Hoosiers.

"On Sen. Braun's watch, 7 million people have come over the border illegally," Chambers

said. "The front door of our country is closed (but) the back door is slapping wide open, and he has not ... led on one bill to address this."

Doden also critiqued Braun for traveling to the border and shooting a campaign advertisement there.

Braun and Crouch were also clear they'd also deport migrants. Crouch, in particular, vowed to deport them to so-called sanctuary cities outside Indiana. She also took credit for new Hoosier restrictions on land purchases by "adversaries." The other candidates, however, hedged, with Chambers saying, "We have to evaluate that as it comes," and Doden emphasizing the "rule of law."

Braun said Chamber's argument was "naïveté" and said a Democrat would've had to take the lead on immigration restrictions for such proposals to get past the Democrat-led U.S. Senate.

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### Deaths

**Helen Wright**, 80, Portland  
**Myrtle Doherty**, 89, Geneva

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### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 64 degrees Tuesday. The low was 41.

Tonight's forecast calls for a low in the mid 30s. Expect partly cloudy skies Friday with a high in the lower 60s. Rain is expected beginning late Friday and continuing through the weekend. See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

A meeting of the new Jay County Country Living Advisory Board of Directors has been scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday at the facility located at 1194 E. 200 North, Portland.

### Coming up

**Friday** — New Mexican restaurant has opened in Portland.

**Saturday** — Results from the FRHS softball team's game against Memorial (St. Marys).





# Obituaries

## Helen Wright

Aug. 1, 1943-March 26, 2024  
Helen Wright, age 80, a resident of Portland, passed away on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at her home in Portland.

Helen was born Aug. 1, 1943, in Hamilton County, Indiana, the daughter of Edward "Bud" and Marjorie (White) Cottingham. Helen was co-owner with her husband of J&M Construction and she retired from Createc in 2005. She attended New Beginnings Holiness Church.



Wright

Helen married James "Jimmy" Wright on Aug. 26, 1960, and he passed away on Oct. 10, 2010.

Survivors include:  
Her children — Steven Wright (Cathy), rural Portland, Indiana,

and Elizabeth Kay Coleman (husband: Berry), Troy, Ohio

One sister — Sue Boughman, Portland, Indiana

Four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren  
Visitation will be held on Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Pastor Randy Smith will officiate and burial will follow at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

Memorials may be directed to New Beginnings Holiness Church.

Condolences may be expressed at williamsonspencer.com.

## Myrtle Doherty

May 17, 1934-March 25, 2024

Myrtle Marcella Doherty, 89, of Geneva, Indiana, passed away at

7:49 a.m. on Monday, March 25, 2024, at the Adams Woodcrest Nursing Center in Decatur, Indiana.

She was born on Thursday, May 17, 1934, in Adams County, Indiana. She married Kenneth Alvin Doherty on Saturday, Jan. 3, 1953, in Richmond, Indiana.

Marcella was a 1952 graduate of Bryant High School. She formerly attended the High Street United Methodist Church in Geneva. She had worked for Graber Egg Processing in Berne and for G.E. in Decatur. Marcella was a lifetime member of the Geneva Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary and Tri-State Gas Engine and Tractor Association. She enjoyed her vegetable and flower garden.

Marcella will be sadly missed



Doherty

by her daughters Penny (Mike) Hirschy, Decatur, Indiana, and Lois (Phil) DeBolt, Roanoke, Indiana; grandsons Nathan (Kelsi) Hirschy, Fortville, Indiana, and Matthew (Taren) DeBolt, Friant, California; granddaughters Melissa (Kevin) Dickman, Convoy, Ohio, and Michelle (William) Bostain, Middlebury, Indiana; great-granddaughters Macie Dickman, Myla Dickman and Maren Dickman, Convoy, Ohio, Madeline Hirschy and Mackenzie Hirschy, Fortville, Indiana, and Elena Bostain and Rylie Bostain, Middlebury, Indiana; and great-grandsons McCormick Hirschy, Fortville, Indiana, Konnor Dickman, Convoy, Ohio, and Sonny DeBolt and Vaughn DeBolt, Friant, California.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kenneth Alvin Doherty; father Ivan E. Hough; mother Wilma M. (Roe) Hough; brothers Charles, Carl and Fred

Hough; and sisters Betty Huey, Shirley "Ene" Mann, Rosie Davis, Donna Hough and Margaret Davis.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Downing & Glancy Funeral Home, located at 100 N. Washington St. Geneva, Indiana, on Friday, March 29, 2024, from 4 to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to service on Saturday, March 30, 2024.

A service to celebrate Marcella's life will be at Downing & Glancy Funeral Home at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 30, 2024. Interment will follow in the Backesto Cemetery in Berne.

Memorials may be sent to Adams Woodcrest of Decatur Memory Care, 1300 Mercer Ave., Decatur, IN 46733

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

Condolences may be expressed at glancyfuneralhomes.com.

# CR almanac

Friday 3/29	Saturday 3/30	Sunday 3/31	Monday 4/1	Tuesday 4/2
<b>62/37</b>	<b>63/44</b>	<b>60/46</b>	<b>59/43</b>	<b>54/34</b>
Mostly sunny skies are in the forecast for Friday with a high of 62 degrees.	There's a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms Saturday, when the high will be 63.	There's a slight chance of rain during the day Sunday, with a higher chance at night.	There's an 80% chance of thunderstorms on Monday. The low may hit 43.	Another chance of rain and thunderstorms. Otherwise, mostly cloudy.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> Estimated jackpot: \$865 million	Evening Daily Three: 4-3-4 Daily Four: 3-9-2-4 Quick Draw: 3-4-6-8-11-12-14-16-17-26-28-33-36-37-39-40-45-49-55-60
<b>Mega Millions</b> 7-11-22-29-38 Mega Ball: 4 Megaplier: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$20 million	<b>Ohio</b> Tuesday Midday Pick 3: 9-7-1 Pick 4: 5-9-5-3 Pick 5: 4-8-9-1-1 Evening Pick 3: 6-3-8 Pick 4: 8-4-5-3 Pick 5: 9-5-4-0-8 Rolling Cash: 5-8-23-24-32 Estimated jackpot: \$110,000
<b>Hoosier</b> Tuesday Midday Daily Three: 1-1-3 Daily Four: 9-9-6-0 Quick Draw: 4-10-14-20-24-36-37-41-45-50-51-52-53-54-55-61-63-64-70-76	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....4.27 April corn .....4.27 Wheat .....4.24	April beans .....11.80 Wheat ..... 5.20
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....4.36 April corn .....4.36 May corn.....4.36	<b>ADM Montpelier</b> Corn.....4.05 April corn .....4.08 Beans .....11.77 April beans .....11.81 Wheat .....5.04
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn .....4.16 April corn .....4.14 Beans .....11.77	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....4.22 April corn .....4.22 Beans .....11.62 April beans.....11.62 Wheat .....4.79

## Today in history

In 1854, England and France declared war on Russia during the Crimean War. They joined the Ottoman Turks in a fight over the Crimean Peninsula that stretched until Russia accepted a peace settlement in 1856.

In 1882, Virginia Woolf was born Adeline Virginia Stephen in London. A writer, Woolf is best known for novels "Mrs. Dalloway" and "To the Lighthouse," as well as essays on literary history and women's writing.

In 2013, work was in progress on demolition of the former book bindery in the south 500 block of Wayne Street in Portland.

In 2022, Portland woman Chelsea L. Crossland was arrested in connection with the death of her 5-year-old son following a Department of Child Services hearing in Jay Circuit Court.

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Development Corporation, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St.

5:30 p.m. — Portland Park Board, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St.

7 p.m. — Pennville Town Council, town hall, 105 N. Washington St.

7 p.m. — Salamonina Town Council, Schoolhouse Community Center.

## Citizen's calendar

<b>Monday</b> 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 6 p.m. — Jay County Country Living Advisory Board of Directors, 1194 E. 200 North, Portland. 7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.	Development Corporation, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St. 5:30 p.m. — Portland Park Board, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 7 p.m. — Pennville Town Council, town hall, 105 N. Washington St. 7 p.m. — Salamonina Town Council, Schoolhouse Community Center.
<b>Tuesday</b> 4 p.m. — Jay County	

# Candidates ...

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Chambers separately jabbed at Braun, accusing the senator of changing his position on qualified immunity for law enforcement officers and for comments made to popular conservative show host Tucker Carlson that appeared sup-

portive of Black Lives Matter.  
Braun said he no longer wanted to alter qualified immunity after listening to officers, and said his comments had been taken out of context.  
"That reference, that was to somebody exercising

their First Amendment rights," he said. "(I) was never going to ever support a radical crazy group like the umbrella group BLM."  
Braun also recently picked up the endorsement of the Indiana State Police Alliance.  
Braun, meanwhile, took

on Chambers and Doden for their respective records while running the Indiana Economic Development Corporation.  
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The story was edited for length. For the full version, visit indianacapitalchronicle.com.

# Capsule Reports

### Disregarded sign

A Portland woman disregarded a stop sign while driving at the intersection of county roads 300 North and 850 East, causing a collision about 8:45 p.m. Tuesday.  
Yadira Ramirez-Molina, 33, was driving a 2011 Dodge Grand Cara-

van south on county road 850 East approaching the intersection. At the same time, Kevin D. Degler, 57, Portland, was driving a 2006 Ford F-350 west on county road 300 North. Ramirez-Molina disregarded the stop sign at the intersection, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office

report, causing her to crash into the side of Degler's vehicle.  
Ramirez-Molina was cited with an infraction for driving without a driver's license. The vehicle she was driving was towed.  
Damage is estimated between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

# Vehicles ...

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Hopkins recommended the purchase of three Silverados at a total cost of \$147,325. It would cost \$45,669.95 to have them equipped as police vehicles by Safety Systems of Richmond.

Portland Mayor Jeff Westlake, who is a member of the board of works, asked whether cars had been considered. Hopkins responded that Dodge Chargers, which are currently being used by the department, are being discontinued and have had frequent maintenance issues. He said there would be better durability and resale value with the Tahoes or Silverados.

"I'm for it," said Westlake, "I was just kind of curious about police cars."  
Board of works members Jerry Leonhard, Steve McIntosh and Westlake approved the purchase of the vehicles. They also approved equipping the vehicles through Safety Systems, pending approval of funding from Portland City Council.

The board also approved the hiring of Dennis Fiscus as a full-time police officer. Fiscus served as a full-time officer for Bluffton Police Department from 1989 to 2013. He has been a part-time Portland officer for about a year and a half.  
Leonhard, McIntosh and Westlake also approved an

indemnity agreement with HIS Constructors of Indianapolis related to the runway extension project at Portland Municipal Airport.  
Greg and Cindy Whitenack of rural Portland entered into a contract with HIS for the fill dirt it needed for the project. Cindy Whitenack visited Portland Board of Aviation in November 2021 to say HIS did not meet the specifications of the agreement. She and her husband filed suit against the company, as well as the city and the airport, in October 2022.

The indemnity agreement, which had already been signed by HIS and approved by the board of aviation, indemnifies Portland from any liability related to the lawsuit.

In other business, the board:

- Approved the following: a new five-year contract at a cost of \$62.20 per ton with Randolph Farms of Muncie for disposal of trash and recycling; the hiring of Kyle Overla as a water department employee to begin April 8; a water bill adjustment of \$60.32 because of a leak.

- Released retainage of \$172,880.31 to Watson Excavating of Redkey for the Meridian Street storm sewer project.

- Approved a reimbursement agreement with Jaylen Riddle for training at Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. If Riddle leaves the department within a three-year period, he will be responsible for repaying some of the cost of his training to the city.

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## SERVICES

Today

**McGough**, Cynthia: 1 p.m., Brockman Boeckman Funeral Home, 308 S. Wayne St., Fort Recovery.

Saturday

**Wright**, Helen: 11 a.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

**Doherty**, Myrtle: 11 a.m., Downing & Glancy Funeral Home, 100 Washington St., Geneva.

April 6

**Stevenson**, Emilie: 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 506 E. Walnut St., Portland.

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## Easter services scheduled

Easter is this week-end. A few local churches have announced special services for the holiday. Zion Lutheran Church in Portland will host a Good Friday service at 8 p.m. Friday. Its Easter Sunday service will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Trinity Lutheran Church will host its Good Friday service at 7 p.m. Friday. A freewill

offering basket will be placed in the entry for donations toward Fort Recovery Ministerial Association's high school scholarships and benevolence needs in the community. Fort Recovery First Church of Christ will be serving breakfast at 8:30 a.m. March 31, with morning worship to follow at 9:30 a.m. Grace Bible Church in

Berne is hosting a free resurrection Sunday breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Sunday. Folks from across Adams, Wells, Jay, Blackford, Huntington and Mercer counties will be joining to sing, celebrate and eat a free meal. All are welcome to join at the church, 6626 Village Way. Breakfast will be followed by a worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday.

## FAFSA is due soon

The deadline for high school seniors and current or prospective college students to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is April 15.

In 2023, Indiana joined seven other states in adopting a FAFSA completion requirement for high school seniors. As of March 15, about 31% of high school seniors in the state had filed the application.

"Education and training beyond high school is associated with better economic and social outcomes for the individual," said Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Chris Lowery. "Significantly higher wages, lower unemployment rates, increased levels of labor participation, and better health outcomes are just a few reasons why continued education is important. The FAFSA is a critical tool that allows students to

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access those greater outcomes."

To learn more information, please visit [studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa).

### Art competition

The 2024 Congressional Art Competition is underway.

The competition for high school artists is sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives. It is open to all high school artwork, including paintings, drawings, collages, prints, mixed media, computer-generated art and photography.

The deadline to enter is April 16. For more infor-

mation, visit [congressionalinstitute.org](https://congressionalinstitute.org).

### New stamp unveiled

Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites and the U.S. Postal Service recently unveiled a new stamp honoring Indiana anti-slavery activist Catharine Coffin during an event at the Levi and Catharine Coffin State Historic Site in Fountain City.

The new stamp, which is a forever stamp, features an image of Catharine Coffin and the words Black/white, cooperation, trust/danger, flight/faith, courage/risk, defiance/hope, underground and railroad/USA. It is one of a series that features 10 key figures of the Underground Railroad.

The Coffins, who operated in both Indiana and Ohio, are credited with helping more than 1,000 people escape slavery.

## Marriage licenses

Austin D. Whited, 26, Portland, and Jamie L. Young, 27, Redkey  
Talir S. Ellis, 30, Portland, and Tyler L. Ray, 34, Portland  
Veronique A. Coppock, 19, Portland, and Peyton A. Lothridge, 19, Portland

Alyssa J. Lott, 20, Dunkirk, and Kyhler Koger, 21, Dunkirk  
Ryan J. Amstutz, 39, Bryant, and Kathleen R. Bradbury, 38, Columbia City  
Amanda C. Robinson, 44, Portland, and Joshua C. Spoltman, 36, Portland

Timothy J. Schultz, 29, Redkey, and Raven D. Wilson, 28, Redkey  
Claire I. Evers, 21, Fort Recovery, Ohio, and Sheldon D. Upp, 22, Portland, Indiana  
Ayse B. Acar, 28, Portland, and Michael R. McKinley, 25, Portland

## Longtime friendship includes frequent visits

DEAR ABBY: My husband is an outdoor enthusiast and has a group of guys he goes hunting with every year. One of them has started coming out west to vacation at our house twice a year and now has followed us to our warm-weather winter home.

When he stays at our place, we fix all the meals and he uses our washer, dryer and detergent for several loads of laundry each time. He's a longtime friend and brings his spouse, with whom I get along well. But as time goes on, their visits are becoming more frequent and longer in length. Always being the host and entertaining makes me anxious. My husband can't seem to understand what my issue is, but I feel that seeing these folks a couple times a year is more than enough to keep the friendship going. How can I get my husband to understand without ruining the friendship? —HOSTED OUT

### Dear Abby



DEAR HOSTED OUT: These people may be friends, but your hospitality is being taken advantage of. Try once more to explain to your husband that their visits are happening too often. However, if he doesn't accept it, then arrange a vacation for yourself the next time they are expected to arrive. By this I mean, pack a bag and go to a hotel.

Perhaps, when your husband has to assume all the responsibility for these free-loading friends, he will see the light. I can't believe the wife

would let you do all the work by yourself. How lazy and insensitive of her not to volunteer.

DEAR ABBY: My sister "Maggie" has turned into one of those "crazy cat ladies." We have been encouraging her to move into assisted living, but she says she'd rather be dead than give up her cats. When we visit her, we bring along air freshener. Maggie has gone nose-blind to the smell. My wife will not walk in until after I have sprayed the house.

Among Maggie's other issues: Her children have abandoned her. We had to hire people to help her out because no one in her son's family would take the job. When my mother got sick, my wife and I stepped up and gave her 24/7 care. Taking care of my sister was not part of my retirement plan. Her retired son and his family not doing their part has

caused a rift between us. Please advise. — ABOVE & BEYOND IN THE SOUTH

DEAR A & B: What a caring and responsible brother you are. If there are no alternatives, it appears you may be taking care of Maggie until her passing. That her son has shirked his responsibility is disgraceful. (It may also be elder abuse.)

Your sister may be unaware of the fact that some assisted living places allow pets. Maggie might be more amenable to moving if you can help her find one. However, if that isn't feasible, consider discussing this with an attorney as well as adult protective services.

DEAR ABBY: I am a single man who recently turned 40. I am looking to find a wife who, like myself, has never been married and has no kids. I joined several dating

websites, but most of the women are divorced or widowed or have kids. I just discovered a new dating website for single, never married people. I'm not sure if I should join it, but having a website designed for people like me is a great idea. I have read that 25% of all Americans have never been married. Pew Research just reported a brand-new poll and millions of Americans have never been married, so I am not losing hope. Should I join? — CONTEMPLATING IN FLORIDA

DEAR CONTEMPLATING: By all means, explore that new dating site. When you do, expect to meet women who are considerably younger than you. Remember, once you connect, you will have to take all of the precautions people on other sites do to ensure that you don't get misled. Dating, regardless of how you meet someone, can be risky.

## Community Calendar

Notices will appear in Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, email [news@thecr.com](mailto:news@thecr.com).

**Today**  
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.

**LAWYERS IN LIBRARIES** — Free and confidential consultations with a lawyer are available from 10 a.m. to noon at Jay County Public Library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland. Con-

sulting is available on topics including divorce, custody, guardianship, tenant-landlord issues, bankruptcy, debt collection, estates and immigration. Those interested in participating should sign up in advance at the library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland, or by calling (260) 726-7890.

MISSISSINEWA CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION — Will meet at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28, at Jay County Historical Society. To answer questions, call Regent Kathy Selman at (260) 251-1694 or Sue Sommers at (260) 726-2678.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP — Meets at 5:30 p.m. at Persimmon Ridge

Rehabilitation Centre, 200 N. Park St., Portland.

**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.

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## Sudoku

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

Level: Intermediate

### Wednesday's Solution

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



**Divine Mercy Novena starts Good Friday.**  
Pamphlets to be found in Catholic churches.



# Indiana's wages are woefully weak

By MORTON J. MARCUS

Students will be graduating from Hoosier high schools and colleges in just a few months. Parents and politicians want them to stay in Indiana. I recommend they leave to see what is available elsewhere and return, after a decade or so, if they choose.

One thing they will find is that wages in Indiana are lower than elsewhere. Local boosters and high government officials will tell them the differential is because it costs more to live elsewhere. I tell them the cost of living is mainly a function of the wages earned and the diversity of opportunity.

How much does a worker sacrifice in income by having a job

## Eye on the Pie



in Indiana? According to the latest figures from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in the third quarter of 2023, Hoosier workers made \$219 per week less than workers nationwide.

Doesn't sound like much? It comes to nearly \$11,400 per year. Working elsewhere in the nation means earning 20% more than working in Indiana.

Only jobs in what is called nat-

ural resources and mining (agriculture primarily) earn more in Indiana than nationally. That's \$120 per week (about \$6,200 per year), a 9% premium for the Hoosier job.

For sure, if you have a degree or interest in the information sector, leave. The average weekly wage nationally is twice the wage in Indiana (\$2,948 vs. \$1,472).

Although we proudly hail our manufacturing sector, you'll sacrifice almost \$460 a week working for a Hoosier firm compared to working elsewhere.

As you might know, Indiana state or local government employment is not as well rewarded as similar jobs in other parts of the country. Every week,

a Hoosier working for the state could improve their wage by 26% (\$312) employed by a bureaucracy elsewhere. The local government worker would find a similar job across the border would bring a 24% (\$231) increase in the weekly pay envelope.

(Should I apologize for writing of the pay envelope? Probably today compensation is realized by an electronic transfer, a credit to the worker's account. But there may be pockets of the early 20th century still to be found in the bastions of antiquity proudly rooted in this Hoosier Holyland.)

The least wage differential between Indiana and the nation is found in education (private) and health. Nationally, the aver-

age weekly wage in this sector is \$1,204, just \$46 (4%) more than the Hoosier worker makes.

Not only will students be looking for jobs as we move into the summer months, but candidates for governor, senator, Congress, the state legislature and other positions of consequence will visit us via TV.

Most will say they have a plan to bring the Next Big Thing to Indiana. But how many will consider paying more to existing Hoosier workers? Will any examine the profits of companies large or small, questioning what is paid to the folks already here?

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# Big firms can't raise roadblocks

New York Daily News  
Tribune News Service

The same day in 2007 that founder Steve Jobs of Apple Computer presented the company's fancy new mobile telephone, the iPhone, he dropped the word "computer" from the corporation's name. On this, like many things, Jobs was a visionary.

While Apple makes all kinds of excellent equipment (designed by Apple in California, assembled in China) it is the iPhone, not the laptops or desktops or iPads, that has driven the company to earn billions of dollars and rise and rise and rise to a valuation worth trillions of dollars on the sale of billions of iPhones.

There is nothing as important to Apple as the iPhone and it is very tightly controlled by the company.

Now that tight control of the iPhone (the priciest smartphone on the market) has led the Department of Justice and 16 states plus the District of Columbia to launch an antitrust suit Thursday against Apple. While the case is filed in Newark and New Jersey is the lead state, the list of plaintiffs includes home state California, as well as New York.

Said Attorney General Merrick Garland, the United States only goes to court when there is sufficient evidence and the United States usually wins. We don't know if the allegations of the government are enough to prove their case and win, but that is the DOJ's burden to prove.

Garland used his announcement to cite something directly from the complaint (paragraph 92 on page 39): "In 2022, Apple's CEO was asked whether Apple would fix iPhone-to-Android messaging. The questioner added: 'not to make it personal but I can't send my mom certain videos.' Apple's CEO responded, 'Buy your mom an iPhone.'"

While Garland didn't say the name, the complaint fingers Tim Cook.

We had the same problem with Mom's Android. Her Android smartphone worked just fine for her phone calls and emails and texts, but not so well with texts to and from iPhones used by the kids and grandkids. So we

## Guest Editorial

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paid the extra money and got her an iPhone.

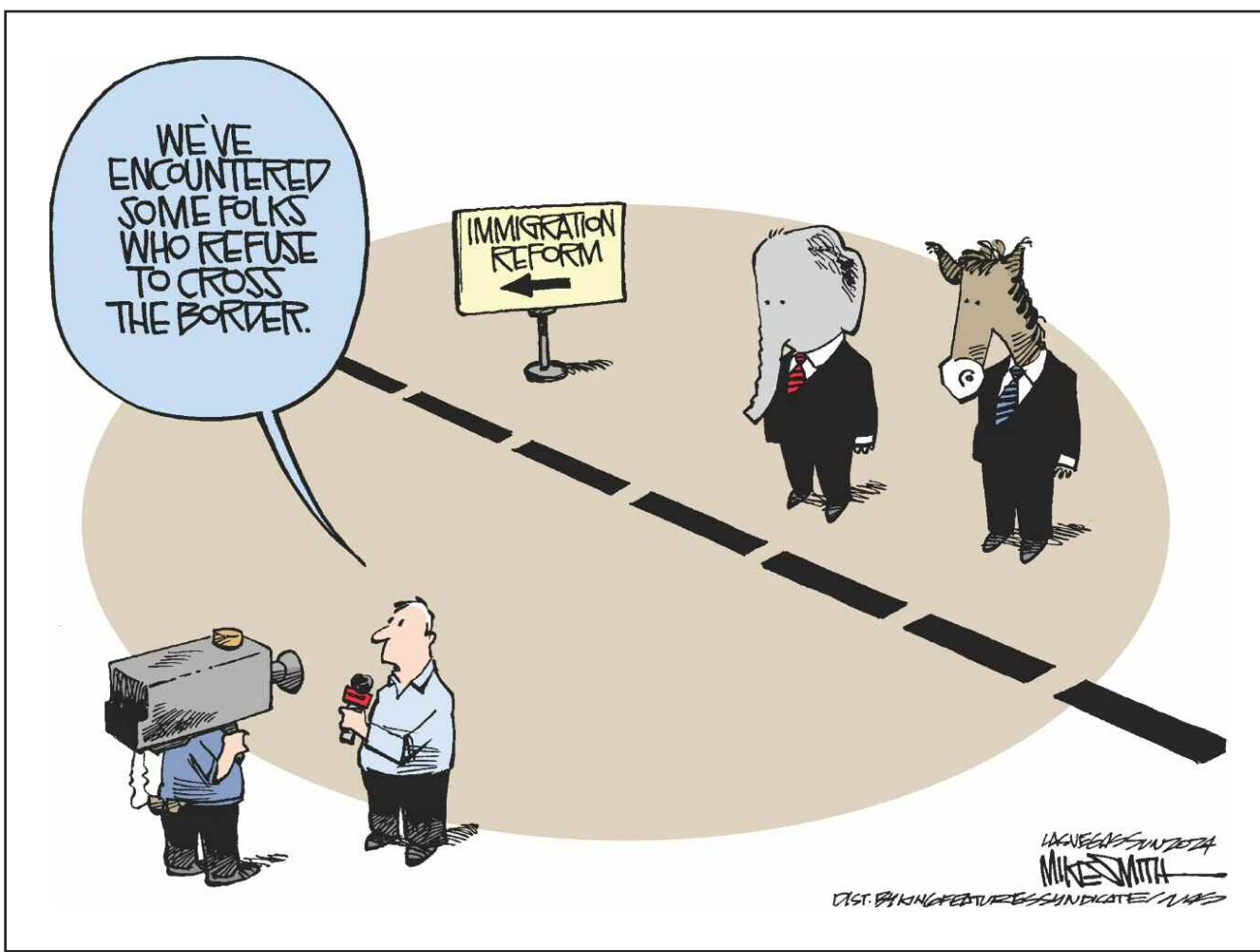
It is the good blue bubble (iPhone to iPhone) versus the not good green bubble (iPhone to Android) scenario and the reason Apple set it up that way. Apple intentionally meant to downgrade the experience of using an Android, with the incentive to buy an iPhone.

Imagine if they did the same with the audio quality of phone calls, having iPhone to iPhone calls sound clear to the ear with iPhone to Android calls sounding scratchy or tinny (we are not trying to give Apple any ideas).

There is nothing wrong with Apple making a superior product and charging a premium price for it. But what the feds and the states claim is that Apple went too far to make it hard or even impossible for consumers using a competitor's equipment. For example, an Apple Watch only works with an iPhone. Again, that was Apple's choice to lock out other machines.

Apple has plenty of high powered lawyers to make its defense, as does Google which is also being sued for allegedly illegal monopoly behavior (the same for another tech giant, Amazon).

Big is not necessarily bad. But using a firm's dominant size to impose anti-competitive roadblocks in the marketplace is not allowed.



# Older Hoosiers deserve care

By JASON TOMCSI  
Indiana Capital Chronicle  
[indianacapitalchronicle.com](http://indianacapitalchronicle.com)

While the physical health of older Hoosiers takes center stage, their mental and emotional health are equally vital, yet often overlooked.

The Indiana Behavioral Health Commission is trying to change that.

First formed in 2020 to make recommendations on improving the behavioral and mental health of Indiana residents, the Commission helped launch the state's 988 suicide and crisis hotline, as well as the expansion of mental health clinics. It was reformed in 2023 as part of Senate Enrolled Act 1, which included a historic investment of \$100 million in funding for mental health services.

This time around the Commission is focusing on three groups of Hoosiers: youth, individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and adults 55 and older. AARP Indiana was selected to be a member of the Commission for its expertise and continued work on issues impacting older residents. And it was the older adult population that was the topic of the Commission's meeting at the end of January.

What came out of that day's discussion, reaffirmed just how much needs to be done.

When looking at Indiana's aging population the numbers don't lie — it's growing rapidly. By 2030, it's estimated that nearly one in five Hoosiers will be 65 or older. This demographic shift cannot be ignored because any increase in the older population will increase the demand for services. But, how and where older Hoosiers receive those services are just some of the questions the Commission hopes to answer. While effective mental

health treatments are available, they are not always utilized.

The reasons why they are underutilized vary but can include things like the stigma attached to mental health or a person's resistance to treatment. A very large reason is a lack of access to these important services in our communities.

Isolation, loss of loved ones, chronic health conditions — these are just a few factors contributing to anxiety, depression, and other behavioral health issues in our aging population. Untreated behavioral health issues can exacerbate physical ailments, increase healthcare utilization, and diminish overall quality of life. This not only impacts older Hoosiers, but also further strains our healthcare system.

Access to behavioral health services remains uneven across our state. Rural areas often lack sufficient resources, leaving these Hoosiers underserved. The Commission's final recommendations will be finalized over the coming year. Some things for it to consider include:

- Expand Mobile Integrated Health (MIH): MIH programs help older residents stay in their homes and communities for as long as they would like and have been successful in our smaller rural cities, as well as our larger ones. The impact of these programs, run by local Emergency Medical Services (EMS), goes beyond the positive physical health outcomes. In MIH programs, EMS personnel are going into the homes of individ-

## Jason Tomcsi



uals who often socially isolated. They can identify the struggles they are facing and set them up with mental health services.

- End Mandatory Contractual Agreement with Physicians for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs): This requirement for APRNs can be a financial and administrative burden, hampering nurses' ability to provide care to the full extent of their training. APRNs know how to diagnose, treat, and prescribe medications for mental health and substance abuse disorders.

- Support Family Caregivers: Family caregivers bear immense responsibility. More than 40 percent of family caregivers spend over 20 hours a week on caregiving and large majorities say they are stressed emotionally and financially by their caregiving responsibilities. They juggle these caregiving duties and their own emotional well-being. Providing caregivers resources and financial relief, through tax credits or reimbursement programs is essential.

In the months ahead, the Commission will continue its work at upcoming meetings culminating with a report to the Indiana General Assembly in October. No matter which recommendations come forward, older Hoosiers deserve comprehensive mental health care that considers their unique needs. You can stay up to date with AARP Indiana's work on behavioral health by visiting our website at [aarp.org/IN](http://aarp.org/IN).

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(260) 726-8464  
Services: 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.  
asburyministries.org

**Bellefontain United Methodist**  
440 S. 600 East  
Pamela Freeman  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Bluff Point Friends**  
80 E. 650 South  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Boundary St. Paul**  
Corner of Treaty Line Road and county road 300 East  
Ava Gannon  
(260) 726-2373  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Bryant Wesleyan**  
209 S. Hendricks St.  
Paul VanCise  
(260) 997-6231  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.  
bryantwesleyanchurch.com

**Calvary United Methodist**  
301 N. Main St., Dunkirk  
Susan Durovey-Antrim  
(765) 499-0368  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
susan.duroveyantrim@in.unc.org

**Christ Chapel**  
105 S. Elm St., Fort Recovery  
Quentin Elsea  
(419) 733-1469  
christchapelfr.com

**Church of the Living God (Miracle Missions)**  
8472 S. 800 East, Union City  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Church of God of Prophecy**  
797 N. Creagor Ave., Portland  
Nanette Weesner  
(260) 766-9334  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nanybell@yahoo.com

**Church of the Brethren**  
Floral and Chicago avenues, Portland  
Kevin McClung  
(260) 729-7295  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Church of the Living God**  
South Broad Street, Dunkirk  
Services: 7 p.m., 7 p.m. Friday

**Collett Nazarene**  
450 South, 1 mile west of U.S. 27  
Billy Stanton  
(260) 251-2403  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Cornerstone Baptist**  
211 E. Main St., Portland  
Wayne Ward  
(260) 726-7714  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Cornerstone Church of Pennville**  
190 W. Main St., Pennville  
David Davidson  
(260) 202-9718  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Dunkirk Nazarene**  
226 E. Center St., Dunkirk  
Tom Fett  
(765) 768-6199  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Evangelical Methodist**  
930 W. Main St., Portland  
Steve Arnold  
(260) 251-0970  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Fairview United Methodist/Jay County**  
2875 E. 200 South  
Pamela Freeman  
Lay leader: Beth Stephen  
(260) 726-9184  
Services: 10:15 a.m.

**Faith Community**  
9560 W. 200 South, Dunkirk  
Joe Schmit  
(260) 251-5254  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Family Worship Center**  
200 E. Elder St., Portland  
Ronald Willis  
(260) 726-4844  
Services: 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday  
thefamilyworshipcenter.org

**Fellowship Baptist**  
289 S. 200 West  
Hugh Kelly  
(260) 726-8873  
Services: 9 a.m., 11 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
pastorkelly@fbc-portland.com

**First American Baptist**  
427 S. Main St., Dunkirk  
Dan Coffman  
(765) 768-7157  
Services: 10:40 a.m., 5 p.m.

**First Church of Christ**  
1049 Union City Road, Fort Recovery  
David J. Nicholson  
(419) 375-2860  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
fccftrecovery.org

**First Community Baptist**  
341 S. Meridian St., Redkey  
Everett Bilbrey Jr.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.  
Services: 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; 7 p.m. Wednesday

**First Free Will Baptist**  
12369 W. 600 South, Dunkirk  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday

**First Presbyterian**  
402 N. Ship St., Portland  
Rev. M. Rex Espiritu  
(260) 726-8462  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10:15 a.m.  
firstpcportland.org

**Fort Recovery Church of the Nazarene**  
401 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Revs. Brad and Kate Ratliff  
(419) 375-4680  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
frnaz@frontier.com

**Fort Recovery United Methodist**  
309 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Rev. David Yinger  
(937) 337-5781  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Full Gospel Lighthouse Tabernacle**  
468 E. Washington St., Dunkirk  
Robert Thomas  
(765) 348-4620  
Services: 6:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Thursday

**Geneva First United Methodist**  
100 W. Line St., Geneva  
Barry McCune  
(260) 368-7655  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Geneva Nazarene**  
225 Decatur St., Geneva  
(260) 525-8609  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.  
Prayer meeting: 6 p.m. Wednesday

**Gilead Church**  
County road 650 North, one-quarter mile east of Balbec  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Hickory Grove Church of the Brethren**  
Indiana 1 and Indiana 26  
Earl Doll  
(260) 731-4477  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**High Street United Methodist**  
435 High St., Geneva  
Rev. Joseph Hampton  
(260) 368-7233  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Holy Trinity Catholic**  
7321 E. Indiana 67, Bryant  
Fr. Peter Logsdon  
Fr. Martin Sandhage  
Services: 8 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Saturday

**Hopewell of Life Ministries**  
County road 200 South, 2 miles east of Indiana 1  
Rev. Ruth Funk  
(260) 251-8581  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Immaculate Conception Catholic**  
506 E. Walnut St., Portland  
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Fr. Martin Sandhage  
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Services: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, 10:30 a.m. Sunday

**Kingsley Full Gospel**  
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Stuart Phillips  
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**Mary Help of Christians**  
403 Sharpshurg Road, Fort Recovery  
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Services: 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m.

**Mount Tabor Community Church**  
216 W. Pleasant St., Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
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Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Mount Zion United Methodist**  
County roads 600 East and 200 North  
Rev. Darrell Borders  
(260) 726-4786  
Services: 9 a.m.

**New Beginnings Holiness Church of Blaine**  
4017 W. 200 South  
Randy Smith  
(260) 251-2406  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nbholiness.com

**New Covenant Fellowship**  
1238 W. 450 South  
Chuck Myers  
(260) 251-0063  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**New Life Ministries**  
415 S. Helen St., Portland  
Dr. Kay Fairchild  
(260) 223-2961  
Services: 4 p.m.  
drkayfairchild.com

**New Mt. Pleasant United Methodist**  
5905 S. Como Road  
Neil Butcher  
(765) 499-7838  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Noble Congregational Christian**  
1964 N. 800 East  
Aaron Huey  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Oak Grove United Methodist**  
829 S. Indiana 1  
Neil Butcher  
(765) 760-9085  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Pleasant Hill**  
9945 N. 800 East, Union City  
Bruce Bryan  
(765) 964-3664  
Services: 9 a.m., 6 p.m.  
mypleasanthillchurch.org

**Portland Church of Christ**  
1217 W. Votaw St., Portland  
Bob Graham  
(260) 726-7777  
Bible class: 9:15 a.m.  
Services: 10:20 a.m.  
Bible School: 6 p.m. Wednesday  
portlandcoc.com

**Portland First Church of Nazarene**  
920 S. Shank St., Portland  
Steve Cecil  
(260) 726-8040  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Portland Friends**  
226 E. Main St., Portland  
Herb Hummel  
(260) 202-9732  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.

**Praise Chapel Church of God**  
4527 E. 1000 North (Jay-Randolph county line)  
Rev. Josh Canfield  
(765) 584-7045  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redeemer Lutheran**  
Malin and Elm streets, Bryant  
Father Dan Layden  
(260) 997-6787  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Redkey Faith Ministries**  
9811 W. Indiana 67, southwest of Redkey  
Rev. Craig and Robin Cotherman  
(765) 369-2920  
Services: 10 a.m.  
RedkeyFaith.org

**Redkey First Christian**  
Union and Malin streets  
Jeff Hammers  
(765) 468-6172  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Redkey United Methodist**  
122 W. Main St.  
Lori McIntosh  
(765) 369-2085  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redkey Church of the Nazarene**  
801 W. High St.  
Chuck Hollandbeck  
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Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday

**River of Life**  
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(260) 729-1095  
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**The ROCK**  
1605 N. Meridian St., Portland  
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matt@therockjc.org

**Salamonia Church of Christ**  
3900 S. 600 East  
Bruce Phillips  
(260) 335-2017  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Second Chance at Life Ministries**  
228 S. Meridian St., Portland  
Dave Keen (260) 251-8792  
Mike Eads (260) 703-0733  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**St. Joseph Catholic**  
1689 St. Joe Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Alexander Witt  
Services: 7:30 a.m. Sunday

**St. Mary's Catholic**  
346 S. Broad St., Dunkirk  
Rev. Kevin Hurley  
Services: 5 p.m. Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

**St. Paul Catholic**  
517 Meiring Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Alexander Witt  
Services: 11 a.m. Sunday

**St. Peter Catholic**  
1477 Philothea Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Alexander Witt  
Services: 9 a.m. Sunday

**Sugar Grove Nazarene**  
County roads 400 North and 550 West  
Rev. Mike Heckman  
(260) 731-4733  
Services: 11 a.m.

**Sugar Grove Church**  
County roads 600 South and 1150 West, Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Temple Baptist**  
17920 Indiana 167, Dunkirk  
John Elam  
(765) 768-7708  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday  
7pillarsdirector@gmail.com  
templebaptistin.com

**The Church at Westchester**  
4487 E. 400 North  
(260) 726-6311  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Services: 10:35 a.m.  
churchatwestchester.org

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301 N. Wayne St., Fort Recovery  
Robin Owen  
(419) 375-4498  
Services: 9 a.m. (contemporary service, fourth Sunday)  
pastorrobino@gmail.com

**Trinity ArchBridge Church**  
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Dan Vore  
(260) 726-8391  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.  
Services: 10:15 a.m.  
portlandtrinity.com

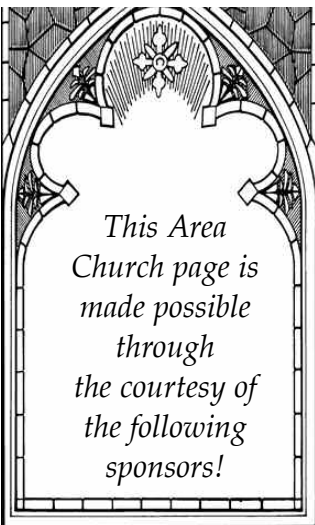
**Union Chapel**  
6200 N. 375 West, Bryant  
Interim Pastor Chris Kruchkow  
(260) 849-0687  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Union Chapel Church of the Nazarene**  
County road 900 North (Jay-Wells county line)  
Fred Stevens  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Walnut Corner**  
County roads 200 North and 500 West  
Steve Rogers  
(260) 251-1113  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**West Walnut Church of Christ**  
204 W. Walnut St., Portland  
Gil Alicea  
(260) 726-4691  
Services: 10 a.m.  
westwalnutchurchofchrist.org

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**The long-term view**

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ K 10 3  
 ♥ Q J 8  
 ♦ J  
 ♣ K Q J 9 5 3

**WEST**  
 ♠ 6 4  
 ♥ K 10 6 5 2  
 ♦ 9 7 6 5 3  
 ♣ 4

**EAST**  
 ♠ A 8 5  
 ♥ 7 3  
 ♦ Q 10 8 4 2  
 ♣ A 10 2

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ Q J 9 7 2  
 ♥ A 9 4  
 ♦ A K  
 ♣ 8 7 6

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass  
 2 NT Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
 4 ♠

Opening lead — four of clubs.  
 A defender has the same obligation as a declarer to formulate a plan at the start of play. His one goal — to defeat the contract — should take precedence over all other considerations.  
 Consider this case where West leads the four of clubs, won by East with the ace. It is not difficult for East to deduce that the club lead is a singleton, as there is no other club holding West can have that would justify his lead of the four. But if East impulsively returns a club, declarer makes the contract. South loses only a club, a club ruff and a trump. Furthermore, East should realize that a club return is very likely to produce this result. Instead, East should shift to a heart at trick two. He must assume that unless his partner has the ace of diamonds or a heart trick (either the ace or king), there is little hope of scoring four tricks. He should reason that an immediate club return can be postponed until later in the play, but that returning a heart cannot be delayed. Once East returns a heart, South has no recourse. If he finesses, as he almost surely would do, West wins with the king and returns a heart. Declarer wins with dummy's jack and leads a spade. East rises with the ace and returns a club. West ruffs and returns a heart for East to ruff, and South finishes down two. The long-term view, formulated at the outset, pays off in the end. All East need do is to think about the hand as a whole before impulsively returning a club at trick two.

**Peanuts**

**Rose is Rose**

**Agnes**

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**CRYPTOQUIP**

IBVA NHX OHOMPPN EHOYBVQ  
 KHRV RHAMKOVUN KHADK  
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EPVI NHXU YBMAOK.

**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** IT'S TIME TO FIND OUT WHICH OF YOU TWO SEEDS CAN GERMINATE THE FASTEST. READY, SET, GROW!

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals Y

**CROSSWORD** By Eugene Sheffer

**ACROSS**

1 Joan of room Crying my best"  
 — Little Game"  
 4 Incite louse actor  
 8 Paella 44 Peter out  
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 12 Museum- material  
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 13 "Como- 51 Oodles  
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 14 Perry's Spanish  
 creator 56 Flag  
 15 Food feature  
 label info 57 Lena of  
 17 Hammer "Chocolat"  
 or sickle 58 Ram's  
 18 Compass mate  
 dir. 59 Caffeine-  
 19 Short rich nut  
 races 60 Punch  
 21 Sheets, pillow- 61 Junior  
 cases, etc.  
 24 Hanking- 1 Man-  
 25 Takeoff dela's  
 stat org.  
 26 Comple-  
 tely  
 28 Word list, for short  
 32 401(k) relatives  
 34 "-hool"  
 36 Tibetan monk  
 37 Leba- non's  
 neighbor  
 39 Night fier

**DOWN**

2 "The 22 "Doing  
 Crying my best"  
 Game" 23 Devious  
 actor 27 High  
 3 Its days tennis  
 are num- shot  
 bered 29 Pizzeria  
 4 Tennis menu  
 great items  
 Williams 30 Human  
 5 Chi rights  
 follower lawyer  
 6 Salt Lake Clooney  
 City team 31 Innocent  
 7 Grating one  
 8 Skin 33 "My  
 cream Way"  
 ingredient singer  
 9 Pressing 35 Klutz  
 thing? 38 Succor  
 10 Coagu- 40 Comic's  
 late skill  
 11 Congers 43 Mexican  
 16 Undivided entrees  
 20 Gun the 45 Orange  
 engine Muppet  
 21 Maui 46 Hallow-  
 garlands cover-up  
 47 Sax  
 range  
 48 Furnace  
 fuel  
 49 Shopping  
 complex  
 53 Lucy of  
 "Kill  
 Bill"  
 54 Tango  
 team  
 55 Poetic  
 dusk

**Solution time: 24 mins.**

ACT	PEEK	SHAG
CHA	ALGA	EASE
TAN	RIGHTLY	SO
DIGIT	NOD	
CIAO	POKES	
ISTHATS	MIRA	
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## Roessner ...

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Brunswick and Ellie Will pulled away from their competitors early on, but stayed near each other for the first half of the race. When the rain started to pour down harder around the 1,000-meter mark, Brunswick developed a bigger lead to eventually finish first in 5:34.93. Will placed second in 5:47.46. "It was a great rust buster," Diller said. "Even considering

how windy it was and the rain, the conditions were terrible for the mile, they all ran really strong times for first run out of the gate." Isaac Roessner, Anna's brother, took home the other first-place finish in the long jump. The freshman's top leap of 18 feet, 10 inches topped Marion Local's Ben Seitz by a quarter of an inch. Another surprise for the Indi-

ans came from Maddie Heitkamp. The sophomore came into the 100 hurdles seeded ninth, but ran a career best to finish fourth with a 18.93 seconds. "She dropped over a second and a half and looked great," Diller said. "She's a kid that just works so hard and you can just tell it's going to come together for her and it's definitely starting to."

Other top-five finishes for the Indians came from:  
• Mara Pearson, second in long jump (17 feet, 7.5 inches)  
• Maddie Heitkamp, fifth in long jump (14 feet, 5.25 inches)  
• Karlie Niekamp, fifth in discus (88 feet, 2 inches)  
• Theresa Hipple, fifth in high jump (4 feet, 6 inches)  
• The boys 4x800 relay, comprised of Parker Brunswick, Reese Diller, Milo Fiely and

Trevor Heitkamp, third place (9:40.86)  
• The boys 4x200 relay comprised of Isaac Roessner, Caleb Smith, Matthew Marchal and Breaker Jutte came fifth (1:47.47)  
"Our goal today was just to come out and compete," Diller said. "I'm glad we got in what we did. ... Most of them got something in which is good and gives us something to build off of for next week."

## Ohtani ...

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Who greenlighted Mizuhara's initial ESPN interview in which he claimed Ohtani paid his gambling debts? A public relations consultant who specializes in crisis management apparently made that call and joined Mizuhara during the 90-minute interview. ESPN reported that the consultant was hired hours after the outlet contacted Ohtani's agent, Nez Balelo, on March 18 to ask about information it uncovered, including that Ohtani's name appeared to be on two wire transfers totaling \$1 million.

Even if Ohtani's team arranged the interview, however, that doesn't necessarily mean that Ohtani knew about it or that he'd known what Mizuhara would say. Ohtani said he first learned of Mizuhara's gambling issues and alleged theft two days later, when the interpreter spun the same tale while addressing the Dodgers team in the

clubhouse after the season opener in Seoul. Mizuhara apologized, admitted he has a gambling addiction and stated that Ohtani paid what Mizuhara owed. ESPN reported that Andrew Friedman, Dodgers president of baseball operations, also told the team Ohtani had helped cover Mizuhara's debts. Ohtani asserted that everything Mizuhara told the team was new to him. "During the team meeting, obviously, Ipei was speaking in English and I didn't have a translator on my side," Ohtani said. "But even with that, I kind of understood what was going on and started to feel that there was something amiss. ... Up until that team meeting, I didn't know Ipei had a gambling addiction and was in debt. Obviously at that point, or, obviously, I never agreed to pay off the debt or make payments to the bookmaker." Ohtani and Mizuhara spoke one-on-one shortly thereafter at the team hotel.

"That's when I found out he had a massive debt," Ohtani said. "And it was revealed to me during that meeting that Ipei admitted he was sending money, using my account, to the bookmaker. And at that moment, obviously it was an absurd thing that was happening and I contacted my representatives." Ohtani said his representatives determined Mizuhara had been "lying the whole time," and that the "Dodgers and the lawyers at that moment found out as well that they'd been lied to." The Dodgers fired Mizuhara that day. How was Mizuhara in a position to allegedly mislead everyone? Ohtani's reliance on Mizuhara to translate everything said to him in English gave the interpreter enormous influence over the two-way star, whom the Dodgers signed to a record \$700 million contract during the offseason. Mizuhara, 39, became Ohtani's de facto gatekeep-

er, with even Ohtani's closest representatives routinely going to Mizuhara to relay information to the ballplayer because of the language barrier. Through Ohtani's six seasons with the Angels, Mizuhara gave no indication that he would violate the deep trust Ohtani displayed in him — although it was reported this week that the interpreter's bio in the Angels media guide was rife with errors. Ohtani said in his statement that Mizuhara was not truthful to the Dodgers or to his representatives when asked about inquiries from The Times and ESPN. "Ipei has been telling everybody around that Ipei has been communicating with Shohei on all of this account — to my representatives, to the team — and that hasn't been true," Ohtani said. What state laws or MLB regulations might have been broken? Sports gambling is illegal in California, one of only 12 states that still considers

the activity a crime. Major League Baseball also strictly prohibits gambling by MLB players and other employees under Rule 21, which is posted in every clubhouse in English and Spanish and acknowledged in writing every year by every player. Betting on any sports can result in a suspension of one year and betting on baseball is punishable by a lifetime ban. And, of course, the "massive theft" alleged by Ohtani's representatives could result in criminal charges against Mizuhara. How did Ohtani fail to notice the transfer of a reported \$4.5 million from his bank account to an illegal bookmaking operation? This issue undoubtedly would have been raised had Ohtani fielded questions. It is unclear who — if anyone — handles his finances. Ohtani's version of events implies that Mizuhara had access to at least one of the player's bank accounts and was able to wire huge sums of money to a bookmaker without detection.

extend millions of dollars of credit to someone? According to a longtime Los Angeles-area bookmaker who requested anonymity to protect himself from prosecution, doing so would be reckless and potentially cripple the business if the debt went unpaid. Only if the bettor provided collateral or proof that an enormous debt could be paid off would a bookmaker extend credit in the millions. Has anyone been charged with a crime? Neither Ohtani nor Mizuhara has been charged with a crime. Bowyer also hasn't been charged, said his attorney, Irvine-based Diane Bass. Federal agents raided Bowyer's San Juan Capistrano home last year as part of the investigation. Bass told The Times that Bowyer and Ohtani have never been in contact. "Mathew Bowyer never met, spoke with, or texted or had contact in any way with Shohei Ohtani," she said.

## Sports on tap

### Local schedule

**Today**  
Fort Recovery — Softball at St. Marys Memorial — 5:30 p.m.  
**Saturday**  
Fort Recovery — Softball at Bath — 11 a.m.; Baseball at Crestview — 12 p.m.

### TV sports

**Today**  
2 p.m. — College hockey: UMass Amherst vs. Denver (ESPN2)  
4 p.m. — MLB Opening Day: Washington Nationals at Cincinnati Reds (Bally Indiana)  
7 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: Clemson vs. Arizona (CBS)  
7 p.m. — College baseball: LSU at Arkansas (ESPN2)

7:35 p.m. — MLB Opening Day: Chicago Cubs at Texas Rangers (ESPN)  
7:40 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: San Diego State vs. UConn (TBS)  
8 p.m. — NHL: Calgary Flames at St. Louis Blues (Bally Indiana)  
9:40 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: Alabama vs. North Carolina (CBS)  
10 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: Illinois vs. Iowa State (TBS)  
10:30 p.m. — College gymnastics: LSU gymnastics (ESPN2)

**Friday**  
2:30 p.m. — Women's college basketball tournament: Oregon State vs. Notre Dame (ESPN)  
5 p.m. — Women's college basketball tournament: Indiana at South Carolina (ESPN)  
6 p.m. — College baseball: Purdue at Ohio State (BTN)  
7 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: N.C.

State vs. Marquette (CBS)  
7 p.m. — NBA: Indiana Pacers at Los Angeles Lakers (Bally Indiana)  
7:30 p.m. — Women's college basketball tournament: N.C. State vs. Stanford (ESPN)  
7:40 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: Gonzaga vs. Purdue (TBS)  
9:40 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: Duke vs. Houston (CBS)  
10 p.m. — College basketball Sweet 16: Creighton vs. Tennessee (TBS)  
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### Local notes

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NOTICE OF SUIT  
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## From one Roessner to another



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Fort Recovery High School's Anna Roessner (center) crosses the finish line during the 100-meter dash on Tuesday's meet at Coldwater. Rossener's time of 12.16 seconds not only beat Coldwater's Izzy Zahn, who placed fifth last year at state in the 100 dash, but also broke the school record held by her coach and aunt Christy Diller.

### Anna Roessner breaks aunt's 28-year school record in opening meet

By **ANDREW BALKO**  
The Commercial Review

COLDWATER, Ohio — The Fort Recovery school record in the 100-meter dash has sat under Christy Roessner's name for over 28 years.

Now the head coach for the Indians, she got to see that record be broken.

It will still be held by a Roessner.

Anna Roessner's time of 12.16 seconds broke the Fort Recovery High School record in the 100 dash on Tuesday during the season-opening meet at Coldwater that ended early because of rain. With only eight completed events, the Indian girls placed second with 27.5 points, while the boys finished third with 16.

Coldwater topped the girls with 44.5, and Marion Local led the boys with 52.

Previously, Christy Diller, the Indians' coach and Roessner's aunt, held the school record with a time of 12.6 seconds set in 1996.

"I'm really happy and a little shocked," Roessner said. "I wouldn't want to take it from anybody else. She had it for a long time."

Coming into the meet, Roessner held low expectations knowing that there would be strong winds that she would potentially have to fight against. Luckily for her, the nearly 25 mile-per-hour gusts weren't coming from the direction of the finish line.

Roessner had the No. 2 seed

with a time of 12.8 seconds, 0.57 behind Izzy Zahn of Coldwater. Last season, Zahn competed in the four events OHSAA Division III state championship, including the 100 dash in which she finished fifth (12.26 seconds).

"Running against her is always really fun, because I know she's gonna push me," Roessner said. "I don't want to lose. Having her next to me is going to help me go faster because I'm going to have it in my head that I don't want to get beat by Izzy because she's really fast."

Roessner's time of 12.16 seconds topped last year's 200 dash state champion by 0.58 seconds. It also would have been good for

third place at last year's state championship.

Pearson finished just behind Zahn, who finished behind Pearson in long jump last year at state, with a time of 12.97.

Diller was excited about her niece breaking her 28-year record.

"That's the best, because it's about time it goes down, it's been there for a while," Diller said. "I knew she's been gunning for it for a while and I knew she could do that."

"It was just getting her in the right situation and obviously tonight having her against Izzy and Mara it was such a good race. Anytime the three of them are in a race together they're going to go all out

because nobody wants to get beat. ...

"I'm pretty excited about that because it just changes from Christy Roessner to Anna Roessner."

Fort Recovery had three other first-place finishes. In the final event of the day, Trevor Heitkamp and Natalie Brunswick topped the 1,600 run that was combined in hopes of speeding up the meet before the rain started.

As the starting gun went off, the rain began to fall and Heitkamp built a strong lead. He never fell off as he finished with a time of 4 minutes, 36.22 seconds, which beat Mason Ayers of Coldwater by 23.78 seconds.

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## NFL announces schedule wrinkles

By **SAM FARMER**  
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**ORLANDO, Fla.** — The NFL will play on every day of the week but Tuesday this season.

In addition to its "Black Friday" game — a budding tradition that began last season — the league announced it will schedule a Week 1 game on Friday, Sept. 6, to be played in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and streamed exclusively on NBC's Peacock. That will mark the first time in more than 50 years that the NFL has played on Friday night of opening weekend.

The Philadelphia Eagles have been designated as the home team for the Brazil game, but their opponent has not been announced.

Christmas falls on a Wednesday this year, and the NFL is planning two games on that day. Because Sunday-Wednesday is too tight a turnaround, each of the four teams playing on Christmas will play the previous Saturday. In a larger sense, this conceivably allows the NFL to experiment with a Wednesday-Saturday format for future seasons.

What's more, Amazon's Prime Video is getting a wild-card game. That will mark the second time a post-season game will be available exclusively via a streaming service. Peacock got a wild-card game last season.

"As media consumption habits evolve, the NFL continues to work with our partners to put our games on digital platforms where our fans are increasingly spending their time," said Hans Schroeder, NFL executive vice president of media distribution.

## Ohtani leaves questions after blaming Ippei

By **STEVE HENSON**  
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**LOS ANGELES** — Shohei Ohtani's calm, deliberate delivery Monday of his version of events surrounding the payment of his longtime interpreter Ippei Mizuhara's gambling debts leaves no doubt where he stands on the matter.

He does not and never has placed bets on any sport. He was oblivious to the alleged theft by Mizuhara of millions of dollars from his bank account. He is shocked and saddened. Lawyers can take it from here. Play ball!

And by the way, Ohtani unequivocally branded his former close friend, workout partner and right-hand man as a liar and a thief.

That was Ohtani's take, at least. The picture was not so sharply focused from the bleacher seats.

Since The Los Angeles Times broke the story that wire transfers totaling millions of dollars were sent last fall from Ohtani's bank account to alleged Orange County bookmaker Mathew Bowyer, questions are plentiful and answers elusive.

Ohtani took no questions from the 70-plus media members in attendance at Dodger Stadium, leaving many issues lingering as Major League Baseball and the Internal Revenue Service join the ongoing probe by federal authorities into any role Ohtani might have played in an illegal sports gambling operation.

Here are some of those questions, along with the answers available at this point.

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