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## Israel, Hamas talks stalling

By **MARISSA NEWMAN, COURTNEY MCBRIDE and FARES AKRAM**  
Bloomberg News  
Tribune News Service

Israel and Hamas blame each other for stalling a cease-fire and hostage deal as U.S. President Joe Biden's top diplomat arrived in the region to press for an agreement.

Mediators say the warring sides are getting closer to a pause in the conflict in Gaza that's been raging for more than 10 months and has roiled the wider Middle East. But objections from both parties on Sunday raised the prospect of another diplomatic failure.

"We are conducting negotiations and not a scenario in which we just give and give," Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday. "There are things we can be flexible on and there are things that we cannot be flexible on, which we will insist on. We know how to distinguish between the two very well."

He accused Hamas — backed by Iran and designated a terrorist organization by the U.S. and European Union — of being "completely obstinate." International pressure should, he said, be directed at the group's leader, Yahya Sinwar, who is believed to be in hiding in Gaza.

Hamas released a statement afterward detailing what it said were Israel's new demands that the militant group said would prevent a deal.

"We hold Netanyahu fully responsible," the statement read.

The shekel fell for the first time in five days on Monday, posting the biggest losses among emerging-market peers.

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## Excited to open



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Westminster Preschools of Marion will operate the new Jay County Early Learning Center, which is tentatively scheduled to begin serving children Sept. 9. The project led by The Portland Foundation involves a \$4.3 million renovation of the former Judge Haynes Elementary School that was closed in 2018.

## Early learning center in former Judge Haynes building is tentatively scheduled to start Sept. 9

By **RAY COONEY**  
The Commercial Review

Jay County Early Learning Center is expected to open next month.

Now in the final stages of renovation, the new facility to be operated by Westminster Preschools

of Marion in the former Judge Haynes Elementary School building has tentatively scheduled a community open house for 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 29, and an opening date of Monday, Sept. 9.

"We are very excited that Westminster

Preschools is getting ready to open in the Jay County Early Learning Center," said Doug Inman, executive director of The Portland Foundation. (The foundation has led the project to transform the elementary school that was

closed in 2018 into an early learning facility.) "We are pleased that this vision has come to reality, this vision of providing an early learning opportunity for up to 150 children in Jay County that will enhance their quality of life, their par-

ents' quality of life and the quality of life in the entire community."

The former elementary school at 827 W. High St., Portland, is in the final stages of its about \$4.3 million renovation project.

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## Festival find

Ava Hackworth, 8, Huntington, checks out one of the vendor's offerings during the Glass Days festival Saturday afternoon in Dunkirk. The event featured various vendors and glass artisans.

## DNC opens in Chicago

By **RICK PEARSON and JEREMY GORNER**

Chicago Tribune  
Tribune News Service

CHICAGO — The nation's Democratic leaders opened their national party convention Monday with diverging themes as they receive a celebratory welcome to Chicago and offer a bittersweet farewell to President Joe Biden.

The call-to-order of the convention — the first in-person gathering of Democratic officials in eight years after the pandemic collapsed the 2020 event in Milwaukee — follows a series of dramatic events over the past two months that has culminated in Vice President Kamala Harris becoming the party's newly minted presidential nominee.

With delegates preparing to celebrate Harris' acceptance of her nomination as the nation's first Black and Asian American major party candidate, Biden is expected to take the stage on opening night for what figures to be a poignant sendoff as the party thanks him for his decades of service while swiftly moving ahead toward what has

become a more energized and competitive Nov. 5 general election contest against former Republican President Donald Trump.

On Sunday, Gov. JB Pritzker told CNN's "State of the Union" that while there remains "an enormous amount of reverence for Joe Biden" among Democrats, the change at the top of the ticket has energized party officials and voters alike.

"There is a danger on the horizon here, and that is that Donald Trump might become president again, and it's a danger that a majority of Americans will reject, but they need to know that who they're voting for is somebody that they can be excited and electrified by," Pritzker said. "And I think they

weren't feeling that about Joe Biden.

"Having said that, this is a man who's accomplished more in three and a half years than most presidents get done in eight. So we're going to see a celebration of him. We're also going to see how Kamala Harris has brought the party together," he said.

State Rep. Elizabeth "Lisa" Hernandez, who is also chair of the state Democratic Party, said she thinks Biden will one day be "viewed as one of the best presidents we ever had. So, it is like a farewell."

"He's been a man of just public service, but really thinking about the country first in this decision-making," she said. "His selfless decision was all about the country."

## Gathering follows eventful months that saw Harris elevated to top of ticket

### Deaths

**Henry Harshman**, 88, Ossian

**Kenny Brock**, 66, Montpelier

Details on page 2.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 77 degrees Sunday. The low was 64.

Tonight's forecast calls for the low to drop into the lower 40s. Expect sunny skies Wednesday with a high in the lower 70s. Skies will be mostly sunny and clear through the rest of the week. See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

Today's newspaper includes our Fort Recovery High School fall sports preview.

Our Jay County High School fall sports preview will follow in Wednesday's newspaper.

### Coming up

**Wednesday** — Coverage of this week's Portland City Council meeting.

**Thursday** — Results from the JCHS boys soccer team's season opener.

**Friday** — Coverage of this week's Portland Board of Aviation meeting.



# Obituaries

## Henry Harshman

March 18, 1936-Aug. 16, 2024  
Henry LeRoy Harshman, 88, of Ossian, passed away on Friday evening, Aug. 16, 2024, at Ossian Health & Rehabilitation Center.



Harshman

LeRoy was born on March 18, 1936, in Wells County to Ralph Vernon and Nancy Josephine (Swartz) Harshman. He graduated from Petroleum High School in 1954. He worked for United REMC from 1955 to 1998. LeRoy raised Bob White Quail

and Ringneck Pheasants for many years. He enjoyed spending time outside and working in his garden. Above all, he enjoyed helping others. He was a member of Montpelier Church of the Nazarene.

On Dec. 29, 1957, LeRoy and Elizabeth Elaine Stout were married at Center EUB. They shared 64 years of marriage together before her passing on Feb. 19, 2022.

He is survived by his children, Adelbert "Del" Lynn (Rebecca) Harshman of Churubusco, Darwin Edward (Juanita) Harshman of Bryant and Darol Ray (Yelonda) Harshman of Browns-

burg; along with 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson. He is also survived by his siblings Wilma Josephine Baumgartner, Ralph DeWayne (Marcy) Harshman, Brenda Ann Harshman, David Allen (Ronda) Harshman and Paul Homer (Diana) Harshman.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Elizabeth Elaine Harshman; a daughter, Diana Renee Fox; and his siblings Goldie Moretta Eads and Garent June Kerns.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 19, 2024, at the funeral home, and

for one hour prior to the service. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2024, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Pastor Jesse Johnson officiating. Burial will follow at Alberson Cemetery near Geneva.

Memorials may be made to Montpelier Church of the Nazarene.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Lemler family of Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

Friends can send online condolences to the family at thomarich.com.

**Kenny Brock**, Montpelier, the grandfather of a Redkey resident, April 24, 1958-Aug. 11, 2024. A Celebration of Life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at American Legion Post 156, 112 W. Green St., Montpelier.

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

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

## CR almanac

Wednesday 8/21	Thursday 8/22	Friday 8/23	Saturday 8/24	Sunday 8/25
<b>73/49</b>	<b>79/53</b>	<b>83/61</b>	<b>87/66</b>	<b>90/68</b>
Sunny skies are on the horizon for Wednesday, when the high will be 73.	Thursday's forecast shows sunny skies with a high around 79 degrees.	Friday also looks to be sunny with highs in the 80s.	Saturday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies with a high in the upper 80s.	Sunny skies and hot temperatures Sunday. The high may hit 90 degrees.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> Estimated jackpot: \$44 million	57-60-67-68-70-78-79 Cash 5: 10-11-17-32-41 Estimated jackpot: \$115,000
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$498 million	<b>Ohio</b> Sunday Midday Pick 3: 7-7-7 Pick 4: 8-7-2-6 Pick 5: 8-6-0-0-2 Evening Pick 3: 8-7-1 Pick 4: 5-8-9-5 Pick 5: 1-3-9-6-9 Rolling Cash 5: 6-14-16-30-31 Estimated jackpot: \$110,000
<b>Hoosier</b> Sunday Midday Daily Three: 7-6-6 Daily Four: 9-4-9-8 Evening Daily Three: 3-2-7 Daily Four: 2-9-2-0 Quick Draw: 2-5-10-11-19-22-29-30-42-49-51-52-53-	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....3.51 Sept. corn.....3.60 Wheat .....4.50	Sept. beans .....9.24 Wheat ..... 4.75
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....3.54 Sept. corn .....3.66 Oct. corn .....3.61	<b>ADM Montpelier</b> Corn.....3.46 Sept. corn .....3.46 Beans.....9.64 Sept. beans .....9.59 Wheat .....4.81
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn .....3.55 Sept. corn .....3.55 Beans.....9.59	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....3.51 Oct. corn .....3.53 Beans.....9.40 Sept. beans .....9.20 Wheat .....4.56

## Today in history

In 1794, the Battle of Fallen Timbers occurred on the Maumee River near what is now Toledo, Ohio.  
In 1866, the National Labor Union asked the U.S. Congress to mandate eight-hour workdays.  
In 1914, the German army captured Brussels amid its invasion during World War I.  
In 1920, the National Football League was formed at a meeting in Canton, Ohio.  
In 1975, U.S. space-craft Viking 1 was launched by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration on a trip to explore the surface of Mars.  
In 2017, comedian and actor Jerry Lewis died. Nicknamed "The King of Comedy," Lewis worked with Dean Martin in night clubs and starred in comedy films for Paramount Pictures.  
In 2020, Jay County High School's girls soccer team defeated Heritage in a 5-0 victory. Jay County Patriots Gabi Bilbrey and Mara Bader each scored goals for the team's win.  
—The CR

## Citizen's calendar

<b>Wednesday</b> 2 p.m. — Jay County Personnel Committee, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 4 p.m. — Portland Board of Aviation, municipal airport, 661 W. 100 North.	3:30 p.m. — Jay County Solid Waste Management District, 5948 W. Indiana 67, Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Jay County Country Living Advisory Board executive session, Jay County Country Living, 1194 E. 200 North, Portland. 6 p.m. — Jay County Country Living Advisory Board, Jay County Country Living, 1194 E. 200 North, Portland.
<b>Thursday</b> 6 p.m. — Redkey Town Council, park cabin, 50 S. Morgan Drive, Redkey.	6 p.m. — Dunkirk Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St.
<b>Monday</b> 9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.	7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Council, city building, 131 S. Main St.

## Excited ...

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The final portions of new flooring were being installed last week.

The renovation process included removing the west side of the structure where there had been significant water damage, a new roof for the remainder of the building and new plumbing with restrooms installed in all of the toddler and preschool classrooms. Other upgrades included paint, LED lighting and new playground equipment.

When construction work is complete, the building will undergo a deep cleaning. Furniture will then be brought in to set up the classrooms and offices.

The facility's staff will then have a week of training before welcoming children to the new facility.

The open house planned for next week will be the public's first chance to see the transformation.

"I think that people will be in awe of how beautiful it is," said Dani Svantner, executive director of West-

minster Preschools. "A lot of work's gone into restoring it. ... We're really excited about it."

The Portland Foundation announced in May 2023 that it had entered an agreement with Westminster to operate the early learning center, which will serve up to 150 children age newborn through 5. There will also be an after-school program available.

Once open — the date could shift based on construction — the facility will offer hours from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Those interested in registering their children can do so via a form on the Westminster Preschools Portland page on Facebook.

Wendy Sullivan has been hired as the director for Jay County Early Learning Center.

The facility, which will have two classrooms for infants, five for toddlers and four for preschoolers, will accept Child Care Development Fund and On My Way Pre-K vouchers.

(Details about qualifying for those vouchers are available online at [in.gov/fssa](http://in.gov/fssa).)

Svantner noted that Westminster Preschools is at Level 4 — the highest — on the Family and Social Services Administration's Paths to Quality rating system. In order to reach Level 4, a facility must provide for the health and safety of children, provide learning environments, have planned curriculum and be nationally accredited.

"We focus on whole-child approaches," said Svantner. "So we've developed our own curriculum that works with children on whole personhood — character development and social emotional learning, those things that they need to set themselves up for success in life and school."

She added that there is a lot of focus on play-based learning. Children enrolled participate in a lot of hands-on activities.

"We just want them to fall in love with learning,"

Svantner said. "The kids are learning, but they don't know they're learning because it's fun."

Westminster has been in operation since 1970 and now serves children ages birth to 12 in Grant County.

The Portland Foundation bought the former Judge Haynes building from Jay School Corporation in 2022 in order to secure it as a possible site for a childcare and early learning facility. It has worked to secure grants, including \$1.5 million in partnership with United Way of Jay County from Indiana United Ways, \$500,000 from Early Learning Indiana, \$291,000 from the first round of Indiana Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative (READI) and \$50,000 from the Ball Brothers Association of Muncie. Westminster also secured a \$684,000 grant from Indiana Family and Social Services Administration. The foundation will cover about \$1.3 million of the project.

## Capsule Reports

### Lost control

A Portland teen lost control of the vehicle he was driving, causing him to drive off Indiana 67 about 4:39 p.m. Saturday.

Quentin I. Mackey, 16, was driving a 2008 Ford Mustang along the highway near U.S. 27 when the vehicle began sliding on the road. He over-corrected, causing the vehicle to go

off the north side of the road into a ditch.

The vehicle was towed from the scene, with damage estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

## Stalling ...

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Options traders indicated rising nervousness about the conflict, sending the currency's one-month implied volatility — a forward-looking measure — to the highest level on a closing basis since October, the month the war began.

That came a day after Israel released data showing its economy slowed more than expected in the second quarter as the conflict puts increasing financial strain on the country and the government's defense spending soars.

Hamas and Islamic Jihad, another Palestinian militant group, also claimed responsibility for what they said was a suicide bombing in Tel Aviv late on Sunday. Israeli police said the assailant was killed and another person was injured.

The two groups threatened, in a statement on Monday, to carry out more such attacks "as long as the occupation's mas-

sacres, displacement of civilians, and the continuation of the assassination policy continue."

Suicide bombings in Israel were a hallmark of Palestinian militant groups between 2000-2005 but have been very rare since then.

### SERVICES

Today  
**Harshman, Henry:** 10:30 a.m., Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home, 308 W. Washington St., Bluffton.

Saturday  
**Brock, Kenny:** 1 p.m., Millard Brown American Legion Post 156, 112 W. Green St., Montpelier.

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# Polio epidemic was devastating

By HANK NUWER

The year 1949 saw the postponement of Union City's celebration of its founding by Jeremiah Smith, and the cancellation of the Great Darke County Fair.

Randolph County and surrounding counties — indeed, the entire nation — faced a major outbreak of polio that caused dread in all Americans, particularly in parents since cases involving those younger than 20 outnumbered those of adults.

Union City Centennial Chairman Herbert F. Binninger and other committee members admitted their despondency as they reluctantly shaved their ornamental beards.

By July 1, deaths and severe cases began to mount. At first, panic ensued because physicians

*Far from Randolph County*



activities and yet allowing the Delaware County Fair to stay open. At the time of the announcement, Robert Engle, 25, of Winchester, died at Ball Memorial Hospital despite the assistance of a respirator known as an iron lung.

Holloway offered assurances that the fair planned to take all precautions recommended by his board of health.

Not until 1953 did Dr. Jonas Salk announce that he developed a preventative vaccine. It took two years before full approval was given. Alternatively, University of Miami researchers in Florida found that some polio victims could be cured with cobra venom. Other so-called cures were exposed as bogus.

At the time, my friends and I in suburban Buffalo,

New York, lived with nightmarish thoughts about contracting polio. That the nuns at my parochial school and my mother forbade me from going to the local swimming pool and beach only heightened my paranoia.

Then the worst happened in 1953. I had a frail and tiny buddy named Franklin who lived next door to my favorite childless uncle who showered me with toys every visit. The times were close enough to World War II that we played World War II, arguing about who played American soldiers and who played Nazi soldiers. If we chanced to come upon firecrackers, we put the toy soldiers in cans and executed some.

Franklin contracted a nasty form of the disease called bulbar polio that

attacked his brain and breathing. He literally wasted away, and my mother and uncle informed me when he went on an iron lung.

One visit, I went to ask his mother if I could see him despite the iron lung. She broke into tears and informed me Franklin had died.

I walked away squeezing the toy soldier I'd hoped to give him as a gift. I was shaken. Maybe I hadn't prayed hard enough for Franklin.

For years after, I witnessed my peers in wheelchairs and braces suffering the evidence of their bouts with polio contracted before the vaccine was ready. A college friend named Kathleen walked with a brace but was otherwise unimpaired.

In Randolph County, as

elsewhere, the good news that unlimited vaccines were available nationally to treat 30 million children was heralded by all. The mark from my polio shot stayed visible for years, but it's now just a white dot.

Likely some of that first group are now readers in their mid-70s. You and I had a chance to lead lives that Franklin never had.

We all should be on guard so polio never makes a comeback.

I equate the memory of that toy soldier with the loss of my little buddy Franklin. Eventually my mother tossed all my toys and baseball cards when my dad died and she moved into a tiny apartment. (She kept all my prayer books).

For sure, I never lived that toy iron soldier up with firecrackers.

# Disabled woman tires of strangers' dirty looks

DEAR ABBY: I am a 40-something woman who has recently become disabled. I use a wheelchair. Some days, my body works; other days, it doesn't. But walking any distance causes me to have seizures. I look fairly healthy to anyone who isn't close to me, but I'm not.

About a year into my disability, my husband and I had to move in with my dad so he could help care for me. Dad does all the shopping and errands, and my husband works full time. I rarely leave the house. On days when I'm feeling really good, I go shopping with Dad. He's in his 70s, but has no problem pushing me in my wheelchair.

The issue is, I get dirty looks from other elderly people who see an old man pushing what looks like a healthy younger per-

*Dear Abby*



ple do take advantage of disabled parking, and it's not surprising that able-bodied folks are offended by it. HOWEVER, as you so clearly stated, not everyone's disability is obvious. Some healthy-looking individuals have heart problems or balance issues (among others), which is why it is wrong to assume anything about anyone you don't know. When people give you dirty looks because your father is assisting you, simply smile and ignore them.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 24-year-old wife and mother of three children under 3. While I love my husband and children, I'm struggling to find myself and what I like to do. When I wake

up, I don't think about myself and what I need. Instead, I feel guilty and selfish when I do think about myself. It's hard for me to focus on work because of the needs of the house.

I'm the second oldest of 10, and from a young age I've had the responsibility of taking care of others. I never realized it would affect me this much. How do I find the balance to make time for myself and my family without feeling guilty? — HANDS FULL IN TENNESSEE

DEAR HANDS FULL: Please stop beating yourself up for the feelings you are experiencing. You are not the only young mother who has them. You have had three children in three years, and some of those feelings may

be hormonal. If you haven't discussed them with your doctor, you should. If you don't want more children in the near future, talk with them about that as well.

Because you took care of your younger siblings for years, could some of them give you a hand now? Are there any other relatives who could ease the responsibility you have taken on? As your babies grow older, you will have time to explore more opportunities for yourself.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

# Community Calendar

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

**Today**

COMPASSIONATE CONNECTIONS RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP — A group for anyone with a substance use disorder that helps individuals find connections as they develop long-term recovery meets at noon each Tuesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

JAY COUNTY PASTORS AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 11:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the chapel at Indiana University Health Jay Hospital.

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each

Tuesday. The public is welcome.

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

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

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

Wednesday WEDNESDAY MORN-

ING 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.

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

COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING — A non-confrontational, evidence-based intervention for helping families affected by addiction meets at 4 p.m. each Wednesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw 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 — BRANNA'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**

SMART RECOVERY — A group for those struggling with addiction that focuses on motivation, coping with cravings, managing thoughts, feelings and behavior, and living a balanced life meets at 11 a.m. each Thursday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

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. Consulting 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.

# Sudoku

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

Level: Beginner

**Saturday's Solution**

5	4	3	2	6	8	7	9	1
9	8	7	1	5	3	6	4	2
1	2	6	9	4	7	3	5	8
7	9	1	3	2	5	4	8	6
8	5	2	4	7	6	1	3	9
3	6	4	8	1	9	2	7	5
4	7	5	6	8	1	9	2	3
6	3	8	7	9	2	5	1	4
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# Providing training improves odds

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CareerTech and Oklahoma Department of Corrections has a partnership that appears to be working to the benefit of the inmates involved.

One shining example is the program at Enid Community Corrections Center.

At corrections center, more than 80 low-level offenders have the opportunity to participate in a career readiness program, and roughly 40 inmates are on work

## Guest Editorial

release, according to CareerTech instructor Darlene Staples.

Inmates at Enid Community Corrections receive soft skills training such as resume building, interview practice, portfo-

lio building and instruction on how to go about a job search. In addition to soft skills training, inmates in Enid can participate in work-release programs, GED programs, certification classes and other trade-related training.

In their efforts to place people for work-release and post-incarceration, Enid Community Corrections Center and CareerTech staff members work to place inmates in careers that will meet their needs once they're

released, including help with resume updates, job searches and support.

According to recidivism data, inmates at Enid Community Corrections Center are doing better than Oklahoma's correctional facilities as a whole. Part of the reason is that the inmates at ECCC are non-violent inmates. They aren't hardcore offenders. But, part of it has to be the training they receive that will give them a fighting chance once they are released.

We realize this type of education and training isn't going to work for all inmates. But, at facilities that have work-release programs, this partnership between ODOC and CareerTech is a great idea.

It's a lot better to give inmates training and assistance so they will be able to get jobs once they are released, rather than give them nothing.

A productive, tax-paying citizen is better than a ward of the state.

## Refugee team was inspiration, tragedy

By PHYLLIS BENNIS  
OtherWords

Of all the memorable moments from this year's Olympics, there's one in particular that will stay with me.

As the spectacular parade of lighted boats sailed up the Seine to open the games, among them was a small craft filled with 37 competitors in white uniforms. Their flag carrier was boxer Cindy Ngamba, who won the first Olympic medal for her team a few days later.

Ngamba didn't win that bronze for her home country, Cameroon. And the flag that Ngamba and her co-flag-bearer, Yahya al Ghotany from Syria, waved proudly was not the flag of either of their countries. It was the Olympic flag.

That's because Ngamba and al Ghotany were members of the Refugee Olympic Team, made up entirely of athletes displaced from their home countries.

The idea of an Olympic refugee team first emerged in 2016, a year of sky high global displacement — a trend that unfortunately continues today. Back then, 67 million people in the world were forcibly displaced — a population comparable to that of France and bigger than Italy or South Africa.

By the time the torch was lit in Paris for 2024, that figure had soared to 107 million. If "Refugee Nation" were a country, it would be the 15th most populous in the world — just behind Egypt.

Like the rest of this population, the athletes on the Refugee Olympic Team have been forced from their homes by some combination of war, climate change, human rights violations, and economic crisis.

And this year the 37 members had something else in common: all of their home countries are facing U.S. economic sanctions.

These sanctions exacerbate the factors that are driving people from their homes.

Two years before the 2016 Rio Olympics, the UN Human Rights Council expressed alarm at "the disproportionate and indiscriminate human costs of unilateral sanctions and their negative effects on the civilian population."

In Iran, for example, the U.S. imposed extreme sanctions in 2018 when then-President Donald Trump pulled out of the Iran nuclear deal, despite the UN nuclear watchdog agency's recognition that

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Tehran was in compliance.

The impact on Iranian civilians was dire. According to Human Rights Watch, the sanctions posed "a serious threat to Iranians' right to health and access to essential medicines," something especially dangerous during the COVID-19 pandemic that hit shortly after.

While the Biden administration lifted some of those Trump-era sanctions, many remain in place — and were significantly tightened in April 2024. Fourteen members of this year's Olympic Refugee Team were from Iran.

In Afghanistan, sanctions are causing famine. In 2022, head of the International Rescue Committee and former UK foreign minister David Miliband told senators that sanctions were "the proximate cause of this starvation crisis." Five of the Refugee Team came from Afghanistan.

These 37 athletes brought cheering audiences to their feet, on the banks of the Seine and on screens around the world.

But for all the triumph and beauty of the Refugee Team — and all that these young people have accomplished despite extraordinary hardship — the stark reality is that global mass displacement has become the new normal.

And whatever the specific conditions that forced each of them to leave their homes, U.S. policy is one of the factors that made things worse in their countries.

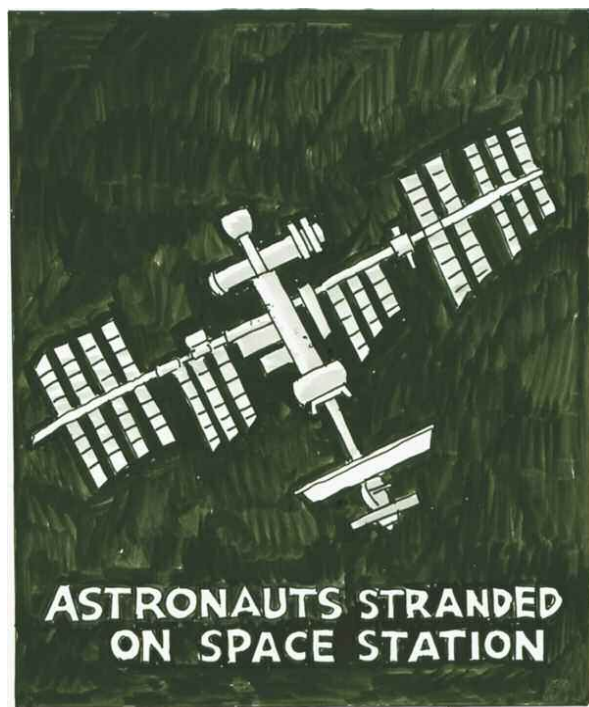
Giving these world-class athletes a chance to compete in the Olympic games was a gift — to them and to us.

But at the end of the day, the need for such a team speaks to our failure to reverse the conditions that displace people in the first place — including by ending U.S. economic sanctions.

Medals are great. But wouldn't it be better if these amazing athletes could win the right to return safely home?

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What does that say for the future of space travel?



Pretty much the same as regular air travel...

# So much rides on farm bill

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Raise your hand if you knew that Congress is debating a bill this summer that could slow the pace of climate change, produce cleaner drinking water, restore habitat for endangered wildlife and improve the American diet. No?

It's the farm bill, the massive food and agriculture policy vehicle that Congress updates every five years (in theory), and, frankly, most people don't follow it closely. The sprawling legislation is simultaneously so parochial and so complicated that even most lawmakers just leave it up to the experts. That's a shame, because this year Washington has a chance to update the farm bill in a way that takes steps toward healthier diets and a healthier planet.

When Franklin Delano Roosevelt laid the foundations of modern farm policy in the 1930s, rural America was in crisis: The Dust Bowl had blown away thousands of farms and commodity prices had collapsed. Federal intervention did a lot of good for destitute farmers and the nation generally.

But today the nation has different challenges: climate change, polluted waters, devastating floods, endangered birds and pollinators. Since farmers control what happens on millions of acres of land across the middle of the continent, they're in a position to address these challenges — and Congress is in a position to give them the right incentives.

Consider soil and water conservation. In 1985, Congress created a landmark project called the Conservation Reserve Program which paid farmers to take vulnerable acres out of production and plant them with grasses and trees. It was an astonishing success — soil erosion plummeted, wildlife rebounded.

But farmers always chafed at the idea of getting paid for idling land — and some taxpayers did too. Then came a brilliant idea: Pay farmers for conservation practices on working land, using tillage practices such as cover crops and no-till cultivation.

These have proven benefits in reducing soil erosion, keeping farm chemicals out of lakes and streams and cutting farmers' use of diesel fuel and petroleum-based fertilizers that contribute to climate change. The core elements, the Conservation

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Stewardship Program and the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, are so popular that farmers are applying at three times the rate of available funding in states like Minnesota. At the very least, this year's farm bill should give CSP and EQIP a funding boost.

Then there's crop insurance, now by far the largest safety net in the federal farm bill. Crop insurance is probably still a good idea, since farmers are as vulnerable as ever to extreme weather and volatile commodity prices. But the current system has the effect of tying farmers to a few favored crops such as corn, soybeans and wheat, while rewarding over-planting and overproduction. Congress should tighten up the program's conservation compliance enforcement and adjust the rules so it's easier for farmers to plant a diverse, healthy mix of crops such as oats, barley and alfalfa and even fruits and vegetables.

It should also build on an innovative program called Whole Farm Revenue Protection, which gives farmers — especially young, innovative farmers — more freedom to plant what they want. And since public subsidies cover about 60% of the cost of crop insurance, why not use those subsidies to achieve public benefits? Give farmers premium discounts if they adopt proven practices that reduce erosion, improve wildlife habitat, sequester carbon and reduce polluted field runoff.

In 2022, with the Inflation Reduction Act, the Biden administration introduced an idea called "climate-smart agriculture," that directed billions of dollars into the underfunded conservation programs. A key struggle on Capitol Hill heading into the fall is that the House farm bill would redirect much of that money to conventional farm supports, a very bad idea, while the Senate bill would protect the climate-smart approach.

If all this seems like an environmental wish list that urban liberals

want to impose on hardworking farmers, that's not true. Innovative and influential farmer-led groups such as Practical Farmers of Iowa and Minnesota's Land Stewardship Project have championed crop diversity and conservation farming for years.

With hundreds of farmer members, they have demonstrated that conservation practices help the land and make farms more climate resilient. "Farmers don't all agree on climate change politics, but they do agree that extreme weather events are becoming more frequent and more severe," Minnesota Farmers Union President Gary Wertish told an editorial writer. "We're interested in things we can do to address that, while also helping cash-flow our farms."

Apart from conservation, Congress should also take steps this year to address the extraordinary concentration of today's food industry. Farming has always been an uneven playing field, with thousands of small individual producers going up against big railroads, big banks and big grain companies. It has only gotten worse in recent decades: Today a handful of global corporations control the production of seeds and farm chemicals and a handful of grain and food companies control the markets for a farmer's crops.

As antitrust expert Austin Frerick pointed out in his excellent book, "Barons," this has the effect of perpetuating a food system built on chemical-intensive corn and soybeans and highly processed consumer foods. The Minnesota Farmers Union has proposed stronger enforcement of federal antitrust law so that farmers have more flexibility and receive a bigger share of the nation's food dollar — and Congress should listen.

The historian Geoff Cunfer has observed that, over the centuries, agriculture is the single biggest interaction that humans have with the natural world — and by extension, the biggest opportunity to heal some of the wounds that humans have wrought on the planet. "The farm bill has a bigger impact on our landscape in the Midwest than any other government program, by far," Brian DeVore of the Land Stewardship Project told an editorial writer. "It could be such a force for good."

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## Bank donates

First Bank of Berne recently donated \$1,000 to Jay-Randolph Developmental Services. Pictured, from left are bank branch manager Tracy Carpenter, JRDS clients Angie Whitenack and Jared Sizemore, JRDS director of fund development and administrative services Traci Gross and JRDS client Kurtis Atkinson. The donation will be used for operating expenses for the non-profit organization that serves those with developmental disabilities.

# Invenergy will contest court ruling

Invenergy plans to contest a state appeals court ruling in Illinois.

The company, which is planning Skycrest Solar in northwest Jay County, announced it will appeal a decision by the appeals court to the Illinois Supreme Court. The appeals court reversed the Illinois Commerce Commission's 2023 approval of hundreds of miles of transmission lines as part of a multi-state project intended to transport wind energy from Kansas across Missouri and Illinois to Indiana. The western portion of the project is not affected by the ruling. It is targeted to be operational in 2029.

### Registration open

Anyone with a business idea can now sign up for the chance at funding assistance.

Registration is open for Launch Jay!, a business pitch competition put on by Jay County Development Corporation and Jay County Chamber of Commerce.

The "Shark Tank"-style business pitch competition offers entrepreneurs the opportunity to earn funding for their ideas for a new business or expanding an existing business. Participants will go through a series of workshops leading up to the live pitch competition on Oct. 5.

Applications are available at Community Resource Central, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland, or by emailing JCDC executive director Travis Richards at trichards@jaycodev.org.

For more information, call (260) 726-9311.

### Laying off

Tyson Foods will be laying off nearly 400 employees from its plant in Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

Tyson, which has a facility in Portland, confirmed the layoffs to 5News of North Carolina. It has also laid off employees in Arkansas and announced layoffs

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in Indiana, Illinois, Virginia, Missouri and South Dakota.

"Due to increasing demand, we are shifting production in our Wilkesboro, NC facility to support our Tyson fully cooked products," Tyson told 5News in a statement. "As a result of these process changes, fewer positions will be required in the facility. Our priority is to help team members impacted by this change, and we are working with them to offer other opportunities at Tyson Foods."

### Bottles added

Ardagh Glass Packaging - North American last week announced more new bottles to its American-made offerings.

The company will offer new bottles in 50-milliliter, 100-milliliter and 375-milliliter sizes.

"As the largest domestic manufacturer of glass bottles for the U.S. spirits market, Ardagh Glass Packaging supplies glass bottles to the most iconic spirits brands in the U.S.," said Ardagh vice president of sales for food and spirits Darrell Wineman in a press release. "Ardagh continues to focus on developing its portfolio of American-made, sustainable glass spirits containers, like the newly released stock bottles, to showcase the brands America loves."

Ardagh operates glass manufacturing facilities in Dunkirk and Winchester.

### Named to top 5,000

Inc. 5000's rankings included more than 50 Indiana companies this year.

Beach Boss Influencers of Newburgh was the highest rated on the list at No. 11. Next on the

list were iSolutions Payments (131) of Zionsville, Stepping Stones Behavioral Solutions (468) of Indianapolis, REsimpli (510) of Highland and Egglife Foods (563) of Wolcott.

Muncie's Accutech Systems made the list at No. 4,674.

Inc. 5000 said the Indiana companies on the list had a median revenue growth of 210%.

### Called to cease

Indianapolis pharmaceuticals firm Eli Lilly is demanding healthcare providers stop promoting and selling off-brand versions of its weight loss and diabetes drugs.

The company, which makes Zepbound and Mounjaro, sent cease-and-desist letters to various firms, Bloomberg reported. The letters told providers to cease the "manufacture, promotion, and/or sale" of compounded versions of tirzepatide, which is the active ingredient in Lilly's drugs.

### Added to board

Bob Moritz has been named to Walmart's board of directors.

Moritz is the retired chairperson of PricewaterhouseCoopers. He will become a member of the board's audit committee and technology and ecommerce committee.

"We are a people-led, tech-powered, omnichannel retailer dedicated to helping people save money and live better," said Walmart board chair Greg Penner in a press release. "As we continue to build on this foundation while defining the future of retail, it's important to have strategic leaders like Bob on our Board. With his history at the helm of PwC, his strategic, global perspective and highly relevant governance experience make him the ideal candidate to help us on our continued journey to be the best we can be."

### Subway awards

The Subway Cares Foundation last week announced \$625,000 in

scholarships to Subway employees.

The Subway Fresh Start Scholarship Program provides scholarships to employees for college or vocational/technical school. It has provided more than \$5 million in scholarships since 2016.

"Our Fresh Start Scholarships are an investment in the world's future leaders," said Howard Lipman, executive director of the Subway Cares Foundation, in a press release. "These outstanding team members have shown a steadfast commitment to pursuing higher education and serving their communities, and it's an honor to support their continued growth."

### Named EVP

Heidi Capozzi has been named CVS Health's executive vice president and chief people officer.

Capozzi, who previously served as executive vice president and global chief people officer for McDonald's, will step into the new role Sept. 9. The job leads human resources, labor relations and corporate responsibility for CVS.

"Heidi brings a depth of experience and a breadth of industry insights to CVS Health, in particular a proven track record of hiring, building, and growing strong teams and advancing a winning culture," said CVS Health president and CEO Karen S. Lynch in a press release. "From nimble startups to established brands, Heidi has consistently applied her expertise to championing talent and we look forward to her being a part of our leadership team."

Capozzi will take over for Laurie Havenec, who is leaving CVS.

### Promoted

McDonald's last week named Tiffanie Boyd as its new executive vice president and global chief people officer.

Boyd took over her new role Monday. She previously served as senior vice president and chief

people officer for McDonald's. She will oversee human resources, including talent management, talent acquisition and other areas.

"Tiffanie is an exceptional HR leader who understands that great people are the bedrock of the McDonald's business," said McDonald's chairman and CEO Chris Kempczinski in a press release. "Since she joined the company a few years ago, Tiffanie has quickly established herself as a collaborative, values-driven leader who has championed several transformational programs like our People Brand Standards and talent development initiatives that have turned our U.S. business into a role model within the system. I am excited to welcome Tiffanie to our Global Senior Leadership Team as she takes the reins as McDonald's next Global Chief People Officer."

### Added to board

Dollar General announced last week that it has appointed Kamy Scarlett to its board.

Scarlett serves as executive vice president of human resources and corporate affairs for Best Buy. She will serve on the board's compensation and human capital management committee and the nominating, governance and corporate responsibility committee.

"We are pleased to add Kamy to Dollar General's board of directors," said Michael Calbert, Dollar General's chairman of the board, in a press release. "I am confident her wealth of retail industry experience and leadership in both human resources and corporate affairs over the past thirty years will provide valuable insights in support of our strategic goals and growth plans."

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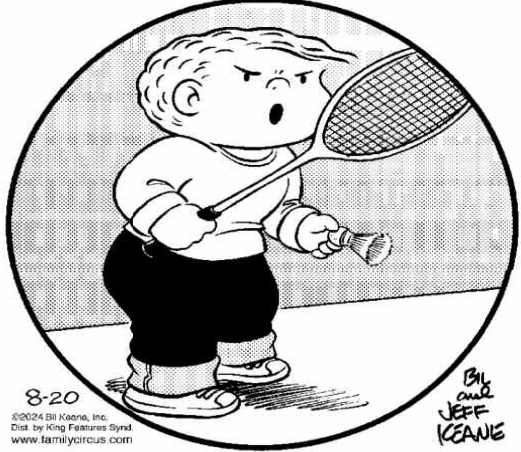
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Coup cue

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable. NORTH: ♠K4, ♥752, ♦KQ107, ♣AQ86. WEST: ♠5, ♥QJ103, ♦9843, ♣J732. EAST: ♠Q987, ♥AK8, ♦652, ♣1094. SOUTH: ♠AJ10632, ♥964, ♦AJ, ♣K5.

The bidding: North East South West 1♦ Pass 1♠ Pass 1NT Pass 4♣ Opening lead - queen of hearts.

Executing a trump coup is not nearly as difficult as many players might think. There's a simple rule that declarer must follow as soon as he recognizes the coup situation, and from that point on, it virtually takes care of itself.

Consider this deal where West won the first heart trick and East has the next two. East then returned a diamond, taken by the ace. Having already lost three tricks, South's only concern was to avoid a trump loser. So he led a low spade

to the king, returned a spade and finessed the ten. The finesse succeeded, but the bad news was that East had started with Q-x-x-x. South still had a finessing position over East, but dummy had no more trumps to lead through him.

It was here that the possibility of a trump coup entered the picture. The aim in such situations is to time the succeeding plays so as to wind up in dummy at trick 12. The lead of any card from dummy then traps East's queen. To be successful, however, declarer must first reduce his trump length to the same number as East's.

Since South still has four trumps at this point to East's two, he has to ruff two of dummy's cards, even though they are winners. So he leads the diamond jack to the queen and trumps the king. Next, he plays the club five to the queen, trumps the ten of diamonds and then overtakes the king of clubs with the ace.

Eleven tricks have now been played, and the lead is in dummy as planned. Dummy's last two cards are the 8-6 of clubs, while East has the Q-9 of spades and South the A-J. A club lead from dummy obliterates East's apparently invincible trump trick, and the contract is home.

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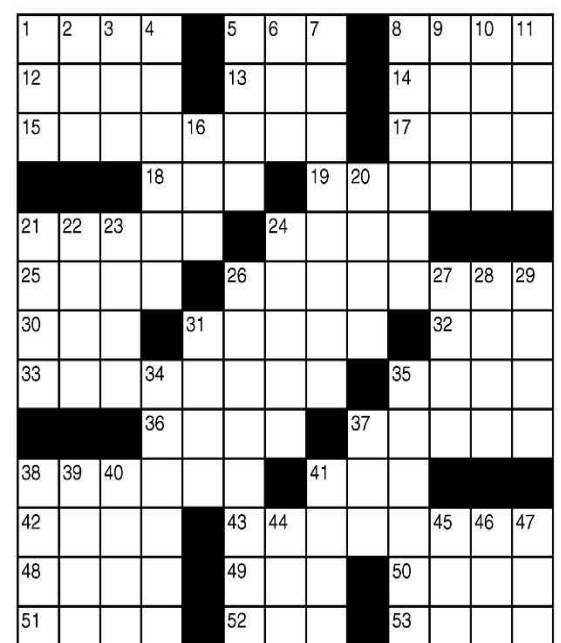
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Speaking with an official, there is a belief not all of these infractions will be called on the field because an official has to view all three elements of the act to throw the flag. The league will continue to police these tackles out of the game through fines.

Certainly there will be some angry purists who complain about defenses not being able to even breathe on offenses these days, but this actually seems like a good commonsense decision by the league.

There is another alteration for this year that is likely to pop up in a key situation and leave fans screaming at their televisions because they weren't aware things had changed.

Most fans have become accustomed to a team only getting a third challenge if both of their first two were successful. That has now been adjusted to a team getting a third chance to challenge if just one of the first two was successful.

This is also probably a good rule, except for the fact that a team does not get a fourth challenge if the third is correct. That should probably be changed, though it may not need to be because of the evolution of another rule.

The league has continued to broaden the replay-assist program that has quietly made a significant impact. There are several situations that come up in the course of the game where the booth can get in the ear of the referee on the field and consult him on clear and obvious mistakes with very little delay in the action.

It was seen a couple of times in the Raiders' game last Saturday against the Vikings — you may not have even noticed because it's so smooth — but the scope remains limited.

There are three new scenarios this year where that can happen.

If a flag is thrown for roughing the passer due to a hit to the head

or neck area and there is clear video showing no contact was made to that area, it can be overturned up until the time the offense lines up for the next play.

Same goes if there is a flag for intentional grounding and video shows the passer was out of the pocket or not facing imminent loss of yardage, the booth can quickly overturn it.

The final new situation where the booth can chime in is if a flag is thrown for unnecessary roughness near the boundary for a hit out of bounds, the booth can tell the officials the player was still in bounds and wipe out the flag. Think quarterbacks who draw a call when they are still two yards from stepping out of bounds.

## 'Hawk-Eye' coming

Basically, the booth can take away flags but not create them. Replay assist has been one of the most successful initiatives the league has had from a rules perspective because it is so efficient.

So why limit it? This should be greatly expanded to help fix a whole lot of mistakes without dragging out the review process.

Of course, I would have said the same thing about the "Hawk-Eye" technology set to replace the old-school chain-link first-down markers next season. The idea is to produce an immediate animation similar to the ones used in tennis and soccer to project on the scoreboard whether a ball has reached the line to gain.

It is being tested in some pre-season games, but got off to a dreadful start, as the image took more than three minutes to be processed during a Thursday game between the Lions and Giants.

That can't happen. It will get better, and that's why it's being tested as opposed to instantly implemented. But it also gives curmudgeons a chance to be dismissive of the vast improvements technology can and will bring to sports.

# Preseason ...

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**Injuries**

Cornerback JuJu Brents (nose), tight end Jelani Woods (toe), offensive guard Josh Sills (ankle) and rookie center Tanor Bortolini (toe) left the game and did not return.

Brents, who was playing despite having locked up a starting cornerback role because he

did not play last week against Denver while nursing a shoulder ailment, had his helmet pushed down into the bridge of his nose during a hit.

Brents suffered cuts and abrasions, and the injury is still being evaluated. But he said he would have returned to the field if Saturday had been a regular-season game.



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## Onto the green

Fort Recovery High School junior Reece LeFevre hits over the creek on the 16th hole at Portland Golf Club on Thursday. LeFevre finished with a team-best 37 strokes to help beat the Parkway Panthers.

# Sports on tap

## Local schedule

**Today**  
Jay County — Girls golf vs. Adams Central — 4:30 p.m.; Boys tennis at Alexandria-Monroe — 5 p.m.; Volleyball vs. Madison-Grant — 6 p.m.; Boys soccer vs. Muncie Central — 6 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — Volleyball (including freshmen) at St. Marys Memorial — 5:30 p.m.; Cross Country at Mercer County Invite at Marion Township Park — 5 p.m.; Middle school volleyball vs. Versailles — 5 p.m.; Middle school cross country at Mercer County Invite

at Marion Township Park — 5 p.m.

## TV sports

**Tuesday**  
11 a.m. — U.S. Open tennis (ESPN2)  
7 p.m. — WNBA: Dallas Wings at New York Liberty (FOX)  
7:07 p.m. — MLB: Cincinnati Reds at Toronto Blue Jays (Bally Indiana)

**Wednesday**  
7:07 p.m. — MLB: Cincinnati Reds at Toronto Blue Jays (Bally Indiana)

9:30 p.m. — WNBA: Minnesota Lynx at Las Vegas Aces (ESPN)

## Local notes

**Next up**  
The Adams Memorial/Kekionga Greenway Gallop 5K is the next race in the Adams County Challenge Series.  
The race will be held on Saturday, Aug. 24. It will begin at Riverside Center in Decatur at 4:30 p.m.  
The races cost \$25. Registration can be found at [adamscounty5kchallenge.com](http://adamscounty5kchallenge.com).

For more information contact Linda Morris at (260) 724-2604.

**Season tickets for sale**  
Jay County High School began selling season tickets on July 22. Tickets can be purchased during office hours from 7:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.

The Patriot Pass and Senior Patriot Pass (for those 65-and-older) cover all high school and junior high events. The former costs \$105 while the latter is \$60.

For just high school events, High

School Adult Super Tickets (\$80) and Senior Super Tickets for those 65-and-older (\$45) are available. Junior High Super Tickets are available for \$60.

Also available are a Pre-Paid Sports Pass, good for 12 games at \$50, boys basketball season passes for \$50 and football season passes for \$25.

## Classic set

The 11th Annual Adams Health Foundation Golf Classic is set to be held on Sept. 13 at Wabash Valley Golf Club.

Teams of four can participate for

\$400, with tee times at either 7:30 a.m. or 1 p.m.

Included are an 18-hole round of golf, a best, non-alcoholic beverages, a cooler bag and lunch.

All proceeds go to school healthcare scholarships and community health. For more information, contact Kim Trombley by emailing [kim.trombley@adamshealthnetwork.org](mailto:kim.trombley@adamshealthnetwork.org) or by calling (260) 724-2145 ext. 13062.

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# Sports

## Freshmen lead Patriots in season opener

WARSAW — The Patriots had a lot of questions coming into the season with a freshman-heavy roster.

Some of those questions have now been answered.

The Jay County High School cross country teams competed at the 2024 Tigers XC Invite on Saturday morning to open the season with a third-place finish for the girls and a seventh-place finish for the boys.

Columbia City dominated both races as a 38 in the girls claimed the top spot and a 44 in the boys earned the win. The Patriot girls notched 138 points, while the boys had 263.

Four freshmen scored for Jay County, including Jessie Homan, whose time of 22 minutes, 18 seconds, earned her 18th place. Behind her in 20th, Brooklynn Byrum scored a time of 22:23.79.

### Local roundup

Junior Alexis Sibray (23:16.3) had the third-best Patriot finish, claiming the 30th spot.

Rounding out Jay County's score were freshman Abby Fifer (23:39.63) in 33rd place and Ava May (23:59.88) in 37th.

Caleb Garringer paced the boys with a 17:58.47 for sixth place.

Freshman Dash Thacker came out strong with a 23rd-place finish in 19:08.55. Two more freshmen, Dougie Cox (20:02.58) and Alex Rivers (22:12.69), added scores as well by finishing 50th and 83rd.

Lukes Powers provided the final score for the Patriots, finishing in 101st after 23:09.36.

### Tribe opens with win

RUSSIA, Ohio — Fort Recovery's volleyball team opened the season with a 25-19, 25-18, 21-25, 25-23 victory over the Russia Raiders on Saturday.

Karlie Niekamp led the attack with 11 kills, finding success on half of her attempts and 45.5% hitting. Behind her, sisters Kennedy and Cameron Muhlenkamp had nine and eight kills, respectively.

Kayla Heitkamp accounted for 36 of the 42 Fort Recovery assists to support the hitters.

The Indians (1-0) ended with 14 aces and 16 service errors in the game. The Muhlenkamps had the most success from the service line. Kennedy Muhlenkamp finished with four

aces and one error on 24 attempts, while Cameron Muhlenkamp put up similar numbers on 20 attempts.

Fort Recovery's defense made up for the hitting and service errors, as it tallied 72 digs and no digging errors. Cameron Muhlenkamp had the most digs with 21, while sophomore Kenna Dues followed with 18.

### Pats swept

NEW CASTLE — The Jay County boys tennis team got swept by Connersville and New Castle in the Trojan Kickoff Duals on Saturday.

Eli Dirksen, Gabe Pinkerton and Kayden Carpenter all only won one game against Connersville in the No. 1, 2 and 3 singles positions. Dirksen and Carpenter both lost 6-0, 6-1, while Pinkerton fell 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles teammates Blake Kahlig and Carter Wellman got swept 6-0, 6-0. Carson Westgerdes and Kason Sims suffered a similar fate in the No. 2 doubles match.

Things picked up a little in the second match, but the result stayed the same for Jay County (0-2).

Dirksen fell 6-0, 7-5 to Leo Underhill in the No. 1 singles match.

Pinkerton dropped the No. 2 singles match 6-0, 6-4 to Matt Hastings.

Cameron Hastings picked off Carpenter in the No. 3 singles match 6-0, 6-1.

Kahlig and Carter Wellman won one game against Vincent Farris and Austin Nunez for a 6-1, 6-0 loss.

Westgerdes and Clark Wellman got swept by Dylan Blackford and Trenton Boughton.

## New NFL rules fans should know

By ADAM HILL

Las Vegas Review-Journal Tribune News Service

LAS VEGAS — The most glaring change to the NFL as the preseason progresses is obviously the kickoff rule.

It was always going to be that way. It's perhaps the biggest rule change the league has implemented in decades, and it still looks odd.

But the dramatic difference in how kickoffs are handled has overshadowed some other changes that could also have a big impact this season.

And yes, as a rules nerd, these things matter!

of the hip-drop tackle, a technique employed by defensive players to bring down ball carriers in which they grab or wrap the runner with both hands before swiveling or dropping their hips to make the offensive player carry their weight and then land on or trap the runner's leg below the knee.

It's an incredibly dangerous way of making a tackle that has resulted in a significant amount of injuries. The penalty will be 15 yards and an automatic first down and is likely to catch some fans off guard the first few times they see it called because it has become so prevalent in recent years.

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### Catch is good

Jay County High School's Ben Crouch slides in the endzone to catch a touchdown pass during the Patriots' scrimmage against Richmond on Aug. 16. JCHS opens their season Friday at Blackford.

### Hip-drop ban

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## Assistants take turn calling plays in preseason victory

By GEORGE BREMER

The Herald Bulletin (Anderson) Tribune News Service

INDIANAPOLIS — Sam Ehlinger, Jason Bean and Kedon Slovis heard new voices in their headsets Saturday night.

Head coach Shane Steichen allowed his assistant coaches to call plays during the Indianapolis Colts' 21-13 preseason victory against the Arizona Cardinals at Lucas Oil Stadium.

In the same way the team's reserves were developed on the field, Steichen believes the chance to call plays helps to develop the coaching staff.

"I think it's just growth for those guys," Steichen said. "Give those guys an opportunity. I mean, everyone has goals and aspirations just like players, right, to be coordinators and call plays and stuff. So to give those guys that opportunity was awesome."

Offensive coordinator Jim Bob Cooter, quarterbacks coach Alex Tanney and tight ends coach Tom Manning were among the coaches who got the chance to call plays. There also was a rotation on defense, with coaches on each side of the ball getting one full quarter making the calls.

The offense produced 356 yards and 24 first downs.

Ehlinger directed a nine-play, 59-yard drive capped by an 8-yard touchdown run by Tyler Goodson in the first quarter, and Bean led back-to-back scoring drives of 75 and 66 yards in the third and fourth quarters. Zavier Scott scored on a 6-yard run to end the first march, and Bean finished the second with a 1-yard scamper.

Defensively, the Colts held Arizona to 232 yards and 13 first downs.

The Cardinals' lone touchdown came in the second quarter after a 41-yard drive set up by a Bean interception. A fumble by rookie wide receiver Anthony Gould led to a

40-yard field goal for the visitors earlier in the quarter.

Indianapolis had no takeaways but finished with three sacks and seven tackles for loss.

Steichen recalled his own first time calling plays — in the second half of a preseason game with the San Diego Chargers against the San Francisco 49ers in 2015.

"The first time I did it I was young," he said. "I mean, I was a fourth-, fifth-year (coach) in the league. And it was fun doing it, though. I enjoyed it. But it does — like something goes bad or something, (it's) like, 'Crap, I shouldn't have called that.'"

"I mean, it's just one of those things you go through. But it's good. It's good experience for everybody."

### Kicker woes?

Matt Gay missed field goal attempts from 54 and 44 yards in the fourth quarter. Both attempts were wide left, giving the veteran kicker three misses through two preseason games.

He also missed from 53 yards last week against the Denver Broncos.

"He's a pro," Steichen said, downplaying any concerns. "I think he's gonna be fine."

Punter Rigoberto Sanchez — Indianapolis' normal holder — was not available Saturday because he was celebrating the birth of his daughter earlier in the day.

Gay acknowledged there's a difference in the setup with rookie kicker Spencer Shrader — who averaged 50.5 yards on two punts in place of Sanchez — performing the holding duties.

But Gay made no excuses for the errant attempts.

"I feel really good," he said. "I feel like the ball's coming off my foot really

well. I mean, all pregame, everything like that, half-time, kicks are really good. (I) take that with some confidence.

"But, yeah, ball's down, I gotta make the kick regardless of who's the holder or what's happening. Yeah, I just have to be better, especially going forward and getting ready for Week 1. Going into the regular season for the team, I gotta make picks. So I gotta do my part."

### Defensive standouts

Although the battle for the second free safety spot continues, Nick Cross had a solid performance starting alongside Rodney Thomas II.

Cross finished with five tackles, including one for a loss. He has eight tackles and one pass breakup through two preseason appearances this summer.

"I just want to see him keep making plays," Steichen said of Cross' development. "I mean, (at) that position, you've got to make plays on the back end. And the guy that makes the most plays and knows what to do all the time, that's the guy that's gonna be in there."

Defensive lineman Adetomiwa Adebawore continued a strong summer with two tackles, a sack and two quarterback hits against the Cardinals. He's got four tackles in live game action and has been among the stars of training camp.

"He's getting better," Steichen said. "I'll tell you what, from last year's training camp to right now, he's making a ton of plays. He's making them in practice, and now it's showing up in the game. You can see his technique. Charlie Partridge, our d-line coach, has been doing a hell of a job with him with technique stuff, and it's showing up on game day."

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