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Jay School Corporation

Jay County Junior-Senior High School students returned to in-person classes after a week away from the building following the Sept. 22 tornado. Jay School Board during a special meeting Monday approved a resolution allowing superintendent Jeremy Gulley to act on its behalf "to regain and ensure continuing school function and the safety and well-being of our school community." The resolution is retroactive to Sept. 22.

Gulley authorized to take action

By RAY COONEY
The Commercial Review

Jay School Board during a special meeting Monday approved a resolution allowing superintendent Jeremy Gulley to act on its behalf in regard to the response to the Sept. 22 tornado that hit Jay County Junior-Senior High School.

The resolution deems the aftermath of the tornado as an emergency situation and authorizes Gulley or his designees as purchasing agents for the school corporation.

For any actions that are not required immediately, the superintendent will consult with the school board president. The board is to be updated on any actions no later than its next regular meeting.

The resolution allows Gulley

to "take any and all actions as they deem necessary or desirable to address the damages sustained during the Sept. 22 weather event to regain and ensure continuing school function and the safety and well-being of our school community." It is retroactive to 8 p.m. Sept. 22.

Gulley explained that the resolution is specific to those topics, noting that the reconstruction of the junior high area and IMC (library) will follow a more traditional path with project bidding and board approval of contracts. He also shared fresh photos from the damaged area of the school, with carpeting removed and some walls stripped to the studs.

Board members Ron Laux, Phil Ford, Donna Geesaman, Jason Phillips, Vickie Reitz, Marcie Vormohr and Chip Phillips

unanimously approved the resolution without comment on it directly.

Gulley reported to the board that he met with insurance representatives Sept. 25, less than 72 hours after an EF-1 tornado with winds up to 110 miles per hour hit the southeast corner of the school. Those meetings will continue at 9 a.m. each Wednesday as the school corporation goes through the recovery process. Claims adjusters were on site Monday.

Junior-senior high students returned to school Monday, with the damaged area sealed off from the rest of the building and displaced students and teachers utilizing spaces such as the choir room, breezeway and classrooms in which teachers are on their prep periods. Students gathered

in the gym at the beginning of the day for an update from administrators and information about changes that were being implemented.

"I read to them what a Patriot was, as defined in the dictionary," said junior-senior high principal Chad Dodd. "The two words that I stressed to them were 'boldly support' — just take care of one another, look out for one another, help one another. ... That's what we want to do."

"(The students) did well," he added, noting that counselors and administrators were walking the halls to help direct junior high students where they needed to go. "After lunch, they were getting it. ... It went a lot smoother in the afternoon. I think each day will get better."

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Indiana National Guard activated

Wing will assist with storm relief in North Carolina

By CASEY SMITH
Indiana Capital Chronicle
indianacapitalchronicle.com

Roughly a dozen members of the Indiana National Guard are headed to North Carolina to help with search and rescue efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, state officials announced late Monday.

The decision was made by Gov. Eric Holcomb, who mobilized the 181st Intelligence Wing — based in Terre Haute — to join Indiana Task Force One and other agencies that are already on the ground in North Carolina.

"Hoosiers stand with our friends in North Carolina as they navigate the devastation caused by this natural disaster," Holcomb said in a statement. "As a force for local and global good, the women and men of the Indiana National Guard are prepared to answer the call, and our prayers are with them and the people of North Carolina."

The request for assistance by North Carolina comes after more than 100 people have died as a result of the storm. Hundreds more are still missing.

The governor's office said Hoosier soldiers will work alongside local, state and federal agencies. The relief efforts will also be assisted by Indiana Task Force One — a specialized emergency response team — which was originally deployed to Florida and Georgia but has since been shifted to North Carolina.

The 80-person team was activated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency last week.

Teams from the Hoosier state are coordinating with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security's Emergency Operations Center.

That includes a swift water rescue team from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, as well as members of the South Bend, Goshen and Mishawaka fire department, which state officials said have been operating around the clock since Friday in North Carolina.

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Judge overturns Georgia ban

By MAYA T. PRABHU
The Atlanta Journal-Constitution
Tribune News Service

ATLANTA — Georgia can no longer enforce its ban on abortion that took effect in 2022, a Fulton County judge said Monday, allowing the procedure again to be performed after a doctor detects fetal cardiac activity.

Fulton County Superior Judge Robert McBurney issued an order Monday that said abortions must be regulated as they were before Georgia's 2019 law took effect in July 2022 — meaning the procedure is again allowed up until about 22 weeks of pregnancy.

A spokeswoman with the attorney general's office said the state plans to appeal.

"A review of our higher

Abortion now legal in state up to 22 weeks of pregnancy

courts' interpretations of 'liberty' demonstrates that liberty in Georgia includes in its meaning, in its protections, and in its bundle of rights the power of a woman to control her own body, to decide what happens to it and in it, and to reject state interference with her health care choices," McBurney ruled. "That power is not, however, unlimited. When a fetus growing inside a woman reaches viability, when society can assume care and

responsibility for that separate life, then — and only then — may society intervene."

Georgia's law, referred to by supporters as the "heartbeat bill" and by opponents as the "six-week ban," prohibits abortions in most instances once a doctor can detect fetal cardiac activity, typically about six weeks into a pregnancy and before many know they are pregnant.

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Invasion excitement

Eight-year-old Eli Michael of Portland cheers Saturday night during the Delaware County Championship Wrestling Invasion V event at Jay Community Center.

Deaths

Lewis Shultz, 57, Metamora

John Horsman Jr., 72, Colorado Springs, Colorado
Details on page 2.

Weather

The temperature hovered between 64 and 70 degrees Monday in Jay County.

The forecast calls for a low in the mid 40s tonight. Thursday's high will be in the mid 70s under mostly sunny skies.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Jay County Board of Zoning Appeals has scheduled a meeting for 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17. The agenda will include a public hearing on a special exception use request for converting vacant parcels into a mobile home park in Pennville.

Coming up

Thursday — Results from the JCHS girls soccer game against Blackford.

Friday — Coverage of the opening round of the boys tennis sectional tournament.

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



Obituaries

Lewis Shultz

June 14, 1967-Sept. 27, 2024
Lewis Shultz, 57, Metamora, a former Portland resident, died Friday at Reid Hospital in Richmond.
Arrangements are pending at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland.

John Horsman

July 2, 1952-Sept. 19, 2024
Capt. John Horsman Jr. (United States Navy, retired), 72, passed away at home on September 19, 2024, after a hard-fought battle with pancreatic cancer.
He was a resident of Colorado Springs for 21 years after a 29-year career as a naval aviator took him all over the world.
John — “Pony,” as most peo-

ple knew him — was born on July 2, 1952, to John and Janice (Morehous) Horsman in Muncie, Indiana. He was a 1970 graduate of Portland High School in Portland, Indiana, where he met his future wife, Susan (Heniser). They were married on July 6, 1974, and both graduated from Purdue University in December 1974.

Pony had a distinguished career in the navy, retiring as a captain in 2004. He served in Patrol Squadrons VP-5 and VP-30 at Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida. In 1983, he reported to the Philippines as flag secretary onboard Com-



Horsman

mander Carrier Group 5/Commander Task Force 70. During this period, he embarked aboard USS Midway and USS Carl Vinson. His travels then took him to NAS Brunswick, Maine. While serving as the XO of VP-11, the squadron deployed in direct support of Operation Desert Storm, and he assumed command the following year. His staff tours took him to both EUCOM and USSPACECOM and he served as the executive assistant to two different 3-star admirals and a 4-star general. He subsequently served as the chief of staff/Inspector general of the Naval Research Laboratory and earned a master's degree from the Naval War College. After retiring from the Navy, he went on to work for the Missile

Defense Agency at Schriever AFB.
Pony loved golf, hunting, fishing and competitive shooting. He was nationally certified as a range officer for USPSA shooting matches.
He found ample time for all his hobbies and his family after retiring from the navy. Never one to sit around idly, he was highly active with the Eisenhower Men's Golf Association at the USAFA. He received the Distinguished Service Award in 2017 and served as vice president and president before stepping down due to his illness.
He is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Susan; his two sons, John III and Zachary; his siblings, David Horsman (Sandy), Nancy Vega and Steve Horsman (Tracy); and sisters-

in-law: Linda Warner (Randy) and Lisa Lyons (Dan).
A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, 2024, at the Shrine of Remembrance America the Beautiful Chapel, 1730 E. Fountain Blvd., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
Memorials in John's name may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (pancan.org).
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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.

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Thursday 10/3	Friday 10/4	Saturday 10/5	Sunday 10/6	Monday 10/7
75/50	77/48	73/52	78/51	68/39
Sunny skies are in the forecast for Thursday, when the high will be around 75 degrees.	Friday's forecast shows sunny skies with a high in the mid to upper 70s.	Another day of sunny skies is expected Saturday with the low at 52 degrees.	There's a 30% chance of rain on Sunday under mostly sunny skies.	Monday's forecast shows sunny skies with the low at night dipping into the 30s.

Lotteries

Powerball Monday 9-11-30-43-69 Power Ball: 20 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$275 million	Daily Four: 8-8-3-1 Quick Draw: 8-10-11-17-18-20-28-30-33-35-38-41-46-50-52-53-61-65-67-76 Cash 5: 15-27-31-32-37 Estimated jackpot: \$85,000
Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$93 million	Ohio Monday Midday Pick 3: 2-6-8 Pick 4: 3-8-0-8 Pick 5: 2-1-2-6-4 Evening Pick 3: 0-4-2 Pick 4: 9-3-1-8 Pick 5: 7-9-7-6-4 Rolling Cash: 1-25-27-34-35 Estimated jackpot: \$199,000
Hoosier Monday Midday Daily Three: 5-9-7 Daily Four: 4-7-8-5 Quick Draw: 7-9-10-11-16-17-19-20-24-30-33-34-37-41-53-54-60-72-75-80 Evening Daily Three: 1-5-9	

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn.....3.78 Dec. corn.....4.08 Wheat.....4.72	Nov. beans.....10.53 Wheat.....5.47
POET Biorefining Portland Corn.....3.78 Dec. corn.....4.08 Jan. corn.....4.30	ADM Montpelier Corn.....3.80 Oct. corn.....3.80 Beans.....10.10 Oct. beans.....10.10 Wheat.....5.56
The Andersons Richland Township Corn.....3.78 Nov. corn.....3.80 Beans.....10.06	Heartland St. Anthony Corn.....3.63 Nov. corn.....3.73 Beans.....9.90 Nov. beans.....10.05 Wheat.....5.16

Today in history

In 1919, United States president Woodrow Wilson suffered a stroke that partially paralyzed him.
In 1938, pitcher Bob Feller struck out a record-breaking 18 Detroit Tigers. Feller later made the Baseball Hall of Fame for his accomplishments. His team, Cleveland Indians, lost in the 4-1 game at Cleveland Stadium.
In 1950, Charles Schulz's comic strip, "Peanuts," was published for the first time in seven newspapers around the United States. "Peanuts" — it was originally named "Li'l Folks" but was renamed to avoid questions with copyright infringement — ran for 50 years until it began printing re-runs in 2000.
In 1957, "The Bridge on the River Kwai" was released. The movie, directed by David Lean and starring William Holden and Alec Guinness, won the Academy Award for Best Picture the following year.
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Citizen's calendar

Today 8 a.m. — Upper Wabash River Basin Commission, lower level conference room, Wells County Public Library, 200 W. Washington St., Bluffton. 7 p.m. — Pennville Town Council public hearing and meeting, Pennville Town Hall, 105 N. Washington St.	Thursday 4 p.m. — Portland Board of Works, mayor's office, city hall, 321 N. Meridian St. Monday 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.
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Capsule Reports

Abandoned scene

A truck driver abandoned the vehicle they were driving after it crashed along county road 600 South about 9:35 p.m. Sept. 25.
Police found a 2002 Ford F-150 rolled on its passenger side just south of county road 600 South, near its intersection with county road 1225 West. According to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report, the vehicle was going west on county road 600 South at a high rate of speed when the driver left the north side of the road, causing the brakes to lock up while overcorrecting their vehicle. The truck went into the opposite lane of traffic and spun before rolling onto its side, the report says.
Police observed alcoholic beverage cans and the smell of alcohol coming from inside the cab, along with the ignition keys left inside the truck. The witness told police a man with a bright orange shirt left the vehicle after the crash and fled the scene.
The truck is registered to Kimberley J. Cox Brown of Eaton. Documents belonging to Ryan Hartzell were also found inside the cab, according to the report.

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

House hit

A Portland man drove into a house along Arch Street about 9:30 a.m. Tuesday.
Sergio Ortiz, 29, was driving a 2008 Pontiac G6 south at the intersection of Arch and Williams streets when he attempted to turn. He failed to turn and crashed into the home at 823 W. Arch St.
Ortiz sustained minor bleeding on his head. The vehicle he was driving — it's registered to Salvadora Del Rosario of Portland — was towed. Damage is estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Lost control

A Tennessee man lost control of the semi truck he was driving at the intersection of Indiana 67 and Indiana 26, causing an accident about 5:19 a.m. Friday.
Gregory D. Wallace, 66, Doyle, was driving a 1997 Freightliner east on the Indiana 26 when he drove up to its intersection with Indiana 67. He

told police he wasn't able to stop, causing the semi to go into a field southeast of Indiana 67.
The semi is registered to TQ Trucking of Hartford City. It was towed, with damage estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Drunk driving

A Portland woman was arrested for drunk driving after she allegedly drove off county road 550 South and crashed into a pole about 10:57 p.m. Friday.
Julie E. Smith, 38, was driving her 2013 Chevrolet Cruze east on the road in Jay County when her vehicle left the road and hit a utility pole, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report. Smith was given a blood alcohol test with results pending.
She was arrested and preliminarily charged with a Class C misdemeanor for operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Smith was being held in Jay County Jail on a \$1,000 bond.
Her vehicle was towed, with damage estimated between \$25,000 and \$50,000.
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Dodd said there will be minor tweaks based on lessons learned Monday, such as making the bus drop-off on the east side of the build more efficient.
Gulley reiterated that he is awaiting approval from the corporation's insurance firm to bring in mobile classrooms. He said he expects 10 will be needed, adding that where they will be located hasn't been determined. (He pointed out that access to utilities is needed.)
On the reconstruction front, the superintendent said he expects to utilize architecture firm Barton Coe Vilamaa — the company has handled projects for the school corporation for more than two decades, including the renovation of the area that was damaged by the tornado — to put together plans. He also noted that a construction manager will be needed to oversee the work.
While board members didn't have questions or comments on the resolution, they offered plenty of praise for school staff that worked to get students back in the junior-senior high building Monday. (Classes throughout the corporation were called off Sept. 23, with the junior-senior high on e-learning the next day and then remote learning Wednesday through Friday.)
"We have a lot of treasure out there, and the real treasure we have out there wasn't in the building,"

said Ford, who preceded Dodd as principal, referencing students. "And the rest of it is just stuff."
"We're fortunate to have the leadership that we have, from Jeremy to (facilities director) Gary (Cagle) to Chad ...
"We're blessed that it didn't damage any more than it did. We're blessed to have the leadership that we have. And we're most of all blessed that we didn't have any of our kids get a scratch."
Gulley also informed the board that Indiana Department of Education has approved a waiver for the day of school that was canceled Sept. 23 because of the tornado. That day will not need to be made up.

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Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition & Jay County Sheriff Dept. will be collecting all medicine

Tox Away Day is for Jay County residents only! If you plan to bring a large volume of items, please contact the district office by September 30th so arrangements can be made.

Gallery hosting pouring workshop

The Anna Bier Gallery of Greenville, Ohio, will host a paint pouring workshop at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8.

The event in the Anna Bier Art Gallery inside St. Clair Memorial Hall will cover paint pouring, a contemporary technique that allows participants to create abstract designs by pouring and manipulating acrylic paints on canvas. The workshop will teach the basics of the technique, including mixing paints and pouring methods.

The workshop is open to anyone 14 and older. Pre-registration is required. The fee is \$30.

To register, or for more information, go to darkecountysarts.org/annabiergallery or call 440-813-0367.

Come see history

Hartford City's Civil War Days is scheduled for Oct. 4 through 6.

The event includes demonstrations and presentations about the Civil War era, specifically 1864. There will be reenactments of battles from the 1864 campaign around Atlanta.

The event will also feature

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merchants, weavers, blacksmiths, spinners and others.

Admission will be \$5 on Friday, Oct. 4, and \$7 on Oct. 5 and 6. Children 5 and younger are admitted free.

For more information, visit hartfordcitycwdays.com.

To play at Emens

Cirque Musica Holiday Wonderland and The Oak Ridge Boys have been added to the upcoming lineup for Emens Auditorium at Ball State University.

Cirque Musica Holiday Wonderland is scheduled for 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, with The Oak Ridge Boys' American Made Christmas Farewell Tour set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21.

Tickets are on sale now and are available at ticketmaster.com or by calling (765) 285-1539.



Photo provided

Celebrating 100

Vermia Cash of Portland celebrated her 100th birthday Sunday with a party with friends and family at her son's house. She has lived in Portland for more than 25 years in a home on Boundary Pike.

Ex-wife likes to stir the pot

DEAR ABBY: I am dating an older man with two ex-wives. I have met both of them. I don't mind them. The last ex-wife and I get along. She usually calls me because he won't answer his phone for her. The first ex-wife I don't like at all (I used to talk to her) because she's lied to me about him.

This woman has her kids call and tell him to call her (which he sneaks around to do), among other things. She talks smack about two of her kids with him (supposedly his), and she cheated on him numerous times. Anytime we see her, which is usually at one of the kids' houses, she or he runs to give the other a hug. I

think this is very wrong and I've twice said something to him.

Am I wrong? Am I jealous? He says they don't want to be with each other, they're just friends, but I don't trust her. I feel like she's trying to start trouble. (Not to mention, one of the kids remarked, "If Mom wanted



Dear Abby

him back, she could get him.") I respect your opinion. Please help me. — AM I RIGHT OR WRONG?

DEAR RIGHT OR WRONG: Many divorced couples try to keep things amicable for the sake of their children. Your twice-married boyfriend may be one of them. If you trust what he says, his first ex-wife isn't likely to wreck your relationship unless your insecurity allows it. If you cannot trust this man's word, you should no longer be together. What the kid said hasn't helped the situation. Please do not let it cause trouble in your relationship with their father.

Community Calendar

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

Today

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

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

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

SINGLES AND SEPARATES SUPPORT GROUP — For anyone who's lost a loved one or has a spouse living in long-term care or suffering from an illness,

the group will meet at 2 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month in the Arthur & Gloria Muselman Wellness Pavilion in Berne. For more information, call Sarah Conrad at (260) 589-4496.

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 - BRI-

ANNA'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.

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.

PORTLAND LIONS CLUB — Will meet the first Thursday of the month at Portland Lions Civic Center, 307 W. 100 North. The meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

FORGET-ME-NOT — A

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

Friday

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

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.

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

CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will meet at noon Friday, Oct. 4, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

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Level: Intermediate

Tuesday's Solution

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

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A new phone provided challenges

Editor's note: This column is being reprinted from Oct. 1, 2014. Jack and his phones. He used to drive his staff crazy with his cell phone. Generally, because as he states in the second paragraph of this column, for years it rarely left the glove compartment of his car. But he became a frequent Facetimer, utilizing his phone for face-to-face visits with his grandchildren hundreds of miles away.

Back in the Saddle



By JACK RONALD
The News and Sun

Maybe my old phone clued in my new phone.

The old phone, which dated from about 2004, was one of those flip models. And it's still in mint condition, largely because it spent most of its life turned off and sitting in the console of my car.

I have not been, to put it mildly, a big cell phone user.

Instead, I've enjoyed the

peace and quiet that comes from being out of touch.

And when Glen Bryant taught me how to drive, he recommended keeping two hands on the wheel. There was nothing about holding a phone up to my ear while negotiating traffic.

But my phone has always been on my wife's account; so when Connie told me she needed a new phone — a smartphone — for her work as an environmental consultant, that meant I was getting a new phone as well.

Apparently, keeping my old flip phone turned off in the console of my car was no longer an option.

The new phone, I have to admit, is extremely cool. It's an Apple iPhone 5C, and it was cheap because the iPhone 6 models have just come out.

So for the past several days, I've been learning my way around the new technology. Much of it has been intuitive and easy. I've been an Apple guy since our first Mac computers back in the early 1990s, and I work on an iMac at home.

Folks at the office who have had smartphones of various models since the dawn of time were amused to watch the boss play with his new toy.

They put up with text messages, watched me mess around with the phone's camera and generally behaved the way old

pros always do when a novice joins the game.

Pretty soon, I was catching up. I sent photos to our daughters, checked my email routinely and was able to access voice-mail on our home phone and listen to it on the iPhone.

Then it stopped working.

Maybe my old flip phone had told the iPhone that I would soon be leaving it, turned off, in the console of my car.

It turns out that on the second day I had the phone, I made a huge mistake: I downloaded Apple's newest phone software.

And the software had a bug in it.

Toward the end of last week, my smartphone suddenly wasn't quite so smart.

I could make and receive phone calls.

But I couldn't access the Internet, couldn't send a one-

word message let alone a photograph and couldn't check my email.

I also could not — and this is critical — access the new software fix that Apple had hurriedly put together to solve exactly the kinds of problems I was facing.

Connectivity had been interrupted, and I needed connectivity to re-establish connectivity. (If that sentence sounds like it makes no sense, then you have understood it correctly.)

As I write this, I'm still not sure how to get the fixed software installed. There's a good chance that by hooking the iPhone up to my computer at home I'll be able to download the fixed version.

Then again, the best solution might be to leave it turned off and keep it in the car.

UN speeches reflect grim global realities

The Minnesota Star Tribune
Tribune News Service

The world, warned President Joe Biden, is at an "inflection point."

The world, warned U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, "is in a whirlwind."

Guest Editorial

the Mideast was on both leaders' minds as they addressed fellow world leaders. Indeed, as they spoke carnage continued on multiple fronts, including the deadliest days since at least 2006 in Lebanon, the home base of Iran-backed Hezbollah, which like Hamas in Gaza is considered a terrorist group by Israel, the U.S. and scores of other countries.

"We should all be alarmed by the escalation," said Guterres. "The people of Lebanon, the people of Israel, and the people of the world cannot afford Lebanon to become another Gaza."

"Our task, our test," the president said, "is to make sure that the forces holding us together are stronger than those that are pulling us apart." Today's choices, he said, "will determine our future for decades to come."

"We are in an era of epic transformation," the secretary-general said, "facing challenges unlike any we have ever seen — challenges that demand global solutions."

The perilous descriptions of today's frayed geopolitical order went even deeper as both Biden and Guterres continued with comments that were complementary but not coordinated as the United Nations began its 79th annual General Assembly on Tuesday at U.N. Headquarters in New York.

Biden, bidding farewell to the world stage, was more self-referential. Guterres, who has a few more years on his second term, was a bit wearier. But the speeches' similarities were striking.

Reflecting a worldview tied to geopolitics, Guterres said that "we are edging toward the unimaginable — a powder keg that risks engulfing the world."

Among the potential igniters is what the secretary-general described as "a world of impunity, where violations and abuses threaten the very foundation of international law and the U.N. charter;" as well as "a world of inequality, where injustices and grievances threaten to undermine countries or even push them over the edge" and "a world of uncertainty, where unmanaged global risks threaten our future in unknowable ways."

Biden channeled these challenges — especially Russia's illegal, immoral invasion of Ukraine. "We cannot grow weary; we cannot look away," Biden said after highlighting his administration's advocacy for Ukraine and strengthening of alliances, including a reinvented and expanded NATO, which along with everyday Ukrainians "stood up."

Beyond Eastern Europe,

Imperiled Palestinian civilians, Biden said, "didn't ask for this war that Hamas started." Nor, of course, did Israeli citizens. "The world must not flinch from the horrors of October 7," the president said.

Guterres and Biden called for a cease-fire and continued their unceasing call for a Palestinian state.

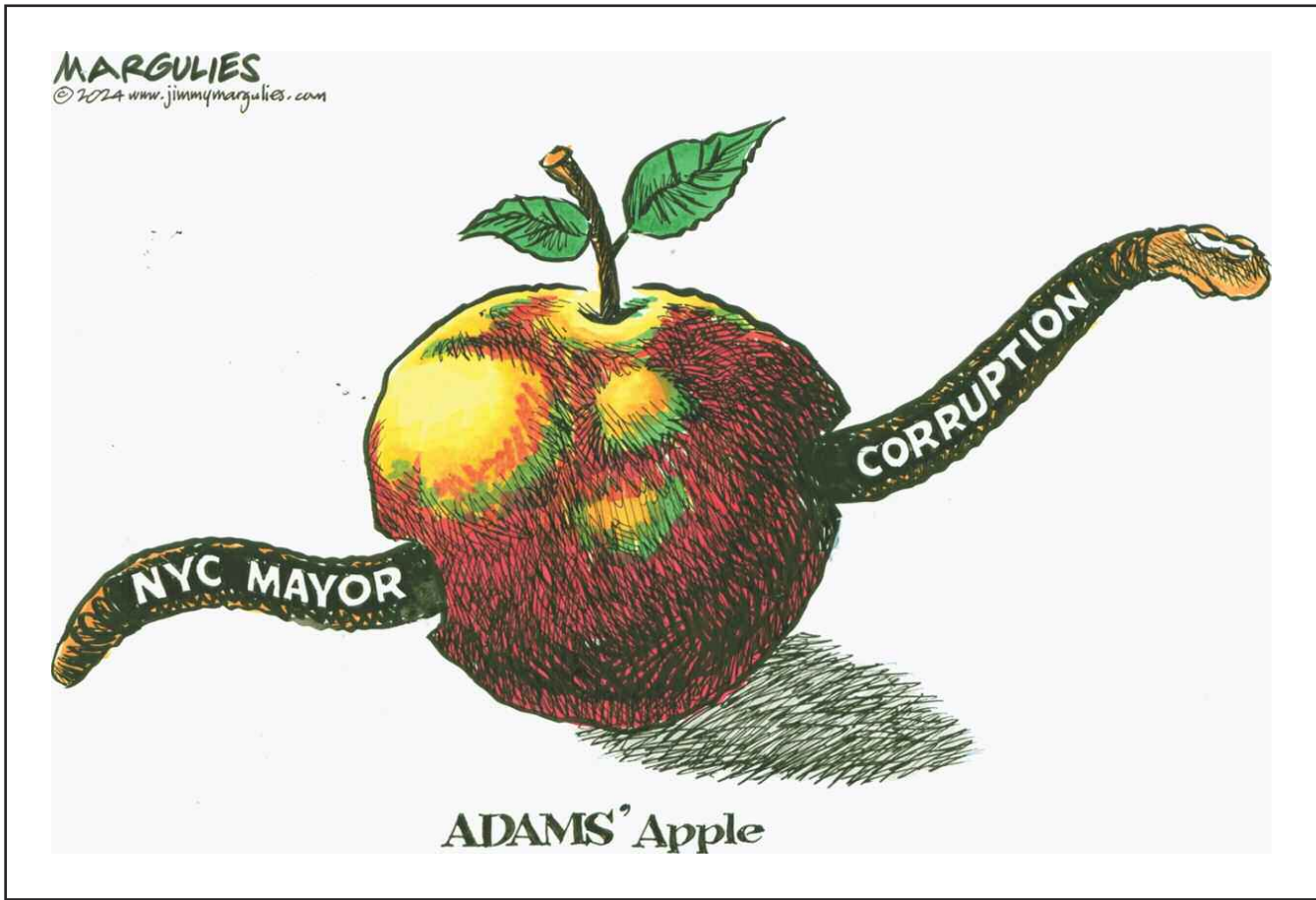
"Full-scale war is not in anyone's interest," Biden said, adding that a "diplomatic solution is still possible."

Transnational challenges were on both leaders' agenda too — especially unchecked artificial intelligence and climate change.

Biden, bowing out of foreign affairs after 50 years, was wistful in saying "there is so much more I want to get done." But, he added, "Some things are more important than staying in power: It's your people."

While that admonition was for assembled presidents, prime ministers, monarchs and others, it might also have been meant for former President Donald Trump, who if elected threatens to alienate the alliances Biden bolstered while accommodating authoritarianism who pose a continuing threat to democracy.

Indeed, the next American president will likely reap a global whirlwind. That leader must understand the geopolitical complexity and consequences of exceedingly dangerous conflicts that continue to burn worldwide.



To end rumors, look at messenger

By NEDRA RHONE
The Atlanta Journal-Constitution
Tribune News Service

The lyrics from a catchy '80s tune have been running through my head for the past week.

"Stop spreading those rumors around. Stop spreading those lies."

Calling to mind this 1986 song by Timex Social Club was the light-hearted way I dealt with heavy emotions about the impact recent political rumors have had on the country.

All week long, I read dispatches from Springfield, Ohio, recounting the school closures, bomb threats, deployment of state troopers and fear of some residents thanks to the rumors promulgated by Donald Trump during the presidential debate with Vice President Kamala Harris earlier this month.

Trump repeated a rumor that migrants from Haiti were eating the pets of Springfield residents. It's alarming that anyone could speak such drivel, particularly a presidential candidate, but this is the bar we've set.

Community members and faith leaders gathered over the weekend at several events in Springfield designed to bring residents together. At these events, locals expressed support for the Haitian community amid the ill will that has been thrown their way for two weeks.

Some residents helped raise money for the migrants or patronized Haitian-owned businesses in solidarity. But at the same time, the rumor continues to fuel anti-immigrant sentiment nationwide.

On Monday, Springfield Mayor Rob Rue's voice quivered with emotion as he discussed the threats his own family has received. He expressed concern, if not surprise, that Republican leaders, particularly vice presidential candidate JD Vance, have continued to promote the rumor.

Rue told MSNBC that he and city staff are "asking that leaders at the

national stage speak well of our city and understand the weight of their words and the impact that it has had on our city."

It was a polite way of telling Vance and Trump to knock it off, but maybe it's time to stop being nice.

We all have likely been the subject of rumors, perhaps more often than we know since every rumor about us doesn't always get back to us. I've felt the weight of rumor personally in the past year, and while I would normally confront the source, for now I've had to settle for accepting that anyone who really knows me knows that the rumor isn't true.

It is a natural impulse for the target of a rumor to want to debunk the lie and defend themselves. But rumors are stubborn — according to Cass Sunstein, a legal scholar at Harvard University — and some of the most damaging rumors resist correction.

News stories over the past week have focused on the impact this rumor has had on the Haitian community, highlighting the fear they have for their lives and their livelihoods. Some stories have documented their efforts to work hard and gain a foothold in America while escaping instability in their country. The stories are meant to engender feelings of empathy and reflect a community that has embraced American values, but these stories won't do much to change the viewpoints of people who believe the rumors they are hearing.

Adam Berinsky, a political scientist from MIT and author of "Political Rumors," said more political



elites than ever before are using rumors as weapons. And while it isn't easy to combat the problem, he said, we can start thinking about the solution in a different way. When trying to debunk political rumors we should focus on the messenger and not the message, he said in an interview with MIT News.

Getting to the truth involves more than providing accurate information from neutral, trusted sources. Berinsky found in his research. It requires someone to step up and tell the truth even when the truth doesn't serve their own perceived self-interest.

I was encouraged when I spied a recent op-ed in The New York Times from Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine. His words extolled the virtues of his hometown, noted that the Haitian migrants arrived legally and want to work and he shared insights gained during his numerous travels to Haiti.

He also described some of the very real issues the city has faced as it tries to absorb thousands of immigrants. But only one sentence was devoted to calling out Vance and Trump for their bad behavior; and it was a softball. DeWine said he was saddened by "how they and others continue to repeat claims that lack evidence and disparage the legal migrants living in Springfield."

Politicians play an important role in shaping public beliefs, and when they aren't behaving responsibly they should be held accountable, especially by their peers. It's not enough for DeWine and Rue to politely ask Trump and Vance to stop reinforcing the rumor. The Ohio government officials have a clear self-interest in preserving order in their state and city, respectively.

To quash this rumor, political leaders who have something to lose need to step up and speak up. Because right now, an '80s R&B song is offering more direction to the country than the elected officials we look to for guidance.

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—Thomas Jefferson

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Storm damage

Qena Fabin, an Augusta resident, sits on top of an oak tree that toppled into her front yard because of Tropical Storm Helene while her 7-year-old daughter looks on. Fabin has to walk around the tree's massive roots or scramble over it to leave her yard.

Guard ...

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The Indiana National Guard team is expected to be based in Hickory, North Carolina for about two weeks, according to state officials.

"Whether we're assisting our fellow Hoosiers or aiding another state, the Indiana National Guard

is uniquely prepared to mobilize anywhere, anytime," Maj. Gen. Dale Lyles, the adjutant general of the Indiana National Guard, said in a statement.

Last week, another 600 Hoosier soldiers began a year-long deployment to the Middle East.

An additional 50 Hoosier Nation-

al Guard soldiers departed Indiana for the Texas border town of El Paso earlier this year, where the company is continuing to carry out a 10-month deployment meant to reinforce Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's efforts to close off his state's share of the U.S.-Mexico border.

Overturns ...

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The SisterSong Women of Color Reproductive Justice Collective and other abortion rights groups and providers sued Georgia in 2019 in federal court after the Legislature passed the law.

The U.S. Supreme Court's 2022 decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* overturned *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 ruling that guaranteed a nationwide right to abortion until a fetus is viable to live on its own, paving the way for Georgia's law to take effect.

Mike Griffin of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board, who lobbied in support of Georgia's law, said McBurney's order gives the appearance of "legislating from the bench."

"A lot of what we saw in those early years 50 years ago (when *Roe v. Wade* was decided) was a lot of things were being done judicially because they thought it couldn't be done legislatively," Griffin said.

Once *Roe v. Wade* was overturned, SisterSong and many of the other groups sued Georgia in Fulton County Superior Court, citing the state's constitution, which some legal experts have said grants more expansive rights to privacy than the U.S. Constitution.

The ruling comes after the state Supreme Court last year reversed a 2022 ruling from McBurney in which he said the 2019 law had been passed illegally since *Roe v. Wade* was the law of the land at the time.

That sent the case back to McBurney, who then was asked to rule on the constitutionality of the law. On Monday, he ruled that the law was unconstitutional.

"While the state's interest in protecting 'unborn' life is compelling, until that life can be sustained by the state—and not solely by the woman compelled by the act to do the

state's work — the balance of rights favors the woman," McBurney wrote.

Claire Bartlett, executive director of the anti-abortion Georgia Life Alliance, said she was disappointed by the ruling, but she wasn't shocked.

"It's not particularly surprising that a liberal, pro-abortion judge would attempt to create a right to abortion (from the state constitution) out of an enumerated right that isn't there," she said. "To me, it's ironic that he's basing his decision on Georgia's constitutional right to life, liberty and property ... and focusing only on a women's right to liberty versus a child's right to life."

SisterSong Executive Director Monica Simpson said McBurney's ruling on Monday allowed her and other reproductive rights activists to "take a breath" after playing defense for the past five years.

"We still know there is a strong possibility this will not last very long," Simpson said. "We've seen how this looks before, unfortunately. But in the meantime, we are going to put out to the public that this is going to be life-changing for patients to get care, and we'll fight for them to get as much access for as long as we can."

Georgia's abortion law was struck down in 2022 for eight days, when McBurney ordered the state to stop enforcing the restrictions in his initial ruling.

The state appealed that ruling to the state Supreme Court, which decided to allow the law to remain on the books while the case worked its way through the legal system.

Supporters expect something similar to happen this time around. Once the state appeals the ruling, it will go to the state Supreme Court for its consideration.

Capsule Reports

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Hit tree

Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000 after a Dunkirk woman drove off the side of county road 200 South and into a tree about 5:49 p.m. Friday.

Taylor L. Baker, 27, was driving her 2020 Nissan Versa west on the road near Indiana 1 when she drove off the north side of the road, causing her car to go into a ditch. She continued driving west through the ditch until her vehicle crashed into a tree.

Baker complained of head pain. Her vehicle was towed.

Left the scene

A driver left the scene after crashing into a mailbox and ramp at a Portland home about 8:43 a.m. Sept. 20.

According to a Portland police report, a 2007 Ford Edge was turning north from Middle Street to Water Street when the driver failed to straighten out the vehicle, causing it to leave

the road and hit a mailbox and railing along a ramp at 119 S. Meridian St. The driver and vehicle then left the scene without calling police. A witness called police after the crash.

The Ford Edge was found at 310 S. Meridian St. The owner of the vehicle, Emilio Rosas of Portland, visited Portland Police Department to inform police he allowed someone else, "Alfredo," to use his vehicle. As of press time, the driver had not been located.

Damage is estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Couldn't see

An Albany woman drove into a Portland man's car at the intersection of county roads 350 North and 1150 West about 4:03 p.m. Thursday.

Elizabeth J. Ulrey, 50, was driving her 2000 Buick LeSabre north on county road 1150 West when she stopped at the intersection. She told police she couldn't see oncoming traffic

because of the corn field obstructing her view. She continued into the intersection and crashed into an eastbound 2022 Chevrolet Silverado driven by 46-year-old Jason N. Batron.

Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500.

Crashed into pole

A Lynn man lost control of his truck and hit a pole along county road 450 South about 9:50 a.m. Sunday.

Carl E. Wert, 65, was driving his 2014 Ford F-150 west on county road 450 South near county road 100 West when he drove off the road and into a pole.

Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Intersection crash

A Redkey woman drove into oncoming traffic at the intersection of Tyson Road and Indiana 67, causing an accident about 10:54 a.m. Monday.

Jenna G. Pitman, 24, was driving a 2013 Chevrolet Equinox

west on Tyson Road when she stopped at its intersection with Indiana 67. She told police she didn't see the southbound 2015 Ford F-150 driven by 74-year-old Glenn C. Nicodemus of Portland in the road, and she continued into the intersection. Pitman crashed into Nicodemus' vehicle, causing it to spin into a ditch on the west side of the highway, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report.

Both vehicles were towed, with damage estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000. The Chevrolet Equinox is registered to Hugh F. Kelly of Portland.

Vehicles collided

A Portland woman crashed her car into another Portland woman's vehicle at the intersection of Meridian and Lincoln streets in Portland about 6:17 a.m. Monday.

Elizabeth A. Pieterse, 59, was driving her 2019 Toyota Tundra south on Meridian Street when she attempted to turn onto Lin-

coln Street. She struck an eastbound 2017 Chevrolet Trax driven by 25-year-old Valerie Jutte.

Damage is estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Didn't see

A Portland man drove into the path of oncoming traffic at the intersection of Meridian and Main streets, causing an accident about 5:30 p.m. Friday.

Ryan A. Blount, 52, Portland, was driving a 2011 Buick Enclave west on Main Street. He told police he stopped at its intersection with Meridian Street and didn't see oncoming traffic, so he continued west. He drove into the path of a southbound 2015 Chrysler 200 driven by 30-year-old Shawn M. Homan of Portland. Homan told police he didn't have time to stop, and his vehicle struck the vehicle Blount was driving, causing it to spin.

Both vehicles were towed, with damage estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

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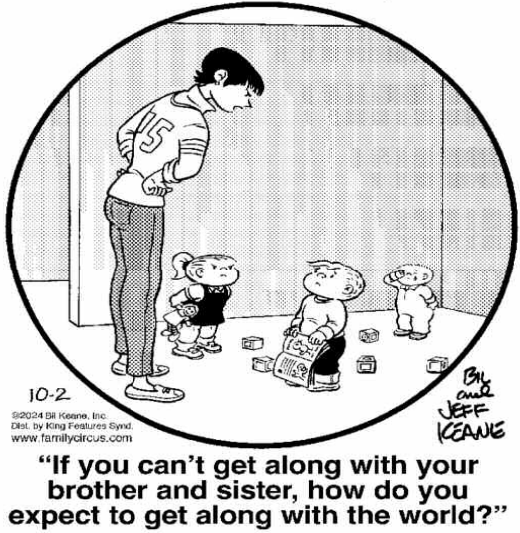
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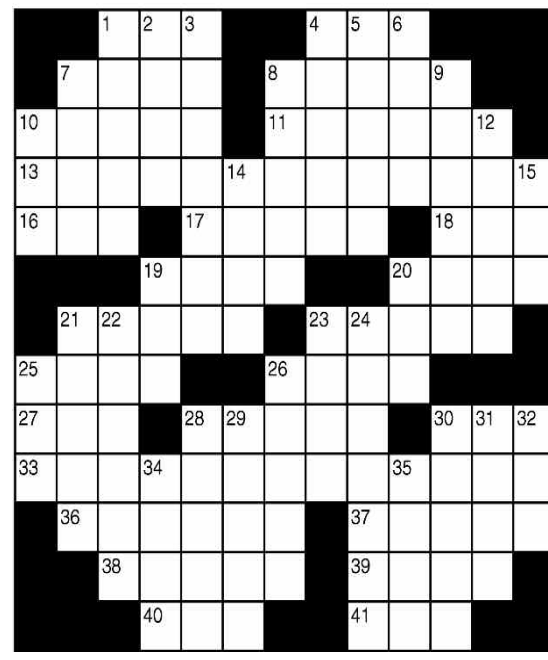


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Cash's ...

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I have a random collection of favorite sports teams, as Virginia is the largest state in America without a pro sports franchise. In the NBA, I am the biggest Los Angeles Lakers fan you will ever meet; for college sports, I grew up a huge Virginia Tech fan, and there is a good chance you might spot me around town wearing Hokies gear from time to time.

You might now be asking yourself what on earth is a "Hokie"? Honestly, I am not completely

sure either. According to the Tech website, a "HokieBird" evolved from a turkey. (Teams were once called the Gobblers.) But, no matter how mad they make me after having numerous mediocre football seasons in the past decade, I will always consider myself a Hokie.

I also support my alma mater, Liberty University, and have loose fandoms of the Denver Broncos in the NFL and the Arizona Diamondbacks in Major League Baseball.

Growing up, I fell in love with the game of basketball and watching the late, great Kobe Bryant. Even as just a small child, I was enamored with Kobe's approach to the game. His attention to detail, work ethic and his trademark "Mamba Mentality" inspired me and were what brought me to love sports.

I played basketball throughout my childhood and ran cross country and track in high school. My biggest accomplish-

ment was winning MVP of Wilson Memorial High's indoor track team in 2020 and was named district champion in the 500-meter dash.

This is going to sound cliché, but when I realized I was more than likely not going to be a pro athlete in my early teenage years, I asked myself what would be the next best thing in sports. I thought about coaching and then about being a sports journalist. I chose the latter.

I have been writing about

sports off and on since I was about 16 years old for Red Cup News, Fansided's college basketball website "Busting Brackets" and, most recently, Liberty's newspaper, "The Champion."

I look forward to meeting more of you at each game, match and meet I am tasked with covering for The Graphic Printing Company's newspapers.

With college behind me, I'm excited to take the first steps of my professional journey.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Today
Jay County — Boys tennis sectional vs. Randolph Southern — 5 p.m.

Thursday
Jay County — Boys soccer at Liberty Christian — 5:30 p.m.; Girls soccer vs. Muncie Central — 6 p.m.; Volleyball at Heritage — 6 p.m.

Fort Recovery — Volleyball (including freshmen) at Versailles — 5:30 p.m.; Middle school football vs. Marion Local — 5 p.m.; Middle school volleyball vs. St. John's — 5:30 p.m.

TV sports

Today
2:32 p.m. — MLB playoffs: Detroit Tigers at Houston Astros (ABC)
4:38 p.m. — MLB playoffs: Kansas City Royals at Baltimore Orioles (ESPN)
7:38 p.m. — MLB playoffs: New York Mets at Milwaukee Brewers (ESPN)
8:38 p.m. — MLB playoffs: Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres (ESPN2)

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2:32 p.m. — MLB playoffs: Detroit Tigers at Houston Astros (ABC)
4:08 p.m. — MLB playoffs: Kansas

City Royals at Baltimore Orioles (ESPN) 6 p.m. — College volleyball: Maryland at Penn State (BTN)
7:08 p.m. — MLB playoffs: Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres (ESPN)
8:38 p.m. — MLB playoffs: New York Mets at Milwaukee Brewers (ESPN2)

Local notes

Grand opening set
The Jay County Clubhouse will host a grand opening from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5.
The new sports facility is located at 822 S. 500 West, Portland. The event

will include games, door prizes, raffles, food and refreshments.

The Clubhouse will be offered discounts on premier memberships as well.

Final races

The second-to-last race in the Adams County 5K Challenge is the Callithumpian Center on Oct. 8.

A fun run will start at 1:30 p.m., with the 5K to follow at 2 p.m. at the River Greenway.

Preregistration is \$20 for the 5K and \$10 for the fun run until Sept. 23.

Admission will be raised to \$25 and \$15 after Sept. 23.

Preregistration can be done at adamscounty5kchallenge.com.

The final race of the season, the Rainbow Lake 5K Run/Walk, will take place on Nov. 26.

Turkey Trot sign-up open

Cooper Farms will be hosting its 17th annual Turkey Trot Saturday, Nov. 2 at the Cooper Farms Turkey Harvesting Plant in St. Henry, Ohio.

Participation costs \$15. All proceeds benefit EverHeart Hospice.

The race will begin at 10 a.m. There will be splits at each mile of the 3.1-mile course. There will also be chip timing for participants operated by Speedy Feet.

Water will be provided throughout the race, as well as a to-go turkey meal at the end.

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GUNS-TOOLS Stevens 22 caliber pocket rifle; Stevens A&T 22 caliber pistol. 12 gauge double barrel shotgun; Mantis hedge trimmer; Bostitch finish air nailer; concrete tools; hunting 7 fishing supplies; and other items not listed.
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From the birthplace of presidents to the Hoosier state

By WILL CASH

The Commercial Review

Three months ago, I was walking across the stage at the Vine's Center on Liberty University's campus. I had finished my collegiate journey.

After the weekend passed, like many fresh college graduates, I sat and asked myself, "what's next?" After months of applying for several different jobs in sports media, I came across a job posting to work for a newspaper in Indiana. This immediately caught my eye.

Growing up a huge basketball fan and watching the movie "Hoosiers" multiple times throughout my life, Indiana is known for its basketball prowess. Where else better for a basketball junkie to get his sports media career started than in the Hoosier state? I applied, went through the interview process and was blessed enough to receive a call from president, editor and publisher Ray Cooney offering me a job.

After discussing it with my family and friends, last Thursday I made the seven and a half-hour journey to Indiana from Virginia.

My name is William Cash, and I am the new sports reporter for The Graphic Printing Company. I am excited to join the community here.

To introduce myself to everyone about more of my background, I was raised in the small town of Waynesboro, Virginia. You probably have never heard of it. For more clarity, Waynesboro is located in between the cities of Harrisonburg and Charlottesville, Virginia.

I graduated in May from Liberty University located in Lynchburg, Virginia, with a bachelor's degree in digital media and journalism. There is a good chance none of you have ever heard of Liberty either. If you keep up with college football, or specifically Group of Five football, Liberty got slaughtered by Oregon in the latest Fiesta Bowl. Nevertheless, go Flames!

See Cash's page 7

Patriot netters draw Rebels in opener

The Patriots know what their path will be to reclaim the sectional crown, and they couldn't have drawn it up any better.

The IHSAA released the boys tennis sectional matchups Monday afternoon, with the Jay County High School boys tennis team drawing the Randolph Southern Rebels in the Sectional 53 opening round that the Patriots will host.

Jay County (7-10) will square off with the Rebels tonight at 5

p.m., while the Winchester Golden Falcons simultaneously take on the Union City Indians on the other set of courts.

Jay County has beaten all three teams during the regular season. The Patriots only dropped one position in the match against RSHS for a 4-1 victory. The sole loss came at the No. 2 singles, but Tucker Griffin forced a tiebreaker and a super tiebreaker to determine the victor.

During the regular season, the Patriots got an automatic point at the No. 2 doubles position, as the Rebels didn't have enough players to fill in the lineup.

JCHS also beat Union City 4-1, but only edged out Winchester 3-2.

The Patriots only loss against UCHS came at the No. 1 doubles position, but the Indians duo of Brennan Hoggatt and Jacob Thornburg was split late in the

regular season to compete as singles players.

In the WCHS match, Jay County claimed wins at the No. 1 and 3 singles as well as the No. 2 doubles.

Jay County's No. 1 doubles player, Eli Dirksen, only gave up seven games to sectional opponents during the regular season, setting him up for a potential individual berth if the Patriots fall as a team.



The Commercial Review/Andrew Balko

Use your head

Jay County High School's Aryan Montes heads a ball during the Patriots' 4-3 win over Connorsville on Saturday. Montes scored the second goal for the Patriots on a free kick.

FR boys fall just short of state berth

MIAMISBURG, Ohio — Fifteen strokes.

That's the difference between the Indians making the trip to Akron and putting the clubs back on the shelf until the snow thaws in the spring.

The Fort Recovery High School boys golf team fell one spot short of a state tournament berth, finishing third at the OHSAA Division II Southwest District golf tournament on Monday at Pipestone Golf Club.

The top two teams and individuals not on qualifying teams advanced to the state tournament Firestone Country Club starting on Oct. 11. The Indians shot a 332, falling 15 strokes short of Seven Hills (317) for the final berth. National Trial edged out Seven Hills for the district title with a round of 315.

Eli Lennartz shot 40s on the front and back nine to provide the best score for FRHS at 80 strokes. The senior never shot worse than a bogey over all 18 holes. He had one birdie on the par-4 first hole and sup-

ported with eight pars. Lennartz's 80 earned him the 13th best score in the district, but he fell seven strokes short of an individual berth. Cincinnati County Day's Ethan Argus shot a 4-under-par 68 to claim the first spot at the state tournament and the district title. Ross Dietz scooped up the other spot with a 73.

Fellow senior Keegan Muhlenkamp finished his final round of golf as an Indian strong with an 81 to claim the 14th best score. He made birdie three times on the par-5 sixth, par-4 15th and par-3 17th. He made par seven times to go with the birdies.

Only one stroke behind, Reece LeFevre tied for 19th at 82 strokes. The junior shot better on the front nine with a 39, highlighted by a birdie on the par-5 second hole. He totaled eight pars.

Caleb Smith rounded out the team score with a round of 89. He shot par five times and made nine bogeys.

Senior Mason Diller also competed, putting up a 106 that didn't impact the final.

Braves clinch seventh straight postseason berth

By JUSTIN TOSCANO

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution Tribune News Service

ATLANTA — No Ronald Acuña Jr. No Spencer Strider. No Austin Riley. No A.J. Minter. Tons of other injuries throughout the course of the season.

And yet, the Braves have clinched a postseason berth for the seventh consecutive year.

With a 3-0 win over the Mets in the second game of Monday's doubleheader, the Braves locked in a date with the Padres at Petco Park in a best-of-

three wild-card series that begins Tuesday at 8:38 p.m.

Game 2 will be on Wednesday at 8:38 p.m. Game 3, if necessary, is Thursday at 7:08 p.m.

The Braves' victory eliminated Arizona, which needed one of the teams to sweep this doubleheader. The Mets won, 8-7, in a back-and-forth first game.

True to the theme of this season, the Braves did not make this easy on fans. They needed all 162 games to punch a ticket to play in October.



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