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### Tournament triumph

Jay County High School quarterback celebrates after connecting with Benson Ward for a 42-yard touchdown pass near the end of the second quarter against Bellmont in the sectional opener on Friday. Bailey threw for one TD and rushed in two more while gaining 204 yards of combined offense in the 42-7 victory, the Patriots first in a sectional game since 2017. For more on the game, see page 10.

## Progress continues on wastewater project

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review Portland Board of Works on Thursday approved the latest pay request for the ongoing project at the city's wastewater treatment

Board of works members Jerry Leonhard, Steve McIntosh and Bluffton for work com- treatment plant. (Jutte Mayor Jeff approved a \$382,500 pay ect involves construction Recovery will put in an three smaller units as facility.

Work includes installing wet weather pump station

Jackson Company of station at the wastewater Westlake pleted thus far. The proj- Excavating

approved a change order delivery and better enerwith Jutte for slight gy efficiency. changes to the scope of

Jeff Hersha of Fort three backup generators explained that using wastewater

also would result in quicker

Hersha also noted that the project that resulted he is continuing to work in a \$1,980 cost reduction. with the contractors, Waste Management and Wayne's Jones and Henry Jay County Humane Engineers told the board Society toward removal about plans to bring in of the former humane society building that is for the project. He located adjacent to the

#### request from James S. of a wet weather pump equalization basin.) opposed to one unit See **Progress** page 2 Candidates spar in final gubernatorial debate

By WHITNEY DOWNARD

Indiana Capital Chronicle indianancapitalchronicle.com

U.S. Sen. Mike Braun, a Republican, fended off attacks from Democrat Jennifer McCormick and Libertarian Donald Rainwater in the final gubernatorial debate of the election season Thursday night.

All of the candidates are vying to succeed Gov. Eric Holcomb, who is term limited.

Braun admitted 'Senator tonight that he is the ultimate insider with lots of government experience, and he's done a lot of things in government," Rainwater summarized near the debate's conclusion. "... which means all the things that you're frustrated with the federal government or the state government, he's right in the thick of it. And if you want change, he's not going to change anything.'

McCormick joined in by repeatedly tying Braun to the ultraconservative views of his running mate, Micah Beckwith, a self-proclaimed Christian nationalist. In a media availability following the debate, McCormick defended the tactic, noting that the 70-year-old Braun would be the state's oldest governor if elected, putting Beck-

with "one heartbeat away" from the office.

We've not had such an extreme candidate in that position that I can remember in my adult life ... he's also clearly calling the shots. Let's just call it what it is: this isn't the Braun-Beckwith ticket, this is the Beckwith-Braun ticket," McCormick said. "And that is showing us what to expect if he were to get elected."

She pointed to a recent video in which Beckwith said he would fire state employees who use pronouns in their email signatures.

Braun, for his part, implored voters to review each candidate's past accomplishments, rather than promises.

"Look at the track record of whether you get something done — not whether you're going to say you're going to do it," Braun said. 'And I can give you proven leadership with results and take Indiana to a place we've not been before."

Questions submitted Hoosiers to the Indiana Debate Commission ran the gamut, ranging from education and incentivizing affordable housing to property taxes and views on abortion.



The Commercial Review screenshot

Candidates for Indiana governor, from left, Democrat Jennifer McCormick, Republican Mike Braun and Libertarian Donald Rainwater take part in the final gubernatorial debate Thursday.

have released their own property tax visions, which have been scrutinized for their potential impact on state and local budgets.

Both Braun and Rainwater signaled their continued support for school vouchers, which are typically used by wealthy families anacapitalchronicle.com.

Each of the three candidates who eschew public school systems. McCormick has called for a pause on the program and more accountability for schools getting public dollars.

> This story was edited for length. To read the full version, visit indi-

# **Plan** gets final

The Commercial Review

A new plan for downtown Portland is in place.

Portland Redevelopment Commission on Friday approved a confirmatory resolution for its Portland Downtown Economic Development Plan.

Friday's vote, which followed a public hearing during which they was no comment, was the final step for local government to approve the plan. (It will now be sent to the county office auditor's uploaded to the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) website.)

The plan details what redevelopment commission funds can be spent on, including acquisition and construction of projects or property, enhancing public safety, providing financial incentives, updating zoning ordinances, job training, housing attraction, public amenities, park improvements, infrastructure, tourism, sidewalks and streetscapes, transportation enhancement and utility projects. It also sets out goals such as beautifying the city, creating an environment that encourages small business and increasing housing options.

The plan also creates a new residential tax increment financing (TIF) district around the Hood Building, home of The Graphic Printing Company. The redevelopment commission purchased the building from the company, publisher of four regional newspapers including The Commercial Review, in December 2023 with the intention of targeting the second, third and fourth floors for development. (The company has continued to operate at the site, renting the first floor and the basement.)

The redevelopment commission gave initial approval to the Portland Downtown Economic Development Plan in December 2023. It has since been approved by Portland Plan Commission and Portland City Council before returning to the redevelopment commission Friday, with members Rusty Inman, Reda Theurer-Miller, Dave Teeter, Joe Johnston and Mike Simons approving it unanimously.

The board members also approved putting out a request for proposals for redevelopment of the Hood Building. If there are no proposals submitted for the site, the redevelopment commission would be able to negotiate directly with developers.

Also related to the TIF district, the approved work completed by Baker Tilly on a tax impact statement that was sent to local taxing units.

The redevelopment commission also approved its 2025 spending plan, which must be submitted to the (DLGF).

See Plan page 2

#### **Deaths**

David Taylor, 88, Pennville

Details on page 2.

Jay County had a high temperature of 67 degrees Friday.

The forecast calls for a high in the upper 50s today under mostly sunny skies. Sunday's high will be around 60. Lows this weekend will be in the 30s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### Weather

Museum of the Soldier will partner to host a special exhibit and program from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday at Mercer County Historical Society, 130 E. Market St., Celina, Ohio. It will feature displays of military weapons and uniforms from World War II as well as an exhibit of the fall of the Berlin

Wall. Admission is free.

In review

#### **Coming up**

**Tuesday** — Results from the JCHS runners at the regional cross country meet.

**Wednesday** — Coverage of next week's Jay County Commissioners meeting.

**Thursday** — Preview of the JCHS football team's sectional semifinal game.



Children — David Alan Tay-

lor (wife: Melissa), Portland,

Indiana, and Stephanie Penrod,

Five grandchildren — Caitlin

## **Obituaries**

#### **David Taylor**

May 3, 1936-Oct. 24, 2024 David Alonzo Taylor, age 88, a resident of Pennville, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024, in Muncie, Indiana.

David was born May 3, 1936, in Knox Township, Jay County, the son of Wilbur and Dortha (Lefevere) Taylor. He graduated from Pennville High School in 1954 and married Hazel Chadwick on July 9, 1959. David was a veteran of the U.S. Taylor, Pennville, Indiana

Army and served from 1959 to 1961.

David farmed in his vouth and retired from 3M in Hartford City. He was a member of Union Chapel Church and Gideons International. David enjoyed woodwork-

ing, fishing and hunting. Survivors include:

74 degrees

His wife of 65 years — Hazel



Continued from page 1

owner Emily Goodrich also present-

riverfront district.

Photography.

four meters.

Portland building and business

Montpelier, Indiana

Six great-grandchildren He was preceded in death by Taylor; and siblings Edward

Taylor, June Bedwell and Delores Kellogg. Visitation will be held on Gideons International.

Monday from 4 to 8 p.m. and 10 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at the funerlor, Justin Penrod and Breanna al home. Pastor David Cassity will officiate and burial will follow at IOOF Twin Hill Cemetery in Pennville. Military graveside his parents, Wilbur and Dortha rites will be conducted by American Legion Post #211 of Port-

Memorials may be directed to

Condolences may be sent to williamsonspencer.com. •••••

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 serv-

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

## CR almanac

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Skies will be sunny with a high of 61 degrees.	Expect mostly sunny skies with a high of 68.		The tem- perature will reach an unseason- ably high 80 degrees	Showers are expected with other- wise mostly cloudy skies and a high of

### **Lotteries**

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 9-1-1 Daily Four: 9-8-7-4 Quick Draw: 3-5-13-15-16-19-22-28-30-38-40-45-47-53-59-60-72-73-74-

Ohio Midday Pick 3: 9-9-0 Pick 4: 5-1-2-8 Pick 5: 4-6-6-7-5

#### **Powerball**

Estimated jackpot: \$20

#### million

**Mega Millions** Estimated jackpot: \$229 million

### **Markets**

#### Cooper Farms Fort Recovery

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#### **ADM** Montpelier

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Wheat	5.09

#### Heartland St Anthony

Vietnam War.

ou Androny	
Corn	3.77
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Beans	9.33
Nov. beans	9.33
Wheat	4.99

## **Today in history**

Canal, which connected Lake Erie and the Hudson River, opened. The \$7 million project created a 363-mile canal 40 feet wide and 4 feet deep. It took eight years to com-

In 1881, the O.K. Corral in Tombstone, Arizona, was the site of the gunfight legendary between the Earp family - Wyatt, Virgil and Morgan Earp with friend Doc Holliday and the

McLaurys and Clantons. In 1905, the St. Petersburg soviet (workers council) was formed during the Russian Revolution of 1905, which pushed Tsar Nicholas II to try to transform the country's government from an autocracy to a constitutional monarchy.

In 1911, singer Mahalia Jackson was born in New Orleans. She made her first recording in May 1937 and went on to become known as the 'Queen of Gospel Song."

boxer 1970, Muhammad Ali beat Jerry Quarry in his

3:30 p.m. — Jay County

Solid Waste Management

District Board, 5948 W.

5 p.m. — Jay School

Board special meeting,

General Shanks, 414 E.

5 p.m. — Jay County

Commissioners, audito-

rium, courthouse, 120 N.

Floral Ave., Portland.

Court St., Portland.

Indiana 67, Portland.

**Monday** 

Citizen's calendar

In 1825, the Erie return to the ring. He had been banned from boxing after he refused his draft order into the U.S. Army during the

> In 1975, William E. Davis suffered a broken back in a fall at his Penn Township Farm and was in intensive care at Fort Wayne's Parkview Hospital. He was manager of Portland's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office.

> In 1984, the movie "The Terminator" was released. The film made more than \$78 million at the box office and served as a launchpad for the careers of director James Cameron and actor

Schwarzenegger.
In 2020, United Way of Jay County annual campaign co-chair Barbara Street announced a push for new ways to donate with in-person fundraising opportunities limited in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. "We're trying to reinvent how we can touch people," she said.

Head Start in Portland.

#### **SERVICES**

Today

Bechtol, Kimo: 10:30 a.m., Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church, 403 Sharpsburg Road, Fort Recovery.

Tuesday

Taylor, David: II a.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Pendleton, John: 2 p.m., Waters Funeral Home, 501 W. Washington St., Hartford City.

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salt spreader for the city's street department Kalida Truck Equipment of Kalida, Ohio, at a cost of \$12,300. Street department super-•Approved a lease intendent Matt Shauver agreement with SCUS, requested the purchase

•Tabled a request from agreement with rent at rural Portland resident Kyle Love for a waiver of his sewer bill after his house was significantly damaged in the Sept. 22 tornado. Love explained that it may be up to a year before his house is inhabitable again. Clerk-treasurer Lori Phillips noted that by ordinance, anyone who is connected to the sewer system must be charged. Portland Mayor Jeff Westlake suggested Love seek reimbursement from his insurance company. After a discussion, during which Love suggested the ordinance be amended for natural disasters like a tornado, the board tabled the issue.

## Redkey **Police Department**

is accepting applications for full-time Deputy Marshal.

 Must have high school diploma or GED. · Would like experience.

Applications may be picked up at the Redkey Town Hall.

**Applications must be turned in** before October 25, 2024.

#### ning a line from the main to the meters should be the responsibility of the city. City attorney Wes Schemenaur recommended that

land.

ed two requests to the commission — Goodrich take the issue to the city's one for funding to assist with a water line issue and another to expand the board of works. Goodrich also asked about the pos-

Goodrich explained to the commissibility of expanding the city's riversion that a "shoot-off" of a water line front district to include the Goodthat goes to a display window at Rich Brewery & Taproom property Patriot Sportswear has been the subat 128 E. McNeil St. She explained iect of frequent problems. She has that she'd like to add on to the existbeen advised that there is no longer a ing building to install a commercial way to fix the "shoot-off" anymore. She noted that the line the "shootkitchen in order to provide space for start-up restaurants on a short-term off" comes from runs under the Through the riverfront district, a Hawkins Building and its annex (101 through 111 N. Meridian St.) and is business can be provided with a unmetered until a four-way split at liquor license if they sell at least the east side of the building. When there is an issue and water needs to be shut off, it effects the bulk of the building including Patriot Sports-

\$150,000 in food annually, have more than 50% of their sales in food and are open for at least 300 days per year. Portland's district was created wear, Patriot Fitness and Blessings in late 2021 and includes Meridian Street from Water Street to about She said the building needs a new Arch Street and also extends west water line from the city main to the along Walnut Street to just past Commerce Street and Main Street to Goodrich added that city water between Ship and Pleasant streets.

department superintendent Doug CWC Latitudes consultant Ed Curtin, who works with the redevelline would be the responsibility opment commission, pointed out that for an area to be made part of velopment commission for funding the riverfront district it must be for a new line, presenting potential located within a designated economsolutions ranging from \$11,412.10 to ic development area, redevelopment project area, urban renewal area or redevelopment area, an economic sion members expressed their feeldevelopment project district or a ing that the responsibility for run- community revitalization enhance- the mayor and three by city council.)

ment district. The McNeil Street site currently does not meet any of those criteria.

Curtin said the city council would need to establish one of the above areas or districts if it is interested in expanding the riverfront district.

In other business:

•Portland clerk-treasurer Lori Phillips provided the financial report, which shows it has a balance of \$992,960.30.

•Theurer-Miller told commission members that Portland Main Street Connect will be hosting meetings for downtown building and business owners at 1 and 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, at Community Resource Center. Information will be provided about funding opportunities, building permits, occupancy and safety.

•Phillips reminded commission members that a new state law goes into effect July 1 that will require that all government meetings are livestreamed and recorded. For that reason, the redevelopment commission meetings that are currently held at Community Resource Center will shift to city council chambers at the fire station. (Recording and livestreaming equipment has been installed in council chambers and was tested this week.)

•Following a question from Inman, all commission members said they are willing to continue serving in 2025. (They are appointed to one-year terms, with two seats appointed by

## **Progress**

Continued from page 1 "It's going well so far," he said of the overall from project.

Jackson has advised her that a new

building owner. She asked the rede-

Several redevelopment commis-

In other business, the

owned building at 406 E. tion. Arch St. It is a five-year \$1/year. Save the Children will be operating

•OK'd the purchase of a

doing business as Save as part of an effort to put the Children, for the city-new equipment in a rota-

> ·Approved the purchase of a 2018 Jeep Compass from Gas Capital Motors of Dunkirk for \$18,112 to be used as a vehicle for the mayor. Portland City Council previously approved up to \$25,000 for the purchase.

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**Tuesday** 

Pennville Town Hall, 105 N. Washington St.

Council special meeting,

park cabin, 50 Mooney St.

Town Council public

hearing and meeting,

7 p.m. — Pennville

Nov. 4 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St.

7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, vil-6 p.m. — Redkey Town lage hall, 201 S. Main St.

## Embrace the changing of seasons

By OLIVIA SMITH The Commercial Review

Fall and spring have always been my favorite seasons, fall being first by a nose.

The change from hot, humid summer to a cool crisp fall or the change from a dreary winter to colorful spring always makes me excited. I love the change in weather, even if season isn't my favorite.

The funny thing about fall and spring to me is that the temperature is usually the same but the clothes we wear aren't. In fall, we are so used to the summer heat. The 60s feel cool, so we bring out the sweaters, hats and light coats. But in spring, we've gotten so used to the cold winter that the same temperature has us losing layers and bringing out shorts and light sweat-





shirts. We get so used to one thing that, though it's the same temperature, it feels different.

Going home as a college student is like a breath of fresh air — you get to see friends you haven't in a while, you get to sleep in and you see your family in person instead of over the

While it has its perks, it is another adjustment, coping with the fact that things changed while you were away. The couch moved, you have extra furniture in your room or your dog is on new medication that makes him act weird.

Change. It's a funny

In college, things are changing constantly. You're constantly meeting new people, deciding if this major is right for you, going somewhere or doing something new. As a freshman, everything is new and changing.

I've never really been one for change. I had my routine and I liked it.

But I'm realizing change isn't all that bad.

change from Leaves green to vibrant oranges and reds in fall. Life is like that. You get comfortable in one place and learn about the people around you, make friends.

And just like that, it can change.

The person you were close to freshman year of

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high school, you aren't as those reluctantly writing close to anymore. There are new workers at your old job. The familiar face you were used to seeing at the grocery store has moved on. You're seeing the same people every day; then there are stretches of months since you've talked.

Change is not the enemy; growing up is not bad.

For those who just found a gray hair or a wrinkle, for

college essays, for those applying for a new job, you're not alone in being scared. New things are going to be difficult. But difficult doesn't have to mean

Growing up is the one thing we aren't really taught how to do because it varies from person to person. You're not behind because you don't have the job or the partner, or you don't know what the next step is. Just because others seem to have it all figured out doesn't mean they do. And it doesn't mean that their path is the path that you should follow to be successful.

Embrace the journey of change and growing up. Soon you will be putting the coat away and preparing for a new season of life.

## Custody issues put strain on new marriage

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Ellis," a wonderful man, for a year and a half. This is a second marriage for each of us. My older children are on their own. Ellis has three boys (ages 15, 21 and 23) who live with us. The oldest is autistic. My husband and his ex-wife, "Mia," share joint custody, but our home is the primary home.

Mia is supposed to have the kids two days a week and every other weekend. We have the children come to our house after school because she works and the law is, if there is child care, both parents must pay equally. Mia takes full advantage of our kindness and usually doesn't pick the kids up until 9 p.m. on her nights. Sometimes, she doesn't show up at all, which leaves us all

Dear Abby



Ellis refuses to talk to Mia about this because it ends up in an argument and he says he can't make her do anything. He also won't go back to court to make her responsible because of the cost and the fact that he doesn't want the boys to see him take their mother to court.

This situation is taxing, and Ellis gets upset with me when I tell him he needs to confront Mia or arrange to drop the kids off at her work on her days. I am exhausted, and this is put- independently?

ting a huge strain on our marriage. I'm not sure it will survive if this keeps up. Please tell me what to do. STRESSED STEPMOM

**DEAR STEPMOM: Does** your husband know how strongly you feel about this? You two are overdue for a frank conversation. much as your husband doesn't want to spend the money, the answer to this problem may lie in a lawyer's office. The fact that Mia doesn't adhere to the custody agreement may change the amount of money he may be required to pay her, or vice versa.

Two of their "children" are adults now. Has there been any discussion about when and if they will live and texts, etc. It upsets me, and

youngest is only a year away others how to pronounce her from being able to legally drive himself to his mother's if she can't pick him up. All of the responsibility for them should not be falling on you.

DEAR ABBY: What do you think of a situation in which close family members and close friends misspell my daughter's name? She is now 22. We recently celebrated her college graduation, and I was appalled to see her name botched on cards. This has been done to her over the

Abby, her name sounds similar to a more common name, and I have deliberately written her name out on invitations

name, let alone write it properly. I feel a lack of care or respect that they don't take the time to be sure. Am I right? — MISSPELLED IN NEW JER-

DEAR MISSPELLED: How do these friends and relatives treat your daughter? If they treat her well, forgive the mutilation of the name you gave her. She's an adult now, so let her fight her own battles from now on rather than alienate her from folks who care about her.

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

## **Community Calendar**

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

ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 10 played starting at 1 p.m. E. Arch St. in Portland. a.m. at Zion Evangelical each Monday at West Jay Everyone is welcome. Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For Hoover St., Dunkirk. more information, call (260) 251-3336 or (260) 729-

Sunday

A BETTER LIFE – BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. each Sunday at Fellowship Baptist Church, 289 S. 200 West, Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call

(260) 766-2006. Monday

FAST OPTIMISTS — Will Community Calendar as meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

PING PONG — Will be played from 9 a.m. to noon MUNITY FAMILY MEAL each Monday at Jay Community Center.

EUCHRE — Community Center, 125

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 4:30 p.m., with the meeting at 5 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church, 323 S. Meridian St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5924.

**PREGNANCY** CARE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through PORTLAND BREAK- Friday. For more informa-

tion or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COM-— Will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Asbury Unit-Will be ed Methodist Church, 204

> PORTLAND EVENING OPTIMIST CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month at Richards Restaurant.

NARCOTICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Monday 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.

**Tuesday** 

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

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public is welcome.

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JAY COUNTY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in conference room C at Indiana University Health Jay Hospital. Open discussion for cancer patients, survivors, family members or anyone interested in helping with the group. For more information, contact Linda Metzger at (260) 726-1844.

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE - A faithbased 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 ANONY-MOUS — 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-

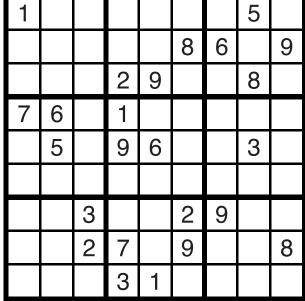
Wednesday

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.



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Level: Advanced

Friday's Solution

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

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## Heartbreak is just part of the game

By JOHN KRULL TheStatehouseFile.com

Baseball exists to break our hearts.

beloved Cleveland Guardians fell to the detested New York Yankees in the American League Championship Series. The Guardians won only one game in the best-of-seven series, but that one victory was the stuff of song and story — a come-from-behind gem in which rookies and role players touched greatness to triumph in an extra-innings contest.

That was Cleveland's one moment of glory during the series. For the rest of it, the Guardians were overmatched, a young team with a rookie manager trying to trade blows with seasoned pros.

After the Guardians went down to defeat in the last game, my son called me.

He, too, is a diehard Cleveland fan. He lives in New York now and enjoys going to Yankee Stadium wearing Cleveland gear when the Guardians are in town.

'This one stings," he told me over the phone.

**John** Krull



Yes, it does, for all sorts of

I've been a Cleveland Indians/Guardians fan — the team changed its name a couple of years ago — for as long as I can remember.

I was born in Cleveland. One of my earliest memories is of going with my father more than six decades ago to the old Municipal Stadium to see the Tribe play a game. I was maybe three at the time, so I didn't understand much of what was going on.

But I loved being there with my dad, hearing the crowd roar from time to time while he tried to explain what was going on.

Dad loved baseball. A gifted natural athlete blessed with After the contest ended, the superb coordination, he might (then) Indians invited kids and

high level except for two things.

He was afflicted with a hereditary eye disease that compromised his sight and, for reasons that elude me, his father and stepmother discouraged his interest in sports.

My son shared his grandfather's love for the game.

I took my boy to his first game in Cleveland, of course when he was four. Like his dad, he didn't understand much of what was going on at first, but he enjoyed the crowd and

the energy.

Later, when he began to play baseball, my son mastered the minutiae of the game, analyzing each contest with a devotion that was almost religious in its rigor.

For years, over every Labor Day holiday weekend, my father, my son and I went on baseball trips. If the Tribe was in town, we always went to Cleveland.

One of my fondest memories is of going to a Sunday game. base paths.

I trailed behind, watching my father, then in his 80s, trotting along beside his nine-year-old grandson, both of them laughing with joy as they rounded third and headed for home.

When Cleveland battled the Chicago Cubs in the 2016 World Series, my son and I went to the first game, watching from seats so high in the stands that clouds seemed to float by.

Cleveland won that game, and we drove back home late that night in a state of elation. Our team, though, came up short in what was one of the greatest World Series in history. We lost the seventh and deciding game in extra innings. During the course of the series, both teams scored exactly the same number

One of the few consolations in defeat was that my father — who always had been a Cubs fan finally saw his team triumph. Dad died in the summer of

About a week after his death, my now grown son and I helped

have been able to compete at a the adults with them to run the my daughter move into her new apartment in Boston. On the way back to Indiana for my father's memorial service, my son, my daughter and I stopped in Cleveland to see a ballgame and thought of our departed father and grandfather over the course of the nine innings.

When my son called after Cleveland's latest departure from postseason play, we ended the conversation the way baseball fans always do. We reassured ourselves that there would be another season ahead of us.

After the call ended, I thought about how many such conversations I'd had with my father and

About how lucky I was to share the game with them.

And about how much I miss my father.

Baseball exists to break our

hearts. Krull is director of Franklin

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## Freedom must be for everyone

By HOWARD L. SIMON

Miami Herald Tribune News Service

This June, after the U.S. Supreme Court rebuffed efforts by social media patrons and some states to challenge restrictions imposed by social media platforms, Florida Gov. Ro DeSantis angrily claimed that "the Court has rubbermajority stamped a way for the federal government to censor

speech that it doesn't like." The context is in part a response to the earlier "deplatforming" of former President Donald

Trump. This attack on social media restrictions has its origins in the allegation that Dr. Anthony Fauci, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Biden administration "colluded" or "pressured" Facebook and X to remove posts with misleading or false information about COVID-19 and vaccines.

The presumption is that all contact between Fauci and the CDC with social media companies constiunconstitutional "jawboning" in which the companies were coerced or threatened if they did not take down the disinformation. Essentially, it is indirect government censorship.

Nevertheless, month DeSantis' Department of Health sent cease and desist letters to Floritelevision stations threatening criminal prosunless ecution they stopped airing advertisements urging a "Yes" vote for Amendment 4.

The DOH letter claimed an Amendment 4 ad is "not only false; it is dangerous." (Not surprisingly, it took about 24 hours for a federal judge to issue a temporary restraining order against the DOH.)

This is what it means to be a phony defender of freedom of speech. You can't claim that you

are a defender of free speech if you only defend speech that advances your cause.

use government machin- 2018.

**Howard** L. Simon



ery to silence speech you don't like.

The honest defense of free speech is to defend speech you disagree with, even speech that angers and outrages you.

One of the best descriptions of an honest defense of free speech remains that of Justice Louis D. Brandeis, who almost a hundred years ago urged that: "If there be time to expose through discussion, the falsehoods and fallacies, to avert the evil by the processes of education, "the remedy to be applied is more speech, not enforced silence."

What is true of freedom of speech is true of freedom more broadly.

face, DeSantis can welcome people to "The Free State of Florida" while restricting the freedom to read, the freedom of women to access healthcare and the freedom to have open discussions in university classrooms is one of the great political and psychological mysteries of Florida history.

If the story of America's often violent pursuit of Thomas Jefferson's credo that "all men are created equal" didn't make you feel uncomfortable, you missed something.

including No one, DeSantis, is defending and advancing freedom of speech if they only advance freedom for some and restrict freedom for others.

To mangle a famous phrase from an earlier, but not dissimilar, season of political follies, hypocrisy in defense of freedom is no vice, and fidelity to free speech principles applying equally to all points of view is no virtue.

Simon served as execu-And you are certainly tive director of the Amerinot a defender of free can Civil Liberties Union speech if you threaten to of Florida from 1997 to

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## Do we want a monopoly instead?

By VINCENT TROMETTER

Chicago Tribune Tribune News Service

Political courage has never been harder to find in Washington. A prime example of this is opposition from President Joe Biden's administration and presidential nominees Donald Trump and Kamala Harris to the Nippon Steel-U.S. Steel deal despite the fact that the alternatives are U.S. Steel going bust or forming a trust reminiscent of Andrew Carnegie.

The holdup is purely political. The leader of United Steelworkers, David McCall, has been vocal that his buyer of choice is Ohio-based steelmaker Cleveland-Cliffs, spurring Biden, Trump and Harris to pledge fealty to the union so their campaigns can ring out votes in Pennsylvania.

Unlike most promises we hear during election cycles, whoever wins the White House could have to put their words into action. The Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), the interagency body tasked with conducting national security reviews of foreign investments in the country, is expected to make a decision after the election as to whether the proposed transaction between Nippon, Japan's largest steelmaker, and U.S.

Steel poses a national security risk. If CFIUS finds national security concerns, it could withhold clearance of the transaction until measures are taken by the parties to mitigate risk. If risk mitigation is not possible, CFIUS submits the case to the president, who has 15 days to approve or deny the transaction, thus forcing the issue on a lame-duck Biden or, depending on who wins the presidential election, Trump or Harris.

Since all are against the deal, they early 20th century, research and Markets Action Inc. in Washington.

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will have difficulty approving the transaction, even if they are shown the facts everyone can see after a few Google searches.

Blocking the deal is not going to stop Pennsylvania's Mon Valley plant and Indiana's Gary Works plant from aging out or U.S. Steel from seeking another buyer. If Nippon Steel was out of the picture, the only other buyer in play would be Cleveland-Cliffs, creating a monopoly in which one company controls 95% of U.S. iron ore, 60% of automotive-grade steel and all the silicon-infused electrical steel production crucial for electric vehicles. To put it in stark terms, it would create the type of trust that our antitrust laws were cre-

ated to combat. Such a monopoly would be severely detrimental to the country and our industrial capacity. In an October 2023 letter submitted to congressional committees focused on competition, the U.S. automotive industry raised concerns that such concentration of power over the materials needed for car production would cut into the profitability of their companies. This is because the more a firm becomes dominant in the marketplace, the more it will base prices on the level of which buyers have the ability to pay and not supply and demand. Similar to U.S. Steel price fixing in the development efforts could also suffer since there would be less incentives for the dominant firm to drive costs down, a situation only amplified because of high tariffs stifling foreign competition.

Not only would this mean job loss in the auto sector, but it also would destroy downstream jobs, slow steel innovation, inhibit electric vehicle rollout and put a big gaping hole in the Biden-Harris (and Republican presidential nominee JD Vance's) antitrust vision.

McCall, Biden, Harris and Trump all have it wrong. The politicians are basing their words on their own nativism and McCall's flawed belief that Cleveland-Cliffs would be a better partner for USW. Nippon has, from the start, "promised to honor existing agreements with the United Steelworkers (USW) trade union.' Nippon has, from the start, promised: "No transfer of any of U.S. Steel's production capacity or jobs outside the United States. No layoffs or plant closures or idling of U.S. Steel facilities as a result of the transaction.'

A collapse of this deal would stem the flow of international investment in this country and create an economic landscape that runs counter to the growth goals by everyone in the White House and seeking the presidency.

How much is a few ten thousand votes worth? God forbid politicians are forced to be skeptical when they are forced to put their patriotism and careers on the line. In the absence of their courage, let's hope they do what they do best — lie.

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: U equals F

#### Trivial Review

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2) At 230 meters in some places, what is the deepest river in the world?

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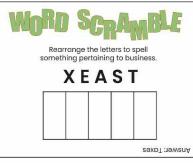
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Find the four differences between these pictures.

Saturday's Cryptoquip: I FEEL LIKE EVERY SOCK MUST MEASURE TWELVE INCHES IN LENGTH. THAT WAY, IT CAN FIT IN ONE FOOT.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals H





I am a singer born in California on pastors, I was only allowed to listen to Gospel music growing up. Eventually I found my way to popular music, and had several hits involving kissing, being a dream and having a tiger's eye.

Answer: Katy Perry





This was one of the most popular Halloween costumes in 2023.

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Edgar Allen Poe's poems are spooky enough to be read around Halloween time. One of his more famous is called "The Raven.



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#### Contract & Bridge By Steve Becker

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Pass

**♣**J 6 2

SOUTH

**A** 10975

**♣**K 9 7 5

Opening lead — king of hearts.

Assume you're in four spades and

West leads a heart. You win with

the ace and, let's say, cross to

dummy with a trump and lead a

club to the king. West wins with the

ace and, deducing your intended

You win and lead another club.

but West takes it and plays a third

round of trump, leaving you with

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NORTH result, you eventually go down one ♠KQJ4 losing three clubs and a diamond. **♥**9862 An unlucky hand, you might say, since the contract would have come home easily had East had the ace of clubs, or had the trumps been **EAST** 

divided 2-2, or had West not **♥**107543 defended so well. But when you examine the matter more closely, you are forced to admit that the person chiefly responsible for the unhappy out-

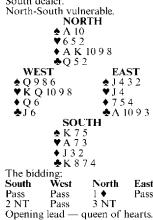
come was none other than yourself. You could have assured the contract if you had simply led a low club from your hand at trick two, after which nothing could have stopped you from ruffing two clubs in dummy. The trump lead to dummy at trick two opened a Pandora's box that allowed further trump leads by the enemy to frustrate your plans. It might seem totally unnatural to

lead a club away from the king instead of a club toward the king, but that is the kind of play you must sometimes make to ensure a contract. The right play is the right play — even if it seems unnatural.

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#### Contract & By Steve Becker

#### Famous Hand



Pass Opening lead — queen of hearts. This deal occurred more than 60

ears ago in one of the many world championship confrontations between the United States and the legendary Italian Blue Team. Although Italy, as it always did in those days, won the match, the Americans scored a substantial pickup on the deal, thanks to a combination of good luck at one table and a bit of chicanery at the

When Lee Hazen and Harry Fishbein held the North-South cards, they reached three notrump

as shown. West led the queen of hearts, asking East to play the jack if he had it. When East produced that card, hearts were continued, Fishbein taking his ace on the third round.

Fishbein got over the first hurdle

when he tried the diamond finesse and it worked. With eight tricks assured, the contract now hinged on whether East or West had the ace of clubs

After cashing five diamonds, Fishbein led a club to the king, and after it held, he cashed the A-K of spades to make his contract and score 600 points.

At the other table, things took a

radically different turn when the bidding went: South Wes West North East Pass

After West's weak two-bid and North's pass, East, Sidney Lazard, gazing at a poor hand that he knew was faced by an equally unimpressive holding, decided the situation called for desperate measures. Put-ting on a bold show of strength, he leaped to game, and everyone passed!

The ruse was eminently successful. West, Sam Fry, went down three for a loss of 150 points, but this, combined with the result at the other table, gave the U.S. a 450point pickup on the deal.

Tomorrow: A delectable concoction. ©2024 King Features Syndicate Inc

#### **CROSSWORD** By Eugene Sheffer

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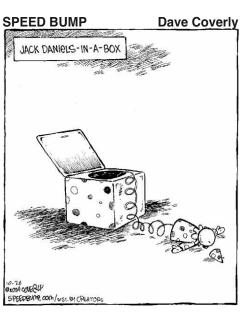
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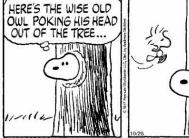


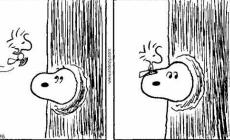
























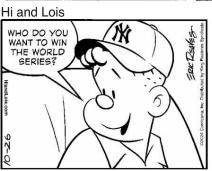
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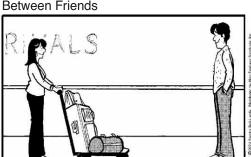








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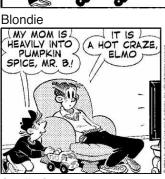










































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camper; and many other items not listed. **MULE-TRAILER-TOOLS** Kawasaki 550 gas mule with dump bed; 12' x 6' trailer with ramp; JD aireator; (3) 20" old barn beams; electric power washer; metal racks: yard roller; 10 pieces

OSB; pegboard; hitch with sway bar; and other items not listed. **ERNIE & NORMA** WHITACRE Lov Auction AC#31600027 Auctioneers Gary Loy AU01031608

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Dining room table with extra board and 4 chairs; cedar chest; freezer; stove; GOLD & SILVER JEWELRY; 14K men's ring with diamond; 18k ladies ring, several 10K pins; beer steins; McCoy; Fiesta; Fire King: CURRENCY & COINS; (26) \$1 silver certificates, 1934A \$5 Silver Certificate; Mercury Dimes, Buffalo Nickels; and others; crocks;

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48" cut and snowblower, Craftsman 10" table saw, Porch Swing, 3 hole dog box for pickup truck, Garage and shop tools. Several items not to mention.

OWNER: Richard L. Manor Note: Check Auctionsoft and AuctionZip for more photos.

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16th, 2024 TIME 10:00 A.M. LOCATED: 5691 S 600 E (Gas City), Marion, IN LOADER-TRACTORS-TRUCKS-COMBINES Case W14 wheel loader with material bucket, Bobcat MT 52 with Kubota diesel and material bucket, Kubota L35 tractor with loader and backhoe, International 1256 tractor with cab, weights, and duals. 1960 Reo Gold Comet Grain truck with 16' bed, International 6 row corn

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## Jordan Bunch

## Delta High School junior

Jordan Bunch was selected as the inaugural Graphic Printing Company

Player of the Year for girls soccer.

"I'm very honored to have this," she said. "It's a super cool thing for me. I never really thought I was at that talent level. This season has been a growing season ... so, I think the progression from last year to this year from (Mason Turner's) coaching and our team coming together has helped me become a better player and has encouraged me to put in the extra work so I can be there for them."

Bunch came into the season with the goal of dishing out 15 assists. She hit that goal on Sept. 24 against Jay County and added two more to finish with a team-high 17. The Delta junior also led the team with 16 goals.

"That's actually my favorite thing, is having assists and being able to help others be able to have those goal scoring opportunities," Bunch said. "I think trust is just the big thing. In general as a team, we want more goals and it doesn't matter who scores."

Bunch played a pivotal role leading the team to it's first sectional victory and title game appearance since 2016.

and title game appearance since 2016.

"She's meant everything," Turner said. "She's stepped up a lot in terms of leadership and making sure we stay as one. She's a hard worker out there in the field. She's really vocal and makes sure we're keeping our spirits high. She does a great job of distributing in the middle and finding the net when it's needed. So, she's done great for our team."

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#### **Forwards**

Mia Bollinger (Delta junior) — five goals, four assists

Morgan DeHoff (Jay County senior) — 14 goals, nine assists

Aubree Jarrells (Delta junior) — 15 goals, 13 assists

#### Midfielders

Jayla Huelskamp (Jay County senior) — five goals Grace Jarrells (Delta junior) — 12 goals, eight assists Aixa Lopez (Jay County junior) — 13 goals, eight assists

#### Defenders

Ariel Beiswanger (Jay County sophomore) — one goal Sarah Bohanon (Delta senior) — four goals, two saves, two assists Brianna Jones (Delta junior) — two saves, one assist, one goal against

#### Goalkeeper

Ruth Sherck (Delta junior) — 204 saves, 20 goals allowed, one assist

#### **Honorable mentions**

Tessa Frazee (sophomore), Jay County — Defender Evelyn Gulley (junior), Blackford — Goalkeeper, 93 saves, 26 goals allowed London Lloyd (freshman), Jay County — Forward, seven goals, three assists Izzy Mays (sophomore), Blackford — Forward, 11 goals, one assist





## First

Continued from page 10 The Jay County defense had faltered briefly in the second quarter to allow the only Brave points of the game, but it locked down in the second half.

On the first play of Bellmont's opening drive of the third quarter, Will Franze got stood up on a rush for a 1-yard loss. Selking dropped back on the second play, but received immediate pressure. Lucas Strait managed to get a hand on the ball before Schoenlein caught it around the 25yard line and took it to the house for his first career TD. (More than two decades earlier, Addington caught fourth-quarter touchdown pass — the first of his career — from Patriot quarterback Cameron Hummel to lift JCHS over the Braves in a sectional opener.)

'Lucas tipped the ball and I was right behind him to catch it," Schoenlein said. "The first thing I thought was to run for a touchdown.

"I can't believe I caught the ball, made a touchdown, first career touchdown. I was just so excited."

The defense stepped up in other ways in the second half as well. The Patriots sacked the Bellmont quarterbacks five times — Selking took four hits and Easton Curtis took one — after the intermission. Blowers and Corey Emery took Selking down on back-to-back plays, Strait got to him once and Isaac Dues hit both nomenal player." quarterbacks once. (Jay



The Commercial Review/Andrew Balko

Brady Jetmore, a Jay County junior, takes the ball for a 21-yard reception for a first down after facing second-and-20 against Bellmont on Friday. JCHS beat the Braves 42-7 for its first postseason victory since 2017.

sacks for a loss of 44 yards.)

"That was our game plan to get after the quarterback," Zgunda said. "We blitzed and brought our outside linebackers in to bring six-seven guys a lot tonight. ... Isaac Rhysin Dues was phenomenal. Austin Schoenlein was phenomenal, really happy for him. Lucas Strait, he's just a phe-

County had six total have much trouble scoring against Bellmont (0-10). They went to the ground early and often, scoring their first three TDs on rushes from A.J. Myers (2 yards), Leighton Brown (11 yards) and Bailey (2 yards).

After getting off to a strong start, the Patriots faltered a few times at the end of the second quarter. They pushed the lead to 20-0, but a roughing the passer call that erased The Patriots didn't third-and-13 eventually

allowed the Braves their touchdown in the third only touchdown on a 20yard pass from Selking to Cole Barger as two Patriot defenders slipped on the grass.

The offense had a miscue as well with a false start that eventually created a third-and-7 situation. Ward and Sean Bailey made up for the mistake with a 42-yard TD pass to go up 26-7 at the

Bailey also broke out "This is amazing," Baifor a 60-yard rushing ley said. "That was my

quarter to finish the night.

"It's the five guys up front," Bailey said. "That's all that matters right there. If they can block, we can move the ball. And I trust in the block."

goal coming into the season of bringing a sectional victory back to Jay

#### **Box score**

Jay County Patriots (3-7) at Bellmont Braves (0-10)

**IHSAA Class 3A** Sectional 28 quarterfinal

14 12 16 0 - 42 Bellmont 0 7 0 0 — 7

**First Quarter** 

— A.J. Myers 2 rub (Myers kick), 5:46. JC — Leighton Brown 11 run

(Myers kick ), 0:17. **Second Quarter** 

Sean Bailey 2 run (Kick blocked), 4:12. B — Cole Barger 20 pass from Daniel Selking (Jack Riehm kick),

1:42. Benson Ward 42 pass from Bailey (2-point fail), 0:25.

**Third Quarter** JC — Austin Schoenlein interception 25 (Myers run), 11:08. JC — Bailey 60 run (Myers run),

**Fourth Quarter** 

**Team Statistics** 40-271 15-27 Rushes - yds Comp-Att-Int 7-11-0 13-26-1 Passing yds Total Plays 111 124 **Total Offense** 382 151 5-102 Kickoff ret - yds 2-36 Ints - yds Fumbles - lost 0-0 2-1 Penalties - yds Sacks - yds

**Individual Statistics** 

Rushing — Jay County — Sean Bailey 12-93, Leighton Brown 11-86, A.J. Myers 12-72, Isaac Dues 1-8, Garrett Bennett 2-6, Wyatt Foster 2-8. Bellmont — Oliver Werling 2-27, Will Franze 5-26, Austin Manley 1-(-3), Easton Curtis 1-(-10), Daniel Selking 6-(-13).

Passing — Jay County — Sean Bailey 7-11-0 111. Bellmont —

Daniel Selking 11-22-1 106, East-on Curtis 2-4-0, 18.

Receiving — Jay County — Benson Ward 1-42, Brady Jetmore 1-21, Grant Wendel 2-20, Aiden Phillips 1-18, Rhysin Blowers 1-9, Garrett Bennett 1-1. Bellmont -Oliver Werling 2-29, Gavin Krull 3-29, Austin Manley 2-25, Cole Barger 3-23, Aidan Wemhoff 1-8.

The win secured the one goal coming into the season to get a sectional win. ... It's great momentum, we rolled over them. We just gotta keep our heads level and continue to work and get ready.

Continued from page 10 Heitkamp caught a third of Stephey's completed passes for 124 yards. Chase Bishop led the

and two TDs on just four attempts.

Reece Wendel generated about

Recovery, running 22 times for 73

Wendel totaled six tackles for ception.

Wildcats with 78 rushing yards half of the yardage for Fort the Indians while Gavin Evers and Brodie Hart each had five. Caden Grisez notched an inter-

FRHS has had eight consecutive losing seasons since going 7-4 in 2016. (It won the Division VII state championship in 2015.)

## Pacers fall in New York

By KRISTIAN WINFIELD

New York Daily News Tribune News Service

NEW YORK — Rick Carlisle knew the challenge that awaited his Indiana Pacers at Madison Square Garden — a new-look Knicks team and a fired-up crowd hungry for revenge.

Carlisle knew the same fans his Pacers eliminated in Game 7 of last season's Eastern Conference semifinals hadn't forgotten the sting of being one game shy of a Conference finals appearance. He knew that this new-and-improved Knicks team wouldn't be the same depleted squad his deep Pacers ran off the Madison Square Garden floor last year.

And he knew all too well the electricity that pulses through the World's Most Famous Arena. Ahead of Friday's tipoff against the Knicks, Carlisle spoke candidly about the challenge his Pacers faced in their second game of the regular season.

"There's certainly nothing easy about it. It's gonna be hard," the coach said on Friday. "They're a top team. They're projected to be way up there. Regardless of what happened in Boston the other night, they're coming home, [and] we're coming off of last year's playoffs. On your third assists on the night.

day of the regular season, this will be the closest thing to a Game 7 atmosphere and feel. So it's a privilege to have the opportunity to compete in that environment and this venue, and we've gotta embrace that and keep understanding how hard it's

After the Celtics clinically dismantled the Knicks in the season opener, the Knicks paid it forward with a dominant 123-98 blowout victory over the Pacers in their home opener at Madison Square Gar-

Tyrese Haliburton, the Pacers' All-Star point guard, was held scoreless. He dished out five assists but missed all eight of his field-goal attempts, including seven from beyond the arc. Several of those were uncontested looks that fell short.

As Haliburton struggled to find his footing, Mikal Bridges stepped up to steal the show. The Knicks' newly acquired third star — who cost New York five first-round picks in a deal with the Brooklyn Nets struggled to hit a 3 in the preseason or in the first half against Boston. But on Friday, Bridges was unstoppable, shooting 8 of 12 from the field and 2 of 3 from downtown, finishing with 21 points and five

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## Sports on tap

#### Local schedule

**Today**Jay County — Cross country regional Fort Recovery — Cross country regional at Troy – 10 a.m.; Volleyball district finals vs. Miami Valley Christian Academy at Butler - 6 p.m.

#### TV sports

Today 10 a.m. — Premier League: AFC Bournemouth at Aston Villa (USA)

12 p.m. — College football: Notre Dame at Navy (ABC); Nebraska at Ohio State (FOX); Washington at Indiana (BTN); Oklahoma at Ole Miss (ESPN); Tulane at North Texas (ESPN2)

12 p.m. — NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series: Baptist Health 200 (FS1) 12:30 p.m. — Premier League: Fulham at Everton (NBC)

3:30 p.m. — College football: Northwestern at Iowa (BTN); Illinois at Oregon (CBS); Maryland at Minnesota (FS1); Missouri at Alabama (ABC); BYU at UCF (ESPN); Texas Tech at TCU (FOX) 3:30 p.m. — College volleyball: Wis-

consin at Purdue (NBC) 4 p.m. — College football: Oregon State at Cal (ESPN2)

7 p.m. — College football: Florida State at Miami (ESPN); West Virginia at Arizona (FS1)
7 p.m. — NHL: St. Louis Blues at Montreal Canadiens (FDSN Indiana)

7:30 p.m. — College football: Penn State at Wisconsin (NBC); Michigan State at Michigan (BTN); LSU Texas A&M

8 p.m. — College football: Kansas at Kansas State (ESPN2) 8:08 p.m. — MLB World Series: New York Yankees at Los Angeles Dodgers

10 p.m. — NHL: Carolina Hurricanes at Seattle Kraken (CBS)

10:15 p.m. — College Cincinnati at Colorado (ESPN) 11 p.m. — College volleyball: Penn

#### Sunday

State at USC (BTN)

10 a.m. — Premier League soccer: Newcastle United at Chelsea (USA) 1 p.m. — NFL: Indianapolis Colts at Houston Texans (CBS); Green Bay Packers at Jacksonville Jaguars (FOX) 1 p.m. — College volleyball: Kansas

State at Iowa State (ESPN2); Louisville at SMU (ESPN) 2:30 p.m. — NASCAR Cup Stright Talk Wireless 400 (NBC) — NASCAR Cup Series:

3:30 p.m. — NBA: Philadelphia 76ers at Indiana Pacers (FDSN Indiana)

4 p.m. — NFL: Buffalo Bills at Seattle Seahawks (FOX) 4 p.m. — Formula 1: Mexico Grand Prix (ABC)

4:25 p.m. — NFL: Chicago Bears at Washington Commanders (CBS)

7:30 p.m. — MLS: Charlotte FC at Orland City (FS1) 8:20 p.m. — NFL: Dallas Cowboys at San Francisco 49ers (NBC) 9:45 p.m. — MLS: Vancouver White caps at Los Angeles FC (FS1)

7:30 p.m. — College volleyball: Northwestern at Indiana (BTN)

#### Monday

6:45 p.m. — MLS: New York City at FC Cincinnati (FS1) 7 p.m. — NBA: Indiana Pacers at Orlando Magic (FDSN Indiana) 8:08 p.m. — MLB World Series: Los

Angeles Dodgers at New York Yankees 8:15 p.m. — NFL: New York Giants at Pittsburgh Steelers (ABC)
9 p.m. — MLS: Houston Dynamo at

Seattle Sounders (FS1)

Tuesday 6 p.m. — College soccer: Michigan tap," email details to sports@thecr.com. State at Ohio State (BTN)

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Angeles Dodgers at New York Yankees (FOX) 9 p.m. — MLS: Minnesota United at Real Salt Lake (FS1)

10 p.m. — NBA: New Orleans Pelicans at Golden State Warriors (TNT)

10 p.m. — NHL: Los Angeles Kings at San Jose Sharks (ESPN)

#### Local notes Final race

The final race in the Adams County 5K Challenge is the Rainbow Lake 5K Run/Walk, will take place on Nov. 26. Preregistration can be done at adamscounty5kchallenge.com

#### 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.

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# **Sports**

**Indian spikers play in** district final tonight, see Sports on tap

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# Career first



The Commercial Review/Andrew Balko

Lucas Strait of the Jay County High School football team wraps up Bellmont's Will Franze for a one-yard loss during the IHSAA Class 3A Sectional 28 opener on Friday. Strait tipped a pass on the next play, allowing senior Austin Schoenlein to pick the ball off and return it 25 yards for his first career TD in the 42-7 victory.

## Schoenlein scores TD on interception return as Jay County ends seven-year sectional drought

By ANDREW BALKO The Commercial Review

Patriots to a win in the sectional opener.

repeated history.

Defensive lineman Austin Schoenlein intercepted a pass DECATUR — Twenty-two from Daniel Selking and took streak and claimed its first years ago to the day Mark the ball the 25 yards to the end "Tank" Addington scored his zone, scoring his first career career touchdown touchdown as the Jay County against the Braves to help the High School football team Zgunda. "I'm happy for them better and better each week." rolled to a 42-7 victory over the Bellmont Braves in the IHSAA On Friday night, a Patriot Class 3A Sectional 28 opener

on Friday.

(3-7) snapped a six-game losing

that they get the chance to get

"We've come close here a few times in the last six weeks

With the victory, Jay County and that's a long stretch to go without winning a game.

"I'm just happy for them, as postseason win since 2017. far as history goes. They "This is all about (the players)," said JCHS coach Grant team. They work hard and get

The Patriots move on to host Bishop Luers (6-4), which beat Norwell 42-7 Friday.

See First page 9

## No. 2 'Cats end FR's season

*Indians* finish 2024 season at 2-8

MINSTER, Ohio — The season is over.

Fort Recovery High School's football team fell behind by 21 in the first quarter Friday night, quickly erasing any hope of an upset to get a playoff berth in a 49-7 loss to the Division VII No. 2 Minster Wildcats.

The loss marked the end of the season as the Indians (2-8, 1-7 Midwest Athletic Conference) will finish outside of the top 16 in Division VII Region 28 and miss the playoffs for the second consecutive season.

Minster (8-2, 6-2 MAC) drove 65 yards in six plays on its first possession, with Brogan Stephy tossing a 28yard touchdown pass to James Niemeyer less than three minutes into the game. The Wildcats added two more TDs in the final four minutes of the first period, with Connor Schmiesing running in a 1yard score and Stephy hitting Caleb Clouse with a 25-

yard pass. Fort Recovery unable to do much to slow the Wildcats, who racked up 484 yards of offense with Stephy connecting on 12 of 17 passes for 274 yards — an average of nearly 23 yards per completion. Stephy added two more TD passes in the second quarter — 18 yards to Clouse and 76 yards to Dylan Heitkamp.

Minster extended its lead to 49-0 before Isaac Roessner tallied the lone touchdown for the Indians on a 41-yard run with two minutes remaining.

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