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For the Dawgs

Guntle is cooking up various hot dog creations

By BAILEY CLINE

The Commercial Review Sean Guntle has always had a knack for cooking.

At 2 years old, his mother had him cooking eggs on the stove.

At 15, he started smoking meats and cheeses as a hobby. Now he's taken the next step in

his culinary journey. Big Sean's Dawgs opened in mid August at 124 N. Commerce St., Portland, the former home of Yergy's BBQ.

"I've always wanted to open up my own place," said Guntle. "I've always done cooking — that's one of the first things I was ever taught how to do. (It) helps me stay calm, and well ... there's really no other reason to my madness. I just enjoy it."

Guntle began smoking meats and cheeses as a teenager, spending his weekends split between the hobby and playing on Jay County High School football

A 2022 Jay County High School graduate, Guntle started with a hot dog cart about eight months prior to serving up dogs from his new spot at the intersection of Commerce and Walnut streets. The first day he planned on opening his food cart for business, though, a thunderstorm doused those plans.

After learning from Jay County Health Department about the need to use a commissary — a registered establishment in which food and supplies are kept, handled, prepared, packaged or stored — Guntle turned his eyes from a cart to a building. He reached out to property ow Steve and Janna Snyder and soon enough he was prepping for his first opening as a restaurant.

Big Sean's Dawgs offers a few different takes on the all-American meal. Customers have a few different hot "dawgs" to choose from on the menu, including a classic all-beef (Fisher Meats) hot dog, one with coney sauce or one topped with bacon and ched-

The establishment also offers nachos with cheese, coney



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Sean Guntle, pictured above, opened Big Sean's Dawgs in Portland in late summer. The establishment offers specialty hot dogs and nachos from its spot at the southwest corner of the Commerce Street and Walnut Street intersection.

pork, barbecue sauce and

cheese.

er item. The "Oinker" features barbecue sauce. Guntle noted his menu will smoked pulled pork served on a

sauce and cheese or pulled change and grow as time goes hot dog bun, with the option to on. Last month, he added anoth- add jalapeño slices, cheese and

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Tribune News Service/Lexington Herald-Leader/Tasha Poullard

Training for fire

Lexington Fire Department Battalion Chief Shane Poynter and the Lexington Fire Department invite media members to the Lexington Fire Recruit Class 73 House Burn in Lexington, Kentucky. The trainees joined several probationary firefighters at a property on Man o' War Boulevard, east of Interstate 75, to battle an intentionally set structure fire.

Additional data centers proposed

The Times (Munster)
Tribune News Service

Two more data centers are being proposed for Merrillville, where a \$900 million data center is already under consideration.

Tech companies have been engaged in a rush to bring data centers to Indiana amid a boom in demand because of the growing use of data in general, and artificial intelligence in particular, since the Hoosier State has one of the most favorable tax policies in the country for data centers. More than \$15 billion in data center projects are being pursued across the state, including in LaPorte and New Carlisle.

A new data center is being considered at the AmeriPlex at Crossroads Business Park on Broadway, south of 93rd

Avenue. Another data center is being weighed at Colorado Street and Harms Road on the southeast side of the town.

Merrillville's Data Center Citizen Advisory Committee will meet at 6 p.m. Nov. 20 and 21 at Town Hall, 7820 Broadway, to hear proposals from the develop-

Town spokesman Reilly said details, including jobs and investment numbers, would be revealed at the meetings.

Karis Critical already is considering up to \$900 million in investment in a data center on 180 acres on 101st Avenue east of Deep River. The developer, which built a data center in DeKalb, plans to build up to nine buildings at a cost of \$100 million.

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Pressure mounts for report to be released

By JULIE K. BROWN and MICHAEL WILNER McClatchy Washington Bureau Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — President-elect Donald Trump's nominee for attorney general, Matt Gaetz, abruptly resigned his Florida congressional seat on Wednesday ahead of the potential release of a House Ethics Committee report about alleged sexual misconduct with a 17-year-old high school girl that a congressional source described to the Miami Herald as "highly damaging.

Gaetz, 42, resigned just as news emerged that the committee investigating him was preparing to vote on releasing its findings Friday. His resignation effectively closed the probe into lingering allegations that Gaetz had sex with a minor, engaged in illegal drug use and accepted improper gifts.

The panel lost the power to punish Gaetz when he left Congress. Before his resignation, Gaetz could have faced potential expulsion depending on the committee's findings.

Still, members the Senate Judiciary Committee responsible for vetting Gaetz's nomination across party lines — said Thursday that they expect the committee to turn over its findings in some form, whether it be an initial report, a finalized report or the underlying evidentiary information uncovered during the probe.

The congressional source told the Herald and McClatchy that a prescheduled meeting of the House Ethics Committee regarding the Gaetz report would still take place on Friday.

Democrats on the Senate Judiciary

Committee issued a statement on Thursday afterdemanding noon Ethics Committee be transparent with the American public about its findings.

"The sequence and timing of Mr. Gaetz's resignation from the House raises serious questions about the contents of the House Ethics Committee report and findings," they said. "We cannot allow this critical information from a bipartisan investigation into longstanding public allegations to be hidden from the American people, given that it is directly relevant to the question of whether Mr. Gaetz is qualified and fit to be the next Attorney General of the United States."

Republican lawmakers on the panel also said that a review of the report would be necessary during the vetting process.

Texas Republican Sen. John Cornyn, a senior member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said the Senate "should gain access to all relevant information by whatever means necessary," including a possible subpoena.

"I don't think any of us want to fly blind," he told reporters in the Capitol. "Part of this is to protect the president against information or surprises coming out later that he and his team weren't aware of.'

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Deaths

Gail Compton, 83, Port-

Details on page 2.

Weather

Friday's high temperature was 52 degrees in Jay County.

Expect mostly cloudy skies today with a high in the mid 50s. The low will be in the lower 40s. Sunday will bring a high of 60 under partly cloudy skies. Monday's high will be in the lower 60s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

The Portland Main Street Holiday Festival will run from 3 to 7 p.m. today. The event on Main Street between Meridian and Harrison streets will feature music, shopping and food and drink vendors.

Coming up

Tuesday — Results from tonight's JCHS girls basketball home opener.

Wednesday — Coverage of next week's Jay School Board meeting.

Friday — Details from Jay County Redevelopment Com-

mission's sessions.



Local/Nation

Report

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Allegations and investigations Gaetz has repeatedly denied any wrongdoing. But with his nomination to lead the Justice Department, he is likely to be scrutinized over the scandal — if he goes through the normal confirmation process.

on Wednesday, Gaetz posted a brief message on social media that "it will be an honor to serve as President Trump's attorney general." Attempts to reach him and his representatives on Thursday were unsuccessful.

The girl at the center of the controversy, who is now 24 and lives in Colorado, called for the release of the Ethics Committee's report, through lawyer, John Clune. ABC News reported on Thursday evening that she had testified before the House committee that she did have sex with Gaetz when she was underage.

"Mr. Gaetz's likely nomination as Attorney General is a perverse

development in a truly dark series of events. We would support the House Ethics Committee immediately releasing their report. She was a high school student and there were witnesses,' Clune said in a statement Thursday on social media.

The allegations involve Gaetz's Responding to his nomination friendships with two of his former associates, ex-Florida lawmaker Chris Dorworth, and former Seminole County Tax Collector Joel Greenberg. Greenberg pleaded guilty to underage sex trafficking and a host of other felonies, and then implicated Gaetz in some of his crimes which led the Justice Department to open a probe into Gaetz in 2020, when Trump was still in

> Greenberg was sentenced and is serving an 11-year prison term. Gaetz unsuccessfully tried to obtain a pardon from Trump before he left office. According to the Washington Post, Gaetz told a former White House aide who testified during a Congressional

hearing into the Jan. 6 attack on messages, photos, and Venmo the U.S. Capitol that he was seeking a preemptive pardon in an investigation of which he was a target.

Part of the Justice Department probe into Gaetz focused on a party at Dorworth's Orlandoarea home on July 15, 2017. Witnesses said that Gaetz attended the party, where young women, including the minor, were given drugs and bedrooms were made available for sexual activities.

The Justice Department closed the Gaetz criminal probe without filing charges in 2023. The chief problem with the case, sources told the Herald at the time, was the lack of credibility of two key witnesses: Greenberg and the victim, who later became a porn star on social media.

But the Justice Department had other witnesses and forensic evidence, according to several lawyers representing women who provided statements to the government.

Sources said there were text

transactions to back up many of the allegations against Gaetz.

The Daily Beast reported on the Venmo records, saying that they showed that Gaetz sent \$900 to Greenberg and used a nickname they had for the teenager on the transaction record.

Both federal and Florida sex trafficking laws have been rewritten over the last decade. Those who pay minors for commercial sex can be charged as human traffickers. Human trafficking — an umbrella term that includes sex trafficking involves soliciting, enticing, harboring or using another person for the purposes of exploitation.

Minors cannot consent to commercial sex, and not knowing the age of someone is not a defense for having sex with a minor.

Sex trafficking is a firstdegree felony in Florida, and if it involves someone under the age of 18, it could lead to life in prison.

The House Ethics Committee opened its own probe into Gaetz in 2023, but it stalled when they were unable to obtain evidence from the Justice Department. They did, however, obtain testimony and affidavits from wit-

Most recently, new details about Gaetz became public in September as part of a federal civil lawsuit filed by Dorworth in 2023. Testimony from witnesses — one of whom was Gaetz's ex-girlfriend — claimed that Gaetz was at the party at Dorworth's home. Forensic evidence from Gaetz's cell phone also indicated that Gaetz was at the home. Moreover, a sworn affidavit by a witness said the underage girl, identified as A.B., was naked, and that party guests were having sex and consuming alcohol, marijuana, ecstasy and cocaine, court records show.

Gaetz was not a party to the lawsuit, which Dorworth had filed against Greenberg.

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Sunday 11/17	Monday 11/18	Tuesday 11/19	Wednesday 11/20	Thursday 11/21
61/53	66/44	49/32	39/33	42/29
Sunday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies with a slight chance of rain.	Monday's forecast looks to be mostly cloudy with a 70% chance of showers late.	Mostly cloudy skies on Tuesday when there's a 50% chance of rain.	There's a 40% chance of showers Wednesday under mostly sunny skies.	Cloudy skies on Thursday, when the high will be around 42.

Lotteries

Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 2-6-2 Daily Four: 8-8-7-4 Quick Draw: 2-5-11-14-17-21-22-30-36-37-38-41-48-60-61-66-71-78-79-

Ohio Midday Pick 3: 8-3-3 Pick 4: 3-1-8-5 Pick 5: 3-9-3-1-3

Powerball

Estimated jackpot: \$130 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$387 million

Markets

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Portland

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Wheat	4.86

Heartland St. Anthony

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Corn	4.26
Dec. corn	4.26
Beans	9.62
Dec. beans	9.69
Wheat	4.77

Today in history

1855, British explorer David Livingstone became the first European to see Victoria Falls on the Zambezi River. The falls at the modern-day border of Zambia and Zimbabwe span more than 5,500 feet at its widest point and

has a drop of 355 feet. In 1889, the Oahu Railway and Land Company started operating on Oahu, making it possible to move agricultural products from the inland areas of the island to ports more effectively.

In 2003, Jay County Commissioners reviewed

a list of planned Indiana Department of Transportation projects. It included resurfacing U.S. 27 from Portland to Deerfield, paving U.S. 26 on the west side of Portland and resurfacing Indiana 67 between Redkey and

In 2021, the Jay County High School girls basketball team clobbered visiting Oak Hill 60-22. Madison Dirksen scored 15 points to lead the Patriots, who were ranked eighth in Class

Portland, all in 2004.

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Obituaries

Gail Compton

July 24, 1941-Nov. 14, 2024 Gail Compton, age 83, of Portland passed away on Thursday, Nov. 14, 2024, at her residence.

She was born in Portland on July 24, 1941, the daughter of Williard "Bill" and June (Frasher) Ireland. She was married on July 24, 1960, to Ronald Compton and he passed away on May 10, 1991.

Gail had worked for Marsh Supermarkets for 35 years and was assistant deli manager. She was a 1959 Portland High School graduate, member of Tri Kappa Sorority and enjoyed knitting, loved her cats and

enjoyed cooking for everyone.

Surviving are two sons, Curt Compton (wife: Christine) of Portland and Troy Compton (wife: Dina) of Albany; three sisters-in-law, Sandy Ireland, Sally Ireland

and Connie Walker, all of Portland; four grandchildren, Samantha, Colton, Tory and Katey; and two great-grandchildren, Benton and

Compton

She was preceded in death by a brother, Gary Ireland. A celebration of life will be held on

Saturday, Dec.14, from 2 to 5 p.m., at the Portland Elk's Lodge. Baird-Freeman Funeral Home is handling the arrangements. Memorials can be made to Jay

County Cancer Society or Kidney Foundation.

Condolences may be expressed at bairdfreeman.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 services. There is a charge for obituaries, which are accepted only from funeral homes or mortuary services.

Dawgs

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He shared dreams to offer regional-themed hot dogs, such as an "Idaho Dawg" with baked potatostyle toppings, in the future.

A key feature of Guntle's craft lies within the coney sauce, a savory tomato and meat sauce original recipe that differs from the traditional sweet sauce.

for a long time," noted his mother, Kari Pearce, who helps Guntle in the kitchen along with a few other family members and friends.

"(He's) been perfecting that recipe

ease, Guntle wanted to make sure his restaurant offered gluten-free options for others with the same condition. He serves "Dawg Bowls," hot dogs without a bun in a dish with a choice of toppings.

Hours and days of operation for Big Sean's Dawgs vary. (A full-time employee for Delaware County Correctional Division, Guntle runs his business on a part-time basis.) It is typically open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays, with the same hours sometimes offered on Tuesdays and additional hours occasionally As someone living with celiac disthrough the week. To check in on enjoy it," he said.

the business' open days each week, visit the BS Dawgs Facebook page.

Big Sean's Dawgs' soft opening in August turned into more than Guntle expected. The establishment sold out of food in 2 hours and 15 minutes, going through 15 pounds of meat.

Guntle has been thankful for the support from the community, pointing to different times when the business had sold out of food before closing for the day. He's also excited to be doing what he loves.

"I'm doing this purely because I

Merrillville's Data Center Citizen Advisory Committee recommended a zoning change for the Karis development, which also will require a planned unit development approval from the Merrillville Plan Commission. Karis asked NIPSCO to do a study to see if it could meet its power

"My position on data centers has been that as long as they are built in locations with little or, more importantly, no impact on residential properties or harm existing businesses, we should support them with open arms," Bella said. "The town can use the increase in tax base, which in turn lowers property taxes paid by homeowners and other businesses as more contribute to the property tax 'pool' so existing payers

added economic benefits are enormous."

Merrillville's Data Center Citizen Advisory Committee consists of town officials, developers and residents. It's reviewing all the data center proposals to come to town.

Committee member Stephen Muenstermann, the president and CEO of Cloudbusters, said that there was a need for data centers.

"In today's world, your demand for online services is growing exponentially spanning everything from goods and meals to educacommunication, entertainment, healthcare, social connections, mass media, networking, marketing, and beyond," he said in a report he prepared on data center. "Every aspect of your life is increasingly driven by the digital landscape, shaping how you will pay less. The other live, work, and connect."



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Monday 4 p.m. — Jay School Board executive session, General Shanks, 414 E.

Floral Ave., Portland. 5 p.m. — Jay School Board, General Shanks, 414 E. Floral Ave., Portland.

5:30 p.m. — Portland 7:30 p.m. — Fort City Council, council Recovery Village Counchambers, fire station, cil, village hall, 201 S. 1616 N. Franklin St.

5:30 p.m. — Jay County Country Living Advisory Board executive session, Jay County Country Living, 1194 E.

200 North, Portland. 6 p.m. — Jay County St., Portland.

Country Living Advisory Board, Jay County Country Living dining hall, 1194 E. 200 North, Portland. 6 p.m. — Fort Recov-

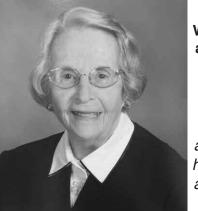
ery School Board, community room, high school, 400 E. Butler St.

Tuesday

2 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners special auditorium, session, courthouse, 120 N. Court

90th Birthday Party for **Cletes Rines**

Sunday, November 24th, 2024 1:00pm to 3:00pm



At The Women's Building at the Jay County **FairGrounds**

Any and all are invited to come and stop in to say hello and wish her a Happy Birthday. No Gifts please.



If you need a meal it will be delivered on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28, 2024. There will be no charge - it is Free! Please fill out the form and mail to one of the addresses below or call so we will know how many to prepare.

() YES I need a meal delivered on Thanksgiving Day

I am a diabetic

Phone







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204 E. Arch Street Portland, IN 47371 260-726-8464

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Home delivery requests due by noon Wednesday

34th Year of Caring and Sharing



Respectful students

East Elementary Students were recently awarded for demonstrating respect. Pictured above in the front row are kindergarteners Violet VanSkyock, Emma Fields, William Jackson and Kali Lopez, and in the second row are kindergarteners Maddelyn Sheffer, Jack Jutte and Athena Barber.

FR students make honor roll

Fort Recovery High School Kyra released its first quarter honor

On the list with all A's were sophomores Kendall Buckland, Kenna Dues, Tyler Dues, Cadence Eber, Carter Fortkamp, Ava Fullenkamp, Alexis Grisez, Russell Hart, Meredith Jones, Breaker Jutte, Grace Lochtefeld, Ian McCain, Cameron Muhlenkamp, Isaac Roessner, Madelyn Schoenlein, Kiera Stump, Amber Timmerman, Ivy Tobe, Jennifer Wendel and Brynn Willmann.

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Brunswick, Claire Gaerke, Malia Grisez, Paisley Hart, Henry Jutte, Courtney Klenke, Cora Pearson and Ally Roessner.

On the honor roll with all A's and B's were sophomores Brody Barga, Deanna Brown, Carley Buckland, Alex Carreto, Reese Diller, Destiny Ervin, Brady Evers, Grant Fortkamp, Aubree Heitkamp, Madelyn Heitkamp, Lily Hernandez, Theresa Hipple and Makenna Huelskamp.

Also Hudson McAbee, Jake Also making the honor roll Meyer, Catarina Moura, Emma with all A's were freshmen Schmitz, Cara Shoemaker, Riley Addison Stammen, Ava Timmerman, Brunswick, Alivia Brunswick, James Westgerdes, Reed West-

gerdes, Will Westgerdes and Jase Wuebker.

Also making the list with all A's and B's were freshmen Layla Armstrong, Brooke Bihn, Emily Boeckman, Riley DeRoo, Evan Diller, Braylon Dilworth, Jackson Dues, Haley Easton, Makenzie Evers, Will Faller, Madeline Hardwick and Lizzie Heitkamp.

Also Riley Heitkamp, Elizabeth Kahlig, Liza Knapke, Kinlee Kre-Mason Laux, Niekamp, Charity Pohlman, Kendall Ranly, Madilyn Reinhard, Liana Schlarman, Hoyt Schmitz, Eliza Smith, Charlie Stammen, Lilah Thien, Livy Timmerman, Madelyn Weigel and

Caregiver duties strain marriage

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been taking care of my father-in-law for four years getting his groceries, going to the bank, picking up pre-scriptions and doing different tasks. He's disabled and lives in an upstairs apartment with no access to getting down-stairs. He can't walk, bathe himself or get in and out of bed by himself. He has hired a nurse to get him in and out of bed every day. Because we live 30 minutes away and we both work, there is no way we can manage this.

My father passed away recently, so I've also been helping my mom. All of this has put a strain on our marriage — I'm going one way, and my husband is going the other, plus my father-in-law has complained that I'm not coming over. I have tried explaining to him that I can't be in two places at once.

Our 25th wedding anniversary is coming up, and we have told both of our parents we won't be coming over that weekend and will be cutting back to every other weekend so we can spend time together. To our dismay, we got pushback, with comments like, "Well, you see each other every night." We tried to explain that by the time we get home, eat and do the dishes, there isn't much together time, and definitely not enough for a day at the park or something.

Do you have advice on how to handle this? We want to continue to help but we need our time too, so we thought we had suggested a good compromise. -BURNED OUT IN WISCONSIN

DEAR BURNED OUT: Is there anyone else who could be helpful to your father-inlaw, who now seems isolated from everyone but you and his son? Are there any rela- over? (I hope not.)

Dear Abby



tives or friends of his and his late wife who could visit him? If the answer is no, someone from your religious community or your local area agency on aging might be able to help.

You and your husband appear to be loving and generous people, but you must put the health of your marriage higher on your list of priorities and not permit yourselves to be guilted out of it.

DEAR ABBY: A close friend, who I also work with, agreed to attend a paleontology exhibit with me approximately six months before the exhibit was scheduled to open. We were both excited about it and talked frequently about how much fun it would be to attend together.

About a week after it opened, was unexpectedly out of the office for a medical emergency, and my friend attended the exhibit without me. Am I wrong for feeling upset? She keeps telling me to get over it and is not being understanding at all. Am I overreacting? BOTHERED IN THE EAST

DEAR BOTHERED: If the exhibit was finished before you were able to go, you shouldn't blame your friend for seeing it. If, however, the exhibit was still on, I can't blame you for being upset that she went without you. The question now is, is this worth ending a friendship

Community Calendar

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

MOUS — Will meet at 10 West, Portland. Come early a.m. at Zion Evangelical for a meal. For more infor-Lutheran Church, 218 E. mation, call (260) 766-2006. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) **Monday** 251-3336 or (260) 729-7000.

CAL SOCIETY — Is open meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on at Richards Restaurant. the first and third Saturry building, 113. S. Main munity Center. St., Dunkirk.

and third Saturday and Hoover St., Dunkirk Sunday of the month. It is located at 510 E. Arch St., SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will Portland. The website is meet for weigh-in at 4:30

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 ALCOHOLICS ANONY Baptist Church, 289 S. 200

PORTLAND BREAK-DUNKIRK HISTORI- FAST OPTIMISTS — Will

PING PONG — Will be day of each month in the played from 9 a.m. to noon former W.E. Gaunt Jewel- each Monday at Jay Com-

EUCHRE — MUSEUM OF THE SOL- played starting at 1 p.m. DIER — Is open from each Monday at West Jay noon to 5 p.m. the first Community Center, 125

TAKE OFF POUNDS museumofthesoldier.com. 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 preg- AND CHAPLAINS — Meet nancy testing with ongoing support during and Tuesday of each month in after pregnancy. The cen- the chapel at Indiana Uniter is located at 216 S. versity Health Jay Hospi-Meridian St., Portland. tal. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COM-MUNITY FAMILY MEAL Will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 204 E. Arch St. in Portland. Everyone is welcome.

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 CON-NECTIONS RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP — A nections as they develop or (260) 729-7000.

long-term recovery meets at noon each Tuesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

JAY COUNTY PASTORS at 11:30 a.m. on the third

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

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

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-

ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Luthergroup for anyone with a an Church, 218 E. High St., substance use disorder that Portland. For more inforhelps individuals find con-mation, call (567) 279-8352



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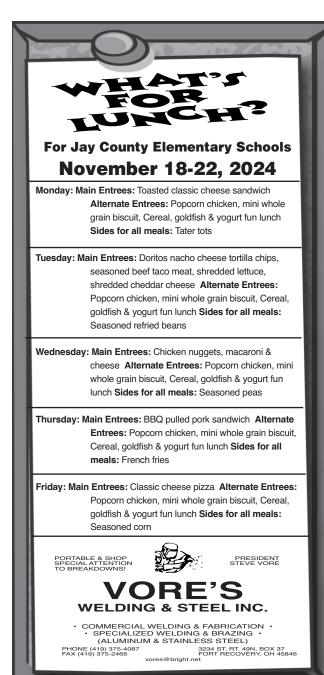
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Election Day should be a holiday

Bangor Daily News (Maine)

Tribune News Service In last week's presidential election, about a third of eligible voters nationwide didn't cast a ballot. There are likely many reasons for this, including a choice not to vote for either Donald Trump or Kamala Harris.

the U.S. has long lagged many other countries. Maine is a welcome exception. Nearly 73% of eligible Mainers cast a ballot in last week's election, among the highest in the country.

Making voting easier will very likely increase voter turnout. One way to do that would be to make election day a national hol-

It's an idea that's been around for years, but has failed to gain much support.

This year, the idea gained

Guest **Editorial**

However, voter participation in some traction for a very unfortunate reason. On Election Day, hoax threats, known as "swatcalls, were made to numerous communities in Maine. The calls reported an armed shooter at local schools. Many schools were briefly put in lockdown on Tuesday as the calls were investigated. None of the calls were deemed credi-

It is unclear if the calls were meant to interfere with the Nov. 5 election, but schools are often used as polling places, so these

calls temporarily disrupted vot-ing in some places. In South ers.

necticut reported that weekend voting could increase participa-Portland, a polling station near the city's high school was locked down for a time last Tuesday morning.

The threats have added to support for making Election Day a national holiday, a change recommended in 2001 by The National Commission on Federal Election Reform, a bipartisan group of former lawmakers, including presidents.

David Trahan, the executive director of the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, said his organization would back a bill to make Election Day a holiday to alleviate security concerns at schools that children are attending, the Bangor Daily News reported.

the Maine Legislature in 2019,

Nationally, a bill that would have made Election Day a federal holiday, backed only by Democrats, passed the U.S. House in 2019. It stalled in the Senate after Republican Leader Mitch McConnell called the legislation, which also included provisions to compel states to adopt independent redistricting commissions, prohibit purging of voter rolls and require more disclosure of political donations, a "power grab" by Democrats.

Several years ago, U.S. senators, including Angus King, sponsored a bill to move federal elections to weekends in hopes of increasing turnout.

Without work obligations, voting on weekends can be Such a bill was introduced in easier. Mark Franklin, a professor at Trinity College in Con-

tion by up to 7%.

Our longstanding practice of holding federal and many statewide elections on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of the month dates to the mid-1800s. Back then, when it could take a day by horse and carriage to get to the county seat to vote, the concern was making sure elections didn't interfere with farming. Tuesday was chosen because that day didn't interfere with the sabbath or market days, says Why Tuesday?, a group working to draw attention to America's low voter turnout and ways to improve it.

Voting on the weekend or making the November election a national holiday would most likely increase voter turnout. So, perhaps it's time for a change.

Lift up positives, call out negatives

By JIM MARTIN The Charlotte Observer Tribune News Service

We're one week past an election that would have been a surprise no matter who won. President-Elect Donald Trump and his team are busy organizing key appointments. Democrats are busy blaming each other for a hardfought loss. Losers respond this way after close elections. Partly it's jockeying for position four years

Much will be written about how polling dominated much of every day's news. By emphasizing that Trump was gaining, very close or ahead of Harris, polls conveyed subliminal approval that it was popular to vote for Trump. For two months voter preferences seemed frozen in

Both parties dumping a half billion dollars on just seven swing states surely stirred their bases but probably overloaded the minds of the small subset of undecided voters. Too many wild accusations may have strained belief. Swing states were confused by thousands of harsh ads accusing each other respectively of fascism or commu-

Some acknowledge a major handicap for Vice President Kamala Harris. She had never won support in any state presidential primaries. The hot issue of abortion rights was her best major policy advantage, plus being the only candidate with no scandal or criminal record. Border control came too little, too

Her campaign tried to appeal to moderate voters, hinting how she would work for everybody, whatever that meant, while assuring the base that her "values haven't changed." The only concession she personally promised consistently was to permit fracking in Pennsylvania. If she had a legitimate reason for that, she never let

The celebrity class helped Harris raise money, but few voters are persuaded by opinions of elites. Her strong emphasis on identity politics to energize racial minorities and feminist voters likely backfired, driving substantial numbers of young adult males, white, Black and Latino, to Trump in hopes of job prospects and defense of their masculinity.

Jim Martin



(nice try, James), lamented that her campaign was negated by "woke era" politics. Stephen A. Smith criticized that she was "catering too much to people on the fringes." On the extreme left, Sen. Bernie Sanders chided her for not pushing socialism, even after she promised new free stuff. Harris was blamed for advancing progressive ideals too fast and too slow.

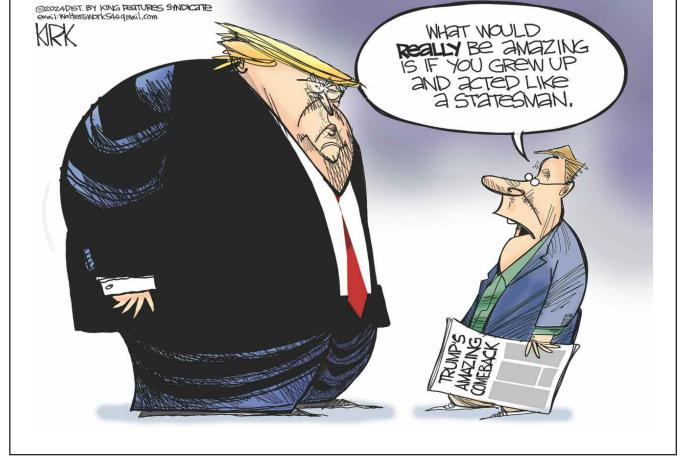
Meanwhile, Trump kept acting like Trump: vindictive, boastful, insulting, long-winded, scowling, even frightening, with a mass hypnotic effect. Television news filled its sound bites of Trump with his blatant bluster of name-calling, leaving little time to critique his policies. It was as if millions concluded that his criminal trial amounted to partisan persecution and Jan. 6, 2021, was a patriotic celebration. It was still among the six closest elections in a nism. Fear of Trump was hundred years, about the offset by distrust of Harris. average margin of electors for the last seven elections in a deeply divided nation.

Our immediate future depends on our leaders of both parties and all factions taking a calmer approach with each other, discussing differences with clarity and respect so decisions can be worked out for the good of all. As always, there will be mistakes, errors and false starts. There will also be many steps for our benefit.

What's ahead for America? Much depends on the attitude shown by the new leadership of the Trump administration. More respect and less revenge on former opponents will help rebuild a more united nation. This will be easier for them if Democrats continuing in office will rise above the tactic of opposing every Republican initiative just for spite. Then the rest of us can speak freely with confidence, lifting up bipartisan agreements that work while calling out partisan excesses that divide.

Let's be courageous enough to lift up the positives before we call out the

Martin, a Republican, James Carville, after pre- was North Carolina goverdicting a Harris victory nor from 1985 to '93.



Absolute power is doing its thing

By JOHN KRULL TheStatehouseFile.com

Almost a century and a half ago, Lord Acton delivered an ageless

'Power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely," he wrote Many people think Acton meant

lution of the soul who lives a life unchecked by legal and ethical

He did mean that, but he also thought power — particularly absolute power — corrupted more than just the person or persons who possess it. It also warps systems and societies, distorting collective senses of right and wrong and transforming priorities in ways that defy both reality and common sense.

We're seeing this disintegration of virtue and institutional standards of integrity at work now in both Indiana and the United States at large.

Here in the Hoosier state, we're witness to the depressing spectacle of Lt. Gov.-elect Micah Beckwith picking a fight with college student journalists at The Indiana Daily Student. Beckwith, who won national attention by trying to make it harder for readers to access library books, complained on social media that the IDS was being mean to President-elect Donald Trump by highlighting on its front page some of the uncomplimentary things Trump's former subordinates and allies have said about him.

Beckwith threatened in his post to cut funding for Indiana University if the college doesn't shut the students

up.

Beckwith and his running mate, Gov.-elect Mike Braun, are part of a Republican Party that controls every aspect of Indiana's state government. Indiana faces significant chal-

in our state trail behind three of our whoever will be the next majority dents.

Krull four neighbors — thank goodness for

John

Kentucky — and have since before Beckwith was born. Two decades ago, when Mitch Daniels was elected governor and began what now will approach a quarter-century-long reign of Republican rule, he cited ending this inequity as one of the GOP's top priorities.

Freshly granted power, Beckwith has made his first priority not addressing this persistent problem that stunts Hoosier opportunities and lives but shaking his fist at one of the state's premier universities.

He must not be aware that college graduates, on average, earn in excess of \$1 million more over the course of their working lives than non-college graduates do.

Either that, or he understands that figuring out how to help Hoosiers build better, more remunerative careers will require thought and hard work, while screaming the equivalent of "get off my lawn!" does not.

And he just doesn't want to think that much or work that hard.

Because there is no one to hold Beckwith and the GOP accountable and keep them on task, the man who soon will be our lieutenant governor can start fights that serve no purpose and pay no attention to the fact that Hoosiers lead lesser lives than their neighbors to the north, east and west.

That's power once again corrupting priorities.

At the national level, the once and To name just one, average incomes future president has demanded that Franklin College journalism stu-

leader of the U.S. Senate agree to recess appointments of Cabinet members as a condition for Trump's

The demand makes no sense in terms of public policy or even poli-

Trump's Republican Party controls the Senate. Any Senate Democrat up for reelection in 2026 is unlikely to choose a Cabinet confirmation as a hill he or she wants to die upon.

That means Trump's appointments will sail through the Senate confirmation process. Trump's demand isn't about policy,

politics or personnel.

It's about power. It's about bending the legislative

branch to the will of the presidentelect and eroding or destroying one more of the constitutional safeguards the founders of this nation built into our system of government. Put another way, as he prepares to

return to power, Donald Trump's priority isn't on improving the lives of the people who returned him to office but on figuring out ways to acquire still more power.

Most likely, he will get it.

The GOP long ago stopped being the party of Lincoln, a gathering of patriotic souls dedicated to building a stronger union, and now is fully, completely the party of Trump and mini-Trumps such as Beckwith.

For them, power isn't a means. It's an end.

Lord Acton spoke to that reality,

"Authority," he wrote, "that does not exist for Liberty is not authority but force."

Amen.

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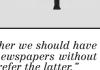
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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN THE GUY ASKED HIS WEARY-LOOKING DOG WHAT KIND OF DAY IT HAD, WHAT WAS ITS REPLY? "RUFF!" Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals L

Trivial Review

Classical questions

1) What village named in the title of a Washington Irving story is about 25 miles north of Manhattan?

2) What composer who was orphaned at 10 is famed for his Brandenburg Concertos?

> 2) Johann Sebastian Bach 1) Sleepy Hollow

11-18 **CRYPTOQUIP**

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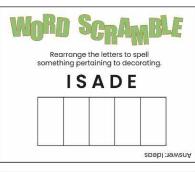
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Saturday's Cryptoquip: ELECTRICAL ENGINEER AND INVENTOR WHO REALLY LOVED SWISS-PRODUCED COUGH DROPS: RICOLA TESLA.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: V equals D





I am a drummer for a pop punk band born in California, on November 14, 1975. I dreamed of becoming a pro surfer and skateboarder, but started playing the drums at age 4. I'm well known for my mohawk and lots of tattoos.

Answer: Travis Barker

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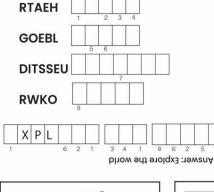
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This is the study of the physical features of the earth and its atmosphere.

Answer: Geography



Double Word Puzzle

Unscramble the words to reveal the sentence

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332 BC: Alexander pharaoh of Egypt.

1889: Journalist Nellie Bly begins a successful attempt to travel around the world in fewer than 80 days.

1960: Ruby Bridges is the first black child to attend an all-white school in Louisiana.



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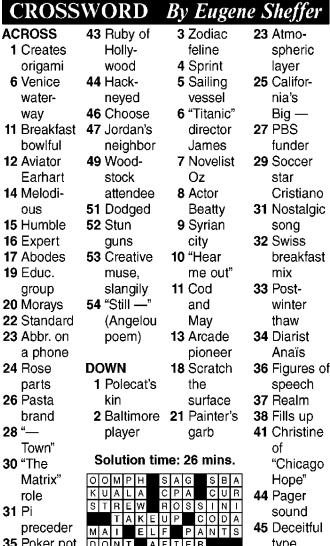
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WAINSCOTING

The element of safety

By Steve Becker







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♥AQJ10974 ♦ Λ K 10 6 2 • Λ The bidding: South 2 ★* 3 ♥ West North East Pass Pass Pass Pass 4 **♦** 6 **♥** Pass Pass *strong, artificial

Opening lead — king of clubs.

When you're declarer in a slam, it is surely right to give the play more careful consideration than if you were in, say, a partscore contract. South neglected to do that in today's deal, and it wound up costing him 1,530 points.

He won the club lead with the ace

and played the A-K of diamonds, planning to ruff the third round of diamonds with dummy's king. Unfortunately, East ruffed the king of diamonds and returned a trump and South later had to lose a diamond trick to West for down one.

The deal illustrates the type of

reasoning required when a contract seems easy to make. In such cases declarer should stop and ask him-self, "What can defeat me?" Had South followed that rule in this deal, he might have found the

winning line of play. A 5-1 diamond division is certainly not probable, but since it is possible, some effort should be made to guard against it. After taking the club lead and

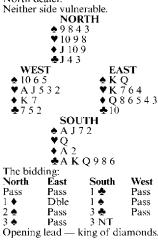
cashing the acc of diamonds, South should play the deuce of diamonds at trick three! This guarantees 12 tricks whether the diamonds are divided 3-3, 4-2 or 5-1. In the third and critical case, South can subsequently ruff the six of diamonds with dummy's king, discard the ten of diamonds on the ace of spades and so ensure the contract.

There is no question that South was unlucky to run into a 5-1 diamond break that cost him the slam. But it is also true that the most it would have cost him to lead a low diamond at trick three was 30 points, while the failure to do so could, and in fact did, cost him 1,530 points.

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Contract By Steve Becker

Famous Hand



Bridge and poker are two entirely different games, but they have at least one thing in common: both and even encourage a certain degree of bluffing and

Today's deal, from the final of the 1992 U.S. Bridge Championship, features a classic deceptive play by declarer. South, Jeff Meckstroth, reached three notrump as shown after a sequence that began with an artificial and forcing one-club opening.

There would have been no story to

tell if West had led his best suit— hearts— but he opted to lead the king of diamonds in response to his partner's lead-directing double of North's artificial one-diamond bid Meckstroth took the king with

the ace and considered his chances Fight tricks — six clubs, a spade and a diamond view, and a ninth could easily be developed by conceding a diamond. But he was certain that if he returned a diamond at trick two, the opponents would shift to hearts and put a quick end to the proceedings. The alternative of running his club suit first offered little hope, since that would reveal too much about his hand and lead to the same unhappy ending.

So Meckstroth decided that the

best way to fight fire was with fire, and he calmly tabled the queen of hearts! West won with the ace and continued diamonds. East took the ten with the queen and, though he appeared to consider other options, finally returned a third diamond.

As soon as the diamond hit the table, Meckstroth unabashedly claimed nine tricks, leaving a chagrined East to ponder whether he could or should have found the winning defense.

Tomorrow: High expectations. ©2024 King Features Syndicate Inc

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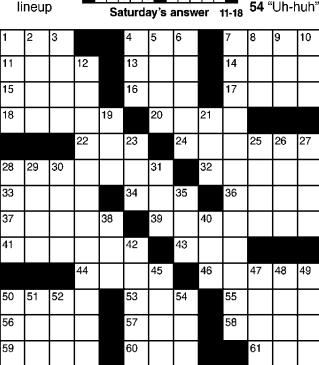
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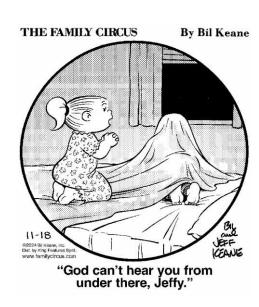
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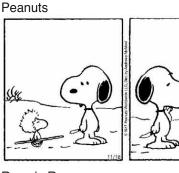


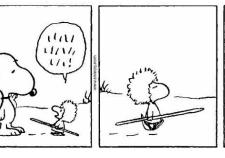




















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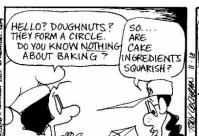
























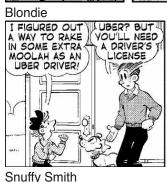






































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Beating the Bearcats



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Jay County High School freshman Brenna Ruble runs a far side cradle on Muncie Central's Courtney Thrash during a dual-meet on Thursday. Ruble pinned Thrash with the move a little over two minutes into the match, to help the Patriots to a 54-15 victory and keep Ruble undefeated on the year.

Patriots take five of eight matches against Muncie Central for 54-15 win

By ANDREW BALKO

The Commercial Review

MUNCIE — Wrestlers typically only need to grapple for two minutes at a time before getting a break.

Brenna Ruble got a different experience in her seventh match of the season, and the freshman utilized every extra second to the fullest.

extra 30 seconds in the 115-pound match, Ruble secured her seventh career pin in the first round to help the Jay County High School girls wrestling team take down the Muncie Central Bearcats 54-15 on Thursday.

restling in eight matches during its third dual meet of the season, claiming victory in five.

"Our girls are wrestling pretty well right now," said JCHS coach Eric Myers. "It's fun to see them grow. ... It's fun and exciting to be able to come out here and wrestle against a team like Muncie Central, who's growing their program also and has a good group of girls. They've got a good coach in A.J. Bradley and it's good to get a good weeknight dual in. You wouldn't have been able to say that a couple of years ago, but it's a lot of fun."

It was one of the Jay County freshmen's matches that stood

out during the meet. Ruble and Muncie Central's Courtney Thrash were deadlocked for the first 90 seconds of the 115 contest before the JCHS freshman executed a single-leg takedown to get three points on the board.

After about five more seconds, assistant coach John Winner realized the clock had not been running and alerted the operator. After it finally started, a few seconds ran off before they cut a minute off the time and continued.

During that final minute, Ruble worked a far side cradle on Thrash, leading to a pin milliseconds before the clock sounded to end the round.

"I was definitely starting to feel that," Ruble said. "The girl that I

wrestled, she was very strong in my opinion and a very good wrestler. I just stayed with it and did not give up. ... I found that I could work her more and get her more worn out. Then instead of having that short time (where) I'd have to rush into the move I felt like I had more time to lock the cradle up.'

Ruble is now 7-0 in her career Taking advantage of nearly an with all seven matches ending by

The 115-pounder wasn't the only freshman to find success early in the season, as Amara Crawford pinned Ava Platt 40 seconds into the 190-pound match. The Patriots (3-0) got to matches by fall this season to sit at 6-0

"We've got a good group to start with, but then to be able to add like those two who've wrestled for us in club and middle school and come in experienced, that has really helped solidify our girls team from top to bottom." Myers said.

The Patriots also got three victories from former state competi-

Emily Manor got things started with a victory in the 140 match. She took down Learah Rollins early in the opening period and got two 4-point near falls to lead 11-0. A Manor takedown, a Rollins reversal and then an escape gave the JCHS senior a 15-2 advantage going into the third. Starting on top in the final period, Manor forced Rollins to the mat to secure the pin with 1 minute, 40 seconds

ranked 27th nationally in the 170 weight class by USA Wrestling, FloWrestling and the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum) made quick work of Yarimar Figueroa. She got a twoleg takedown in three seconds before eventually getting the fall in 45 seconds.

bounds in the first 23 seconds.

After the third time, John Win-

fall in the first period.

Crawford has also won all of her

remaining in the contest. Mallory Winner (who came in

Maleah Parsons also pulled off a win over Alyssa Black in the 145 contest. The two got whistled three times for going out of

ner directed Parsons to shoot for



The Commercial Review/Andrew Balko

Emily Manor of JCHS takes a shot at the Bearcats' Learah Rollins during the 140pound match Thursday. Manor won the match by fall with 1:49 left in the third period.

Black's hips. During the next action, Parsons immediately executed a double-leg takedown, leading directly to a pin in 29 sec-

"She was going straight arms on me and I was mostly trying to snap her down, but that wasn't really working," Parsons said. "I just like pushed her arms up and went forward (on the last try) when she was pushing into

The rest of the Patriots' points came off of forfeits. Filling in the weight classes for the free points were Katie Rowles — who is ranked 30th national in the 95pound weight class despite it not existing in Indiana -- (100), Tatianna Willis (120), Sophie Thomas (130) and Lina Lingo

(135). (Neither team had wrestlers for the 105 and 110 weight classes.)

Two of Jay County's losses came by pin while the other was an 11-7 decision. Jumping up into the 235-pound weight class, Rayan Murphy fell to Rianna Webb in 59 seconds.

Allison Tipton held a 7-3 advantage with a minute left in the second period before Noemi Galan got a reversal on her. Galan kept working Tipton before eventually getting the JCHS sophomore on her back with 18.5 seconds remaining in the 125 contest.

Maddie Gage battled with Amaya Stoudemire in the 155 match. Gage got the first takedown with 31 seconds left in the first period to lead 3-0. Gage started on top in the second and held Stoudemire down until there were six seconds left. The junior Bearcat pulled off a reversal and a 4-point nearfall to claim a 6-3 advantage. A single-leg takedown and a 2-point nearfall got Stoudemire to 11 points, while Gage only managed a reversal and 2-point nearfall, coming up just short of a pin as time

"We're going to have some minor setbacks here and there, but I think that's how we're going to learn," Myers said. "Not everything's going to go right in every position and every match like we want it to, but I think that's the way our girls are going to learn. We'll get back into the room and fix some things and be ready to progress forward.'

Sports on tap

(FOX)

Local schedule Today

Jay County — Girls basketball vs. Hamilton Heights – 6 p.m. Fort Recovery — Girls bowling vs. St. Mary's at Celina - 9:15 a.m.; Girls basketball scrimmage at Fort Loramie

Monday

Jay County - Junior high boys basketball at Norwell - 6 p.m.; Junior high girls basketball vs. Norwell - 6 p.m.

Tuesday

Jay County — Junior high boys basketball at Adams Central - 6 p.m.; Junior high girls basketball vs. Adams Central -

TV sports

Today 12 p.m. — College football: Texas at Arkansas (ABC); Tulane at Navy (ESPN2);

Ohio State at Northwestern (BTN); Clemson at Pitt (ESPN); Utah at Colorado

12 p.m. — College basketball: Wake Forest at Xavier (FS1)
12 p.m. — NWSL soccer: Gotham FC

at Washington Spirit (CBS)

1 p.m. — College basketball: Notre Dame at Georgetown (NBC) 1 p.m. - NHL: St. Louis Blues at Boston Bruins (FDSN Indiana)

2 p.m. — Women's college basket-ball: Stanford at Indiana (FS1) 2:30 p.m. — College football: Michigan State at Illinois (FS1)

3 p.m. — Women's college basketball: N.C. State at TCU (ESPN) 3:30 p.m. — College football: Virginia at Notre Dame (NBC): Penn State at Pur-

due (CBS); LSU at Florida (ABC); Boston College at SMU (ESPN)
4 p.m. — College football: Nebraska at USC (FOX); Baylor at West Virginia

(ESPN) 4 p.m. — College basketball: Yale at

Minnesota (BTN) 6 p.m. — College football: Rutgers at Maryland (FS1)

6 p.m. — College basketball: Bowling Green at Michigan State (BTN); Florida Atlantic at Liberty (YouTube)

7 p.m. — College football: Arizona State at Kansas State (ESPN) 7:30 p.m. — College football: Tennessee at Georgia (ABC); Oregon at Wis-

consin (NBC) 7:30 p.m. Women's college bas ketball: Texas at DePaul (FS1); Arkansas at UCLA (BTN)

8 p.m. — College football: Cincinnati at Iowa State (FOX); UAB at Memphis (ESPN2)

— College basketball: Loyola Marymount at Saint Louis (FDSN Indi-9:30 p.m. — College football: Wash-

ington State at New Mexico (FS1) 10:15 p.m. — (Kansas at BYU (ESPN) College football: 10:30 p.m. — College football: San

Diego State at UNLV (FS1)

Sunday 12 p.m. College basketball: New Mexico at St. John's (FS1)

1 p.m. — College basketball: St Mary's at Nebraska (BTN)

1 p.m. — NFL: Green Bay Packers at Chicago Bears (FOX); Indianapolis Colts

at New York Jets (CBS) 3 p.m. — College soccer: Michigan at Ohio State (BTN)

3 p.m. — NWSL soccer: Kansas City Current at Orlando Pride (ABC) 4 p.m. — College basketball: Utah at Mississippi State (ESPN2)

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8:30 p.m. — College volleyball: Indi-

Grande Valley at Wisconsin (BTN) 8:15 p.m. — NFL: Houston Texans at 5 p.m. — NBA: Miami Heat at Indiana Dallas Cowboys (ABC) Pacers (FDSN Indiana) 8:20 p.m. — NFL: Cincinnati Bengals as Los Angeles Chargers (NBC) 7 p.m. — NBA: Cleveland Cavaliers

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Monday

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Alabama (ESPN) 5 p.m. — College volleyball: Illinois at Purdue (BTN)

6 p.m. — College basketball: Miami (OH) at Michigan (BTN) 7:30 p.m. — NBA: Indiana Pacers at Toronto Raptors (FDSN Indiana)

8 p.m. — College basketball: UT Rio

Tuesday

at Boston Celtics (TNT)

Local notes

at Northwestern (BTN)

(ESPN2)

8 p.m.

Final race The final race in the Adams County 5K Challenge is the Rainbow Lake 5K Run/Walk, will take place on

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Thunder at San Antonio Spurs (TNT)

9 p.m. — College basketball: Purdue at Marquette (FS1); Montana State

9:30 p.m. — NBA: Oklahoma City

icans at Dallas Mavericks (ABC)

land State at Minnesota (BTN)

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