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Hoosiers protest Trump in Indy

Thousands turn out to demonstrate at statehouse

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Repeated bursts of drenching rain didn't scare away the thousands of Hoosiers amassing at the Indiana Statehouse on Saturday to protest the policies and actions of President Donald Trump, who celebrated his 79th birthday in Washington D.C. today.

Trump's birthday coincided with the 250th anniversary of the U.S. Army. Both were honored with a military parade in the nation's capital as protesters gathered across the country for "No Kings" protests.

"I want to be on the right side of history," said Fiona Betts, of Marion County.

Upwards of 3,000 Hoosiers attended Saturday's protest, according to the Indiana State Police, who monitored the event from the perimeter and detained at least one participant after a scuffle with an opposing protester.

Attendees marched non-stop around the Indiana Statehouse for a few hours, chanting about democracy to a constant stream of car horns down Capitol Avenue.

Organizers repeatedly emphasized a nonviolent approach, distributing whistles to alert security of any counterprotesters "that may try to cause trouble" and advising the crowd not to engage with them.

Mother-daughter duo, Rhonda and Donna Clair, came because "we're worried about our democracy."

"Our immigrants are not getting their due process and people are being snatched out of their schools and workplaces. We're worried that equality is not (getting) attention too," continued Rhonda Clair. "We just want people to be treated with dignity and respect and we're not seeing that."

Rhonda Clair, who decorated crowns for her and her mother, also mentioned international affairs as a concern, specifically whether America was alienating longstanding allies.

Several signs likened Trump's actions with those of dictatorship, with one Hoosier comparing raids conducted by Immigration and Customs Enforcement with Adolph Hitler's Gestapo. Other common themes were "FDT," a curse for the president, No Kings pictograms and tacos.

Saturday's event coincided with Indianapolis' Pride celebration and the Indiana Pacers' appearance in the 2025 NBA Finals, with all three crowds intermingling in the streets of downtown Indianapolis.

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Jubilee finish

The Fort Recovery Harvest Jubilee came to a close Sunday with festivities including the parade in the afternoon. Pictured at left, Miss Jay County Fair Queen Molly Muhlenkamp waves to those in attendance along the parade route. Below, the Fort Recovery FFA float makes its way down Butler Street toward its intersection with Wayne Street.



Israel, Iran exchange more fire

By ARSALAN SHAHLA and GALIT ALSTEIN  
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Israel and Iran exchanged fire for the fourth consecutive day on Monday, stoking fears of an all-out war with the potential to drag in others in the oil-rich region and force the U.S. into a more hands-on stance.

Iran fired several waves of drones and missiles over the last 24 hours, while Israel continued hitting the Islamic Republic's capital, Tehran, and

Continued hostilities stoke fear of all-out war

killing one more senior military official.

Since Friday, 224 people have been killed in Iran, according to the government, which said most of the casualties were civilians. Iranian attacks killed

24 people in Israel, according to the Israeli government press office, and injured 592.

The exchange of missile salvos between Israel and Iran is the most serious escalation

after years of shadow war. Analysts fear it might push the Middle East into a regional conflict, causing wider human loss and potentially disrupting energy flows and vital trade routes.

One missile landed near the U.S. consulate in central Tel Aviv, causing minor material damages but no injuries to personnel, the ambassador to Israel, Mike Huckabee, said Monday. Many cars were crushed and buildings damaged in the area of the city where the strike happened.

For Iran, the showdown poses an existential dilemma. It can't risk appearing weak, yet its options are shrinking. Proxy forces across the region, which regularly rallied to its support in the past, have been debilitated by Israeli action over the past 20 months. Hezbollah, the Lebanese militia the U.S. and others designate as a terrorist group, is noticeably absent from the conflict and hasn't signaled it will start attacks on Israel.

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Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 80 degrees Sunday. The low was 64.

Tonight's forecast calls for a 30% chance of showers with a low around 70. Expect partly

cloudy skies Wednesday with rain and thunderstorms expected, especially in the afternoon, with winds gusting to 25 mph.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Applications are open for The Portland Foundation's Women's Giving Circle grants. The grants of up to \$5,000 are for not-for-profit organizations in Jay County for projects and programming in the community. Applications are available at portlandfoundation.org. The deadline is Friday, July 11.

Coming up

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

Thursday — Results from the Fort Recovery ACME baseball game.

Friday — Details from this week's Portland Board of Aviation meeting.





# Exchange ...

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Tensions between the arch-enemies erupted into full-blown conflict on Friday, when Israel attacked Iranian military and nuclear sites, and killed several top generals and atomic scientists. Since then, it has achieved air superiority over large parts of Iran, including Tehran, and degraded the ability of the Islamic Republic to defend against its strikes.

Iran has countered by firing

drones and ballistic missiles at the Jewish state. Israel believes Iran still has thousands of missiles left, according to National Security Adviser Tzachi Hanegbi, who spoke in an interview with the Army Radio.

U.S. Treasuries fell due to concerns a surge in oil prices will fan inflation. Oil prices spiked in response to Israeli airstrikes and gains carried through to the Asian session before profit-taking took hold — Brent futures

fell around 1% after spiking over 10% Friday. Traders pared bets on interest-rate cuts from the Federal Reserve, which holds its policy meeting this week.

The potential for disruption of key shipping routes is an important consideration for policymakers trying to forecast risks to inflation. Navigation signals from hundreds of vessels in the Strait of Hormuz and the Persian Gulf went awry over the

weekend, forcing seafarers to rely on less precise mechanisms which increase the risk of collisions.

Market sentiment at the start of the week was less bearish, with analysts expecting attacks to subside in the near term.

“The market currently anticipates a limited conflict, though there is little indication that hostilities will end quickly,” said Jochen Stanzl, chief market analyst at CMC Markets.

Emerging market currencies and stocks clawed back some of the previous session’s steep losses and both European stocks and U.S. futures posted small gains. The Israeli shekel led global currency gains, jumping around 2% against the dollar after four consecutive declines. The Iranian stock exchange will remain closed until further notice, the state-run Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting reported.

CR almanac

Wednesday 6/18	Thursday 6/19	Friday 6/20	Saturday 6/21	Sunday 6/22
<b>83/65</b> Wednesday looks to be rainy with a 70% chance of showers and wind gusts up to 25 mph.	<b>81/66</b> There's a 50% chance of showers Thursday under mostly sunny skies.	<b>84/70</b> Mostly sunny on Friday, when the high will be in the low 80s.	<b>89/74</b> Mostly sunny on Saturday when the low will hit the mid 70s.	<b>92/74</b> Sunday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies with a high of a blistering 92 degrees.

Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> Estimated jackpot: \$90 million	19-20-22-27-29-36-37-46-47-48-51-52-54-64-66-73-76 Cash 5: 11-25-30-33-41 Estimated jackpot: \$269,000
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$280 million	
<b>Hoosier</b> Sunday Midday Daily Three: 7-0-2 Daily Four: 2-6-8-8 Quick Draw: 3-10-11-17-25-26-27-30-34-35-39-53-54-65-66-67-71-74-76-78 Evening Daily Three: 5-8-9 Daily Four: 6-3-0-6 Quick Draw: 2-12-15-	<b>Ohio</b> Sunday Midday Pick 3: 4-6-7 Pick 4: 3-8-7-7 Pick 5: 5-1-9-3-5 Evening Pick 3: 6-2-7 Pick 4: 8-3-1-6 Pick 5: 6-1-3-1-1 Rolling Cash 5: 4-6-9-12-34 Estimated jackpot: \$120,000

Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....4.85 July corn .....4.88 Aug. corn .....4.86	July beans .....10.69 Wheat .....5.05
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....4.86 July corn .....4.83 Oct./Nov. corn .....4.28	<b>ADM Montpelier</b> Corn.....4.59 July corn.....4.61 Beans .....10.45 July beans .....10.40 Wheat .....5.00
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn .....4.68 July corn .....4.68 Beans .....10.69	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....4.85 July corn.....4.85 Beans .....10.44 July beans .....10.01 Wheat .....4.90

Today in history

In 1779, Spain declared war on Great Britain in an effort to support the American colonies and France.

In 1858, Abraham Lincoln accepted the Illinois Republican Party's nomination for the U.S. Senate with a speech that included the phrase “a house divided against itself cannot stand.”

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Farm Credit Act, the Emergency Railroad Transportation Act, the National Industrial Recovery Act and the Banking Act, which separated commercial and investment banking and established the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

In 1951, Panamanian boxer Roberto Duran was born. He won titles in four different weight classes, first earning the

World Boxing Association lightweight championship in 1972.

In 1977, the Portland nHigh School baseball team swept a double-header from Eastbrook at Portland Memorial Park.

In 1994, football player O.J. Simpson was charged with murdering his ex-wife, Nicole Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman. He was acquitted the following year.

In 2020, the Portland Rockets won their season opener — the start of the campaign was delayed because of the coronavirus pandemic — scoring seven times in the seventh inning of a 13-6 victory over the Muncie Chiefs. Patrick Mills was 3-for-4, including a home run, with three runs and three RBIs.

—The CR

Citizen’s calendar

<b>Today</b> 3 p.m. — Jay County Sheriff’s Office Merit Board executive session, training room, sheriff’s office, 224 W. Water St., Portland. 4 p.m. — Jay County Cemetery Commission, Carnegie Room, Jay County Public Library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland. 6:30 p.m. — Fort Recov-	ery School Board, community room, high school, 400 Butler St. <b>Wednesday</b> 4 p.m. — Portland Board of Aviation, airport, 661 W. 100 North, Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Redkey Town Council executive session, park cabin, 50 Mooney St., Redkey.
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# Felony court news

**Rape**

A man was sentenced to prison for 15 years after pleading guilty to rape.

Joshua A. Guntle, 36, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to the Level 3 felony. He was sentenced to 15 years in Indiana Department of Correction. Guntle was assessed \$189 in court costs.

As part of his plea agreement, the following charges were dismissed: another two Level 3 felonies for rape and three Level 4 felonies for sexual misconduct with a minor. A habitual offender enhancement was also withdrawn.

**Domestic battery**

A Dunkirk man was sentenced to jail for domestic battery.

Caden M. Green, 21, 339 E. North St., Dunkirk, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to domestic battery, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with 10 months suspended and given credit for time served. Green was assessed \$189 in court costs.

As part of his plea agreement, his charge was lessened from a Level 5 felony, and another Level 6

felony domestic battery charge as well as a Class B misdemeanor for public intoxication were dismissed.

**Dealing drugs**

A Portland man was sentenced to a dozen years in prison for dealing methamphetamine.

James C. Hamner, 52, 925 W. Race St., Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to the Level 3 felony. He was sentenced to 12 years in Indiana Department of Correction and given credit for time served. Hamner was fined \$1, assessed \$189 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. He was recommended for purposeful incarceration, meaning upon completing a substance abuse treatment program, the court would consider modifying his sentence.

As part of his plea agreement, his charge was lessened from a Level 2 felony, and a Level 6 felony for unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 felony for maintaining a common nuisance and a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia were dis-

missed. A habitual offender enhancement was also withdrawn.

**Unlawful possession**

A Redkey man was sentenced to prison for three years for illegally possessing a firearm.

Nathaniel K. Cox, 33, 516 N. Meridian St., Redkey, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious, violent felon, a Level 4 felony.

He was sentenced to eight years in Indiana Department of Correction with three years suspended and given credit for time served. Cox was assessed \$189 in court costs. He was also recommended for purposeful incarceration, meaning upon completing a substance abuse treatment program, the court would consider modifying his sentence.

As part of his plea agreement, the following charges were dismissed: three Level 5 felonies for two counts of possession of a narcotic drug and possession of methamphetamine and two Level 6 felonies for maintaining a common nuisance and unlawful possession of a syringe.

# Protest ...

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Many attendees went to both the Pride parade, which started at 10 a.m., and the No Kings protest, including husbands Brad and Doug Cope-Barnes.

“We have to show up. We need to see that there are other people who care and who think like we do,” said Doug Cope-Barnes. “It’s not all grim and hopeless; we need hope.”

State Rep. Carey Hamilton, D-Indianapolis, also spoke of hope, encouraging the crowd to build a better future and vote against the state’s Republican supermajority in future elections.

“This country was built

on the radical idea that power comes from the people. And we the people still hold that power today,” Hamilton said. “... let’s take back our democracy! Let’s get to work!”

A few hundred protesters lingered as the event wound down at 3 p.m. and organizers struck their tents. Many of the remaining attendees held sodden pieces of cardboard with barely legible writing or left their signs to adorn the southern Statehouse lawn. Others vowed to come back, buoyed by the large crowd and optimistic spirit — and hopeful that the weather would be better next time.

# Felony arrests

**Child solicitation**

A rural Pennville man was arrested Friday for child solicitation.

Amos A. Neuen-schwander, 54, 5998 N. 500 West, was preliminarily charged with a Level 5 felony for the alleged crime.

He was being held in Jay County Jail on a \$10,000 bond.

# Capsule Reports

**Driveway accident**

Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000 after a Portland woman turned in front of oncoming traffic on county road 650 South about 4:20 p.m. Saturday.

Hillary D. Brunner, 33, was driving her 2013 GMC Acadia east on the road near county road 100 South when she began to turn into a driveway on the north side of the road. She didn’t see the east-bound 2017 Hyundai Tucson driven by 56-year-old Floyd L. Groves of Richmond because of a steep hill obscuring her vision. Groves wasn’t able to avoid hitting Brunner’s vehicle, crashing into the front passenger side of her vehicle and damaging his own passenger side.

Groves was cited for driving with expired plates. Both vehicles were towed.

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Saturday

Smiley, Franklin: 1 p.m., Tribute Funeral Home, 1000 N. Broadway St., Greenville, Ohio.

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# Let compassion be default

By OLIVIA SMITH  
The Commercial Review

Everyone has their own reasons for the choices they make. Those reasons are shaped by a lifetime of experiences — how they were raised, what they’ve been through, the beliefs they’ve developed about the world and their place in it. It’s easy to make assumptions about why people behave a certain way, but the truth is, we don’t always know the full story. In fact, most of the time, we don’t know even half of it.

One of the most fascinating parts of being human is our curiosity. We love to know things — why animals behave the way they do, what it’s like to live in space, how the brain works. We are naturally drawn to seeking answers. And that’s a beautiful trait — until we turn that curiosity toward the people around us and try to dissect their every move.

The reality is, people don’t

## You’re On Your Own, Kid



explain themselves constantly, nor do we expect them to. Think about it: when someone leaves a party early, they usually just say, “I’m heading out,” and that’s it. They don’t announce, “I’m feeling overwhelmed and emotionally drained, so I need to go home and cry for a bit.” Or when someone asks, “How are you?” most people say, “I’m fine,” even when they’re not. That’s just part of our culture — keeping things private, keeping things moving.

But when someone behaves in a way we don’t understand — maybe they’re distant, distracted, or quiet — we can spiral. Our brains jump to conclusions:

“Did I say something wrong?” “Are they upset with me?” “Did I do something to cause this?” And suddenly, we’re not just wondering, we’re worrying. We turn their silence into a mystery we feel responsible to solve.

So here’s my advice to you, especially if you tend to overthink or feel the need to always understand: give people the benefit of the doubt. Make up a kind and reasonable explanation — “maybe they’re tired,” or “maybe something personal is going on.” Sometimes, the healthiest thing you can do is accept that you don’t need to know. You don’t need to have all the answers. People are allowed to have private struggles, and it’s OK if you’re not always let in on them.

Trust that your friends care about you, and be gentle with yourself when your brain tries to fill in the blanks with worry. Let compassion, not assumption, be your default.

# Man’s priorities aren’t at home

DEAR ABBY: My husband works out of state for an oil rigging company 20 days out of the month. He gets 10 days off. When he comes home, we may have two days of quality time together. The rest of his time he spends on his phone outside.

When I recently had spinal surgery, he came home supposedly to assist me. My doctor gave him instructions to follow after the surgery. The first was that he observe me for 24 hours to avert any complications. Well, after a few hours, he left me alone so he could spend time with his friends! I was sleeping when he left, and when I woke up, I was in pain.

When I called him and asked where he was, he, as usual, got upset and said, “I can’t spend time with my friends?” I replied, “No problem” and hung up the phone. He returned two hours later, and we discussed it, but he left the house again. I don’t know how to communicate with him without causing issues. What should I do? Am I

## Dear Abby



wrong? — WIFE OF DETACHED HUSBAND

DEAR WIFE: You are not wrong. What you need to do now is take some time and evaluate the relationship you have with your husband.

From what you have written, you are both spending the majority of your time living as single people.

Your husband is clearly not the nurturing type, and it would be interesting to know how he’d react if the situation were reversed and you had skipped out to socialize with your buddies. I won’t use the word that comes to mind to describe your “better half” but, frankly, I think you could have done better in the spouse department. You have my sympathy.

# Community Calendar

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

**Today**  
COMPASSIONATE CONNECTIONS RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP — A group for anyone with a substance use disorder that helps individuals find connections as they develop long-term recovery meets at noon each Tuesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.  
JAY COUNTY PASTORS AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 11:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the chapel at Indiana University Health Jay Hospital.  
BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public is welcome.  
FRIENDS OF JAY COUNTY LIBRARY — Will meet at 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the library.  
A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for substance abuse. Meal starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-2107.  
JAY COUNTY DEMOCRATS — Will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, at the party’s headquarters, 221 S. Meridian St., Portland.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (567) 279-8352 or (260) 729-7000.  
**Wednesday**  
WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.  
PING PONG — Will be played from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays at West Jay Community Center.  
PORTLAND ROTARY CLUB — Will meet at noon each Wednesday in the cafe at John Jay Center for Learning, 101 S. Meridian St., Portland.  
COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING — A non-confrontational, evidence-based intervention for helping families affected by addiction meets at 4 p.m. each Wednesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.  
AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP — New Beginnings, a support group for friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 726-8229.  
A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Wednesday at

Redkey United Methodist Church, 122 W. Main St. Come early for a meal. For more information, call Pastor Randy Davis at (765) 369-2085.  
**Thursday**  
STITCH AND CHATTER QUILT CLUB — Meets from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at Jay Community Center. Show and tell is at 1 p.m. The club is open to all ages and is for anyone who wants to sew. Bring unfinished projects and a sewing machine. For more information, call Nan Weesner (260) 766-9334.  
CELEBRATE RECOVERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.  
SMART RECOVERY — A group for those struggling with addiction that focuses on motivation, coping with cravings, managing thoughts, feelings and behavior, and living a balanced life meets at 11 a.m. each Thursday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.  
EN AVANT CLUB — Meets at 1 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR SUICIDE GRIEF — Meets from 1 to 2:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. The support group serves to help individuals who have lost a loved one to suicide. To register, contact Stephanie Patterson at (260) 251-3259.  
ORGAN TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 3 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the IU Health Blackford main conference room.  
PORTLAND LIONS CLUB — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Portland Lions Civic Center, 307 W. 100 North.  
FORGET-ME-NOT — A support group for parents, friends and relatives who have lost a baby through miscarriage, birth or illness will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Vincent Randolph Hospital, Winchester, in community room 1.  
**Friday**  
PAST RECOVERY SERVICES — Peer Addiction Support Team recovery support group meets at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. each Friday at the Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition office at 100 N. Meridian St., Portland. To learn more information, please call (260) 251-3259.  
DUNKIRK HISTORICAL MUSEUM — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Friday and Sat-

urday of each month at Webster Depot, 132 W. Railroad St.  
**Saturday**  
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-3336 or (260) 729-7000.  
DUNKIRK HISTORICAL MUSEUM — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Friday and Saturday of each month at Webster Depot, 132 W. Railroad St.  
MUSEUM OF THE SOLDIER — Is open from noon to 5 p.m. the first and third Saturday and Sunday of the month. It is located at 510 E. Arch St., Portland. The website is [museumofthesoldier.com](http://museumofthesoldier.com).  
**Sunday**  
A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based 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**  
PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.  
PING PONG — Will be played from 9 a.m. to noon each Monday at Jay Community Center.  
EUCHRE — Will be played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk.  
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.

# Sudoku

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

Level: Beginner

## Saturday’s Solution

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

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

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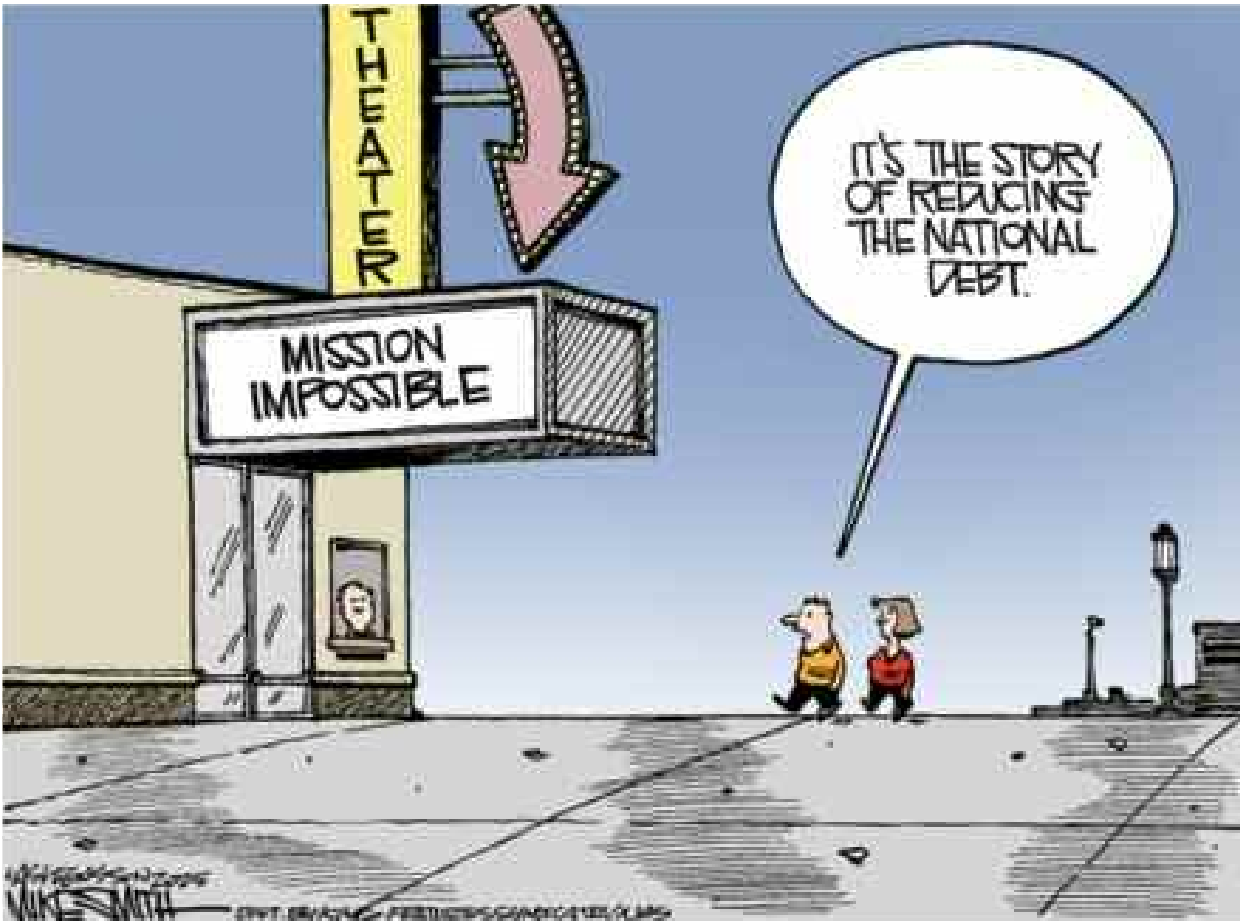
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To the editor:  
On behalf of the Jay County Cancer Society, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the incredible Jay County community for making the 2025 Piano Show, held on Saturday, April 12, a resounding success.

Thanks to your overwhelming generosity, we raised more than \$42,000 to support local cancer patients, a truly inspiring demonstration of compassion and community spirit. This year's event held special significance as we celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Jay County Cancer Society. For six decades, our organization has stood by individuals and families affected by cancer, providing support, comfort and hope. Saturday's event not only honored that legacy, but reaffirmed the powerful impact we can make when we come together.

Letters to  
the Editor

We extend our deepest appreciation to the many volunteers, vendors and sponsors whose time, talent and resources made the evening possible. Your unwavering commitment is the backbone of this event and the foundation of our mission. To every person who attended, donated, performed or supported the Piano Show in any way — thank you. Your continued belief in our cause enables us to serve those who need us most. With gratitude,  
Andrea Poore and Tisha Gierhart  
Jay County Cancer Society



War too serious for video

By MARC CHAMPION  
Bloomberg Opinion  
Tribune News Service

Is Tulsi Gabbard running for a new political office? Did she just discover the horrific potential of nuclear weapons and wants to share it with the world? Or has she been watching too much Russia Today?

It's hard to know what to think after watching the U.S. director of national intelligence's depictions of nuclear Armageddon.

Gabbard's video clearly took preparation. She visited Hiroshima, in Japan, and the production values are top drawer. (One infelicitous exception: the word for Japan's nuclear survivors is hibakusha, not "hibokusha.") She speaks earnestly to camera, stares pensively into the distance against beautiful vistas and shots of a nuclear bomb's terrifying consequences. The three big points she had to make were less impressive.

The first was that a nuclear war would be really, really, really, bad. All too true, but hardly a discovery. The second assertion was that the world is closer to annihilation than at any time in its history, which is wrong on the facts. And finally, that a nuclear apocalypse looms ever closer because — unlike "we the people" — global elites and warmongers have bunkers, which is just bonkers.

The grade-school level of this intervention is disturbing, though not for the reasons intended. As the principal intelligence adviser to the world's most powerful man, Gabbard can access vast quantities of information. So, it's concerning that she offered no facts, let alone revelations, to support her case or justify making it now. When she wasn't describing the horrors of nuclear fallout, she was just parroting Kremlin propaganda.

Is there a faceless global elite out there that just can't wait to spend the rest of their lives in their five-star nuclear shelters, while their estates, companies and yachts burn outside? Has she canvassed her cabinet colleagues for their opinions? After all, they include some of the planet's wealth-

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iest people. Moreover, the most immediate source of the current nuclear danger is not hard to find, even without the resources of the U.S. intelligence community: Vladimir Putin is the only leader of a nuclear superpower threatening to launch his missiles, with his new steadfast ally Kim Jong Un coming a close second.

Next, although we are indeed in a new and disturbingly volatile nuclear-armed world, it takes willful ignorance to say we are closer to a nuclear conflict than we have ever been.

During the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis, to name one Cold War-era close call, the U.S. discovered the Soviet Union was sending nuclear-tipped ballistic missiles to Cuba, 90 miles off the Florida coast. In the ensuing standoff, both powers placed their nuclear arsenals on land, air and sea into extreme readiness. Bombers stayed in the air with nuclear weapons on board. One Soviet submarine commander sent out into the Atlantic wrongly thought himself under depth charge attack and had to be persuaded not to fire his nuclear payload before getting hit. No single element of that cascade is happening today.

Putin has certainly threatened to go nuclear and is "intentionally blurring the lines between nuclear, conventional, and sub-threshold threats," as the UK's latest Strategic Defense Review puts it. His goal is to make escalation-management harder for Ukraine and its allies and so cow them into submitting to his will rather than risk a nuclear exchange.

But more than three years into the war, Ukraine and its Western allies have repeatedly done what Putin said they mustn't, and he hasn't carried through his threats. It would make no sense for him to do so. His invasion of

Ukraine is a war of choice; Russia's survival is not at risk, so why invite suicide? That Japan, the only country to suffer a nuclear attack, has been among the countries supporting Kyiv's defense, should also give Gabbard pause.

Perhaps Gabbard is sounding the alarm to discredit efforts — including a sanctions bill held up in Congress pending a green light from Trump — to pressure Putin into a meaningful negotiation on ending his war. The U.S. president is proving reluctant to go that route, so Gabbard's nuclear warnings may aim to provide him with the ammunition to resist growing pressure to punish Putin's very real warmongering.

Gabbard's intervention makes for terrible policy. For an administration rightly concerned about China as a rising conventional military and nuclear power, caving to the Kremlin in this way would be self-defeating. For if Putin sees he can change U.S. behavior and secure his goals by threatening to go nuclear, he will do so again. China, Iran and North Korea are paying close attention and would draw the same lesson. There are genuine nuclear concerns for Gabbard to focus on, beginning with the perilous fate of Europe's largest nuclear power plant in Ukraine, which is under Russian occupation, neglected, and close to the battlefield.

Likewise, the Trump administration should be trying to revive the arms treaties and understood codes of conduct that helped to stabilize the Cold War's nuclear standoff — and good U.S. intelligence will be crucial to that effort. So long as top U.S. officials are instead echoing Kremlin scaremongering, then neither Russia nor other nuclear-armed U.S. rivals will have an incentive to engage in threat reduction. Quite the opposite.

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The deadline is about  
more than convenience

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Five years after seemingly everything went online during a pandemic, governments are still wrestling with how to make public meetings more accessible. And a July 1 deadline looms around the corner.

Livestreaming is an important way to keep Hoosiers informed about decisions being made at all levels of government. And many city council meetings and state events have long been online.

But with new technology also comes new concerns.

Take the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, for instance. It had been regularly livestreaming meetings of various professional groups — from doctors and surveyors to nurses and plumbers. Some of the boards even allowed Hoosiers who needed to appear before them do so remotely. That saved upwards of five hours of travel a day for some residents.

But then so-called Zoom bombings, which also came over WebEx, started to occur more regularly. We wrote about it in March.

The "isolated incidents" occurred during various professional licensing board, commission and committee meetings beginning in October 2024. Pornographic content was displayed during three incidents and KKK imagery was displayed during one.

At the time, state officials said the incidents could be prevented and sent out reminders to all board, committee, and commission directors and assistant directors to enable the appropriate security settings when starting meetings.

But four months later and there are still no livestreams or remote attendance for the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. That led to one member of the Indiana Pharmacy Board to express frustration at a recent meeting.

"As the consumer advocate on our board, I believe we are doing the public a disservice by not resolving this issue swiftly," Kate Snedeker said. "Requiring in-person attendance — especially for working families, caregivers, or out-of-state stakeholders — creates unnecessary barriers to civic participation and transparency. We should be making it easier, not harder, for people to engage with the decisions that directly affect their lives and businesses."

She said other states have figured it out.

"Reinstating secure Zoom access isn't about convenience — it's about equity and trust. When

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stakeholders have to take off work, arrange child care, or fly in from Texas for a 10-minute agenda item, we send the wrong message about accessibility and transparency and our willingness to serve the public."

Emily Cox, assistant director of communications for the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, confirmed that all PLA meetings were moved to being held in-person only because of the disruptions but promised that "streaming will return by July 1 as required."

That brings me now to the July 1 deadline not only for the state, which theoretically should have more resources and expertise, but for local government.

A recent Indianapolis Business Journal article looked at the challenges some are facing to meet a law passed in 2023. It requires state and local governments to begin livestreaming, recording and archiving meetings. The law covers public meetings held by state boards and commissions; elected school boards; county commissions; and county, city and town councils.

Any other meetings held in the same room as those entities — such as a city plan commission or a board of zoning appeals — will also need to be livestreamed.

I think the move ensures Hoosiers remain a part of the process. It is especially helpful for those working or who are physically unable to make it to meetings.

But I would go further and recommend the General Assembly take the next step in accessibility.

The Legislature set the standard more than a decade ago by streaming its daily sessions and then committee hearings. But not allowing remote testimony is still a missed opportunity.

Lawmakers didn't even allow it during the 2021 session dominated by Covid-19, and still required that Hoosiers trek to the Statehouse to have their say.

Livestreaming is about access and accountability, and both should be treated as equally important.

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# Obesity drug shows promise in early study

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An experimental weight-loss drug from Eli Lilly & Co. helped patients lose weight with few side effects, according to the summary of a small study that suggests the company has another foothold in the obesity market.

The drug, called eloral-

intide, helped some patients lose more than 11% of their body weight in three months, according to an abstract posted Friday ahead of the American Diabetes Association conference in Chicago. The drug is moving to the next stage of development and researchers will present details on dosing and safety at the confer-

ence next week.

“The data look particularly strong, and should push the program back into investor conversations,” Cantor Fitzgerald analyst Prakhar Agrawal wrote in a note to investors.

Lilly has shared few details about eloralintide before now, as it’s still in the early stages of testing.

It’s part of a class of drugs that mimic the hormone amylin, which slows digestion and makes people feel full longer. They’re thought to be a gentler option for losing weight than currently available injections like Zepbound and Wegovy, which often have side effects like nausea and vomiting.

The study enrolled 100

patients who were given different doses of the experimental drug or a placebo for 12 weeks. Weight loss ranged from 2.6% to 11.3%, according to the abstract. Gastrointestinal side effects were relatively minimal, with about 10% of patients experiencing diarrhea and 8% vomiting. Few details were provided,

however, including information on risks and benefits based on dose. The promise of drugs that are easier to take than blockbusters like Lilly’s Zepbound and its rival Wegovy, from Novo Nordisk A/S, has drawn increasing interest from companies hoping for a piece of pharma’s hottest market.

# Organization becomes Forge ECI

East Central Indiana Regional Partnership has rebranded as Forge ECI.

The organization, which works to drive economic development and regional collaboration in east central Indiana, has unveiled a new website at ForgeECI.com and look to go along with its new name.

“Forge ECI represents more than just a name change — it’s a statement about who we are and where we’re headed,” said Garrett Doan, board chair of Forge ECI, in a press release. “For 20 years, this organization has worked to connect communities, support economic opportunity, and promote the assets of East Central Indiana. As a board, we’re proud to support this new path and confident it will help us amplify the incredible work already happening across the region.”

The organization will also host its 20th Anniversary Gala with Indiana Gov. Mike Braun as the keynote speaker on Tuesday, July 29.

## Meet the directors

Jay County Development Corporation and Jay County Chamber of Commerce will hold a meet and greet from 3 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, to allow members of the community to get to know their new executive directors Ceann Bales and Amanda Blair.

The event will be at Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.

## Sponsoring swimming

Southern Thunder Fireworks

## Business roundup

is sponsoring free swim days at Portland Water Park.

Patriots will be able to visit the water park for free from noon to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, June 21, and noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 1.

## Hosting drive

Menards is hosting a food drive through the end of July.

The company will accept donations of non-perishable food items through July 31. They can be placed in collection boxes near the exit doors to its locations.

Participating locations include stores in Anderson, Fort Wayne, Kokomo, Muncie, Richmond and Celina, Ohio.

## Bowen starts project

Bowen Health broke ground Friday on a new healthcare facility in Wabash.

The new site will feature dental care along with primary health care, mental health care, addiction recovery treatment and life skills coaching. It is expected to open in late 2026.

“The area is a hub for health care in our community for all ages, and Bowen Health, constructing this beautiful new facility, will ensure that our citizens have additional health care resources available to them,”

said Wabash Mayor Scott Long in a press release. “This is especially important in light of cuts to health care funding at both the federal and state level. Many communities in this area struggle to have adequate health care providers, and Wabash is blessed to add additional services for our residents.”

## Awards set

Indiana Chamber of Commerce will host its annual awards dinner at 5 p.m. Nov. 5 at the JW Marriott Indianapolis.

Daymond John, founder of FUBU and a longtime star of “Shark Tank,” will be the featured speaker.

Individual tickets are \$195. For more information, visit indianachamber.com.

## Ground broken

The Indianapolis Airport Authority broke ground Thursday on a new hotel on the Indianapolis International Airport terminal campus.

The hotel is intended to serve as “the front door to the front door” for travelers visiting Indianapolis. It is a \$205.8 million project that will feature 253 rooms, a full-service restaurant, a fitness center and meeting space.

“The original plans for the Midfield Terminal complex included a terminal-connected hotel, and through the years we’ve proceeded with careful and strategic planning to ensure the right build at the right time to increase the value of the airport to the public and increase

our contribution to the Central Indiana economic landscape,” said Mario Rodriguez, IAA executive director, in a press release.

## Seeking nominees

Indiana Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominees for its annual awards.

Awards include the Ogletree Deakins Business Leader of the Year, Birch Bayh-Richard Lugar Government Leader of the Year, NextEra Energy Resources Community of the Year and Yamaha Dynamic Leader of the Year.

“We’re eager to recognize the impressive recipients that make Indiana such a great place — showcasing its brightest is always a highlight of our annual awards dinner,” said Vanessa Green Sinders, Indiana Chamber president and CEO, in a press release. “There certainly is no lack of worthy individuals and communities around the state so we hope to receive many nominations for our slate of awards.”

Nominations can be made at indianachamber.com/annualawards. The deadline is Friday, June 20.

## Preparing for social

Kate’s Kart is preparing for its ice cream social next month.

Ice cream shops in 15 counties will participate in the organization’s fundraiser on Saturday, June 21, and Sunday, June 22. Money will be used to support its mission of providing free books to hospitalized children.

Among the locations participating on June 21 are:

•Dairy Queen, Portland

•The Tasty Spoon, Hartford City

•BerryWinkle Frozen Yogurt, Muncie

•The White Cottage Sweet Shoppe, Berne

•The Old 27 Ice Cream Shop, Decatur

•Ashley’s Ice Cream Cafe, Marion

## Training offered

ServSafe training will be available at John Jay Center for Learning in Portland.

The next session is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 24.

The certification course is open to all food service employees and emphasizes safe food- and beverage-handling practices to minimize the risk of food-borne illnesses.

For more information, or to register, call (260) 729-5525.

## Nominate manufacturers

Nominations are open for the Indiana Manufacturers Association 2025 Manufacturing Excellence Awards.

The awards honor Indiana companies and individuals for their contributions to the manufacturing industry. They are open to all manufacturers in Indiana.

Anyone can make a nomination by visiting indianamfg.com/2025-manufacturing-excellence-awards. The deadline is Sunday, Aug. 31.

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## Bank donates

First Bank of Berne recently made donations of \$1,000 to West Jay Community Center and \$1,500 to Dunkirk Glass Days. Pictured above, First Bank of Berne branch manager Tracy Carpenter (second from right) presents a check to community center board members and staff Pamela Robbins, Rose Morgan, Christy Curts, Corey Hardesty and Zack Johnson. Below, Carpenter presents a check to Glass Days board members Jenn Collins, Kyle Holt, Afton Ridgway and Rose Morgan.



## Insurance costs have increased

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Home insurance premiums in Indiana are on the rise — and nonpayment is forcing more policy cancellations, according to a report released this week by the Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana. Insurers have also chosen not to renew policies.

“Home insurance is vital to keeping homes in safe condition and preserving the wealth that homeowners hold in their properties,” the center said in a news release. “In recent years, higher insurance premiums have strained the budgets of existing homeowners and are pushing homeownership further out of reach.”

The organization also critiqued the limited data available and called for greater transparency.

The average home insurance premium for a typical Indiana homeowner increased by 16%, or \$412, from 2021 to 2024, according to the report.

The Indianapolis metropolitan area saw a similar but slightly higher increase of 16.5%, or \$440, over that period of time.

“The premium estimates used by CFA are taken from ‘test quotes’ for a typical home with a replacement value of \$350,000 and a homeowner with mid-tier credit, as well as dozens of other controlled factors,” the report observed.



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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Haste makes waste

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 9 6 3  
♥ J 10 7 4  
♦ A 5  
♣ A Q 10 5

**WEST**  
♠ A K 7 4  
♥ 8 3  
♦ K J 6 3  
♣ 9 4 2

**EAST**  
♠ 2  
♥ 6 5  
♦ 10 9 8 7 4  
♣ K J 8 6 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ Q J 10 8 5  
♥ A K Q 9 2  
♦ Q 2  
♣ 7

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

Opening lead — king of spades.  
Assume you're West and your opponents get to four hearts on the bidding shown. You're unlikely to beat the contract on high cards alone, so you lead the king of spades, hoping to engineer a spade ruff for East.  
When dummy shows up with three spades, your wish is granted, since East is marked by the bidding with a singleton spade even though he played the discouraging deuce on your king. He cannot have a doubleton spade, since with that holding he would have started a high-low signal.  
However, you must not be so swept away by the brilliance of your analysis that you hastily continue with the ace and another spade. East would ruff, all right, but South would then take the rest of the tricks after drawing trump and discarding dummy's diamond loser on one of his high spades.  
Instead, you should lead a low spade at trick two rather than the ace!  
Once you do this, South is doomed. East ruffs and returns a diamond, and declarer cannot avoid losing a spade and a diamond to go down one.  
In fact, South will probably go down two against this defense. After East returns a diamond at trick three, forcing dummy's ace, South will probably draw two rounds of trump and lead a club to the queen, hoping to discard his diamond loser on the ace of clubs if the finesse succeeds. This attempt to salvage the contract would fail as the cards lie, and after you collect a diamond and a spade, you would have a right to congratulate yourself for a well-planned defense.

Tomorrow: Oops!  
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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Ewe's offspring

5 Relaxing refuges

9 Feeling down

12 Toledo's state

13 "Three Sisters" sister

14 Yoko from Tokyo

15 Com-media dell'arte clown

17 Salt Lake athlete

18 Helen's home

19 Piglike mammal

21 Mexican money

24 Without

25 Egg

26 City in Manitoba

30 Quick swim

31 Pacific island group

32 Mine material

33 Where apnea is studied

35 Earth

36 Agitate

37 Places with gold diggers?

38 Asian noodles

40 Booty

42 "So that's it!"

43 Siesta time, usually

48 Scary shout

49 Coconut fiber

50 Atmosphere

51 Thesaurus wd.

52 "Present!"

53 Low-calorie

2 "Now I get it!"

3 "Pa-chinko"

4 Inning half

5 Alone

6 Tactic

7 In the past

8 "Black Magic Woman"

9 Utensil served with bisque

10 Con

11 Active sort

16 "Poetica"

20 Black-bird

21 Seed holders

22 Wicked

23 Sizeable lunar phenom-enon

24 Elitist

26 Humpty's perch

27 "Little Teapot"

28 A Great Lake

29 Hair goops

31 Popeye's veggie

34 Fair hirer, in ads

35 Cue

37 Scratch the surface

38 Filches

39 "Hey, sailor!"

40 Swizzle

41 Twisted Sister's "Not Gonna Take It"

44 Nemesis

45 Parisian "yes"

46 Leftover bit

47 Scot's denial

Solution time: 22 mins.

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Portland struggled in the third and fifth innings of the second game, surrendering six runs in the former and seven in the latter. Andrew Onuegbu suffered the loss after giving up six runs, five of which were earned, on four hits and two walks in 0.2 innings pitched. Kennedy and Brammer led the offense in the second game with two RBIs apiece.

## Hornets win

PENNVILLE — Dave’s Heating & Cooling Hornets put on the best performance in Pennville Soccer League’s Stinger

Division with a 10-0 win over the Ernst Concrete Bees on Saturday. Abram Kaehr led a pack of nine Hornets by scoring two goals, while Lochlan Bennett, Harper Faiella, Lance Gentis, Ian Kaehr, Raelyn McClain, Brinlee Michael, Isla Rooijackers and Weston Willmann all found the goal once. Chase Keyes scored three goals but got some key support from Sebastian Benavidez and Gavin Fisher to help the A Place to Grow Wasps take down the Matt Aker Foundation Yellowjackets 5-3. Madison Schmiesing matched Keyes as she scored all three goals for

the Yellowjackets.

## Rockets split

PENNVILLE — Natan Perez led the AgBest Express Rockets to a win and a tie by scoring six total goals in the Pennville Soccer League Space Division on Saturday. He scored three times and got some extra support from Steven Ault in the Rockets’ 4-1 victory over the Penrod Monuments Galaxy. Carter Love netted the Galaxy’s lone goal. Perez also had three goals, while Isaac Kaehr had one, as the Rockets tied with the WPGW Asteroids 4-4. Owen Ehrhart matched Perez

with three goals and Eden Lee had the final one. While Perez scored three goals over two games, Williams Gutierrez found the net six times in the Ohio Valley Gas Meteors’ 9-0 win over the Galaxy. Neymar Carreno, Bradley Catterson and Audriana Gaucin added scores as well.

## Jellison leads

PENNVILLE — Blake Jellison led the FCU Lions to a pair of victories on Saturday in Pennville Soccer League Wild Cat Division play. Blake Jellison scored four goals as the Lions beat the Edward Jones Cheetahs 5-1. Kyland Tee-

garden had the other score for the Lions, while Zyler White found the net for the Cheetahs. Blake Jellison and Luke Jellison both scored twice to help the Lions defeat the Poet Biorefining Jaguars 6-1. Teegarden, and Lochland Mills each scored for the Lions as well, while the lone Jaguars goal belonged to Jonas Westfall. The New Beginnings Holiness Church Cougars ran through the Jaguars for a 15-0 win. Marcus Mithaler led the scoring with three goals, while Lyle Beiswanger, Colton Coons and Paizley Murphy each had two. Also scoring was

Rylen Carpenter, Colten Hermann, Avery Hovis, Remington Odom, Dakota Smith and Roger Teeple Jr.

## Teams tie

PENNVILLE — The lone game in the Pennville Soccer League Sky Division ended in an 8-8 tie on Saturday. John Schneider led the General Store Griffins with six goals, while Cooper Cook and Chase Kirkwood each added one. The Vinson Rental Properties Dragons got three scores from Carter Hermann and Angel Perez, while Camden Vinson put two balls in the net.

# Couldn’t ...

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“It’s definitely like a story-book, fairytale ending, kind of the underdog fighting back, not giving up, never quitting,” Spaun said. “With the rain and everything and then the putt, I mean, you couldn’t write a better story. I’m just so fortunate to be on the receiving end of that.” Burns, who began the day with a one-shot lead, shot a final-round 78 and finished at 284, five shots behind Spaun. Burns was never the same after the weather suspension, playing the final 11 holes over in 6-over par.

It was a disappointing ending for the five-time PGA Tour winner, who was coming off a playoff loss last week in the RBC Canadian Open. “Look, I went out there and gave it the best I had,” Burns said. “Golf’s a hard game, especially on this golf course. At the end of the day, I can hold my head high.”

Scott, the 2013 Masters champion who was in position for his second major title, had problems with the course conditions after the rain delay, too. He immediately bogeyed the par-3 eighth when he missed the green in the right shaggy rough, beginning an 11-hole stretch in which he made five bogeys and a double bogey.

J. J. Spaun of the United States celebrates winning on the 18th green during the final round of the 125th U.S. Open at Oakmont Country Club on June 15, 2025, in Oakmont, Pennsylvania.

“It was just so sloppy the rest of the way,” Scott said. “Sam and I, we must have looked horrible, both of us playing like that. But that’s what can happen in these things. If you get a little off, you’re just severely punished.” It didn’t bother Spaun. He came out with a new outfit, made four birdies and only one bogey in his final 10 holes after the delay, and sloshed and



Tribune News Service/Getty Images/Patrick Smith

hydroplaned his way back up the leaderboard. It started at the par-5 12th when he made a 40-foot birdie putt from above the hole. When he made a 15-foot birdie at No. 14, Spaun emerged from a five-way tie to take a one-shot lead. “All I was thinking was ... Oh, dude, this is exactly what we need,” Spaun said. “And it was. I changed my outfit. I’m like, I’m done wearing those clothes.

I just needed to reset everything, kind of like start the whole routine over.” Then came the good stuff. After a bogey at No. 15, Spaun drove the green at the par-4 17th and two-putted for birdie to reclaim his one shot lead. And, with MacIntyre in the clubhouse, waiting to see if there would be a two-hole aggregate playoff Monday morning, Spaun delivered the dramatic.

# Sports on tap

## Local schedule

**Today**  
Fort Recovery ACME baseball at Marion Local – 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
Fort Recovery ACME baseball at St. Henry – 7 p.m.  
Jay County Summer swim vs. Blackford and Marion – 6 p.m.

## TV schedule

**Today**  
12 p.m. — FIFA Club World Cup soccer: Fluminense at Borussia Dortmund (TNT)  
7:10 p.m. — MLB: Minnesota Twins at Cincinnati Reds (FSDN Indiana)  
8 p.m. — NHL Stanley Cup: Edmonton Oilers at Florida Panthers (TNT)  
8:15 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Curacao at El Salvador (FS1)  
10:10 p.m. — MLB: San Diego Padres

at Los Angeles Dodgers (TBS)  
10:30 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Canada at Honduras (FS1)  
**Wednesday**  
2 p.m. — NCAA baseball tournament (ESPN)  
3 p.m. — FIFA Club World Cup soccer: Real Madrid at Al Hilal (TNT)  
7 p.m. — NCAA baseball tournament (ESPN)  
7 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soc-

cer: Costa Rica at Dominican Republic (FS1)  
7:10 p.m. — MLB: Minnesota Twins at Cincinnati Reds (FSDN Indiana)  
10 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Suriname at Mexico (FS1)

## Local notes

**Challenge continues**  
The Adams County Challenge continues with another race this month. The Fitness Delivered Charity 5K and

Fun Run will be held on June 21 at 8:30 a.m. The race will begin at Fitness Delivered located at 141 N. First St. in Decatur. Registration will cost \$20. The Fun Run is free for anyone 12 and younger. Registration forms for both races can be found at [adamscounty5kchallenge.com](http://adamscounty5kchallenge.com).

**Registration open**  
Registration for the 35th annual Flat

50 Plus bicycle ride in Adams County is now open. To register, visit [RunSignUp.com](http://RunSignUp.com). There are rides ranging from 20 to 100 miles long. The event will be held at 7 a.m. Saturday, June 21. It will start at Bellmont High School and will have stops in Willshire, Geneva and Monroe with refreshments. . . . . To have an event listed in “Sports on tap”, email details to [sports@theocr.com](mailto:sports@theocr.com)

## 90 SALE CALENDAR

**UBLIC AUCTION**  
Located: 3563 E 600 N, Bryant IN  
Saturday Morning  
JUNE 21st, 2025  
9:30 A.M.  
**OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS**  
(2) wood 36 section bolt bin; 2 drawer work bench; wood 30 section bolt bin; Hover Round mobility cart; Gem Hot Blast 816 cast iron stove; hump back trunk; gun cabinet; several Tipp Mann paint ball guns; Red Ryder & other BB guns; duck decoys; **POCKET WATCHES: 20 PLUS TO INCLUDE ELGIN, WALTHER, AND CROWN;** Several pocket and hunting knives with names such as Old Timers and Buck; metal folding chairs; small windmill; hand corn sheller; Coleman butane stove; and many other items not listed.  
**BOAT-TRACTOR S-VEHICLES-MOTOR BIKES-TOOLS**  
1956 Wagemaker Wolverine 12’ Cedar Lined Boat with 3 hp Evinrude motor and trailer; Ford 8N wide front tractor with 3 point (non running); 1972 GT6 Triumph MK car, (non running); Indian Enduro 175 motorcycle (non running); Scorpion Whip 440TR snowmobile; Cub Cadet 101 garden tractor (non running); 1984 Pryer 3 wheeler ice cream scooter; Honda 13 hp - 60i gas trail type mower; Country Plow 60i front blade; Woods 60i - 3 pt. finish mower; Cub Cadet

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mower (non running); Test Rite tool cabinet; Dewalt drill; hay hooks; cleaver; fishing poles; cane poles; rod & reels; tackle boxes; log chains; hatchets; and many other items not listed.  
**AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** This is the first of 2 auctions. We will be running 2 rings most of the day. Auction #2 will be held on June 28, 2025 and will offer a large selection of guns, ammo and Indian artifacts.  
**JON SMITH, DECEASED**  
Loy Auction  
AC#31600027 Auctioneers  
Gary Loy AU01031608  
Travis Theurer AU11200131  
Aaron Loy AU11200112  
Kaden Khayyata AU12400069  
Eric Robbins AU2014000129  
**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Saturday June 21st, 2025  
TIME 9:00 A.M.  
LOCATED: 2011 E 200 S, HARTFORD CITY, IN  
**VEHICLES - CAMPER - TRACTOR - ATVs**  
1973 Volkswagen Beetle (Non running) with extra parts. 1996 Chevy ZR-2 Pickup 4x4 extended cab. 2002 Sprinter by Keystone 27’ Camper with slide-out. Harris Pontoon boat with trailer. Paddleboat. Iseki TS1910 Tractor. Polaris 400 and 300 Xplorer 4x4 ATVs. Hotspring 8 Person Hot tub w/ Chemicals and Filters.  
**ANTIQUES - TOOLS - HUNTING - MISC**  
Large Stamp Collec-

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tion. Hotwheels Collection. Longaberger Baskets. Childs Sled. Large Childs Makeup Stand. Galvanized 10 hole Chicken Nest. Craftsman Roll away Tool Boxes. Craftsman Transmission Jack. McCulloch Generator. Front-tine Tiller. Predator Post Hole Digger. Diamond Plate Toolbox. Wire Cages. Chicken Feeder. Fishing Supplies. Yeti and other Coolers. Bicycles. Pull-behind Childs Buggy. Vera Bradley Purses. Building Supplies and Materials. Several Rolls of R-19 Insulation. Insulation Blower and Blown Insulation. Refrigerators. Hammock. Several Items Not Mentioned.  
**OWNER: CHARLES EDWARDS ESTATE BY JACKIE EDWARDS**  
Note: Check Auctionsoft and AuctionZip for more photos.  
**SHAWVER AUCTIONEERING AND REAL ESTATE**  
AC31800004  
**AUCTIONEERS**  
Zane Shawver Lic. #AU10500168  
260-729-2229  
Pete D. Shawver Lic. #AU19700040  
260-726-5587  
**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
SATURDAY JUNE 28th, 2025  
TIME 9:00 A.M.  
LOCATED: 346 E 400 N, Portland, IN  
**TRACTOR - EQUIPMENT - GUNS**  
Ford Jubilee Tractor. 3pt 5’ Box Blade. 5’ King Cutter 3pt Rotary Mower. 3pt Post Hole

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Note: Check Auctionsoft and AuctionZip for more photos.  
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COUNTY OF JAY, SS:  
IN THE JAY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
CAUSE NO 38-C01-2503-MI-6  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:  
Darell Walker,  
Petitioner  
NOTICE OF A PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
Darell Walker, whose mailing address is: Portland, IN 47371, in the Jay County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Darell Walker has filed a petition in the Jay County Court requesting that his name be changed to Darell Simmons. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on July 14, 2025 at 9:30 am  
Darell Walker, Petitioner  
CR 6-3,10,17-2025-HSPAXLP

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2015 Dodge Durango Police – 149,986 miles  
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STATE OF INDIANA  
COUNTY OF Jay  
IN THE Jay COUNTY Circuit COURT  
CASE NUMBER: 38001-2506-DN-53  
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: Colin Bradburn PETITIONER V. Sarah Bradburn RESPONDENT  
**ORDER SETTING FINAL HEARING**  
The Petitioner has filed a Motion for Final Hearing. The court has reviewed the Motion and is now setting a hearing.  
[The court allows 15 min. for the hearing.]  
IT IS ORDERED that the Final Hearing for this case will be heard on:  
Date: 8/11/25 @ 9:00 AM  
Judicial officer 6/11/25  
Distribution:  
Petitioner Name: Colin Bradburn  
Respondent Name: SarahBradburn  
Respondent Address: unknown  
CR 6-17,24,7-1-2025-HSPAXLP



Glentzers, Guggenbillers lead tankers

PLEASANT PRAIRIE, Wis. and MUNCIE — The summer swim team has already kicked its season off, but the winter club still had some swimmers going in postseason competition.

Cooper Glentzer took on the 2025 Central Zone Open Water Championship meet in Wisconsin on Friday before making the trip back to Indiana to join five more Jay County Winter Swim Team competitors at the 2025 CARD Summer Splash at Tuhey Pool on Saturday.

The 2025 Central Zone Open Water Championship called for a 5K swim from Cooper Glentzer, which he finished in 1 hour, 15 minutes, 23 seconds, to place 52nd out of 63 competitors.

On Saturday, he won the high point award for the 15-and-older boys with wins in the 50-yard freestyle, 200 freestyle and 100 butterfly.

Three more of Jay County's swimmers were high point winners as Grant Glentzer claimed the title in the 13-14-year-old boys division, Hayden Guggenbiller dominated the 8-and-younger girls and Carsyn Guggenbiller handled the 11-12-year-old girls age group.

Hayden Guggenbiller won all 10 events she was entered in, while Carsyn Guggenbiller won the 50

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freestyle, finished as the runner-up in another event and placed third in three races. Grant Glentzer topped the field in the 400 freestyle, 1,500 freestyle, 400 individual medley, 200 freestyle and 200 butterfly.

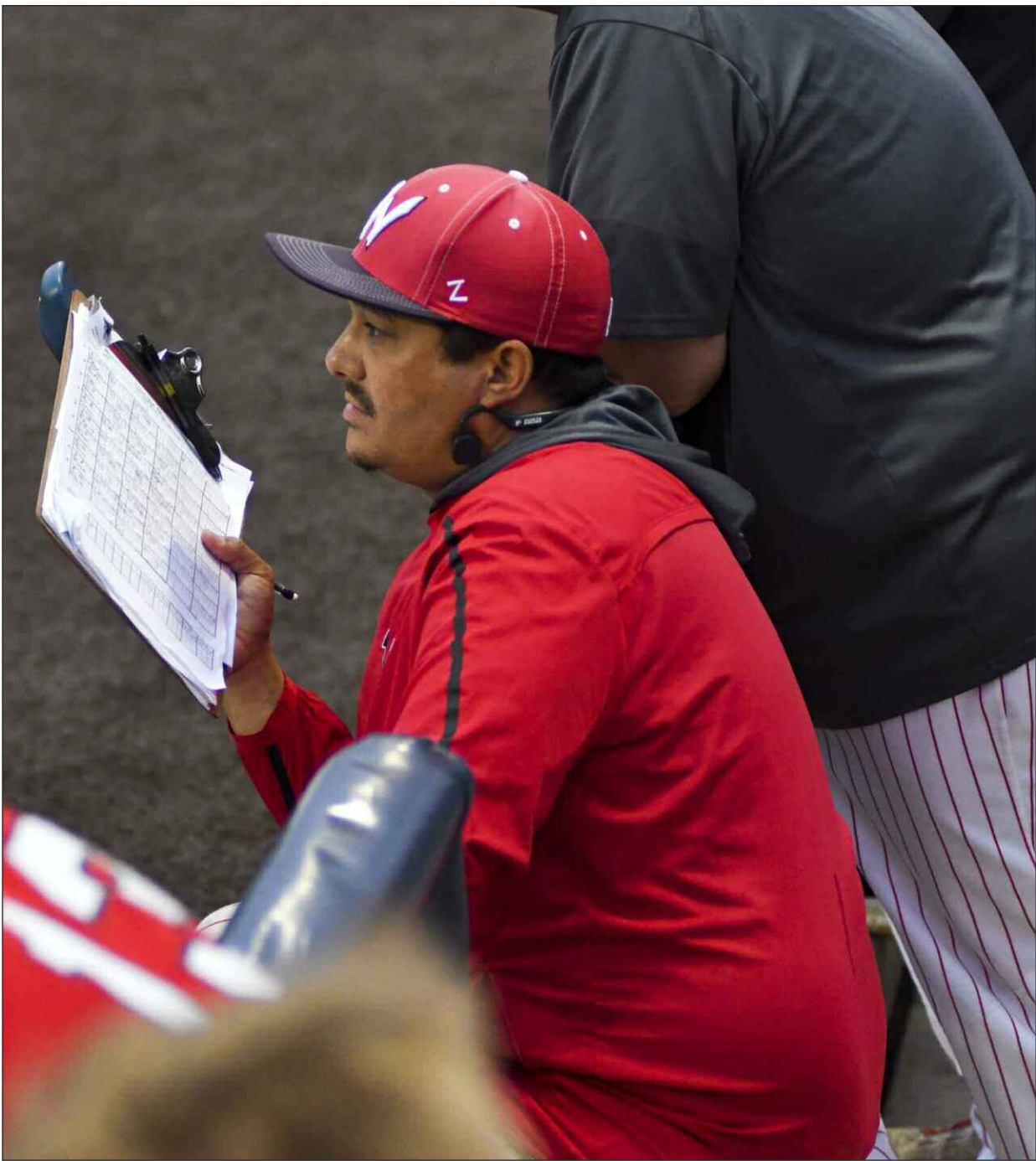
Also competing at the meet were Jaley Knapshafer and Aubrey Millsbaugh.

Portland splits

FORT WAYNE — The Portland Rockets took down the Fort Wayne Blues 15-1 in the opener of Sunday's doubleheader before falling 16-9 in the second game.

The Rockets (8-3) had three strong innings in the first contest as they put up four runs in the first, followed with five in the second and finished the Blues with six in the fifth frame. Joel Kennedy led the way with five RBIs on two hits, including a grand slam in the second inning. Jonny Heitkamp drove in three runs as well. Dylan Brammer earned the win with only one unearned run over five innings of work.

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On the call

Jay County High School graduate and Wapahani assistant baseball coach Josh Shatto communicates what pitch to throw during the Raiders' IHSAA Class 2A Semi-State final against No. 6 Boone Grove on Saturday. Wapahani won the opener 3-0 over host Oak Hill before ultimately falling short of a trip to state with a 9-2 loss to the Wolves.

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Ohtani set to return to mound for first time since the 2022 season

By BENJAMIN ROYER Los Angeles Times Tribune News Service

LOS ANGELES — The long-anticipated wait is over — Shohei Ohtani is ready to pitch.

The Dodgers announced after Sunday's 5-4 win over the Giants that Ohtani will make his Dodgers pitching debut Monday against the San Diego Padres. He will start, but there's a chance he will be an opener, only pitching one inning.

For Ohtani, it's been a long road back to pitching. He signed with the Dodgers on a 10-year, \$700 million contract before the 2024 season — a value representing not just his MVP-level bat, but his

potential Cy Young Award-level pitching.

He underwent Tommy John surgery in September 2023, only hitting in his first season with the Dodgers. He tallied unprecedented numbers at the plate (.310 batting average, league-high 54 home runs, 130 RBIs and 59 stolen bases). In recent weeks, Ohtani ramped up his throwing program, facing live hitters a handful of times.

Ohtani had been brilliant for the Angels, going 38-19 with a 3.01 earned-run average over 86 starts since coming over from Japan before the 2018 season. In 2022, Ohtani posted his best pitching numbers in the majors, with a 15-9 record, a 2.33 earned-run

average and 219 strikeouts over 166 innings en route to placing fourth in AL Cy Young Award voting.

It'll likely be an incremental start for Ohtani as he looks to add more pitches and innings in the weeks ahead.

"He's getting very eager, getting very excited," Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said before Sunday's game. "I think that there's a point where, in hearing from Shohei, that the effort that it takes to throw lives and things like that, [rather] than to play a game, then let's use those bullets in a game. He's getting very excited."

Now those proverbial "bullets" will be used Monday night at Dodger Stadium.

'Couldn't write a better story'

By GERRY DULAC Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Tribune News Service

PITTSBURGH — There were some ghosts of collapses past going on during the final round at Oakmont Country Club, though it was difficult to distinguish who was being spooked the most.

Sam Burns, the 54-hole leader, got water-logged after a 96-minute weather delay. Adam Scott, trying to set a record for elapsed time between a first and second major, made as many bogeys in the final round as he did the first three days of the 125th U.S. Open.

But nobody tumbled faster, harder and more surprisingly than J.J. Spaun, who was spinning in mud when he made five bogeys in the first six holes — or three more than he combined to make in Rounds 1 and 3.

That, though, is what made Spaun's comeback victory on Sunday as surprising as it was dramatic. While everyone else had trouble with the rain and soggy conditions, the 34-year-old from San Dimas, Ca., birdied the final two holes to win his first major championship — matching the same birdie-birdie finish by Ben Hogan 72 years earlier to win at Oakmont.

J.J. Spaun clinched U.S. Open Title with 64-foot putt

And he capped off his unlikely comeback with a 64-foot, 5-inch birdie putt at the 72nd hole, producing maybe the most dramatic ending of any of the 10 U.S. Open championships held at Oakmont.

Talk about ghosts.

"I couldn't even believe what I witnessed when that went in — kind of like a Nick Taylor moment but for the U.S. Open," Spaun said.

His reference was to the Canadian-born Taylor winning the 2023 RBC Canadian Open with a 72-foot birdie at the final hole. But, as they say in Canada, this was bigger than Eruzone. Spaun is the fourth consecutive player to win his first major in the U.S. Open at Oakmont, joining Ernie Els (1994), Angel Cabrera (2007) and Dustin Johnson (2016).

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