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## Plan proposed



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This aerial view shows Meridian Street in downtown Portland during the Feb. 28, 2011, flooding in the city. (At lower right is Jay Community Center.) Wessler Engineering on Wednesday presented a project to mitigate flooding in the city with focus on the area between Main and Race streets as part of an effort to take pressure off of Millers Branch.

### Wessler suggests a new Meridian Street line to divert water from overloaded Millers Branch

By RAY COONEY  
The Commercial Review

Portland is considering a new idea for mitigating downtown flooding.

Indianapolis-based Wessler Engineering on Wednesday presented its findings and proposed solution for flooding in downtown Portland to local officials, including representatives from the city's board of works and council.

Portland Mayor John Boggs explained he was

looking for a firm to evaluate flooding in the city's downtown area, an issue that has been discussed for about a decade. Various studies, including two by Jones and Henry and one each by Butler, Fairman and Seufert, MLS Engineering and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, have looked at local flooding in the last six years.

Boggs said he appreciated that Wessler Engineering, a water

resources consulting firm, wanted to look at the problem with a fresh set of eyes rather than basing its plan off of the previous studies.

"I knew then that Wessler was the firm that I wanted to come in, do the study and offer the solution for us," he said.

#### The problem

As described by Wessler senior project manager Bill Leber, changes were made to

downtown drainage as part of an Indiana Department of Transportation project in the mid 1990s.

The old 24-inch pipe that runs down Meridian Street is now unused. Instead, the section of the street from the Salamonie River to Votaw Street is essentially five separate systems.

Catch basins between the river and brick alley (between Water and Main streets) flow into a north-

south pipe that runs directly to the river. The next four systems of catch basins — each covering about a block and a half between Main and Votaw streets — all are diverted east to Miller's Branch along Walnut, High, Arch and North streets. Millers Branch is a 72-inch corrugated pipe that runs roughly along the north-south alley between Main and Harrison streets.

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## County shifts back to yellow

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

After five straight weeks at "blue," Jay County ticked back up a notch in the state's coronavirus metrics.

Jay County was rated "yellow" (moderate risk for the spread of coronavirus) in the Indiana State Department of Health update released Wednesday.

The county's rating moved because of an increase in its positivity rate. The local rate jumped to 5.59% this week, up from 2.7% the previous week. It had been as low as 1.87% last month.

Jay County's cases per 100,000 residents stayed relatively stable, coming in at 63 this week after sitting at 68 last week. It had been as low as 23 in the March 3 update.

Heath Butz, environmentalist and administrator for Jay County Health Department, noted a recent increase in cases. There has been at least one new case in Jay County each of the last 11 days, with 19 in the seven days.

As of last week, the county was averaging 1.63 new cases per day in March. That number is now up to 1.96.

"We need to be mindful of what we're doing because we have had a few more cases of late," said Butz. "So we're seeing little fluctuations. And if you look to our neighbor, Blackford, they had a spike in cases last week. ... I think it goes to show we need to keep mindful of those measures that have helped to get us where we are."

Blackford County was the only of the 92 in the state to be rated orange (high risk) this week, with 25 counties yellow and 66 blue (low risk). (Its positivity rate jumped to 13.7% and its cases per 100,000 residents was 348.) Wells County was yellow for the second consecutive week while Adams, Delaware and Randolph counties were all blue.

Coronavirus vaccination appointments are now available to Hoosiers 40 and older. They are scheduled to be opened to Indiana residents 16 and older beginning March 31.

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## AstraZeneca updates data

By LAURAN NEERGAARD  
AP Medical Writer

AstraZeneca insists that its COVID-19 vaccine is strongly effective even after counting additional illnesses in its U.S. study, the latest in an extraordinary public dispute with American officials.

In a late-night news release Wednesday, the drugmaker said it had analyzed more data from that study and concluded the vaccine is 76% effective in preventing symptomatic COVID-19, instead of the 79% it had reported earlier in the week.

Just a day earlier, an independent panel that overrode the study had accused AstraZeneca of cherry-picking data to tout the protection offered by its vaccine. The panel, in a harsh letter to the company and to U.S. health leaders, said the company had left out some COVID-19 cases that

### Vaccine is 76% effective in preventing symptomatic COVID

occurred in the study, a move that could erode trust in the science.

Some experts said the new data provided by AstraZeneca was "reassuring" and the information was likely solid enough for U.S. regulators to authorize the vaccine.

"AstraZeneca may have just been too hasty in submitting the earlier, incomplete interim analysis rather than waiting to analyze and submit the full dataset," said Julian Tang, a virologist at the University of Leicester who was not connected to the research. He said the updated details didn't

look substantially different from what was published earlier this week.

Data disputes during ongoing studies typically remain confidential but in an unusual step, the National Institutes of Health publicly called on AstraZeneca to fix the discrepancy.

AstraZeneca had been counting on findings from a predominantly U.S. study of 32,000 people to help rebuild confidence in a vaccine that, despite being widely used in Britain, Europe and other countries, has had a troubled rollout.



For The Washington Post/Rachel Woolf

### Tearful embrace

Nirbisha Shrestha, left, embraces Josie Elowsky on Tuesday at the makeshift memorial to the victims of the mass shooting at a King Soopers grocery store in Boulder, Colo.

#### Deaths

**Pasqualina** "Lena"  
**McShane**, 78, Portland  
Details on page 2.

#### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 70 degrees Wednesday. The low was 52.

Showers and a thunderstorm are possible tonight with winds gusting as high as 50 miles per hour. A high wind warning will be in effect beginning at midnight tonight. See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### In review

Legislation focused on infrastructure is being considered by the U.S. Congress. What do you feel the priorities and scope should be?

Send letters to the editor to r.cooney@thecr.com. There is a 700-word maximum.

#### Coming up

**Friday** — Another letter to the editor opposes new stone quarry site.

**Saturday** — Results from the NCAA men's basketball tournament.



# Obituaries

## Pasqualina McShane

Aug. 2, 1942-March 23, 2021  
Pasqualina "Lena" McShane, 78, Portland, passed away Tuesday afternoon, March 23, 2021, at her home with family nearby.

Lena was born in Furnari, Sicily, Italy, on Aug. 2, 1942. She was the daughter of late Filippo and Antonina LaMacchia. She immigrated to the United States at the age of 12 and was adopted by her beloved aunt and uncle Giovanni and Pasqua Graci of Akron, Ohio.

Education and learning was a priority for Lena throughout her life. She graduated from St.

Mary's High School in Akron, Ohio, and attended Akron University and Kent State University. Lena married David R McShane on May 1, 1965. He survives.

Lena and family relocated from Davis, California, to Portland Indiana, arriving in 1975. She was a devoted staff member at Jay-Randolph Developmental Services, working in direct care and later as a program director. Continuing until the time of her death, she served as an advocate and friend to adults with disabili-



McShane

ties in the community. Supporting equity and access for adults with disabilities was her life's passion.

Lena's love for the "Dolce Vita," the sweet life, showed itself in the large vegetable and flower gardens she kept each year. She enjoyed sharing the bounty she grew with her friends and family.

Family was her center and she dedicated herself to her Sicilian and American families. Lena valued her community and served in many local organizations including Cincinnatus League, the Plant, Hoe and Hope Garden Club, Tri Kappa and the Red Hat Society. Lena is survived by her hus-

band of 55 years, David R. McShane; her son, John (wife: Beth) of Portland; daughter Michelle Caponigro (husband: Chris) of Sammamish, Washington; daughter-in-law Michelle McShane; six grandchildren; and her brother Peter LaMacchia, Buffalo, New York. Her beloved son, James, preceded her in death.

Private family visitation will be held on Friday at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Portland. Burial will follow at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

In lieu of flowers, Lena asks friends to plant a tree to beautify our world.

Arrangements entrusted to Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Condolences may be expressed at williamson-spencer.com.

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

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

## CR almanac

Friday 3/26	Saturday 3/27	Sunday 3/28	Monday 3/29	Tuesday 3/30
55/41	68/45	53/32	56/40	64/48
Shows likely before 7 a.m. Otherwise mostly cloudy with wind gusts up to 50 mph.	The forecast calls for a mostly sunny day with a 50% chance of rain at night.	Skies will be mostly clear throughout the day as temperatures begin to drop near freezing at night.	Another sunny day is on the forecast for Monday. Clear skies in the evening.	Mostly sunny skies with a 40% chance of rain at night. Mild temperatures in the evening.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> 4-9-17-27-38 Power Ball: 18 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$238 million	Cash 5: 19-20-21-28-41 Hoosier Lotto: 2-12-33-35-37-46 Estimated jackpot: \$7.8 million
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$137 million	<b>Ohio</b> Midday Pick 3: 8-6-0 Pick 4: 9-1-9-4 Pick 5: 1-0-7-4-4 Evening Pick 3: 1-8-2 Pick 4: 2-5-4-6 Pick 5: 8-2-0-0-8 Rolling Cash: 13-22-24-33-36 Classic Lotto: 7-29-38-39-44-45 Kicker: 2-4-6-2-4-7 Estimated jackpot: \$6.2 million
<b>Hoosier</b> Midday Daily Three: 6-7-6 Daily Four: 0-3-9-5 Evening Daily Three: 7-2-8 Daily Four: 2-4-6-9 Quick Draw: 4-6-12-13-14-15-19-22-34-35-38-39-48-49-54-58-68-72-79-80	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....5.53 Wheat .....5.89	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....5.45 April corn .....5.47 Beans .....14.28 April beans .....14.28 Wheat .....6.00 July wheat ..... 5.79
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....5.65 April corn .....5.65	<b>Sunrise St. Anthony</b> Corn.....5.45 April corn .....5.52 Beans .....14.23 April beans .....14.25 Wheat .....5.62 July wheat.....5.64
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....5.52 April corn .....5.52 Beans .....14.38 April beans .....14.38 Wheat .....6.13 April wheat ..... 6.13	

## Today in history

**On March 25, 1911,** 146 people, mostly young female immigrants, were killed when fire broke out at the Triangle Shirtwaist Co. in New York.

**In 1634,** English colonists sent by Lord Baltimore arrived in present-day Maryland.

**In 1776,** Gen. George Washington, commander of the Continental Army, was awarded the first Congressional Gold Medal by the Continental Congress.

**In 1931,** in the so-called "Scottsboro Boys" case, nine young Black men were taken off a train in Alabama, accused of raping two white women; after years of convictions, death sentences and imprisonment, the nine were eventually vindicated.

**In 1954,** RCA announced it had begun producing color television sets at its plant in Bloomington, Indiana.

**In 1965,** the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led 25,000 people to the Alabama state capitol in Montgomery after a five-day march from Selma to protest the denial of voting rights to Blacks. Later that day, civil rights activist Viola Liuzzo, a white Detroit homemaker, was shot and killed by Ku Klux Klansmen.

**In 1971,** employees of Kerr Packaging Products in Dunkirk were evacuated after a bomb threat. An anonymous threat call came in at 3:27 a.m., but no explosives were found.

—AP and The CR

## Citizen's calendar

**April 1**  
10 a.m. — Portland Board of Works, mayor's office, city hall, 321 N. Meridian St.  
6 p.m. — Portland Commission, auditorium, Jay County Courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.

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

## Yellow ...

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Jay County has vaccination clinics available at the health department and IU Health Jay.

Appointments can be made by visiting our-shot.in.gov or calling the state's 2-1-1 telephone assistance service.

As of Wednesday, nearly 6,900 doses of coronavirus vaccine had been administered in Jay County with 2,683 indi-

viduals fully vaccinated. Nearly 2.5 million doses have been administered statewide with nearly 1 million fully vaccinated.

## Proposed ...

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That additional water flowing through Millers Branch is overloading the pipe and, when the Salamonie River is too high, causing water to flow back up through the catch basins and onto Meridian Street.

"(Millers Branch) drains basically half of the town," said Leber. "Everything from the east comes over and all the way north even beyond the town all comes through there."

"When you've got a drainage area that's measured in square miles, it doesn't take too much to fill that pipe."

Boggs and representatives from Wessler discussed the issue with INDOT.

"They were sympathetic ... but declined to help in any way financially," said Boggs.

### The history

Downtown flooding jumped to the forefront in 2011 when snow melt from a winter storm followed by several days of steady rain put Portland underwater. By noon Feb. 28, the Salamonie River had risen over its banks and flooded both sides of the river and putting dozens of blocks of the city under water.

The downtown area of the city was under water again in late 2013 after more than 4 inches of rain fell over the Dec. 21-22 weekend.

And then in 2015, Meridian Street in downtown Portland was closed three times in less than a month. The worst of those came July 14 — it rivaled the Feb. 28, 2011 flood — and drew a visit from then-Indiana Gov. Mike Pence. (Meridian Street in the downtown area was also under water June 17 and June 27 that year.) According to the National Weather Service, 21.75 inches of rain fell between June 1 and July 15, 2015. The annual average for Jay County was 20.66 inches.

### Proposed solution

Wessler's idea for mitigating the downtown flooding issues, which have been most predominant between Main and Race streets over the last 10 years, is to run a new storm sewer line. It would be 36 inches in diameter beginning between Arch and Race streets and then expand to 42 inches at High Street, continuing south to the Salamonie River.

The new line (about 2,000 feet long) would be used to drain three of the Meridian Street catch basin systems — those that currently drain the area between Main and North streets. The



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A project proposed Wednesday is designed to take pressure off of Millers Branch, shown here emptying into the Salamonie River.

pipes that currently connect those systems to Millers Branch would be disconnected, thus taking some of the pressure off of the overloaded pipe. Flap gates would be installed on the new line in order to stop water from backing up through the catch basins.

(The northernmost catch basin system, between Race and North streets, would remain connected to Millers Branch. Leber explained because the elevation is higher in that area it has generally not experienced flooding problems.)

The project is designed to eliminate problems during what is referred to as "10-year-flood."

The construction cost for such a project is estimated at \$1.3 million.

### Other ideas

The proposal for a new sewer line along Meridian Street is the latest potential solution presented to local officials.

Previous studies have resulted in a variety of other ideas:

- Reconnecting the old 24-inch Meridian Street line. (Wessler looked at this possibility but said the line is too small and would require significant repairs.)

- Convincing Norfolk and Southern Railway to remove its unused railroad trestle that disrupts the flow of water in the Salamonie River.

- Running a 40-foot-wide open ditch (or a buried pipe) through Jay County Fairgrounds and to the east of the city to divert water from Millers Branch.

- Building a detention pond south

of county road 100 North and west of Morton Street to hold back water during heavy rains. (Boggs said this project would still be under consideration in an effort to further take pressure off of Millers Branch.)

Jay County surveyor Brad Daniels agreed that pressure needs to be taken off of Millers Branch, but also said repeatedly during the meeting he feels his department's efforts to clean out the area of the river from the eastern city limits to Indiana 67 have made a significant impact. He said the city had once contracted for such work, but none had been done for about five years prior to the 2011 flood that caused millions of dollars in damage.

### What's next

The next step toward the Wessler Engineering project, or any of the proposed solutions, is to secure funding.

Laying out potential funding sources Wednesday, Wessler mentioned local bonds, a state Community Development Block Grant, a loan from the State Revolving Loan Fund and a long or grant for infrastructure projects through Indiana Finance Authority as possibilities.

Boggs said a downtown sewer project would fall under the purview of the city's board of works but he would also want Portland City Council's blessing. (Council could also be involved in the funding process.)

He added INDOT is now planning to resurface U.S. 27 (Meridian Street) in Portland during the summer of 2023. Once that project is complete, the state agency would not allow any drainage project on the street for 10 years after the work is complete.

"So we either do it by the summer of '23 or we suffer what we have for the economy of downtown Portland for the next 10 years." (The Wessler project would need to be complete about six months before the INDOT resurfacing to allow the ground to settle.)

Barry Hudson, a retired banker, former county commissioner and member of the local flood advisory committee, urged action. He noted that over several decades he's been trying to get businesses to locate in downtown Portland.

"Unless we start some of these projects ... I guarantee you that downtown Portland will go away ... because the people will not come in these buildings," he said.

"It's a lot of money, but it's either do or die."

### SERVICES

Today  
**Johnson, Glen:** 1 p.m., MJS Mortuaries, 109 S. Meridian St., Redkey.

Friday  
**McShane, Pasqualina:** 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 506 E. Walnut St., Portland.  
**Overla, Nickolas:** 2 p.m., Wilson-Shook Funeral Home, Dunkirk Memorial Chapel, 317 N. Main St., Dunkirk.

Saturday  
**Alexander, Joe:** 11 a.m., Antioch Lutheran Church, 14908 Minnich Road, Hoagland.

April 2  
**Stults, Robin:** 2 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

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## Pinewood pack

Cub Scout Pack 3202 recently held its Pinewood Derby. In front are Jack Habegger (first place and fastest car), Lavaughn Ballard (second place), Eli Nelson (third place), Blake Jellison (Cubs' choice) and Draven Reese (fuel economy). In back is Austin Jellison (first place open class).

## Inkblots inspire Indiana exhibit

By LISA TRIGG  
Tribune-Star

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — What might this be?

That's a basic question asked of people taking a Rorschach inkblot test.

The same question could be asked for the Psychodiagnostik exhibit on display through May 9 at the Swope Art Museum in Terre Haute.

Psychodiagnostik celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Rorschach Test by presenting abstract art in the Swope's permanent collection.

While the works in the exhibit are not actual inkblots from the test, they are abstract and ask the observer what can be seen in the art.

"After 100 years of use, the Rorschach test is still one of the most researched measures of personality," said Edward Trover, the Swope's curator of collections and exhibitions.

"The inkblots are abstract paintings in their own right. Using the framework of the test, expressing what you see in other works of abstract art can show more of yourself than your conscious self can see, in turn giving better insights into underlying motivations of your current issues and thoughts."

The test was created by Swiss psychiatrist Hermann Rorschach and released in 1921 in his book "Psychodiagnostik." The book contained the results of Rorschach studies on patients, and 10 inkblot cards became the foundation of that test.

Dr. Elizabeth O'Laughlin, a licensed psychologist and professor at Indiana State University, has been teaching a course on the Rorschach test since 1995. It remains a valuable assessment tool for people with personality disorders, she said.

## Man is worried about future relationships

DEAR ABBY: I am a faithful male reader of your column. I lost my beautiful wife of 40 years last year.

During our marriage, I had prostate cancer and decided to have the surgery to remove it. I was told by my doctor that there was a chance I would never again be intimate with my wife, and she was OK with it. Now that she's gone, I have grown close to her childhood best friend. I don't know whether a relationship is in the making, but I'm afraid once she finds out I'm unable to perform, the relationship will die.

I have tried every pill on the market, pump, etc. Is it possible to have a good relationship with someone without intercourse? Or do you think I'm doomed? — GOING FORWARD IN VIRGINIA

Dear Abby



only are you eligible, but that you are also in demand.

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend who is really popular. We have been best friends since third grade, but when we started ninth grade, she really changed. She started hanging out with the "cool" kids and acting weird. She told me that because I was her friend, I had the automatic right to hang out with them.

I don't like to hang out with large groups of people because I'm afraid of big groups, but I still want to be friends with her. When I told her I'd think about it, she suddenly turned cold. I'm confused. I don't know what I should do. She was there for me since third grade, and I was there for her, and now she seems to be fading really fast — six years of friendship just forgotten. Please

give me some advice. — FRIEND DRAMA IN MICHIGAN

DEAR FRIEND DRAMA: Sometimes when a person says "I'll think about it," it comes across as a negative reply. Your friend's feelings may have been hurt because she interpreted it as a rejection. It would have been better if you had explained that you are uncomfortable in large groups and would prefer to see her one-on-one if she was willing. It may not be too late to get that message across to her. If the price of her company is that you will have to learn to be more social, you will then have to decide which is more important.

DEAR ABBY: I have a co-worker who just built a house. When I

asked her what she would like for a housewarming gift, she told me a nice wine carafe with a stopper. So that's exactly what I got her.

I recently found out she had a housewarming party, and I wasn't invited. I had asked her when it was going to be, and she didn't mention a word about it. Am I still obligated to give her the gift I got for her? Or should I write her off and give it to someone else? — EXCLUDED IN CORPUS CHRISTI

DEAR EXCLUDED: Ouch! Write her off and regift it.

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

## Community Calendar

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

### Thursday

CELEBRATE RECOVERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 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.

A BETTER LIFE - BRINNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Thursday at

The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2006.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MISSISSINAWA CHAPTER — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at Jay County Historical Museum. The program will be about the Franklin family in Jay County with Anita Isch as the speaker. The organization is open to women 18 and older who have an ancestor who provided patriotic service during the American Revolution. For more information, call Kathy Selman at (260) 251-1694 or Sue Sommers at (260) 726-2678.

### Saturday

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. upstairs at True Value Hardware, Meridian Street, Portland. For more information, call (260) 729-2532.

### Monday

PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

BRYANT AREA COMMUNITY CENTER — Walking from 9 to 10 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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

EUCHRE — For those 55 and older from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at West Jay Community Center in Dunkirk.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY 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.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting at 6 p.m., in the fellowship hall at Evangelical Methodist Church, 930 W. Main St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5312.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 6 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.

## Sudoku

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7			2					
		4		8				
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9		8		3	1	5	7	
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Level: Intermediate

### Wednesday's Solution

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

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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# Turn down the rezoning request

To the editor:  
We are not in favor of the location that U.S. Aggregates is planning for the stone quarry.  
We live out on Oak Street. We are not against any new development in the City of Portland or Jay County.

There will be blasting involved. We or no one else would want to buy a house near the site. The property values will go down.

If a new industry would go on the site, our property values probably would not go down. But a stone quarry is a completely different story because of blasting.

## Letters to the Editor

It would be one big hole, stopping any development in the future of Portland in that area.

We would like for the plan commission to please turn down U.S. Aggregates' request for rezoning.

Tom and Sharon Ellsworth  
Portland

# When will roads meet our needs?

By MORTON J. MARCUS

U.S. Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tennessee) has retired after 18 years of service.

On leaving the Senate, he said, "Lately, the Senate has been like joining the Grand Ole Opry and not being allowed to sing."

His record in the Senate, and previously as governor of Tennessee (1979-87), was informed by walking 1,022 miles across the state in his 1978 campaign for governor. He saw that poverty was related to dreadful road conditions. If getting somewhere is a chore and getting services and visitors to your town is difficult, poverty is reinforced by the highways. He proposed linking each of the state's 95 county seats by four lane highways to the nearest Interstate.

It's a thought that ought to be considered by Indiana's moribund legislature. It took generations to get U.S. 31 from Indianapolis to South Bend upgraded to four lanes and only recently has partial, additional modernization been completed.

Similarly, how many had to die on Indiana 37 from Indianapolis to Bloomington? In 1970, the four-lane route was still incomplete, still opposed by many in Bloomington. Now, 51 years later, Interstate 69, over that same route, is still incomplete, still opposed by many in Bloomington.

That's how we make progress in Indiana, a half-century at a time. We've seen the value of connecting Valparaiso via four-lane Indiana 49 to Interstate 80/90 and Interstate 94 in Porter County. In like fashion, wouldn't residents and businesses of Frankfort and Clinton County benefit from a complete four-lane Indiana 28 to Interstate 65? Wouldn't Portland and Winchester gain from a four-lane U.S. 27 to Interstate 70 at Richmond? Hartford City a four-

## Eye on the Pie



lane Indiana 26 to Interstate 69?

How can we expect Connersville and Fayette County to prosper without a serious upgrade of Indiana 1 to Interstate 70? When will Jasper have safer access to Interstate 64, yea verily unto Interstate 69?

Four-lane connectivity is not a guarantee of economic development. U.S. 41 and Interstate 64 give some evidence of that truth. But we lack even sufficient Super-2 roads, those wider, safer two-lane routes for commuters and truckers.

With more and more delivery vans fanning out across Indiana to homes and businesses, we have more and more warehouses stocked by larger and heavier trucks. For these services, many of our state and most of our county roads are inadequate.

Many familiar with Indiana's history dwell on the canal "failures" of the mid-19th century. Yet, had Indiana completed its canals as planned, Toledo might have preceded Chicago as the great city of the Midwest and altered the entire dynamic of our region.

We could wait until all the changes expected of the internet and the electrification of vehicular traffic are realized. After all, there's no reason to spend a dollar today and have our great-grandchildren laugh at our investment "errors."

Indiana can make choices today to shape tomorrow or we can let the world proceed without our participation, leaving us in a perpetual state of catch-up.

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# Effort in Iowa is undemocratic

By HENRY OLSEN

Special To The Washington Post

House Democrats are seriously considering unseating Rep. Marianne Miller-Meeks, an Iowa Republican, and replacing her with the woman she defeated in November, state Sen. Rita Hart. That power play would show Democrats to be exactly what many Republicans think they are: a party devoted more to holding power than protecting democracy.

Miller-Meeks won her seat by a mere six votes in November. Hart called for a recount after unofficial results showed her behind by 47 votes, and the 24 counties in the district assembled the legally mandated bipartisan boards to oversee the effort. That count cut into the Republican's lead but did not overturn it. The Iowa Board of Canvassers unanimously certified her election on Nov. 30, and Miller-Meeks was sworn in as a member of Congress on Jan. 3.

This should have been the end of it. As Democrats kept reminding us during the stupid and futile efforts by former president Donald Trump to overturn his election defeat, democracy's legal procedures protect all Americans against politicians using their power to overturn election results they don't like. Those procedures showed Miller-Meeks won, and Hart had bypassed her ability to appeal the Canvasser Board's decision in Iowa state court, ending her ability to contest the election before a neutral judge. Case closed, right?

Wrong. Hart has appealed to the House itself, controlled by her own party, and asked it to conduct its own investigation into the race. She contends that the recount boards improperly excluded 22 ballots that would have given her the victory had they been counted. Notwithstanding the fact that she could have made those claims before an Iowa court, she chose to

## Henry Olsen



invoke the rarely used Federal Contested Elections Act to press them before her own party. The House Administration Committee voted last week along partisan lines to consider Hart's challenge and launch its own investigation.

Republicans are rightly afraid that this will lead to Democrats taking the seat away from Miller-Meeks and giving it to Hart. They cite the legendary example of the 1985 recount over Indiana's 8th Congressional District. In that race, Republican Richard McIntyre was certified as the winner by 34 votes, but his Democratic opponent, Frank McCloskey, challenged the result before the House. Democrats refused to swear McIntyre in and replaced him with McCloskey after a three-member board — two Democrats and one Republican — "found" that McCloskey had won. The House then voted to back the board's decision on a largely partisan vote, though the move was so egregious that 10 Democrats joined every Republican to vote against it.

Republicans similarly felt that Democrats stole a legitimate victory in the 2004 Washington gubernatorial race, when Republican Dino Rossi was ahead of Democrat Christine Gregoire by 261 votes in unofficial but final results. An automatic machine recount found that Rossi was still ahead by 42 votes. Democrats then paid for a hand recount, and went to court to force election officials to count ballots that had been previously rejected. This included more than 500 absentee ballots that were dis-

covered in King County, the state's Democratic bastion, weeks after the election. This recount put Gregoire ahead. She took office, but nearly 20 years later, state Republicans still believe they were robbed.

The hypocrisy on display in the Iowa case is stunning. Just two months ago, Democrats thundered that the call from Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, for a commission to look into the 2020 presidential election was seditious. Cruz's proposal would have enabled Republican-controlled state legislatures to "change in their vote" based on the commission's findings. Because Republicans control the legislature in every close state the Trump campaign was contesting, this was an open invitation for one party to overturn the election results based on its perceived self-interest. How is what the House Democrats are considering any different?

Continuing down this path would turn the partisan tensions in this country up to 11. Republican media would surely make the issue the object of their ire for months, noting in every opportunity how inconsistent such an act would be with Democratic rhetoric in the post-election ruckus. Such an argument would not be contained to the rightward elements of the media, either. The House has not unseated a sworn-in member due to an election challenge since 1938. Doing it now, and in the wake of the tumultuous 2020 election, would be national news and a big 2022 election issue.

Republicans can take heart from that earlier example, though. The Republican unseated by the Democratic majority then clearly won election in the 1938 midterms, while the GOP gained 81 House seats. If Democrats rob Miller-Meeks today, past may be prologue.

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Olsen is a senior fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center.

# Simple courtesy can save lives during COVID-19

Kokomo Tribune

Thursday evening, exactly one year since the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 virus a global pandemic, President Joe Biden made his first prime-time address to the nation.

That same day, an Associated Press poll revealed nearly 1 in 5 of us had lost someone to coronavirus within the last year.

"We are bound together by the loss and the pain of the days that have gone by," Biden said as the virus' death toll passed 530,000 in

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the U.S. alone. "We are also bound together by the hope and the possibilities in the days in front of us."

The hope he offered was his intention to order governors to make all adults eligible for the

coronavirus vaccine by May 1. And one of the possibilities he addressed was a July 4 goal for smaller gatherings of Americans becoming commonplace.

The \$1.9 trillion COVID relief package Biden signed Thursday doesn't just put \$1,400 in Americans' bank accounts. It also helps pay for millions of vaccine doses Americans need to defeat the virus and save their lives.

The president's Thursday address acknowledged our "collective suffering" and offered us optimism for a healthier tomor-

row. To realize that goal, Biden said, it will require several more months of mask-wearing and social-distancing.

He also said it necessitates all of us getting vaccinated when it's our turn.

These vaccines are precious. In the U.S., each comes with the cost of 530,000 lives, 29 million COVID sufferers, 10 million jobless workers and hundreds of thousands of shuttered businesses.

As more vaccines are made available, more Hoosiers are finding multiple clinics locally

or nearby to receive a shot. If you schedule a vaccination at one site but receive it sooner at another, make it a point to cancel the first appointment. A missed trip to the clinic might mean another person will be delayed in getting immunized. Worse, unused vaccines could be wasted — each one a missed opportunity.

Canceling an appointment you don't need is just common courtesy. In this case, that common courtesy could save someone's life.

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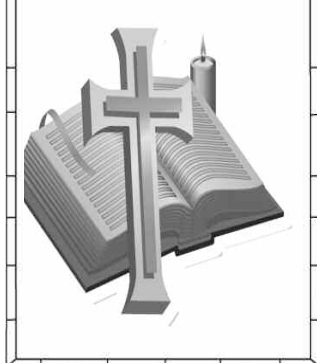
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Joe Boggs  
(260) 726-8464  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
asburyministries.org

**Banner Christian Assembly of God**  
1217 W. Votaw St., Portland  
Michael Burk  
(260) 726-4282  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Bellefontain United Methodist**  
440 S. 600 East  
Gordon Jackson  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Bethel United Methodist**  
Indiana 167, 4 miles north of Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Bluff Point Friends**  
80 E. 650 South  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Boundary St. Paul**  
Corner of Treaty Line Road and county road 300 East  
Ava Gannon  
(260) 726-2373  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Bryant Wesleyan**  
209 S. Hendricks St.  
Paul VanCise  
(260) 997-6231  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.  
bryantwesleyanchurch.com

**Calvary United Methodist**  
301 N. Main St., Dunkirk  
Susan Durovey-Antrim  
(765) 499-0368  
Services: 10 a.m.  
susan.duroveyantrim@in.unc.org

**Christ Chapel**  
105 S. Elm St., Fort Recovery  
Quentin Elsea  
(419) 733-1469  
christchapel.fr.com

**Church of Christ (Southside)**  
1209 S. Shank St., Portland  
Bob Graham  
(260) 726-7777  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**  
1865 S. Indiana 167, Dunkirk  
Andrew Stevens  
(765) 768-6969  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Church of the Living God (Miracle Missions)**  
8472 S. 800 East, Union City  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Church of God of Prophecy**  
797 N. Creagor Ave., Portland  
Nanette Weesner  
(260) 766-9334  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nanybell@yahoo.com

**Church of the Brethren**  
Floral and Chicago avenues, Portland  
Kevin McClung  
(260) 729-7295  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Church of the Living God**  
South Broad Street, Dunkirk  
Rev. Theodore Wagoner  
Services: 7 p.m., 7 p.m. Friday

**Collett Nazarene**  
450 South, 1 mile west of U.S. 27  
Billy Stanton  
(260) 251-2403  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Cornerstone Baptist**  
211 E. Main St., Portland  
Wayne Ward  
(260) 726-7714  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Dunkirk Nazarene**  
226 E. Center St., Dunkirk  
Tom Fett  
(765) 768-6199  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Evangelical Methodist**  
930 W. Main St., Portland  
Steve Arnold  
(260) 251-0970  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Fairview United Methodist/Jay County**  
2875 E. 200 South  
Gordon Jackson  
Lay leader: Beth Stephen  
(260) 726-9184  
Services: 10:15 a.m.

**Faith Community**  
9560 W. 200 South, Dunkirk  
Joe Schmit  
(260) 251-5254  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Family Worship Center**  
200 E. Elder St., Portland  
Ronald Willis  
(260) 726-4844  
Services: 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday  
thefamilyworshipcenter.org

**Fellowship Baptist**  
289 S. 200 West  
Hugh Kelly  
(260) 726-8873  
Services: 10 a.m.  
pastorkelly@fbc-portland.com

**First American Baptist**  
427 S. Main St., Dunkirk  
Dan Coffman  
(765) 768-7157  
Services: 10:40 a.m., 5 p.m.

**First Church of Christ**  
1049 Union City Road, Fort Recovery  
David J. Nicholson  
(419) 375-2860  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
fccftrecovery.org

**First Community Baptist**  
341 S. Meridian St., Redkey  
Everett Bilbrey Jr.  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**First Free Will Baptist**  
12369 W. 600 South, Dunkirk  
Marion Donathan  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday

**First Presbyterian**  
402 N. Ship St., Portland  
Rev. M. Rex Espiritu  
(260) 726-8462  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10:15 a.m.  
firstpcportland.org

**Fort Recovery Church of the Nazarene**  
401 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Revs. Brad and Kate Ratliff  
(419) 375-4680  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
frnaz@frontier.com

**Fort Recovery United Methodist**  
309 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Rev. Allan Brown  
(419) 678-2071  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Full Gospel Lighthouse Tabernacle**  
468 E. Washington St., Dunkirk  
Robert Thomas  
(765) 348-4620  
Services: 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Thursday

**Geneva First United Methodist**  
100 W. Line St., Geneva  
Barry McCune  
(260) 368-7655  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Geneva Nazarene**  
225 Decatur St., Geneva  
Brenda Haddix  
(260) 346-2172  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.  
Prayer meeting: 7 p.m. Wednesday

**Gilead Church**  
County road 650 North, one-quarter mile east of Balbec  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Hickory Grove Church of the Brethren**  
Indiana 1 and Indiana 26  
Earl Doll  
(260) 731-4477  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**High Street United Methodist**  
435 High St., Geneva  
Rev. Joseph Hampton  
(260) 368-7233  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Holy Trinity Catholic**  
7321 E. Indiana 67, Bryant  
Fr. Peter Logsdon  
Services: 8:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Saturday  
churchofthemostholym Trinity.com

**Hopewell of Life Ministries**  
County road 200 South, 2 miles east of Indiana 1  
Rev. Ruth Funk  
(260) 251-8581  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Immaculate Conception Catholic**  
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Services: 6:30 p.m. Saturday, 10:30 a.m. Sunday

**Kingsley Full Gospel**  
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Stuart Phillips  
Services: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday

**Mary Help of Christians**  
403 Sharpshurg Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
(419) 375-4153  
Services: 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 9:30 a.m.

**Mount Tabor United Methodist**  
216 W. Pleasant St., Dunkirk  
John Retter  
(765) 768-7273  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Mount Zion United Methodist**  
County roads 600 East and 200 North  
Rev. Darrell Borders  
(260) 726-4786  
Services: 9 a.m.

**New Beginnings Holiness Church of Blaine**  
4017 W. 200 South  
Randy Smith  
(260) 251-2406  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nbholiness.com

**New Covenant Fellowship**  
1238 W. 450 South  
Chuck Myers  
(260) 251-0063  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**New Life Ministries**  
415 S. Helen St., Portland  
Dr. Kay Fairchild  
(260) 755-6354  
Services: 4 p.m.  
drkayfairchild.com

**New Mt. Pleasant United Methodist**  
5905 S. Como Road  
Tim Wallace  
(765) 499-7838  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Noble Congregational Christian**  
1964 N. 800 East  
Aaron Huey  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Oak Grove United Methodist**  
829 S. Indiana 1  
Tricia Williams  
(765) 730-3770  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Pennville Friends**  
Maple Street and Indiana 1, Pennville  
Dee Hartman  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Pennville United Methodist**  
190 W. Main St., Pennville  
Gary Newton  
(765) 669-1070  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Pleasant Hill**  
9945 N. 800 East, Union City  
Bruce Bryan  
(765) 964-3664  
Services: 9 a.m., 6 p.m.  
mypleasanthillchurch.org

**Portland First Church of Nazarene**  
920 S. Shank St., Portland  
Stephen Hundley  
(260) 726-8040  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Portland Friends**  
226 E. Main St., Portland  
Herb Hummel  
(260) 729-7393  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:15 a.m.  
friendscare4others.net

**Praise Chapel Church of God**  
4527 E. 1000 North (Jay-Randolph county line)  
Rev. David Parry  
(765) 584-7045  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redeemer Lutheran**  
Malin and Elm streets, Bryant  
Martin Bornhoeft  
(260) 997-6787  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Redkey Faith Ministries**  
9811 W. Indiana 67, south-west of Redkey  
Rev. Craig and Robin Cotherman  
(765) 369-2920  
Services: 10 a.m.  
RedkeyFaith.org

**Redkey First Christian**  
Union and Malin streets, Redkey  
Jeff Hammers  
(765) 468-6172  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Redkey United Methodist**  
122 W. Main St., Redkey  
Lori McIntosh  
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Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redkey Church of the Nazarene**  
801 W. High St.  
Robert Farris  
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**River of Life**  
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Matt Ransom  
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matt@therockjkc.org

**Salamonia Church of Christ**  
3900 S. 600 East  
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(260) 335-2017  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Second Chance at Life Ministries**  
228 S. Meridian St., Portland  
Dave Keen (260) 251-8792  
Mike Eads (260) 703-0733  
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**St. James Lutheran**  
County road 600 East, south of county road 400 South  
Robin Owen  
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pastorrobino@gmail.com

**St. Joseph Catholic**  
1689 St. Joe Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
Services: 7:30 a.m. Sunday

**St. Mary's Catholic**  
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Services: 5 p.m. Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

**St. Paul Catholic**  
517 Meiring Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
Services: 8:30 a.m. Sunday

**St. Peter Catholic**  
1477 Philothea Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
Services: 10 a.m. Sunday

**Sugar Grove Nazarene**  
County roads 400 North and 550 West  
Rev. Dan Sickels  
(260) 731-4733  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m. (the 2nd and 4th Sunday at Pennville Park)

**Sugar Grove United Methodist**  
County roads 600 South and 1150 West, Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Temple Baptist**  
Indiana 167, between Dunkirk and Albany  
(765) 768-7708  
Services: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday

**Trinity Lutheran**  
301 N. Wayne St., Fort Recovery  
Robin Owen  
(419) 375-4498  
Services: 9 a.m. (contemporary service, fourth Sunday)  
pastorrobino@gmail.com

**Trinity United Methodist**  
323 S. Meridian St., Portland  
Darrell Weaver  
(260) 726-8391  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.  
portlandtrinity.com

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(352) 425-5914  
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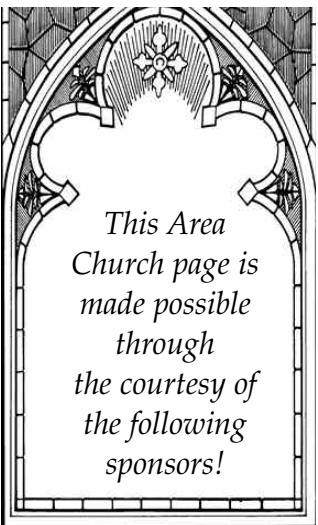
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Fred Stevens  
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County roads 200 North and 500 West  
Steve Rogers  
(260) 251-1113  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Westchester United Methodist**  
4487 E. 400 North  
Randy Fennig  
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Services: 10:35 a.m.

**West Walnut Church of Christ**  
204 W. Walnut St., Portland  
Gil Alicea  
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Services: 10 a.m.  
westwalnutchurchofchrist.org

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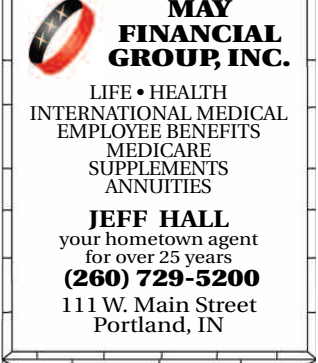


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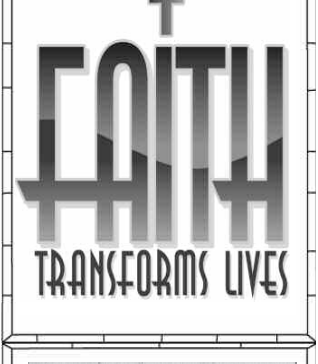


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By Bil Keane

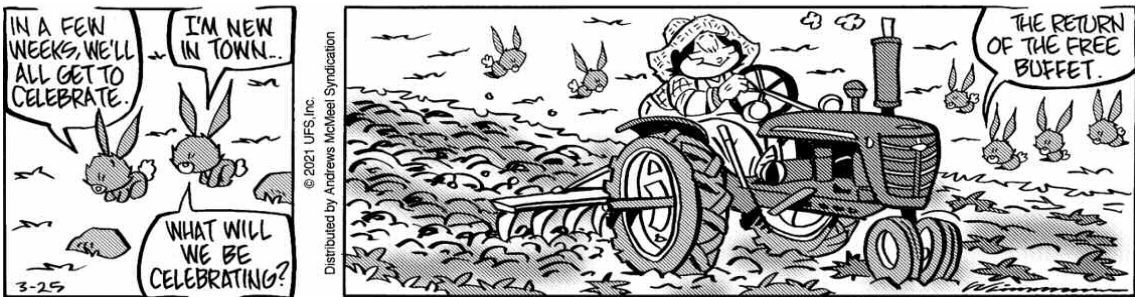


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**90 SALE CALENDAR**

**CONSIGNMENT AUCTION**  
Located: Bob Schmit Memorial Hall, Jay Co Fairgrounds, 806 E Votaw St., Portland, IN  
Saturday March 27, 2021,  
10:00 AM/10:30 am (Double Ring) Household; Collectibles; Primitives; Furniture;Garage Items; few tools; Misc. 2 cargo trailers full and already packed-not listed yet! Full auction ad & pictures-Auctionzip.com #11389 Mel Smitley's Real Estate & Auctioneering  
260-726-6215 Office Laci Smitley (260)-729-2281- Cell AU10600051 Gary White AU19800069

**90 SALE CALENDAR**  
Located: Bubp Exhibition Hall, Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, IN Saturday, March 27th , 2021  
9:30 am  
Antique-Old & Collector items-Guns-Indian Artifacts: Oak ice box; Oak glass ball square lamp; Edison Standard Phonograph; Dr. Pepper thermometer; Cola Cola trays; Wards Western Model 16M 20ga. bolt action shotgun; 380 semi-auto pistol. Stoneware & Crocks: #3 Red Wing Jug, #10 crock, #6 crock. Indian Artifacts: 175+ arrowheads in various colors. Union Pacific Railroad spittoon; EZ Bake Flour sign; Dunkirk bottle; Dunkirk tokens. Fiesta; mixing bowls, teapots, pitchers, various trays, Tumblers, Vases, platters. Roseville; Pinecone (Green & Brown Color) , Freesia, Sunflower.  
Large amount of Raymor pattern.  
Auctioneers Note: This is an outstanding auction with a nice collection of quality items. This collection has been packed and stored for the past 5+ years. Please visit Auction Zip for photos, and contact our office at (260) 726-2700 with any questions. Gordon & Lucy Kesler, Deceased Loy Auction AU31600027 260-726-2700 Auctioneers Gary Loy AU1031608 Ben Lyons AU10700085 Travis Theurer AU11200131 Aaron Loy AU11200112 Troy Foust AU19800068

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located: Bubp Exhibition Hall, Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, IN Saturday, March 27th , 2021  
9:30 am  
Antique-Old & Collector items-Guns-Household: Walnut tall ornate bed, Walnut wardrobe, Oak round table with 6 chairs, Standard and Kendall double sided signs, Ohio Farms Ins Co 1924 statue, Indian Statue,Stevens Bicycle Rifle, Italy 50 cal black powder muzzle loader, Stevens Rolling Block 22, Marlin 22 S/L LR pump, Cross bow, School bells, Mayonnaise churn, Fenton several pieces including Favrene, Crockery and Stoneware, Model T lights,Weather vane arrows, Mower and Tools, John Deere x540 Multi Terrain riding mower with 54" deck and 900 hours. Many other items not listed. Auctioneers Note: Al and Janet have sold their home and are downsizing. The auction offers a great variety of quality items. Auction preview will be held on Friday March 26th from 2:00 to 5:30 p.m. Please visit Auction Zip for photos or contact our office at (260) 726-2700 with any questions. It is recommended you follow COVID-19 guidelines by wearing a facial mask and social distancing  
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**ACROSS**  
1 Girl attractive  
5 Snitch  
8 Pleasing  
12 Skin breakout  
13 Schedule abbr.  
14 Austen heroine  
15 Lena  
16 "Give — break!"  
17 Slightly open  
18 Excellent  
20 Division word  
22 Eye candy  
26 City-related  
29 British ref. work  
30 Mineral suffix  
31 Bakery buy  
32 Knight's address  
33 Pantry pests  
34 "I love," in Latin  
35 Coop dweller  
36 Washington Sound

**DOWN**  
1 Asian nation  
2 Rights org.  
3 Use scissors  
4 Mali neighbor  
5 Stallone role  
6 Exist  
7 Movie promo  
8 "Swell!"  
9 "Just kidding!"  
10 Nashville-based awards org.  
11 Listening device  
19 Harry Potter pal  
21 Silent assent

**37** Was attractive  
**40** Dodecahedron  
**41** Score-board count  
**45** Leak out slowly  
**47** Irish actor  
**49** Actress  
**50** Andean land  
**51** Under the weather  
**52** List-ending abbr.  
**53** Suffix with song or gab  
**54** "Mayday!"  
**55** Univ. division

**23** "Nothing —!"  
**24** Diminutive suffix  
**25** Take five  
**26** Russian river  
**27** Former QB Tony  
**28** Outtakes, often  
**32** "Me Talk Pretty One Day" humorist  
**33** Reviewed, as the books  
**35** With it, once  
**36** Cutesy —  
**38** Beyond repair  
**39** October birthstones  
**42** — the Great (kid-lit detective)  
**43** Snare  
**44** Pretzel topper  
**45** Tanning lotion letters  
**46** Shoe width  
**48** "Xanadu" band

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# Leads ...

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**Cade Wendel Fort Rec. - 2019**  
Had his longest outing of the season Saturday but suffered another loss pitching for the Lake Erie baseball team.  
Wendel lasted six innings, giving up two earned runs on five hits. He struck out five and walked one in a 2-0 loss to Cedarville in the first game of a doubleheader.  
In 9 2/3 innings, Wendel has a 6.52 ERA with eight strikeouts and three

walks. He is set to start again for the Storm on Saturday against Findlay.

**Robby LeFevre Fort Rec - 2019**  
Ran for the Fordham University men's track team as it hosted its season-opening CO-VID Invitationals.  
The freshman was 13th in the 200-meter dash with his time of 23.54 seconds. Stony Brook's Patrick Abel won the race in 22.14 seconds. LeFevre also ran as part of the

Rams' 4x100 relay, which did not finish the race.

**Max Moser Jay County - 2018**  
Played for the Huntington University baseball team in a doubleheader Saturday against Bethel.  
In game one, a 7-6 loss, Moser hit a pinch-hit double. He drew a pinch-hit walk in the second game, a 5-2 victory. In nine at-bats this season, Moser has two doubles, a walk and an RBI with three strikeouts.

# Sports on tap

**Scoreboard**  
**NBA Basketball**  
Indiana 116, Detroit 111  
Toronto 135, Denver 111  
Milwaukee 121, Boston 119  
Memphis 116, Oklahoma City 107  
Cleveland 103, Chicago 94  
Orlando 112, Phoenix 111  
Dallas 128, Minnesota 108  
Charlotte 122, Houston 97  
L.A. Clippers 134, San Antonio 101  
Utah 118, Brooklyn 88  
Sacramento 110, Atlanta 108

Celtics at Milwaukee Bucks (ESPN) 8:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Indiana Pacers at Dallas Mavericks (FSN) 10 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Golden State Warriors (ESPN)

**Saturday**  
2:40 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Oregon State vs. Loyola Chicago (CBS)  
5:15 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Villanova vs. Baylor (CBS)  
7:25 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Oral Roberts vs. Arkansas (TBS)  
9:55 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Syracuse vs. Houston (TBS)

**Sunday**  
2:10 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Creighton vs. Gonzaga (CBS)  
5 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Florida State vs. Michigan (CBS)  
7:15 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - UCLA vs. Alabama (TBS)  
9:45 p.m. — Men's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament - Oregon vs. USC (TBS)

**Local schedule**  
**Today**  
Fort Recovery — Softball scrimmage at National Trail - 5 p.m.; Baseball scrimmage at Cory-Rawson - 5:30 p.m.

**Saturday**  
Fort Recovery — Softball at Delphos Jefferson - 11 a.m.; JV baseball doubleheader vs. Russia - 11 a.m.

**Monday**  
Fort Recovery — Baseball vs. Celina - 5 p.m.; Softball at Ansonia - 5 p.m.; JV baseball at Celina - 5 p.m.

**April 1**  
Fort Recovery — Softball at South Adams - 5 p.m.; Track at Crestview quad - 5 p.m.; Freshman baseball at St. Henry - 5:30 p.m.; Junior high track hosts quad - 4:30 p.m.  
Jay County — Track at Madison-Grant - 5:30 p.m.

**TV schedule**  
**Today**  
7:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Portland Trail Blazers at Miami Heat (TNT)  
10 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Los Angeles Dodgers (TNT)

**Friday**  
7:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Boston

# Enter ...

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The buildup has been confusing for their five-year-old son, Parker, who travels with his parents to their respective races. When Parker was diagnosed on the autistic spectrum, Jessica Friesen scaled back her racing to care for him while also focusing on the family printing business.  
"He's still very confused," Jessica Friesen said of her son. "He says, 'No, Mom. Dad races the truck, you race the modi-

fied, and trucks don't race on dirt, trucks race on the pavement.' So he was just kind of getting his mind wrapped around all that."  
The Friesens have competed in the same event before, including a sprint car race in upstate New York two days after their 2014 wedding. They finished first and second — but Jessica Friesen is looking to change the results at Bristol.  
"It was 'Stewart Friesen and wife ran one and two,'" she said. "I'm look-

ing forward to changing that a little bit, those headlines a little bit."  
Jessica Friesen will have to qualify her way into the race via the four, 15-minute heat races before the Saturday night main event and the field is stacked: There are seven full-time Cup Series drivers among the 44 trying to make the 36-truck field.  
"This will be a story for our grandkids someday," Jessica Friesen said. "No matter what happens at

this race, we went and did this. We kind of went out there, had fun and hopefully it turns out well. Hopefully, we'll see. Who knows what could happen. Stewart says no pressure, so I'm just going to keep having that mentality."  
Bristol has transformed its concrete surface with 20,000 truckloads of clay in order to host NASCAR's first Cup race on dirt in 70 years and the surface has created multiple opportunities this weekend.

## 110 HELP WANTED

**THE DUNKIRK PARK BOARD** is accepting applications for the following positions until April 16th pool manager, assistant manager, certified life guards, concessions, admissions, park labor. Applications can be picked up at The City Building is open from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday-Friday EoE

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**PORTLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT** will be accepting applications for part-time dispatcher. All applicants must be 18 yrs or older, high school diploma or GED equivalent. Applications can be picked up at the Portland Police Department 319 N Meridian St., Portland, IN starting Wed., March 19th-26th. or on our website thecityofportland.net. Applications need to be in by March 26th, 2021 by 5pm.

**1ST AND 2ND SHIFT COOKS.** 3 days on, 3 days off. Call 260-997-8300 before 2pm.

## 130 MISC. FOR SALE

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## 220 REAL ESTATE

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## 220 REAL ESTATE

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## 250 PUBLIC NOTICE

### Public Notice

STATE OF INDIANA  
COUNTY OF JAY, SS:  
IN THE JAY CIRCUIT COURT  
38C01-2103-EU-000010  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE  
OF:  
DIANE M. SHAWVER  
(Deceased)  
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION  
Notice is hereby given that Peter M. Shawver was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of Diane M. Shawver, deceased, on the 12th day of March, 2021, who died on the 19th day of February, 2021. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
Dated this 12th day of March, 2021.  
Jon Eads  
THE JAY CIRCUIT COURT  
COLDREN, FRANTZ & SPRUNGER  
Attorneys at Law  
P.O. Box 1013  
Portland, IN 47371  
CR 3-18,25-2021 HSPAXLP

## 250 PUBLIC NOTICE

### Public Notice

PART 1 - GENERAL  
1.01 NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
A. Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be accepted by Town of Pennville. (hereinafter referred to as the "Owner") for the construction of the following Project: Pennville Public Library Addition, Pennville, Indiana.  
B. Bids will be received until: 3:30 (PM) local time, April 22, 2021, in sealed, plainly labeled envelopes with the Bidder's name and return address at the following location:  
Jay County Development Corporation  
118 S. Meridian Street, Suite B  
Portland, IN 47371  
C. Bid opening will be held at 3:35 (PM) local time, April 22, 2021, at Jay County Development Corporation, 118 S. Meridian Street, Portland, Indiana. All bidders and interested citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend the bid opening. Should any citizen require special provisions, such as handicap modifications, or non-English translation, please request such provisions by April 19, 2021.  
D. All bidders and interested citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend the bid opening.  
E. Bids received after that time will be returned unopened.  
F. Work shall be performed under a Unified Contract.  
G. Bids shall be submitted on forms as indicated by Section 004113, "Bid Form - Stipulated Sum," of this Project Manual.  
Bids must be accompanied by either a Bid Bond or a certified check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total Bid (including all add alternates) made payable to the following: Town of Pennville.  
H. All bid proposals, Forms 96 (current revision), or other documents related to this bid must be completed, signed, and notarized where indicated. Section III of Form 96 mandates each bidder to furnish a copy of the company's financial statement with the bid. Bidders are required to furnish appropriate forms and statements. Failure to furnish and complete these forms and statements may cause the bid to be rejected.  
I. The successful bidder is required to submit an executed contract and a certificate of insurance to the Owner within five (5) days of receipt of the contract from the Architect or Owner. Failure to execute and submit the contract and certificate of insurance may result in forfeiture of bid security to the Owner as liquidated damages.  
J. Refer to Section 002213, "Supplemental Instructions to Bidders," for additional information.  
K. Construction shall be in full accord with Drawings and Specifications.  
The free electronic bidding documents, which include plans and specs, may be obtained by going to: https://jhayes130.wixsite.com/pennlibrary  
Bidders are responsible for checking the site frequently for posted addenda. It is the bidder's responsibility to obtain all provided documents and confirm so on the bid form. The owner will not be responsible for full or partial sets of bidding documents, including addenda if any, obtained from other sources.  
L. The Contractor receiving the award shall furnish approved one hundred percent (100%) Performance and Payment Bonds which cover faithful performance of the Contract and the payment of all obligations arising from the Contract. Said bonds shall remain in full force and effect for twelve (12) months from the date of final acceptance of the Work.  
M. Brand names, trade names and/or manufacturers' names are used in this Project Manual solely for the purpose of establishing kind and quality and not for the purpose of limiting competition.  
1. Bidder may offer other items or materials equal in quality and having the same durability and efficiency as those specified if the Bidder first receives written approval from the Architect/Engineer before the Bid opening in compliance with the requirements stipulated in the Instructions to Bidders.  
2. The Bidder shall identify any such substitutions by name, kind, and/or type with the Bid.  
N. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid and to waive any informalities or errors in Bidding.  
1. Base Bid may be held for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days before awarding Contract.  
2. All Alternate Bids may be held for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days after signing of Contract  
3. Any bidder withdrawing its bid within the sixty (60) day period may forfeit its bid security at the discretion of the Owner.  
O. Wage Scale: As required by the Federal Davis Bacon Act, a minimum wage has been determined for this Project and is on file at the office of the Owner. Contractor shall pay the minimum wage rates as established by this Wage Scale. Said Wage Scale is a part of this Contract and is incorporated herein as fully as if here set forth.  
P. All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the project throughout.  
Q. All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the project throughout.  
R. Each Bidder is responsible for inspecting the Project site(s) and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents and Specifications. The failure or omission of any Bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation with respect to its Bid.  
S. The Bidders attention is also called to the Minority/Women Business Participation requirements contained in the Project Specifications. The Office of Community and Rural Affairs has adopted a State goal of 10% participation for minority and female owned businesses for construction related or purchase related contracts for the work.  
T. Bidders on this work shall be required to comply with the provisions of the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The Bidders shall also comply with the requirements of 41 CFR Part 60 - 4 entitled Construction Contractors - Affirmative Action Requirements. A copy of 41 CFR Part 60 - 4 may be found in the Supplemental General Conditions of the Contract Documents and Specifications.  
U. In addition, the Contractor must meet guidelines and practices established by the Office of Community and Rural Affairs and appropriate Federal regulations including: 1) Executive Order 11246, 2) Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968, as amended, 3) Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, 4) OMB Circular A-102, 5) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 6) Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 7) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 8) Executive Order 12138, 9) Conflict of Interest Clause, 10) Retention and Custodial Requirements for Records Clause, 11) Contractors and Subcontractors Certifications, and others that may be appropriate or necessary. In addition, the Contract Division procurement is subject to the Federal Regulations contained in the OMB Circular A-102, Sections B and O and the State of Indiana requirements contained in IC-36-1-9 and IC-36-1-12.  
V. Any contract(s) awarded under this Advertisement for Bids are expected to be funded in part by a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as administered by the Office of Community and Rural Affairs through its Community Focus Fund Program. Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies or employees is or will be a party to this Advertisement or Bids or any resulting contract.  
W. Contract procurement is subject to the federal regulations contained in the OMB Circular A-102, Sections B and O and the State of Indiana requirements contained in IC-36-1-9 and IC-36-1-12.  
X. A conditional or qualified Bid will not be accepted. Award will be made to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder. Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder. The low, responsive, responsible bidder must not be debarred, suspended, or otherwise be excluded from or ineligible for participation in federally assisted programs under Executive Order 12549.  
Y. Prebid Meeting  
A pre-bid meeting and tour is scheduled  
Prebid Meeting: A Prebid meeting for all bidders will be held at Pennville Town Hall, 105 North Washington Street, Pennville, Indiana on April 7, 2021 at 10:30 a.m., local time. Prospective prime bidders are encouraged to attend.  
Bidders' Questions: Architect will provide responses at Prebid conference to bidders' questions received up to two business days prior to conference.  
If non-English speaking representatives or handicapped people need to have arrangements made, please contact Jodi Hayes, Jay County Development Corporation, 118 S. Meridian Str, Ste B, Portland, IN 47371, 260.726.9311 within 3 calendar days prior to the Pre-Bid Conference or Bid Opening to have the necessary arrangements made.  
Z. The contractor nor subcontractor, nor any person acting on behalf of the contractor or subcontractor, shall, for reason of race, religion, color, sex, national origin or ancestry, discriminate against or intimidate any person, who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates or in performance of work.  
AA. The Contractor does not knowingly employ an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all his/her/its newly hired employees through the E-Verify program as defined in IC §22-5-1.7-3. The Contractor is not required to participate should the E-Verify program cease to exist. Additionally, the Contractor is not required to participate if the Contractor is self-employed and does not employ any employees. The Contractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall not retain an employee or contract with a person that the Contractor subsequently learns is an unauthorized alien.  
BB. Questions should be directed to Genesis Design Inc., David J. Dixon, AIA, President/Architect at 317.432.8169, or E-mail at djdixon@genesissdesigninc.us  
CC. Notification.  
1. This Advertisement for Bids document is issued by the Town of Pennville.  
END OF SECTION 001113  
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## 250 PUBLIC NOTICE

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SECTION 001113 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

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SECTION 001113 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

## Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

### Forewarned is forearmed

West dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
♠ A 7 5 2  
♥ K 8 3  
♦ A Q 7  
♣ K 6 4  
**WEST**  
♠ Q 10 9 3  
♥ 6  
♦ J 9 8 5 2  
♣ 10 9 3  
**EAST**  
♠ K 6  
♥ 10 2  
♦ K 10 4  
♣ A Q J 8 7 2  
**SOUTH**  
♠ J 8 4  
♥ A Q J 9 7 5 4  
♦ 6 3  
♣ 5  
The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass 1 NT 2 ♣ 4 ♥  
Opening lead — ten of clubs.  
Winning players seem to have much more luck than those who are less successful. This, of course, is not true. Over a period of time, luck is distributed evenly for everyone. The big difference, though, is that those who win are better at taking advantage of good fortune when it arises.  
Consider this deal from a team-of-four contest where both North-South pairs reached four hearts. At the first table, the club ten was covered by the king and ace, and South ruffed East's club continuation. He then played the A-K of trump, ruffed dummy's remaining club and led a spade to the ace.  
East had followed these proceedings with a watchful eye and realized that if he played low on the ace of spades, he would next be thrown into the lead with the king. This would force him to return a diamond into dummy's A-Q or else yield a ruff-and-discard by returning a club. Either way, South would gain his 10th trick. And so, when the ace of spades was played, East dropped his king on it!  
Dealer did the best he could by continuing with a spade, but West won, cashed another spade and shifted to a diamond to put the contract down one.  
At the other table, the play to the first two tricks was exactly the same, but this time declarer led a spade to the ace at trick three. This made it very difficult for East — who had far less information at his disposal than his counterpart at the first table — to get rid of the king, and in practice he simply followed low. South then drew trump and ruffed to club before exiting with a spade to East's king to make his contract.  
There is no question that some luck was needed to make four hearts on this deal, but an equal measure of skill also was required to take full advantage of it.

Tomorrow: Test your play.  
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## 3-25 CRYPTOQUIP

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## Thien talks

Fort Recovery High School softball coach Ryan Thien talks it up with an umpire between innings of a scrimmage on Monday at FRHS. Thien, who is entering his first full season as coach, and the Indians begin their 2021 schedule at 11 a.m. Saturday with a doubleheader at Delphos Jefferson. For a preview of the Tribe softball team and all area spring teams, grab the April 7 issue of The Commercial Review for our Spring Sports Preview section.

## Pacers snap losing skid

By PHILLIP B. WILSON  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Caris LeVert's transition to fitting in with the Indiana Pacers was delayed two months by kidney surgery to remove a cancerous mass.

Acquired in a three-team trade on Jan. 16 that involved All-Stars James Harden and Victor Oladipo, LeVert didn't play again until just recently.

His seventh Pacers start was his best yet with 28 points in a 116-111 victory over the Detroit Pistons on Wednesday night.

"I felt like I've tried to be aggressive from day one," LeVert said, "but it takes time."

LeVert's fourth 3-pointer with 4.7 seconds remaining enabled the Pacers to snap a six-game home losing streak.

"Very big shot," Pacers coach Nate Bjorkgren said. "His legs are getting under him more and more each day."

It's the first time LeVert has surpassed 20 points with his new team.

"I love fourth quarters. I love big moments," he said. "Every win is important for us right now as we try to make the playoffs."

The Pacers (20-23) ended their worst winless stretch at home since losing six in a row in 1985. The Pistons

(12-31) have the Eastern Conference's worst record.

Edmond Sumner scored 18 points off the bench and Malcolm Brogden scored 16 for the Pacers.

Jerami Grant led the Pistons with 29 points. Saddiq Bey and Wayne Ellington each scored 16.

Levert accounted for the Pacers' last eight points of the first half for a 57-51 lead. The guard scored 15 of 17 first-half points in the second quarter.

The Pistons committed nine of their 15 turnovers in the second quarter to continue a seasonal trend of erratic ballhandling. That meant playing catch-up in the second half.

"This is about execution and making the easy pass," Bey said.

The Pistons rallied to cut the deficit to 78-76 with 2:15 remaining in the third, but the Pacers bench responded as reserves George Bitadze and Jeremy Lamb sank 3-pointers. The Pacers finished the quarter with an 86-79 lead.

The Pistons tied the game at 92 on an Ellington jumper with 8:23 remaining.

Detroit had a chance to tie or go ahead in the final minute, but Delon Wright committed a turnover.

"At the end of the game, again, we had an untimely turnover," Pistons coach Dwane Casey said.

## Haines leads Titan golfers

Collin Haines continued to finish as the best Titan golfer.

Haines, a 2018 Jay County High School graduate, led the Indiana University-South Bend men's golf team during the Heritage Hill Collegiate tournament this weekend at Heritage Hill Golf Course in Shepherdsville, Kentucky.

The former Patriot shot 3-over-par 75 in the first round, which was three strokes behind the leaders. He shot a 76 on the second day to finish with a total score of 151, ending in a five-way tie for 13th overall.

Matthew Chapman of Marian shot even par 144 to win the championship, as he led the Knights to the team crown of 587.

Nick Hayden, a 2017 JCHS graduate, finished the tournament with a score of 165 (83, 82) and was 36th overall.

## Collegiate Check-up

IU-South Bend scored 640 to place last out of eight teams.

### Anhely Montes Jay County - 2020

Recorded a season-high number of shots for the Anderson University women's soccer team Wednesday in a 5-1 victory against Manchester.

The freshman forward came off the bench to play 38 minutes, and took a pair of shots. Neither of them were on frame.

Montes has appeared in three games for the Ravens and taken three shots.

### Simon Brumfield Jay County - 2017

Competed for the Wabash College men's track team Saturday at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

He was 15th in the discus with his distance of 30.79 meters (101 feet). He reached the distance on his first toss, and wasn't able to go further on the final three.

Brumfield also placed 18th in the shot put, again reaching his greatest distance on his first toss. He had a throw of 8.83 meters (28 feet, 11.75 inches).

The Little Giants scored 265 points for first place in the six-team field.

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## Racing couple enter Bristol

By JENNA FRYER  
AP Auto Racing Writer

Jessica Friesen will attempt to make her NASCAR national series debut at Bristol Motor Speedway for a potential showdown with her husband in the Truck Series race.

Stewart Friesen is in his fifth full season of Truck Series competition and his wife limits her racing to sprint car and modified divisions. Bristol Motor Speedway for this weekend has been converted into a dirt track — a surface suited for Jessica

Friesen's experience — so Halmar Friesen Racing entered a second truck for Saturday night.

If she makes the field, Jessica and Stewart Friesen would be the first married couple to compete in the same NASCAR race since Elton Sawyer and Patty Moise in a 1998 second-tier series event. Jessica Friesen is slated to drive the No. 62 Toyota while her husband will be in his usual No. 52 Tundra.

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