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## No local restrictions planned

By **RAY COONEY**  
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The Commercial Review

Most state restrictions related to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic will be lifted April 6, but local government units are still allowed to implement their own rules.

Local officials currently have no plans to institute such restrictions.

Following Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb's announcement Tuesday about the state restrictions coming to an end, Portland Mayor John Boggs said this week he will not be implementing local rules

### *Commissioner, mayors say they will continue to follow governor's lead*

regarding the pandemic. Jay County Commissioners president Chad Aker said although he had not yet consulted with his fellow commissioners, he does not expect additional restrictions at the county level. And Dunkirk Mayor Jack Rob-

bins indicated he would not take any action before discussing it publicly with his city council.

Responses to the lifting of coronavirus restrictions have varied across the state. Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett on

Thursday announced his city's mask mandate and other coronavirus precautions will remain in place. Gary Mayor Jerome Prince told The Times of Northwest Indiana his city will keep a mask mandate in place until at least April 8. And

in southern Indiana, The Herald reported that Jasper Mayor Dean Vonderheide said his city will follow the lead of Dubois County Health Department, which plans to wait until closer to April 6 before making a decision.

Aker on Thursday said Jay County Commissioners will likely follow Holcomb's guidance, as has been the case since the start of the pandemic last March, and lift COVID-19 restrictions in Jay County. That includes the statewide mask mandate in government buildings and businesses. See **Restrictions** page 2

## Bill would require civics

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A bill incorporating civics education into Hoosier students' middle school curriculum is headed to Gov. Eric Holcomb's desk after House lawmakers voted Thursday to pass the measure.

The legislation requires every student in the state to complete a one-semester course in civics education in either sixth, seventh or eighth grade.

All public, charter and state-accredited private schools across the state must require each student to successfully complete the course, beginning with students who begin sixth grade during the 2023-24 school year.

The bill tasks the Indiana Department of Education and State Board of Education with

developing standards for the civics curriculum by July 1, 2022.

The bill also creates the Indiana Civic Education Commission, a task force that will oversee new civic learning responsibilities in middle schools.

Republican State Rep. Tony Cook, the bill's author, said the legislation is a byproduct of the Civic Education Task Force, which was responsible for making recommendations to boost civic engagement.

Cook expressed concern that students in Indiana do not learn enough about democratic governance before they reach high school. That makes students ill-prepared for their responsibilities as citizens, lawmakers argued, including voting in elections.

## President is open to filibuster change

### *Biden addresses issues in first press conference*

By **JONATHAN LEMIRE**  
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden at his first news conference left the door open to backing fundamental changes in Senate procedure to muscle key parts of his agenda like immigration and voting rights past Republican opposition "if there's complete lockdown and chaos."

Even as his administration navigates the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting economic damage, Biden is grappling with how to deliver on a host of promises despite a razor-thin Senate majority. He teased that changes to Senate rules that would allow bills to pass with fewer votes may be necessary for him to achieve some of those goals.

"If there's complete lockdown and chaos, as a consequence of the filibuster, then we're going to have to go beyond what I'm talking about," he said at the Thursday news conference.

Despite strong poll numbers, Biden faces headwinds in delivering on his legislative agenda. His party's congressional majorities are narrow, Republican opposition appears entrenched and not all Democ-

rats are aligned in reforming Senate rules on the filibuster.

Biden at first backed a modification — but not elimination — of the procedural tactic. But he then suggested, at least on certain issues, he would go further, saying the filibuster — which requires 60 votes to pass legislation in the Senate — was being "abused in a gigantic way" by Republicans.

"I want to get things done. I want to get them done consistent with what we promised the American people," said Biden, who spent decades in the Senate. "I am going to say something outrageous: I have never been particularly poor at calculating how to get things done in the United States Senate."

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer at his own press conference Thursday declined to lean too heavily into filibuster changes, only saying that "everything, everything is on the table."

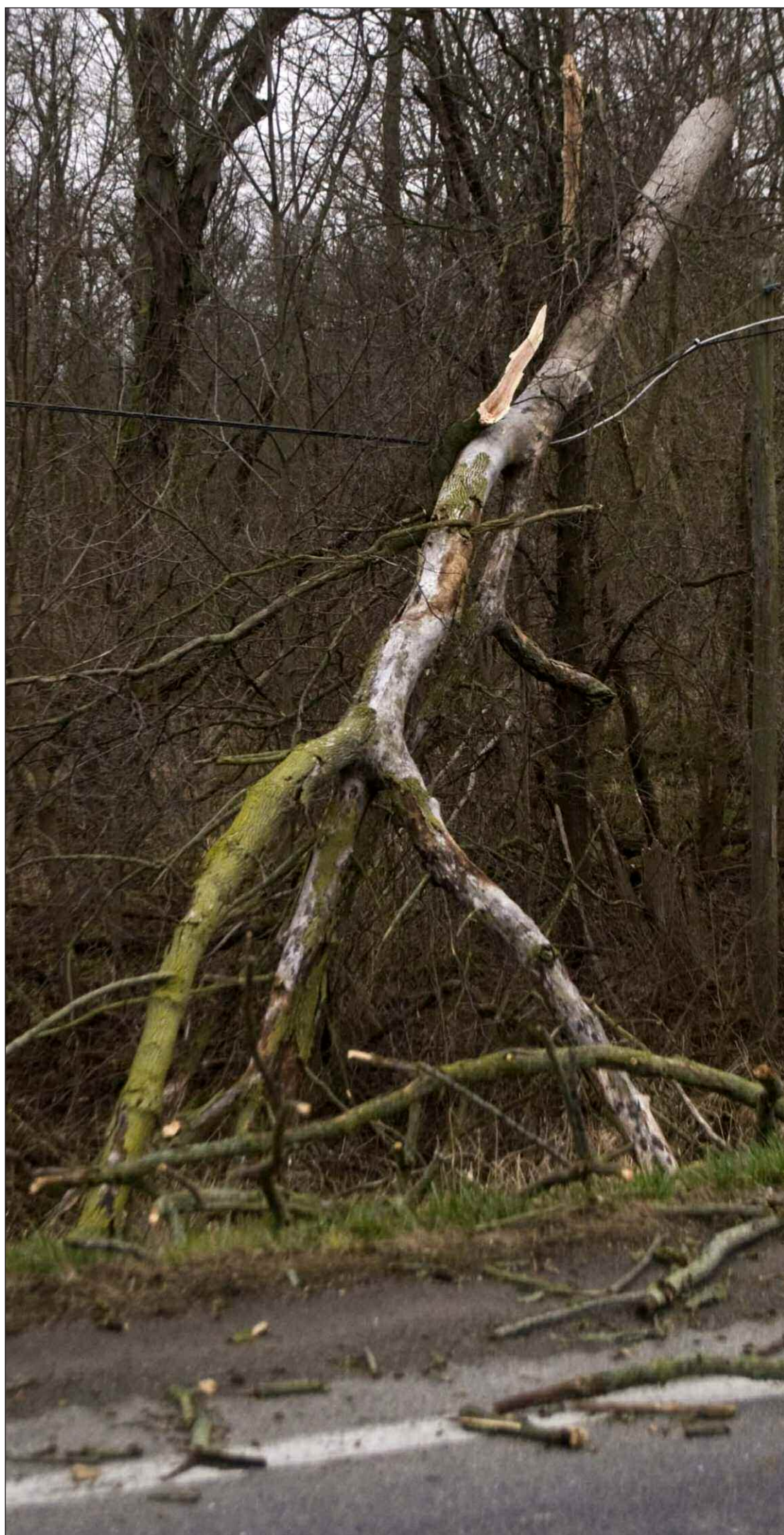
And West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin, a moderate Democrat whose vote is critical, said he thought the rules were there to make sure "the big guy doesn't pick on the little guy," adding that he was trying to protect "basic civility."

Biden's own political future came up at the press conference as well. The 78-year-old president said for the first time his "plan is to run for reelection, that is my expectation." But he made clear his focus was on the here and now and not a distant election.

"I am going to deal with all of those problems," he pledged.

One key item on the list: Republican efforts to limit voting rights, an effort the president deemed "sick" and "un-American."

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The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

## On the line

Severe winds brought down trees and limbs in Jay County overnight, including this one that was leaning against a utility wire this morning on the south side of Indiana 26 just east of Portland. A tree had also been blocking county road 400 South just east of county road 150 East, but it had been moved off the road as of this morning. The county was under a high wind warning overnight, with gusts reaching 47 miles per hour.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 63 degrees Thursday. The low was 41, and there was about a quarter of an inch of rain.

Tonight's low will be around 40. Expect mostly sunny skies Saturday with the high climbing to near 70. See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

Jay County Solid Waste Management District will have recycling trailers available Saturday. Trailers will be open from 9 a.m. to noon in the shopping center at 220 Lincoln St., Portland, and Dunkirk City Park.

### Coming up

**Saturday** — A new food truck will be making visits to Jay County.

**Wednesday** — Looking back at a year of the coronavirus pandemic in Jay County.





# Restrictions ...

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Aker said they will probably also change the mandate to a recommendation.  
"I think people have seen enough of this that they see the risk involved," Aker explained. "We'll leave it up to the person to decide if they want to wear a mask or not."  
Commissioners signed a resolution March 11 to reopen Jay County Courthouse and all county offices and departments. Before that date, the courthouse and other county buildings had been open only to appointments and limited to essential work since Nov. 30. (Facial coverings are still required.)  
As of Thursday afternoon, no

amendments or new resolutions have been proposed. Commissioners' next meeting is April 12.  
Similarly, Boggs doesn't envision any restrictions for the City of Portland.  
"I think the big thing about Jay County is all the citizens do what they feel is necessary," he said. "We have a lot of people who wear masks more than they have to. Some people don't, and that's their right, but I believe the majority of people in town use common sense, good judgment."  
Masks will not be required in city hall, which opened to the public last week for the first time in about a year.

Robbins said he feels it might be a good thing to keep restrictions in place for an additional week or two after the state's current April 5 expiration date. But, he said he won't make any such decisions before seeking opinions from council members at their next meeting April 12.  
"I've basically followed the governor's guidelines," he said, noting he typically sees patrons wearing masks when visiting various stores and restaurants in Dunkirk. "It's working. ... Everything's going down."  
Hogsett told The Associated Press while Marion County's positivity rate and new case numbers have improved, "the

threat of an uptick is not yet behind us." He also noted Indianapolis will continue to have a lot of visitors over the next few weeks as it plays host the NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament.  
"While I believe we can continue to handle these changing patterns safely we can only do so with the common sense approach that attracted the NCAA tournament to Indianapolis in the first place," Hogsett said. "Although the light is brighter, we are not out of the tunnel itself. Make no mistake, we have a ways to go."  
Local coronavirus numbers have plummeted in February and March as compared to the

peak in November. The county has averaged about two new cases of COVID-19 per day since Feb. 1. That number is down drastically from a high of 22.8 per day in November.  
In addition to ending restrictions related to COVID-19 on April 6, Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb announced Tuesday vaccination appointments will be open to all Hoosiers 16 and older beginning Wednesday.  
Jay County has vaccination clinics available at Jay County Health Department and IU Health Jay. To schedule an appointment, visit ourshot.in.gov or by calling the state's 2-1-1 telephone assistance service.

## CR almanac

Saturday 3/27	Sunday 3/28	Monday 3/29	Tuesday 3/30	Wednesday 3/31
<b>69/44</b>	<b>52/33</b>	<b>64/41</b>	<b>64/45</b>	<b>55/28</b>
The forecast calls for a mostly sunny day with a 40% chance of rain at night.	Skies will be mostly cloudy 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 30% chance of rain at night. Mild temperatures in the evening.	40% chance of rain under mostly cloudy skies. Temperatures below freezing at night.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> Estimated jackpot: \$238 million	58-59-62-64-65-66-80 Cash 5: 3-7-29-31-39 Estimated jackpot: \$75,000
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$137 million	<b>Ohio</b> Midday Pick 3: 9-0-8 Pick 4: 0-3-4-2 Pick 5: 2-6-6-8-1 Evening Pick 3: 7-1-4 Pick 4: 3-9-3-6 Pick 5: 2-9-9-0-5 Rolling Cash: 6-10-12-19-34 Estimated jackpot: \$130,000
<b>Hoosier</b> Midday Daily Three: 7-1-7 Daily Four: 4-2-2-1 Evening Daily Three: 2-4-0 Daily Four: 7-6-5-4 Quick Draw: 2-4-6-21-26-27-30-32-44-45-46-52-53-	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....5.57 Wheat .....5.86	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....5.49 April corn .....5.50 Beans .....14.25 April beans .....14.25 Wheat .....5.97 July wheat ..... 5.77
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....5.68 April corn .....5.68	<b>Sunrise St. Anthony</b> Corn.....5.46 April corn .....5.55 Beans .....14.20 April beans .....14.22 Wheat .....5.60 July wheat.....5.62
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....5.55 April corn .....5.55 Beans .....14.36 April beans .....14.36 Wheat .....6.10 April wheat ..... 6.10	

## Today in history

**On March 26, 1982,** groundbreaking ceremonies took place in Washington, D.C., for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.  
**In 1812,** an earthquake devastated Caracas, Venezuela, causing an estimated 26,000 deaths, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.  
**In 1827,** composer Ludwig van Beethoven died in Vienna.  
**In 1874,** poet Robert Frost was born in San Francisco.  
**In 1892,** poet Walt Whitman died in Camden, New Jersey.  
**In 1917,** the Seattle Metropolitans became the first U.S. team to win the Stanley Cup as they defeated the Montreal Canadiens in Game 4 of the finals by a score of 9-1.  
**In 1962,** the U.S. Supreme Court, in Baker v. Carr, gave federal courts the power to order reapportionment of states' legislative districts.  
**In 1971,** Dorwin J. Myron, 50, Portland, died when the pick-up truck he was driving collided with a semi on U.S. 24 about 5 miles west of Huntington.  
**In 1992,** a judge in Indianapolis sentenced former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson to six years in prison for raping a Miss Black America contestant. (Tyson ended up serving three years.)  
**In 1997,** the bodies of 39 members of the Heaven's Gate religious cult who committed suicide were found inside a rented mansion in Rancho Santa Fe, California.  
—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 Plan 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.

## Capsule Reports

**Clinics available**  
Meridian Services will host a pair of drive-thru coronavirus vaccination clinics from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in Muncie. Clinics will be at Meridian Health Pediatrics, 205 N. Tillotson, Ave. and Southside Middle School, 1601 E. 26th St.  
Pre-registration is not required.  
Vaccinations are current-

ly available to Hoosiers 40 and older.  
**Off the road**  
A Portland teen went off a bridge while driving on county road 800 South about 11:30 a.m. Thursday.  
Brenton B. Witt, 17, was driving west on the road near county road 450 West. He was driving across a small bridge when he noticed a van driving

toward him. He told Jay County Sheriff's Office he attempted to move his 1980 Ford F150 to the side of his lane and his tire went over part of the bridge, causing the truck to go into a ditch.  
Witt's vehicle was towed, with damage estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.  
**Deer struck**  
A Winchester woman drove into a deer on Indi-

ana 1 about 6:25 a.m. Tuesday.  
Emma G. Collins, 61, was driving north on the highway near county road 400 South when a deer ran in front of her 2016 Ford Escape. She later told Jay County Sheriff's Office she was unable to avoid the collision. Damage—including a broken headlight and dented door panel—is estimated less than \$1,000.

# Casino to open May 14

**By KAREN CAFFARINI**  
Post-Tribune (Merrillville)  
An executive with Hard Rock International announced Tuesday its new land-based casino in Gary will open its doors to the public on May 14, saying he believed "all the speed bumps" surrounding a former executive are behind them.  
Hard Rock International Chief Operating Officer Jon Lucas said a Friends and Family event will take place on May 11, with a VIP only opening on May 13.  
Prior to the announcement, the Indiana Gaming Commission board of directors ratified orders by commission staff calling for Rod Ratcliff, the former chief executive officer and chair of Spectacle Entertainment, to be divested from any ownership in entities associated with licensee Majestic Star Casinos and he permanently relinquish his gaming license in Indiana.  
The IGC board also approved a \$530,000 settlement with Spectacle Entertainment for taking more than 50 days to follow the regulating agency's order to remove Ratcliff and replace him with a new manager.  
Hard Rock and Spectacle are part-

ners in the \$300 million Gary project and an upcoming casino project to be located in Terre Haute, called Lucy Luck.  
Spectacle currently operates Majestic Star Casinos in Gary, which will close once the new casino opens.  
"Never has a casino licensee failed to comply with an IGC order for more than 50 days," said IGC Executive Director Sara Tait, in calling for the \$530,000 fine.  
Tait said she felt it was necessary to follow strict regulations for the integrity of Indiana gaming.  
The IGC had filed a complaint with Lake Superior Court in February to permanently revoke Ratcliff's Indiana gaming license, citing numerous examples of alleged wrongdoing, including being part of a scheme to funnel corporate campaign funds to an Indiana candidate for Congress, taking company money to fund his personal horse racing betting account without reporting it and obstructing justice.  
The legal matters threatened to postpone the opening of the \$300 million casino complex, located off Interstate 80/94 at the Burr Street exit.

IGC General Counsel Greg Small said remaining parties involved in the casino are in good standing, and ratifying the orders calling for Ratcliff's divestiture "allows this very important economic development project to move forward."  
Tait said the transition from boat to land casino in Gary is important for the City of Gary and its residents.  
Greg Gibson, vice chairman of Spectacle Entertainment, said its projects in Gary and Terre Haute have a total value of half a billion dollars.  
Gary Mayor Jerome Prince said the Gary casino alone generated \$52 million in construction contracts awarded to Lake County companies, \$32 million of which went to Gary contractors. It also is providing 400 to 600 new jobs.  
A spokeswoman for the union representing some Majestic Star workers said she and 24 co-workers were laid off and are in danger of losing their jobs. She said they were told they would have to reapply for new positions at Hard Rock. She said part of the agreement called for all Majestic Star employees to be given the opportunity to move over to Hard Rock.

## Felony arrests

**Theft**  
An Ohio man was arrested Thursday for theft.  
Brandon A.M. Risner, 31, 5332 Ohio 274 East, Rushsylvania, was preliminarily charged two Level 6 felonies for theft and resisting law enforcement. He was released from Jay County Jail and is being held on \$10,000 bond.  
**Trespassing**  
A Liberty man was arrested Thursday for criminal trespassing.  
Dakota C. Nicklay, 27, 300 Meadow Lane, was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony for criminal trespassing and a Class A misdemeanor for resisting law enforcement. He was booked into Jay County Jail and is being held without bond.  
**Dealing**  
A Portland man was arrested Thursday for dealing drugs.  
Cody S. Gierhart, 31, 6769 W. 400 South, was preliminarily charged a Level 3 felony for dealing cocaine, methamphet-

amine or narcotic drugs. He was also charged a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana and a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia. He's being held in Jay County Jail and is being held on \$32,000 bond.  
**Possession**  
A Pennville woman was arrested Wednesday for drug possession.  
Stephanie N. McClain, 44, 168 W Maple St., was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony for possession of cocaine, methamphetamine or narcotic drugs. She's being held in Jay County Jail on \$3,000 bond.  
**Obstruction**  
A Portland man was arrested Wednesday for obstruction of justice.  
Jason W. Hensley, 46, 3562 E. 300 North, was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony for obstruction of justice. He was also charged with a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana. He's being held in Jay County Jail on \$4,000 bond.

### SERVICES

**Today**

**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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# Brown pelicans can inspire awe

By ANN CAMERON SIEGAL  
Special To The Washington Post

It's hard not to giggle at the clumsy, clownish walk of a brown pelican. But their graceful flying in precise formations is awe-inspiring.

Bill Portlock, a retired educator with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, became interested in them years ago when he first saw them "plunge diving" — making a headfirst dive from as much as 65 feet up, zooming arrowlike with folded wings into water for food. Their expanding gular (throat) pouches can scoop up to three gallons of water while catching fish.

The quirky birds will soon return to the Chesapeake Bay after wintering on the Southern coast. They are fascinating to observe but even more interesting after learning about their survival story.

In 1970, brown pelicans were put on the U.S. government's endangered species list. The insect-killing chemical DDT, which had been used for several decades, contami-

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nated fish, the pelicans' main food source. The chemical harmed the pelicans' abilities to breed.

"Their eggshells were too thin to allow successful incubation by their parents," Portlock said. DDT was banned in 1972.

Not regularly seen around the Bay until 1987, there were 63 breeding pairs of brown pelicans in 1993 and more than 900 pairs by the late 1990s. They were taken off the endangered species list in 2009, and today there are more than 2,500 pairs.

"Climate change creates an expanded breeding season," said Dave Brinker, central region ecologist with Maryland's Department of Natural Resources.

Warm weather lasts beyond summer. With islands free of raccoons



For The Washington Post/Ann Cameron Siegal

Brown pelicans used to be an endangered species. Now there are more than 2,500 pairs in the Chesapeake Bay area.

and other pelican-chick predators and water full of fish called menhaden to eat, "pelicans found the Bay and liked it," Brinker said.

Most brown pelicans migrate south for the winter. Even there, sudden cold snaps can happen as they did this year.

On Oak Island, North Carolina, in late February, Sea Biscuit Wildlife Shelter

treated 16 juvenile brown pelicans having problems moving and eating because of frostbite on their feet and in their gular pouches.

"Some young pelicans make poor choices," said Mary Ellen Rogers, the shelter's founder. Adult pelicans typically know to head to warmer areas before getting frostbite.

Rogers's patients are being released now that the

temperatures are consistently above 40 degrees.

"Most of the frostbite issues are mild and healing. Only a couple might lose enough web tissue to (prevent) release," she said.

Brown pelicans also face habitat loss as rising sea levels and more frequent storms flood their breeding sites.

"They are constantly searching for suitable nest-

ing habitats," said coastal biologist Ruth Boettcher of Virginia's Department of Wildlife Resources.

Five years ago, a storm washed out their usual sandy ground-nesting site on Wreck Island (a barrier island on Virginia's Eastern Shore). Pelicans moved into large shrubs and small trees typically occupied by herons and ibises.

"There is constant competition for higher ground," Boettcher said.

That adaptability helps. "Forty percent of all water birds in the Bay are declining in population because of habitat loss, but pelicans and cormorants are increasing," Portlock said.

But scientists need to keep an eye on the birds, which Portlock called "early messengers" of how their environment is doing. A rise or decline in population can indicate environmental changes or the presence of toxins that could also affect humans.

"They're not only fun to watch," he said, "they can give us a window into their world and ours."

# Fortunes have followed divergent paths

DEAR ABBY: I used to be a successful working woman until I lost my husband of 30 years. After I became homeless, I met "Tom." We've been good friends for the last five years, hanging out in the woods, sometimes getting hotel rooms. It's a platonic relationship, but we rely on each other.

I receive Social Security survivor benefits now, and I want to move on and get my own place. He says he's fine with it, but I feel terribly guilty. He gets a small disability check but is not wise with money. How can I comfort him? — GUILTY IN FLORIDA

DEAR GUILTY: Tom has told you he is fine with you upgrading your living situation. I presume that you

## Dear Abby



impossible because I think I'm heterosexual. Leaving this relationship scares me because I can't imagine a life without her.

I told her I didn't know if, for several reasons, sex would be a part of our relationship, but that I do love her. She doesn't seem to mind at all. I'm not sure what to do. Please help. — LOVING IN LOUISIANA

DEAR LOVING: What you need to do is be honest with your partner. It is possible that you are bisexual and need to explore relationships with men before making up your mind about any permanent relationship. If sex is important to you, then the person you wind up with may not be this woman you

love and admire, but someone else entirely.

DEAR ABBY: My grandson died by suicide in 2019. My daughter, hasn't spoken to me since. Why? Because we did not call her on the phone. We were texting her, and she was texting us back. When I did try to call, she wouldn't answer the phone.

It has been more than a year now. She won't respond to other family members, either. Please advise me what to do in this sad situation. — WOUNDED GRANDMA IN TEXAS

DEAR GRANDMA: Not knowing your daughter, I am hesitant to guess why she has isolated herself from everyone. She may have felt she was

entitled to more support from you all and didn't receive it.

As many people have pointed out in my column, while texts may be efficient, they are a poor substitute for a human voice. Because she refuses your calls, write her a letter telling her you love her and apologize for letting her down after the tragedy of losing her son. Whether it will help, I can't guess — but at least the olive branch will have been offered.

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.

## 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.

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

THE LANDING — A 12-step program for those in sixth through 12th grade will meet at 5:55 p.m. each Tuesday at 2nd Chance at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 703-0777 or (260) 726-5273.

A BETTER LIFE — BRANNA'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.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Church of God of Prophecy, 797 N. Creagor Ave. in Portland. For more information, call (260) 766-9334.

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

# Sudoku

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

Level: Advanced

## Thursday's Solution

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

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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# Quarry proposal raises concerns

To the editor:  
In the past few weeks there has been an overabundance of conversation about U.S. Aggregates and its proposed expansion to the north of its present location.

Most of the discussion has revolved around three major points of contention. One is the dust created by the crushing of stone, which produces respirable crystalline silica, a deadly byproduct of the crushing process.

Another is blasting. My first encounter with this problem was 40 years ago. One blast at 1 p.m. knocked a picture from the wall and snapped the picture tube of our brand new TV in two. The insurance company said it was an "act of God" and refused their obligation. At any rate, blasting is a major issue.

The third issues is water. Everyone in the Beacon Heights addition is on their own well. It's understandable that these people are concerned about the possibility of their well going dry. U.S. Aggregates has assured us if a well goes

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dry, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources will determine the fault of the well's failure. If a high capacity water user is determined to be at fault, the owner of the high capacity well can, not will, be liable and could, not will, be required to provide an alternate supply.

What are the odds of this happening to home owners in the Beacon Heights addition?

According to U.S. Aggregates, it is pumping 400,000 gallons a day from its existing plant. Granted, this is ground seepage.

In a new location, how long will it take to reach these numbers.

Water does tend to seek its own level.

Thank you.  
Respectfully,  
Larry Chittum  
Portland



SPRING BROKE

# What is China afraid of?

By FRED HIATT

The Washington Post

In a testy exchange kicking off the first high-level talks between Chinese Communist officials and the Biden administration, China's delegation warned the United States not to go all high-and-mighty.

"Many people within the United States actually have little confidence in the democracy of the United States," noted Yang Jiechi, director of the Chinese Office of the Central Commission for Foreign Affairs, "and they have various views regarding the government of the United States."

To which we Americans might respond: Tell us something we don't know. "Various views" surely understates our contentiousness, and whose confidence in American democracy has not been shaken after the past four years?

Yet I couldn't help thinking: If China is so confident in the superiority of its own model — by contrast, "the leaders of China have the wide support of the Chinese people," Yang insisted — why do its leaders act so afraid?

Why would a popular government lock up a man such as Wang Bingzhang, for example?

Wang was a democracy advocate living in North America in 2002 when Chinese agents kidnapped him from a meeting in Vietnam and smuggled him across the border into China. They detained him secretly for six months and then, in a closed one-day "trial," sentenced him to life in prison.

Nearly two decades later, Wang is still in solitary confinement in a remote Chinese prison. If China's Communist rulers are so beloved, why are they afraid to let this 73-year-old man out of jail?

And I wondered: Why would such a beloved regime be so afraid of Zhang Zhan?

As The Washington Post's Lily Kuo reported, Zhang, a lawyer-turned-citizen-journalist, was sentenced in a

Fred Hiatt



every country, and its challenges, too. Those challenges are particularly daunting in a country where respondents know the wrong opinion can get them thrown into jail. In China, hundreds of lawyers, journalists and human rights defenders are in prison because they expressed the wrong opinion. Tycoons have lost their businesses for holding wrong opinions. Websites are banned if they do not parrot official Communist versions of history. Social media apps are not allowed if China's secret police cannot read or listen to every conversation.

Many Americans feared deeply for our democracy as President Donald Trump and his cronies chipped away at the rule of law and flouted the constitutional norms we had always counted on. Yang is right about that. Many of us feel far from sanguine that the danger is past, as Trump loyalists in many states work to make voting more difficult.

And who would disagree, as George Floyd's killer goes on trial in Minnesota and Asian women are gunned down in Georgia, that "the challenges facing the United States in human rights are deep-seated," as Yang put it.

Yet, last fall, Americans were able to organize and rally and vote, and we turned out one leader and installed another. I can endorse Yang's criticism of U.S. human rights without being sent to prison for "picking quarrels and provoking trouble."

So I would say to Director Yang, you are right about America. If you are just as right about China, let Wang Bingzhang and Zhang Zhan and Joshua Wong out of prison. Let them speak their minds. Let your people organize and rally and vote. Let us see how wide and deep your support really is.

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Hiatt is the editorial page editor of The Washington Post.

# Columnist grateful to have seen Baylor

By COLBERT I. KING

The Washington Post

The tying shot at the buzzer in last week's Virginia Tech-Florida NCAA men's basketball tournament game brought customers at Master's Touch barbershop in the District of Columbia to their feet.

I was among them. But I felt the need to inform the country's greatest basketball player, Elgin Baylor, grew up and played ball in Washington, D.C. It was to remind them that what they had witnessed could never measure up to Baylor on a basketball court.

So I was stunned and saddened by news that Baylor died Monday at 86.

The accolades are pouring in. Wonderful prose about his prowess on the hardwood, his hanging in the air, his repertoire of moves and shots, his total ownership of the craft. Observations based, for the most part, on TV clips, press accounts, basketball lore.

That's not how I got to know about Baylor.

My introduction to him was neither direct nor formal. But I was an eyewitness, present almost at the creation.

My first time seeing him was during the 1953-54 high school basketball season when D.C. public schools were racially segregated. Black schools were in Division 2. You don't have to guess who occupied Division 1.

I was an eighth- or ninth-grader at Division 2 Francis Junior High School, which had a newly built gymnasium. Although it was miles away from the city's Black senior high schools, Francis Junior High was selected to host some extramural basketball games.

I recall our physical education teacher, Mr. Jackson, telling us that Spingarn High School's basketball team was coming to play (Armstrong High School, I think), and that we were going to see something special.

He said Spingarn had a player named Elgin Baylor who was called "Rabbit."

Now here's where basketball lore gets a little mixed up.

In his column saluting Baylor, my Washington Post colleague Thomas Boswell said Baylor was dubbed "Rabbit" "for his leaping."

Colbert I. King



I recall Jackson as saying Baylor was given that nickname because, like a rabbit, he seemed to have eyes on both sides of his head, enabling him to see what was coming from either side. Anyway, that's what I heard, in 1953, and that's pretty much what I saw during that basketball season. On the court, Baylor seemed to see and have total control over everything around him.

After his game at Francis Junior High, two classmates and I made it a point to travel across town to Spingarn to watch him go to work.

In one game against Phelps Vocational High School, which Baylor had briefly attended, he scored 63 points. We were there — in stunned disbelief.

Of course, he was playing before the free throw lanes were widened. In those days, Baylor could leap and grab a missed free throw off the backboard and put it in the basket before landing on the floor.

I watched him wow the crowd at the now-defunct Joe Turner's Arena where, with his brother Kermit, he played with the Stonewall A.C. Seemed as though everybody on that team could "jam" or "dunk" the ball.

He was a sensation. So you can imagine my surprise when my Dunbar High School classmate Carol Poyner told me sometime around 1956 or in early 1957, when we were about to graduate, that her best friend, Ruby Saunders, also a classmate, was going on a date with a fellow named Elgin Baylor, whom neither one of them knew much about. I told them as much as a spectator and admirer could.

On June 22, 1958, Ruby and Elgin Baylor were married. I was unaware that they divorced 16 years later. Baylor and I never met. But I put in a good word for him.

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King writes a column — sometimes about D.C., sometimes about politics — that runs in The Washington Post on Saturdays.

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# Traffic jam at canal grows

**More than 200 vessels are stuck behind container ship**

ships were en route to the waterway, according to the data firm Refinitiv.

Apparently anticipating long delays, the owners of the stuck vessel diverted a sister ship, the Ever Greet, to head around Africa instead, according to satellite data.

Others also are being diverted to avoid the canal. The liquid natural gas carrier Pan Americas changed course in the mid-Atlantic, now aiming south to go around the southern tip of Africa, according to satellite data from MarineTraffic.com.

About 10% of world trade flows through the canal, which is particularly crucial for the transport of oil. The closure also could affect oil and gas shipments to Europe from the Middle East.

Capt. Nicolas Sloane, a maritime salvage expert who led the high-profile effort to salvage the cruise ship Costa Concordia in 2012, said extracting the Ever Given is "quite a challenge" and could take five days to a week.

The Ever Given's location, size and large amount of cargo make the operation more complex, Sloane said. The operation should focus initially on dredging the bank and sea floor around it to get it floating again, rather than unloading its cargo, which could take weeks.

That's because the clock is also ticking structurally for the vessel, he added.

"The longer it takes, the worse the condition of the ship will become, because she's slowly sagging," said Sloane, vice president of the International Salvage Union. "So ships are designed to flex, but not to be kept at that position with a full load of cargo for weeks at a time. So it's not an easy situation."

The Suez Canal Authority said it welcomed international offers to help free the vessel, including one from the United States, although it did not say what kind of assistance was offered.

The Ever Given, owned by the Japanese firm Shoei Kisen KK, got wedged Tuesday in a single-lane stretch of the canal, about 6 kilometers (3.7 miles) north of the southern entrance, near the city of Suez. The vessel remained grounded this morning, said Leth Agencies, which services the canal.

Tugboats and a specialized suction dredger were trying to dislodge it, as Egyptian authorities prohibited media access to the site.

In addition to the over 200 vessels waiting near the canal, more than 100



Washington Post/Demetrius Freeman

President Joe Biden answers questions from reporters during his first formal news conference as president Thursday. He began by announcing a new pandemic goal of giving out 200 million coronavirus shots in his first 100 days. He also discussed the possibility of eliminating the filibuster in the Senate, immigration issues at the border with Mexico, troops in Afghanistan and gun laws, among other topics.

## President ...

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He argued that even GOP voters believe actions that make it harder for people to cast ballots are "despicable" attempts to undermine democracy.

The president was repeatedly pressed about the situation at the U.S.-Mexico border, where increasing numbers of young migrants have overwhelmed the government's holding facilities. Biden promised better media access to the camps — once his administration has a better handle on things — as well as improvements to the nation's immigration system and U.S. help to improve conditions in the migrants' home countries.

"I can't guarantee that we're going to solve everything, but I can guarantee that we're going to make it better," he said.

And in the aftermath of two mass shootings in a week, Biden was pressed on his plans for new gun violence laws. He responded that legislating is "a matter of timing" and then gave a long-winded answer about his infrastructure plan, which he said will be his administration's next legislative priority.

Biden had held off on holding his first news conference until he could

use it to celebrate progress against the pandemic and passage of a giant COVID-19 relief package.

In his opening remarks, he declared that "hope is on the way," and he doubled his original goal on COVID-19 vaccines by pledging that the nation will administer 200 million doses by the end of his first 100 days in office. The administration had met Biden's initial goal of 100 million doses earlier this month — before even his 60th day in office — as the president pushes to defeat a pandemic that has killed more than 545,000 Americans.

While seemingly ambitious, Biden's vaccine goal amounts to a continuation of the existing pace of vaccinations through the end of next month.

When Biden moved on to fielding questions, the president didn't get a single query about the virus that has rewritten the rules of society for more than a year.

Biden was the first chief executive in four decades to reach this point in his term without holding a formal news conference, where reporters have the opportunity for extended back-and-forth with the president on the issues of the day. That delay pro-

duced a surprising level of anticipation for a chief executive who has deliberately tried to turn down the temperature in a city overheated by his predecessor Donald Trump.

Biden, who once proclaimed himself a "gaffe machine," avoided any major stumbles even as he rambled at times and cut himself off at one point, suddenly asking, "Am I giving too long an answer?"

He acknowledged several vexing foreign policy problems he faces immediately, including growing concerns about North Korea's nuclear program, a looming May 1 deadline to withdraw U.S. troops from Afghanistan, and China's rising stature as an economic competitor.

Early Thursday, North Korea launched the first ballistic missile tests of the Biden administration, what some analysts say was a measured provocation to catch the new president's attention.

The Biden administration has sought to restart talks with Kim Jong Un's regime in hopes of persuading the North to give up its nuclear program, but thus far has faced radio silence from the North. Biden was restrained as he admonished the North for the latest tests.

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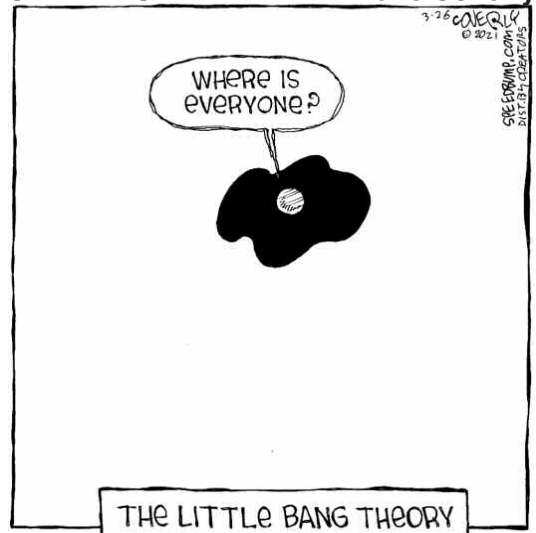
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# Reds' India impresses, ready for breakout

By DAVID BRANDT  
AP Sports Writer

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Cincinnati Reds infielder Jonathan India might be forcing his way onto the big league roster and even a starting spot in the infield thanks to an impressive spring performance.

The fifth overall pick in the 2018 draft out of Florida is showing why he was such a highly regarded prospect a few seasons ago. Through his first 17 spring games, he hit .333 with four doubles and two homers and is a candidate to start at second base.

The 24-year-old India had a slow start to his professional career, producing good but not great numbers during his first

two minor league seasons. He spent all of 2020 at the team's alternate training site during the shortened 60-game season and was never promoted to the big leagues.

But now he looks like he belongs.

"It says so much about the difference a year makes in a young player's career," Reds manager David Bell said last week. "Not that he wasn't in a good place last year, but the development has been very significant over the past year."

Here's a look at a few others who are playing well in Grapefruit and Cactus League action:

**Josh Rojas, 2B/SS/OF, Diamondbacks:** The 26-year-old has 20 exhibition hits, including

three doubles and three homers, to solidify his spot on the D-backs' roster and possibly even earn a starting role at second base. Manager Torey Lovullo has also been impressed with how Rojas handles shortstop defensively, also allowing him to be a potential backup for starter Nick Ahmed.

**Kenta Maeda, RHP, Twins:** Maeda was one of the American League's best pitchers last season, finishing second in the Cy Young Award voting after finishing with a 6-1 record and 2.70 ERA. He's back at it this spring, giving up just one run in 14 1/3 innings during four exhibition starts.

**Tyler O'Neill, OF, Cardinals:** St. Louis hopes a handful

of young outfielders can step forward, including O'Neill. The 25-year-old won a Gold Glove last year but struggled at the plate, batting just .173 with seven homers. He's been much better this spring, batting .400 with three doubles and two homers.

**Ty France, 3B/2B, Mariners:** The 26-year-old split time with the Padres and Mariners last season after a mid-season trade and hit over .300 with both teams. So far this spring, France is proving those numbers might be duplicated over a full 162-game season. He's batting .385 with five homers in exhibition games and looks more and more like he'll be a big part of the lineup.

**Jake Arrieta, RHP, Cubs:** The 35-year-old Arrieta wasn't particularly good for the Phillies last season, finishing with a 5.08 ERA and just 32 strikeouts in 44 1/3 innings. But now he's back with the Cubs — which is where he won the NL Cy Young Award in 2015 — and has had some success this spring. He's got a 2.40 ERA through four spring starts.

**Adam Wainwright, RHP, Cardinals:** Wainwright will turn 40 years old this summer but has continued his late-career resurgence with a good spring. He was very good for St. Louis in 2020 with a 5-3 record and 3.15 ERA. The three-time All-Star has a 1.83 ERA in five exhibition starts and has struck out 20 batters in 19 1/3 innings.

## Remains ...

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Miami was a major pursuer for Lowry, and now simply may try to add him again as a free agent later this year. But the reigning Eastern Conference champions pivoted in time to add Oladipo — a two-time All-Star, a 21-point-per-game scorer this season and someone only three years removed from All-NBA status — from Houston, in exchange for Kelly Olynyk, Avery Bradley and a pick swap in 2022.

"The actual day, there's usually a lot more hype and then a lot less action than what is speculated," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said. "That was probably true this year as well."

Questions swirled around Lowry all the way to the 3 p.m. EST deadline, and there were signs that the Raptors were positioning themselves to make the move. Toronto traded Matt Thomas to Utah and Terence Davis to Sacramento for future draft picks, not long before the deadline to open up roster spots — necessary because anyone who obtained Lowry would have had to send multiple players to Toronto in order to make the salary ramifications work.

In the end, though, the Raptors couldn't be swayed to part with Lowry. So, on his 35th birthday, Lowry woke up as a Raptor — and remained one. He'll be a free agent when the season ends, and there's no guarantee he returns.

"We are comfortable with whatever direction we go," Raptors President Masai Ujiri said. "Maybe we lost a chance here, but we also think we gained a chance in some other things going forward. This team, especially with

what we've gone through this year, could pivot in many different directions and this is where we find ourselves now."

The Clippers — who sought point guard help for weeks — got it in Rondo, who was part of the Los Angeles Lakers' run to the title last season and now returns to L.A. The Clippers gave up Lou Williams in that deal with Atlanta, sending him back to his home state and the team with whom he spent two seasons from 2012 through 2014.

Another veteran joined a Western Conference contender when New Orleans sent JJ Redick to the Dallas Mavericks, along with Nicolò Melli for Wes Iwundu, James Johnson and a second-round pick in this summer's draft. Redick satisfies Dallas' want for more shooting and provides a veteran voice to help younger players — just as JJ Barea did for Dallas in past seasons.

The Heat made another deal prior to the Oladipo one being struck, landing Nemanja Bjelica from Sacramento for little-used forwards Maurice Harkless and Chris Silva.

The deadline passed without moves getting made for San Antonio's LaMarcus Aldridge and Cleveland's Andre Drummond, a pair of veteran post players who have not been on the court for their current — and soon to be former — clubs in several weeks, after decisions were made in both cases for the sides to move on amicably. Aldridge's buyout was finalized Thursday afternoon and the Cavaliers were working toward one with Drummond; those moves will make them free to sign with the club of their choosing.

## Bigs having impact in women's NCAA

By PETE IACOBELLI  
AP Sports Writer

Post players are having a big impact on the women's NCAA Tournament.

Teams that have reached the Sweet 16 teams are getting major contributions from their "Bigs."

The impressive list includes: —Aliyah Boston. The South Carolina All-American has had 39 points and 25 rebounds in her first two career NCAA games as the Gamecocks reached the round of 16 for a seventh straight year.

—Sedona Prince. Oregon's 6-foot-7 Prince became the center of attention on sports shows with dunk during warmups before the Ducks' rallied for a second-round win against Georgia to reach the regional semifinals for a fourth consecutive season.

—Olivia Nelson-Ododa. At 6-5, the UConn Huskie has 39 points through

two games. UConn is in the Sweet 16 for a 27th consecutive season.

There will plenty of length on the court this weekend; 13 of the teams start at least one player 6-3 or taller.

"I'll be watching that," said Debbie Antonelli, college basketball analyst and broadcaster.

Boston, one of the Gamecocks talented sophomores, has been a steady influence as her team dealt with high expectations after their success a season ago. South Carolina spent the last 10 weeks of the 2020 season at No. 1 and won their final 26 straight games before COVID-19 ended what seemed to be a deep tournament run.

During the offseason, Boston worked on improving her fitness and technique under the basket. The results were an All-American season in which she averaged a double-double.

## Pushes ...

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"I was talking to a lot of them, but none of them really offered like that," Abmas said. "But coach Springmann (ORU assistant coach Russell Springmann) and the staff here — they just fell in love with (me) from day one and they showed a lot of love. They really wanted me to come in and have an impact on ORU basketball. And so that's what I wanted to do at the end of the day was take the best fit for me and have an impact on the program."

Obanor, from Houston, drew attention from Arkansas, Wake Forest, TCU, N.C. State and others.

And here they are, on basketball's

biggest stage.

Abmas, dubbed "Midcourt Max" by some fans, introduced himself to Ohio State by hitting a 3-pointer from the logo that gave the Golden Eagles a 7-0 lead and he wound up with 18 points by halftime. Obanor took over with 20 points in the second half and overtime in Oral Roberts' 75-72 win. The two scored 59 points between them.

It was a familiar story in the second-round win over Florida. Abmas set the tone with 16 points in the first half while Obanor scored 20 in the second. In all, 57 points combined.

"Obanor has just got a unique abil-

"The energy that she puts into a game and the preparation, and the duration of the 40 minutes that's being played is unmatched by any player on the collegiate level," South Carolina coach Dawn Staley said. "Take that to the bank on both sides of the basketball."

Boston and South Carolina, the top seed in the Hemisfair Region, will play Sunday against No. 5 seed Georgia Tech. The Yellow Jackets advanced in part due to 6-4 Lorela Cubaj, who has 35 points and 22 rebounds combined in the Yellow Jackets two tournament wins.

Oregon's Prince has been a focal point both on and off the court this tournament. The Texas transfer who hadn't played in two seasons because of a broken right leg in 2018, has gradually worked her into the lineup. She's third on the team at 10.7 points a game.

ity to get it (his shot) off, to create a little space and get it off," Florida coach Mike White said. "Abmas is just phenomenal with his speed, and you crowd him too much, and you want to take away that three, and it's a layup or a drive-and-kick or a foul."

Attention has followed the Golden Eagles, who are just the second 15 seed to reach the second weekend of the tournament after Florida Gulf Coast's Dunk City team. Mills noted the increase in media requests for his two stars and former mid-major star Ja Morant of the Memphis Grizzlies has tweeted about Abmas.

He appreciates the attention, but wants his teammates to get credit.

## Sports on tap

### Local schedule

**Saturday**  
Fort Recovery — Softball at Delphos Jefferson — 11 a.m.; JV baseball double-header 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.

**Thursday**  
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

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

**Registration is Wednesday**  
Portland Junior League another registration day on Wednesday.

The session will be from 6 to 8 p.m. at Jay Community Center, 115 E. Water St., Portland.

Registration forms can be picked up at JCC, or they're available online at PJL's Facebook page.

The league is open to boys and girls ages 5 to 15.

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Hope Powell whose mailing address is PO Box 2 Bryant, IN 47326, And whose residence is in Jay County, Indiana hereby gives notice that Hope Powell has filed a petition in the Jay Superior/Circuit Court Civil Division Room Requesting the marriage of Hope Powell and Clifton Powell be dissolved. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on the 23rd day of April, 2021 at 2 o'clock pm. Hope Powell Bryant, IN 47326 CR 3/12,19,26-2021-HSPAXLP

## Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

### Test your play

You are declarer with the West hand at Six Spades, and North leads the four of clubs. How would you play the hand?

**West**  
♠ A K J 10 8 4  
♥ J 9  
♦ A 9 4  
♣ A 2

**East**  
♠ Q 9 7 5 2  
♥ A Q  
♦ K J 3  
♣ K 8 3

**This is strictly a percentage problem.** There is no way to guarantee the slam, but there is one approach that gives you the best chance for the contract. Three different lines of play stand out, and they all start the same way. You win the club lead with the ace, draw trump, cash the king of clubs and ruff a club.

**Line No. 1:** You take a heart finesse. If the queen loses to the king and a heart is returned, you next lead a diamond to the ace and a diamond back, finessing the jack.

This approach wins if North has either the king of hearts or queen of diamonds. It offers about a 75% chance of success.

**Line No. 2:** You cash the A-K of diamonds. Assuming the queen does not fall, you then continue with the jack of diamonds.

If South has the queen, school is out because he must return a heart or yield a ruff-and-discard. But if North has the queen of diamonds, he wins

and returns a heart. You take the finesse, and the outcome depends on who has the heart king.

This line of play succeeds if either opponent has the singleton or doubleton queen of diamonds, if South has the queen of diamonds, or if North has the king of hearts. The overall chance of success is about 78%.

**Line No. 3:** You play the ace of hearts followed by the queen. If South has the king, it's all over, because he must lead a diamond or yield a ruff-and-discard.

If North has the king of hearts, he is forced to return a diamond. If he has either the queen or ten, or both, you make the contract by following low from dummy. Thus, if North has 10-x-x and leads a low diamond, South's ten is trapped. If North returns the ten instead, you cover with dummy's jack to make the contract.

If North has the queen of diamonds, the outcome is the same. You follow low from dummy, take South's ten with the ace and then finesse the jack.

This method of play succeeds if South has the king of hearts or if North has either the ten or queen of diamonds, or both. It offers about an 87% chance of success, failing only when North has the heart king and South the queen and ten of diamonds.

**Tomorrow:** A self-imposed guess.  
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### 3-26 CRYPTOQUIP

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Today's Cryptiquip Clue: C equals N



## Deadline passes, Lowry remains with Toronto

By TIM REYNOLDS  
AP Basketball Writer

Kyle Lowry wound up staying with Toronto after all. Victor Oladipo is finally in Miami, a destination he's eyed in the past. And Rajon Rondo is headed back to Los Angeles, though not with the team he helped win the NBA title last season.

The trade deadline has come and gone. And now, playoff pushes can really begin.

Miami, Denver, the Clippers, Portland, Dallas, Boston and Atlanta were likely among the teams feeling convinced that they improved on deadline day after a flurry of moves Thursday, though the best player — at least this season — might have been landed by the Chicago Bulls. They got All-Star forward Nikola Vucevic from Orlando, a move that ushered in the start of a big-time rebuild by the Magic.

"Anytime you trade a player like Nikola, it is a tough decision to make," Magic President Jeff Weltman said.

Vucevic is the only player from this season's All-Star Game to be traded at the deadline. It was a steep price; Vucevic and Al-Farouq Aminu went to the Bulls for Otto Porter, Wendell Carter Jr. and two future first-round selections.

"Usually, you don't get too many chances at All-

### Former Pacer Oladipo moved for second time this season

Star-level players," Bulls executive vice president Artūras Karnišovas said. "And we were fortunate to get it done."

The Magic traded three of their four leading scorers; in addition to the Vucevic move, Evan Fournier was sent to Boston and Aaron Gordon is headed to Denver. Acquiring Gordon was part of a bold day for the Nuggets, who also got JaVale McGee — part of three of the last four NBA championship teams, two with Golden State and last year with the Lakers — through a trade with Cleveland.

And Toronto made one move of significance, sending Norman Powell to the Portland Trail Blazers for Rodney Hood and Gary Trent Jr. But Lowry — a free-agent-to-be and considered perhaps the biggest prize on this year's trade market — did not get traded, the Raptors apparently unable to find enough assets to their liking.

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## Dillan delivers

Dillan Evers of the Fort Recovery High School baseball team delivers a pitch during the top of the first inning in the Indians' scrimmage against the Perry Commodores on Monday. The Tribe opens its 2021 campaign by hosting the Celina Bulldogs at 5 p.m. Monday.

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## Duo pushes ORU into Sweet 16

By CLIFF BRUNT  
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INDIANAPOLIS — Max Abmas and Kevin Obanor have pushed each other to greatness.

Oral Roberts' star players room together on traditional road trips and have formed a bond through it, joking around and picking on each other like brothers.

It shows on the court. They have taken the NCAA Tournament by storm, leading 15th-seeded Oral Roberts to upset wins over No. 2 seed Ohio State and No. 7 seed Florida in the East Region. The Golden Eagles could keep defying the odds when they play No. 3 seed Arkansas on Saturday in the Sweet 16.

It starts with Abmas and Obanor.

"Abmas is just so difficult to keep in front of you," Arkansas coach Eric Musselman said. "And then you add in his deep, long-range shot-making ability. Those two players in particular are playing as good as any combo teammates in the tournament."

Abmas a 6-1, 165-pound

sophomore guard, leads the nation in scoring with 24.5 points per game. But he loves it when Obanor gets cooking, and the 6-8, 225-pound junior forward has in fact led the Golden Eagles in scoring during the NCAA Tournament with 29 points per contest.

"Players make plays," Abmas said. "And so for Kevin — he's a great player. I know how much work he puts in. That's really for everybody, but I know Kevin puts in a whole lot of work and so when the lights come on, he's always going to shine. I always have the confidence in him to knock down big shots, make the big play."

The two have set the tone for the rest of the team. The way Oral Roberts coach Paul Mills puts it: "If your best players are your hardest workers, you have a chance."

Abmas, from Rockwall, Texas, only got offers from Oral Roberts, Army, Navy, Air Force and Marist. He said other schools showed interest but didn't follow up.

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