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# Cajun on wheels



René and Rena LeBlanc of Berne have launched their food truck Cajun Cafe with a soft opening Feb. 26. They already have plans to provide food at events at The Tipsy Glass in rural Bryant. Cajun Cafe's locations for the coming week are posted each weekend on its Facebook page.

## After making the move from Louisiana, LeBlancs are delivering Southern flavors

By RAY COONEY The Commercial Review

Six months ago, René and Rena LeBlanc were weighing moves to Illinois and Florida.

cuisine to northeast Indiana. The LeBlancs' Cajun Cafe food truck is finishing its fourth week in business serving Adams and Wells counties with plans to be in Jay County down the road.

The food truck has a floating on its Facebook page, with visits this week to Monroe, Bluffton, Berne and Decatur. There are already plans to provide food fit." during weekend events at The

Bryant, and René said he'd be High School graduate, met at interested in expanding service Counter Church in Baton elsewhere in Jay County.

"We're open to new things," Now they're bringing Cajun he said. "If someone invites us ice activities. They married in here we are. and there is a place to park, we'll give it a try. That's what we're their three children started weeks, and here we are six looking for. If we can get four or five good spots a week and be there consistently, we make money, the customer's happy, it's win-win.

"We're still feeling out our difschedule posted each weekend ferent towns ... The towns we go to that are real receptive, we want it to be kind of predictable and change a little bit as we see

René and Rena (née Rowell), a

2016 and when the youngest of school at Duke University in August making them emptynesters, they decided it was time for a move.

René had a job opportunity in Pensacola, Florida, while Rena opening pursued an Greenville (Illinois) University, her alma mater. They were visiting Rena's family in Adams County when she learned the Greenville job didn't pan out,

Tipsy Glass winery in rural Berne native and South Adams and that sparked a conversa-

"I asked her, 'Are you ready to Rouge, Louisiana, and bonded go to Pensacola or do you want over their involvement in serv- to stay here?" said René. "And

"We came up to visit for two months later."

Wherever they went, René he started as a dishwasher at The Crescent in Abbeville, Louisiana, at age 15 and worked his way up to cook before moving on to become a cook at Bourbon Street Cafe and a server at Chartres House in New Orleans wanted to bring Cajun culture and food with him.

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## China, Russia invited to talks

Climate summit will be held virtually in April

By ELLEN KNICKMEYER and SETH BORENSTEIN

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden is including rivals Vladimir Putin of Russia and Xi Jinping of China among the invitees to the first big climate talks of his administration, an event the U.S. hopes will help shape, speed up and deepen global efforts to cut fossil fuel pollution, administration officials told The Associated Press.

The president is seeking to revive a U.S.-convened forum of the world's major economies on climate that George W. Bush and Barack Obama both used and Donald Trump let languish. Leaders of some of the world's top climatechange sufferers, do-gooders and backsliders round out the rest of the 40 invitations being delivered Friday. It will be held virtually April 22 and 23.

Hosting the summit will fulfill a campaign pledge and executive order by Biden, and the administration is timing the event to coincide with its own upcoming announcement of what will be a much tougher U.S. target for revamping the U.S. economy to sharply cut emissions from coal, natural gas and oil.

The session — and whether it's all talk, or some progress — will test Biden's pledge to make climate change a priority among competing political, economic, policy and pandemic problems. It also will pose a very public and potentially embarrassing or empowering — test of whether U.S. leaders, and Biden in particular, can still drive global decision-making after the Trump administration withdrew globally and shook up longstanding alliances.

## Retrospect

## FR celebrated title

week, Fort Recovery was celebrating a state championship.

The March 29, 1971, edition of The Commercial Review featured coverage of the Fort Recovery High School boys basketball team's 70-57 victory over Marion Pleasant in the Class A state championship game at Ohio State University's St. John Arena.

The victory came in the Tribe's second trip to the state final four in a span of three years. It had also played at St. lead for good one he hit Marion Pleasant 20-7 on John in 1969, losing 69- a free throw with one free throws.

state semifinal.

The Indians took control of the game by outscoring Marion Pleasant 18-10 in the second quarter. And after having several close calls in the tournament, the Tribe's state title was never in doubt in the second half as it led by as many as 22 points in the fourth quarter.

Fifty years ago this 68 to Bridgeport in the second left in the first quarter. A 6-0 run late in the second quarter gave Fort Recovery a 33-24 lead at the half.

Forward Don Jutte set the pace for the Indians as he finished with 18 points. Kevin Dilworth added 15 points, Ron May scored 12 and Snyder chipped in nine.

Fort Recovery's state championship Marion Pleasant led was helped by a strong only once — 10-8 — and day at the free throw Ed Snyder, who later line. The Tribe shot 20-served as FRHS princi- of-24 (83 percent) from of-24 (83 percent) from pal, gave the Indians the the stripe, outscoring



A carload of Fort Recovery High School cheerleaders holds up a "state champs" banner during a parade March 28, 1971, in celebration of the Indian boys basketball team's state championship the previous day.

## Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 61 degrees Friday. The low was 43.

Today's high is expected to climb to near 70. There is a chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight. More rain is possible during the morning and early afternoon Sunday with a high of 53 and winds gusting to 30 miles per hour. Monday's high will be 58 under sunny skies.

See page 2 for an extended out-

## In review

Jay County Commissioners have scheduled a special meeting for 3 p.m. Thursday in the commissioners' room at Jay County Courthouse.

## Coming up

**Tuesday** — Profile of Jay School Corporation's new business manager.

**Wednesday** — A look at a year of the coronavirus pandemic in Jay County.



# Hupfer re-elected GOP state chair

By KEN DE LA BASTIDE

The Herald Bulletin ANDERSON — Residents of Madison County have been elected to political leadership positions at the state and congressional district level.

was unanimously Hupfer reelected this week to continue to serve as the state chairman of the Indiana Republican Party.

This is Hupfer's second term as chairman.

term as party chairman and Party by building relationships have work to do," Hupfer said. ting out the vote, chapter honored to have the trust of Gov. (Eric) Holcomb and the Republican State Committee to continue serving in this role," Hupfer said. "The mission in 2022 of protecting our superma-Pendleton resident Kyle jorities in the state legislature, reelecting Senator Todd Young and our U.S. House delegation, and electing our Republican slate of statewide candidates begins now."

One of Hupfer's major initia-"I'm excited to begin a second ing the Indiana Republican ana at every level, but we still "If we focus on fundraising, get-

with communities that have historically not voted Republican, the party said in a press release.

Hupfer has developed the Indiana Republican Diversity Leadership Series, a seminar and leadership training program that will provide resources to increase the engagement of minority Republican leaders in Indiana.

"We've seen enormous levels tives as party chairman is grow- of Republican success in Indi-

"The worst thing we can do is be complacent."

Anderson resident Lindsay Brown has been elected president of the State Indiana Democrat African American Caucus and will serve on the State Democratic Party's central committee, which works on the party platform and the party's budget.

"This is a real opportunity for the voice of African Americans to take the lead and be heard in

growth and working with the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus, we can make a difference in Black communities across the state.

Dr. Treva Bostic was elected to serve as treasurer of the 5th Congressional District for the Democrat Party.

Kelli Heuer, vice chairwoman of the Madison County Republican Party, has been elected secretary for the 5th Congressional Indiana politics," Brown said. District caucus of the Republican Party.

## CR almanac

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Sunday 3/28	Monday 3/29	Tuesday 3/30	Wednesday 3/31	Thursday 4/1
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53/32	58/42	67/41	49/27	42/26
Skies will be mostly cloudy through- out 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.	The fore- cast calls for mostly cloudy skies and cooler temper- atures throughout the day and night.	Sunny skies again on Thursday. Lit- tle to no cloud cover in the evening, when it will be cool.
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## **Lotteries**

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 3-5-7 Daily Four: 2-4-0 Quick Draw: 11-13-17-18-19-25-26-32-34-36-37-41-42-47-60-61-67-69-74-76

Ohio

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

#### **Powerball**

Estimated jackpot:

## **Mega Millions**

Estimated jackpot:

## \$238 million

\$137 million

## Cajun Continued from page 1

So in November he bought a trailer and spent the bulk of three months renovating it and preparing it for food service while also working part-time as a cook at Chalet Village in Berne. The predominantly black trailer with red stripes, white lettering and the fleur-de-lis held a soft opening Feb. 26 in Berne and has been trying out various locations since. (It's open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. today in the Kroger parking lot in Decatur.)

The Cajun Cafe menu features classic Louisiana favorites like crawfish étouffée, gumbo, jambalaya, red beans and rice, and catfish and shrimp poboys, each served as part of a combo with a drink and side (maque choux, hushpuppies, potato salad fires) at \$9.95 or less. Desserts of bread pudding and pecan pralines are also available. (For the full lacajuncafe.com.)



Photo provided

René, whose best friend growing up had rice fields and crawfish ponds, is partial to the crawfish étouffée.

"It's a unique seafood," across most of the country like you do shrimp or

all my life. I really enjoy Fair. René said he'll be the flavor and how the evaluating those opportucrawfish bring out a nities and wants to make

unique flavor in the étouffée.

Just a month into their venture with René as the chef and Rena his partassistant, time the he said. "You don't see it LeBlancs have already started to get invitations to summer festivals and fairs, including Swiss Days in "I've just eaten crawfish Berne and Bluffton Street

sure the truck can handle the customer volume before committing.

Chef René LeBlanc of

of Cajun Cafe food truck

said his favorite dish on

the menu is the crawfish

étouffée (pictured).

Other entrees include

gumbo, jambalaya, red

beans and rice, and po-

boys.

Regardless of where the food truck is stationed, the Louisiana native who has moved to his wife's hometown is ready for summer.

"I made it through winter," he said, laughing. "I am so looking forward to spring and the weather changing and just see what the sunshine brings out."

## **Markets**

**Cooper Farms** 

<b>Fort Recovery</b>	
Corn	5.61
Wheat	5.88

#### **Portland** Corn.....5.72 April corn .....5.74

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#### **The Andersons Richland Township** Corn.....5.60

April corn	5.60
Beans	
April beans	14.23
Wheat	6.13
April wheat	
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## **Central States**

Corn	5.54
April corn	5.55
Beans	14.12
April beans	14.12
Wheat	6.00
July wheat	5.79

## Sunrise

Corn	5.50
April corn	5.59
Beans	
April beans	14.09
Wheat	
July wheat	

On March 27, 1964, Alaska was hit by a magnitude 9.2 earthquake (the strongest on record in North America) and tsunamis that together

In 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted present-day Florida.

In 1884, the first telephone line between Boston and New York was inaugurated.

In 1942, during World War II, Congress granted American servicemen free first-class mailing privileges.

In 1945, during World War II, General Dwight Eisenhower told reporters in Paris that German defenses on the Western Front had been broken.

In 1968, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin (gah-GAH'-rihn), the first man to orbit the Earth in 1961, died when his MiG-15 jet crashed during a routine training flight near Moscow; he was 34.

In 1971, Portland police investigated a break-in at Weiler's Department Store at the southeast corner of Main Meridian and Streets in Portland.

In 1971, Bob Knight was named the new head basketball coach for Indisides of the Atlantic. ana University.

Citizen's calendar

## Montpelier

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April corn	5.55
Beans	14.12
April beans	14.12
Wheat	6.00
July wheat	5.79
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## St. Anthony

## **Today in history**

In 1973, "The Godfa-ther" won the Academy Award for best picture of 1972, but its star, Marlon Brando, refused to accept his Oscar for best actor. claimed about 130 lives. Liza Minnelli won best actress for "Cabaret."
In 1975, construction

began on the Trans-Alaska Pipeline, which was completed two years later.

In 1977, in aviation's worst disaster, 583 people were killed when a KLM Boeing 747, attempting to take off in heavy fog, crashed into a Pan Am 747 on an airport runway on the Canary Island of Tenerife.

In 1980, 123 workers died when a North Sea floating oil field platform, the Alexander Kielland, capsized during a storm.

In 1995, "Forrest Gump" won six Academy Awards, including best picture and a second consecutive best actor Oscar for Tom Hanks.

In 2015, Italy's highest court overturned the murder conviction of Amanda Knox and her ex-boyfriend in the 2007 slaying of Knox's roommate, bringing to a definitive end the high-profile case that had captivated trial-watchers on both

—AP and The CR

## **Portland City Court**

#### **Judge Donald Gillespie** Fined and sentenced

Michael D. Malyska, Portland, speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph zone, \$151.50; John W. Yates Jr., Portland, driving without a valid license, \$160.50.

Failed to appear

Jeffrey S. McClure, West College Corner, speeding 78 mph in a 55 mph zone; James S. Poore, Fishers, speeding 83 mph in a 55 mph zone; Rubio, Hamilton, speeding 110 mph in a 55 mph zone; Francisco A. Sanchez, Portland, driving without a valid license.

## **Trials scheduled**

Devon L. Chipman, Hartford City. speeding 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, May 5; Zachary W. Coyle, Hartford

City, driving with a suspended license, May 5; MacKenzie L. Southerland, Montpelier, driving with a suspended license, May 5; Dana L. Zimmerman, Dunkirk, operating a vehicle with false plates and driving without insurance, May 5; William Phillips, Portland, public intoxication, May 5.

## **Waivers**

Tyrone Ouzts, Saluda, South Car-Trejo, Union City, Ohio, speeding 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$145.50; Casie M. Werntz, Celina, Ohio, disregarding auto signal, \$160.50; Derek L. Leas, Hartford City, speeding 43 mph in a 30 mph zone, \$148.50; Tammy L. Sears, Middletown, speeding 70 mph in a 55 mph zone,

\$150.50; Allysia Everidge, Berne, speeding 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$150.50; Jesse C. Joseph, Albany, speeding 69 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$153; William J. Williams, Portland, failure to provide registration (\$160.50) and a learner's permit violation (\$25); David J. Link, Fort Recovery, Ohio, speeding 77 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$171; Larry D. Sargent, Portland, speeding 42 mph in a 30 mph zone, \$147.50; Ali H. Osman, olina, violating Dunkirk's truck Blacklick, Ohio, improper parking, route ordinance, \$160.50; Celia N. \$160.50; Sara R. Lightle, Pennville, speeding 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, Samuel Jones-Brown, \$150.50; Woodridge, New York, improper parking, \$160.50; Eric L. Caldwell, Portland, speeding 48 mph in a 30 mph zone, \$148.50; Daegan D. Hawkins, Hartford City, expired plates, \$160.50.

## **Deeds**

Brown Farms and Rentals LLC to Andrew W. and Tiffani J. Alig, warranty deed — part of Section 34, Jackson Township, 35.925 acres

Cassandra S. Booth to Michelle Kelly, warranty deed — Lots 61, 62 and 63, Grisells Riverside Addition, Pennville Troy A. Gibson to himself and Leah Gib-

Jefferson Township, 7.72 acres Garland D. Walker to Caden M. and Haylev P. Price, warranty deed — part of Sec-

son, quit claim deed — part of Section 24,

tion 5, Jefferson Township, 10.815 acres Freedom Mortgage Corporation to Jeremiah M. Botros and Kirolous Guirguis, warranty deed — Lot 7, Corwin Subdivi-

sion, Portland J and S Rinker Family Farm LLC to Mary E. Rinker, quit claim deed — part of Section 35, Knox Township, 75.25 acres

Mary E. Rinker to herself, death deed —

Section 34 and part of Section 35, Knox

Louck, warranty deed — Part of Section

Township, 155.25 acres Lawrence V. Cook to Zachery and Macy

13, Richland Township, 4.05 acres Fuqua Ventures LLC to Fuqua Ventures LLC, quit claim deed — Part of Lot 9,

Block 35, Sutton Subdivision Fugua Ventures LLC to Lexus M. Harding, warranty deed — Part of Lot 10, Block 35, Tract 1, original plat of Dunkirk; Part of Lot 9, Block 35, Tract 2, Sutton Subdivi-

Evelyn M. Scott to Paul A. Scott, quit claim deed — Lot 1, Parkview Addition; Lots 2, 15 and 16, Parkview Second Addi-

Wilma J. Balle and Nicholas R. Balle (deceased) to Wilma J. Balle, death deed — Part of Section 20, Wayne Township, 1.27

## **SERVICES**

Today

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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## STEVE RITCHIE **District 4 REMC**

## Thank you for allowing me to represent you on the REMC Board of Directors.

The current REMC Board of Directors has been working very hard to keep up with all the changes in power resources. These are challenging time to keep rural electric cooperatives informed and to keep your electric rates as low as possible. Thank you for your vote and I will continue to work for you and our communities.

> Voting starts on March 22nd, 2021 at the Jay County REMC

## **Thursday**

office, city hall, 321 N. Courthouse, 120 Meridian St.

6 p.m. — Portland 10 a.m. - Portland Plan Commission, audi-Board of Works, mayor's torium, Jay County Court St., Portland.

## Surly neighbor is new co-worker

DEAR ABBY: Last year, across-the-street neighbor backed into my car. At least, that's what I think happened.

My car was parked legally on the street, and there was a huge dent in it. I called the police and, based on the location of the dent and the neighbor's driveway, the officer determined that neighbor had backed into it. Furthermore, light blue paint from my car was on her car's bumper.

When the officer went across the street, the neighbor came running out screaming at him. She was hysterical and bel-





told me that even though he was certain she did it, there was nothing he could do since it was her word against mine.

I had never met this woman before, but she is mean, and I often hear her screaming cussing at her small children. Last week, I arrived at work to discover that ligerent, and she denied my company had hired a unstable. Let it ride, it. Eventually, the officer new clerk. I'll give you keep your distance and used to be out every day

one guess who it is. I don't remain cool. If her until late in the evenings band look at women think she realizes I'm her neighbor. I must interact with her often at work, and so far, I've been probut toward her.

At some point, she's going to see me in my yard and realize I'm her neighbor. Should I clear the air now, or should I pretend it never happened? I'm still angry because she cost me a lot of money. — ANGRY NEIGHBOR

DEAR NEIGHBOR: I see nothing to be gained by "clearing the air" with someone you know is emotionally

problems manifest at the office, she may not be there long. And at home, stay away from chilly her AND her driveway.

> DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship with my boyfriend for almost four years. We live together along with my two older sons, ages 30 and 33.

> He doesn't spend much time with me because he's either working or hanging out with the guys at the bar. I do have jealousy issues. He looks at and talks to other women when I am with him.

My former husband

until I caught him cheating with my best friend. It's hard for me to trust again. I truly love my boyfriend, and I don't want to lose him. Should I be jealous or let it go? — UNDERVALUED IN INDI-ANA

UNDERVAL-**DEAR UED:** Your insecurity is something you need to work on because your jealousy could drive a wedge between you and your boyfriend. If his looking at and conversing with women were a threat to your relationship, it's likely something would already have happened.

Did your former hus- occasionally.

and engage them in conversation? I have a hunch he didn't do it openly. That your best friend helped him cheat was another betrayal, for which you have my sympathy. But please don't project their sins onto your boyfriend.

Talk to him. Tell him you need more time together. Make plans for a regular date night and arrange for your sons to be absent. If you still don't have enough of his company and he likes hanging with his out guy friends at the bar, consider tagging along

## Exhibits feature student artwork

tion winds down, another will begin.

Arts Place's Regional Student Art Exhibit is currently on display while Cornerstone Center for the Arts in Muncie is preparing for its Young Artist Exhibition.

Exhibit, which features work from students in Jay County and the surrounding area, at Arts Place in Portland remains open to the public Thursday. through gallery is open during regular hours — 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday.

Cornerstone's Young Artist Exhibition will feature artwork from children in grades kindergarten through 12. It opens Thursday at the facility at 520 E. Main St., Muncie.

the exhibits, visit arts- Kids Clinic on April 17.

## **Taking** Note

The Regional Student Art land.org and cornerstonearts.org.

#### **Hosting workshop**

Jay County Purdue Extension will host a lawn care workshop at 6 p.m. April 8. It will be at Jay County Public Library.

Purdue Extension educator Justin Curley will lead the free session. To RSVP, call the extension office at (260) 726-

#### **Clinic scheduled**

Jay County High School's For more information on color guard will host its 2021

through 12. It will run from 11:30 a.m. April 9. noon to 4 p.m. at East Jay Elementary School.

Registration forms are available at local schools or by visiting jcmarchingpatriots.com. The registration deadline is Thursday.

#### **April activities**

Jay County Public Library has a series of activities scheduled for April, beginning with a virtual field trip to Portland Police Department. It will be shared on the library's Facebook page at 10 a.m. Friday.

April also marks the return of Story Time and Mother Goose in the Community Room at the library. The first story time session for preschool children and younger, 10 a.m. April 6. The first Moth- 375-4131.

The event is open to students er Goose session for toddlers grades kindergarten and preschoolers will be at

The library will also have make 'n' take crafts available April 12.

#### **Registration is April 27**

Fort Recovery Local Schools has set its preschool registration at 7 p.m. April 27 in the Fort Recovery Elementary/Middle School auditeria. Social distancing and mask wearing are encour-

In order to attend preschool, children must be at least 3 years old by June 1. To register, parents should bring a copy of their child's birth certificate, Social Security card and immunization record.

Those unable to attend the session can request more with their caregiver, will be at information by calling (419)

## **Births**

#### **Newhouse**

Cohen Jackson, a son, was born March 17 at St. Vincent Randolph Hospital in Winchester to Daniel and Chelsea Newhouse of Muncie. He weighed 7 pounds, 15

Maternal grandparents are Caryn and Bill Moore of Muncie. Paternal grandparents are Laura Guarnery of Muncie and Chris Newhouse of Rushville.

## **Marriage** licenses

Gary W. Casada, 53, Portland, and Penny S. Milligan, 50, Lynn Luis M. Wong, 30, Portland, and

Laura E. Gonzalez, 30, Portland Jim R. Bruner, 80, Portland, and Cheryl Joan Burkett, 67, Dunkirk

Denise NMN Fieramusca, 47, Portland, and Stephen A. Cooper, 32, Portland

April E. Parker, 51, Redkey, and Matthew G. Gore, 48, Redkey

## **Community Calendar**

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

## Saturday

MOUS — Will meet at 10 St., Portland. Hours are 1 a.m. upstairs at True to 5 p.m. Monday through 251-8792. Value Hardware, Meridian - Friday. For more informa-Street, Portland. For more tion or to schedule an information, call (260) 729-

**Monday** 

PORTLAND BREAKmeet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant. BRYANT AREA COM-

MUNITY CENTER Walking from 9 to 10 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

each Monday at Jay Community Center.

EUCHRE — For those 55

p.m. at West Jay Commu-

CARE PREGNANCY CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is ALCOHOLICS ANONY- located at 216 S. Meridian appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COM-MUNITY FAMILY MEAL Will be served from 5:30 FAST OPTIMISTS — Will 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 PING PONG — Will be p.m., in the fellowship hall played from 9 a.m. to noon at Evangelical Methodist Church, 930 W. Main St., Portland. New members welcome. For more inforand older from 12:30 to 3 mation, call (260) 726-5312.

NARCOTICS ANONY-MOUS — 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)

## **Tuesday**

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

THE LANDING — A 12step 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-

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for substance abuse. Meal starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-

NARCOTICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Church of God of Prophecv, 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-

## Wednesday

WEDNESĎAY MORN-ING BREAKFAST CLUB Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

PING PONG — Will be played from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays at West Jay Community Cen-

## Swiss Village **Now Seeking:**

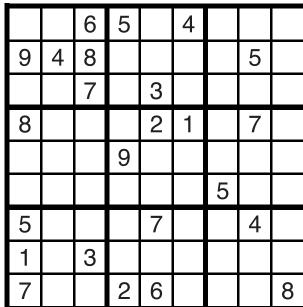
## **PRN Transportation Driver**

Swiss Village is now seeking a PRN Transportation Driver to work on an as-needed basis. Hours will vary from 8am-4:30pm M-F, with possible on-call weekend and evening hours. Responsibilities include providing high quality transportation for Swiss Village residents utilizing Swiss Village designated vehicles and keeping a log of transportation provided. This position requires an active Indiana Chauffer's License or endorsement or willingness to obtain upon hire and the ability to pass the Indiana DOT physical. This position also requires CPR certification or the willingness to become CPR certified within 6 months of hire. The successful candidate must have the physical ability to push wheelchairs, be flexible, and must have a clean driving

Apply online at www.swissvillage.org, in-person, or send Resume to:

> Kayla Reilly, HR Specialist Swiss Village, 1350 W. Main St.Berne, IN 46711 Or email: careers@swissvillage.org

## Sudoku



Level: Advanced

## **Friday's Solution**

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

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1	2	4	3	5	7	8	9	6	
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7	1	9	4	2	5	6	8	3	
8	3	2	7	6	9	5	1	4	
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2	9	7	5	1	6	4	3	8	
5	4	6	2	3	8	1	7	9	
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## Safe Places provide important help

To the editor:

Gov. Eric Holcomb has pro-claimed March 21 through 27 as National Safe Place Week in Indi-

The week serves to increase awareness about the importance of youth safety and the dangers young people face when they feel they have nowhere to go or are in crisis situations. It also highlights the Safe Place program, which brings together businesses and volunteers to provide help and safety for youth facing abuse, neglect, bullying or serious family problems.

"Unfortunately, young people face troubling issues in today's

## **Letters to** the Editor

Laurie Jackson, President/CEO for National Safe Place. "National Safe Place Week is the perfect opportunity for communities across the country to assess and strengthen their safety net for youth."

It is estimated that more than one million youth run away from home each year due to abuse, negworld and it's up to all of us to lect, family conflicts and other offer solutions, places where issues. The Safe Place program is youth can go to get help," said an option for young people who

feel they have nowhere to turn.

Safe Place consists of a national network of nearly 20,000 partnering businesses and community locations — such as fast-food restaurants, convenience stores, fire stations, public buses and libraries — that display the Safe Place sign in their windows. As youth enter the designated Safe Places and ask for help, trained staff members connect them to the appropriate youth shelter for assistance. National Safe Place Week recognizes participating Safe Place locations and volunteers for their unwavering dedication to the safety and well being of at-risk youth.

There are nineteen Safe Place programs serving youth in 31 counties across the state of Indi-

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ana with 2,000 stationary and mobile sites ready to help any Indiana youth in need. In 2019, 450 youth were helped through the Safe Place program and nearly 150,000 youth were educated about how to get help through Safe Place in times of crisis. The Safe Place program, operated locally by The Youth Service Bureau of Jay County partners with businesses and community organizations such as: Jay County Junior Senior High School, East Jay Elementary School, Westlawn Elementary School, Redkey Elementary School, Dunkirk City Building, Dunkirk Police Department, Jay-Randolph Developmental Services, Jay County Retirement Center, Portland Police Department, Portland

Fire Department, Jay County Sheriff's Office, Pizza King of Portland, Pennville Library, Bryant Fire Department and Bearcreek Township to provide Jay County youth immediate safety and access to supportive resources.

National Safe Place also operates the TXT 4 HELP initiative, a 24/7 text-for-support service for youth in crisis. Teens can text the word "safe" and their current location to 4HELP (44357) and receive a message with the closest Safe Place location and the number for the local youth shelter. Users also have the option to text interactively with a mental health professional for more help.

Karley Theurer Youth Service Bureau

## Feeling the heat has no substitute

By RAY COONEY The Commercial Review

There's no better way to learn about a profession than to actually do it.

Back in December, I got an email from Portland Fire Chief Mike Weitzel. He was inviting me and others to take part in Winchester Fire Department's inaugural Fire Ops 101

I set the email aside.

When I ran into Weitzel weeks later, he asked me if I had thought about participating, encouraged me to do so and said the deadline to sign up had been extended. I'm glad he did.

I signed up, and on March 13 I made the drive south to the Winchester Fire Department Training Grounds for a day I'll never forget.

Fire Ops 101 was a oneday program that featured hands-on firefighting and rescue operations simulations. Winchester Fire Department hosted the event, with firefighters Portland and from through Randolph County participating.

If I remember correctly. there were a total of 15 "civilians" mostly media and area elected officials — participating with probably at least twice as many firefighters were split into four groups, with mine also including Portland clerktreasurer Lori Phillips and State Rep. J.D. Prescott. (Phillips and I were the only civilian participants from Jay County.)

We went through four different modules, each about 50 minutes long, with a 10-minute break in between.

Here was our day:

Extrication. learned the steps of taking apart a car in order to extricate a trapped individual. This included everything from making sure the car is properly braced, to cutting out the windshield with a saw, to cutting off the doors with hydraulic rescue tools (commonly known as the 'jaws of life").

2) Live fire. We put on the full firefighting gear, from boots to helmet and including breathing apparatus, and entered a live fire situation. It was staged in a large shipping container, giving us the opportunity to experience the extreme heat. Our particular group experienced temperatures over 1,100 degrees.

3) A "full code." This hours in your boots.

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was a simulation of a situation in which we were called to the home of someone who was feeling dizzy. That individual then passed out — not breathing, no pulse. Using a dummy, we went through the steps of administering CPR, using a defibrillator and making an ambulance run to a hospital.

4) Search and rescue. It's exactly what it sounds like. We scaled a firetruck ladder three stories, entered a dark, smoky building and searched for a body. Upon finding the body in zero visibility, we had to haul it down a flight of stairs and make our way to the front door.

Among the lessons I learned:

•The more personnel, the better. In any emergency situation, it helps to have an extra set of hands, an extra set of

•Equipment is key. They are expensive, but devices like thermal imaging on hand. The civilians cameras, hydraulic rescue tools and automatic CPR machines can be the difference between life and

•Knowledge is power. The amount of information the firefighters on hand shared about various firefighting situations was astounding.

firefighter is a wellrespected profession.

But, as I told Weitzel at the conclusion of the First Ops 101 event, there's simply no substitute for experiencing 1,100 degrees.

To be fair, I still have only a glimmer of an idea of what it's like to be a firefighter. I experienced four scenarios in a controlled environment, not the reality of rushing into a burning building or cutting apart a vehicle with someone's life on the line.

I walked away thankful to Weitzel for encouraging me to take part, thankful to the firefighters from Portland and Randolph County who participated and thankful to all firefighters who go to work each day not knowing that hazardous situation they may encounter.

I appreciated the opportunity to spend just a few

## Reopening is not a science

By FAYE FLAM Bloomberg Opinion

The accelerating reopening of businesses in the U.S. doesn't violate "the science" of covid-19. Some individual scientists are warning of increased virus deaths associated with these choices, but there's no science that can tell us precisely how to balance public health with other human needs. Some people want to minimize covid-19 cases at all costs - but that's a moral stance. It's not "the science."

Yet as tension grows over governors' decisions to reopen restaurants, gyms and other venues. CDC There's no question that director Rochelle Walensky not only warned that the U.S. could see a surge in new cases, but pleaded with Americans to continue with public health measures like masks, solitude and avoiding travel. This sort of public health advice conflates science, morality, values and partisan politics. We've seen too much of it in the past 12 months.

Risk communication consultant Peter Sandman made the distinction this way: "I am simply not interested in an epidemiologist's opinion on whether schools should be reopened. I'm interested in an epidemiologist's opinion on how much more the virus will spread if schools are reopened. Whether schools should be reopened - that's not their field. It bothers me when they try to pretend that it is."

UCSF physician Vinay Prasad took a similar view. "Science can only articulate our best estimate of what would happen if we did something or if we did something else. But science can't tell you how to value those things. Those will always be decisions for the body

Faye Flam



At this point most people know the vaccines aren't perfect, but the signs are everywhere that many people think they're good enough to return to travel, restaurants and other activities. That means public health officials need to be more

Sandman says he thinks the public health community is still compensating for the early 2020 blunders downplaying covid's risks. "I think when they realized their mistake they overcompensated and became excessively pessimistic instead," he wrote me in an email this week. He sees this in the way they're still recommending that fully vaccinated people shouldn't travel, and the long months it took to allow public schools to open with a more realistic three-foot social distancing

specific and less draconian.

When I asked him whether this pessimism is related to any conflict between science and people's needs, he said public health officials' excessive caution "is much less grounded in 'the science' than they would have us believe.

Prasad admits there has been a lot of educated guessing about which restrictions to impose. "How many things did we do to fight SARS-CoV-2? I conservatively estimate ten thousand to a hundred thousand different interventions," he says. Those ran the gamut from closing national borders to removing basketball hoops.

"You'll never know if that one basketball rim was the culprit. You just won't have enough data to tease that out."

It's fine to warn people that the crisis isn't over; we don't know whether the new, more transmissible variants will cause a new wave. But we're seeing a more dysfunctional relationship in which scientists suggest untenable rules and people get called selfish for failing to follow them. It could be driving people toward indifference, fatigue, distrust and suspicion that rules are being imposed with ulterior motives.

Whatever the CDC says, Sandman says he suspects even many compliant Americans will go back to normal after vaccines are widely available. "All along, they have assumed that vaccines, if and when they became available, would replace this menu of burnon-pharmaceutical densome interventions with a much less burdensome pharmaceutical one: a shot, or maybe a couple of shots," he says. "Now they're told that after they're vaccinated they should nonetheless keep taking most of the precautions they've been taking for a year already. That doesn't just feel like a betrayal. It feels like an exercise in futili-

There's a lot science can tell us about relative risks of returning to normal activities, and it's important for public health officials to keep people informed on any risks that might persist postvaccine. But it's time to stop disguising their preferred goals and trade-offs as "the science."

Flam is a Bloomberg Opinion columnist and host of the podcast "Follow the Science."

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# Ardagh is partnering with Bragg

A glass manufacturer with local ties has agreed to another partnership.

Ardagh Group, which operates glass manufacturing plants in Dunkirk and Winchester, announced Tuesday that it is partnering with Bragg Live Food Products for a new 16-ounce glass bottle for apple cider vinegar beverages.

The introduction of the new bottle is part of Bragg's effort to use more sustainable packaging. It is 100% recyclable.

"Ardagh takes great pride in working alongside brands such as Bragg to create sustainable glass packaging that protects the true taste and integrity of their products," said Ardagh North American Glass chief Commercial Officer John T Shaddox in a press release. "Ardagh is dedicated to partnering with our customers to design and manufacture premium packaging that not only offers these inherent benefits of glass, but also helps them to differentiate their brands on store shelves.

#### **Grider honored**

**Business** roundup

Family Insurance of Portland has been recognized through the American Star Excellence in Customer Experience Certification Program.

Grider has owned the American Family agency in Portland since 1997. The designation is determined through an evaluation process based on company guidelines.

"At American Family, we believe our customers deserve an exceptional experience, day in and day out," said American Famicustomer experience vice president Ann Hamilton in a press release. "Even in 2020, facing a global pandemic and all the challenges that came with it, this select group of owners who agency achieved the American Star Excellence in Customer Experience Certification have, according to their customers, provided Deb Grider of American the outstanding service ters, a quality program City. The Traverse facility tials program.

that makes them stand out administered by the Ameriamong other insurance providers.

**NextEra converting** 

NextEra Energy this week announced plans to convert the site of its Duane Arnold nuclear plant in Palo, Iowa, into a solar farm.

The company, which owns and operates Bluff Point Wind Energy Center in Jay and Randolph counties, shut down the Duane Arnold nuclear reactor in August. The project was reported this week by Clay and Milk, a publication that covers start ups, technology and entrepreneurial communities in Iowa.

NextEra plans to build a 690-megawatt solar facility at an estimated cost of \$700 million. Plans call for construction to begin in winter 2022 with the facility to be operational by the end of the next vear.

#### **Hospital accredited**

Reid Health Breast Center of Richmond this week earned its second threeyear accreditation from the National Accreditation

can College of Surgeons.

To earn the designation, a facility must meet the Accreditation National Program for Breast Centers standards for leadership, clinical services, research, community outreach, professional education and quality improvement for patients.

'Breast disease impacts women and families at all stages of life," said Dr. Joshua French of Reid Health in a press release. "This accreditation confirms our focus on excellence as yet another example of Reid's commitment to the highest quality care."

#### **Invenergy completes**

Invenergy on Wednesday announced that it has completed construction financing for what will become its largest wind farm project.

The company, which is planning a \$150 million, 155-megawatt solar farm in Jay County, has secured financing for its 999-megawatt Traverse Wind Energy Center in Custer, Blaine and Kingfisher counties in Oklahoma, Program for Breast Cen- northwest of Oklahoma

will be part of Invenergy's North Central Wind Energy Facilities.

"This transaction, in addition to the recent Maverick and Sundance financial closings, is a testament Invenergy's strong lender relationships and financing capabilities as well as the compelling value of wind investments," said Invenergy senior vice president of finance and capital markets Meghan Schultz in a press release.

#### **Comcast commits**

Comcast announced this week that it will invest \$1 billion over the next 10 years to "help further close the digital divide and give even more low-income Americans the tools and resources they need to succeed in an increasingly digital world."

commitment includes investing in wifi in community centers, donating computers and awarding grants to nonprofit organizations to create opportunities for lowincome Americans. It is an extension of the company's 10-year-old Internet Essen-

"We are rededicating ourselves to this mission to ensure that the next generation of students in America has the tools, resources, and abilities they need to succeed in an increasingly digital world," said Com-cast Cable CEO Dave Watson in a press release.

#### **Leader leaving**

Advance Auto Parts announced Wednesday that senior vice president, controller and chief accounting officer Andrew Page will be leaving the compa-

Page's departure will be effective April 9. Chief financial officer Jeff Shepherd will take over Page's duties on an interim basis while a search committee looks to fill the position.

"I want to thank Andrew for his leadership and contributions to Advance over the past two years," said Advance president and CEO Tom Greco in a press release. "Andrew has improved capabilities within our accounting function, built a talented team and led several important initiatives that will positively impact the company for years to come."



Bloomberg/Victor Moriyama

Workers harvest coffee on a farm in Machado. Minas Gerais state, Brazil, on May 28, 2019. Coffee supplies in the United States are shrinking, prices are surging and importers are facing a tight supply because of a lack of space on ship containers that transport beans from Brazil.

## Coffee trade faces snags

By MARVIN G. PEREZ and MABIANA BATISTA

Coffee supplies in the U.S. are shrinking and wholesale prices are surging, with the hard-hit market bracing for further fallout from a global shortage of shipping containers that's upended the food trade.

Cafes and importers are facing tight supplies and higher costs because of a dearth of space on ship containers that transport beans from Brazil, the top exporter, and Central America. For now, roasters are able to draw on inventories rather than raise prices, but with stockpiles sliding and a smaller Brazilian crop coming, the strains are expected to

"Everybody is feeling the pinch," said Christian Wolthers, the president of Wolthers Douque, an importer in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, who estimates that shipping costs have America. "These bottlenecks are

mare.

While cargo-market disruptions have played havoc with the global food trade generally, the problems in the coffee market show food inflation already on the rise could be exacerbated as economies reopen. Coffee stockpiles have sunk to a six-year low in the U.S. even with Brazil's record crop, and a large drop in output after a drought in the South American country is expected to shift the world balance to a deficit in coming months just as demand rebounds.

Arabica-coffee futures in New York rose about 24% since the end of October following the damage to Brazilian groves. In February, American green, unroasted bean inventory slid 8.3% from a year earlier to the smallest since 2015, industry data showed Monday.

The lower inventories mean less of a buffer to cushion the more than doubled from Latin expected decline in Brazil's crop, aggravating market tightness and

turning into a container night- lending continued support to prices, analysts say.

Marex Spectron this month increased its estimate for a global coffee deficit to 10.7 million bags in 2021-22, compared with its previous projection of 8 million bags, citing lower Brazilian arabica output after adverse weather damaged crops. Goldman Sachs Group Inc. said in a report that if production in Central America doesn't improve in coming years, the market will enter a structural deficit given the rebound in

In the facilities of Dinamo, one of Brazil's largest coffee warehouses operators, there's a lot of coffee stuck waiting for containers. In the company's unit in Machado municipality, in the coffee heartland of Minas Gerais, beans are awaiting the arrival of 18 empty containers, said Luiz Alberto Azevedo Levy Jr., a director at Dinamo. "These containers will probably take about 15 more days to get here amid bottlenecks at the port," he said.

## **Cummins CEO** calls on leaders

Linebarger addresses anti-Asian violence

COLUMBUS, Ind. (AP) - The CEO of Cummins Inc. says government officials and business leaders must recognize a rise in anti-Asian violence and to listen to all communities to end systemic racism.

"Systemic racism impacts us all in a very negative way," Tom Linebarger told The Indianapolis Star for a report published Thursday. "If our communities are broken down, if they are desperate places, employees won't join us. They won't come work here.'

Linebarger sent a mins memo Monday to employees addressing a rise in than 60,000 people worldhate crimes against Asian Americans amid the coronavirus pandem- mins' U.S. workforce was ic after eight people, of Asian descent, the including six

women, were killed in a shooting last week in Atlanta.

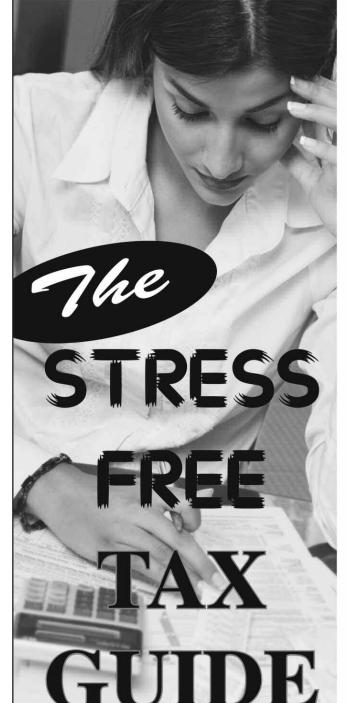
"We need to be clear; Asian Americans, Chinese expatriates working in the U.S., or for that matter, any other member of our communities of Asian descent, had nothing to do with the COVID-19 pandemic," Linebarger wrote in the memo. "We must do our part to speak out against these false associations and against acts of aggression and violence. Confronting racism in all forms is consistent with who we are and what we stand for at Cummins. So is doing what is right and acting against injustice."

Linebarger said Cummins employees who identify as Asian have told him they are scared and fear for their own safety and the safety of their family members.

Columbus-based Cummanufactures engine and employs more wide. As of December, just over 10% of Cum-Asian company said.

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals M

## Trivial Review

#### Going to the movies

1) What was the first feature-length animated movie ever released?

2) Allen Menken won consecutive Oscars for best original score for what movies in 1991 and '92?

> 2) Beauty and the Beast, and Aladdin 1) Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

#### 3-29 **CRYPTOQUIP**

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There are four differences between Picture A

and Picture B. Can you find them all?

Saturday's Cryptoquip: FILM ABOUT A STOPPERED PERFUME BOTTLE FROM AN ISLAND SOUTH OF SICILY: "THE MALTESE FLACON."

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: A equals M



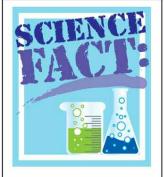
## WORD SCRAMBLE Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to automobiles ICVSEELH

## Answer: Vehicles

## Guess Who?

I am an actor born in Texas on March 24, 1973. I studied theater at the Universities of Houston and San Diego. I earned an early film credit in a movie in 2004. In my most prominent role, I played a quirky scientist on a popular TV series. suosava mit :19wsuV





THE FIRST INTERNET NETWORK. CALLED "ARPANET," WAS INITIALLY DESIGNED FOR USE BY WHOM?

ANSWER: THE MILITARY



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TRANSMISSION

**ENGLISH:** Technology SPANISH: Tecnología **ITALIAN:** Tecnologia SUSPENSION

FRENCH: Technologie **GERMAN:** Technologie



West dealer. Both sides vulnerable, NORTH ♦ 10 2
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1 ♦ 2 NT Pass Pass Pass 4 **♣** 7 **♣** Pass Pass Pass Opening lead — jack of hearts.

final match between England and China at the 2007 women's world team championship in Shanghai. It featured a brilliant defensive play by the British East, Michelle Brunner, who laid a cunning trap for her Chinese opponent who seemed about to bring in a grand slam.

The bidding by the Chinese North-

South was natural after a forcing oneclub opening and one-diamond response indicating a weak hand. South's five notrump was no doubt intended as the "grand slam force," asking North to bid seven clubs if she held two of the top three club honors. North then elected to bid the grand slam without both honors, possibly influenced by her five-eard support when she could have held somewhat less.

As can be seen, seven clubs was due to succeed because declarer had no way to get to dummy to try the trump finesse. After winning any lead, declarer would have had no

Declarer happily accepted this unexpected opportunity to take the trump finesse and so went down one. Of course, had Brunner made the routine play of covering the queen of hearts with the king, the grand slam would have come rolling home.

Tomorrow: The vanishing trick. 2021 King Features Syndicate It

## By Steve Becker

## Famous Hand

South 1 **↑**2 **↑**3 **↑** 5 NT

This deal occurred in the quarter-

choice but to plunk down the ace, dropping the singleton king. Things seemed headed for that outcome when Brunner's partner led the heart jack, on which the declarer, Yi Qian Liu, played dummy's queen. It was here that Brunner had her chance to shine. Having noted the absence of the club king in dummy, available the death of stricted the death.

as well as the dearth of entries on the table, she decided to give declarer a bit of rope by refusing to cover the heart queen!

## Contract By Steve Becker

## A self-imposed guess

NORTH **♦**853 **♥**742 ♦ 7 6 3 EAST ♦ J 9 6 4 ♥ Q 10 6 5 • Q 9 5 WEST ♦ K 10 2 ♥ 9 8 3 SOUTH ♠AQ7 ♥AKJ

West dealer.

Neither side vulnerable

The bidding North Pass Pass Pass Opening lead — four of diamonds.

Many wrong guesses that are attributed to bad luck turn out, upon closer inspection, to be the result of incorrect play

Consider this deal where South's expectations of an easy time at three notrump were quickly dampened by the sight of North's meager contribu-tion to the partnership assets. All was not lost, however, since if the missing clubs divided normally, dummy's ten of clubs would provide an entry with which to try a finesse in hearts or

spades to gain a ninth trick. Declarer began by ducking the first two diamonds, taking the ace on the third round. He then eashed the A-K-Q of clubs and led a club to the

In dummy for the one and only time, South now had to decide which finesse to attempt. Unfortunately, he chose a spade, losing the queen to the king. West cashed his good diamond. on which declarer discarded a spade, then exited with a spade to the acc. But when the A-K of hearts failed to drop the queen, South had to lose the last trick for down one. After he discovered that East held

the heart queen, South lamented his misfortune in misguessing which finesse to take, but the outcome was really his own fault. Had he played differently, no guess would have Declarer knew from West's four-

of-diamonds lead at trick one - presumably fourth best — that West had no more than four diamonds. He should therefore have won the second diamond, preserving the ten for a

later purpose. Three top clubs are then cashed after which South exits with the ten of diamonds. West wins and takes his fourth diamond, declarer discarding a

spade. South's remaining cards at this point are the A-Q of spades, A-K-J of hearts and a club.

Whichever suit West now returns hands South his ninth trick, and the game is home without having to resort to any guesswork at all

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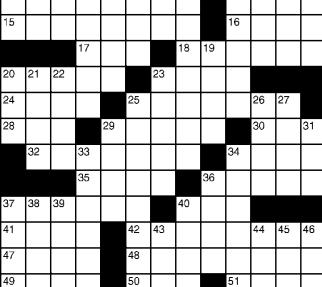
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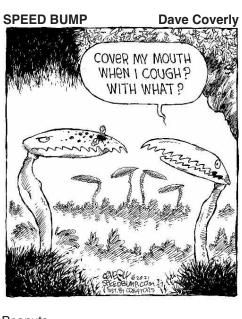
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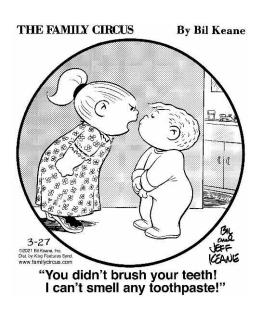
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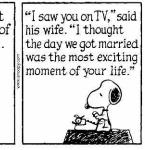














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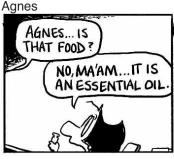


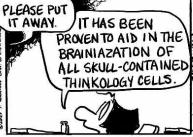






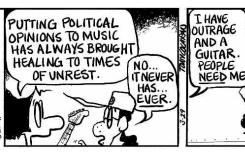
































































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90 SALE CALENDAR

**PUBLIC AUCTION** 

Located: Bubp Exhibi-

tion Hall, Jay County

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

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Auctioneers Note: Al and

Janet have sold their

home and are downsiz-

ing. The auction offers a

great variety of quality

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eering 260-726-6215 Office Laci Smitley (260)-729-2281- Cell AU10600051 Gary White AU19800069

#### **PUBLIC AUCTION** Located: Bubp Exhibition Hall,

Jay County Fairgrounds, 806 E Votaw St., Portland, IN Saturday, April 3rd, 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, plat-

ters. Roseville: Pinecone (Green & Brown Color), Freesia, Sunflower.

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Oak ice box; Oak curved glass china cabinet; Oak glass ball square lamp table; Oak record cabinet; Oak child's rocker; Glass ball/clawfoot organ stool; (2) Clarks ONT 2 drawer spool cabinets; Edison Standard Phonograph; Concern Roller Organ; Edison Player; Gairs music box; music box; large amount of cylinders; Singer portable sewing machine; yarn winder; Walnut washstand; Ash 5 leg dropleaf table w/board; Oak decorative bed; oak dresser w/mirror; Dr. Pepper thermometer; Coca Cola trays; GUNS: Mossberg Model 46B - .22 bolt action rifle; Wards Western Model 16M 20 ga. bolt action shotgun; Glenfield Model 60 - .22 semi-auto rifle; Fabricad Arms Oviedo 19 – 7mm bolt action rifle; Stoeger "Llama" 380 semi-auto pistol; J Stevens "Crack Shot" 22 rifle (parts only); STONEWARE AND CROCKS: #3 Red Wing jug, #10 crock, #6 crock, #2 Crown, crock with bail, Detroit, and other crocks not listed; kerosene lamps; Tom & Jerry bowl and mugs set; coffee grinder; sugar buckets; milk bottles; viewers and cards; glass rolling pin; butter print; lanterns; INDIAN ARTIFACTS: 175+ arrowheads in various colors and sizes; hammers; axes; Jay County 4H/Jay County REMC signs; FFA 1st place Diary Farming 1966 banner; Dunkirk bottle; Dunkirk tokens; sleigh bells; Union Pacific Railroad spittoon; spice cabinet; EZ Bake Flour sign; bells; quilts; Lin Mar Fred and Wilma toys; toy tractors; printers box; toy cars; brass items; Zither; Auto Harp; glass cow butter print; Blue glassware; RS tea set; flatware; milk bottles; PW Cracker tin; mortar and pedestal; Pyrex mixing bowl set; 1066 IH toy tractor; jewelry boxes; photo album; candle molds; small cannon; music box and cylinders; 1876 State of Indiana Illustrated Historical Atlas; Jay, Blackford and Delaware County history books; copper boiler with lid; sheet music; toy phonograph; printers trays; Coke trays; wood planes; cigar mold; Guernsey, Holstein, and Jersey cow figures; Golden Sonic car; wind up Fire Chief car; horse collar; washboard; Oak leaf frames; wood vise; sheller; knives; saws; levels; wood shovel; wood fork; wood rake; and many other items not listed.

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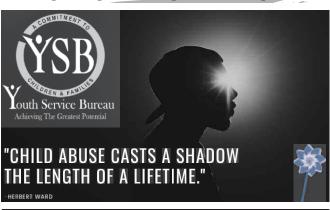
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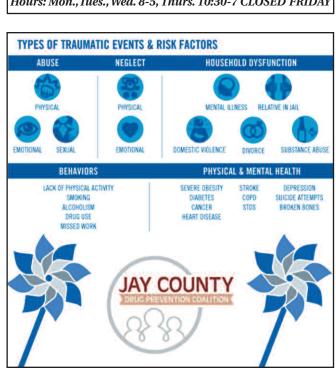
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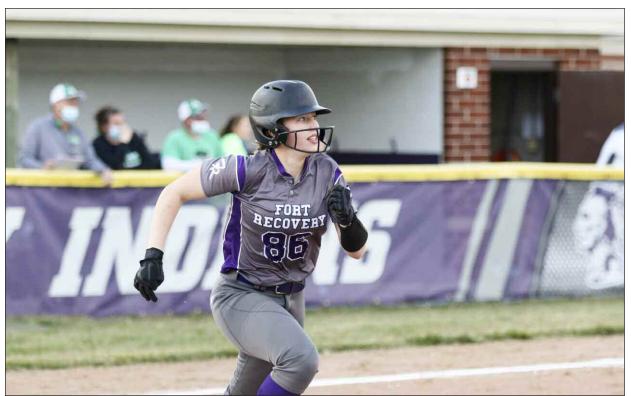
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- 3. If someone scares you, tell an adult immediately! Call 911, and tell the dispatcher what the person looked like. You should also try to remember the color of their car, and the numbers and letters on their license plate. If you don't tell anyone when somebody scares you, they may do it again to you or to somebody else.
- Abductors lie. They'll tell you all kinds of things to confuse you like, "You'll get in trouble if you don't come with me," or "I'm going to kill you if you don't be quiet." Abductors want you to be quiet, because if you're not, they can't get away with taking you! They lie so that they'll scare you.
- 5. Normal rules do not apply when strangers try to take you away. You do not have to do whatever they say, and it is okay to say "no!" It is okay if you lose your school books when you throw them at the bad stranger. It is okay to hit them with your book bag, or kick and scream. Nobody will be mad at you. Your parents will be proud of you for fighting back. It is also okay to knock over and break things in a store if an abductor is trying to take you. They will not be mad at you or get your parents in trouble.
- 6. You should never talk to strangers. If a stranger is trying to talk to you, it is okay to be rude to them. You have the right to say, "No!" Do not open your front door at home, and do not talk to strangers on the telephone. When you talk to them, it gives them a chance to learn about you so that they can abduct you later.
- 7. Practice at home with your parents. The more you practice how to say "No!" and how to get away, the better you will react if a stranger tries to take you.

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## Grisez gazes

Chloey Grisez of the Fort Recovery High School softball team glances as a ball as it travels into the outfield for a double during a scrimmage against the Celina Bulldogs on Monday at FRHS. Grisez and the Indians begin their season a 11 a.m. today on the road at Delphos

## Cavaliers buy out Drummond

Drummond is now a free agent and can sign with a contending team after reaching a buyout with the Cavaliers.

Drummond, who hasn't played since mid-February, began negotiating terms of the buyout with the Cavs on Thursday after the club didn't trade the 27-year-old before the deadline.

The agreement ends a partnership that became awkward when the Cavs benched Drummond to give young center Jarrett Allen more playing

Despite losing his role with the team, Drummond, a two-time All-Star

CLEVELAND (AP) — Center Andre with Detroit before coming to Cleveland last year, stayed engaged with his teammates and didn't become a distraction. He often sat among the Cavs coaches during games, offering tips and encouragement.

"I want to thank Andre for his contributions to our team both on and off the court, and for his professionalism and mutual cooperation as we navigated through this process with him and his representation," said general manager Koby Altman. "We have great respect for Andre as a person and a player here in Cleveland and we are happy to have reached an outcome

that is in the best interest of both Andre and our team."

One of the NBA's top rebounders and a proven scorer, Drummond, who was under contract for \$28.7 million this season, is expected to draw interest from several teams, including the Brooklyn Nets and Los Angeles Lak-

He averaged 17.5 points and 13.5 rebounds in 25 games before the Cavs decided to give Allen the bulk of playing time.

Drummond twice made the playoffs with the Pistons, who selected him with the ninth overall pick in 2012.

# Tinkle looks to daughter for Sweet 16 advice

By DAVE SKRETTA AP Basketball Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Oregon State coach Wayne Tinkle has never been to this point in the NCAA Tournament before, not as a player for Montana in the 1980s, nor as an assistant and head coach of the Grizzlies in the

He hasn't had to look far for some Sweet 16 advice, though: His daughter, Joslyn, went to three of them with Stanford.

The two of them talk regularly, and dad was recently on Joslyn's podcast called "Talkin' Beavers" discuss the remarkable run by his No. 12 seed team. The Beavers are set to face eighth-seeded Loyola

Chicago on Saturday. "She just said, 'Your guys looked so relaxed and confident. Keep them that way," Wayne Tinkle said. "Obviously that's a big reason they're playing the way they are. Their minds are freed up and they're just out there hooping."

Tinkle's family knows a thing or two about hoop-

Dad spent a dozen years playing professionally all around the world. His son, Tres, played for him at Oregon State and is now in the G League. Joslyn was a McDonald's All-American who led Stanford to 137 wins over four seasons, then played

the WNBA and several clubs abroad. Their sister, Elle, played her college ball at Gonzaga.

Four of the 16 remaining teams in this most unpredictable of NCAA tournaments are doubledigit seeds, but Syracuse may be the best example of a program that throws that number next to its name out the window this time of year.

The No. 11 seed Orange. who already knocked off San Diego State and West Virginia, were also 11seeds when they reached the Sweet 16 in 2018. Two years before that, coach Jim Boeheim's club reached the Final Four as a 10 seed.

"We'd like to be good in the regular season and the tournament," he said, "but if you're not as good as you'd like to be in the regular season, then let's play well in the tournament. That's what these guys have done."

It goes beyond the tournament. The Orange probably wouldn't have made the field if not for consecutive wins over North Carolina, Clemson and North Carolina State to close out the regular season.

"We were in a big hole," Boeheim acknowledged. "We were not going to make the tournament if we didn't win all those games. These deserve all the credit in the world. I mean, they're a tough bunch. They've for the Seattle Storm in really earned this.'

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## Bristol, NASCAR to get dirty

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

Don't wear white to Bristol Motor Speedway this weekend. Pack a pair of goggles and be prepared to get really dirty.

Bristol has trucked 23,000 cubic v dirt into its famed bullring to host NASCAR's first Cup Series race on literal earth since 1970. This wild experiment was pushed by broadcast partner Fox at the same time NASCAR was looking to diversify its uninspiring schedule.

Speedway Motorsports said it was game - elbowing out Tony Stewart and his wellestablished Eldora Speedway dirt track in Ohio — and offered up "The Last Great Coliseum" for Sunday's adventure.

Once one of the toughest tickets in all sports with a 55-race sellout streak from 1982 through 2010, Bristol lost some of its luster when its spring race date bounced all over the NASCAR calendar. Fans grew tired of expensive local hotel rates and unpredictable weather — it snowed during the 2006 race weekend — but a dirt race gives Bristol a chance to re-establish itself

as a bucket list event.

The buzz hasn't stopped since the race was announced last vear, and Bristol. which hosted the World of Outlaws on dirt in 2000 and 2001, began the enormous proj-

Steve Swift, the senior vice president of operations and development at Speedway Motorsports, traveled to 18 different dirt sites in a 150-mile radius to find the perfect native, red Tennessee clay for the job. Swift said he sent the samples to "a gentleman out in California by the nickname of Dr. Dirt" for analysis.

Ed Davis, a scientist/farmer/dirt racing enthusiast at S&E Organic Farms in Bakersfield, California, whittled the samples down to three for this weekend's race.

A layer of sawdust was spread over the 0.533-mile concrete oval and then 2,300 truckloads of dirt were dumped on the track. The next layer is soil from the Outlaws races two decades ago, followed by dirt from a campground near the track and a final top layer from nearby Bluff

## Sports on tap

## Local schedule

**Today**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.

**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.

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April 3

Fort Recovery — Track at Versailles Tiger Invitational – 9 a.m.; Softball vs. Bath - 11 a.m.; Baseball vs. Crestview -

Jay County — Baseball scrimmage vs. Bellmont – 11 a.m.; Softball scrimmage vs. Winchester – 11 a.m.

## TV schedule

**Today** 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 Basket-ball: NCAA Tournament – Oral Roberts vs. Arkansas (TBS)

9:55 p.m. — Men's College Basket-ball: 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 Basket-ball: NCAA Tournament – Oregon vs. USC (TBS)

## **Monday** 7 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Indiana

Pacers at Washington Wizards (FSIN)

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