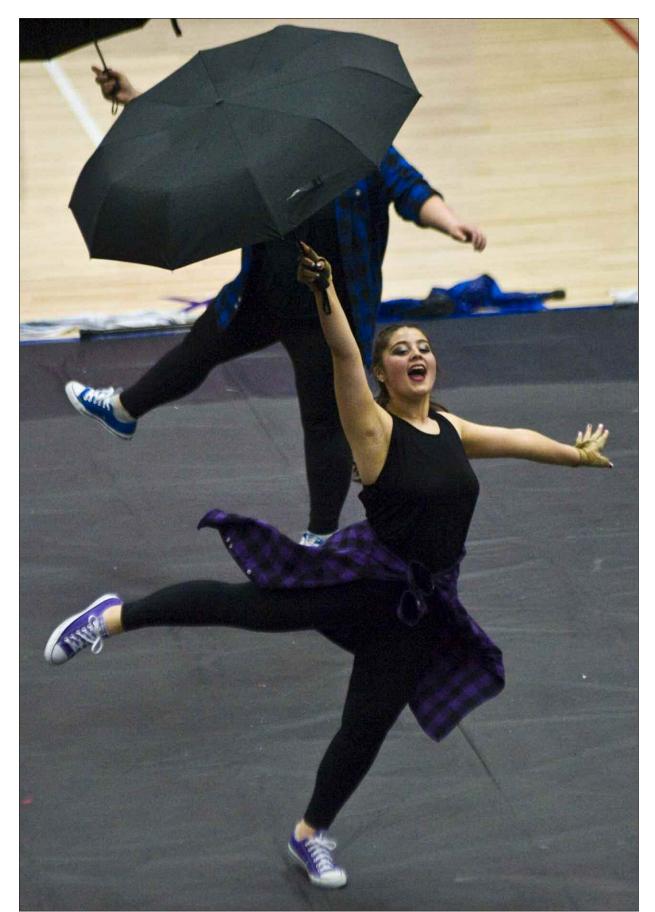
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Funding priorities

Jay Schools lays out plans for federal emergency relief

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review Jay School Corporation is expecting to receive millions in relief funds from the federal government.

It has developed a plan for how to utilize those dollars.

Jay School Board on Monday approved the school corporations' application for the next round of **Elementary and Secondary** School Emergency Relief funds.

Also Monday, superin-tendent Jeremy Gulley announced plans for graduation and the board approved an increase in pay for driving buses for field trips and extracurricular activities.

Gulley, who attended the meeting virtually because two members of his household have tested positive for COVID-19, explained that Jay School Corporation is estimated to receive an additional \$9.1 million - \$2.88 million in the second round of funding and \$6.24 million in the third in Elementary and Second-ary School Emergency Relief funds. (It has already received \$767,660 in the first round of emergency relief funding and \$161,776 via a Governor's Emergency Education Relief grant.) The money was made available through the various federal COVID-19 relief measures and is being administered by Indiana Department of Education.

After receiving input from administrators, teachers and staff. Gullev on Monday presented a fiveemployees who kept schools open, upgrade technology and use resources for the long term.

Specifically, the corporation is hoping to:

•Offer expanded summer school programs for kindergarten through 12th grade to help students who may have fallen behind during the pandemic. "We've never been able to offer that option," said Gulley. "We are going to work as hard as we can to come up with the right plans and communication to help the right kids who need it over two summers.'

•Provide extra support in the form of additional staff, including two to facilitate the return of the alternative school at John Jay Center for Learning and four reading recovery positions. (Both are intended to be permanent additions to the staff while several others will be added temporarily.)

 Offer an extended school day (one additional hour of instruction) for two years for students who need additional help.

•Expand special education services with additional staff for LifeSkills, English language learners, alternative programming and speech pathology, and funding for additional mental health services.

•Provide stipends to employees who took on extra duties to keep schools open during 2020-21.

 Make extra funding and resources available for professional development for teachers

•Upgrade technology with interactive panels in

Final 'Tonight'

Freshman Chloe Ruiz performs in the winter guard show "Tonight" as part of the Jay County High School band's spring concert Sunday afternoon. In addition to the winter guard show, the JCHS concert and jazz bands also performed. For another photo, see page 2.

point plan to invest in each classroom, new cominstruction to help students puters for teachers, upgradaffected by the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, assist teachers and staff in their future work, support

ed servers and wireless access points, and software licenses

See Funding page 5

FR approves staff plan

By BAILEY CLINE

The Commercial Review

FORT RECOVERY - Fort Recovery Local Schools will be finished with its Virtual Academy program at the end of the school year.

Some elementary staffing changes will be made as well.

Superintendent Larry Brown confirmed the program will end while discussing the 2021-22 staffing plan at the Fort Recovery School Board meeting Monday. It was originally intended academy students and single-

coronavirus-related absences.

"We have a strong number of students who are returning to in-class learning," he explained. The new staffing plan, which

was approved by school board, is based on the 2020 fall finan-cial forecast. Numbers for enrollment and open enrollment are projected to be similar to pre-COVID numbers, Brown explained.

With the return of virtual

as a pilot program to combat year homeschooling students, virtual academy liaison teachers will return to their assigned Fort Recovery schools.

There is a "bubble" of 93 kindergarten students projected in the fall, compared to about 55 students moving on to first grade, Brown continued, so the school has reassigned some staff to reflect those numbers. There will be no planned changes to staff in grades 6 through 12.

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Hearing set in Young case

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review A change of plea hearing has been scheduled for a Portland woman who faces charges relating to the death of her son.

Jay Circuit Court last week scheduled a change of plea hearing for May 17 for Jennifer F. Young, who is charged with a Level 1 felony for neglect of a dependent resulting in death.

Hayden Markle, the 3-monthold son of Ryan Markle and Young, died March 6, 2020. An autopsy determined his cause of death to be acute methamphetamine intoxication.

possession of methampheta-mine, a Level 5 felony, and possession of paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. She is currently scheduled for a two-day jury trial beginning July 12.

The need for that trial would be eliminated if she were to plead guilty at the May 17 hearing.

separate trial for Ryan Α Markle on the same charges is scheduled to begin May 17.

Portland police and Jay Emergency Medical Service were called March 6, 2020, to an upstairs apartment at 221 S.

Young is also charged with Meridian St., Portland, where a 3-month-old child was not breathing. Hayden Markle was then transported to IU Health Jay, where he was later pronounced dead.

Indiana State Police, Indiana Department of Child Services, Jay County Coroner's Office and Jay County Prosecutor's Office investigated the boy's death, resulting in the April 15, 2020, arrests of Young and Ryan Markle.

In Indiana, Level 1 felony charges carry a sentence of 20 to 40 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.



The Commercial Review/Bailey Cline

Planting pumpkins

Four-year-old Nora Stultz waters a cup of fertilizer Saturday at Pennville Community Center. Mikkal Hodge of the Indiana Pumpkin Growers Association provided information about growing giant pumpkins and provided seeds with the potential to grow up to 1,500 pounds at the event.

Deaths

Ruth Ann Wendel, 78, Bryant

Roscoe Licht, 100, Albany Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 64 degrees Monday. The low was 41. Rain and snow are expected

after 10 p.m. tonight with 2 to 4 inches of accumulation possible and winds gusting to 20 miles per hour. The low will be 29, and Wednesday's high will be 40. See page 2 for an extended forecast.

In review

United Way of Jay County and Second Harvest Food Bank will partner for a free food tailgate from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday at Jay County Fairgrounds.

Income verification is not required.

Coming up

Wednesday — Family First undergoing changes at IU Health Jay.

Friday — Coverage of Thursday's Fort Recovery softball game against St. Henry.



Obituaries

Roscoe Licht

Aug. 12, 1920-April 16, 2021 Our father, Roscoe L. Licht, Albany, surrounded by loved ones, was called into eternal life by his Savior at the age of 100 on April 16, 2021.

He resided at Bethel Pointe Health & Rehabilitation Center. Born Aug. 12, 1920, in Shoals, Indiana

He was a longtime Delaware County dairy and grain farmer and was a milk hauler for Producers Dairy in Muncie for 27 years before retiring in 1969. He also drove a Delaware



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learning. Over the years, he attended DeSoto United Methodist Church and was a former member of Elks Lodge #1776, Dunkirk, and Miami Valley Dairy Producers Association.

Kathy), Albany, and William J. "Billy" Licht, Muncie; four daughters, Margaret Starbuck, Kernersville, North Carolina, Freda Morton, Muncie, Kathryn "Kathy" Marquell (husband: Bill), Albany, and Rebecca A. "Becky" Licht, Muncie; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; eight stepgreat-grandchildren; two stepgreat-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Local

He was preceded in death by his wife of nearly 64 years, Mildred K. Licht; a son, James "Jim" Licht; parents John H. Survivors include two sons, and Lucrease (McKittrick)

ters; sons-in-law Dallas D. Star- be expressed at MeachamFubuck and Jerry L. Morton: and daughter-in-law Rebecca L. Licht.

Services will be 1 p.m. Thursday, April 22, 2021, at Meacham Funeral Service with burial following at Black Cemetery.

Visiting hours are Wednesday from 5 until 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be sent to Cancer Services of East Central Indiana (Little Red Door), 2311 W. Jackson St., Muncie, IN 47303

Township school bus for the Charles "Monty" Licht (wife: Licht; seven brothers; five sis- expressions of sympathy may

neralService.com.

Ruth Ann Wendel, Bryant, Aug. 9, 1942-March 28, 2021. Services will be at noon Saturday at the Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 7321 E. Indiana 67, Bryant.

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

There is a charge for obituaries, which are accepted only from Condolences and other *funeral homes or mortuary serv*ices.

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A 40% chance of snow before 2 p.m. and frost after 10 p.m. Partly cloudy skies.	Mostly clear day with sunny skies and wind gusts as high as 20 mph. Evening skies will be clear as well.	sunny skies with a 40%	60% chance of rain during the day under mostly cloudy skies. Another chance of rain at night.	Skies will be mostly sunny all day with some clouds appear- ing at night.	

Lotteries

Powerball Saturday 10-21-26-41-49	Estimated jackpot: \$382,000
Powerball: 25 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$90 million Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$257 million	Ohio Monday Midday Pick 3: 2-0-6 Pick 4: 9-5-8-4 Pick 5: 2-1-2-0-2 Evening
Hoosier Monday Midday Daily Three: 1-8-6 Daily Four: 2-5-5-9 Evening Daily Three: 5-4-4 Daily Four: 1-9-4-9 Quick Draw: 4-13-15-20- 21-22-27-28-36-37-40-42-56- 57-59-60-62-64-71-72 Cash 5: 7-8-9-14-27	Pick 3: 1-3-0 Pick 4: 3-2-4-0 Pick 5: 2-4-0-8-7 Rolling Cash 5: 10-12-21- 24-37 Estimated jackpot: \$100,000 Classic Lotto: 4-19-27- 39-47-49 Kicker: 8-9-0-8-8-8 Jackpot: \$7.3 million
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Spirited giving

During the Jay County High School band spring concert Sunday, director Kelly Smeltzer announced the fundraising total for the band's "Spirit of '76" fundraising campaign. The band tapped its alumni for the campaign, bringing in a total of \$18,400. The Class of 1994 donated the highest total and will be honored with a patch on the Marching Patriots' uniforms this summer. The band, which had a goal of \$20,000 to help recoup funds lost during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, will continue to accept donations at jcmarchingpatriots.com/spiritof76.

Continued from page 1 The school is also projecting to enter into deficit spending in the next few years — the fall forecast indicated about a \$156,819 deficit starting in fiscal 2021. Deficits were also expected to continue at \$480.208 in 2022, \$805.956 in 2023 and more than \$1 million each of the next two years.

Those deficits would drop the

district's year-end balance to \$2.7

million by the end of fiscal year

2025. (School board plans to meet

a new sound and lighting system

after receiving donations from the

community (about \$11,000 was

accepted at Monday's meeting) and

funds from the school. The current

system is about 20 years old, with

the light board still running on a

floppy disk drive, he explained.

other sound equipment, including the light board, will be replaced in the summer. Steinbrunner added that the current microphones have a tendency to cut out during programs.

the kids the best opportunity to the Fort Recovery Music Boosters) showcase their abilities," Stein- for the new elementary/middle brunner said. In other business, school board members: •Approved the following: twoyear non-teaching contracts for Elaine Pax, Shelly Overman, Jerry Stammen, Kate Timmerman, Bonita Fortkamp and Sheri Grove; twoyear teaching contracts for Chris Guggenbiller, Victoria Horstman, Chelsea Kahlig and Reid Knuth; Michelle Stammen, Judy Fortener, Abby Scheidt, Jill Dues, Maleia Jutte and Melissa Homan, and substitutes Kim Pohlman, Kim Niekamp and Courtney Bettinger as summer school teachers and New microphones should be substitutes; an overnight trip for nation effective on the last day of received before the spring band the high school marching band, the current school year.

and choir concerts. Amplifiers and color guard and senior choir to Chicago from March 4, 2022, through March 6, 2022; a first reading of policy additions, revisions and replacements.

•Accepted several donations, including \$11,400 from several "Things like that are not giving donors (most notably \$5,000 from school auditeria sound equipment and \$3,350 from Fort Recovery Radio for athletics. •Hired several employees for the 2021-22 school year and renewed supplemental contracts, including for junior high and high school coaches and club advisors. Kassidy York is a new hire for the middle school, and both Chris Guggenbiller (high school girls basketball assistant coach) and Carly Roth (junior high volleyball assistant coach) were removed from the list. •Accepted non-teaching employee Michael Schwieterman's resig-

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Today in history

On April 20, 1999, the Columbine High School massacre took place in Colorado as two students shot and killed 12 classmates and one teacher before taking neir own lives. man Park); the Cubs In 1812, the fourth defeated the Cincinnati their own lives.

vice president of the Reds 7-6. United States, George Clinton, died in Washington at age 72, becom- umentary about the ing the first vice president to die while in office.

President **In 1945**, during Lincoln World War II, allied In 1863, President Abraham signed a proclamation forces took control of admitting West Virginia the German cities of to the Union, effective in 60 days (on June 20, 1863).

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20 (accounts vary) strikers, women and chil-

dren died.

In 1916, the Chicago Cubs played their first

game at Wrigley Field

(then known as Weegh-

In 1938, "Olympia,"

Leni Riefenstahl's doc-

1936 Berlin Olympic

games, was first shown

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in Nazi Germany.

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Sept. beans12.62 at 6 p.m. next month to discuss the July wheat 6.56 2021 spring financial forecast.) Also Monday, middle school **Sunrise** principal Ryan Steinbrunner noted the auditeria will be getting

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SERVICES

Wednesday

Wendel, Ruth: noon, Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 7321 E. Indiana 67, Bryant.

Thursday

Licht, Roscoe: I p.m., Meacham Funeral Service, 648 W. State St., Albany.

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Citizen's calendar

Wednesday

Portland 4 p.m. – Board of Aviation, airport, 661 W. 100 North.

Friday

8 a.m. — Portland Redevelopment Commission, Room 205, John Jay Cen-

ter For Learning, 101 S. Meridian St., Portland.

Monday

9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.



missed.



\$18.00 plus per hour after training

3rd Shift Weekend Yard Driver \$19.50 per hour

3rd Shift General Maintenance

Family

The violence needs to end **By DIANA DOLECKI**

Special to The Commercial Review Last week I was lying in bed trying to decide if I wanted to get up or go back to sleep.

Hubby got up and turned on the television. The screen was filled with police cars. Red and blue lights flashed as the information strip at the bottom of the away when he pointed his screen proclaimed that there were eight dead from a mass shooting at FedEx in Indianapolis. Not much later I learned that the shooter was assumed to be a 19 year old male who had shot and killed himself.

the choices are endless. They could fall in love, get married and have a child that grows up to be president. They could get a better job and finally move out of home. They could write a bestselling book. They could cure the common cold. They could invent a new line of take out soft drink containers and plastic bags that would decompose before they landed in someone's yard. They could do anything. The possibilities are endless. The world is at their feet.



weapon and pulled the trigger. Can any of you tell me when a civilian has shot and killed someone that it solved whatever problem the shooter had?

I didn't think so.

The victims had friends and Nineteen. Think about what it family who loved them. Their is to be 19. At that point in life lives will never be the same. For the loved ones the date will be forever burned into their minds as the day their world turned upside down and their loved one died. All of the ramifications from this shooting may never be known.

Those people who died had plans for the day. I think it is fair to say that not one of them went to work that morning planning to explore all that the afterlife has to offer.

We offer our thoughts and prayers because we don't know what else to do. There will be the watch yet another rerun of Gilli-The shooter threw all that usual calls for gun control. It gan's Island.

won't happen. We love our guns too much. There has to be a major change in society's values before we will even think of any type of gun control.

I would love for the National Rifle Association, which was founded way back in 1871, to offer some valid suggestions as to how to stop this senseless violence. What we, as a nation, are doing clearly doesn't work.

There must be a way for people to settle their grievances with-out the use of violence. Mass shootings have ceased to be as shocking as they once were. Another young person shot up a facility, more people died. We hardly notice. We wring our hands and wonder what this world is coming to. We send up a quick prayer before changing the station to an old rerun of Gilligan's Island.

In a week or so the screen will once again fill with the images of yet another young man who has settled his grievances with a gun. We will talk about how something needs to change, We may send up a prayer. Then we will change the station and

Pond clinic set for May 3

Jay County's Purdue Extension office is offering an opportunity to learn about pond management.

A pond management clinic is scheduled for 6 p.m. May 3 in the Community Room at Jay County Public Library.

Jonathan Ferris of Purdue Extension will give a presentation and be available to answer questions. Topics will include weeds, water quality, fish, stocking and maintenance.

To RSVP, email jcurley@purdue.edu or call (260) 726-4707.

Process underway

Jay School Corporation's enrollment process for kindergarten for the 2021-22 school year is underway.

The process begins online by filling out a registration form at jayschoolcorp.org. After filling out the form, parents will be contacted in may about setting up a kindergarten assessment. For that ses-

Taking Note

sion, parents will need to bring a copy of their child's birth certificate and social security numbers.

Registration open

John Jay Center for Learning is now accepting registrations for its VEX Robotics summer camps and clinics.

John Jay will host camps for all levels of robotics participants from June 21 through 25 and June 28 through July 2. Morning and afternoon sessions will be available.

The registration fee is \$50. Attendance will be limited, so registration in advance is required.

To sign up, stop in at John Jay at 101 S. Meridian St., Portland.

Schedules collide as mother, daughter share car

DEAR ABBY: I am a 16-year-old girl, and I'm having a conflict with my mom over my car. Her car broke down and she needed to use mine, which is completely understandable, and I agreed. However, I have a work schedule I have to stick to, and I need my car to get to and from. I pay all the bills for it, and the title is in my grandfather's name.

I asked her to let me use my car to get to and from work and for Valentine's Day with my bovfriend. She seemed extremely upset by it, and now she and my stepdad continually tell me that should she EVER need the car, I have to give it to her.

While I understand she needs it to get to and from work, and I'm willing to be flexible so she can, her demand that I not use it the and let her continue using it



entire time hers is in the shop (majority of this time is on a weekend when she's not working) completely unacceptable is because I also have responsibilities

How do I help her understand that while she can use it for work because that is important, when I need it after her work hours, I should be able to use it because I pay for it? Must I just suck it up (putting my relationship with my bovfriend at risk and possibly having to walk five miles to work in bad weather) or tell her the days I need it are absolute, and since it is my car, I will be using it? — CONFUSED IN MISSOURI

DEAR CONFUSED: While I agree with the concept of 'yours" and "mine," there are times when family has to pull together.

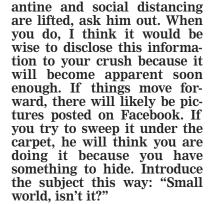
On the grand scale of things at this point, your mom's responsibilities as an adult are more important than your love life. If your boyfriend thinks so little of you that your being carless on a special occasion will destroy your relationship, then that relationship isn't destined to last forever.

If lacking access to your car means you would have to trudge five miles in bad weather to and from work, ask your stepdad or your grandfather if - in an emergency — one of them can transport you. But do not attempt to lay down the law to your mother, or I guarantee you will not like the consequences.

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DEAR ABBY: There is this guy that I like a lot. I want to ask him out, but it recently came to my attention that we have a mutual ex-boyfriend. Should I bring it up or let it go? He is friends with our shared ex on Facebook, and I don't know what to do. — GUY WITH A CRUSH IN PENNSYL-VANIA

DEAR GUY: Once the quar-



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.

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Community Calendar

Community Calendar as Center St., Dunkirk. For month at the library. space is available. To sub- more information, call mit an item, email Amanda Price at (765) Wednesday news@thecr.com.

283-2107.

Notices will appear in Nazarene church, 249 E. third Tuesday of each

WEDNESDAY MORN-



Today

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) 726-5273.

ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship

NARCOTICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 7 Will meet at 8 a.m. in the p.m. each Tuesday at east room of Richards Church of God of Prophecy, 797 N. Creagor Ave. in Portland. For more information, call (260) 766-9334.

ALZHEIMER'S CARE-GIVER SUPPORT GROUP Will meet at 5:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each A BETTER LIFE – BRI- month at Jay County Public Library community room. For more informasubstance abuse. Meal tion, call Deb Tipton at (260) 729-2806 or Elasha Lennartz at (765) 729-4567. FRIENDS ÓF JAY COUNTY LIBRARY Building across from the Will meet at 6 p.m. the (260) 726-8229.

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ING BREAKFAST CLUB Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

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

FAMILY AL-ANON GROUP - New Beginnings, a support group for friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call

A BETTER LIFE – BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Wednesday at Redkey United Methodist Church, 122 W. Main St. Come early for a meal. For more information, call Pastor Randy Davis at (765) 369-2085.

STRESS AND ANXIETY CLASS — Meets each Wednesday at 2nd Chance at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland. For more information, call (206) 726-9625 or (260) 703-0534.

Thursday

CELEBRATE RECOV-ERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Thursday at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2006.

Opinion

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Earth needs to be protected

To the editor:

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At a recent visit to the Loblolly Marsh Nature Preserve in Jay County, I noticed the educational sign "Drain the Swamp," which depicts various ways of dealing with drainage. I had seen it before, but it seemed more timely on that beautiful spring day.

The current Indiana legislature is planning to allow more elimination of our already diminishing wetlands.

What, truly, is the need for this?

Thankfully, Brunswick and Randy Lehman, along with the donations and hard work from volunteers and local groups, not only saved so much land for wildlife habitat but provided recreation and educaLetters to the Editor

tional opportunities for all ages.

Saving the wetlands celebrates and promotes the worked of world renowned naturalist, author and photographer Gene Stratton porter.

Earth Day is Thursday, April 22.

What is more conserva-Ken tive than protecting life on earth?

If you are truly "pro life," then why not be pro earth? It is important for the governor to veto this legis-

lation. Tony Giltner Portland

SHENEMAN^{THE STAR-LEDGER} YOU REALIZE THIS IS THE 5 YARD LINE, RIGHT?

It doesn't have to be a battle

By ROBIN ABCARIAN Los Angeles Times

Tribune News Service

Anyone who has parented a toddler will be able to relate to the day Michaeleen Doucleff, in her own words, "hit bottom."

She was lying in bed in San Francisco before sunrise, the house still quiet as her 3-year-old daughter and husband slept. "I was preparing for battle," she later wrote. "I was going over in my head how to handle the next encounter with the enemy. What will I do when she strikes me again? When she hits? Kicks? Or bites?"

At various points in her new book, "Hunt, Gather, Parent: What Ancient Cultures Can Teach Us About the Lost Art of Raising Happy, Helpful Little Humans," Doucleff calls her child "a raging maniac," "a mini shrew" and "the wild hyena."

No wonder it's a bestseller.

Doucleff, who has a doctorate in chemistry and works as a science reporter for NPR, takes a methodical approach to sussing out why Americans so often approach parenting as an emotionally fraught high-stakes championship, and why Indigenous cultures seem to raise happier, calmer kids.

She interviews all kinds of experts – anthropologists, neuroscientists, sociologists — in her quest to figure out why we parent the way we do and why it so often can be a joyless struggle.



thing is that I am the one always telling her to lower her voice.

The idea that children are little manipulators who push a parent's emotional buttons to get attention a concept that is deeply ingrained in our culture — is unthinkable to the parents with whom Doucleff and

Rosy spend time. "Truth is," writes Doucleff, "these ideas about children are cultural constructions. ... They are folktales that we Western parents tell our-selves to help us navigate behavior we don't understand."

In her visits to the Arctic, Mexico and Tanzania, she writes, "I never once witness a parent argue with a child. I never see a power struggle. ... Parents simply don't argue with children. Instead, they make a request, and wait silently for the child to comply. And if the child

refuses, the parents may make a comment, walk away, or turn their attention elsewhere.²

Doucleff has some choice words about "self-esteem," a uniquely Western idea that has permeated our parenting, possibly to the detriment of our children, who seem to be suffering an epidemic of anxiety. (Maybe it's because they don't receive the kind of praise in the real world that we lavished upon them as kids?) No one really knows what effect heaping on the praise and refraining from criticism actually has on children. As Doucleff notes, studies showing a link between low selfesteem and social and emotional problems are "slim, shoddy or nonexistent.' Further, in the cultures she and Rosy visited, "The children who receive little praise show more confidence and mental strength than their American counterparts, who are steeped in praise.' Like most parents I know, I wholeheartedly embraced the concept that I was responsible for building my daughter's self-esteem. In fact, her father and I joked about what we called "the wall of self-esteem," on which our then-toddler daughter's every piece of art was displayed like the "Mona Lisa." In the dining room. A stark difference between Western and traditional Indigenous cultures is the number of toys we Westerners rain on our kids. And they all have to have some sort of educational purpose. But why? "The answer," writes Doucleff, "has more to do with the Industrial Revolution — and burgeoning consumerism — than it does with cognitive science or child development. ... old hates most about me. The insane Toys, once thought to be completely the Los Angeles Times.

The idea that children are little manipulators who push a parent's emotional buttons to get attention a concept that is deeply ingrained in our culture is unthinkable to the parents with whom Doucleff and Rosy spend time.

unnecessary, were now deemed essential.'

So, hard as it sounds, your children may grow happier if you stop with all the praise, and get rid of half their toys (at least). Encourage them to be part of the family "team." helping around the house as best they can, without meddling or bossing them around. In the quest to raise perfect kids, it seems, we have perfected how

Bill didn't do enough

The Republic (Columbus)

If you're a preg-nant worker in Indiana, your employer isn't required by law to make reasonable accommodations to fulfill your needs in the workplace.

This issue has been discussed by the General Assembly the last three sessions, and has also become a top priority for Gov. Eric Holcomb during his time in office.

Multiple attempts to advance a bill through the Statehouse have failed in recent years, but now it appears that a proaimed posal at addressing the issue will finally reach Holcomb's desk in 2021

While it's a start, the version of House 1309that's

Hoosier **Editorial**

birth. Both bills died without a single hearing this session.

None of these requests are unreasonable by any means especially for a state with real maternal health issues.

The infant mortality rate in Indiana of 6.5 per 1,000 is also above the national average of 5.6.Bartholomew County is familiar with the issues, as at least 54 infant deaths have been recorded since 2009. Thankfully, the county's most recent data suggests numbers are trending

On her quest to be a better parent, Doucleff travels with her daughter, Rosy, to three far-flung spots, where they embed with families to watch and learn. They go to a tiny Maya village in a Yucatan rainforest; an Inuit village north of the Arctic Circle; and the Tanzanian savannah, where they stay with a hunter-gatherer tribe called the Hadzabe, believed to be one of the oldest cultures on Earth.

In Mexico, Doucleff discovers the concept of acomedido, which literally means "accommodating" but refers to the way Maya kids are taught to pay attention and help out around the house without being cajoled, corrected or screamed at.

Among the Inuit, she discovers that parents do not raise their voices or, say, freak out when a kid knocks a cup of coffee onto a white rug. ("Your coffee was in the wrong place," says an Inuit mom after such a spill.)

"Across the board," Doucleff writes, "all the moms and dads mention one golden rule of Inuit parenting: Never yell at a child."

"I think that's why white children don't listen," a 71-year-old woman tells Doucleff. "Parents have yelled at the children too much."

I don't know a parent who has raised a child without yelling, especially in the last year, when we've all been stuck inside on top of one another. It's the thing I hate most about my child-rearing, and I am pretty sure it's the thing the 11-yearto sabotage their autonomy.

Doucleff embraces one practice that I found shocking, at least at first: keeping kids safe by scaring the bejesus out of them.

Inuit children are warned that a sea monster named Qalupalik might snatch them and give them to another family if they stray too close to the water. To avoid frostbite, they are warned to keep their hats on, or the Northern Lights will snatch off their heads and use them for soccer balls.

Back in San Francisco, when Rosy opens the fridge and stands in front of it for five minutes, ignoring her mother's pleas to close it, Doucleff invents a refrigerator monster. "If he warms up," she warns, "he's going to get bigger and bigger and come get you."

When Rosy refuses to change out of a favorite and now very dirty dress, her mother tells her spiders will grow in it if it doesn't get washed.

Making up monsters has become a family game; Doucleff swears bedtimes have gotten easier thanks to the Jimmy Jammy monster, who will pounce if they move too quickly or talk too loudly.

I can't undo the parenting mistakes I made with my daughter, now a thriving adult. But I can practice what I have just learned with my 11year-old niece, who moved in with me when she was 8.

From now on, I vow to stop yelling. Pray for me.

Abcarian is an opinion columnist at

expected to become law falls well short of the needs of Hoosier mothers and their babies.

Rather than guaranteeing accommodations, the bill "allows emplovee to an request an accommodation for the employee's pregnancy" and "requires an employer to respond to an employee's request for an accommodation within a reasonable time frame."

In short, nothing has fundamentally changed.

It's puzzling why lawmakers don't feel that some accommodations should be required.

Both Senate Bill 246 and House Bill 1358 requested businesses that have their children in the more than 15 employees allow for more breaks for pregnant women, places where mothers *mercial* can pump breast milk, and unpaid time off from work to tion Information Netrecover from child- work.

down thanks to action taken by local officials.

Indiana's business owners need to step up and provide protections and other accommodations for their employees since the legislature won't do so. Many businesses already do, but much more can be done.

Every expectant mother deserves to work in a healthy, discriminatory-free workplace, and the

new piece of legislation hardy touches the issue.

The conversation can't end when Holcomb signs on the dotted line HB 1309. Further measures are going to be needed to protect expectant mothers and future.

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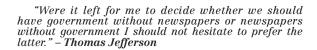
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Funding

Continued from page 1 •Install GPS systems in all buses to include an app that allows parents to track pick-up and drop-off times and upgrade digital radio systems.

•Recoup costs related to the pandemic, including paying for additional suband stitute teachers replenishing athletic department accounts that were hurt by attendance limits.

"The logic of this is to try to recoup as much as possible, prioritize for the summer school this summer ... and then ... as we move into 'ESSER 3' ... that's where you'll see the Harold E. Schutz Memoribulk of the dollars move al Stadium, which will more aggressively into instruction and special ed," said Gulley.

Ford, Ron Laux, Donna will be moved indoors to

Geesaman, Mike Shannon, Vickie Reitz and Chris Snow, absent Jason Phillips, approved the application for the second round of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funding, for which the deadline is May 14. (The application period for the third round of funding begins May 14.) Spending plans must be approved by the state department of education.

Gulley also announced that plans have been made to hold this year's graduation ceremony at 2 p.m. June 20, as scheduled. It will be an outdoor event at allow it to be held without any attendance limits. If inclement weather is

Board members Phil expected, the ceremony

the JCHS gym. In that case, capacity would be limited, with each senior receiving an allotment of tickets.

(The 2020 graduation ceremony was held as a drive-in event in the parking lot between the soccer and softball fields.)

Board members also approved a new pay structure for "trip pay" — driving buses for field trips and extracurriculars.

Drivers who give up their regular route to accommodate a trip will be paid \$25 for the first hour and \$13 for each additional hour. Those who did not give up a route will be paid \$13 per hour. In both cases, the driver will receive \$25 if the trip is canceled with less than 24 hours notice.

Drivers had previously received \$11.60 for the first hour and \$8.60 for each additional hour with a minimum of \$25.

The corporation will also contribute a total of \$47,000 for the remainder of this year and the 2021-22 school year to help extracurricular organizations cover the additional cost for travel.

The new system will be evaluated after the first semester of the 2021-22 school year.

In other business, the board:

 Recognized the Jay County High School early college program for being certified by the Center for Excellence and Leadership in Learning (see related Wednesday's story in newspaper) and assistant superintendent Trent Paxson for being inducted into

hour, \$9.45 for the second the Jay County FFA Hall of Fame.

•Approved the following: hiring Sara Hough as

Bloomfield Elementary School secretary; the retirements of East Jay Elementary School third grade teacher Gay Jobe, Redkey Elementary School instructional assistant Betty Muhlenkamp and Bloomfield instructional assistant Joan Wilkins, effective at the end of the school year; a contract with Curtis & Livers Consulting for special education consulting; and a one-

year extension of the school corporation's contract with Chartwells for management of its food service.

•Learned from Gulley that IU Health Jay has offered to hold a coronavirus vaccination clinic

for eligible students. The school corporation will send out a survey to gauge interest.

•Heard from business manager Shannon Current that she estimates a positive cash flow of more than \$935,000 this year and a year-end cash balance of \$4.75 million.

 Recognized current board members Mike McKee. Pat Bennett and Mike Medler, and former board member Neil Medler, for their service to the Building Corporation of Jay Schools.

•Hired various coaches and advisors, including Meg Mauger as assistant robotics coach, Edwin Dixon as assistant football coach, Marvin Buckner as assistant boys golf coach and Cindy Denney as junior high golf coach.

Capsule Reports

Flipped vehicle

Damage is estimated between \$50,000 and \$100,000 after a Union City man's vehicle went off county road 250 West and flipped about 7:20 p.m. Friday.

Wyatt J. Mills, 18, was driving his 2004 Ford Mustang north near county road 550 South when it went off the road. His vehicle flipped, landing on its roof and hitting a fence.

Mills was flown to Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne for treatment of his injuries. His Mustang was towed.

Lost control

Damage is estimated between \$25,000 and \$50,000 after a Portland teen driving on Mount Pleasant Road lost control of his vehicle about 3:25 p.m. Saturday.

Daniel J. Moore, 16, was driving a 2006 Chevrolet Equinox northeast on the road near county road 200 South when he it went off the east side of the road. He over-corrected and caused the vehicle to spin, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report. The Equinox

side, trapping Tammy D. Moore, 51, Winchester, inside.

All the passengers - both Moores, a 12-year-old Winchester girl and 13-year-old Winchester girl — were taken to IU Health Jay for treatment of injuries. The Equinox was towed.

Assigned, hired

At Portland City Council's Monday, Portland meeting Mayor John Boggs named former mayor Randy Geesaman to Portland Plan Commission. Geesaman, a Democrat who served two terms as mayor before losing to Boggs in the 2019 election, will fill the plan commission seat that has been vacant.

Council also heard a request from a resident to install a stop sign on Arch Street at its intersection with Western Avenue. Boggs plans to have the police department monitor traffic in the area to determine whether a stop sign is necessary.

Also at the Portland Board of Works meeting Friday, the board iff's Office, 4835 Ohio 29, Celina; came to a rest in a ditch on its approved the hiring of Matt and Darke County Sheriff's

Snow as a new water department employee.

Taking back

Indiana State Police is partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration for the "Prescription Drug Take Back" initiativē.

The state police will have collection sites available to collect expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. Liquid medications and pills will be accepted, along with vaping pens (with batteries and cartridges removed). (Needles will not be accepted.)

Sites participating in the event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday include Decatur Police Department, 112 S. 7th St., Decatur; Richmond Police Department, 50 N. 5th St., Richmond; and Marion Police Department, 301 S. Branson St., Marion.

sites in Ohio Collection Police Coldwater include Department, 303 W. Main St., Coldwater; Mercer County SherOffice, 5735 Meeker Road, Greenville.

Intersection collision

A Farmland woman drove into a Portland woman's vehicle at the intersection of Water and Middle streets about 7:15 p.m. Sunday.

Amanda S. Tinsley, 48, was stopped at the stop sign on Water Street in her 2018 Chevrolet Trax. She later told Portland Police Department she did not see any cars and that her vision was impaired by the sunlight. She continued west into the intersection with Middle Street and her vehicle struck a southbound 2011 Dodge Nitro driven by 44-year-old Chala N. Dehoyos.

Damage is estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

Collision

A Portland woman failed to notice an oncoming truck while turning onto Water Street, causing a collision about 7:47 a.m. Monday.

Amy J. Klopfenstein, 45, had been driving her 2005 Chrysler PT Cruiser north on Jack Street. She didn't see the 2001 International straight truck — it was driven by 57-year-old Christopher W. Koenig — heading west on Water Street, according to a Portland Police Department report. Klopfenstein turned left onto the road and Koenig drove into her vehicle's passenger side.

Damage is estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Walmart wreck

A Portland man drove into a Dunkirk woman's car as he was pulling out of the Walmart parking lot entrance about 4:05 p.m. Saturdav.

Kamron Petty, 25, was turning east onto Votaw Street from the parking lot at 950 W. Votaw St. in Portland when he drove into a 2009 Hyundai Elantra driven by 55-year-old Rita K. Lamb. Lamb told Portland Police Department she was pulling into Walmart from the west on Votaw Street when Petty's 2008 Hyundai Elantra hit the vehicle she was driving.

Lamb's car is registered to Donlen Trust of Bannockburn, Illinois. Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500.

Felony courts A Portland man was arrested Friday for raping Continued from page 1

Portland man is charged with rape

Felony a mentally handicapped



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A Redkey woman and a Portland man were sentenced to jail after pleading guilty recently to drug possession.

Drug possession

Amanda M. Adams, 33, 328 E. High St., Redkey, pleaded guilty to possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Superior Court. She was sentenced to two years in Jay County Jail with all of her sentence suspended. She was placed on probation, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee and a \$350 substance abuse program fee. As part of her plea agreement, the following charges were dismissed: a Class A misdemeanor charge for possession of a controlled substance, a Class B misdemeanor charge for public intoxication and a Class C misdemeanor charge for possession of paraphernalia.

Jason M. Bunch, 48, 904 N. Franklin St., Portland, pleaded guilty to possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Superior Court. He was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but 88 days suspended and given 88 days credit for 44 days served. He was placed on probation for 277 days, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee and a \$350 substance abuse program fee. As part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony charge for unlawful possession of a syringe was dismissed

Rickey D. Jenkins, 65, allegedly committed the crime Thursday while the man was visiting his home at 664 West Third St., according to Portland Police investigator Jeff Hopkins.

The victim's caretaker later noticed his wounds and asked about them. After he explained, she called the police. Jenkins admitted to the crime during an interview with Hopkins.

After obtaining a search warrant, police said they also found about a pound of marijuana in Jenkins' home.

Jenkins was preliminarily charged the following: a Level 3 felony for rape, Level 6 felonies for maintaining a common nuisance, dealing in marijuana and possession of cocaine, methamphetamine or narcotic drugs; and a Class C misde-



meanor for possession of paraphernalia.

He's being held in Jay County Jail without bond.

Failed to appear

A Portland man was arrested Friday for failing to appear in court.

Aaron M. Dunmoyer, 26, 3854 W. 200 South, has an original Level 6 felony charge of operating a vehicle while intoxicated. He's being held in Jay County Jail without bond.

Probation violation

A Ridgeville man was arrested Friday for violating his probation.

Daniel J. Price, 36, has an original Level 6 felony charge of non-support of a dependent child. He was booked into Jay County Jail on \$5,000 bond.



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Sports/Classifieds

White's fast start leads Spurs past Pacers

BV MICHAEL MAROT AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Derrick White and Jakob Poeltl took advantage of their early mismatches by delivering a quick knockout punch and leading the San Antonio Spurs to a 109-94 victory over short-handed Indiana on Monday night.

White scored 16 of his 25 points in the first quarter, while Poeltl finished with 16 points and seven rebounds in the Spurs' second straight win.

"I think we were aggressive and decisive on offense," Poeltl Domantas Sabonis (sore lower

thought our defense was really good against Phoenix as well and that's just what fueled us. We're playing with more energy now and it's showing up in games."

It certainly did against the short-handed Pacers.

Malcolm Brogdon and Caris LeVert each scored 18 to lead Indiana, which has lost three in a row. But this time, the Pacers were without two-time All-Star

said. "We didn't hestitate, we back) and defensive player of time getting up and down the just kind of went for it. I the year candidate Myles Turner (right foot) as well as T.J. Warren, who will miss the rest of the season with a stress fracture in his left foot. Turner's replacement, Goga Bitadze, also didn't finish the game because of a sprained left ankle.

"It's a challenge," Pacers coach Nate Bjorkgren said. "Goga we wound up playing him a lot more but he spained his ankle in t he first and you could see he was having a hard 21 in the third quarter.

floor, so I had to take him out."

Without the Pacers missing so many key players, White and Poeltl made sure Indiana never had a chance.

White's 3-pointer capped a 15-4 run to close the first quarter, which gave the Spurs a 36-21 lead they never surrendered. LeVert scored six straight late in the second quarter to cut the deficit to 47-38. But San Antonio still led 55-44 at halftime and sealed the victory by extending the lead to

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

Mario Andretti is loneli-

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home alone in his sprawl-

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people around the world

during this pandemic that

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But the blows were just

His beloved nephew

John Andretti lost his

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2020.

One of the greatest rac-

year-old Amazon parrot.

The game was marred by a fourth-quarter shoving match that resulted in technical fouls on the two instigators — Indiana's JaKarr Sampson and San Antonio's Patty Mills — as well as Spurs forward Rudy Gay. Sampson was ejected following the brief fracas.

"No," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said when asked if he could recall any time when Mills got involved in a similar scenario. "He's too sweet, too nice a guy. He's not looking for a fight."

Andretti navigates

his personal loss

Split

Continued from page 8 **Patriots fall to Delta**

ALBANY — Caleb DeRome was at his best once again, but the Jay County boys golf team suffered its first loss of the season Monday with a 164-182 setback to the host Delta Eagles at Albany Golf Club.

DeRome, a freshman, led the Patriots (2-1) with a 2-over-par 38, matching his career best he set in the first nine-hole match of his career April 12.

Senior Griffin Mann was second for Jay County with his round of 41, while Kyle Sanders

shot 49. Brock DeHoff completed the team score by shooting 54. Simon Pryor also competed, but his 56 did not factor into the points. team score.

Track second

Jay County Junior High School's boys and girls track teams both took second on Monday in a meet they hosted with South Adams and Woodlan.

South Adams' girls scored 54 points for first, edging the Patriots by one point. Woodlan scored 30 for third.

Fifty-five points gave the

SAMS boys the win, leaving Jay County second with 53 points. Woodlan was third with 29

Jenna Dues (100-meter dash), Morgan DeHoff (long jump), Mya Kunkler (high jump) and Kenzie Huey (shot put) each had single wins.

Adam Alig got two victories (high jump, shot put) while Garrett Hiday (200 dash) and Kaidon Castillo (discus) won their respective events.

Levi Muhlenkamp, Lucas Powers, Joseph Boggs and Alig teamed to win the 4x400 relay.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Today Jay County — Boys golf at Bluffton – 4:30 p.m.; Baseball at Norwell – 5 p.m.; Track at Bluffton – 5:30 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Bluffton – 5 p.m.; Junior high golf at Richmond – 4:30 p.m.

Fort Recovery — Track hosts quad – 4:30 p.m.; Baseball vs. Marion Local – 5 p.m.; Softball at Marion Local - 5 p.m.

Thursday

Jay County — Softball at Woodlan – 6 p.m.; Baseball at Woodlan – 6 p.m.; JV softball at Woodlan – 6 p.m.; Junior high golf at Delta - 5 p.m.; Junior high track at Delta – 5 p.m. Fort Recovery — Track at St. Henry

quad – 4:30 p.m.; Baseball at St. Henry 5 p.m.; Softball vs. St. Henry - 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. St. Henry – 5 p.m.

Friday

Jay County — Baseball vs. Shenandoah - 5 p.m.; JV baseball at Shenandoah - 5 p.m. Fort Recovery — Junior high track at (TNT)

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Contract * Bridge By Steve Becker **90 SALE CALENDAR**

New Bremen Invitational - 4:30 p.m. Saturday

Jay County — Boys golf at South Adams Inviational – 9 a.m.; Boys track at Muncie Relays – 10 a.m.

Monday

Jay County — Boys golf at Winches-ter – 4:30 p.m.; Baseball vs. Monroe Central – 5 p.m.; Softball at Wapahani – 5 p.m.; Girls tennis vs. South Adams – 5 p.m.; JV baseball at Delta – 5 p.m.; Jun-Junior high golf vs. Southern Wells – 5 p.m.; Junior high track vs. Heritage and Bluffton – 5:30 p.m.

Fort Recovery — Freshman baseball vs. Coldwater – 5 p.m.

TV schedule Today 7:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball:

New York Mets at Chicago Cubs (ESPN) 7:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Brook-lyn Nets at New Orleans Pelicans (TNT) 10 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Los Ange-les Clippers at Portland Trail Blazers

Wednesday 6:35 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Altanta Braves at New York Yankees (ESPN)

7 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Indiana Pacers vs. Oklahoma City Thunder (FSIN)

Thursday 7 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Philadel-phia 76ers at Milwaukee Bucks (TNT) 9:30 p.m. — NBA Basketbal: Los Angeles Lakers at Dallas Mavericks (TNT)

Friday – NBA Basketball: Boston 7:30 p.m. – Celtics at Brooklyn Nets (ESPN) 10 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Denver Nuggets at Golden State Warriors (ESPN)

Saturday — NBA Basketball: Boston 1 p.m. Celitcs at Charlotte Hornets (ESPN) 3 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Phoenix Suns at Brooklyn Nets (ESPN)

4:05 p.m. — Major League Baseball;

Washington Nationals at New York Mets (FS1) 7 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Indiana

Pacers vs. Detroit Pistons (FSIN) 7:10 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Texas Rangers at Chicago White Sox

Local notes

(FS1)

Swim team seeking coach The Jav County Summer Swim Team

is seeking a coach to help lead its team this season. The schedule runs from May 10 to July 10, and the position is responsible for helping to plan and lead practices and meets.

Requirements include ability to work well with students, good decision-making

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before the pandemic brought the world to a standstill and Andretti suddenly had nowhere to There is no bigger star

at a racetrack than Mario Andretti, the only driver to win the Formula One tweeted.

championship, the Indianapolis 500 and the Daytona 500. And when all the racetracks were closed, his world became very, verv small.

"Before COVID, at least he was getting out, doing stuff he liked, and then he lost all his endorsements and he was just sitting at home and he's there by himself. He needs something to do at the racetrack to feel alive," said Michael Andretti, gesturing across the Andretti Autosport hospitality center to his 81-year-old masked father mingling with guests at IndyCar's season-opening race.

The call Andretti never prepared himself for came Dec. 30 when his twin brother died of complications from COVID-19. Both Aldo Andretti and his wife had contracted the virus; she recovered and went home but he remained hospitalized, refused to be placed on a ventilator and died.

"Aldo Andretti, my loving twin brother, my partner in crime and my faithful best friend every day of my life was called to heaven last night. Half of me went with him. There is no eloquence. I'm shaken to my core," Andretti

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Regardless of the caliber of the game you play in, one truth remains constant: Many more points are lost on easy hands than are lost on diffi cult ones. This is because compli cated hands that require great skill are relatively rare, while the every-day garden variety that require no special skills come up all the time.

Consider this case where South wound up in three notrump and West led a club. Declarer won East's jack with the ace and immediately led a spade to the jack, losing to the king.

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South won the club return and cashed the A-Q of spades. When the suit didn't break evenly, he tried a diamond finesse. Unfortunately, West produced the king and cashed three clubs and a spade for down two. It cannot be denied that declarer

ran into a few bad breaks along the way — two finesses lost, the spades didn't split, and the opposing clubs were divided 5-3. However, the fact remains that he went down on a hand where making at least nine tricks was lute certainty South failed because he attacked

the wrong suit at the outset. Had he won the opening club lead, crossed to dummy with a heart and tried the diamond finesse first, he could not have made less than four diamond have made tess than four diamond tricks, two clubs, two hearts and a spade for his contract. Indeed, he could just as easily have assured nine tricks by leading a low diamond from his hand at trick two, conceding a trick to the king. Declarer's error was essentially

chester.

Declarer's error was essentially an error of convenience. Because he had to win the opening club lead in his hand, it was much more conve-nient to try the spade finesse first than it was to cross to dummy and try

the diamond finesse. The reason for South's failure on this relatively straightforward deal was, sad to say, simply a matter of laziness

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Softball splits invite, wins back-to-back

The Patriots prevented any chance at a losing streak.

Then they made it backto-back wins with a lopsided victory Monday.

The Jay County High School softball team picked up a 13-3 win in six innings against the St. Henry Redskins on Monday after going 1-1 during the Richmond Invitational on Saturday.

The Patriots (5-3) lost 10-7 in the first game Saturday for consecutive losses after a 10-4 defeat to Norwell on Friday night, then got back in the win column against Hagerstown with 12-8 triumph.

Over the span of the last three games, senior Rieley Brewster has gone 7-for-10 with two home runs, a double, seven RBIs and seven runs. Aubrie Schwieterman has seven hits, including two doubles, with four RBIs, while Haley Gillette has collected a home run, a triple, a double and five RBIs.

home run and two doubles, while Maddy Rinker hit a triple and Riah charged with the loss in Champ doubled.

Haleigh Clayton was 1-1 pitching recently with five strikeouts and a pair of walks. Gillette was credited with the win against Hagerstown, striking out three in the process.

Jay, 'Dogs split CENTERVILLE — Jay **Jay County**

County's baseball team split a doubleheader with the Centerville Bulldogs on Saturday.

The Patriots (3-3) managed just two hits and committed six errors in a 4-0 loss in the first game, then rallied with three runs in the seventh inning and one in the eighth for a 5-4 victory in game two.

Kess McBride singled with two outs in the eighth inning of game two, and he came all the way around to score the eventual game-winning run on a Josh Dowlen double.

Quinn Faulkner and Sam Myers also doubled for the Patriots. Crosby Heniser and McBride tallied two hits apiece on the day. Blake Caldwell and Mady Fraley tallied a Dusty Pearson both had singles.

Curts Austin was game one, allowing four runs — three earned — on four hits while striking out a career-high 11 with two walks in six innings.

Pearson earned the win in game two with an inning of relief, striking out two and giving up one hit. Heniser pitched the eighth for the save.

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Holly Hemmelgarn of the Jay County High School girls tennis team runs up to make a shot during her No. 2 doubles match with teammate Lilly Hedges against the Winchester Golden Falcons on Monday at JCHS. Hemmelgarn and Hedges topped Evy Hinds and Kevalina Davis 6-1, 6-0, and the Patriots went on to win, 5-0.

Patriots sweep Golden Falcons

champions Saturday.

They helped a perfect showing against the defending sectional champions Monday.

Jay County High School's girls tennis team avenged a loss from the 2019 sectional semifinal in beating defending sectional champion Winchester Golden Falcons by a 5-0 score Monday.

The win over Winchester came two days after the Patriots competed

The Patriot doubles teams were in the Eastern Hancock Invitational ner-up Saturday, defeated Winchesin Charlottesville.

Madison Dirksen and Rachel Muhlenkamp defeated Morgan Williams and Mabrey McIntire 6-2, 6-2 in their No. 1 doubles contest Monday, while Lilly Hedges and Holly Hemmelgarn topped Evy Hinds and Kevalina Davis at No. 2 singles, 6-1, 6-0.

On Saturday, both doubles teams placed first out of four teams. Grace Brewster, who was the run-

ter's Kaylan McIntire 6-3, 6-4 at No. 1 singles.

Lyric Garringer, who was also the runner-up in the Eastern Hancock Invitational, got a 6-4, 6-1 victory over Autumn Abel in their No. 2 singles match.

Kierston Blunk completed the sweep of the Golden Falcons by defeating Reagan Riggin 6-4, 7-5, at No. 3 singles. Blunk placed third in Saturday's invitational.



R baseball on a slide FORT RECOVERY — The Indians are

on a bit of a backward slide.

Fort Recovery High School's baseball Fort Recovery team dropped a doubleheader Saturday and lost for the third straight game roundup Monday.

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The Indians (4-7) struck out 15 times and couldn't come back from a 2-0 deficit after the third inning in a 2-1 loss to South Adams in the first game of the twin bill Saturday. In game two, South Adams broke a 1-1 tie with a pair of runs in the top of the seventh inning to hand Fort Recovery a 3-1 setback.

On Monday, the Tribe lost to the Shawnee Indians, 13-0 in five innings.

Brock Dues paced the FRHS offense with three hits Saturday. Riley Will and Ryne Post each doubled. The Indians struck out 22 times against the Starfires.

Fort Recovery fanned eight more times against Shawnee, which struck for seven runs in the second inning, added another four in the fourth and got a grand slam from Keaton Cooper.

Dillan Evers had Fort Recovery's only hit against Shawnee.

Tribe goes winless

CELINA, Ohio, and FORT RECOVERY - Fort Recovery's softball team dipped to 11-6 on the season after losing three straight games recently.

The Tribe lost to Lincolnview 4-3 in the first game of a quad at Celina on Saturday, then fell by the same margin to Crestview in game two.

On Monday, the Indians fell to Wapakoneta, 14-9, for their fourth loss in the last five games.

Brenna Homan and Jackie Homan each collected five hits over the three games, with Jackie Homan tallying three doubles and four RBIs. Brenna Homan tripled.

Chloey Grisez, Abby Knapke and Cali Wendel had three hits each, and Maddy Guggenbiller contributed a double.

ND, IU to meet on gridiron

By TYLER JAMES South Bend Tribune Tribune News Service

Notre Dame and Indiana haven't met on the football field since 1991.

The Irish and Hoosiers plan to change that in the somewhat distant future. programs The two announced a two-game series between them for 2030 and 2031.

Notre Dame will host Indiana in South Bend on Aug. 31, 2030.

The Hoosiers will host the Irish in Bloomington on Sept. 27, 2031.

Notre Dame holds a 23-5-1 advantage in its 29 matchups with Indiana spanning back to 1898.

The Irish beat the Hoosiers 49-27 in Notre Dame Stadium when the two last met in 1991.

The previous 28matchups happened before 1959.

Notre Dame hasn't played a road game at Indiana since a 20-7 Hoosiers' victory in 1950.

The Indiana game scheduled for 2030 will almost certainly be the Irish.

Notre Dame is also slated to play home games against Duke, Florida State and Boston College have yet to be announced and road games against beyond 2024 and 2026.

season opener for the Louisville, Boston College and Navy in 2030.

Extensions of Notre Dame's annual matchups with Stanford and USC



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