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# Target date set



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Portland Park Board on Tuesday voted to set May 29 as the tentative opening date for Portland Water Park, contingent on having staff available and meeting any coronavirus-related restrictions. The board plans to make other decisions about the water park at its May 4 meeting.

# Board hopes to open water park May 29, contingent on staffing, coronavirus regulations

**By RAY COONEY** 

once again the target for opening Portland Water Park.

Portland Park Board on Tuesday set May 29 as the tentative opening date for the facility. It is navirus related restrictions and

having enough staff in place. Board members discussed procedures and the schedule for the facility with Missy Bader, water park manager, and Tom Leonhard and Matt Shauver of the city's street and parks department.

Shauver noted that his plan has been to have the water park ready to open on Memorial Day weekend, which had been the traditional opening date prior to the coronavirus pandemic that hit in March 2020. (The facility opened last year, but not until July and then with limited capacity.)

Bader said its been a chal- would check in with Jay Counlenge hiring lifeguards thus Memorial Day weekend is far. Of the 25-plus guards that land Mayor John Boggs before were on staff last year, she said about a dozen plan on returning. She also pointed out that having guards available during the week at the beginning of contingent on meeting any coro- the season may be difficult the end of the year.) with school in session until

> June 11. Park board members Shauna Runkle, Chris Compton, Brian Ison and Giles Laux, absent Glen Bryant, voted to set May 29 as the target opening date. They plan on making other decisions about the water park, such as season prices, whether rentals will be allowed and the schedule for the year at their May 4 meeting. Those decisions will be contingent on staffing and any coronavirus restrictions or recommendations that may be in place. (State restrictions were lifted as of Tuesday, but Bader the board said they via Google Forms.

ty Health Department and Port- cussed various ways to get the finalizing plans for the year.)

The board also continued its process toward creating its next five-year master plan. (The current plan expires at

Board members reviewed some of the details of the current plan, including the list of stakeholders, a summary of park programs and its goals. They were also presented with the park survey that was conducted as part of the process of putting together the 2017-2021

They will take the next month to consider that data and any necessary updates, with a goal of finalizing survey questions by their May 4 meeting. The board also authorized Ison to move forward with the process of creating the survey

Board members also dissurvey out to the public, including working with local schools, sending a message via the city's Nixle notification service and partnering with civic organizations.

The board also approved increasing the starting rate for part-time summer park department employees to \$9 hour. The rate for lifeguards had previously been bumped up to \$9 per hour with an additional 25 cents for each year of experience. Runkle said she would communicate the changes to city hall.

In his parks update, Shauver said restrooms have been opened at Hudson Family Park, Weiler-Wilson Park and Haynes Park. He added that mowing and other park maintenance is underway

"We're ready for a good year," he said.

# **JCDC** weigh quarry

**Organization** sets meeting to discuss request for rezoning

By RAY COONEY The Commercial Review

A local economic development organization will be taking its own look at the proposed rezoning of land for stone quarry expansion.

Jay County Development Corporation's board of directors had a wide-ranging discussion about the issue during its regular meeting Tuesday, ultimately deciding to meet again next week to discuss whether the organization should weigh in on the rezoning decision.

The board also addressed the process for hiring a new director of community development.

Board member Brian McGalliard, who is also a Jay County Commissioner, brought up the stone quarry, asking if JCDC had taken on a position on its rezoning request.

Thus far, it has not.

U.S. Aggregates, which currently operates a quarry southwest of the city, has requested that a parcel of land between county road 100 South and Tyson Road, east of county road 200 West, be rezoned to allow for an expansion there. The company has estimated the current site — 2228 W. 125 South — will allow for three to five more years of operation while the expansion site would make another 30 years worth of materials available.

Portland Plan Commission on a 6-2 vote last week recommended that the request be denied. The issue now moves to Portland City Council, which makes the ultimate decision on rezoning requests. (Council has 90 days to act on the rezoning request after plan commission's recommendation is certified.)

See **JCDC** page 2

# Arts 'Awakening'

By BAILEY CLINE The Commercial Review

It's time for an awakening.

Arts Place will be live-streaming its second 2021 concert, "Awakening," at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. This is the organization's second show after nearly a year without live performances because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Flautist Pete Vogler, vocalist Amelia Freeman and pianist Eric Rogers will be performing live from Hall-Moser Theatre for the free event. They'll be playing music that highlights the works of six American composers from the late 1800s and early 1900s.

"It's been fun to put something together that's not just lineup.)

### Second live-streamed concert is scheduled for Thursday

solo music," Rogers said, adding that he's been wanting to perform these pieces for a while.

He's been holding on to a fifth-grade beginner's book for teaching young singers — it was Howard Hanson — for nearly 20 years and hadn't been able to use it. (Two of Hanson's songs are included on Thursday's

Composers before the 1880s were mostly only locally known, Rogers explained, and they didn't receive notoriety

"Most of the composers from composed by featured artist that period have been forgotten, and I think that's too bad, because there's some beautiful music to be heard that they composed," Rogers said.

See 'Awakening' page 2



Amelia Freeman (foreground) and Eric Rogers (background) will perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Arts Place along with Pete Vogler. The concert will be live-streamed at facebook.com/artsplace and bit.ly/ArtsPlaceYouTube.

Weather

In review

Coming up

**Thursday** — Coverage of tonight's Jay County EDIT Advisory Committee meeting.

Saturday — Results from the FRHS track teams at the Celina Invitational.



Jay County's high temperature climbed to 77 degrees Tuesday. The low was 52.

Tonight's low will be in the upper 50s. Showers and thunderstorms are expected Thurs-

day with winds gusting to 30 miles per hour. The high will be 70. More rain is possible Thursday night with a low of 52.

See page 2 for an extended

Jay County Health Department will accept walk-ins for coronavirus vaccinations for those 18 and older from 1 to 6 p.m. Thursday.

## **Felony court news**

#### **Drug possession**

sentenced to prison recently for drug charges.

Levi S. Albertson, 32, 640 East 600 North, Ridgeville, was sen-Department of Correction after counts of possession pleading guilty to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 years of his sentence were suspended, and he was given credit

ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse Three local residents were prosecution, interdiction and correction fee.

Julie A. Henry, 42, 6126 W. 650 North, Bryant, was sentenced to 360 days total in Jay County Jail tenced to four years in Indiana after pleading guilty to two methamphetamine, both Level 6 felonies, in Jay Superior Court. felony, in Jay Circuit Court. Two Her second sentence will run consecutive to the first. She was given 234 days credit for 117 days for 61 days served. Albertson served and assessed court costs was placed on probation, of \$370. As part of her plea assessed court costs of \$185 and agreement, a Class C misde-

meanor charge of possession of paraphernalia was dismissed.

Shelby R. Gierhart, 29, 4197 S. 1000 West, Redkey, was sentenced to 365 days in Jay County Jail after pleading guilty to unlawful possession or use of a legend drug, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Superior Court. All but 10 days of her sentence were suspended, and she was given 10 days credit for five days served. She was placed on probation for 335 days, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, inter-

diction and correction fees and \$350 for a substance abuse program fee.

#### Attempted exploitation

A Portland man was sentenced to prison after pleading guilty to two felonies for attempted child exploitation and voyeurism in Jay Circuit Court.

Sean D. Knutson, 31, 106 Williamson Drive, was sentenced to three years in Indiana Department of Correction for attempted child exploitation, a Level 5 felony, with two years

suspended to probation. He was also sentenced to one year in Indiana Department of Correction for voyeurism, a Level 6 felony. The sentences will be served concurrently.

He was given credit for three days served, placed on probation for two years following completion of a program with Jav **County Community Corrections** and ordered to serve the remaining year of his sentence on house arrest. He was assessed court costs of \$185.

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## CR almanac

Saturday

Sunday

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70% chance of rain nearly all day, with cloudy evening skies likely. Winds as high as 30 mph.	Mostly sunny during the day with some clouds at night. Winds again may reach 30 mph.	rain under	Skies will be mostly cloudy during the day and mostly clear at night.	The fore- cast looks mostly sunny, with tempera- tures during the day in the high 60s.					

### **Lotteries**

#### **Powerball**

**Thursday** 

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#### **Mega Millions**

1 - 19 - 20 - 32 - 42Mega Ball: 17 Megaplier: 3 Estimated jackpot: \$201 million

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 2-5-0 Daily Four: 7-7-3-0 Evening Daily Three: 6-4-6 Daily Four: 7-6-5-1 Quick Draw: 2-7-11-14- \$120,000

19-21-22-25-38-42-48-51-56-Cash 5: 16-21-40-42-43 Estimated jackpot:

\$162,500

Midday Pick 3: 0-5-3 Pick 4: 0-2-4-7 Pick 5: 6-8-4-2-8 Evening Pick 3: 8-2-3 Pick 4: 9-9-2-6 Pick 5: 7-4-8-2-5 Estimated

Estimated jackpot: \$43 60-61-65-66-67-68-71

#### Ohio

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## **Markets**

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The board discussed the issue at length, with two of its members advocating on opposing sides of the issue.

Josh Atkinson, who is the attorney representing U.S. Aggregates, emphasized the economic impact of potentially losing the stone quarry. He noted loss in wages in the form of 22 iobs, the increased cost of hauling stone for county road work and the impact on other local businesses that buy and/or transport stone from U.S. Aggregates.

Joe Johnston, a resident of nearby Rose Drive who has been a vocal opponent of the rezoning, argued that a quarry expansion in that location would have a negative impact on home values and that it would block expansion of the city in that area. He also said he feels U.S. Aggregates could find somewhere else to expand.

Other board members asked a variety of questions regarding the economic impact of the quarry, the potential ripple effect if it shuts down, whether there are proposed plans for other development in that area and if a guarantee of home prices would be feasible.

The board ultimately decided to hold another meeting to discuss the issue, setting it for 4 p.m. April 15. (City council could decide on the rezonApril 19 meeting.) It asked Atkinson and Johnston to facilitate information on both sides of the issue to be sent to JCDC executive director Travis Richards by Friday. That information will then be distributed to board members for their review prior to discussion at the April 15 meeting.

Several board members brought up JCDC's mission "To enhance the quality of life in Jay County by assisting in the creation, retention and reinvestment of wealth and increasing the number and quality of employment opportunities" — and discussed what the organization's role would be in such situations.

The board also unanimously approved allowing its executive committee to hire the next director of community development.

JCDC executive director Travis Richards laid out his plan for the eight applicants for the job, which has been vacant since November, saying he would do a first round of interviews and narrow the field. The candidates were then slated for a second round of interviews with the executive committee, with that group to recommend a candidate to the full board for approval.

Several board members expressed concern about slowing down the process, with Dunkirk Mayor Jack dations of Mark Leavell of on Main Street in Portland.

ing the importance of having someone in that position to help local municipalities administer American Relief Plan Act funds and other federal dollars that are or may become available.

Several board members agreed that they did not want to slow down the process. They voted to allow the JCDC executive committee — president Doug Loy, vice president Ron Laux, secretary Barbara Street and treasurer Trent Paxson — to make the hiring decision.

Richards also shared an update on JCDC's activity over the last couple of months, noting some positive — the local unemployment rate has returned to pre-pandemic levels — and some negative announcement last week that the Coca-Cola facility in Portland will be closing in November. He noted that the county is part of the East Central Indiana Talent 21st century Region, an effort to improve population trends, increase income and increase educational attainment, along with Wayne, Randolph, Henry, Rush and Delaware counties.

In other business, the board:

·Approved its nominating committee's recommen-

ing request as early as its Robbins specifically not-Redkey and Jenny Wagner of rural Dunkirk to fill the board seats vacated following the resignations of Doug Stanley and Dan Watson. The board also elected Ron Laux vice president to fill out the remainder of the year — Stanley had served in that role — and welcomed new board members Rob Keisling of Indiana Michigan Power and McGalliard.

·Heard from United Way of Jay County campaign cochairs Barb Street and Angela Paxson that they were \$519 short of meeting their goal for the year. McGalliard immediately pledged that amount from his business, Pizza King of Portland. They also noted that United Way of Jay County is involved in the Super Service Challenge through The Brees Dream Foundation and that voting is open at bit.ly/SSCUnited-WayJC.

•Heard reminders that: the Spring Explosion demolition derby will be April 23 through 25 at Jay County Fairgrounds; the Jay County Community Awards ceremony is slated for May 15 with voting likely to begin this week; the Tri-State Gas Engine and Tractor Association's Swap and Sell Meet will be May 19 through 22 at the Tri-State grounds on Morton Street; and Springtime Kroozen at the Courthouse will be from May 22

## 'Awakening' ...

Continued from page 1 Other featured artists will late 1920s through early 1960s. include George Gershwin, Arthur Foote Nathaniel Dett and John Jacob Niles.

Many of the composers also appear linked in some way. Dett received his master's degree from Rochester-based Eastman School of Music in 1932 (about 11 years before his death), and Hanson served as ously took the stage at Hall-Moser Park.

Edward MacDowell, R. excitement of it—it's just figuring out these connections," Rogers said.

The concert will be available on Arts Place's Facebook and YouTube pages. For more information, visit artsland.org/virtual-performances. Local musician Ken Bantz previ-

director at the university from the Theatre on Feb. 25 for the first Arts Place concert of the year. Rogers "I guess that was part of the said the live video received more than 200 views.

Another live virtual concert is planned for sometime this spring, although the date has not yet been set. The organization plans to return to in-person performances with Dave Bennett for a free concert June 24 at Hudson Family

## **Today in history**

singer-songwriter Billie Holiday, also known as "Lady Day," was born in Philadelphia.

In 1927, the image and voice of Commerce Secretary Herbert Hoover were transmitted live from Washington to New York in the first successful long-distance demonstration of television.

War II, American planes intercepted and effectively destroyed a Japanese fleet, which included the battleship Yamato, that was headed to Okinawa on a suicide mission.

In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower held a news conference in which he spoke of the importance of containing the spread of communism in Indochina, saying, "You have a row of dominoes set up, you knock over the first one, and what will happen to

On April 7, 1915, jazz the last one is the certainty that it will go over very quickly." (This became known as the 'domino theory, although Eisenhower did not use that term.)

In 1957, shortly after midnight, the last of New York's electric trolleys completed its final run from Queens to Manhattan.

In 1971, Portland fire-In 1945, during World fighters responded to four alarms, including fires at 1018 N. Ben Hawkins Ave. and 700 S. Western Ave. Several of its runs were to deal with grass fires.

In 2010, North Korea said it had convicted and sentenced an American man to eight years in a labor prison for entering the country illegally and unspecified hostile acts. (Aijalon Mahli Gomes was freed in August 2010 after former U.S. President Jimmy Carter secured his release.)

—AP and The CR

## Capsule Reports

### Deer hit

A Bryant woman drove into a deer on Indiana 67 about 6:35 a.m. Tuesday.

Norma M. Whitacre, 60, was driving west on the highway when a deer ran in front of her 2014 Ford Explorer. Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500.

### Abrupt stop

Damage is estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000 after a vehicle driven by an Ohio man collided with the back of a Winchester woman's van on U.S. 27 about noon Monday.

John R. Johnson, 44, Tiffin, Ohio, was driving south on the highway near county road 400 North when the 2010 Chrysler Town and Country in front of him, driven by 70-year-old Leanna M. and \$25,000.

Jones of Winchester, stopped. He told Jay County Sheriff's Office he was unable to stop the 2011 General Motors Sierra he was driving before it struck

The Sierra is registered to Avillabased Burns Distributing.

### **Lost control**

A Muncie man driving on county road 800 South veered off the road and into a ditch about 3 p.m. Monday.

Dean A. Sailers Jr., 33, was driving west on the road when his rear tires locked up, he told Jay County Sheriff's Office. His 2003 Ford F250 veered off the south side of the road and rolled in a ditch, coming to a stop on its wheels. Damage is estimated between \$10,000

### **SERVICES**

Today

Nuckols, Joyce: 2 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

#### Thursday Gray, Annotta: 2 p.m., Walker Funeral Home, 248 E. South

St., Winchester. Service listings provided by

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## Citizen's calendar

### **Today**

5:30 p.m. — Jay County Economic Development Income Tax Advisory Committee, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St.

### **Thursday**

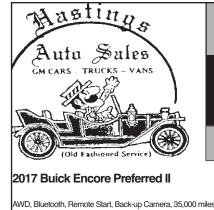
Wabash River Basin Portland.

Commission, Government County Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton.

### **Monday**

9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, commis**hursday**8 a.m. — Upper house, 120 N. Court St.,





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## JCHS band concert set for April 18

The band is getting ready for its final concert of the year.

The Jay County High School Taking Patriot Band program will host its taco dinner and concert on April 18.

The taco dinner, for which the band will accept free-will donations, will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The concert will follow at 2 p.m.

The performance will feature the Patriot concert and jazz bands as well as the school's winter guard.

#### **April activities**

Jav County Public Library has a series of activities scheduled for April.

April also marks the return of

library. The first Mother Goose session for toddlers and preschoolers will be at 11:30 a.m.

At 6 p.m. April 27, the library will host an author event with evangelist Phill Jellison. The library will also have make 'n' take crafts available Monday.

#### Registration is April 27

Fort Recovery Local Schools

School auditeria. Social distancing and mask wearing are encouraged.

In order to attend preschool, children must be at least 3 years old by June 1. Tuition is based on household income and frequency of attendance, with two-day, three-day and four-day programs available with morning and afternoon sessions.

To register, parents should has set its preschool registration bring a copy of their child's birth Story Time and Mother Goose in at 7 p.m. April 27 in the Fort certificate, Social Security card

the Community Room at the Recovery Elementary/Middle and immunization record. Children do not need to attend.

Those unable to attend the session can request more information by calling (419) 375-4131.

#### **Hosting workshop**

Jay County Purdue Extension will host a lawn care workshop at 6 p.m. Thursday. 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) 726-4707.

## Man is clearly not 'in love'

DEAR ABBY: I recently met a man, and I have fallen in love with him. He says he feels the same way and tells me often that I treat him better than anybody ever has.

Unfortunately, when the time came to move our relationship to an intimate level. I found my attraction to him was one-sided. When I asked him why, he said he did not find me desirable because of my weight. He also mentioned that in the past he had always dated "Barbie dolls" who did him wrong, so he decided to look for something different, and that's when he found me.

I don't understand how you can love someone and not desire them. What are your thoughts? — ONE-SIDED IN TEXAS

**DEAR ONE-SIDED: This man** may love your many attributes intelligence, honesty, sense of humor, etc. — but he is not IN love. If you want a romantic relationship, you need to find someone who values you for YOURSELF — inside and out. Give him marks for honesty and send him back to his Barbie dolls because you deserve better, and he deserves more of the same.

Dear Abby



we finally were divorced, but I have never been able to get over what he did to me. Talking to professionals helped some, but I still wonder what happened.

We were together for 20 years. I was left in a remote part of Alaska to fend for myself when I could hardly get around after the surgery and radiation treatments. It's like he wanted me dead. How can I possibly get over what I thought was the love of my life? — CAN'T LET GO

DEAR CAN'T LET GO: Your husband may have been the love of your life, but the love of HIS life was ... him. That he not only ran when the chips were down but cleaned out the bank account, leaving you battling a life-threatening illness, was beyond the pale. Why he did it was fear, weakness and lack of character.

Having prevailed over cancer DEAR ABBY: While I was bat- and poverty, getting over your tling cancer, my husband van- ex should be a cinch. However, Dear Abby at Dear Abby.com or ished into thin air with all our finding the ability to trust P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA money. It has been years now, and again may be another matter, 90069.

and no one would blame you if you couldn't do it. An important step forward might be more counseling to help you

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DEAR ABBY: My friend has an adult child with a drug addiction. Sometimes when we are together, this child will call begging for money. My friend gives in every time. She feels terrible about doing it but can't seem to say no. She has attended several Nar-Anon meetings, but no longer wants to go because she says it's depressing. As a friend, what's the best way to support her? — HER CARING FRIEND

DEAR FRIEND: Although those meetings may be "depressing," they can also be enlightening if someone is open to it. Point out to your friend that even MORE depressing would be losing a child to addiction and knowing that she was the enabler. Then volunteer to attend meetings with your friend until she gains the strength to act responsibly.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact

### Even ragged, we are still beautiful By KWAME DAWES

I have heard so many poets say that they feel like outcasts, until they meet other outcasts and dreamers, people who seem to feel like them, and suddenly they feel affirmed in their difference, and, as it turns out, their place in commu-

It is likely what Safiya Sinclair means in her elegant poem, "The Ragged and the Beautiful" published in the always engag**American Life in Poetry** 

"immigrant ing "The refugee" journal, Bare Life Review," describes she being "strange/and unbelonging" as, at the same time, being "perfectly" beautiful.

#### The Ragged and the Beautiful

Doubt is a storming bull, crashing through the blue-wide windows of myself. Here in the heart of my heart where it never stops raining,

I am an outsider looking in. But in the garden of my good days, no body is wrong. Here every flower grows ragged and sideways and always

beautiful. We bloom with the outcasts, our soon-to-be sunlit, we dreamers. We are strange and unbelonging. Yes. We are just enough

of ourselves to catch the wind in our feathers, and fly so perfectly away.

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## **Community Calendar**

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### **Today**

**AL-ANON** New Begin-GROUP nings, a support group for friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 726-

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faith- RATES based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Wednesday at long-term care or suffer-Redkey United Methodist ing from an illness, the

Notices will appear in Church, 122 W. Main St. Community Calendar as Come early for a meal. the first Wednesday of space is available. To sub- For more information, each month in the Arthur mit an item, email call Pastor Randy Davis & Gloria Muselman Wellat (765) 369-2085.

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

PENNVILLE FAIR BOARD — Will meet at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Pennville Community Center.

SINGLES AND SEPA-**SUPPORT** GROUP — For anyone who's lost a loved one or has a spouse living in

group will meet at 2 p.m. ness Pavilion in Berne. For more information, 589-4496.

### **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.

PIKE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS — Will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 8, at Richards Restaurant in Portland.

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.

**PORTLAND** LIONS CLUB — Will meet the first Thursday of the month at Portland Lions Civic Center, 307 W. 100 North. The meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

SENIOR **CITIZENS** CARD CLUB — Will meet at 1 p.m. on the first, second, third and fifth Thursday of each month at Jay Community Cen-

FORGET-ME-NOT — A support group for parents, friends and relatives who have lost a baby through miscarriage, birth or illness will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Vincent Randolph Hospital, Winchester, in community room 1. For more information, call Kimberly Sibery at (765) 964-6075 or Nikki Bosworth at (765) 584-6452.



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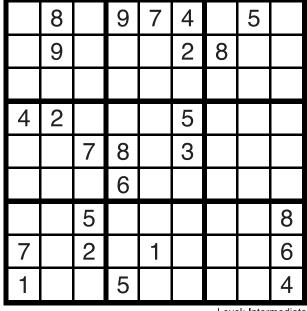
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# Sudoku



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**Tuesday'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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# It all started 53 years ago today

By JACK RONALD
The Commercial Review
Today's the day.

Today's the day 53 years ago that Connie and I met.

We were college students at the time, and we'll celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary in June. So that was an eventful evening back on April 7, 1968.

It had been a crazy week: Lyndon Baines Johnson had announced on Sunday night that he would not seek re-elec-Luther King Jr. was assassinated at mid-week and on Saturday downtown Richmond was the scene of a pair of explosions that claimed the lives of

I was a sophomore. She was a freshman. We were both pretty much clueless.

Stumbling through my sec-

**Back** in the Saddle



I'd gotten a D in geology in the fall — I apparently thought of myself as something of a rock impresario. I'd made arrangetion as president, Martin ments for Denny, a buddy of mine who played guitar, to sit in with the established rock band on campus.

My roommate at the time was in the band, and I knew there was some tension between the members. For some reason, the lead guitar player thought it was more important to focus on his studto learn new tunes with the things started to come together. though we assured everyone rest of the group.

I figured Denny could take his place, and I finagled an opportu-

nity to make that happen. Connie and I weren't complete strangers at that point. She knew me as some guy that people called "Jocko." I knew her because I'd struck up a conversation with one of her brothers when he was on campus.

But I wasn't the only person who had noticed her.

My buddy Denny is the one who invited her to stop by the group's practice — and what was essentially his audition that evening.

If you've ever been around a garage band, you can envision how the evening went.

There was feedback. There was an abundance of disorganization and an absence of comond year at Earlham College — ies as a pre-med student than munication. But eventually

It looked as if it was all a matter of the chemistry coming togeth-

So I figured it was time to leave. And I figured it was time to ask this beautiful girl from the freshman class if she'd like to go for a walk.

That — in its entirety — was the clever line I used: "Would you like to go for a walk?" What can I say? It worked.

We walked around campus and talked about ourselves and our families and our plans for the future and our dreams. We stopped for a Coke in a campus hangout and talked some more.

About a week later, I told my parents on a call from a payphone in my dorm that I had met the girl I was going to

They were terrified. Her parents were terrified as well, even

that our plans were to get our degrees before getting hitched.

And as for Denny? The audition was a flop. He thought the upperclassmen in the group were a stodgy bunch and didn't understand where rock was going. I suspect he also knew that he was a much better musi-

cian than the rest of them. But we remained friends.

Four or five years later, he was still pursuing a career as a rock star and was with a group performing in Indianapolis. We made a point of getting to the club so we could reconnect.

There was a shout-out from the make-shift stage when we walked in.

And if he were any hard feelings about the fact that Connie had ended up with me that night 53 years ago, Denny didn't show it.

## How many will follow advice?

**South Bend Tribune** 

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb doesn't seem comfortable with his own decision.

On one hand, he announced that it was time for Indiana to lift its mask mandate on April 6, turning it into only an "advisory." Then he dropped the fact that he intends to keep wearing a mask.

"When I visit my favorite restaurants or conduct a public event, I will continue to appropriately wear a mask," he said. "It's the right thing to do.'

If it's the right thing to do ... then why drop the mandate?

If he's indeed reluctantly lifting the mandate, the reason is obvi-Holcomb didn't make this decision based on health factors. He did it because of political pressure, as members of his own party have been pushing to rid Indiana of a mask mandate.

But in addition to dropping the mask mandate, Holcomb also announced that he was lifting all restrictions on businesses, including seating capacity and social distancing. He's leaving rules in place for schools through the end of the current academic year. But Indiana basically returned, all in, to the "old normal" on Tuesday.

He also left counties across the state in a bind. If they want to continue with their own local mask orders and restrictions, they're on their own — no backup, no political cover, no help from the state. We doubt that many will stand up to that pressure.

The move comes as COVID news has been positive in recent months: Rates and hospitalizations are dropping. All the indicators are moving in the right direc-

But health experts agree that, although we're nearing the end of the tunnel, we're not no further than Michigan, which is still strughighest COVID rate per where hospitals are filling up again.

Dropping all orders many and restrictions now is a will?

### Hoosier **Editorial**

Dropping all orders and restrictions now is a significant risk. Only time will tell if the gamble pays off.

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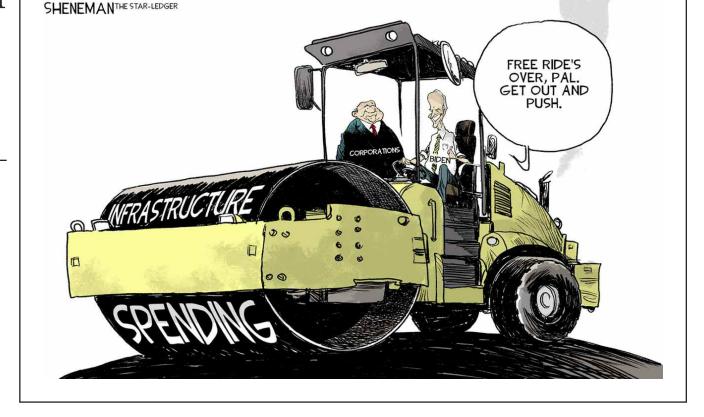
ble pays off. We understand mask fatigue and the anxiety to move on. We know that businesses desperately are trying to recover. Vaccines are becoming widely available. But was there serious harm in waiting a few more weeks?

We're oh-so-close. A little more patience could have gone a long way to ensuring safety — a little more time for more people to get vaccinated.

And did all restrictions have to be lifted at once? Couldn't the governor have explored a plan that gradually phased out Instead, restrictions? he's forced local jurisdictions to scramble and adapt, with little notice.

The onus is now on Indiana residents. You're going to be asked by state and local leaders to still be careful and to try to maintain health standards. They'll advise you to keep wearing masks, especially in large groups. They'll advise you to stay safe. They'll advise you to keep in there yet. You need look mind that we're not quite done with the pandemic.

We hope Indiana resigling with the second dents heed the advice. But we fear the governor capita in the country and has washed out the message. He may follow his own advice, but how other Hoosiers



## Court opened robocall floodgates

Los Angeles Times

Tribune News Service

Few things unite Americans like our shared hatred of robocalls, which have become a daily affliction for far too many of us.

For example, my colleague Rob Greene reported that "on Wednesday, I got 22 voicemail messages on my landline from fraudulent automated callers telling me to call back regarding a suspicious overseas charge on my 'Amazon account.'" (Insert your joke here about Rob still using a land-

So Thursday's Supreme Court ruling undermining the main federal law against robocalls was a slap to the face, on the side that's usually pressed against your smartphone.

Writing for a unanimous court, Justice Sonya Sotomayor declared that the 1991 Telephone Consumer Protection Act applies only to robocalls made by equipment that manages to find your phone by happenstance, either by generating numbers automatically or dialing them randomly. Calls deliberately dialed from a stored number database are

In other words, the justices laid out a road map for telemarketers, scammers and the rest of the hellish robocall fraternity to ping your phone with impunity. Kinda sorta.

There is still the federal Do Not Call list, but that's notoriously ineffective. And there's a separate set of prohibitions on debt collectors, although that hasn't deterred collectors of fake

The justices ignored dozens of consumer and privacy advocates, not to mention 21 members of Congress, who were involved in drafting and passing the 1991 law. They asserted to the court that Congress' intent was clear: to bar all forms of unsolicited, automatically dialed calls because they made phones themselves less useful.

"The TCPA has been consistently enforced to include both randomly lators are working with phone com- deputy editorial page editor.

Jon Healey



dialed numbers and dialing from databases without consent," the members of Congress stated in their brief. "Even then, complaints about robocalls have increased. Simply put, robocalls are not only a nuisance to those that receive them, they are threatening the viability of the telephone as a useful means of communication."

Amen to that. But the Supreme conservative majority Court's includes textualists who care less about what lawmakers meant to say than what they actually said. And even its liberals pay heed to the meaning of the law as written.

The problem with the anti-robocall law boiled down to one ill-phrased sentence that describes the kind of "automatic telephone dialing system" that couldn't be used. According to the members of Congress, the intent was to cover robocalls whether they were made to numbers stored in a database or dialed at random.

But that's not what the law actually says, at least by the high court's reading. Sotomayor held that the stored numbers had to have been generated randomly or sequentially, rather than purchased or collected through some other means, to be covered by the law. In other words, dialing numbers that are plucked out of the air is illegal, but dialing a list of numbers known to be real and working is not.

Now would be the moment to open a window and scream.

The battle against robocalls is not utterly lost, however. Federal laws against the fraud that motivates so many robocalls remain in place, as do state laws against robocalls. Regu-

panies to implement technologies that recognize and block robocalls before they reach your phone. And two weeks ago, the Federal Communications Commission launched its latest crackdown on robocalls, including the creation of a "robocall response team" to "bring together Commission efforts to enforce the law against providers of illegal robocalls, develop new policies to authenticate calls and trace back illegal robocalls, and educate providers and other stakeholders about what they can do to help."

The acting chairwoman of the FCC, Jessica Rosenworcel, said in an email that the agency is "doubling down with a new Robocall Response Team and cease-and-desist letters" to get telecom companies to put a stop to nuisance robocalls. "However," she added, "when the court interprets the law in a way that opens the floodgates to more calls, we're going to have a problem. Congress may need to step in and update the law so that we can all avoid these nuisance calls.

That's the plan, according to Rep. Anna G. Eshoo, D-California, and Sen. Edward J. Markey, D-Massachusetts, key members of the committees that have jurisdiction over telecommunications. "We can and will act to make right what the Supreme Court got wrong," Eshoo and Markey declared in a joint statement Thursday. "If the justices find their private mobile phones ringing nonstop from now until our legislation becomes law, they'll only have themselves to blame.

Markey was actually one of the authors of the 1991 act, so if he helped write the offending sentence, he should blame himself too. In the meantime, here's what you can do when you're not sending robocalls straight to voicemail: Call your member of Congress and tell her or him to fix the Telephone Consumer Protection Act.

Healey is the Los Angeles Times'

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## Jay Superior Court

Judge Gail Dues Fined and sentenced

James T.D. Sargent, 19, 6121 E. 500 South, Dunkirk, pleaded guilty to reckless driving, a Class C misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 30 days in Jay County Jail and given 24 days credit for 12 days served. He was assessed court costs of \$180.50.

Alec B. Catey, 23, 208 Eastview Trail, Berne, pleaded guilty to reckless driving, a Class C misdemeanor He was sentenced to 60 days in Jay County Jail with all of his sentence suspended. He was placed on probation for 180 days and assessed court costs of \$185.50.

Nathan A. Morgan, 42, 409 East State St., Albany, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 60 days in Jay County Jail and given six days credit for three days served. He was assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correc-

Debra A. Weaver, 62, 1305 W. Fifth St., Marion, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, a Class B misdemeanor — She was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail with all but 20 days suspended, given two days credit for one day served and assessed court costs of \$185. As part of her plea agreement, a Class A misdemeanor charge of resisting law enforcement was dismissed.

Amber L. Sargent Oberlin, 31, 7073 N. 200 East, Bryant, pleaded guilty to possession of paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor — She was sentenced to 60 days in Jay County Jail with all but 20 days suspended and given four days credit for two days served. She was placed on probation for 180 days and assessed court costs of \$185.

Derek E. Rogers, 34, 403 N. Meridian St., Redkey, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, a Class A misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 365 days in Jay County Jail with all but 30 days suspended. He was placed on probation, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee as well as a \$350 substance abuse fee.

Joshua D. Troxel, 33, 10107 W. Indiana 18, Pennville, pleaded guilty to battery resulting in bodily injury, a Class A misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 150 days in Jay County Jail and given 134 days credit for 60 days served. He was assessed court costs of \$185. As part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony charge of residential entry was dismissed.

North, Portland, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, a Class B misde-- She was sentenced to 180 days in jail with all but 12 days suspended and given 12 days credit for six days served. She was placed on probation and assessed court costs of

Steven M. Rines, 29, 4300 E. 700 South, Portland, pleaded guilty to operating a vehicle with a breath or blood alcohol level of 0.15 or more, charged as a Class A misdemeanor He was sentenced to 365 days in Jay County Jail with all but 12 days suspended and given four days credit for two days served. He was placed on probation, assessed court costs of \$185.50 and ordered to pay a \$200 alcohol and drug countermeasures fee and a \$350 substance abuse program fee. As part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony charge for operating a vehicle while intoxicated was dismissed.

Kristin K. White, 22, 11324 W. Indiana 26, Dunkirk, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, a Class A misdemeanor — She was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but two days suspended and given two days credit for one day served. She was placed on probation for 363 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 her plea agreement, a Class C misdemeanor charge for possession of paraphernalia was dismissed.

Richie R. McCoy, 29, 106 N. McDonald Drive, Winchester, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, a Class A misdemeanor — He was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but 12 days suspended and given four days credit for eight days served. He was assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correc-

Johnathan M.M. Pierce, 21, 234 N. Oak St., Redkey, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail with all but four days suspended. He was given four days credit for two days served and placed on probation. Pierce was assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee and a \$250 substance abuse fee. As part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony charge of maintaining a common nuisance and a Class C

Emilee N. Morgan, 20, 1860 W. 400 misdemeanor charge for possession of paraphernalia were dismissed.

Sebastian L. Goodwin, 22, 120 E. Arch St., Portland, pleaded guilty to criminal mischief, a Class B misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail with all of his sentence suspended and placed on probation. He was assessed court costs of \$185.50 and ordered to pay \$374.46 in restitution to Doris Triplet.

#### **Dissolution**

Carl Stanford, Portland, and Rozal Stanford, Portland

**Judgments** 

Lindsey B. Marshall, Robert M. Crane and OneMain Financial Group LLC were awarded \$13,030.22 from Karen E. and Robert M. Barron, civil collection

Thomas B. Trent and The Farmers and Merchants State Bank were awarded \$205,046.86 from Gerald L. and Markie D. LeMaster, mortgage foreclosure

Jerry Schlegel was awarded \$5,400 from Paul D. Vaughn and Larry J. Maynard, burglary restitution

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Johnson, criminal misdemeanor LVNV Funding LLC v. Larry Guntle, civil collection

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## **Bill for pregnant** workers passes

By KAITLIN LANGE

Indianapolis Star Tribune News Service

Legislation allowing women to ask for pregaccommodanancy tions — but not requiring business to provide them — is on its way to Gov. Eric Holcomb's desk

It's far from what advocates of a more expansive pregnancy accommodation bill had hoped for including the governor. Holcomb had called for a much stronger bill during his State of the State.

However, he's indicated he will sign the

"While I have pushed for different language to become law in each of the last two sessions, I agree with members from both sides of the aisle that voted in favor of the bill as a step forward in assisting pregnant women in the workforce," Holcomb said in a statement. "I'll always be looking for ways to continue making progress on this and every other front when it comes to removing barriers to work in the work-place."

The measure passed the Senate by a 31-19 vote Tuesday.

House Bill would require businesses to respond in writing in a timely fashion to a woman's pregnancy-accommodation requests, but it does not require them to grant those requests.

It also prevents employers from retaliating against women and specifies that businesses still do have to follow federal laws which require them in certain circumstances to provide the same accommodations for pregnant people as they do for injuries.

Unlike last year's more comprehensive pregnancy accommodation bill that failed to move, House Bill 1309 was supported by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, because the chamber saw it as a compromise" 'good that did not put an undue burden on businesses.

lawmakers Some who voted for the legislation admitted they had hoped for more. Bill sponsor Sen. Ron Alting, R-Lafayette, compared the bill to the jump ball in basketball, meaning it's just the

The bill had previously passed the House by a 95-2 vote.

## Felony arrests

**Drug possession** 

Two men were arrested Tuesday for drug posses-

Austin M. George, 18, 295 S. Hale St., Geneva, and Matthew R. Jinks, 19, 638 Oakville Road, Oakville, were both preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony for possession of cocaine, methamphetamine or narcotic drugs and a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana. George was booked into Jay County Jail on \$5,000 bond, and Jinks was booked into Jay County Jail on \$4,000 bond.

## Felony court news

Continued from page 2 5 felony charge of attempted child exploitation and three Level 6 felonies for two counts of voyeurism and obstruction of justice.

### **Failure to register**

A Redkey man was sentenced to prison after pleading guilty to failing to register as a sex or violent offender, a Level 5 felony, in Jay Circuit Court.

Randall C. Curme, 63, 146 N. Ash Street, was sentenced to three years in Indiana Department of Correction, given credit for 64 days served and assessed court costs of \$185.

#### **Sexual misconduct** A Muncie man was sen-

tenced to prison after pleading guilty to two counts of sexual misconduct with a minor, both Level 5 felonies, in Jay Circuit Court.

Isaac L. Miller, 119 N. High St., was sentenced in two separate cases to 10 years total in Indiana Department of Correction with four years suspended. He was given credit for two days served.

He was placed on probation for four years, assessed court costs of \$370 and ordered to pay \$1,000 for two sexual assault victim assistance fees.

Miller also is currently tion for one year, assessed As part of a plea agree- serving a four-year sen- court costs of \$185 and ment, Knutson had the fol-tence with two years sus-ordered to pay a \$50 domeslowing charges dismissed: pended for another Level 5 tic violence prevention fee. felony charge for sexual misconduct with a minor ment, Cox had the followfrom Adams Circuit Court. (He pleaded guilty to the crime and was sentenced in December.) He will be serving this sentence concurrent with the two convictions from Jay Circuit

### **Battery**

A man was sentenced to prison after a Jay Circuit Court jury found him guilty of battery resulting in serious bodily injury to a person less than 14 years of age, a Class B felony.

Marcus A. Ternet, 53, was sentenced to 13 years in Indiana Department of Correction. He was given one day credit for time served, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$100 child abuse prevention fee. Ternet was charged with the crime in 2011.

### **Domestic battery**

A Bluffton man was sentenced to jail after pleading guilty to domestic battery, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Circuit Court.

Christian J.L. Cox, 21, 2763 E. 700 South, was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with four days suspended and given four days credit for time served.

As nart of his nlea agree. ing charges dismissed: Level 5 felony charge of criminal confinement with bodily injury, Level 6 felony charge of strangulation, Level 6 felony charge of confinement and Class A misdemeanor charge of interference with reporting a crime.

### **Drunk driving**

A Muncie man was sentenced to jail after pleading guilty to operating a vehicle with a breath or blood alcohol level of .15 or more, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Superior Court.

Michael L. Walburn, 50, 6309 N Mantel St., was sentenced 540 days in jail with 270 days suspended and given four days credit for two days served. He was placed on probation and ordered to serve 250 days of his sentence on home Walburn arrest. was assessed court costs of \$185.50 and ordered to pay a \$200 alcohol and drug countermeasures fee.

The court recommended Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles suspend license for 180 days.

A Portland woman was

pleading guilty to theft, a to six years in Indiana misdemeanors for operat-

ast 400 South, was sentenced to one year in jail with all but 120 days suspended and given 34 days credit for 17 days served. She was placed on probation, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay \$792 in restitution to Sara J. Far-

**Forgery** 

A Portland man was sentenced to jail after pleading guilty to two counts of forgery, a both Level 6 felonies, in Jay Superior Court.

Brandon C. Poore, 25, 310 E. Seventh St., was sentenced to a total two years in Jay County Jail with all of his sentence suspended. He was placed on probation and had court costs waved. Poore was ordered to pay \$1,239 in restitution to Sharon Lawhorn and \$200 in restitution to Shane Geesaman.

As part of his plea agreement, two Level 6 felony charges for forgery were dismissed.

#### Theft conspiracy Two Dunkirk women

were sentenced to prison after pleading guilty to conspiracy to commit theft, a Level 5 felony, in Jay Circuit Court.

Debra Edwards, 44, 330 Cox was placed on probasentenced to jail after Mt. Auburn, was sentenced agreement, two Class C

days served. Edwards was three years and assessed court costs of \$185.

Miranda Peterson, 31, 330 Mt. Auburn, was sentenced to six years in Indiana Department of Correction with three years suspended and given credit for 131 days served. Peterson was placed on probation three years and assessed court costs of

Both Edwards and Peterson were ordered to jointly pay \$20,007.93 in restitution to The Andersons Inc.

### **Drug possession**

Two women were sentenced to jail after pleading guilty to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony, in Jay courts.

Elizabeth F. Corwin, 27, 444 W. Henderson St., Montpelier, was sentenced in Jay Superior Court to 545 days in Jay County Jail with all but 180 suspended and given 90 days credit for 45 days served. She was placed on probation for 365 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 her plea

Level 6 felony, in Jay Supe- Department of Correction ing a vehicle while intoxiwith three years suspended cated and operating a vehi-Amanda F. Hale, 41, 3773 and given credit for 131 cle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its placed on probation for metabolite in the body were dismissed.

Sierra Byrley, 21, 2222 Sheridan Noblesville, was sentenced in Jay Circuit Court to one year in Jay County Jail with all but 122 days suspended and given 122 days credit for 61 days served. She was placed on probation for 243 days, assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee.

### **Maintaining nuisance**

A Portland woman was sentenced to jail after pleading guilty to maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Circuit Court.

Megan Sutton-Robbins, 22, 997 S. Boundary Pike, was sentenced to 18 months in Jay County Jail with all of her sentence suspended and given six days credit for three days served. She was placed on probation for 534 days and assessed court costs of

As part of her plea agreement, a Level 5 felony charge for possession of methamphetamine and a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana were dismissed.





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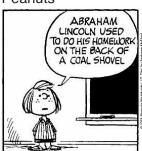




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"It'll be easier for you to tie my shoes when I grow up to be a man 'cause my laces will be longer.'

#### **Peanuts**









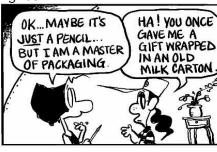




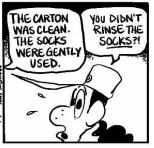




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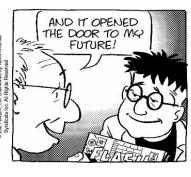




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of spades high, West showing out. South then drew three rounds of

rump — East following suit to each
— and played a low diamond to
dummy's queen. East won with the
ace and returned the nine of dia-

Had South elected to finesse the

ten of diamonds at this stage, he would have gone down one. But

instead he went up with the king, knowing that he was sure to make the contract by doing so. South realized that since East

was known to have started with pre-cisely six spades and three hearts, and had already shown up with two

diamonds, East could not have been

dealt more than two clubs. A dia-mond finesse was therefore out of the

question, since making four club

tricks had now become an absolute

After taking the nine of diamonds

with the king, declarer played the A-K and another club and finessed dummy's ten after West followed

with the nine South then discarded

his ten of diamonds on the queen of clubs to finish with 10 tricks.

clubs to finish with

Contract & Bridge By Steve Becker

#### Counting provides the answer

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable NORTH

★ K 7 3

▼ Q 10 9

◆ Q 4 3

♣ Q 10 8 4 WEST EAST ↑AQJ962 ▼732 ◆A9 SOUTH **↑**84 ♥AKJ54 ♦ K 10 6 ♦ A K 5 The bidding:
West South 1 ♥ 4 ♥ North East 2 ♥ 2 ♠

Opening lead — ten of spades.

In the same way as declarer is often faced with the problem of overcoming a missing queen, he is some-times faced with the problem of overcoming a missing jack. Thus, in the accompanying deal, South starts out with nine virtually certain tricks, and his primary objective is to try to

score an extra trick in either dia-monds or clubs by overcoming the missing jack in one of those suits.

Keeping track of how many cards the defenders were dealt in each suit may be regarded by some as a diffi-

West led the ten and another spade. Declarer ruffed the third round of guesswork out of the game.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION** Located: 11559 West Highway 26, Dunkirk IN Saturday, April 10th, 2021

10:00 am. Old & Collector items. Household- Frigidaire side by side refrigerator,

Maytag smooth top stove, Freedom Security Safe, 3 pc. bedroom suit, Grandfather clock Crosley radio, Garfield

tovs. Pink depression. Small hump back trunk, Coke cases, Buggy wheel, Cider press, Schwinn bicvcles. Tools and Tractors-

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Lot Number Seventeen (17) in Meeker's Second Addition to the town (now city) of Portland, Jay County, Indiana. 38-07-21-204-115.000-034

and commonly known as: 709E Main St. Portland, IN 47371. ubject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the pro ceedings known as Cause #38C01-1911-MF-000035 in the Circuit Court of the County of Jay Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a

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Co Cum Capital Dev	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333
JEMS	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555	0.0555
County General	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401	0.4401
County Health	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247	0.0247
Cumulative Bridge	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550	0.0550
Jay Co Jail Lease Payments	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698	0.0698
Reassessment	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113	0.0113
County Total	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897	0.6897
Twshp Cum Fire	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0181	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Twshp Fire fighting	0.0293	0.0000	0.0000	0.0281	0.0000	0.0209	0.0168	0.0242	0.0019	0.0106	0.0000	0.0104	0.0272	0.0281	0.0000	0.0193	0.0641	0.0000
Twshp General	0.0613	0.0613	0.0149	0.0271	0.0271	0.0091	0.0339	0.0130	0.0148	0.0133	0.0133	0.0150	0.0299	0.0149	0.0149	0.0301	0.0097	0.0097
Twshp Poor	0.0188	0.0188	0.0170	0.0153	0.0153	0.0020	0.0019	0.0000	0.0000	0.0040	0.0040	0.0063	0.0000	0.0170	0.0170	0.0000	0.0160	0.0160
Twshp Recreation	0.0201	0.0201	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Township Total	0.1295	0.1002	0.0319	0.0705	0.0424	0.0320	0.0526	0.0372	0.0167	0.0460	0.0173	0.0317	0.0571	0.0600	0.0319	0.0494	0.0898	0.0257
Library Debt Service	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Library General	0.0485	0.0485	0.2064	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780	0.0780
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School Operation	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073	0.6073
School Debt Service	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419	0.5419
School Pension Debt	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815	0.0815
School Total	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307	1.2307
Corp Aviation/Airport	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0593
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Corp Cum Capital Dev	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0447
Corp Police Pension	0.0000	0.0000	0.0281	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Corp General	0.0000	1.0983	1.4785	0.0000	0.6077	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2046	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	1.4542	0.0000	0.0000	0.8475
Corp Parks & Recreation	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0410	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.1054	0.0000	0.0000	0.1186
Corp Park Bond	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0537
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State of Indiana, Jay County, SS: I, Anna M Culy, Auditor of Jay County, hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of all tax levies for the taxes collectible in the year 2020 pay 2021.																		

Anna M. Culy, Jay County Auditor

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# **Sports**

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## Patriots can't rally past Bellmont

came from behind to get their win Monday.

They weren't able to recreate

the magic a day later. The Jay County High School

softball team got in a nine-run hole Local after the first inning and had a roundup

rally come up short in an 11-8 loss to Bellmont

on Tuesday.

Bellmont, which won three straight sectional titles from 2017 to '19, is ranked sixth in Class 3A.

Jay County (1-1) trailed 10-1 after the first inning, and cut the deficit to just two with four runs in the second, one in the third and a pair in the fourth. Bellmont, which had a 13-12 advantage in the hit column, got an insurance run in the fifth inning and the Patriots weren't able to score again.

Mady Fraley had a double, a single and three RBIs, and Olivia Bright added a double. Aubrie Schwieterman collected three RBIs on a triple and a pair of walks. Mattie Ardizzone had two singles for the first hits of her varsity career.

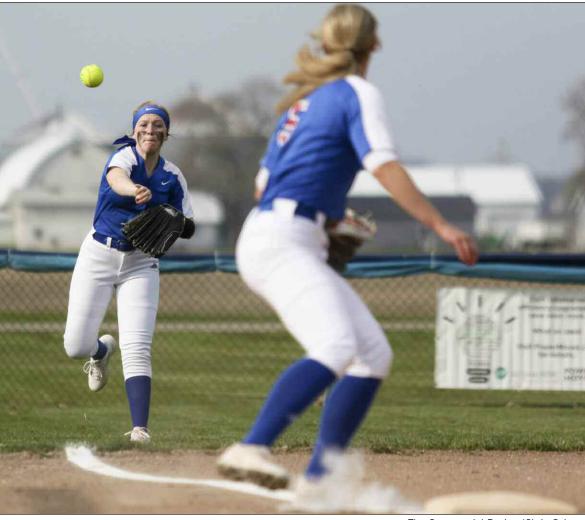
Rieley Brewster, Renna Schwieterman, Maddy Rinker and Haleigh Clayton all had singles as well.

Taylor Brown suffered the loss, allowing nine earned runs on nine hits while recording just one out.

#### **Indians trounce Jets**

SIDNEY, Ohio — A 12-run third inning helped the Fort Recovery softball team to a 22-0 victory over the host Fairlawn Jets in five innings Tuesday.

The Indians (5-2) were ahead 3-0 after the first inning before breaking the game wide open in the third. The Tribe added five runs in the fourth and a pair of runs in the fifth for the lopsided victory.



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Jay County High School senior left fielder Haley Gillette throws to classmate Aubie Schwieterman during the early innings of the season-opener Monday against the Blackford Bruins. The Patriots won 9-8, but on Tuesday lost to Class 3A Bellmont 11-8.

fourth home run of the season, and Jackie Homan also went deep for the Tribe. Guggenbiller added a pair of doubles, finishing with four hits and five RBIs. Sophie Pearson had two triples and two RBIs, Brenna Homan had two doubles and a single. Jackie Homan knocked in four runs on three hits as

Maddie Guggenbiller hit her Fort Recovery out-hit the Jets

Pearson earned the win pitching. She struck out seven and walked one in three hitless, shutout innings.

#### Jay falls to Stars

BERNE — Jay County's JV softball team fell to the South Adams Starfires 9-2 Tuesday.

Jay County (1-1) trailed 1-0 after the first inning and 3-0 after the second. The Patriots cut the deficit to just one with a pair of runs in the third frame.

But the Starfires pulled away with a run in the fifth inning and two each in the sixth and seventh

Verionique Coppock had one hit with two stolen bases.

# Track tops

HARTFORD CITY — The girls were first in every event but one. The boys had a strong showing in the opener, too.

Jay County High School's girls and boys track teams opened their season Tuesday by topping the host Blackford Bruins.

The JCHS girls won 96-23, while the boys got a 70-53

Seniors Abby Benter, Kinsey Shannon and Sophia Fugiett were each dual winners for the JCHS girls. Benter took first in both the 100meter and 300-meter hurdles. Shannon won the 100 dash and 400 dash, while Fugiett beat the field in the 1,600 run and 800 run.

Also getting individual wins were Bralee VanSkyock (200 dash), Cash Hollowell (long jump), Elsa Parazzi (high jump), Kylie Klopfenstein (shot put) and

Gabi Bilbrey (discus). Natalie Wehrly, Makinsey Murphy, Shea Bailey and VanSkyock teamed to win the 4x100 relay, while Natalie Miles, Bailey, Benter and Shannon won the 4x400 relay.

Hart, Funkhouser and Isaac Kunkler all got a pair of wins for the Patriot boys. Hart had the top throws in discus and shot put, while Funkhouser finished first in the 100 dash and 400 dash races. Kunkler earned first place in 110 hurdles and high jump.

Adrek Pogue (200 dash) and Dylan Knapschafer (long jump) also had individual victories.

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## Pacers lose Turner in loss

By J. MICHAEL

The Indianapolis Star

With every step forward, the Indiana Pacers are taking two steps back at the worst possible time.

They lost their only healthy starting big, Myles Turner, to injury in a game that was getting away from them in the second half against the Chicago Bulls.

They lost the game, 113-97, and yet another season series 2-1 to a team they're competing with for position in the East standings. A loss to the Charlotte Hornets last week gave them the series 2-1 with Indiana. They've also lost the series 2-1 to Boston and New York. The Pacers had won the first game in all of these series.

The Pacers (22-27) lost for the ninth time in 10 games at Bankers Life Field-

Caris LeVert (20 points, 6 rebounds, 5 assists) led Indiana, playing without Malcolm Brogdon (right hip) and Domantas Sabonis (left ankle). Edmond Sumner (15 points), Jeremy Lamb (15 points, 6 rebounds, 6 steals), Doug McDermott (11 points) and Turner (10 points, 4 rebounds, 3 blocks) couldn't muster enough offense in support.

"What killed us really was the glass," LeVert said of the 67-40 rebounding edge for Chicago. "They were getting second chances.

The Bulls (21-28) are a different team than the one the Pacers manhandled in

the second regular-season game. Nikola Vucevic (30 points, 15 rebounds, 5 assists), acquired from Orlando a couple weeks ago at the trade deadline, led Chicago. Zach LaVine (19 points, 8

rebounds, 6 assists), Lauri Markkanen

(15 points, 6 rebounds), Thad Young (14 points, 6 rebounds, 5 assists), Coby White (13 points, 6 assists) and Patrick Williams (10 points) did the rest.

"Defensively, we got to be better. Period," coach Nate Bjorkgren said. "We can't give them that many second-chance points especially that early in the game. Turner blocked Williams for his third

block but rolled his left foot and ankle on the landing. He left midway through the third quarter and didn't return. An X-ray was negative, according to Bjorkgren. That put Goga Bitadze (4 points, 6 rebounds, 3 blocks), a second-year backup center, in a tough spot to defend Vucevic. The Pacers had to help and that opened other shooters and slashers to get up shots. Vucevic also went at Bitadze and got whatever he wanted. They had no answer for him even before Turner's injury. Even with Sabonis in the Feb. 15 loss, the Pacers had the same problems. They were pummeled 60-47 there.

LeVert had it going in the first quarter. The Bulls switched Vucevic, not noted for his defense and lateral movement. onto LeVert off screens and he isolated him and made just about everything. He just didn't have much help. While Justin Holiday's slow starts continue on the offensive end, the Pacers couldn't get any stops to build on the momentum created by LeVert.

The Bulls' small lineup with Young as the 5 shredded the Pacers' defense in the second meeting. The former Indiana forward/center picked them apart again. His hook pass to LaVine coming off a wide pin down led to a spectacular dunk. Seconds later, LaVine drained a deep 3 to end the third quarter for a 23-point lead.

## Sports on tap

#### **Scoreboard NBA Basketball**

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### Local schedule

**Today**Jay County — Tennis at Blackford – 5

p.m.; Girls tennis at Bellmont – 5 p.m.; Baseball vs. Elwood – 5:30 p.m.; Track at Bellmont – 5:30 p.m.; JV baseball at Shenandoah - 5 p.m.; JV softball vs. Delta – 5 p.m.

Fort Recovery — Baseball at Delphos St. John's – 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Delphos St. John's – 5 p.m.

Friday
Fort Recovery — Track at Celina Invitational – 4:45 p.m.; Baseball vs. Houston at Day Air Ballpark in Dayton – 5 p.m.; Softball at Fort Loramie – 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Houston - 5 p.m.

Saturday

Jay County — Boys golf at Yorktown Invitational – 10 a.m.; Baseball at Mississinewa – 10 a.m.; Tennis at Hagerstown Invitational – 10 a.m.; JV baseball at Mississinewa - noon Fort Recovery — Softball doubleheader vs. Franklin Monroe – 11 a.m.

5:30 p.m.; JV baseball at Coldwater - 5

Monday, April 12 Jay County — Boys golf vs. Richmond – 5 p.m.; Baseball vs. Coldwater – 5 p.m.; Softball vs. Huntington North -

p.m.; Junior high track hosts Southern Wells and Adams Central – 5:30 p.m. Fort Recovery — Baseball at Linvolnview – 5 p.m.; Softball vs. St. Marys – 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Wayne Trace – 5 p.m.; Junior high track at Versailles quad – 4:30 p.m.

### TV schedule

Today
7:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: New
Orleans Pelicans at Brooklyn Nets

- NBA Basketball: Indiana 8 p.m. Pacers vs. Minnesota Timberwolves

#### 10 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Utah Jazz at Phoenix Suns (ESPN)

## Thursday 7:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Lakers at Miami Heat (TNT) 10 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Phoenix

Suns at Los Angeles Clippers (TNT) Friday 7 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Indiana Pacers at Orlando Magic (FSIN)

**Saturday** 8:30 p.m. — NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Dodgers at Brooklyn Nets (ABC)