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Funding OK'd, position is filled

\$\$ approved for library, Shauver hired for community development

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

It was a busy day in development Tuesday.

Jay County Development Corporation's board of directors agreed to contribute funding to the Pennville Library expansion project, heard a pitch for a new event and learned a new community developer has been hired.

JCDC executive director Travis Richards explained to the board that bids for the library expansion project came in at \$443,000, significantly higher than the 2019 estimate of \$330,000. (He noted that materials costs have gone up significantly during the coronavirus pandemic.)

He told the board that some cuts have been made to the project to bring costs down, but that additional funding is still needed. (The bulk of the project is being paid for by the \$333,000 Jay! Region received for being a finalist in the 2019 Stellar Communities process.) He suggested that JCDC contribute the \$50,000 in economic development funds from Bluff Point Wind Energy Center it had set aside for "infrastructure" goals. (Commissioners provided a total of \$200,000 in funds for JCDC — \$50,000 each for infrastructure, housing, workforce development and economic development projects.)

Board members voted unanimously in favor of contributing the \$50,000 to the project, with the exception of Brian McGalliard's abstention. (As a county commissioner, McGalliard will vote on final approval of the funds.)

Richards also presented plans for a new "Launch Jay" event similar to Grant County's "Pitch Night" held in 2019. The idea is for a competition similar to the TV show "Shark Tank," in which entrepreneurs present their business ideas in hopes of attracting investors.

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Parks donate



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Portland Park Board on Tuesday agreed to donate its unused skate and bicycle park equipment (pictured above) to the Town of Pennville. The equipment, purchased in 2003, was originally located at the east end of Weiler-Wilson Park near Portland Pool. It was moved during construction of Portland Water Park and has been unused for several years.

Board agrees to give unused skate and bicycle equipment to Pennville

By RAY COONEY

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Portland Park Board donated some unused equipment to another Jay County community.

It also discussed steps to protect existing equipment and facilities.

The board during its meeting Tuesday agreed to donate skate and bicycle park equipment that has sat unused for years to the Town of Pennville and considered adding security cameras at three of its facilities.

Nathan McClain presented the request for the skate and

bicycle park equipment to the board, saying he had previously discussed the donation with former Portland Mayor Randy Geesaman and then-street and parks department superintendent Ryan Myers. He said the process stalled and then the coronavirus pandemic hit, but with things clearing up he wanted to revisit the issue.

The skate and bicycle park equipment was purchased in 2003. It was set up on former tennis courts at the east end of Weiler-Wilson Park near Portland Pool, but was removed from that area in

2015 as construction of Portland Water Park began. It was relocated to Milton Miller Park and subsequently taken down. It is now being stored outdoors on city property.

McClain requested the donation, saying Pennville has a space prepared for the equipment and that he'd like to put it to use.

"I would just like to see some kids playing on it rather than it just sitting there," he said. "I just hate to see it go to waste."

After discussing whether there were any plans for the

equipment in Portland's parks, board members Shaina Runkle, Brian Ison, Chris Compton and Glen Bryant, absent Giles Laux, agreed to make the donation.

While there haven't been any new vandalism issues in the last month or so, Matt Shauver of Portland's parks department presented plans for additional cameras at Portland Water Park, including a new DVR to store the footage, as well as six new cameras in the area of the amphitheatre at Hudson Family Park.

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Ready to launch

Fort Recovery Middle School seventh grader Dylan Klenke pulls back on a slingshot during the balloon launch competition as part of the school's field day activities Thursday.

IU adjusts vaccine rules

By TOM DAVIES

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Indiana University modified its COVID-19 vaccination requirement on Tuesday, making it optional that students and employees provide proof of getting the shots as school officials changed a policy that had drawn protests from many state officials.

IU said that under the revised requirement students and employees would be able to attest to their vaccination without having to provide immunization documentation as was required under the previous policy announced May 21.

The university also said a form would be available Wednesday for those requesting exemp-

tions from the vaccine requirement for medical or religious reasons.

"Requiring the COVID-19 vaccine for IU students, faculty and staff with appropriate exemptions continues the university's comprehensive science and public health-driven approach to managing and mitigating the pandemic on our campuses," IU President Michael McRobbie said in a statement. "Throughout the pandemic our para-

mount concern has been ensuring the health and safety of the IU community. This requirement will make a 'return to normal' a reality for the fall semester."

The changes come after the state attorney general issued last week a non-binding opinion that the policy was illegal under a new state law banning the state or local governments from requiring vaccine passports.

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State officials had protested requirement

Deaths

Larry Brinkerhoff, 75, Portland
Robert Wardlow Jr., 66, Portland
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Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 73 degrees Tuesday. The low was 55.
Tonight's forecast calls for showers, with a thunderstorm possible, and a low of 60. Expect more rain Thursday with a high of 76.
See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

There will be an open house for the Jay County Fairgrounds lighting event from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday in the women's building at the fairgrounds. The group will be answering public questions for the upcoming inaugural event.

Coming up

Thursday — Coverage of tonight's Jay County Commissioners and Jay County Council joint session.

Saturday — Results from FRHS athletes at the first day of the OHSAA Track and Field State Finals.



Obituaries

Larry Brinkerhoff

April 2, 1946-May 26, 2021
Larry Brinkerhoff, age 75, a resident of Portland, passed away on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie.



Larry was born on April 2, 1946, in Portland, the son of Calvin and Ruth (Smith) Brinkerhoff. He graduated from Portland High School in 1964 and married Deborah Moses on Aug. 12, 1966.

Larry served in the U.S. Army National Guard and worked for Sheller-Globe in Portland. He owned and operated Brink's Garage and Paint in Portland for many years. He was a member of Vintage Motorbike Club and the Cushman Club of America. He was a former member of the Assemblies of God and cur-

rently attended Bryant Wesleyan Church. Larry never met a stranger in all he did and was always willing to help anyone in need.

Survivors include: His wife of 54 years — Deborah Brinkerhoff, Portland, Indiana

Two daughters — Lori Bailey (husband: John), Portland, Indiana, and Amy Wehrly (husband: Jim), Portland, Indiana

Two granddaughters — Raquel and Natalie Wehrly
He was preceded in death by his parents, Calvin and Ruth Brinkerhoff; and two brothers, David and Ken Brinkerhoff.

Visitation will be held on Friday, June 4, 2021, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Bryant Wesleyan Church, 209 S. Hendricks St., Bryant, Indiana. Services to celebrate Larry's life will be held on Saturday, June 5, 2021, at 10 a.m. at Bryant Wesleyan Church in Bryant. Pastor Paul VanCise and Pastor Michael Burk will officiate the service and burial

will follow at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

The family requests you drive your classic car or vintage motorcycle to the visitation and service in memory of Larry.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed towards Bryant Wesleyan Church Mission Fund or the family of Brian Barnett to help his fight with multiple sclerosis.

Condolences may be expressed at williamson-spencer.com.

Robert Wardlow Jr.

March 21, 1955-May 30, 2021

Robert "Bob" Wardlow Jr., age 66, a resident of Portland, passed away on Sunday, May 30, 2021, at his daughter's home in Portland. He was a former resident of Richmond.

Bob was born on March 21, 1955, in Richmond, Indiana, the son of Robert Wardlow Sr. and Nancy (Gray) Smith. He worked for J.M. Hutton Stamping in

Richmond, Indiana. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Richmond, Indiana. Bob married Kathy Miller on May 25, 1974, and she passed away in 2010.

Survivors include:

Two daughters — Angela Burkett (husband: Keith), Portland, Indiana, and Lori Bailey (husband: Mike), Portland, Indiana

Grandchildren — Nichole Thompson (husband: Brandon), Dunkirk, Indiana, Kristy Foster, Celina, Ohio, Taylor Burkett, Richmond, Indiana, Ryan Burkett, Little Rock, Arkansas, William Petit, Celina, Ohio, and Zoey Porter, Portland, Indiana

Great-grandchildren — Drayden Weaver-Foster, Riley Thompson, Myles Burkett and Emmett Neumeier

One sister — Cynthia Breen (husband: David)



Wardlow

One brother — Darren Smith (wife: Kim)

He was preceded in death by his wife, his mother and a sister.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Services to celebrate Bob's life will follow at 2 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Pastor Ron Willis will officiate the service and burial will follow at New Liberty Cemetery in Lynn, Indiana.

Memorials may be directed toward Everheart Hospice.

Condolences may be expressed at williamsonspencer.com.

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

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

CR almanac

Table with 5 columns: Thursday 6/3, Friday 6/4, Saturday 6/5, Sunday 6/6, Monday 6/7. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts (e.g., 76/59, 82/62, 85/64, 87/66, 88/67).

Lotteries

Table listing lottery results: Powerball (Estimated jackpot: \$268 million), Mega Millions (Estimated jackpot: \$45 million), Hoosier (Estimated jackpot: \$140,000).

Markets

Table listing market prices for various crops: Cooper Farms Fort Recovery, POET Biorefining Portland, The Andersons Richland Township, Central States Montpelier, Sunrise St. Anthony.

Today in history

On June 2, 1979, Pope John Paul II arrived in his native Poland on the first visit by a pope to a Communist country. In 1924, Congress passed, and President Calvin Coolidge signed, a measure guaranteeing full American citizenship for all Native Americans born within U.S. territorial limits. In 1941, baseball's "Iron Horse," Lou Gehrig, died in New York of a degenerative disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; he was 37. In 1953, the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II took place in London's Westminster Abbey, 16 months after the death of her father, King George VI. In 1971, Mike Lewis, editor of The Commercial Review, announced that he would be resigning to join the staff of The Chronicle-Telegram in Elyria, Ohio. —AP and The CR

Citizen's calendar

Table listing events: Today 6 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners and Jay County Council joint special session, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. Monday, June 7 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, office, city hall, 321 N. 1616 N. Franklin St.

Funding ...

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The local version of the event, being planned by JCDC and Jay County Chamber of Commerce, would feature monetary prizes to be used to help launch or expand local businesses.

Plans call for participants to have an application turned in during July, attend Indiana Small Business Development Center workshops in Portland in August, submit pitch information in early September and then make their presentations at the "Launch Jay" event itself in late September.

Also Tuesday, Richards reported that Christy Shauer earlier in the day had accepted an offer to be the new director of Jay County Community Development. She currently works at Redkey Elementary School.

Shauer was selected from a field of nine candidates. She is scheduled to begin her new role June 21.

'Launch Jay' event is planned for September

The position has been open since Ami Huffman's resignation in mid-November. She had held the position since 2005.

Richards also updated the board that there continue to be a lot of job opportunities available in Jay County. He estimated there are at least 200 positions currently open.

He added, however, that the issue is widespread.

"We're not much different than any other part of the country," Richards said. "You're seeing this everywhere.

He also reported that JCDC's housing task force is continuing to discuss potential projects. One

such possible development will be presented to Portland Plan Commission at its meeting Thursday.

Richards added that the inaugural "Signing Day" event, an effort to connect local high school seniors with area businesses and/or internships, went well. He said there were about 30 potential offers from the employers to hire students.

In other business, the board:

Received an update from Josh Atkinson that U.S. Aggregates' request to rezone land for its planned quarry expansion is expected to come before Portland Plan Commission on July 1.

JCDC's board has expressed its support for the project.

Learned from Richards that upgrades are being considered for the Hoosier Opportunity jobs website to make it more effective and user-friendly.

Was reminded by Tabby Sprunger, executive director of the chamber of commerce, that ribbon-cutting ceremonies are scheduled for Friday for the Holiday Inn Express renovation and Good-Rich Brewery.

Heard a reminder from Gyneth Augsburg of Jay County Visitor and Tourism Bureau that the National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture's Gathering of Great Lakes Nations is scheduled for June 12 and 13.

Learned from Mark Leavell that several events are being planned in Redkey, including the fire department's truck and tractor pull June 19.

Capsule Reports

Intersection collision

Damage is estimated between \$50,000 and \$100,000 after a Bryant woman's vehicle collided with a Portland man's vehicle about 8:20 a.m. Sunday.

Betty K. Muhlenkamp, 65, stopped at the intersection of county roads

600 North and 700 East. She then began driving her 2019 Buick Enclave east on county road 600 North through the intersection. She told Jay County Sheriff's Office she didn't see the 2013 Ford F150, driven by 64-year-old Steven J. Muhlenkamp, driving north on county road 700 East.

Betty Muhlenkamp's vehicle hit the driver's side of Steven Muhlenkamp's Ford. His vehicle rolled over in a ditch and came to a rest on its top. Her Buick spun around and came to a halt facing west on the road. Both vehicles were towed.

Parks ...

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The current DVR at the water park could then be moved to Haynes Park with additional cameras at that facility.

An estimate from NuWave, a Coldwater, Ohio, company that has previously installed cameras in the city's parks, came in at just over \$7,000.

Park board members were supportive of the idea but asked Shauer to get a second quote for comparison and tabled the issue to consider how to pay for the equipment.

The board also heard a request from Steve Craig for construction of pickleball courts in a city park. He presented a petition with 45 signatures.

Park board members were supportive of the idea, but also noted the challenges of funding such a project. They agreed to consider the courts as they continue to work on their 2022-2026 five-year master plan.

Shauer also said he would work with Craig to see if there is space currently

available that would be feasible for temporary courts using portable nets.

Ison also noted that the board is continuing to make progress on its five-year master plan and that a public survey about the parks should be available soon.

In other business, the board:

Heard an update from manager Missy Bader about Portland Water Park, which did not open as planned for Memorial Day weekend because of cold weather. She said the goal is to have the facility open this weekend. "We'll just have to see what the weather brings," she said.

Learned from Shauer that new roofs on a total of five shelter houses at Haynes, Milton Miller and Portland Memorial parks have been completed. Goodhew Roofing Services of Ridgeville, which handled the work, also donated a new roof on the restroom at Milton Miller Park. Shauer, who said he had hoped to be able to fit the restroom roof in the budget a few years down the road, and the board thanked owner John Goodhew for the donation.

SERVICES

Today

Mock-Axe, Leda: 1 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Saturday

Brinkerhoff, Larry: 10 a.m., Bryant Wesleyan Church, 209 S. Hendricks St., Bryant.

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50th anniversary

Barry and Judy Retter

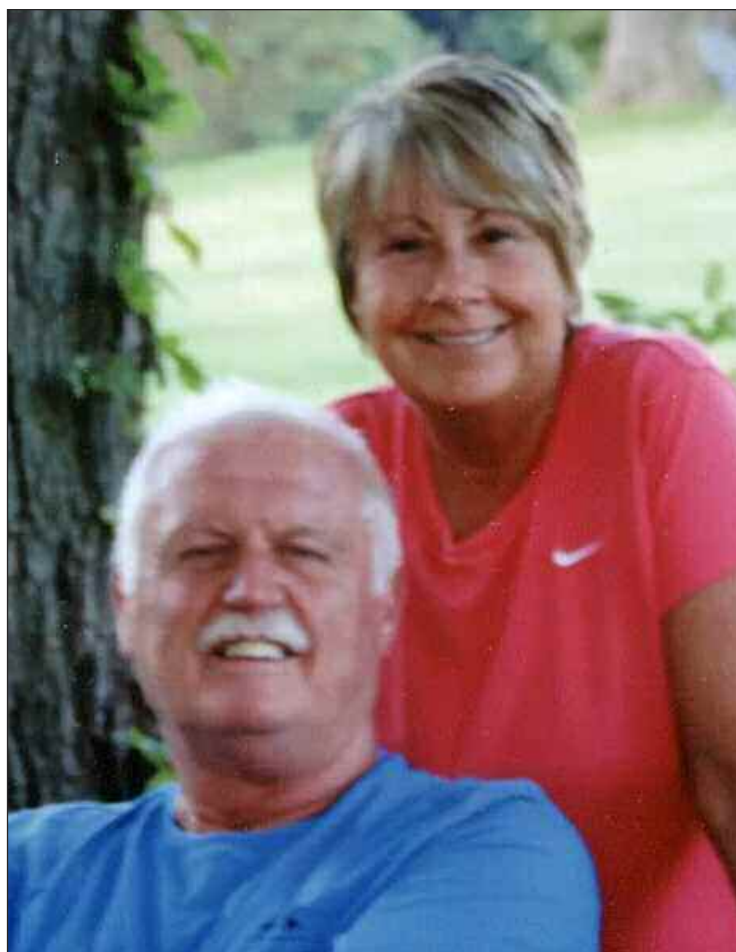
Barry and Judy Retter of rural Redkey celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday.

Judy Moore and Barry Retter were married May 29, 1971, at Redkey United Methodist Church.

Barry is a self-employed farmer and Judy is a homemaker.

They are the parents of Aaron Retter (wife: Amy) and Shelley Bee (husband: Shawn). They have two granddaughters, Ashlyn Barnes (husband: Derrek) and Alyssa Retter, and two grandsons, Skyler and Seth Bee. They have one great-grandchild, Lincoln Barnes.

They plan to celebrate with an anniversary dinner.



Barry and Judy Retter

'Ease' considers faith and prayers

By KWAME DAWES

There is a long and ancient tradition of poetry as a form of prayer; even in the face of faithlessness or persistent belief.

Here, in a poem from his new collection of new and selected poems, "The Naked Prince," South Carolinian poet, Ben Greer, brings to my mind the faith

American Life in Poetry

we have in words, even as he contemplates the comforts of his own faith in God.

Ease

Sometimes my prayers are short
they stop above my head
and God must bend to lift
the ones which I have pled
not nearly hard enough.

But when I think again
about my little pleas
is it some kind of sin
to offer them with ease?

I'm getting old, not long to live.
I hold my life above a sieve.

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Assault victim seeks to get some distance

DEAR ABBY: I was sexually assaulted by my cousin's boyfriend a short while ago, and it was hard for me to process. When I told my cousin about it, she acknowledged that it wasn't OK, but made it all about her. Although we are extremely close, I didn't get the type of support I was hoping for. In the end, she got back with him, and casually contacts me trying to sweep things under the rug.

I have been sitting on a message for a couple of weeks that I want to send to her, telling her I don't want to be in contact with her for a while. It's hard for me, because we're family. Because nobody knows the whole story, everyone is quick to think I'm the one "isolating" her from my life. What do I do, Abby? —

Dear Abby



STUCK AND LOST IN NEW YORK

DEAR STUCK AND LOST: The person who assaulted you is a predator, and your cousin appears to be clueless. Inform her that as long as her boyfriend is in the picture, you will be keeping your distance because you no longer feel safe around him.

And please, rather than stay silent about what her

boyfriend did to you, TELL your friends and family what happened. Contact the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network for support and guidance. (It's the largest anti-sexual violence organization in the U.S.) The toll-free number to call is 1-800-656-HOPE, or if you prefer, chat online at rainn.org. Whether you were assaulted or raped, file a police report so it will be on record in case he does it to someone else, which he may.

DEAR ABBY: My son and daughter-in-law are divorcing after almost 10 years. We love them both, and the divorce is amicable. They own a home, and my DIL is staying there.

My son is very easygoing and

doesn't need the "finer" things in life. He has a truck. He built a small camper in the back, and there is a camper shell. We have asked him to move back in with us. He's going to school with about two years to go, and also works a full-time job. They had a fair amount of savings, but he doesn't want to buy a house right now. He thinks that since he is happy living in his truck, he should do that rather than waste money on an apartment. Rent is very high in our area so I understand, but we have a finished basement that he could live in.

I worry about him sleeping in his truck every night, so I text him every night with a quick note. Am I being too much of a "helicopter mom"? I realize he has lived on his own since he was

19. (He is now 34.) — LOVING PARENT IN UTAH

DEAR PARENT: You have extended the offer. I assume that when the weather turns cold or he needs to take a shower or do a load of laundry, you have let him know that he is welcome to avail himself of your hospitality — and have a nice dinner — anytime he wishes. There are "helicopter" moms and "helicopter" moms. You are neither. You are a loving, caring mom.

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.

Community Calendar

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

Today
AL-ANON FAMILY 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 (260) 726-8229.

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

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

Thursday
CELEBRATE RECOVERY — 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.

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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 Center.

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.

Friday
SOFT SHOULDERS — A support group for anyone suffering from memory loss, will meet at 10:30 a.m. the first Friday of each month in the Fireplace Room at Edelweiss Place at Swiss Village in Berne. For more information, call (260) 589-3173.

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the first and third Friday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will meet at noon Friday, June 4, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

Saturday
PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET — Is open from 8 a.m. to noon each Saturday in the parking lot at The Rock Church.

Sudoku

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Level: Intermediate

Tuesday's Solution

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

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



The Portland Police Department is accepting applications for TWO FULL-TIME SWORN POLICE OFFICERS

The hiring process is open now through June 11, 2021. All applications must be turned in by June 11, 2021. Any late applications will not be accepted. Applicants must meet the entry level physical agility requirements mandated by the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy, which will be held on June 12th.

Upon the successful completion of the physical agility an interview process, background check, and a pre-employment voice stress will be conducted.

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The rain delay turned out just fine

By JACK RONALD
The Commercial Review

Maybe I've told this story before.

At my age, that happens.

But the Indianapolis 500 got me thinking about things, and one memory triggered another.

It was back in the early 1970s, back when the Indy 500 wasn't just a big deal for a day or a weekend. It was a big, big deal for the entire month of May.

And the race itself wasn't just a big, big deal, so was the process of qualification. Instead of being condensed into a couple of days, it stretched over two weekends.

Connie and I had never been to the 500, and at that point we weren't in a position financially to buy tickets to the race. But the qualifications were something else. More affordable and also more raucous.

So we came up with a plan.

Back in the Saddle



Ken, an old friend from high school, was living not far from the neighborhood of the Speedway. (Ken has a memorable nickname, but one of the best ways to remain friends as you get older is to put the nicknames aside. So let's just stick with Ken.)

He was dating a lovely young woman named Jan (no nickname as far as I know). In fact, their first date was dinner at our apartment in Indy.

She had never been to the qualifications either, and she knew Ken was a big "car guy." We're talking a Mopar guy with

a muscle car gas guzzler. But they were in love.

So the four of us decided that the smart thing to do — given traffic for qualifications and other complications — was for the two couples to "camp out" at Ken's place then get an early start to the track that Saturday morning.

Trouble is, Ken's place was a little small to accommodate two couples.

It was, in fact, a converted interurban car. (I'll pause now so younger readers can check on Wikipedia for information about the interurban.)

And a contraption that made sense as low-cost transportation between Indiana cities and towns in the late 19th and early 20th century didn't make much sense as a dwelling.

It was about eight feet wide and maybe 11 feet long.

What passed for Ken's sleep-

ing accommodations was a bench-like section along one side. There was a kitchenette of sorts.

And at one end there was Ken's entertainment center: His aquarium.

There was no TV. I'm not even sure if Ken's domicile had a phone.

But it did have a radio. Not that we needed it.

Ken, as I recall, gallantly gave up his sleeping bench to Jan. Then he and Connie and I slept on the floor, filling the available space.

The radio might have been useful, except for the rain.

It started in the late evening, began to roar after midnight, and kept pounding on the roof of that forlorn little interurban car all night long.

By morning, it was clear that we'd have to jump over puddles to get to our cars.

It was also clear that the big first day of qualifications at the Indianapolis Speedway simply was not happening.

So what do you do in a situation like that?

We laughed about it. We made the best of things. We goofed around for pretty much the rest of the day.

And it must have worked.

Ken and Jan were married a couple years later. Connie and I made the trip up to South Bend for the wedding, and I was one of the ushers, clad in a powder-blue tuxedo that had to have been seen to be believed.

So something must have worked.

Qualifications went on, though delayed. The race went on.

And as for Ken and Jan, they'll be looking at their 50th wedding anniversary a couple of years from now.

Battle invites greater reckoning

The Washington Post

Apple, Epic Games claimed on the opening day of this month's landmark antitrust trial, is operating a "walled garden." Its prize flower? "The Venus fly trap." The metaphor is decidedly hyperbolic — but there's a little truth to it, too. The same could be said of Epic's suit, in which arguments concluded this week.

Epic sued Apple after its blockbuster video game "Fortnite" was exiled from the iOS app store for including an alternative payment option to bypass the 30 percent commission Apple customarily takes on sales. By breaking the highly controversial rules, Epic achieved the double opportunity to take Apple to the court of law as well as the court of public opinion. Winning the legal case was always going to be difficult given this country's competition jurisprudence — but this fight has always been about something bigger.

Establishing that Apple is a monopoly is essential to Epic's argument, and indeed attorneys and witnesses wrangled for days over defining the relevant market: the very wide world of game distribution, or the much smaller realm of iOS app distribution, in which Apple is the only contender? Even if Epic prevails there, it must further establish that Apple is abusing whatever monopoly it has. Epic says that's happening in two ways: Apple is forcing developers to use the app store rather than allowing users to "sideload" apps onto their phones through other services, and it is forcing developers to use its payment processing system complete with that 30 percent cut.

The second contention is more compelling. Apple has a good case that any anticompetitive effects of its iron grip over downloads are outweighed by the pro-consumer benefits of privacy and security it can ensure through careful (if imperfect) software review. Apple has a much harder time explaining how it's better for anyone except Apple that developers must either stomach the cost of a commission or dispense

Guest Opinion

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with in-app purchases entirely — especially when the products they are selling have little to do with the particular capabilities of the iPhone. Worse still, developers with scant name recognition have to hope that users will seek out their websites to subscribe or buy services, because Apple won't even let them direct the consumers to the right place.

This case, in the end, is less about quibbling over market definition and percentage amounts than it is about the broader antitrust reckoning taking place today: What rules should apply to the companies that play the role of gatekeepers in the digital economy? What is fair dealing, and what is not? When does helping consumers justify harming competitors, and do some behaviors always do damage to both? U.S. District Judge Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers could deliver an answer on a narrow version of these matters by August, but Congress may soon develop its own theory of how Big Tech should be permitted to leverage its bigness.

Apple, meanwhile, could decide to check itself when it comes to in-app sales — and win, at least in the eyes of those it serves.



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Pension cash needs a safe home

By BRIAN CHAPPATTA

Bloomberg Opinion

During a period in which the investing world is captivated by wild price swings in cryptocurrencies, looking at the \$3.5 trillion corporate defined-benefit pension industry can feel like a throwback to simpler times.

For these fund managers, their mandate at the highest level is straightforward: Make sure the company's pension plan has enough assets to pay workers what they were promised in retirement. To calculate what's known as the funded status, they use a market-based discount rate to estimate the current value of liabilities that will come due in decades as employees leave the workforce. As I noted in March, the sharp rise in benchmark U.S. Treasury yields during the first three months of the year was a huge windfall for pensions because their projected benefit obligation, or PBO, falls when the discount rate rises. As of April 30, the funded status of the 100 largest U.S. corporate pensions reached 98.3%, the smallest deficit since before the 2008 financial crisis.

This is a moment that pension funds can't afford to squander. To reiterate, they're not in the business of speculating on assets that will go "to the moon." To the extent that they own investments that have soared in price, taking profits and rotating into stable, low-risk alternatives is the prudent decision when the plan's funded status approaches 100%. In fact, defined-benefit pensions can in theory become insulated from market swings by purchasing enough long-term bonds to align principal and interest payments with payouts to retirees, a process known as immunization. This is a core tenet of liability-driven investing, or LDI.

Remarkably, there's growing evidence pension-fund managers are heeding this advice and resisting the temptation to push their luck after a remarkable run for risk assets. "We are seeing significant de-risking to

Brian Chappatta



take advantage of the equity market tailwind coupled with the recent rise in long-term rates," said Gary Veerman, head of LDI solutions at Capital Group. He chalks it up to companies learning a decade ago that underfunded plans could pose a risk to their business as a whole. Capital Group clients in recent months have stepped up their search for additional managers to add to their LDI programs, he said in an interview.

Pension funds have also evolved by incorporating quantitative "glide paths" that shift the portfolio's asset allocation based on the funding level. Research from Capital Group quant in 2014 presented a sample base-case glide path that showed a huge move into long government bonds as a plan's funded status approached 100%. "Once a plan hits a funded status 'sweet spot,' there is a declining benefit to improving" the ratio, Veerman said. "On the flip side, every dollar of funded status downside is increasingly painful." This argues for a move into LDI strategies rather than stocks and other volatile assets.

It's difficult to know exactly what pensions are up to on a real-time basis, but evidence points to a rotation to fixed income. Federal Reserve data show that private defined-benefit plans increased their holdings of debt securities by \$114.2 billion last year while paring back on equities by \$48 billion. One of the best reads of pension demand for liability-matching assets is the amount of outstanding Treasury Strips — an acronym for Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities. After declining in the first half of 2020, these ultra-long

duration assets have surged back to a record. The \$10.2 billion monthly increase in Strips in March, when U.S. yields reached their recent peak, was the largest since October 2018. Meanwhile, benchmark Treasury yields have traded sideways for more than two months, and analysts generally expect the range to hold until there's a new catalyst one way or the other.

While well-funded pension funds might be backstopping the bond market now, there's reason to believe some struggling plans might also help bolster the fixed-income market down the road. As part of this year's \$1.9 trillion federal pandemic-relief bill, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. will make a single lump-sum payment to multi-employer pensions, which often cover union workers. Strategists at Citigroup Inc., which wrote a report cleverly titled "Corporate pensions are buying bonds like it's the law," expect that some \$86 billion of federal funds will flow to about 230 plans starting as soon as 2022. They'll be required to invest in investment-grade securities or other approved assets.

All this is to say, when investors like Ray Dalio, founder of Bridgewater Associates, say they might rather own Bitcoin than government bonds, it's worth remembering the \$3.5 trillion pension behemoth that has a desperate need for safe, long-duration assets and cares more about matching liabilities than absolute return. There's rightfully some unease about the amount of low-yielding debt being sold by both the U.S. Treasury and corporate America, especially as inflation appears to be moving higher, and these funds might not have enough muscle on their own to prevent a gradual move higher in Treasury yields through the rest of 2021. But history shows they'll flex their muscles when the market moves too far, too fast.

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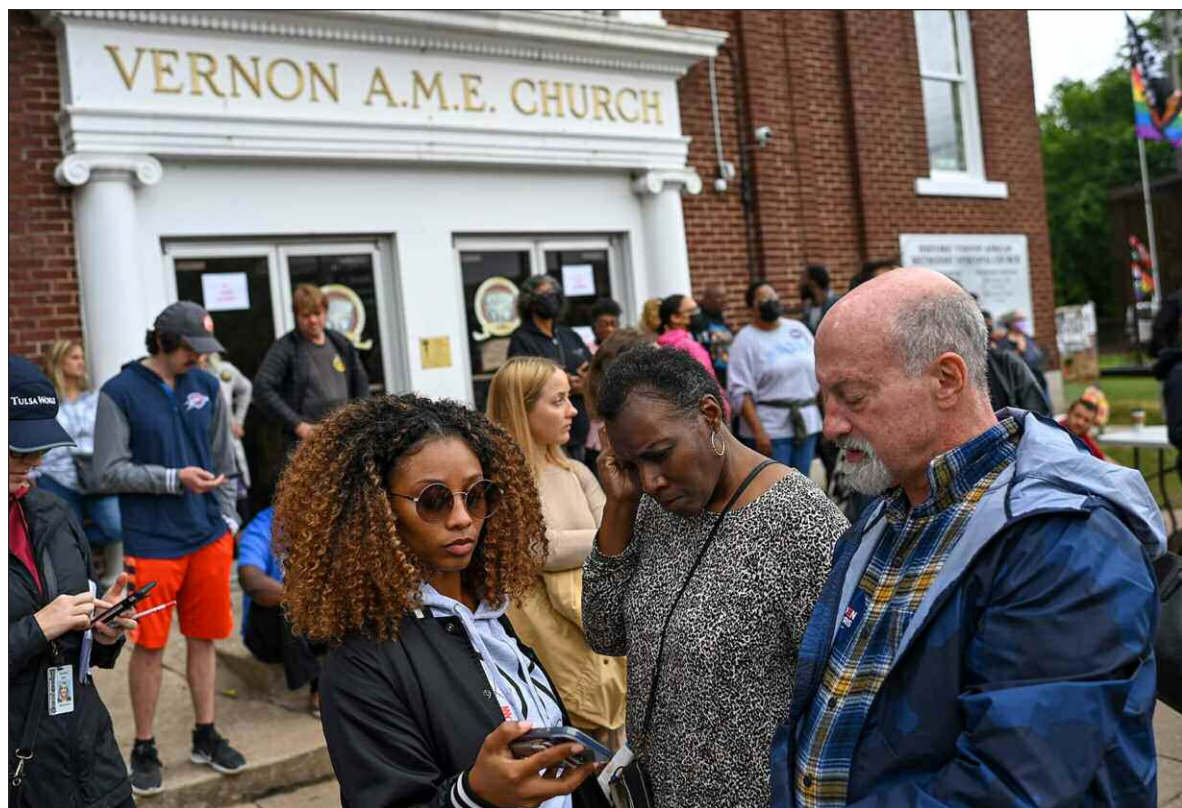
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Felony arrests

Drug possession

A Portland man was arrested for drug possession Monday.

Quinton T. Donnelly, 25, 1007 W. High St., was preliminarily charged Level 6 felonies for possession of methamphetamine and maintaining a common nuisance. He's being held without bond in Jay County Jail.

Violations

A Muncie man was arrested for violating his Community Corrections program Monday.

Michael L. Walburn, 50, 6309 N. Mantel St., was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony for the violation. He was released from Jay County Jail on \$1,100 bond.

Overflow memorial

President Joe Biden's speech on the anniversary of the 1921 massacre of Black Tulsa residents by White mobs drew an overflow crowd, and many watched on their phones at the historic Vernon AME Church across the street from the community center where he spoke.

Jay Superior Court

Judge Gail Dues Fined and sentenced

Brandon M. Beltz, 39, 109 N. Middle St., Portland, pleaded guilty to driving with a suspended license, a Class A misdemeanor — He was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but 30 days suspended and given two days credit for one day served. Beltz was placed on probation for 335 days, fined \$25 and assessed \$185.50 in court costs.

Mark A. Binegar, 57, 10826 S. 200 E-90, Montpelier, pleaded guilty to leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail with all of his sentence suspended. Binegar was placed on probation for 180 days and assessed \$185.50 in court costs.

Donald E. Cosner III, 26, 3223 N. Indiana 1, Pennville, pleaded guilty to invasion of privacy, a Class A misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail and given 180 days credit for 90 days served. He was assessed \$185 in court

costs. As part of his plea agreement, a second count of invasion of privacy, a Class A misdemeanor, was dismissed.

Michael A. Johnson, 38, 1000 E. Franklin Apartment 8, Hartford City, pleaded guilty to leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B misdemeanor — He was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail and given four days credit for two days served. All of his sentence but four days was suspended. He was placed on probation for 180 days, assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay \$9,640 in restitution to Melissa L. Fleming.

Sarah E. Alexander, 24, 2014 S. Manville Road, Muncie, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor — She was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail and given four days credit for two days served. All of her sentence but four days was suspended. She was placed on probation for 180 days and ordered to submit an evaluation within 30 days for substance abuse counseling. Alexander was also ordered to

pay \$185 in court costs and \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees.

Cases dismissed

State of Indiana v. Donald E. Cosner III, domestic battery, a Class A misdemeanor

Cases filed

City of Dunkirk v. Jordan Alfrey, civil collections

Indiana v. Brian M. Ferner, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Patrick D. Fouch, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Michael D. Malyska, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Anthony D. Best, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Chanelle R. Gierhart, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Amber R. Newton, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Brittany D. Pullins, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Manuel I. Asicona, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Christopher I. Miller, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Sam Crump, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Xavier E. Bates, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Lena B. Curtis, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Cassandra L. Odom, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Doug L. Carter, Level 6 felony

Discover Bank (c/o) Discover Products Inc. v. Emily Hicks, civil collection

Indiana v. Paiton R. Keener, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Derrick L. Johnson, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Sierra D. Teal, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Holly M. Lefeld, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Dylan T. Baughman, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Dawn L. Johns, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Chanelle R. Gierhart, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Michael S. Bingham, Level 6 felony

Indiana v. Myriah R. Whitacre, Level 6 felony

Mariner Finance LLC succes-

or in interest to Personal Finance Company LLC v. Christopher Ellenberger, civil collection

Discover Bank c/o Discover Products Inc. v. Holly Waltz, civil collection

Indiana v. Brandon M. Ferner, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Thaddaeus D. Thornburg, criminal misdemeanor

Indiana v. Amber R. Robbins, criminal misdemeanor

First Merchants Bank v. Brandon Limbert, Destinee Keener, civil collection

Indiana v. Edgar J. Serna, Level 6 felony

Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC v. Sarah Cook, civil collection

Farmers & Merchants State Bank v. Kortney Davis, civil collection

Eagle Finance Company v. Michael Denney, civil collection

Indiana v. Cody A. Elzey, Level 6 felony

JHPDE Finance 1 LLC v. Mary Aycock, civil collection

Adjusts ...

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The university had said vaccinations would be required before fall semester in order for students to attend classes and employees to keep their jobs.

Republican Gov. Eric Holcomb had said he wouldn't block IU's requirement despite a letter from 19 Republican Indiana House members asking him to prohibit any state university from mandating vaccines that don't have full U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval.

"I think this will work

its way out and there's more than one way to skin a cat," Holcomb told WTHR-TV on Sunday. "The conversations are ongoing right now. But I don't plan on doing an executive order."

Holcomb's office declined additional comment Tuesday.

IU said it considered responses from students, parents, faculty, staff members and state officials in making the changes to the vaccine verification policy for its some 90,000 students on seven campuses around the state.

University spokesman Chuck Carney said officials had discussed the policy "with the governor's office and legislators up to this point and will continue to do so. That would be standard practice for us with such a significant policy decision."

Nearly all Republican members of the Indiana Senate sent a letter to McRobbie last week calling IU's policy a "heavy-handed mandate goes against many of the liberties on which our founders built our democratic republic."

Felony court news

Drug possession

Multiple people were sentenced to jail recently for drug possession.

Donald E. Cosner III, 26, 3223 N. Indiana 1, Pennville, pleaded guilty to possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Superior Court. He was sentenced to two years in Jay County Jail with all but 180 days of his sentence were suspended, and he was given 104 days credit for 52 days served. He was placed on probation for 550 days and ordered to submit an evaluation within 30 days for substance abuse counseling. He was also assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees. As part of his plea agreement, a Class C misdemeanor charge of possession of paraphernalia was dismissed.

Brian S. Bickel, 25, 445 E. Maple St., Pennville, pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Superior Court. He was sentenced to 545 days in Jay County Jail with all but 30 days of his sentence were suspended, and he was given 30 days credit for 15 days served. He was fined \$25, assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees. He was placed on probation for 515 days and ordered to submit an evaluation within 30 days for substance abuse counseling. As part of his plea agreement, two Level 6 felony charges for maintaining a common nuisance and unlawful possession of a syringe and a Class C misdemeanor charge for possession of paraphernalia were dismissed.

Elizabeth L. Todd, 23, 5146 Riverview Drive, Indianapolis, pleaded guilty to possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Circuit Court. She was sentenced to 18 months in Jay County Jail with all but four days suspended and given four days credit for two days served. She was placed

on probation for 18 months, assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees. As part of her plea agreement, a Level 6 felony charge for unlawful possession of a syringe was dismissed.

Christina E. Bishop, 33, 1237 N. U.S. 27, Portland, pleaded guilty to possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Circuit Court. Bishop was sentenced to two years in Jay County Jail and given credit for four days served. She was assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. As part of her plea agreement, a Level 6 felony charge for unlawful possession of a syringe and a Class C misdemeanor charge of possession of paraphernalia were dismissed.

Talli J. Noles, 46, 962 S. Shank St., Portland, pleaded guilty to dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony, in Jay Circuit Court. Noles was sentenced to four years in Indiana Department of Correction with 33 months suspended and given credit for time served between Aug. 18, 2020, and Sept. 19, 2020, and from Oct. 18, 2020, to present. She was assessed court costs of \$185 and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. As part of her plea agreement, a second count of dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 4 felony, was dismissed.

Jennifer L. Cook, 45, Dunkirk, pleaded guilty to maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 felony, in Jay Circuit Court. She was sentenced to 502 days in Jay County Jail and given 251 days credit for time served. Cook was assessed court costs of \$185. As part of her plea agreement, the following charges were dismissed: a Level 3 felony for dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 4 felony for possession of methamphetamine and a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana.

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Lillard scored 17 of Portland's 19 points in the two overtimes, but he didn't score again after his 12th 3-pointer in 17 attempts put the Blazers ahead 140-138 with 3:47 left.

And his teammates didn't score again, either.

Nikola Jokic, who scored 38 points and came one assist shy of a triple-double, tied it at 140 with a layup and Porter broke the tie with a 3 from the left corner with 1:33 left off a sweet pass from Jokic.

The Blazers still were within three points — and Lillard's range — until a pair of costly mistakes sent them back to Portland for Game 6 on Thursday night trailing the Nuggets 3-2 in the best-of-seven series.

First, Robert Covington missed a dunk with 41 seconds left and then CJ McCollum stepped out of bounds with 9.1 seconds left and Lillard setting up for another 3.

"It's a shame we wasted one of the all-time best performances by not being more supportive of him," McCollum said.

Monte Morris, who scored 28 points off the bench, hit a pair of free throws with 8.8 seconds to seal it, and Shaq Harrison added two free throws with 3.8 seconds remaining.

Lillard's 3-pointer with three seconds left in regulation tied it at 121, capping a 22-point comeback. His 3 with 6.4 seconds left in the first overtime tied it at 135 and that

capped Portland's comeback from a quick nine-point deficit in the extra period after Denver hit a trio of 3s.

"We won and lost that game so many times before ultimately winning it," Nuggets coach Michael Malone said. "... We never got down. Every time they threw a haymaker and got us down on the canvas, we got up and were able to pull it out in the end."

Porter, who finished with 26 points, said it wasn't hard to keep composed when Lillard kept hitting daggers to extend the game.

"It was 0-0. We knew there was only 5 minutes. We knew we couldn't hang our heads," Porter said. "It was a big game and we needed it."

Local schedule

Today
Portland Rockets at Grand Lake Mariners - 7 p.m.
Fort Wayne TinCaps vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels - 7:05 p.m.

Thursday
Fort Wayne TinCaps vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels - 7:05 p.m.

Friday
Fort Recovery — Track state finals at Westerville North - 3 p.m.
Portland Rockets vs. Fort Wayne Jackers - 7:15 p.m.
Fort Wayne TinCaps vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels - 5 p.m.

Saturday
Jay County — Girls track state finals at Ben Davis - 3 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Track state finals at Westerville North - 3 p.m.
Portland Rockets doubleheader vs. South Bend Royals - 1 p.m.
Fort Wayne TinCaps vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels - 6:35 p.m.

Local notes

Camp set for June 15
The Jay County High School baseball team will be hosting a three-day camp starting June 15.

The camp will be June 15 through 17 at Don E. Selvey Field at JCHS. Students in kindergarten through third grade will be from 8 to 9:30 a.m.; fourth and fifth graders 10 to 11:30 a.m. and sixth through eighth graders are 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Cost is \$25, and the deadline to register to receive a t-shirt is June 8. For more information, contact JCHS at (260) 726-9806.

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Time 10:00 A. M. Located 17101 State Route 167, Dunkirk, IN ANTIQUES

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TOOL John Deere LT133 Riding mower with 32' cut, Craftsman radial arm saw, Forney easy-weld 20p Plasma cutter, Generator with Wisconsin Engine, Salamanders, Pepsi machine.

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WHEREAS, the Town of Redkey established rates and charges to be collected for the use and service of the sewage works; and WHEREAS, the rates and charges so established are no longer adequate to meet their purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Redkey has undertaken a sewage separation project that will require said rates and charges to increase; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF REDKEY, INDIANA:

Ordinance 2014-8 is hereby amended as follows:

(c) Effective September 1, 2020, the water usage schedule on which the amount of said sewage rates and charges shall be determined shall be as follows:

Quantity of Water used per Month	Used Charge per 1000 Gallons
First 2,000 gallons	\$15.90
Next 4,667 gallons	\$13.44
Next 10,000 gallons	\$10.92
Next 33,333 gallons	\$8.64
Next 66,667 gallons	\$8.10
Over 116,667 gallons	\$4.98

The minimum charge for any user, where the user is a metered water consumer, shall be based upon the meter sizes as follows:

Meter Size	Per month
5/8 - 3/4 inch meter	\$31.80
1 inch meter	\$40.78
1 1/2 inch meter	\$64.93
2 inch meter	\$122.11
3 inch meter	\$203.11
4 inch meter	\$325.13
6 inch meter	\$488.06

Section (b) is hereby deleted.

Section (d) is hereby added:

(d) The Sewer Separation Fee of \$14.00 per month established by Ordinance 2011-4 shall remain in full force in effect. All other provisions not amended hereby remain in full force and effect.

This Ordinance was duly passed in regular session of the Town Board of the Town of Redkey, Jay County Indiana, on this 25th day of June, 2020; however, will not be in effect until July 1, 2021

TOWN OF REDKEY, INDIANA Dottie Quakenbush, Erik Hammers, Gary Gardner, John Pierce Town Board Members

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Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Trump manipulation

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH ♠ 9 6 3 ♥ 10 9 5 4 2 ♦ A K J 6 ♣ 3 WEST ♠ A 7 5 ♥ Q 10 8 5 3 ♦ Q J 9 7 4 ♣ 10 SOUTH ♠ K 8 2 ♥ A 8 7 6 3 ♦ Q 9 2 ♣ A 10

The bidding: East 1♥ South 1♥ West Pass North 4♥

Opening lead — queen of clubs. Assume you're in four hearts and West leads a club, taken by you with the ace. There seems to be nothing much to the play, so let's say you cash the ace of trump, ruff a club in dummy and start running your diamonds, hoping to discard a spade on dummy's fourth diamond. Unfortunately, East ruffs the third diamond and returns the queen of spades, and down you go.

You could attribute the outcome to bad luck — and your opponents might even sympathize with you.

After all, East could have held the ace of spades instead of West, in which case you'd make 11 tricks. Also, the diamonds might have been divided 3-3 instead of 4-2, or the player with two trumps — East in the actual deal — might have held four diamonds. In all of these cases, you'd have gotten home safe and sound.

Despite this, the fact remains that if you played the hand as described, you didn't try hard enough. You should have ruffed a club in dummy at trick two, then led a trump from dummy and played low when East followed with the jack!

West would be forced to win the trick with the queen and you could now be sure of making at least 10 tricks. Whatever West returned, you would draw the one missing trump and later discard a spade on dummy's fourth diamond. The suggested method of play, which gains when West started with the singleton king or queen of trump, gives you an extra chance to keep East, the dangerous opponent, off lead.

It is true that East can frustrate your plan by playing the king instead of the jack on the first trump lead from dummy. Nevertheless, you should give him the chance to distinguish himself instead of merely relying on the Fates to see you through.

Tomorrow: Four losers, but 10 winners.

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6-2 CRYPTOQUIP

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Y equals L

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Sports

Mann rebounds in Jay win

Patriot senior recovers from triple bogey to finish strong

By CHRIS SCHANZ
The Commercial Review

It was far from the best start of his career.

Griffin Mann, playing in his final home match as a Patriot, was 4-over-par through three holes.

Then he made par. He got a stroke back on a newly converted par-5. Then he shot even the rest of the way.

Mann fired a 3-over 39 to lead the Jay County High School boys golf team past the Daleville Broncos, 174-193, on Tuesday at Portland Golf Club.

"Very bittersweet," said Mann of his last home 9-hole round. "I love this sport and this team and I've had some great experiences as a Jay County golfer."

"However, I'm really looking forward to sectional (Monday) as well as the next chapter of my life following high school."

After making par to start his round, Mann had a 15-foot par put on No. 2 miss to the left by 6 inches and stop a foot away from the cup. He had to settle for bogey.

On the 385-yard, par-4 third hole, Mann's tee shot went out of bounds down the left side of the fairway. His third stroke was low, yet still to the left. He chipped to about 20 feet from the pin just off the fringe, and then his chip for bogey was about 4 feet short.

Hoping to have a double bogey on the hole, his 4-

foot putt lipped out the left side of the cup.

From there, however, it was all smooth sailing for the senior.

"I was just really able to hold my composure tonight," he said. "I'm very experienced when it comes to having a big number on the scorecard early in a round and letting it ruin me."

"Lately I've just been really working on staying mentally tough, forgetting the bad shot or bad hole and moving on to the next one. And that's what I had to do tonight after the triple on (No. 3)."

Caleb DeRome also birdied the par-5 fifth hole, which had the tees moved back and converted from a par 4. He ended his round with a birdie on the par-4 ninth hole as well.

Kyle Sanders shot 47 as the No. 3 score for the Patriots, and Simon Pryor shot 48 to complete the team score.

Brock DeHoff also competed, but his round of 50 did not factor into the Patriots' team total.

On May 28, Jay County shot a season-low 157, so the Patriots are trending in the right direction heading into the sectional tournament Monday at Hickory Hills Golf Club in rural Farmland.

"I feel like we're playing pretty well as a whole," Mann said. "There's three very talented teams in Monroe Central, Delta and Yorktown that we're going to have to try and keep up with."

"With that said, if three or four of our guys can go out and play some of their best golf I truly believe we have a shot at sneaking into the top three and advancing to regionals."



The Commercial Review/Chris Schanz

Griffin Mann, a Jay County High School senior, watches his approach shot on the fourth hole during a match with the Daleville Broncos on Tuesday at Portland Golf Club. Mann rebounded from a triple bogey on the third hole to finish with a 3-over 39 in the Patriots' 174-193 win.

Pioneer cruises to big victory

Four players collected four hits each as Pioneer Packaging cruised to a 21-3 victory against Barnett's Auto Parts in Portland Junior League's Rookie baseball action on Tuesday.

Benton Lankenamp led Pioneer with two triples, a double and a single, while East-

on Johnson tripled, doubled twice and hit a single. Maverick Hudson and Brady Long had four singles apiece.

Tuck Hemmelgarn led Barnett's in the loss with a double and two singles.

Sawyer Hemmelgarn collected a double and a single while Maddox Hampson singled.

Hits aplenty

Hits came in droves as Pak-A-Sak topped Cook's Nursery 19-4 in their Rookie baseball contest.

Cash Reynolds led Pak-A-Sak, which finished with 33 hits, by ripping two doubles and three singles, while Sawyer Young doubled and singled four times.

Henry Teeter tripled, doubled and singled twice, as Colton Garinger collected a two doubles, a triple and a single. Cruz Darby and Oliver Jackson had four singles apiece.

Beckham Hough tallied two doubles and a single for Cook's. Griffin Lambert hit a double and a single. Brantley Robinson and Ashton Conn had two singles apiece.

Nuggets beat Blazers in 2OT

By ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Sports Writer

DENVER — On Damian Lillard's record-breaking night when he was hitting one shot after another from behind the arc and almost beyond belief, it was Michael Porter Jr. who quietly sank the biggest basket of all.

MPJ's 3-pointer from the left corner barely fluttered the net with 1:33 left in the second overtime and proved the game-winner as the Denver Nuggets squelched an epic comeback by the Portland Trail Blazers with a 147-140 win Tuesday night in Game 5 of their best-of-seven playoff series.

"That's what playoff basketball is," Porter said after the thriller that included a dozen lead changes and 11 ties,

including long 3s by Lillard that forced overtime and the second OT.

Lillard's night included a franchise playoff record 55 points and NBA playoff record 12 3-pointers. He eclipsed the mark of 11 set by Golden State's Klay Thompson at Oklahoma City on May 28, 2016.

"It was the best playoff performance I've ever seen," Trail Blazers coach Terry Stotts said.

"At this point, all that matters is we can't lose another game in the series," Lillard shrugged.

And he, for one, isn't going to dwell on his big night and even bigger let-down.

"If I don't put it behind me, and hold onto it, it's going to get in the way of what we need to do in the next one," Lillard said.

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