

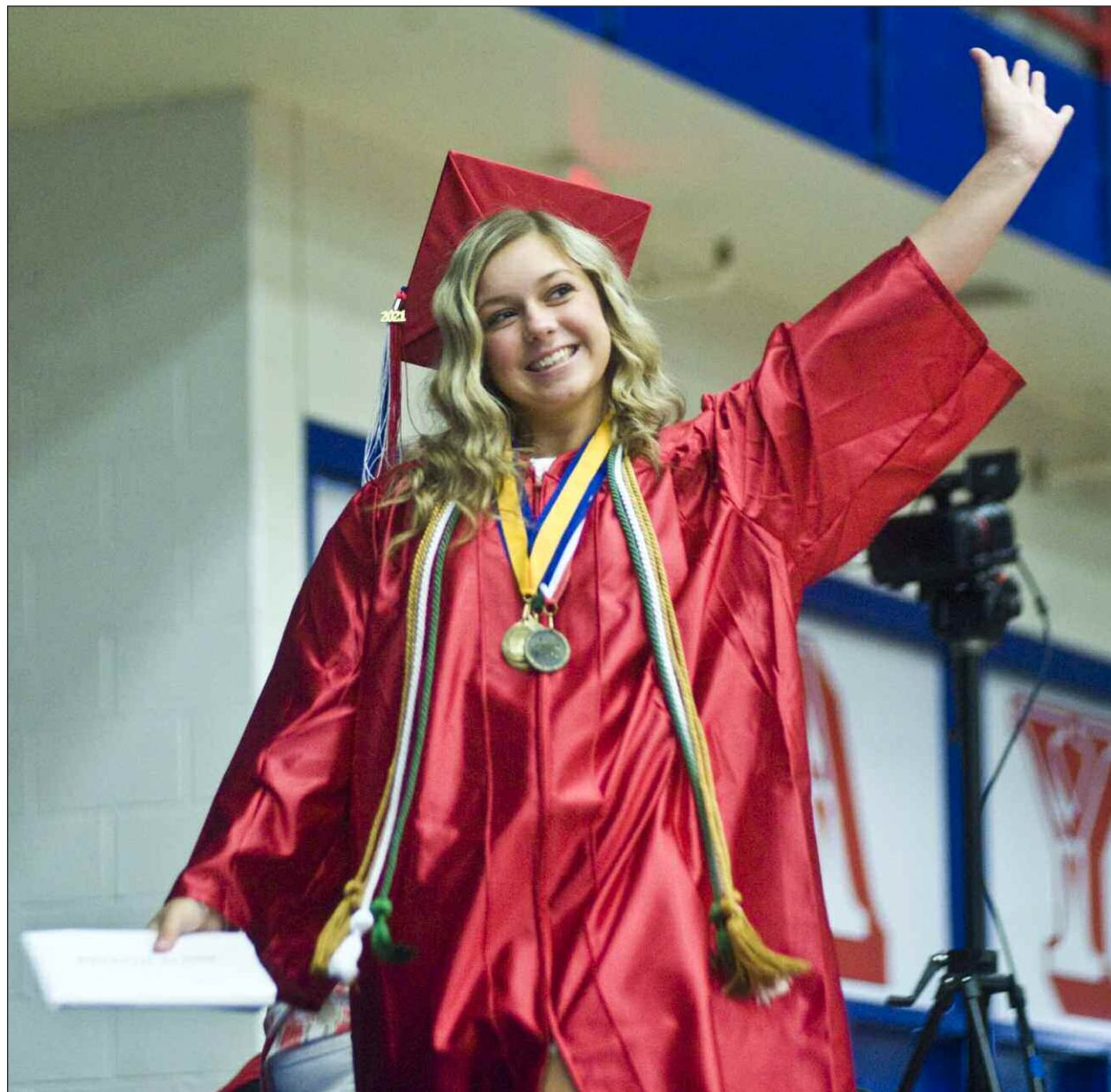
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Hopeful tone



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Kenzie Ring waves to her family as she walks across the stage Sunday after receiving her diploma during Jay County High School's graduation ceremony. The event, which was held two weeks later than normal because Jay School Corporation delayed the start of school to allow more preparation time for staff during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, was originally scheduled to be held outdoors but was moved inside as new cases of COVID-19 have steeply declined over the course of the last month.

Jay County High School celebrates graduation with messages focused on inspiration, possibility

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

The Class of 2020 left during March of its senior year and never returned.

While the Class of 2021 was in its classrooms for its senior year, not much was completely back to normal.

The second Jay County High School class deeply impacted by the ongoing coronavirus pandemic said goodbye

Sunday during its commencement ceremony.

"After this long, unprecedented year, we can finally say that we graduated high school," said senior class president Eliza Bader during her opening remarks. "At the start of high school, who would have ever thought that we'd be graduating during a pandemic?"

When the pandemic hit in the United States in March 2020, students

finished the remainder of the school year virtually.

Jay School Corporation returned to in-person classes this year, but mask wearing was required in most situations. Attendance was limited at athletic competitions and other events.

Activities were modified or canceled in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

When cases of the dis-

ease spiked in the late fall and early winter, Jay Schools twice shifted the junior-senior high school to virtual learning for a week. (Weekly two-hour delays on Wednesdays were implemented to give staff time to catch up.)

Sunday's graduation ceremony — it was held about two weeks later than usual because Jay Schools delayed the start of classes this year to allow more time for staff

to prepare — returned to the traditional site of the school's main gym this year after the 2020 edition was held in outdoors in drive-in style. Original plans for this year were to hold the ceremony outdoors at Harold E. Schutz Memorial Stadium, but the event was moved indoors as new cases of COVID-19 have declined steeply in the last month.

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Plane struck a deer Friday

A plane was involved in a crash Friday evening at Portland Municipal Airport.

According to a report filed with the Federal Aviation Administration, an aircraft struck a deer while landing at the airport about 8:27 p.m. Friday.

After hitting the deer, the CESSNA 310 veered off the runway and into a ditch after striking the animal. Damage to the aircraft was listed as "substantial."

No injuries were reported. The report lists that there was one flight crew member and one "pax" (passenger) on the flight.

The aircraft registration number listed on the FAA report identifies Sunrise Aviation of Portland as the owner of the plane, a 1979 six-seater with two engines. Hal Tavzel, who serves as manager of Portland's airport, owns Sunrise.

Airport staff would not provide further information on the incident.

Student killed in shooting

MUNCIE, Ind. (AP) — Police in Muncie were investigating after a Ball State University student was killed in an off campus shooting.

The shooting happened early Saturday, police said. Deputy Police Chief Melissa Pease said dispatchers received a report of "possible fight and shots fired." Pease said the victim was a Ball State student.

Police have not released a motive.

In a statement issued Saturday, the university acknowledged the student's death and said it will support the victim's family and any students who want help.

Board moves forward on unused properties

City of Portland, Pathfinders Inc. have expressed interest in Judge Haynes

Haynes property at 827 W. High St., Portland. He said Portland Mayor John Boggs has indicated that he hopes to put together a plan to develop housing at the site while Pathfinder Inc. is targeting the location as a potential home for Head Start.

Boggs intends to have a plan to present at school board's July 19 meeting, Gulley said, while Pathfinder, a not-for-profit organization, hopes to know soon whether it has been awarded the Head Start contract.

"There's some good options here," said Gulley. "It's just who can make it come together."

The process for Westlawn — students from that building will shift to the former West Jay Middle School for the 2021-22 school year — isn't quite as far along in the process. The school corporation still needs to receive approval from Indiana Department of Education to proceed with disposing of that property.

See **Properties** page 2

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

Jay School Board on Monday moved forward with the process of disposing of two more unused properties.

The board gave superintendent Jeremy Gulley permission to hire a real estate broker for the former Judge Haynes Elementary School in Portland and approved a resolution affirming that it will no longer be using the Westlawn Elementary School building.

Gulley told the board there has been interest in the Judge



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Barn burned

Portland firefighter Mitch Southworth sprays water onto the smoldering remains of a barn owned by Bob Lyons at 1653 E. 650 South. Firefighters were called at 10:46 a.m. Sunday and arrived on scene at 10:53 a.m. The fire was under control by 11:22 a.m., with firefighters staying on scene for about another four hours as hay on the north side of the barn was moved and doused. Salamonina, Ward Township and Southwest Mercer fire departments assisted on scene with a total of seven trucks and 27 firefighters responding. Initial damage estimates were in the \$2 million to \$3 million range.

Deaths

Danny Hayden, 83, Selma
Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 77 degrees Monday. The low was 49.

Tonight's forecast calls for a low of 53. Skies will be mostly sunny Wednesday with a high in the upper 70s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

The Portland Foundation has awarded a \$25,000 grant to United Way of Jay County to assist families affected by Friday's tornado. Funds will be used to help replace personal and household items and to pay for food, lodging and fuel. Those in need can contact United Way of Jay County by calling (260) 726-7010.

Coming up

Wednesday — Follow-up story on clean-up and recovery from Friday's tornado.

Friday — Results from Thursday's Jay County vs. Fort Recovery summer swim meet.



Properties ...

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The school corporation has already unloaded a couple of properties this year, having sold the former administrative office at 1976 W. Tyson Road, Portland, to Brigade Electronics for \$425,000 and six wooded acres adjacent to Portland Memorial Park to Derran McGill for \$35,000. (The administrative offices were recently moved to the former General Shanks Elementary School building on Floral Avenue in Portland.)
Jay Schools previously turned over ownership of the former Pennville Elementary School site — the school closed in 2017 — to Pennville Community Center.
Board members Phil Ford, Vickie Reitz, Jason Phillips and Donna Geesaman, absent Ron

Laux, Mike Shannon and Chris Snow, also gave business manager Shannon Current permission to use a la carte sales money to write off its negative fund balance caused by unpaid food service fees. The total in unpaid fees total about \$90,000.
Current also recommended the school corporation implement use of the Tax Refund Exchange and Compliance System for collecting such debts in the future rather than going through the courts or collections process. The program, which would come at no cost to Jay Schools, collects debts via pending state personal income tax refunds.
Ford also expressed condolences from the board to those whose property was damaged in Friday's tornado (see Wednesday's newspaper for a

follow-up story) and to former Jay Schools agriculture teacher Bob Lyons after a fire destroyed one of his barns Sunday. (Laux was not in attendance at Monday's meeting because he was representing the board at a prayer service at the home of Betsy and Matt Minnich, whose home was damaged by the tornado.)
In other business, the board:
•Heard Gulley note that 2006 Jay County High School graduate Josh Atkinson has taken over as the board's attorney following the retirement of Phil Frantz.
•Approved the following: a two-hour delay on the first Wednesday of each month during the 2021-22 school year to be used for professional development, test data review curriculum development and other

purposes; a field trip to Italy from July 23 through Aug. 1 for high school Latin students; and updates to the school handbooks for the 2021-22 school year.
•Awarded a contract for a new roof on two sections of Jay County Junior-Senior High School to McGuff Roofing for \$334,750.
•Approved a long list of new hires, including Whitney Bruggeman as the nurse at Bloomfield Elementary School, Jenna (Guggenbiller) Cupp as a third grade teacher at East Jay Elementary School, Mikayla Post as a fifth grade teacher at East Jay, Erika Kunkler as a math teacher at Jay County Junior-Senior High School, Michelle Gelzleichter as a Spanish teacher at the junior-senior high, Katina Gibson as a

third grade teacher at Redkey Elementary School, Kymbra Keys as a third grade teacher at East Jay, Bruce Wood as JCHS cross country coach, Melynda James as JCHS gymnastics coach and Tim Millspaugh as JCHS assistant girls swim coach.
•Accepted the resignations of 12 employees, including eight teachers.
•Approved the retirements of JCHS secretary Jeanette Hoffman and junior high English teacher Diana Keller Meyer.
•Accepted the Summer School Grant (\$33,147.02) and an additional High Ability Grant (\$1,645).
•Set fees for the 2021-22 school year, most of which did not change. The board OK'd a \$1 increase to \$25 per hour for the pay rate for credit recovery.

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| Wednesday 6/23 | Thursday 6/24 | Friday 6/25 | Saturday 6/26 | Sunday 6/27 |
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| 78/59 | 86/69 | 82/70 | 80/68 | 80/65 |
| The high temperature will be in the upper 70s under mostly sunny skies. | Mostly sunny skies and hot weather. Winds may reach as high as 20 mph. | Showers likely with a thunderstorm possible. Chance of showers is 70%. | More potential rain and thunderstorms continue Saturday with an 80% chance. | The rainy weekend will continue with a 60% chance of showers and thunderstorms. |

Lotteries

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| Powerball Saturday 4-22-35-38-39 Powerball: 20 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$63 million | Cash 5: 12-17-20-32-44 Estimated jackpot: \$169,000 |
| Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$40 million | Ohio Monday Midday Pick 3: 9-4-8 Pick 4: 0-4-1-3 Pick 5: 8-0-3-7-5 Evening Pick 3: 5-6-9 Pick 4: 9-5-6-2 Pick 5: 3-8-0-4-6 Rolling Cash 5: 11-24-25-27-33 Estimated jackpot: \$130,000 Classic Lotto: 8-13-14-18-37-38 Kicker: 7-3-8-0-4-2 Jackpot: \$10 million |
| Hoosier Monday Midday Daily Three: 4-4-5 Daily Four: 4-6-0-3 Evening Daily Three: 1-8-6 Daily Four: 8-6-0-4 Quick Draw: 3-6-8-18-21-22-27-30-31-32-35-42-46-51-53-59-64-72-74-80 | |

Markets

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| Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn.....6.82 July corn.....7.12 Wheat6.37 | Wheat 6.48 July wheat 6.48 |
| POET Biorefining Portland Corn.....7.18 July corn.....7.18 Aug. corn6.22 | Central States Montpelier Corn.....6.91 July corn.....6.89 Beans14.23 Nov. beans12.93 Wheat 6.48 |
| The Andersons Richland Township Corn.....6.78 July corn.....6.78 Beans14.23 July beans14.23 | Sunrise St. Anthony Corn.....6.97 July corn.....7.03 Beans14.27 July beans14.27 Wheat6.13 July wheat.....6.13 |

Today in history

On June 22, 1970, President Richard Nixon signed an extension of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 that lowered the minimum voting age to 18.
In 1611, English explorer Henry Hudson, his son and several other people were set adrift in present-day Hudson Bay by mutineers aboard the Discovery.
In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte abdicated for a second time as Emperor of the French.
In 1870, the United States Department of Justice was created.
In 1937, Joe Louis began his reign as world heavyweight boxing champion by knocking out Jim Braddock in the eighth round of their fight in Chicago. (A year later on this date, Louis knocked out Max Schmeling in the first round of their rematch at Yankee Stadium.)
In 1940, during World War II, Adolf Hitler gained a stunning victory as France was forced to sign an armistice eight days after German forces overran Paris.
In 1971, the Portland High School baseball team knocked off Redkey 7-1. The Panthers scored five runs in the fifth inning, which included a Pat Medler triple.
—AP and The CR

Citizen's calendar

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| Wednesday 2:30 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners special meeting, commissioners | room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 5 p.m. — Dunkirk Park Board, Dunkirk City Park. |
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Obituaries

Danny Hayden

July 11, 1937-June 18, 2021
Danny Hayden, age 83, of Selma passed away early Friday, June 18, 2021, at his residence following an extended illness.
Danny was born July 11, 1937, in Muncie the son of Harold and Eleanor (Hoppe) Hayden. Danny was married on Feb. 27, 1987, to Cheryl Schemenaur and she survives.
Danny proudly served his country in the United States Army and the National Guard stationed in Germany. He worked at Delco and retired after 43½ years. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, music, race cars, building and flying his own airplane. His

greatest love was spending time with his family and grandchildren. He was so loved and will be deeply missed.
Surviving are his wife of 34 years Cheryl (Schemenaur) Hayden; three daughters, Denise Carmen (husband: Steve), Cheryl Patton and Deborah Leonhard (Tim); and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.
He was preceded in death by his parents Harold and Eleanor (Hoppe) Hayden; son Jeff Hayden; and brothers Maurice and Larry Hayden.
Private funeral services will be



Hayden

held in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home in Portland with burial in Green Park Cemetery with military rites by Delaware County Honor Guard.
In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Belfountain United Methodist Church in Portland.
Condolences may be expressed at bairdfreeman.com.
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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.



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Legion 100th

Members of Robert Guy Ayers American Legion Post 211's honor guard stand at attention as Dennis Friday and Art Booth of the Berne post lower the Stars and Stripes during a flag retirement ceremony Saturday evening. The ceremony was part of the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the commissioning of the post in 1920. (The celebration was originally scheduled for August 2020 but was postponed because of the coronavirus pandemic.)

Tone ...

Continued from page 1
While the pandemic loomed large over the Class of 2021's last year-plus of high school, Griffin Mann told his classmates he'd prefer they not be remembered for the disease that turned the world upside down but for all that they will accomplish in the years to come.
"I want us to be the class in the generation that changed the world, the class that brought about peace in our ever-so-divided country," he said. "I want us to be the class that was successful, and I don't mean at becoming rich, but rather being successful at living life the way we want to and fulfilling our wildest dreams and aspirations."
Leah Hummel struck a similarly hopeful message in her commencement address. She likened graduation to the completion of act one of a play, with act two yet unscripted and full of possibility.
"As we step in our own directions, we've been given the opportunity to write the stories of our own lives," Hummel said. "We just have to have the courage to pick up the pen and start writing that story, because it's a story only we can write."

Capsule Reports

Buggy accident
Two people were air-lifted to a Fort Wayne hospital after a truck driver's vehicle crashed into their horse-drawn buggy on county road 650 North about 5:20 p.m. Sunday.
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Phone process is baffling

By DIANA DOLECKI

Special to The Commercial Review

It's officially summer. I can tell this even without a calendar. The loud vehicles have come out of hibernation. The local fireworks store has opened and assorted crinkly noises and random loud booms will be normal for the next month or so. The eternal task of weeding has begun.

Speaking of calendars, they seem to be as outdated as that reliable old black telephone most of us grew up with. It used to be that a majority of businesses provided their customers with a free calendar every year. I can't remember the last free calendar we received.

Calendars have almost gone the way of phone books. They can still be found if one looks hard enough. It used to be that every house had at least one phone book thick enough to serve as a booster seat for small children. If more height was needed the annual Sears catalog could provide an additional lift. Nobody worried that the little ones might fall off a precarious stack of books and catalogs.

We don't live in that world anymore. Some days that is good and

As I See It



other days, not so much. My daughter gave me a new phone last week. She thinks my old flip phone is outdated. For the first few days the new phone sat in its little box gathering up its courage to come out and play.

We took it to a store that sold that particular model. Apparently, only specific personnel are allowed to get near it. The official phone guy installed the battery and a few other things before telling us that they weren't supposed to tell us how the phone worked. He was serious. I resisted the urge to tell him that was about the dumbest thing I've ever heard.

After we brought the phone back home, I managed to find a website in the tiny booklet that had been packaged with the device. This took a while because the print was as small as possible.

Even with the new found directions I am still puzzled. I told my daughter that I looked through the packaging and didn't see a child enclosed with the phone.

I may have to capture a random kid to show me how to properly use the thing. If you get the idea that I am beyond frustrated that a hunk of plastic makes me feel like I am the dumbest and most inept person on the planet, you are right. It also makes me feel older than dirt.

I remember when telephones were used to make phone calls. They didn't take pictures. They didn't stop working in the middle of a sentence. They didn't require directions. It was easy to hear what the other party was saying and nobody even thought about carrying the thing everywhere. The new phones are the indispensable security blankets of today.

Someday I may figure out how to properly use it. Right now it is silently sticking out its tongue while telling me that as soon as I do discover its secrets, technology will change and a completely different set of directions will apply.

Author to speak at museum Sunday

An author is coming to Fort Recovery this weekend.

Fort Recovery State Museum will host author Kirby Whitacre for the presentation "Characters of the 1790-95 Indian War and the Little Known Facts that Tie History Together" at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Whitacre, the author of "The Spirit Traveler; the Northwest Indian War in the Ohio Country," will discuss events and individuals related to the wars of the early 1790s. He will be available for book signings prior to his presentation.

Also Sunday, archaeologist Christine Thompson of Ball State University will give the first demonstrations of "The Digital Precontact Experience." The online resource highlights Fort Recovery Historical Society's college of artifacts.

Grants open

The Portland Foundation is now accepting

Taking Note

applications for its Women's Giving Circle grants.

Grants of \$1,000 to \$5,000 will be awarded for projects that focus on enhancing the capacity of Jay County's not-for-profit organizations to support projects and programming in the Jay County Community.

The Women's Giving Circle is a group of local women established by The Portland Foundation that serves in an advisory capacity to its board of trustees on distributions from the Women's Endowment Fund and Women's Giving Circle Fund.

Applications are available at portlandfoundation.org. The deadline is 5 p.m. July 16.

Living arrangement has caused serious rift

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is separated from her husband, who rents a room from me. Recently, without telling her, he dropped her from his insurance. Now she wants me to kick him out and she's mad at me because I refuse to do it. She says it shows I approve of his behavior. She tells me that he's no good, he used her and he hit on her girlfriend. She's threatening that if I let him stay, we won't be close anymore.

He pays me on time, and I hardly ever see him because he works at night. I need the rent money, and we have always gotten along great. I say this is my house and I should decide if he leaves. What do you think? — IN THE MIDDLE IN FLORIDA

DEAR IN THE MIDDLE: You need to explain to your

Dear Abby



daughter that the reason her husband is living with you is because you need the income. Even if you wanted, you might not be able to kick him out right away because of whatever eviction laws may exist in your state. This is your house, and the decision whether to evict him should be yours. However, if you continue allowing him to rent from you, it may cause a breach with your

daughter that could be permanent.

DEAR ABBY: I often feel left out. This past weekend on Facebook I saw two co-workers and a former co-worker went on a weekend getaway. I wasn't invited. Should I retaliate, or must I act like it doesn't bother me? This isn't the first time friends and co-workers have done things like this. I'll comment on their post — "looks like fun" — but never get invited. How should I feel about this and what should I do? — OVERLOOKED IN MINNESOTA

DEAR OVERLOOKED: What you should "do" is recognize that your co-workers are not obligated to include you in anything outside of work. They may have mutual interests that bring them together,

or chemistry that they don't have with you. Instead of fuming and fantasizing about "retaliating" (which would be uncalled for and inappropriate), form relationships outside this circle of co-workers and friends. If you do, you will be less dependent upon these individuals and less disappointed if your relationships with them aren't as close as you wish they were.

DEAR ABBY: I have been reading your column for many years, but haven't seen this question before. I'm a senior citizen with a do-not-resuscitate order. I am concerned that if something were to happen to me and I was taken to a nearby hospital, they wouldn't know I have one on file with my health care provider. Is there a

way to let first responders know? Thank you for the continual service you provide. — LAST REQUEST IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR LAST REQUEST: Many individuals accomplish this by posting a notice near their bed, on the refrigerator or in their cellphone contact list designated as ICE (In Case of Emergency). There are also cards that can be carried in the wallet to alert the EMTs about the patient's wishes. Your health care provider can tell you how to get one.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Community Calendar

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

Today

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

A BETTER LIFE - BRIANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for substance abuse. Meal starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the

Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-2107.

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

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

Wednesday

WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

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

PORTLAND ROTARY CLUB — Will meet at noon each Wednesday at Harmony Cafe, 121 N. Meridian St.

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 - BRIANNA'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.

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

EUCHRE CLUB — Will meet at 2 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at Chalet Village Health and Rehabilitation in the North Lounge.

Thursday

LAWYERS IN LIBRARIES — Free and confidential consultations with a lawyer are available from 10 a.m. to noon at Jay County Public Library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland. Consulting is available on topics including divorce, custody, guardianship, tenant-landlord issues, bankruptcy and debt collection. Those interested in participating should sign up in advance at the library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland, or by calling (260) 726-7890.

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Saturday's Solution

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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.

Program isn't READI for primetime

By MORTON J. MARCUS

On May 3, Gov. Eric Holcomb launched READI (the Regional Economic Acceleration + Development Initiative).

It's a \$500,000 program for Indiana regions to attract and retain talent (people) who value "Quality of Place and Quality of Life, Innovation and Entrepreneurship."

That's all very with-it, stylish and in keeping with the thoughts of today's thought leaders. But there can be no claim Indiana is thinking outside the box.

The program was placed in the hands of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. By the time of the launch, the expectations had been set, the course charted.

First order of business: multi-jurisdictional regions

Eye on the Pie



were to draw their boundaries by July 1. The regions needed to form teams of private and public entities which would develop lists of long-term — five to 10 years — initiatives to meet the objectives of attracting and retaining talent. Those projects would be funded by a match of four public or private dollars for every dollar of state money.

And all of this is to be "data driven." As far as I know, inter-county relationship data are available for commuting only,

and arguably for income tax purposes.

Today, we have two major regional alignments. The Indiana Department of Workforce Development has 11 multi-county workforce development regions focused on the supply of labor. Simultaneously, Indiana Economic Development Corporation has its own nine business development regions dedicated to the growth of business activities, the demand side of the labor market.

In the new world of READI, any two consenting counties may join together in holy regionalism. It's a return to the laissez faire regionalism of Gov. Otis Bowen (1973-81) when regions were allowed to be as small as two counties.

In the 1970s, Indiana had hospital, library, economic and

state planning regions among other configurations. That's when we learned regions are ephemeral bureaucracies which change purpose, boundaries and personnel as funding changes.

With the more recent Regional Cities Initiative, LaPorte and Madison counties held membership in two regions each. READI has declared no county may be wedded to two separate regions. Puritanism returns to regional delineation.

Regions are very difficult to define and Indiana Economic Development Corporation gives no real guidance on this first of many eligibility requirements for state aid. What about "regions" with common interests or conditions?

How about a region of Ohio or Wabash River communities?

A region of poor townships? A region of counties with significant college populations? Like working with like.

These bonds of similarities might be more meaningful and more successful than our previous regions based on economically dissimilar but contiguous counties.

Indiana Economic Development Corporation and the Department of Commerce each have new executive leadership. Perhaps these two gentlemen could put the brakes on this roller-coaster before it climbs too far along its tracks.

Perhaps they could rethink the course ahead less hurriedly and more thoroughly.

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Variant shows need for vaccines

Bloomberg Opinion

The rise of the dangerous delta variant of the coronavirus gives new urgency to the effort to get people vaccinated.

Delta has been spreading phenomenally fast. It's already the dominant strain in India, the U.K. and Singapore, and it has a foothold in more than 80 countries.

While it accounts for only about 10% of U.S. cases of COVID-19 so far, that share is expected to balloon.

There's evidence, too, that the variant may cause more severe disease. Data from the U.K. suggest people who contract this strain are twice as likely to be hospitalized as those who caught a previous form of the coronavirus.

The saving grace is that vaccines keep people safe. Those who've had two doses of the Pfizer shot, for instance, are 88% protected from the delta variant. But those who have had just the first dose are only 33% protected, and of course the unvaccinated are utterly vulnerable. No doubt, delta will flourish in places where most people haven't gotten their shots.

This makes it more urgent than ever to expand vaccination. So far, public-health leaders and many business owners have tried coaxing — patiently explaining the benefits of vaccination, giving away burgers and doughnuts, holding big prize lotteries, and sending mobile vaccination units to underserved neighborhoods. Thanks in part to these efforts, 65% of American adults have now had at least one shot. But that share needs to grow. It's thought that at least 70% of the population needs to be fully vaccinated to keep infection rates down without other social restrictions. At this point, stronger measures are needed.

Major sports leagues are right, for example, to demand proof of vaccination from people who attend games — and to make the unvaccinated be tested and sit in special sections. Universities should also make sure students and professors have their shots.

Companies should begin to exercise their authority to require employees to be vaccinated before entering the workplace, as some

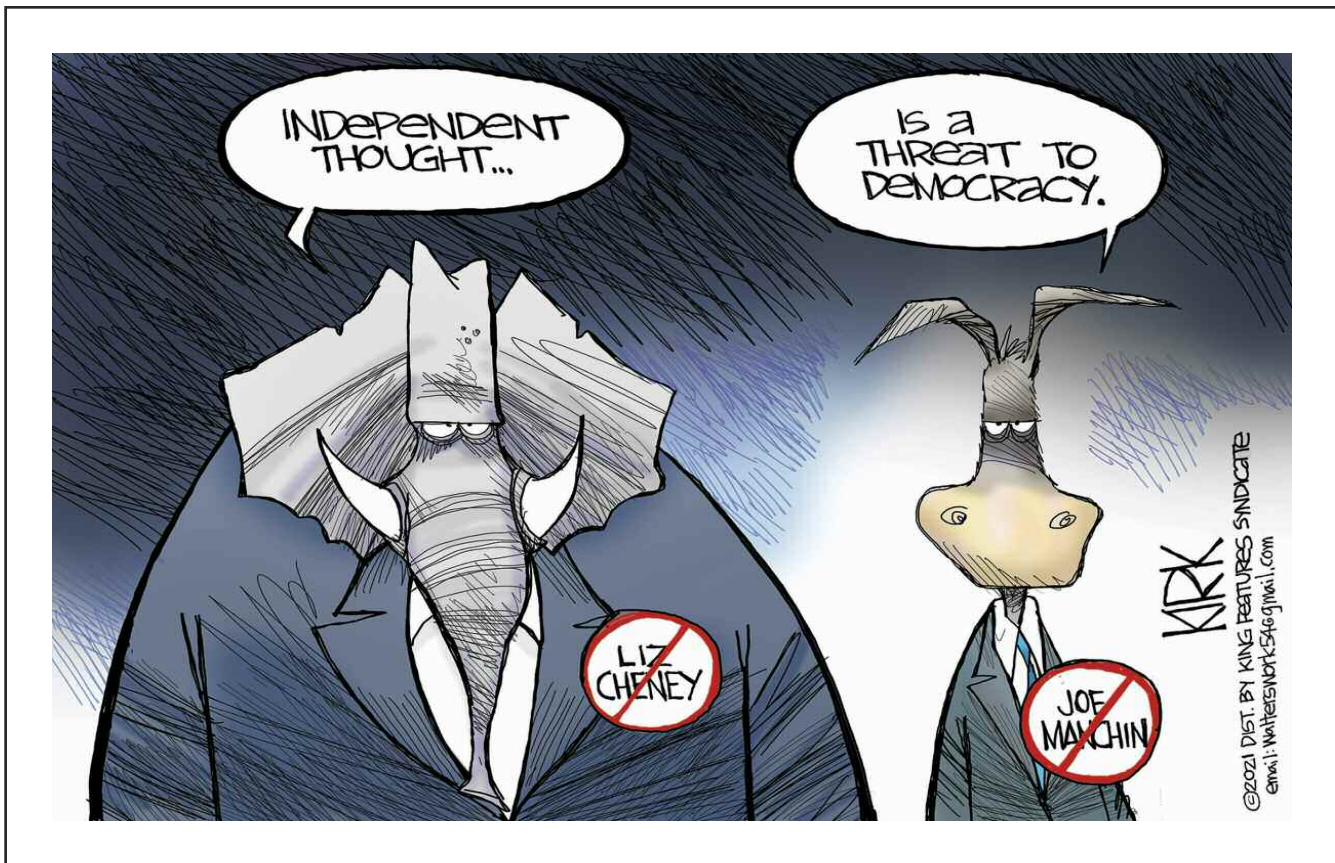
Guest Editorial

Those who've had two doses of the Pfizer shot, for instance, are 88% protected from the delta variant.

have already said they'll do. This stands to reason: Unvaccinated people pose a danger to other unvaccinated people. Rather than put employees at risk, companies should restrict the office to those who are protected. Hospitals and other health-care centers have a special responsibility to make sure their workers are vaccinated.

Regrettably, several states have actively hampered such efforts. A new law in Texas goes so far as to deny state contracts to businesses that demand their customers be inoculated and threatens to yank operating permits. In Florida, where state law prohibits schools, businesses and government agencies from demanding proof of COVID vaccination, Governor Ron DeSantis has refused to grant an exemption even to cruise ship operators, who can hardly assure passengers that they're safe without requiring vaccines. Such stubbornness is foolish and dangerous — all the more so with the delta variant on the rise.

States should move in the opposite direction, by issuing secure vaccine passports and requiring that sports arenas, concert halls and other public venues maintain special rules and restrictions for the unvaccinated. Although COVID infections in the U.S. are falling to the point where they seem nearly under control, the vaccination rate isn't as high as it needs to be. There're plenty of shots on hand; now people need greater reason to get them.



Learn the lessons of Juneteenth

By MICHELE L. NORRIS
The Washington Post

It is only a matter of time before a flood of Juneteenth trinkets, tchotchkes, doodads and gewgaws shows up on store shelves.

But let's remember this: The enslaved people at the core of this new holiday were merchandise themselves before slavery finally came to an end. As Juneteenth becomes a holiday that offers another excuse for parties, parades and prodigious capitalism, I am betting that a lot of Americans will fail to see that irony.

We all know what happens to holidays in America — the thing that we are actually supposed to commemorate somehow gets shoved aside in a whirlwind of sales, travel incentives and themed merch.

Memorial Day, for instance, is more about the unofficial start of summer than honoring those lost to war. Labor Day closes out the season with nary a nod toward the labor movement or the workers who died in the Pullman Strike that led to that holiday's creation in the first place. Presidents' Day is supposed to be a time for honoring past leaders but happens to fall at an opportune moment for automakers to roll out their discounts.

With its timing on the calendar, its pithy moniker and its roots in Black culture, Juneteenth is sure to be a marker for celebrations and a whole lot of barbecue. I'm down for that. And enslaved people getting their freedom is cause for celebration, family strong gatherings and line-dancing the wobble late into the night.

Let Miss Juneteenth wear her crown proudly. Bring on the Juneteenth-themed backyard banners, the strawberry soda and freedom-themed playing cards.

But just know an avalanche will follow.

We can be sure that marketing experts are, at this very moment, trying to come up with culturally appropriate fonts and uplifting music that has a funky downbeat; Somewhere a circle of ad honchos is hunched over

Michele L. Norris



a whiteboard, contemplating how to create a color scheme that will sizzle and pop and whisper liberty. You just know that there is a brainstorming session underway about how to create a design palette that nods affirmatively toward the mother continent of Africa, while possibly enticing all those consumers who don't really see this as their holiday.

As President Joe Biden signed the bill into law establishing the new federal holiday, dictionary searches for "Juneteenth" shot up 8,200%. A new Gallup poll tells us that more than 60% of Americans know "a little bit" or "nothing at all" about Juneteenth, which marks the day in 1865 when the last enslaved Blacks in Texas learned — two years late — that the Emancipation Proclamation had set them free.

So this new holiday will mark the end of an abomination extended by deliberate and diabolical obfuscation.

It is ironic and maybe even surreal that Juneteenth has been enshrined at a moment of so much racial turmoil. While we should applaud its arrival, we should also acknowledge that symbolism — while important — won't replace the need for substantive action to protect voting rights and save our democracy.

But, as ironies go, here is perhaps the biggest one: Juneteenth becomes a holiday at the very moment when teachers in a growing number of states won't be able to even explain the full story of why our country is commemorating emancipation. Conservatives in many states are blocking educators from using critical race theory to teach American schoolchildren about our past and

present, as if that was actually even happening in K-12 classrooms.

The new laws preventing the teaching of CRT to schoolchildren are often framed as a way to protect kids — more specifically, White kids — from feeling bad about themselves. Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt, R, recently signed a bill that prohibits teachers from any kind of instruction that might make students feel "anguish" or "guilt" on "account of his or her race or sex." Under this new law, classroom teachers must refrain from promoting the idea that "an individual, by virtue of his or her race or sex, is inherently racist, sexist or oppressive, whether consciously or unconsciously."

Many CRT critics can barely explain or define what the philosophy or approach to scholarship holds, beyond bellowing about a conversation they don't much like. Instead, CRT has become a whack-a-mole weapon used to smash any attempt to discuss race or racism in the classroom or outside of it. The broad swipe against CRT is an attempt to sweep away almost any robust examination of how enslavement followed by decades of legalized oppression continue to shape the country today.

I wish people who were concerned about the possibility of children being exposed to the alleged harms of critical race theory were equally concerned about children being exposed to actual racism.

America loves the idea of freedom, so let's celebrate Juneteenth and its place on the calendar between Memorial Day and July Fourth. But let's figure out how to truly commemorate this day. That will be a challenge, because few things rev up the engine of selective storytelling like a federal holiday. And, because virtue signaling through holiday consumption is so much easier than doing the hard work of understanding what Juneteenth represents.

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GOP expected to block elections bill

By **BRIAN SLODYKO,**
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WASHINGTON — The Democrats' expansive elections and voting bill is all but certain to be rejected in a key test vote in the Senate, providing a dramatic example of Republicans' use of the filibuster to block legislation and forcing hard questions for Democrats over next steps.

The far-reaching proposal, at nearly 900 pages, is viewed by backers as the civil rights issue of the era, legislation that is suddenly of the highest priority after the 2020 election as states impose restrictive new

laws that could make it more difficult to vote. In the evenly split Senate, Republicans are united in opposition, seeing the bill as federal overreach and denying Democrats the 60 votes that would be needed to overcome the filibuster and begin debate.

"Are you afraid to debate?" Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer said Monday ahead of the vote. "We're about to find out."

Months in the making, Tuesday's showdown over the For the People Act, as it is called, is hardly the end of the road but the start of long campaign ahead. President Joe Biden has vowed what the White House

calls the "fight of his presidency" over ensuring Americans' access to the polls. At stake is not only election rules that make it easier to vote but also Democrats' own ability to confront the limits of bipartisanship and decide whether or not the filibuster rules should change.

Republican leader Mitch McConnell blasted the legislation ahead of the debate as a "disastrous proposal" that will get "no quarter" in the Senate.

The party that controls Washington has been preparing for this moment for months, even as lawmakers faced their own internal divisions over the sprawling bill, which would

remove hurdles to voting erected in the name of election security, curtail the influence of big money in politics and reduce partisan influence over the drawing of congressional districts.

As recently as last week, Sen. Joe Manchin, a moderate West Virginia Democrat, said he couldn't support the bill without changes he wanted as a way to draw Republican support.

Manchin remained a holdout late Monday following a meeting with Biden at the White House, where the two discussed voting rights. The senator would not say whether he would vote with his party in trying to advance the bill, explaining he

was still reviewing the final version. "I have to see the rest of it tonight," he said at the Capitol.

Manchin proposed his own changes last week as he tried to trim back some areas and expand others, adding provisions for a national voter ID requirement, which is anathema to many Democrats, and dropping a proposed public financing of campaigns.

The proposed Manchin changes were largely well received, welcomed by Biden's administration as a "step forward," while earning the nod of approval from one of the party's key voting rights advocates, former Georgia governor's race candidate Stacey Abrams.

EU is probing Google conduct

LONDON (AP) — European Union regulators have launched a fresh antitrust investigation of Google, this time over whether the U.S. tech giant is stifling competition in digital advertising technology.

The European Commission said today that it has opened a formal investigation into whether Google violated the bloc's competition rules by favoring its own online display advertising technology services at the expense of rival publishers, advertisers and advertising technology services.

The investigation underscores European concerns about Google's dominance in the online advertising industry and whether it's exploiting its data advantage to cement its position in the display ad market, which the EU estimates is worth 20 billion euros (\$24 billion) annually.

Felony arrests

Dependent neglect

A Dunkirk man was arrested Friday for neglect of a dependent.

Joseph L. Randall, 38, 406 N. Main St., was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony, and he was preliminarily charged a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana. He was released from Jay County Jail on \$10,000 bond.

Unlawful possession

An Albany woman was arrested Friday for unlawful possession of a legend drug.

Christy L. Williams, 45, 1050 N. Water St., was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony. She was booked into Jay County Jail on \$3,000 bond.

Common nuisance

A Portland man was arrested Monday for maintaining a common nuisance.

Luis J. Perez, 31, 128 W. Third St., was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony, and he was preliminarily charged a Class A misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia. Perez was booked into Jay County Jail on \$7,500 bond.

Dealing drugs

A Dunkirk man was arrested Friday for dealing marijuana.

Robert N. Bell, 35, 406 N. Main St., was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony, and he was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony for maintaining a common nuisance. He was released from Jay County Jail on \$10,000 bond.

Drug possession

A Redkey man was arrested Friday for drug possession.

Christopher I. Miller, 28, 8856 W. 400 South, was preliminarily charged a Level 6 felony for possession of cocaine, methamphetamine or narcotic drugs and a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana. He was booked into Jay County Jail on \$4,000 bond.



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Froggy friend

Four-year-old Nathan Fullenkamp grins while holding a tree frog Monday afternoon during the Silly Sarafis with "Ryan the Lion" at Jay County Public Library. Children got to meet a dog, rabbit, bearded dragon, tarantula, fennec fox, alligator and Burmese python during the presentation.

Capsule Reports

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House fire
Elijah J. Reedy, 21, Fort Wayne, was driving a 2019 Ford Transit west on the road near county road 375 West when he began passing the buggy. Reedy later told Jay County Sheriff's Office he became distracted by paper flying around in the cab and tried to grab it, according to the report.

The vehicle he was driving then collided with the buggy driven by 17-year-old Daniel G. Graber of Bryant. Graber and his passenger, 17-year-old Loretta Eicher of Berne, were ejected from the buggy.

The vehicle Reedy was driving is registered to Penske Truck Leasing of Reading, Pennsylvania, and it was towed.

Graber and Eicher were transported by helicopter to Lutheran Hospital, and Reedy was taken to IU Health Jay for a blood test with results pending.

Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

House fire
A farmhouse in rural Pennville burned down Thursday.

The structure at 6115 N. 650 West caught on fire about 10:50 a.m. while its owners were burning debris outside.

The flames left nothing standing except for a metal roof, according to Pennville Fire Department Chief Lonnie Bell.

Lost control

A Winchester woman lost control of her vehicle and rolled it into a rural Redkey property about 3:20 p.m. Sunday.

Nicole M. Beckstrom, 25, was driving west on county road 800 South when she lost control and tried overcorrecting her vehicle, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report. Beckstrom's 2003 Jeep Liberty left the road and entered a ditch to the south, then she overcorrected and entered a ditch to the north. She crossed back again to the southern ditch and rolled her vehi-

cle into John Betz's property at 10303 W. 800 South, damaging its fence.

Beckstrom and her 2-year-old daughter, who was a passenger in the vehicle, were taken to IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie for medical evaluations.

Her vehicle was towed, with damage estimated between \$25,000 and \$50,000.

Holdman assigned

State Sen. Travis Holdman last week announced the study committees he has been assigned to this year.

Holdman, who represents Jay County, is a member of the bipartisan legislative council.

He is also chairing the interim study committee on fiscal policy and serving as one of the simplified state sales tax administration delegates.

A full list of study committee agendas and hearings is available at iga.in.gov.

Parked car hit

Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500 after a Winchester woman drove her vehicle into a parked car on Middle Street about 10:52 p.m. Friday.

Rhonda K. Hunt, 57, was driving a 2007 Pontiac Grand Prix south on the road near Arch Street when she hit a 2017

Chevy Equinox parked on the west side of the road. The Equinox is registered to Austin J. Fritts of Winchester, and the vehicle Hunt was driving is registered to Gregory E. Sipe of Winchester.

Hunt continued driving and was followed by Alyssa Motter of Pennville and Erica Grayson of Portland. She was later given a blood alcohol test and arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Level 6 felony. Hunt was also preliminarily charged a Class A misdemeanor for failing to stop after an accident.

She is being held in Jay County Jail on \$7,500 bond.

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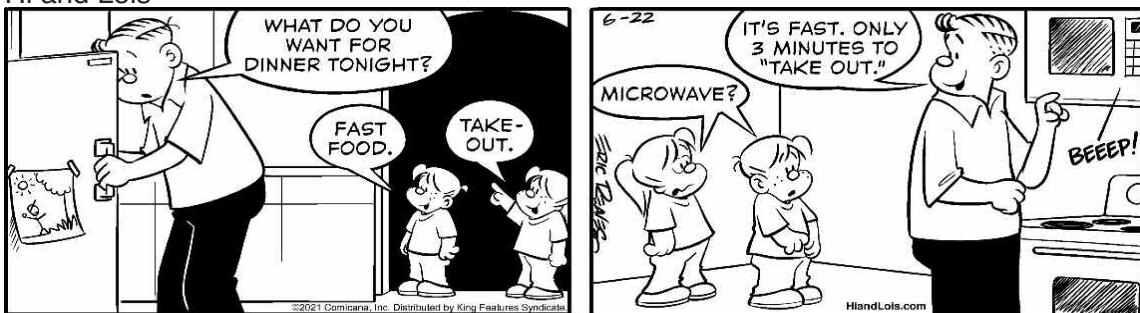
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Writing for only himself, Justice Brett Kavanaugh signaled where Monday's decision may lead. He said there are "serious questions" about whether the NCAA's other restrictions on compensating athletes can stand. Kavanaugh wrote that "traditions alone cannot justify the NCAA's decision to build a massive money-raising enterprise on the backs of student athletes who are not fairly compensated."

"Nowhere else in America can businesses get away with agreeing not to pay their workers a fair market rate on the theory that their product is defined by not paying their workers a fair market rate. ... The NCAA is not above the law," wrote

Kavanaugh, who as a college student played on Yale's junior varsity basketball team.

The case was brought by former athletes, including West Virginia football player Shawne Alston. It followed a separate, earlier lawsuit brought by athletes including former UCLA basketball player Ed O'Bannon and NBA legends Oscar Robertson and Bill Russell where an appeals court concluded NCAA rules aren't exempt from antitrust law. That case ended with the Supreme Court declining to weigh in.

As a result of Monday's ruling, the NCAA itself can't bar schools from offering Division I basketball and football players additional education-related benefits. But individual ath-

letic conferences can still set limits if they choose.

"It is our hope that this victory in the battle for college athletes' rights will carry on a wave of justice uplifting further aspects of athlete compensation," said Steve Berman, an attorney for the former college athletes, in a statement following the ruling. "This is the fair treatment college athletes deserve."

The court's ruling comes at a time when the NCAA has already been debating how to amend its rules to allow college athletes to profit from their names, images and likenesses, often abbreviated NIL. That would allow athletes to earn money for sponsorship deals, online endorsement and personal appearances.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

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Jay County Summer Swim vs. Wells Community - 6 p.m.
Fort Recovery Eels at St. Henry - 6:30 p.m..
Fort Wayne TinCaps at South Bend Cubs - 7:05 p.m.

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TV schedule

Today
2:30 p.m. — Soccer: UEFA Euro 2020 - Czech Republic vs. England (ESPN)

3 p.m. — Soccer: UEFA Euro 2020 - Croatia vs. Scotland (ESPN2)
9 p.m. — Stanley Cup Playoffs: Conference Semifinal - Montreal Canadiens at Vegas Golden Knights, Game 5 (NBCSN)
9 p.m. — NBA Playoffs: Western Conference Finals - Los Angeles Clippers at Phoenix Suns, Game 2 (ESPN)

Wednesday
Noon — Soccer: UEFA Euro 2020 - Slovakia vs. Spain (ESPN); Sweden vs. Poland (ESPN2)
3 p.m. — Soccer: UEFA 2020 - Germany vs. Hungary (ESPN2); Portugal vs. France (ESPN)

8 p.m. — Stanley Cup Playoffs: Conference Semifinal - Tampa Bay Lightning at New York Islanders, Game 6 (NBCSN)

8:30 p.m. — NBA Playoffs: Eastern Conference Final - Atlanta Hawks at Milwaukee Bucks, Game 2 (TNT)
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The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1NT Pass 3NT
Opening lead — queen of spades.
It is not unusual for a declarer, after the play has concluded, to realize that he could have made a contract he failed to make. This is all the more annoying if it turns out that the winning play, regardless of how unusual it might be, was called for by the situation he faced.

Consider this deal where West led the queen of spades against three notrump. South took the queen with the king and cashed the A-Q of diamonds. When West discarded a club

on the second diamond lead, declarer continued with a diamond to the king and conceded the diamond ten to East's jack, establishing dummy's nine as a trick. East then returned a spade to dummy's ace.

After cashing the nine of diamonds, declarer tried a heart finesse that succeeded, but he had to go down one because he could not get back to dummy to repeat the heart finesse. In all, he scored eight tricks consisting of two spades, two hearts and four diamonds.

Declarer quickly acknowledged that he had bungled the play. When West showed out on the queen of diamonds at trick three, South should have overtaken the queen with the king and taken a heart finesse. After the finesse succeeded, he could next play a diamond to dummy's 10-9-6, losing to East's jack, and later take a second heart finesse to make the contract.

Granting that this series of plays is much easier to find if one sees all four hands, the fact remains that it is the right line of play on its merits. Once the diamonds don't break, declarer should reason that he cannot make the contract unless East holds the king of hearts, and he should adapt his play accordingly.

Tomorrow: A challenging problem.

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IN THE JAY CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NUMBER:
38C01-2105-JT-000006

IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP:
RJJ - DOB 1/11/2007

AND
RICHARD J JACKSON, III (BIOLOGICAL FATHER), APRIL R SNYDER (BIOLOGICAL MOTHER)
SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS HEARING

TO: April R Snyder
Whereabouts unknown
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent whose whereabouts are unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed a Petition for Involuntary Termination of your Parental Rights, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Jay Circuit Court, 120 N. Court Street, Portland, IN 47371 - 260-726-4044 for a(n) Initial Hearing on 7/20/2021 at 11:30 AM and to answer the Petition for Termination of your Parental Rights of said child.
You are further notified that if the allegations in said petition are true, and/or if you fail to appear at the hearing, the Juvenile Court may terminate your parent-child relationship; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship you will lose all parental rights, powers, privileges, immunities, duties and obligations including any rights to custody, control, visitation, or support in said child; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship, it will be permanently terminated, and thereafter you may not contest an adoption or other placement of said child.
You are entitled to representation by an attorney, provided by the State if applicable, throughout these proceedings to terminate the parent-child relationship.
YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, adjudication on said petition and termination of your parental rights may be entered against you, in your absence, without further notice.
Jon Eads, Clerk
Bruce Antrim, 32454-90
Attorney, Indiana Department of Child Services
1314 North Meridian Street Suite 100
Portland, IN 47371
CR 6-8,15,22-2021HSPAXLP

Public Notice

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

State of Tennessee
Department of Children's Services,
Petitioner,
vs.

NO. EE7025
Erica Robbins
Tony Allen
Conner Hull
Charles Lisby
David Claytor,
Respondents,

IN THE MATTER OF:

Makaylee Hull,
DOB: 01/23/2012
Zayne Lisby,
DOB: 12/20/2015
Isaiah Robbins,
DOB: 09/23/2018
Tyra Robbins,
DOB: 07/27/2020
Children Under Eighteen
(18) Years of Age.
ORDER OF PUBLICATION

In this cause, it appears to the Court from the allegations of the sworn petition and the affidavit of the Petitioner that the residence of Respondent Charles Lisby and David Claytor are unknown and cannot be ascertained by diligent search and inquiry; and that the whereabouts of said Respondent cannot be found or the post office address of said Respondent cannot be ascertained, and therefore, the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon them. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Charles Lisby and David Claytor enter an appearance herein on October 22, 2021 at 9:00 A.M. at the Juvenile Court of Memphis and Shelby County, Tennessee at 616 Adams Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee, and plead or answer to the dependency and neglect petition filed herein, a copy of which may be obtained from the clerk of said Juvenile Court. JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT will be taken against you should you fail to appear and answer. A copy of this Order of Publication will be published for four consecutive weeks in The Commercial Review, Jay County, a newspaper published in Indiana.
JANIS FULLILOVE, Clerk of Court
Bill to: Tennessee Department of Children's Services
Legal Division
40 S. Main St. Sixth Floor
Memphis, TN 38103
Attn: Alex Tallent, Attorney
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JUNE 26, 2021

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MOWERS - VEHICLE ACCESSORIES - MISC
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GARAGE TOOLS - OUTDOOR MISC
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Sports

Three score seven times

May, Ehrhart and Wiggins lead teams to wins

PENNVILLE — Seven was the lucky number Sunday.

Three players each scored seven goals Sunday in leading their teams to victory in Pennville Soccer League's final week of the regular season.

Carter May backed up his eight-goal effort June 12 by providing the only offense as the Galaxy remained undefeated with their shut out of the Comets 7-0 in their Space Division contest. In the Stinger Division, Owen Ehrhart found the back of the net seven times to lead the first-place Hornets to an 8-1 win over the Yellow Jackets. And Samuel Wiggins tallied seven goals as the Panthers topped the Bobcats 12-2 in their Wildcat matchup and moved to 5-1 on the season.

KaRon Hart was the next highest scorer as he finished with five goals in the Wasps' 8-0 triumph over the Bees. Later in the day, Addilyn McClain had four goals for the Wasps as they downed the Yellow Jackets 5-1.

Dougie Cox (Panthers), Mal'Aki Hart (Lions) and Wyatt Beer (Cougars) had three goals each in their Wildcat games.



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Grant Linville, center, makes sure teammate Isaac Scott (2) has a clear path to the plate after hitting his second home run for Loy's Realty on Monday night in Portland Junior League's Sandy Koufax division. Scott hit homers in his first two at bats and also added a double in leading Loy's to a 9-7 victory over Local 1620.

Scott's homers power Loy's

Isaac Scott went deep in his first at bat.

He did the same in the second.

Scott hit two home runs, added a double and finished with six RBIs on Monday in leading Loy's Realty to a 9-7 victory against Local 1620 in Portland Junior League's Sandy Koufax division.

Lucas Strait also homered with a pair of singles and knocked in two runs for Loy's. Julian Hudson doubled, brothers Syllas and Bryce Wenk both had a pair of singles and Xavien Maxwell contributed a single in the win.

Isaac Miller doubled and singled twice in the loss for Local. Zedrian Vasquez hit a pair of singles and drove in a run, while Cody Jacobs also singled twice.

Matt's 20, Williams 6

Easton Steed collected six hits

Junior League roundup

and three other players had five hits in helping Matt's Garage to its Rookie baseball win against Williams Auto Parts on Friday.

Steed doubled, notched five singles and finished with three RBIs, while Blake Jellison doubled, hit four singles and tallied four RBIs.

Liam Ridenour and Lexten Dakin each had five singles and three RBIs.

Parker Huntsman, Liam Schreiber and Luke Jellison all ended with four singles for

Williams. Jellison had a team-high three RBIs.

Loy's 20, Dunkirk 6

Lucas Strait drove in three runs on a home run and a single to propel Loy's to its win on Friday. Isaac Scott chipped in a double, a single and two RBIs.

Bryce Wenk homered as well and drove in three runs. Syllas Wenk singled twice and had one run.

Vasin Ridgway led Dunkirk in the loss with two doubles and an RBI. Payton Lykins tallied a double and a single while Kade Sommers singled twice.

Optimist 9, REMC 3

Four players had three-hit games in leading Portland Optimist to its Rookie softball win against Jay County REMC on

Monday.

Alyssa Wendel had two triples, a single and three RBIs in the win, while Gabi Miller doubled, singled twice and tallied one RBI. Lilah Johnson and Lizzie Miller had three singles apiece, and Lizzie Miller also scored twice.

Aleah McIntire's three singles and one run paced REMC in the defeat. Ava VanSkyock, Kendall Snow, Kennedy Newell and Hazel Skirvin had two singles each.

Flamespray 6, PG-14 2

Sam Wiggins and Grant Fennig both doubled in the Willie Mays loss for PG-14 on Monday.

Alex Huntsman and Fennig each had RBIs, and Dillon Jellison chipped in a single.

Stats for Flamespray Machine Service were not provided.

College athletes get a win from Supreme Court

By JESSICA GRESKO

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Monday the NCAA can't limit education-related benefits — like computers and paid internships — that colleges can offer their sports stars, a victory for athletes that could help open the door to further easing in the decades-old fight over paying student-athletes.

Schools recruiting top athletes can now offer tens of thousands of dollars in education-related benefits that also include study-abroad programs and graduate scholarships. However, the case doesn't decide whether students can simply be paid salaries for the benefits their efforts bring — measured in tens of millions for many universities.

The high court agreed with a lower court's determination that NCAA limits on the education-related benefits that colleges can offer athletes who violate Division I basketball and football antitrust laws.

The case is important in the short term for students who may see schools competing for talent by sweetening their offers with a variety of education-related benefits. It's also impor-

tant in the long term because it sets the stage for future challenges to NCAA rules limiting athletes' compensation.

Justice Neil Gorsuch wrote for the court that the NCAA sought "immunity from the normal operation of the antitrust laws," an argument the court rejected. Gorsuch said that allowing colleges and universities to offer "enhanced education-related benefits ... may encourage scholastic achievement and allow student-athletes a measure of compensation more consistent with the value they bring to their schools."

Under current NCAA rules, students cannot be paid, and the scholarship money a college can offer is capped at the cost of attending the school.

The NCAA had defended its rules as necessary to preserve the amateur nature of college sports, preventing a blurring of the line between them and professional teams, with colleges trying to lure talented athletes by offering over-the-top benefits. A lower court had upheld the NCAA's limits on scholarships and cash awards, and the high court wasn't asked to weigh in on those.

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Bird, Taurasi make team

By DOUG FEINBERG

AP Basketball Writer

Sue Bird and Diana Taurasi will try and become the first five-time Olympic gold medalists in basketball as they lead the U.S. women's team at the Tokyo Games.

The duo was selected for their fifth Olympics on Monday, joining Teresa Edwards as the only basketball players in U.S. history to play in five. Edwards won four gold medals and a bronze in her illustrious Olympic career.

"It's just been a tremendous journey when you think about playing for that long," Taurasi said. "We're trying to take it to the next generation. Focused on what we have to do to come home with gold. Tremendous competition like no other because of COVID, the delay of the Olympics. We're really focused on winning gold."

There have been five international basketball players to play in five Olympics: Spain's Juan Carlos Navarro, Brazil's Adriana Moises Pinto and Oscar Schmidt, Australia's Andrew Gaze and Puerto Rico's Teofilo Cruz.

The 40-year-old Bird and 39-year-old Taurasi will lead a veteran group in

Japan, including 6-foot-6 Sylvia Fowles, who will be playing in her fourth Olympics. Tina Charles will be in her third while 6-8 Brittney Griner and Breanna Stewart are back for a second time.

There will also be six newcomers to the Olympic stage led by reigning WNBA MVP A'ja Wilson. The Las Vegas Aces star helped the U.S. win the World Championship in 2018 in Spain. Others making their Olympic debuts are Skylar Diggins-Smith, Chelsea Gray, Ariel Atkins, Jewell Loyd and Napheesa Collier.

"Happy for the roster we have. There's a great mix of very experienced players to first-time Olympians," said Dawn Staley, who will be the first Black head coach of the team. "You need a good mix especially if you're going to take care of winning a gold medal today and what the future looks like."

Two former WNBA MVPs who didn't make the roster were Elena Delle Donne and Nneka Ogumike. Delle Donne hasn't played all season as she's recovering from back surgery. Ogumike has been sidelined with a left knee sprained suffered earlier this month. She was expected to return around the WNBA's Olympic break next month.

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