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### **Board** gives OK to purchase requests

Water and wastewater plants will get new equipment

By RAY COONEY The Commercial Review

The city's water and wastewater plants will be getting new equipment.

Portland Board Works on Wednesday approved purchases of a new variable frequency drive for the city's water department and a new turntable for a tank at its wastewater treatment plant.

Superintendent Doug Jackson explained that one of the water department's mechanical controls for high service pumps needs to be replaced. (Two more will also need to be replaced in the future.) He said his research shows using a variable frequency drive instead of a mechanical pump should save on utility costs by making the process more efficient.

"I'm told this is the way to go," he said.

Board of works members Jerry Leonhard, Steve McIntosh and Mayor John Boggs approved the purchase of the variable frequency drive from Peerless Midwest at a cost of

The board also approved buying a new turntable for a primary tank at the wastewater treatment plant. The cost of the new turntable from Pelton **Environmental Products** is \$49,500, which includes measuring to manufacture it to fit the city's

existing equipment. The department plans to handle the bulk of the installation process in house with assistance from local firms, includ-Barnett's Heavy Wrecker Service.

See **Purchase** page 2

# Project adjusted



Leeward Renewable Energy

Leeward Renewable Energy currently operates Barilla Solar in Texas and has two projects — Big Plain Solar and Union Ridge Solar — in the works in Ohio. On Wednesday, Jay County Council approved amendments to its agreements with the company to include 10 additional acres for its planned Rose Gold Solar project north of Dunkirk. That brings the total acreage to 1,350 for the solar farm that is expected to be operational in 2023.

### Leeward Renewable Energy adds 10 acres to scope of solar project north of Dunkirk

By BAILEY CLINE The Commercial Review

A solar farm planned in Jay County is expanding its footprint a bit.

Jay County Council amended a resolution from last year designating land used for Rose Gold Solar as an economic revitalization era and, subserevitalization era and, subsequently, amended a tax abatemillion in property taxes with ny will be installing slightly difment with the company Mon- the abatement, which will

amendments were made to include an additional 10 acres north of county road 150 South and east of county road 200 South to the planned facility. The company will require more land because it will need more solar panels because of a supply issue.

is planning Rose Gold Solar, a \$150 million, 150-megawatt facility located on approximately 1,350 acres just north of Dunkirk. The solar farm is expected to generate just under \$42 million in property taxes

over its 35-year life. Leeward will save about \$7 result in an additional \$68.1 million in assessed value and thus reduced tax rates countywide. Per its economic development agreement, the company will also give \$1.95 million to the county over a four-year period beginning after it starts generating electricity at the

Leeward Renewable Energy expected to be in operation that same 150 megawatts," until 2023.)

Nick Weber, a consultant for Leeward Renewable Energy through firm Faegre Drinker,

explained when Leeward initially made plans for the project, it decided to use a certain type of solar panels. Because of ferent panels. Weber noted in heard from Redkey Town Coun-January the new panels stand at the same height as the previously discussed equipment — they have a maximum height of 15 feet — and are similar in structure, but they do not produce as

much electricity per panel. "It was determined the company needed a little bit more location. (Rose Gold is not acreage to put panels on to get

Weber said.

preliminarily Council approved the resolutions Jan. 12. Following a public hearing Wednesday, council members, absent Matt Minnich and Mike Rockwell, who both arrived

after the vote, approved the res-

olutions unanimously. Also Wednesday, council cil member Randy May and Redkey Junior League president Chance Retter. May asked if the town would be able to use its \$50,000 allocation of Bitter Ridge Wind Farm economic development dollars to purchase new playground equip-

ment for Redkey Morgan Park. See **Adjusted** page 2



Japan News

### **Joint** effort

Marines rappel from a helicopter onto the deck of the USS Miguel Keith during an exercise that simulated searching for enemies aboard the ship in this photo taken Saturday in waters near Okinawa Prefecture in Japan. The Japanese and U.S. governments are deepening efforts to beef up their capability to jointly deal with contingencies, with China's military ambitions in mind.

# Lawmakers launch probe

By JIM MUSTIAN Associated Press

governor.

Declaring "no cover-up will be tolerated," Louisiana's top GOP lawmaker announced a bipartisan legislative investigation Thursday into the deadly 2019 arrest of Black motorist Ronald Greene, an inquiry that will examine the state's response at "all levels," from troopers to the

House Speaker Rep. Clay Schexnayder said he launched the probe in response to an Associated Press report last month that showed Democratic Gov. John Bel Edwards was informed within hours that troopers arresting Greene engaged in a "violent, lengthy struggle," yet he kept quiet for two years as state police told a much different story to the victim's family and in official reports: that Greene

died from a crash after a highspeed chase.

"These events have raised serious questions regarding who knew what and when," Schexnayder said in a statement. "The actions taken that night and the cryptic decisions and statements made every step of the way since then have eroded public trust."

Edwards, who was in the midst of a tight reelection campaign at the time of Greene's May 2019 death near Monroe, did not speak out in detail about the case until last May, after the AP obtained and published longwithheld body-camera video showing white troopers jolting Greene with stun guns, punching him in the face and dragging him by his ankle shackles as he wailed, "I'm your brother! I'm scared! I'm scared!'

See **Probe** page 2

#### **Deaths**

Nancy Jo Jones, 60, Gene-Details on page 2.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 43 degrees

Wednesday. The low was 36. Tonight's low will be 25 with winds gusting to 30 miles per hour. Snow is expected early Friday with rain to follow after 8 a.m. The high will

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

A candidate filing challenge has been filed with Jay County Clerk's Office in regard to Republican candidate Brenda Beaty for the party's nomination for Jay County Council (District 1). A hearing on the issue is scheduled for 3:45 p.m. Monday.

#### **Coming up**

Friday — A preview of the JCHS wrestlers who are heading to semi-state Saturday.

**Tuesday** — Coverage of Monday's Jay County Commissioners meeting.



### **Purchase**

Continued from page 1 The board also awarded the contract for its Community Crossings street paving work to Milestone Contractors, which was the low bidder at \$569,854.45.

In November, Portland was awarded a Community Crossings grant of up to \$551,699 for paving work from Indiana Department of Transportation. The grant requires a 25% match, meaning the city's cost will be \$142,463.61. Streets to be paved are as fol-

•Walnut Street between Park and Pleasant streets and Com-

merce and Meridian streets •Water Street between Meridi-

an and Charles streets

Saturday

2/12

between Meridian and Morton streets

•Munson Street between Water and Arch streets

•Third Street between Meridian and Bridge streets

•Park Street between Water and North streets

Boggs also reported that the city was not selected to receive an Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs stormwater grant for its planned Meridian Street sewer project.

The sewer work, estimated at a

Tuesday

2/15

38/31

North and Race streets Street from south of Race Street Redevelopment Commission has to the Salamonia River. It would drain water from that area of Meridian Street and allow for current pipes, which run to the Millers Branch line to the east, to be disconnected. (The Millers Branch line has frequently been overloaded during heavy rain events, leading to water backing up onto Meridian Street.)

> The project is designed to eliminate problems during what is referred to as a "10-year flood."

In October, the city was awardcost of about \$1.6 million, is ed a \$780,450 State Transportafocused on mitigating downtown tion and Stormwater Grant from flooding by adding a new storm the State Water Infrastructure line running under Meridian Fund for the project. Portland adjustment of \$81.15.

also committed \$350,000. Boggs noted that he hopes to use federal coronavirus relief funds from the American Rescue Plan Act to cover the remainder of the cost.

The board also approved a contract amendment Wessler Engineering at a cost of \$148,071 for administration and on-site observation of the sewer work. In other business, the board:

 Agreed to recognize police officer Jeff Hopkins' years of services with Dunkirk Police Department. Hopkins joined the

Portland force in 2019. Approved one water leak

### **Obituaries**

Nancy Jo Jones, Geneva. April 5, 1961-Feb. 7, 2022. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Decatur Baptist Church, 8070 N. Piqua Road, Decatur.

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 time/date/location of serv-

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

# CR almanac

Sunday

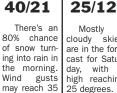
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Friday





may reach 35

Mostly cloudy skies are in the forecast for Saturday, with high reaching 25 degrees. **Lotteries** 

be partly out the day The low may dip to around 10 degrees.

forecast shows mostly sunny skies with a high of about

Monday

2/14

25/14

Monday's Tuesday should sunny. high climb to 38 degrees.

#### **Powerball**

2-17-33-51-63 Power Ball: 26 Power Play: 2 jackpot: Estimated \$172 million

#### Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$42

million

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 8-7-6 Daily Four: 3-3-3-3 Evening Daily Three: 5-7-5 Daily Four: 9-3-1-1 Quick Draw: 5-7-14-22-24-25-28-30-31-33-35-36-39-43-51-67-69-70-73-77

Cash 5: 11-12-19-40-43 Hoosier Lotto: 2-9-13-23-42-43

Estimated jackpot: \$6.6 million

#### Ohio

Midday Pick 3: 7-7-0 Pick 4: 7-6-3-0 Pick 5: 0-0-8-3-7 Evening Pick 3: 6-7-3 Pick 4: 5-4-4-5 Pick 5: 1-5-9-0-9 Rolling Cash: 19-27-28-

Classic Lotto: 18-21-26-28-30-49

Kicker: 7-5-8-9-4-2 Estimated jackpot: \$21.8 million

### **Markets**

#### Cooper Farms Fort Recovery

March corn ......6.67 Wheat ......7.74 **POET Biorefining** 

### **Portland**

March corn ......6.67 April corn .....6.66

#### The Andersons **Richland Township**

March corn	6.59
Beans	16.15
March beans	16.15

Wheat	7.87
March wheat	7.87

#### **Central States** Montpelier

C01 II	0.04
Late Feb. corn	6.54
Beans	16.14
Late Feb. beans	16.17
June wheat	7.96

#### Sunrise St. Anthony

Corn	6.64
March corn	6.56
Beans	16.05
March beans	16.08
Wheat	7.61

# **Today in history**

**On Feb. 10, 1962**, the many's Soviet Union exchanged captured American U-2 pilot Francis Gary Pow-Soviet spy held by the any legal review. United States.

In 1763, Spain and signed the Treaty of Paris, ending the Seven Years' War (also known as the French and Indian War in North Ameri-

In Queen Victoria married its annual meeting. Dan Prince Albert of Saxe- Grober was elected vice Coburg and Gotha.

In 1936, Nazi Ger-

passed a law investing the Gestapo secret police with absolute ers for Rudolf Abel, a authority, exempt from

> In 1959, a major tor-Britain, nado tore through the France St. Louis area, killing 21 people and causing heavy damage.

In 1972, Olive Calhoun was elected president of The Graphic Printing Company Ben-**1840**, Britain's efit Association during president.

—AP and The CR

### Citizen's calendar

Council, executive session, park cabin, 200 S. Mooney St.

7 p.m. — Jay County Plan Commission, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Port-

#### Monday

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

3:45 p.m. — Jay Coun- St., Portland.

ty Election Board, vot-6 p.m. — Redkey Town ing room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Port-

land. 4 p.m. — Jay County Public Library Board, Community Room, library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland.

5 p.m. — Jay School Board, General Shanks, 414 E. Floral Ave., Portland.

6 p.m. — Jay County Regional Sewer District, courthouse, 120 N. Court

# Felony court news

#### **Drug possession**

Multiple people were sentenced in Jay courts to serve time after pleading guilty to drug possession.

Doug L. Carter, 41, 326 W. High St., Montpelier, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 180 days in Jay County Jail and given 84 days credit for time served. Carter was fined \$1 and assessed \$185 in court costs. As part of his plea agreement, the following charges were dismissed: a Level 6 felony for unlawful possession of a syringe, a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana and a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia.

Anthony M. Fisher, 26, 224 W. Central St., Redkey, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 910 days in Indiana Department of Correction and given 286 days credit for time served. Fisher was fined \$1, assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. As part of his plea agreement, two Level 6 felony charges for possession of a narcotic drug and unlawful possession of a syringe were dismissed.

David M. Headrick, 37, 356 1/2 W. Main St., Peru, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 730 days in Jay County Jail with all but 544 days suspended and given 350 days credit for time served. Headrick was ordered to submit an evaluation within 30 days of his sentencing for substance abuse counseling. He was placed on probation for 186 days, fined \$25, assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. As part of his plea agreement, the following charges were dismissed: a Level 6 felony for resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 felony for unlawful possession of a syringe and a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia.

Scott D. Hall, 51, 228 E. Walnut St. Apt. 3, Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 365 days in Jay County Jail with all but 90 days suspended and given four days credit for two days served. Hall was ordered to submit an evaluation within 30 days of his sentencing for substance abuse counseling. He was placed on probation for 275 days, assessed \$185 in tion fee.

court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. As part of his plea agreement, a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia was dismissed.

Skylar C. Stewart, 22, 1005 W. Kickapoo St., Hartford City, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 910 days in Jay County Jail with all but 14 days suspended and given 14 days credit for time served. Stewart was ordered to submit an evaluation within 30 days for substance abuse counseling. He was placed on probation 896 days, fined \$25, assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. As part of his plea agreement, a Class B misdemeanor charge for public intoxication was dis-

William J. Gallo Jr., 32, 305 W. Race St., pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to two years in Jay County Jail with six months suspended. Gallo was assessed \$185 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correc-

# Adjusted

Continued from page 1 (County officials allotted \$400,000 total of the aforementioned dollars to Jay County municipalities last year.

Each municipality must inform council of its plans for the funds before it is given its allotment.) "We're looking for

equipment for the park. It's all dilapidated," May Retter added that the

junior league is hoping to

**Probe** 

Council expressed support for the idea.

"I think one of the main things that we were interested in that money being used for was for parks or something that the community can use,' said council president Jeanne Houchins.

"The park is something some money to buy some that we are very proud Bureau of," added council member and Redkey resident Ted Champ.

In related news, council sion approved a request from expand one of the fields the City of Portland to Jay County Community use its \$100,000 allocation Corrections

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for repairs to Portland Water Park and other park projects. Also, council members

Mike Rockwell, Matt Minnich, Faron Parr, Harold Towell, Ray Newton, Houchins and Champ: •OK'd a budget of \$84,590 for Jay County

Tourism Visitor and

 Appointed Rockwell and Towell to Jay County Redevelopment Commis-

•Transferred \$2,578 for

### **Drug possession**

arrests

**Felony** 

#### Two Portland residents

were arrested for drug possession Thursday. Bobbie L. Smith, 44, 648

Katelynn Drive, was preliminarily charged with a Level 5 felony for possession of methamphetamine and a Level 6 felony for obstruction of justice. Smith is being held in Jay County Jail on a \$13,000 bond.

Joshua L. Clayman, 47, 648 Katelynn Drive, was preliminarily charged with a Level 5 felony for possession of cocaine or a narcotic drug, a Level 6 felony for obstruction of justice and a Class A misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia. He's being held on a \$14,000 bond in Jay County Jail.

#### Edwards did not immediately respond Asked at the news conference about the

to a request for comment Thursday. But at a news conference last week, he said he was unaware Greene had been mistreated until September 2020 and did not speak out about the troopers' actions — even after privately watching the footage because of an ongoing federal civil rights investigation.

Edwards' news conference marked the first time he characterized the actions of the troopers involved in Greene's arrest as "racist." And he denied doing anything to impede or delay justice. "The implica-

Birthday!

tion that I knew more and tried to cover it up is simply and categorically false," he

prospect of a legislative probe. Edwards said: "I can't tell you that I welcome an investigation that is an absolute witch hunt with no basis in fact. Where would that stop?"

Schexnayder said a new investigative committee made up of four Democrats and four Republicans will begin public hearings in the coming weeks, with Edwards himself among the witnesses likely to be called.

#### **SERVICES** Thursday

Wolford, Todd: Í p.m., Hill-

crest Cemetery, 7230 S. Indiana

#### I, Redkey. Friday

Westgerdes, Arnold: 10:30 a.m., Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church, 403 Sharpsburg Road, Fort Recovery.

Zorn, Cathy: II a.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Horn, Frederick: 5 p.m., Swayzee Church of Nazarene, 2560 S. 800 West, Swayzee.

#### Saturday

Mettler, Karen: I I a.m., Wilson-Shook Funeral Home, Dunkirk Memorial Chapel, 317 N. Main St., Dunkirk. Myers, Cheryl: 3 p.m.,

Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Smiley, Alice: 3 p.m., 400 Deerfield Road, Union City.

#### Monday

Jones, Nancy: 10:30 a.m., Decatur Baptist Church, 8070 N. Piqua Road, Decatur.

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May 23, 2021

# Taking care of your heart is important

By TAMMY MUHLENKAMP

According to the Centers for Disease Control, heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States.

It is important to take care of your heart to help avoid cardiovascular disease, but a healthy heart can also reduce feelings of depression and lower your risk of developing demen-

What are the most common risk factors of heart disease?

There are many factors that can contribute to heart disease, but some of the most common include smoking, high blood pres-





sure and abnormal cholesterol levels. Some other conditions and harmful habits that can increase your risk include family history, diabetes, obesity, poor diet, physical inactivity, chronic uncontrolled stress, and excessive alcohol drinking.

What can be done to prevent heart disease?

Taking care of your that adults get at least 150

to living a longer and healthier life. Some key factors that can help keep you healthier include:

•Eating a healthy diet — Eat a well-balanced diet with plenty of vegetables, fruits, whole grains, beans, nuts, plant-based proteins, lean meats and fish. Also, limit saturated fats and trans-fats, refined carbohydrates, processed meats and sweetened drinks, along with cutting back on sodium and added sugars.

physically Staying active — An effective way to stay healthy is to move more and stay physically active. It is recommended

intensity aerobic activity per week. Ideally, exercise for 30 minutes per day, five days a week, or you can divide this into ten-minute increments to reach your goal.

•Maintaining a healthy weight — Understand vour Body Mass Index results and goal, and ask your health care team about an effective and safe weight loss plan if you need assis-

·Avoiding smoking, vaping, or using tobacco products — If you want to quit, call 1-800-QUIT-NOW for help.

•Knowing your risks and numbers — Be aware of

heart health is important minutes of moderate- your risks and keep track caused a heart attack or of your cholesterol, blood required surgery. Cardiac pressure and sugar levels rehab is often recommendare important to heart ed by healthcare providers

> What can be done to treat heart disease?

Treatment for heart disease depends on the type of heart disease. Most treatment options include lifestyle changes, medications and medical procedures or surgery, if needed, along with maintaining healthy cholesterol and blood pressure which can cause heart attacks and strokes.

available to help those with heart disease that has versity Health Jay.

to improve treatment and recovery.

A cardiac rehab program includes monitored exercise, nutritional counseling, emotional support. and support and education about lifestyle changes to reduce risk of continued heart problems.

For more information about the IU Health Jay Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation, call 260-726-1943.

Tammy Muhlenkamp is Cardiac rehabilitation is the cardiopulmonary rehab manager at Indiana Uni-

# Sister's drama won't stop

DEAR ABBY: For years my sister has been in a relationship with a man who treats her terribly. She works full time and comes home to find him out partying every day. I have stood by her and offered advice and a willing ear, but at this point, her problems are affecting my marriage as well as my sanity.

His drug problems are getting worse, and he couldn't care less how she feels. She follows him and sits outside the places he's hanging out, which forces him to come out and talk to her. I have tried my best to get her to move on. Their kids are grown, so she can't use them as an excuse any-

Last night, she told me she has decided to let him do what he wants but stay with him because his health is deteriorating from the drug use. After 13 years of being her emotional support because she never makes an effort to get out, I've reached the end of my rope.

I feel terrible guilt for feeling this way, but I recently had a baby, and with my new family, I for doing so. It won't make you no longer have the time or a bad sister but an emotionalpatience to deal with her drama. I ly healthier one. know it may be wrong to bow out,

Dear Abby



but I need to tell her that her problems have become my problems and they're damaging me. I don't think she's ever gonna draw the line. — WORN OUT SIS IN KENTUCKY

**DEAR WORN OUT: Because** your sister has tolerated this situation for 13 years, I, too, doubt she's ever "gonna draw the line." Had she done it years ago, it might have been the wake-up call her partner needed to sober up and straighten out.

I agree it is time to step back, quit trying to solve your sister's unsolvable problems and concentrate on ones you CAN solve. And when you do, do not apologize or feel guilty

DEAR ABBY: Like so many others, I am on social media to stay in touch with family and a few friends. I come from a large family with more than a dozen cousins and two siblings, as well as nieces and nephews. Many of them post photos, a lot of which are about their possessions —

'Look at my new car, my new house, etc." And, of course, they expect you to "like" everything. I know, however, if I did the same thing, they would think I'm being obnoxious. Mind you, I'm not wealthy. I would like to post some photos of just the scenery, but if I did even that, I'd be looked down

What's the best way to handle all the likes everyone expects with the knowledge that they hold me to a different standard? Sometimes it's infuriating. – SICK OF SHOW AND TELL

DEAR SICK: You are entitled to post what you wish, as well as to "like" or IGNORE what your relatives post online. Not everyone has the time to validate every post. If you are asked, say you don't spend as much time on the internet as they do, period. And don't apologize.

# **JCHS** band will perform Sunday

It's time for pop music. music, including pieces School Patriot Band will host its mid-winter pops concert starting at 2 p.m. Sunday in the auditorium at Jay County High performance to feature School.

Band members will perform a variety of public.

County High from popular artists such as John Williams and Stevie Wonder. They'll also be playing "Levitating" by Dua Lipa, with the Jav Patriot Guard.

Admission is free to the



# **Community Calendar**

space is available. To suban item, news@thecr.com.

#### **Today**

**CITIZENS SENIOR** CARD CLUB — Will meet 251-8792. at 1 p.m. on the first, secday of each month at Jay Community Center.

**PTSD** GROUP — Meets at 6 p.m. every Thursday at the American Hospital Portland Legion Post, 211 W. Walnut St., Portland.

tian recovery program offer mutual support and

Second Chance At Life email Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260)

INDIANA UNIVERSITY ond, third and fifth Thurs-  $\,$  HEALTH JAY HOSPITAL  $\,$ OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 6 SUPPORT p.m. the second Thursday of each month in Indiana University Health Jay Conference Room B. The group is for ostomy and intestinal CELEBRATE RECOV- diversion patients and — A 12-step Chris- their friends and family to

Notices will appear in meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 learn about the latest Health in Coldwater, Ohio. produc A BETTER LIFE – BRI-

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

JAY COUNTY TRAILS CLUB — Will meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Jay Community Center.

#### **Saturday**

ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. upstairs at True Value Hardware, Meridian Street, Portland, For more information, call (260) 729-2532.

#### **Monday**

PORTLAND BREAK- ${\tt FAST\ OPTIMISTS-Will}$ meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant. BRYANT AREA COM-

MUNITY CENTER Walking from 9 to 10 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. PING PONG — Will be

played from 9 a.m. to noon each Monday at Jay Community Center.

EUCHRE played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk. PREGNANCY CARE

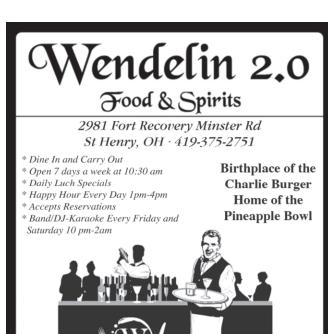
CENTER — Free pregnancv testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accept-

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP — Meets at 3 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at Mercer

PREVENTION COALI-TION — Will meet at 3:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Portland Fire Department, 1616 N. Franklin St. For more information, call (260) 251-

BREAD OF LIFE COM-MUNITY FAMILY MEAL Will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 204 E. Arch St. in Portland. Everyone is welcome.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting at 6 p.m., in the fellowship Evangelical hall at Methodist Church, 930 W. Main St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5312.

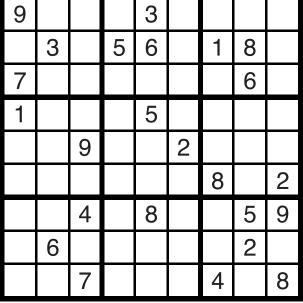


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# Sudoku



Level: Intermediate

Wednesday's Solution

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

6 9 5 6 3 9 8 7 5 6 8 9 8 9 2 က 8 2

# Does Indiana have an economy?

By MORTON J. MARCUS

At dinner last week, an attorney from Valparaiso asked what I taught in my 33 years at Indiana University's Kelley School of Business.

"Economics," I replied.
"And," I continued, "I studied the Indiana economy.'

"Does Indiana have an economy?" he asked in all serious-

I did not have a chance to reply as he turned to answer a question from another person. But for several days following that dinner the question has remained on my mind.

Does Indiana have an economy? How could you doubt it? Does a person have an anatomy? A personality?

Of course, Indiana has an economy that is different to omy. With that as our standard,

Eye on the Pie



some degree from the rest of the nation, even from its neighbors. That economy is the result of investments made by Hoosiers of the past, influenced by national and international events and trends.

How different is Indiana's economy?

Data from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) for 2020 covers employment in 94 sub-sectors of the national econit would be necessary to shift ta and West Virginia) would 12% of Hoosier employment require shifts exceeding 17%among the various sub-sectors to match the national employment pattern.

For example, 6.11% of U.S. workers have "professional, scientific and technical service" jobs. Among Hoosiers the figure is 4.21%. Small difference of 1.9 percentage points, you say. Yes, but more than 85,000 additional Indiana jobs in a high-paying sub-sector of the economy would be nothing to sneeze at.

Among the 50 states, North Carolina ranks first with the least shift in employment (6.3%) necessary to match the national pattern of jobs (among the 94 sub-sectors). Four states with heavy dependence on producing fuel for energy production (Alaska, Wyoming, North Dako-

each to achieve patterns identical to the nation.

The virtue of using 94 categories of employment is the great amount of detail provided. But distortion also comes from great detail in some sectors and little in others.

Example: the BEA data cover 22 manufacturing activities summing to 11.5% of Hoosier

What do you imagine when you consider Indiana jobs? "Motor vehicles, bodies and trailers, and parts"?

But those plants are only 2.9% of Hoosier jobs. Eating and drinking establishments provide 5% of Indiana's jobs, putting us right between West Virginia and Mississippi.

Comparisons of Indiana with other states are often misleading, used only to support a point of contention or to avoid making a commitment. Yet, there is value in describing Indiana's economy with reference to other states.

To understand how our economy is structured and performs differently from others helps us shape our future. However, that future depends on understanding not only our present, but the path we traveled to get where we

Often public and private decision makers seem ignorant of both where we are and where we have been.

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# Refugees still need some help

The Washington Post
The good news about some 80,000 Afghans airlifted to the United States after the fall of Kabul last August is that roughly 90 percent have been moved off military bases and resettled in American communities, with the help of some \$13 billion in govern-

ment spending.
That's a tremendous achievement given refugee resettlement system that had been gutted by the Trump administration, prohibitively expensive housing markets in many resettlement hubs, and daunting cultural barriers that have made daily life a trial for people already traumatized by a rushed departure from their homeland.

The bad news is that tens of thousands of those refugees have no legal way to remain long term in the United States, which many of them served — and for which some risked their lives. Congress can solve that problem, but prospects that it will remain uncer-

Roughly 36,000 Afghans, nearly half the evacuees who arrived last year, face the prospect of deportation. They were granted what the U.S. government calls humanitarian parole. an emergency status that extends them the right to work and live here for just two years — but no means of qualifying for perma-

nent residency. About the same number face a future nearly as daunting. They are in line for special immigrant visas that would allow them to remain in this country. But the pipeline is so jammed that it could take months or years for them to establish a firm legal foothold. That is partly because of the Trump administration's near-freeze on granting SIVs to Afghans, including those who worked for the military, as our troops' comrades in arms. The Biden administration also failed to prepare adequately for a refugee influx.

In several comparable cases in recent decades, Congress has acted to extend a legal lifeline to refugees who fled to the United States in the aftermath of wars and humanitarian crises. It did so for Cuban refugees after Fidel Castro rose to power, for Vietnamese refugees after the fall of Saigon and the U.S. withdrawal, and for Iraqi refugees after the Gulf and Iraq wars.

Refugee advocates have allies.

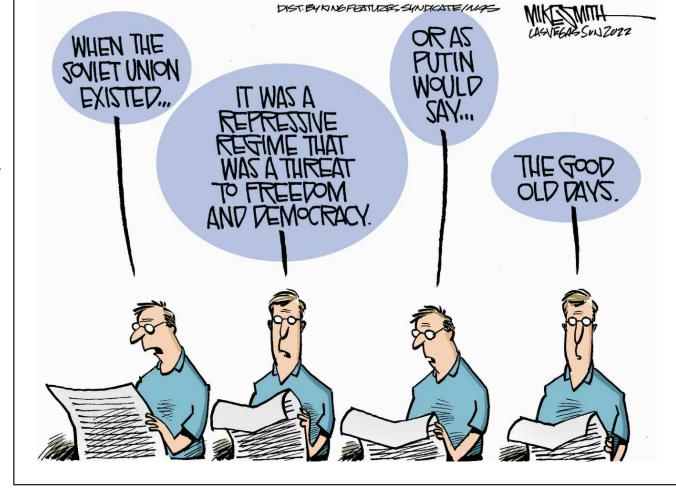
### Guest **Editorial**

Some of the Afghans not currently eligible for visas do not qualify because they fled their home country without documents often intentionally, for fear the Taliban would kill them if their identities were known.

urged Congress to consider the Afghan Adjustment Act to help those who don't currently qualify to remain in this country. So far, no Republicans have said publicly they will co-sponsor such a bill.

Some of the Afghans not currently eligible for visas do not qualify because they fled their home country without documents often intentionally, for fear the Taliban would kill them if their identities were known. Many others are relatives of Afghans who qualify for SIVs, which cover dependent children and spouses but not parents, siblings or other extended family members.

So far, just a few thousand of the admitted refugees have received SIVs, even though some 17,000 had applied before fleeing their country, many of them years earlier. The Biden administration has a responsibility to vet the tens of thousands of others whose applications are backed up because of red tape in Washington and to push hard for legislation to make the others eligible to stay. That's the least this country owes our Afghan



# It's pointless to yearn for a return

By BENJAMIN DREYER Special To The Washington Post

A bit over a century ago, in May 1920, Warren G. Harding — an Ohio newspaperman-turned-politicianturned-Republican presidential candidate — insisted in a Boston speech

that "America's present need is not heroics, but healing; not nostrums, but normalcy."

Making it abundantly clear why H.L. Mencken characterized Harding's oratorical style as reminding him of "a string of wet sponges," and "dogs barking idiotically through endless nights," to say nothing of "balder and dash," the eventual 29th president of the United States could not leave well enough alone. Harding also noted that the country's other present needs took in "not revolution, but restoration; not agitation, but adjustment; not surgery, but serenity" — I'm not making this up, I promise — "not the dramatic, but the dispassionate; not experiment, but equipoise," and, well, it goes on a bit more from there.

As it happened, the lightning rod of Harding's verbiage was the one word—"normalcy"—on which he'd based his "Return to Normalcy" presidential campaign. So far as I understand the slogan, the nation would revert to a sort of bovine complacency that had been regrettably disrupted by what we now call World War Ī, with its 20-odd million mili-

tary and civilian deaths. The word-peevers of the era — the peeververein, to borrow a splendid coinage from John McIntyre, retired head of the copy desk at the Baltimore Sun — descended on Harding's usage like that ton of bricks you've been warned about. "Normalcy," they kvetched, was not a word at all, or it was an outmoded word. (Labor leader Samuel Gompers asserted that the word "normalcy" was "obsolete," like "the condition to which" Hard**Benjamin** Dreyer



ing "would return.") Or it was simply, somehow, a bad word.

The proper word, critics trumpeted, is "normality." Well, Harding certainly hadn't made up "normalcy" the word had been knocking around the English language for a few decades by then, at least, and whether it was stuffily obsolete or not, Harding was happy to defend it to the New York Times as "a good word."

As to "normality" and "normalcy," the former is still the more popular word, according to the addictive (or do you say addicting? some people do) Google Books Ngram Viewer, which tallies word usage in more than 8 million books published between 1800 and 2019. But "normalcy" makes a decent show of it. (The Washington Post's stylebook is silent on the subject, and both words appear in its pages.)

The That's Not a Word! brigade is still very much with us, I'm both amused and bemused to report; witness their perpetual dyspepsia over words such as "irregardless." Another, "impactful," appeared with weirdly near-simultaneous prominence last month in warnings about the then-looming nor'easter blizzard and in a statement by the McMinn County Board of Education in Tennessee. The board's members, apparently in search of kinder, gentler Holocaust books, had axed Art Spiegelman's "Maus" from the curriculum, and then responded to widespread criticism by paying lip service to the book as "an impactful and meaningful piece of literature."

Advice to the TNaW! crowd: You don't have to like particular words in common usage, and you don't have to use them. You're free to deplore the unnecessariness and intra-redundancy of "irregardless," but there's no point in pretending it isn't a word.

It's also pointless to bicker over "normalcy" vs. "normality" — especially when talking about life before the pandemic.

you mark Where do changeover? I peg it to March 2, 2020. I was flying from my home in New York to Chicago, and it felt to me like that day, that very day, was the dividing line between "Ha, ha, ha, stop touching your face and be sure to sing 'Row, Row, Row Your Boat' while you're washing your hands" and "Something bad, really bad, is about

to happen.' I stayed in Chicago for two weeks, and over that period, the coronavirus policy at the publishing company I work for shifted from "Out of an abundance of caution, feel free to work from home" to "Out of an abundance of caution, we suggest that you work from home" to "We're locking the doors." When I flew back, it was out of an eerily quiet O'Hare airport and in an eerily deserted plane.

From that point on, to borrow the phraseology of bad book descriptive copy, nothing would ever be the same. Or, if you prefer: Everything had

changed ... forever.

Or, as I've always thought of it: the end of normalcy. Or the end of normality. Or the end of just plain normal. Whatever word you use, it seems unlikely that, any more than America and Americans did a century ago, we're ever returning to it.

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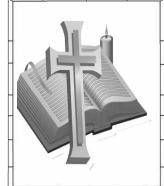
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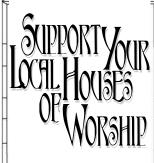


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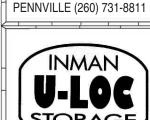
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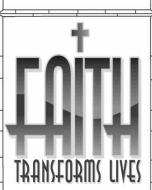
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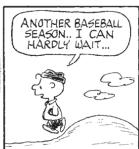
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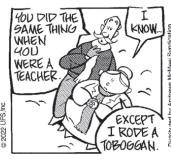






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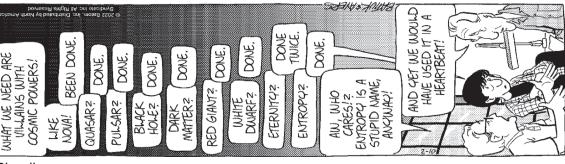




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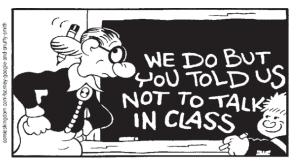




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A-K of spades and ruffs a spade. When the spades turn out to be divided 3-3, declarer's chances rise considerably. He next leads a club to the ace and returns the nine of

With the opposing trumps situated as they are, there is nothing the defenders can do to stop the contract. If East diseards, South pitches his heart loser, and West can do no better than ruff with the ace. East later scores a trump trick, but South takes the rest.

If East ruffs the nine of spades with the four, South discards his heart loser all the same. East wins the trick cheaply enough, but when he returns a heart, declarer ruffs and leads a trump. The A-K of trump then come tumbling down together, and again the contract is

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# Fort boys open sectional against Parkway

The Indians will open against a conference rival.

Fort Recovery High School's boys basketball team lined up with the Parkway Panthers when brackets for the sectional and district tournaments in Ohio Division IV's Wapakoneta District were drawn recently.

The sixth-seeded Indians (12-

Tournament run begins Feb. 23 at St. Marys Memorial

6) will open the tournament The game will follow another ners to meet in the sectional

against No. 9 seed Parkway (7- first-round contest between No. 11) at approximately 7:30 p.m. 3 seed Lima Perry and Lima Feb. 23 at St. Marys Memorial. Temple Christian, with the win-

championship game at 7:30 p.m Feb. 25, also at St. Marys.

Sectional champions will compete in the district tournament — the bracket also features the top-seeded New Bremen Cardinals, who are ranked 10th in the state, No. 2 seed Spencerville and No. 4 seed Marion Local — beginning March 1 at Wapakoneta.

Fort Recovery and Parkway played a tight contest during the regular season, with the Indians eking out a 50-49 victory Dec. 17.

The win was part of a sixgame winning streak for the Tribe, which faces perhaps its most difficult test of the season Friday when it hosts Division III No. 2 Versailles.

LeFevre also placed 15th in the 200 dash in 23.08 seconds, with Cheickna Traore of Ramapo winning in 21.61 seconds.

### Kendal Garringer Jay County – 2019

Earned a top-three finish for the Manchester University women's indoor track team Saturday in the Anderson Invitational.

She had a distance of 9.27 meters in the triple jump to take third, with teammate Adelle Stanko placing second.

Garringer joined Hilary Ernstes, Jacla Faulkner and Claire Butler for a sixth-place finish in the 4x200-meter relay.

#### **Kierra Wendel** Fort Recovery -2021

the Edison State women's basketball team Wednesday in a 90-60 victory against Owens Community College.

The freshman played 20 minutes, scoring six points on 3-of-7 shooting. She also had two rebounds and a pair of assists for the Chargers (20-0).

#### **Chloe Will Audrey Guggenbiller** Fort Recovery -

Ran for the Tiffin University women's indoor track team during the Ashland Invitational on Saturday.

Will placed 14th in the 5,000-meter run with her time of 19 minutes, 13.24 seconds. Cedarville's Mary Miller turned in the winning time of 17:44.55.

Guggenbiller ended the 1-Came off the bench for mile run in 6:26.01 for 60th.

### Bader

Continued from page 8 Bader set her goal for the individual medley at getting a time in the 2:17s. Her sectional time of 2:18.85 puts her 0.85 seconds ahead of No. 32 seed Josie Bringer of Manchester but more than four seconds back of No. 30 seed Marin Rosen of Brebeuf

Though she's been to the state finals twice already, the experience won't be quite the same this year because she is the Patriots' lone competitor.

"It's definitely different because I've always had relays and I've always had a lot more (teammates) there," said Bader. (JCHS had advanced at least one relay to the state finals in each of the previous nine seasons.)

But she also noted that it helps to have Union City's Elly O'Connor along for the ride. The senior, who trains with the JCHS team, will be competing in the freestyle sprints Friday.

"I'm excited to see what she can

It feels good as a coach to know that you are continually taking kids (to state). I think the expectation is you have to get there. And I think the kids understand that and know that it's expected of them to do well ... It's fun and exciting.

–Matt Slavik, JCHS swim coach

do," Bader added.

O'Connor is seeded 32nd in both the 50 freestyle at 25.7 seconds and the 100 freestyle at 55.83. The No. 16 seeds in those events are Hamilton Southeastern's Ashley Saple (24.14) and Zionsville's Katie Buroker (52.45), respectively.

Bader's appearance in Indianapolis on Friday will mark the 15th consecutive year in which Jay County

has had at least one swimmer at the state finals.

"It feels good as a coach to know that you are continually taking kids down," said Slavik.

"I think the expectation is you have to get there," he added. "And I think the kids understand that and know that it's expected of them to do well ...

"It's fun and exciting."

## Sports on tap

#### Local schedule

**Today**Jay County — Junior high boys swimming at Norwell Invitational - 5 p.m.

Jay County — Mara Bader at IHSAA Girls Swimming and Diving State Finals at Indiana University Natatorium – 6 p.m.; Boys basketball tripleheader vs. Heritage –

Fort Recovery — Boys basketball vs. Versailles – 6 p.m.

#### Saturday

Jay County — Wrestling semi-state at Allen County War Memorial Coliesum – 8 a.m. Boys basketball tripleheader at York-

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**Monday** Jay County — Boys basketball (including freshmen) vs. Southern Wells – 6 p.m.; Junior high swimming at Adams Central –

#### Tuesday

Jay County — Junior high wrestling at Delta – 5:30 p.m.; Junior high swimming vs. Muncie Southside – 6 p.m. Fort Recovery — Boys basketball at Minster - 6 p.m.

#### TV schedule

**Today**— 2022

2 p.m. — 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics: Snowboarding (NBC) 6:30 p.m. — Women's college basketball: Michigan at Michigan State (BTN) 7 p.m. — Women's college basketball: South Carolina at Kentucky (ESPN); Nebraska at this State (FST)

Nebraska at Ohio State (FS1) 7 p.m. — Men's college basketball: lowa at Maryland (ESPN2) 7:30 p.m. — NBA basketball: Brooklyn Nets at Washington Wizards (TNT)

8 p.m. — NHL hockey: New Jersey Devels at St. Louis Blues (BALLY) — 2022 Beijing Winter 8 p.m.

Olympics: Women's hockey quarterfinal 8:30 p.m. — College hockey: Notre Dame at Wisconsin (BTN)

9 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Purdue at Michigan (ESPN); Arizona at Washington State (FS1); Stanford at Ore-

washington state (FS1), staniola at Oregon (ESPN2)
10 p.m. — NBA basketball: Milwaukee
Bucks at Phoenix Suns (TNT)
11 p.m. — Men's college basketball:

Arizona State at Washington (FS1)

**Friday**1:45 a.m. — 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics: Alpine Skiing (NBC) 6:30 p.m. — College hockey: Minnesota at Ohio State (BTN) 7 p.m. - NBA basketball: Cleveland

Cavaliers at INdiana Pacers (BALLY) 7 p.m. — Men's college basketball: UConn at Xavier (FS1); Kent State at Akron (ESPN2)

—2022 Beijing Winter Olympics: Women's ice hockey (NBC) 9 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Nevada at Utah State (FS1); St. Bonaventure at Saint Louis (ESPN2)

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UNLV at Boise State (FS1)

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Saturday 1:05 a.m. — 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics: Snowboarding (NBC)
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Creighton at Georgetown (FS1) 12:30 p.m. — English Premier League Soccer: Manchester City vs. Norwich City

1 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Oklahoma at Kansas (CBS); Seton Hall at

Villanova (FOX) 2 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Rutgers at Wisconsin (FS1)

3 p.m. — PGA Tour Golf: Phoenix Open – Third round (CBS) 3:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Memphis at Houston (ABC); Indiana at

Michigan State (FOX) 4 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Val-paraiso at Missouri State (BALLY)

#### UConn's streak ends HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Villanova quarter charge from the Huskies. "I don't think we did anything to deserve

hadn't beaten UConn in 18 years and the Huskies had not lost a conference game in

Those streaks came to an end on Wednesday. Lior Garzon scored 19 points and Mad-

die Siegrist added 17 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Wildcats to a 72-69 win over the eighth-ranked Huskies, ending Connecticut's 169-game league winning streak that dated back to their last game in the old Big East in 2013.

"This is a game that we always have circled on our calendar," said Brianna Herlihy, who added 15 points and 10 rebounds for the Wildcats (16-6, 10-3 Big East). "We come in every practice working to play UConn, to beat UConn.

"It's huge for the program, because that's the goal — beat UConn, win the Big

Villanova, which won its eighth straight, led by as many as 19 points in the second half and held off a furious fourth-

to win that game and they did everything to deserve that game," UConn coach Geno Auriemma said. "They played harder than us; they played smarter than us; they beat us to every loose ball; they rebounded better than us; they made more shots than

Freshman Azzi Fudd had a season-high 29 points for UConn (15-5, 9-1). Christyn Williams added 24 points.

Villanova, which shot 52% from the floor, never trailed. The Wildcats led by as many as 15 points in the first quarter and 41-34 at halftime. Three consecutive 3pointers from Brooke Mullin, Garzon and Herlihy pushed the lead to 59-40 late in the third quarter.

UConn outscored the Wildcats 24-10 in the fourth, cutting the deficit to just 71-69 on a layup by Fudd with 9 seconds left.

But Herlihy hit one of two free throws and UConn, which had no timeouts left, could not get another shot up.

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# Bader focused on the clock

Lone Patriot primed for improvement in two events

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

With a massive lead in the 100yard breaststroke at the sectional meet, Mara Bader found herself focusing on the clock.

She'll be doing some of the same at the state finals, while also hoping to climb in the standings.

Bader's mindset heading into the preliminary round of the IHSAA Girls Swimming and Diving State Finals at 6 p.m. Friday at Indiana University Natatorium in Indianapolis is to continue to set career-best times and to improve on her seeds heading into the meet.

She is seeded 29th out of 32 competitors for the 100-yard breaststroke. She will also compete in the 200 individual medley, for which she is seeded 31st.

The top 16 swimmers in each event in Friday's preliminaries advance to Saturday's finals and consolation finals.

Bader's goal?

"Just to move up," said the junior, who has finished 32nd in the state in the 200 IM each of the last two seasons. "I know both the previous years I've gone in seeded last both times. ... This year I know I'm only 31st, and then 29th in the breaststroke, so



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Mara Bader, a Jay County High School junior, will be focused on the clock and climbing the standings during the preliminaries of the IHSAA Girls Swimming and Diving State Finals at 6 p.m. Friday at Indiana University Natatorium in Indianapolis. This marks the 15th consecutive season Jay County has had a swimmer at the state meet.

just to move up and then have even better times than on Mon-

Bader's highlight Monday was in the breaststroke, in which she had already made herself the clear No. 1 seed in Saturday's sectional preliminaries. It didn't take her long to be all alone well ahead of the field in the champi-

pushed to a career-best time of 1 minute, 8.36 seconds.

That time places her as the No. 29 seed for the event heading into the state finals, 0.19 seconds behind No. 28 seed Reagan Brown of Jennings County and 0.22 ahead of No. 30 seed Lindsey Mitchell of Bloomington North.

lyn Dow of the Patriots placed 24th in the state in the breaststroke last season in 1:06.74.)

JCHS coach Matt Slavik said he believes Bader is capable of breaking the 1:08 mark and possibly even dropping below 1:07 with a strong race Friday night.

"If she can hold the second Homestead's Hayden Shurtz is half of the race and take it out in onship heat Monday, but she still the No. 16 seed at 1:05.74. (Ash- a 31," he said, explaining that

when Mara's sister Alex was a state medalist in the event her times for the opening half of the race were only slightly faster. "The difference being she held it on the second half. Mara's got to hold that when she's coming off her last wall and through that last length, she's got to be able to keep her legs in the race."

See **Bader** page 7

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Vivienne Kunkler was part of the inaugural Pilots recruiting class.

She continues to leave her mark on the program.

Kunkler, a 2019 Jay County High School graduate, helped two relavs set Bethel University program records as the women's swim team

competed in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference last week. On Feb. 3, Kunkler joined Josefina Gonzalez, Kayla Logeais and Elisabeth Wolfe to place second in the 400yard medley relay in a school-record

4 minutes, 1.69 seconds, while also earning an NAIA national standard. The same quartet placed third in the 200 freestyle relay with their record time of 1:39.77, another NAIA

On Friday, they were third in the

Individually, Kunkler earned an

200 medley relay.

stroke with her time of 2 minutes, 26.94 seconds. She was also fifth in the 100 breaststroke and 10th in the 50 freestyle.

#### Alli Vaughn Fort Recovery – 2021

Scored double figures for the fifth time this season for the Huntington University women's basketball team Wednesday in an 89-49 loss to Indi-

ana Wesleyan. The freshman started for the fourth straight game. She was 5-of-11 the 3-point line to score 12 points. She also had two rebounds in 25 minutes of play.

Four days earlier, she scored four points and grabbed six rebounds (second-most of her career) as the Foresters (3-20, 1-11 Crossroads League) fell to Saint Francis 85-52.

Vaughn is averaging 5.5 points per game and is shooting 38.1% from the

#### **Robby LeFevre** Fort Recovery – 2019

Competed for the Fordham University men's indoor track team during the Metropolitan Indoor Track

and Field Championships on Friday. The sophomore placed 13th in the 60-meter dash with his time of 7.27 seconds. Kimorie Shearman of Long Island University won in 6.93 seconds.

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