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## Longer timeline set for refunds

By TOM DAVIES  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — State officials will start sending out \$125 payments to Indiana taxpayers next month under the state's automatic taxpayer refund law, although the timeline announced Wednesday for those payments is several months longer than previously outlined.

Those payments are being made because of a big jump in state tax collections helped by federal COVID-19 relief funding. That revenue jump increased the state government's cash reserves to a record \$3.9 billion as of last summer, triggering the taxpayer refund law for the first time since 2012.

The refund payments totaling about \$545 million will go to an estimated 4.3 million people, according to the governor's office.

Republican Gov. Eric Holcomb said in a statement that the refund would amount to a 12% cut in the average Indiana resident's annual income tax liability.

"I'm beyond thrilled that this spring and summer we are returning money back into the hands of Hoosier taxpayers, where it belongs," Holcomb said.

Those payments will start by direct deposit in May to those who have filed their 2021 income tax returns by April 18 and provided bank account information to the state Department of Revenue, the governor's office said.

Direct deposit payments are expected to continue through July, while refund checks will be mailed to others beginning in late July with a goal of sending out all checks by Sept. 1.

That processing timeline is four months longer than the May 1 completion target that the governor's office stated when announcing the refund amount in December.

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## Deadline set



The Commercial Review/Bailey Cline

Faron Parr of Jay County Council speaks with council members on Wednesday. Council agreed to set June 1 as the deadline for community members to propose ideas for the just under \$4 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds.

## Jay County Council asks that any proposals for ARPA funds be presented no later than June 1

By BAILEY CLINE  
The Commercial Review

A deadline is in place.

Jay County Council agreed Wednesday to ask anyone with ideas about how to use the county's allocation of American Rescue Plan Act funds to present them by June 1.

County officials have been discussing how to use just under \$4 million in American Rescue Plan Act dollars from the federal government. Funds need to be allocated by Dec. 31, 2024, and spent by the end of 2026.

Amid discussion on possible projects Wednesday, council

member Harold Towell suggested the county set a date by which proposals needed to be submitted.

"I think we need to set a date and after say we're going to address these two, three, five (projects), whatever it is, (if you're not in by this group here, we don't have to pursue you," said Towell. "It seems like two years is a long time, but it (isn't)."

Council members agreed, settling on June 1 as the deadline.

Projects already on the table are new radio equipment for emergency responders and law enforcement, infrastructure for

housing and a new facility for Jay Emergency Medical Service, Jay County Health Department and Jay County Coroner. (The Portland Foundation proposed in November the county contribute toward converting the former Judge Haynes Elementary School into a county-wide daycare. Jay County Commissioners and council members have been looking into other ways to address the child care problem.)

Council president Jeanne Houchins relayed information Wednesday from Jay County Community Development director Christy Shauver about

a grant application from IU Health Jay. Hopes are to use the grant toward funding a new facility for Jay Emergency Medical Service, the health department and coroner's office.

Shauver clarified in an email the grant does not require more plans apart from the proposed floor plan the county already has. The county's application — if it is invited to apply — would be due July 15. Award notifications will be announced no later than Dec. 31, with funds being distributed by March 2023.

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## Russian ship damaged

By PATRICK J. MCDONNELL  
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Los Angeles Times  
Tribune News Service

KYIV, Ukraine — Russia's flagship in the Black Sea has suffered "significant damage," the Russian defense ministry acknowledged Thursday, as Ukraine said it attacked the vessel with a shore-to-ship missile.

The high command in the Ukrainian port of Odesa reported overnight that a Neptune missile had been launched at the ship, which has been part of the naval campaign against Ukraine's coast. There were conflicting reports as to whether one or two missiles were fired at the ship.

Ukraine did not immediately take credit for hitting the ship, and precise details about the incident remained opaque. If confirmed, a Ukrainian strike on the Moskva would be a major blow for the Russian fleet and a tactical and public relations coup for Ukraine at a pivotal

### Ukraine says it attacked with shore-to-ship missile

moment — when the country is bracing for a massive Russian offensive in the eastern and southern regions.

The official Russian account said a fire broke out on the Moskva, igniting ammunition on board. The statement made no mention of a missile hit on the cruiser and did not say what sparked the fire.

All crew members were successfully evacuated, the Russian defense ministry said. Russia didn't initially mention casualties and did not detail the extent of damage on the ship.

Ukrainian officials said the Moskva, which reportedly carries

an array of missiles, torpedoes, mines and other weaponry, had a crew of 510. It had previously been deployed in the Mediterranean off the coast of Syria, where Russia has aided the government of Bashar Assad against Western-backed rebels.

The Moskva was also involved in one of the signature confrontations in the early stages of the war. The ship's crew demanded the surrender of a Ukrainian military unit posted on Snake Island, a Ukrainian island in the Black Sea. The Ukrainians are said to have answered the Russians with a defiant refusal punctuated with profanity.



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## Festival find

Scarlett Steed, 17 months, cracks open one of her Easter eggs Saturday during Dunkirk's Spring Festival and Easter Egg Hunt at Dunkirk City Park.

### Weather

The temperature stayed between 61 and 64 degrees Wednesday in Jay County.

Tonight's low will dip to 41 with winds gusting to 25 miles per hour and a 20% chance of

showers. Expect another windy day Friday with a high of 63 and partly sunny skies, with a slight chance of showers.

See page 2 for an extended forecast.

### In review

Jay County Plan Commission has canceled a meeting set for today about Rose Solar's amended development plan. The commission will reschedule its meeting for another date.

### Coming up

**Friday** — Results from tonight's Jay County vs. Fort Recovery softball game.

**Tuesday** — Coverage of Monday's Jay School Board meeting.



# Deadline ...

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While voicing support for the project, council member Ted Champ said it appears county officials as a whole will not fund it if it cannot be supplemented by the grant. Houchins and council members Mike Rockwell and Ray Newton voiced support for moving forward with the project regardless of the grant.  
"I'd just like to see the money go as far as it can go," noted Houchins.  
She also shared financing options from Motorola, which is

proposing to upgrade county personnel radios. Their \$1.97 million proposal includes construction of a radio tower in Portland as well as new portable and mobile radios for emergency responders and law enforcement. Lease options are for five years at about \$424,400 annually, seven years at roughly \$312,800 annually or 10 years at just under \$231,400 annually.  
Rockwell asked why the county would want to look into financing the project. Houchins said there are only so many American Rescue Plan Act dol-

lars available. She also questioned if the project should be addressed with those funds.  
"This is something that needs to be done," Newton said. "We have prolonged it (for) too long."  
Houchins and Champ encouraged meetings with all county and department heads to determine if municipalities would be able to contribute to the project.  
In other business, council members Matt Minnich, Faron Parr, Rockwell, Champ, Houchins, Towell and Newton:  
•Made the following additional appropriations: \$350,000 in

Bitter Ridge Wind Farm dollars to local municipalities, with Dunkirk and Portland receiving \$100,000 and Salamonia, Bryant and Pennville receiving \$50,000. Council noted it has not yet received a letter from Redkey, which has been allotted \$50,000; \$275,000 to Jay County Humane Society for its new facility, with Minnich opposing; \$84,473.72 from the innkeepers tax to Jay County Visitor and Tourism Bureau; \$22,300 to Jay County Surveyor's Office for locating cornerstones; \$14,500 to civil engineering firm Butler, Fair-

man and Seufert for a feasibility study on the land near Jay County Highway Department considered for developing infrastructure for housing; \$1,500 for resident activities at Jay County Country Living; \$700 for health insurance; \$550 from a donation for dispatcher appreciation week to Jay County Sheriff's Office.  
•Transferred \$1,500 from Jay County Highway Department's budget for utilities to wages and a \$262.96 donation for Jay County Country Living from its budget for resident activities to cloth-

## CR almanac

Friday 4/15	Saturday 4/16	Sunday 4/17	Monday 4/18	Tuesday 4/19
<b>63/41</b>	<b>51/29</b>	<b>51/37</b>	<b>55/35</b>	<b>54/33</b>
Friday's weather looks to be partly sunny with a chance of rain. Wind gusts may be 30 mph.	Mostly sunny skies are in the forecast for Saturday, with wind gusts reaching up to 20 mph.	Another day of mostly sunny skies is expected Sunday. Rain is possible at night.	There's a 30% chance of showers continuing into Monday. The low may reach 35 degrees.	Mostly sunny skies are on the horizon for Tuesday, with a high near 54 degrees.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> 14-16-41-63-68 Power Ball: 26 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$325 million	Hoosier Lotto: 5-8-22-32-39-42 Estimated jackpot: \$10.2 million
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$20 million	<b>Ohio</b> Midday Pick 3: 7-7-7 Pick 4: 9-2-2-0 Pick 5: 2-3-2-0-9 Evening Pick 3: 3-1-8 Pick 4: 6-2-6-1 Pick 5: 8-5-4-9-7 Rolling Cash: 14-20-25-32-36 Classic Lotto: 17-23-28-36-37-40 Kicker: 1-1-8-5-8-6 Estimated jackpot: \$25.6 million
<b>Hoosier</b> Midday Daily Three: 3-9-4 Daily Four: 6-4-9-4 Evening Daily Three: 1-8-8 Daily Four: 9-3-0-3 Quick Draw: 2-3-6-13-14-22-26-42-43-45-49-55-61-63-64-66-70-73-77-79 Cash 5: 6-8-12-39-45	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....7.79 May corn.....7.81 Wheat .....9.14	Wheat ..... 10.18 May wheat ..... 10.18
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....7.80 May corn.....7.90 June corn .....7.95	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....7.70 Late April corn.....7.72 Beans .....16.57 Late April beans.....16.57 Wheat.....10.45
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....7.69 May corn.....7.69 Beans .....16.55 May beans .....16.55	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....7.69 May corn.....7.69 Beans .....16.37 May beans .....16.37 Wheat.....10.05

## Today in history

**On April 14, 1865,** President Abraham Lincoln was shot and mortally wounded by John Wilkes Booth during a performance of "Our American Cousin" at Ford's Theatre in Washington.  
**In 1828,** the first edition of Noah Webster's "American Dictionary of the English Language" was published.  
**In 1902,** James Cash Penney opened his first store, The Golden Rule, in Kemmerer, Wyoming.  
**In 1912,** the British liner RMS Titanic collided with an iceberg in the North Atlantic at 11:40 p.m. ship's time and began sinking. (The ship went under two hours and 40 minutes later with the loss of 1,514 lives.)  
**In 1910,** President William Howard Taft became the first U.S. chief executive to throw the ceremonial first pitch at a baseball game as the Washington Senators beat the Philadelphia Athletics 3-0.  
**In 1935,** the "Black Sunday" dust storm descended upon the central Plains, turning a sunny afternoon into total darkness.  
**In 1972,** Jim Clemmons, Daryl Morrical and Kevin Mock swept the 110-yard hurdles to lead the Portland High School boys track team to a 73-45 win over Union City.  
—AP and The CR

## Citizen's calendar

**Monday**  
4 p.m. — Portland Board of Works, mayor's office, city hall, 321 N. Meridian St.  
5 p.m. — Jay School Board, General Shanks, 414 E. Floral Ave., Portland.  
5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St.  
6 p.m. — Jay County Regional Sewer District, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.  
6:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery School Board, conference room, high school, 400 E. Butler St.  
7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.  
**Wednesday**  
4 p.m. — Portland Board of Aviation, airport, 661 W. 100 North.

## Deeds

James W. and Patricia J. Myers and Debra K. and Edward E. Certain to Carol J. and Robert L. Manor, warranty deed — Section 33, Jackson Township, 80 acres  
Hermann Family Farms to itself and Erma and Ervin D. Graber, warranty deed — Part of Section 18, Jackson Township, 6.49 acres  
Jeff D. Herman to Erma and Ervin D. Graber, warranty deed — Part of Section 18, Jackson Township, 20.134 acres  
Nina Hermann (also

known as Nina G. Herman) to Erma and Ervin D. Graber, warranty deed — Parts of Section 18, Jackson Township  
Carol J. and Robert L. Manor to themselves, death deed — Section 33, Jackson Township, 80 acres  
David M. and Jennifer A. Tarter to Michelle and Terry M. Storie, warranty deed — Lot 45, Hawkins Addition  
One Shear to Hermann Family Farm, warranty deed — Parts of Section 10, Tracts 1 and 2, Penn Township

## Refunds ...

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State officials on Wednesday cited "supply chain issues" in the paper industry for delays in the mailing of checks.  
"There are multiple steps required to handle the high-volume of ATRs, so we encourage Hoosiers to be patient throughout this process, as it will most likely extend to this fall," a Department of Revenue statement said.  
Holcomb in March signed a bill approved by the Legislature modifying the refund law so that about 450,000 people who don't earn enough

to owe any state income taxes are also eligible for the payments. Officials said those residents pay the sales tax and other taxes that are collected by state government.  
Even with the refund payments, continued strong tax collections are projected to push state government's overall budget surplus to more than \$5 billion by the end of June.  
Republican legislators pushed through a plan in March that will gradually cut Indiana's individual income tax from the current rate of 3.23% to 2.9% in small steps until its planned full implementation in 2029. That will amount to \$40 savings for individuals or families with \$50,000 in taxable income for 2023, growing to a total annual reduction of \$165 at that income level in seven years.  
Republicans, however, ignored calls from Democrats for a suspension until July of the state's 32 cents-a-gallon gasoline tax and the 7% sales tax on fuel. Democrats argued that would give immediate savings of potentially hundreds of dollars to residents amid a national surge in prices past \$4 a gallon since the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

## Capsule Reports

**Drove into traffic**  
A Bryant man was arrested for drunk driving after he drove into traffic on U.S. 27 about 2 p.m. Tuesday.  
Randy L. Betz, 66, drove his 2008 GMC Envoy out of his driveway at 7256 N. U.S. 27 in Bryant into a southbound 2006 Sterling Truck A9500 Series driven by 41-year-old Phillip C. Gerster of Freetown.  
Betz was given a preliminary breath test, as well as a blood alcohol test with results pending. He was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. He's being held on a \$1,000 bond in Jay County Jail.  
The truck Gerster was driving is registered to Boknecht Trucking of Seymour.

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**McDonald's accident**  
A Portland resident backed his truck into a Redkey woman's vehicle in the McDonald's parking lot about 8:35 p.m. Tuesday.  
Blake A. Zorn, 18, Portland, was waiting in the drive thru at 618 N. Meridian St. and decided to park his 2003 GMC Sierra instead of wait in line. He began to back up before turning into a parking spot when his vehicle hit a 2014 Buick LaCrosse, driven by 30-year-old Destiny D. Cotherman of Redkey.  
Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500.

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**Pole snapped**  
A Portland man's trailer struck a utility pole, causing it to break and fall over about 3:55 p.m. Monday.  
Dalton A. VanSkyock, 51, said he was driving southwest on Blaine Pike near the intersection with Middle Street when he heard a loud noise, according to a Portland Police accident report. He got out

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### SERVICES

**Thursday**  
**Hollingsworth, M. Jean: I**  
p.m., Beech Grove Cemetery, Muncie.

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# Impact of alcohol use can be severe

By JENNIFER VANSKYOCK  
Special to The Commercial Review

Living in rural America lends itself to experiences and cultures that bring with it significant strength, resilience and ingrained beliefs that have an impact on our quality of life. We are blessed to have individuals with strong work ethics, connections to their families and communities, and pride in our heritage. In our rural community, one ingrained belief often held is that alcohol use is normal and low risk. April is Alcohol Awareness Month and is an optimal time to share some facts about the impact of alcohol use and abuse on individuals, families and our communities.

## What are some effects of alcohol use?

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety

## Your Health Matters



Administration, one American dies every 52 minutes because of alcohol-impaired driving. That statistic is frightening, but often we tend to believe that these issues happen to "other people" in "other places." Unfortunately, we are not immune to this threat and while we may not have personally experienced these fatalities, one only needs to be aware of local news to see the number of individuals found to be driving under the influence of alcohol and other substances.

In our communities, alco-

hol use is often seen as socially acceptable and harmless. However, the truth is alcohol use can cause significant harm. It can lead to an increase in violent behaviors including domestic violence and abuse. It can contribute to long-term health problems such as cirrhosis of the liver, heart problems and increased risk of various forms of cancer. Alcohol impacts our brain and disrupts how it communicates. It can impact our mood, decision making and impulse control, and our coordination. Long-term use can lead to irreparable issues such as alcohol related dementia. It can also result in death due to alcohol poisoning and accidents.

An often less-discussed impact of alcohol use is on those families of individuals with an alcohol use dis-

order. Those of us who have experienced this may find that we are enabling or walking on eggshells. As a someone who grew up in a home with alcohol use disorder, I still see these tendencies in my behaviors to this day. While rationally I understand that I am not responsible for anyone's happiness, I believed that it was my role as a child to be a moderator, reducing the arguing and violence that would happen if I didn't step in. Today, my life is much different, and I no longer have the threat of violence, yet these habits are hard to break.

## Did the pandemic have an impact on alcohol use?

With the recent COVID pandemic we saw spikes in alcohol consumption, increased hospitalizations, and an increase in chronic

health conditions related to alcohol use. In the first nine months of the pandemic, Americans increased their drinking by one billion drinks per month. In addition, excessive alcohol use increased by 38% among adults. The largest increase in alcohol consumption, nearly 60%, occurred in women with young children. With the isolation, stress, economic challenges, and fear provoked from the unknown, it was a recipe for disaster.

## Help is available

Alcohol use in moderation may have fewer negative consequences, yet there is a significant portion of the population that simply can't consume alcohol in moderation. Their brains believe they need the substance to survive, and they are physically dependent on it. For those

individuals, there is help. Treatment, including detox, therapy, support groups and even support to the families, is available.

Alcohol use disorder and addiction are often stigmatizing and isolating diseases, yet it is important to know that you are not alone and there are supports available to walk this journey with you. For those who believe that alcohol use is harmless, I sincerely hope that you never experience the harm that it can cause. For those of you who know the harm it can cause, remember you are not alone and there is help. For more information on available treatment, call (260) 726-1960.

Jennifer VanSkyock is the Program Manager at IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health and Ball Addiction Treatment and

# Grandmother irked by intolerance

DEAR ABBY: My adult granddaughter, "Kaia," is in a relationship with "Jenny." Jenny's stepmom doesn't believe in gay marriage or homosexuality. I'm having a hard time dealing with the fact that Jenny's family doesn't accept Kaia or allow her in their home. Kaia is excluded from all holidays and family functions.

I don't know what to do or say to her about this. They are getting married in two months, and Jenny's family is still shunning her. How do I deal with these "holy rollers" who use the church as a reason to hate my granddaughter? — SUPPORTIVE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR SUPPORTIVE: If Jenny's family are truly good Christians, they may not dislike your granddaughter. They may be following a misguided directive to love the "sinner" but hate the "sin."

I cannot advise strongly

## Dear Abby



Encourage them to cultivate their own "chosen family" as they move into their future.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Jonah," comes from a large family. They are rude people. Jonah and I have been together 15 years (married for eight), and I have never been invited to his mother's home or some of his siblings' homes.

We love to entertain, so they attend our holiday parties, where they literally walk in without greeting me. They eat all our food and leave without saying goodbye or even helping with the cleanup. It's "pack behavior." They do this all together.

I have reached the point that I no longer want to host these events. I feel uncomfortable in my own home. Jonah and I have started cutting back on the number of parties we host, and now they are making rude comments

about it. My husband acknowledges that they're miserable, rude people, but that doesn't help the situation. I don't want anything to do with them, and I don't want to be forced to keep inviting a bunch of ungrateful individuals who don't have even the common courtesy to speak to me. How can I make Jonah understand how I feel? Please help. — ANNOYED IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR ANNOYED: If you have expressed to your husband what you have written in your letter, he DOES understand, but doesn't want to acknowledge it. The way his family has treated you is deplorable. If you don't wish to entertain them, let your husband buy and prepare the food and do the cleanup with no help from them afterward, while you go and do something alone or with people whose company you enjoy.

enough that Kaia and Jenny discuss the ramifications of that family's stance BEFORE they marry. I am surprised Jenny would attend family gatherings from which Kaia is excluded. If this continues after the marriage, it could damage their relationship. A counselor at the nearest LGBTQ center would be helpful in facilitating this discussion.

Be as supportive to your granddaughter and Jenny as you can so they know you're always in their corner.

# Easter meal, service offered

First Church of Christ in Fort Recovery will host an Easter meal and service.

**Taking Note**  
Breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, and a morning service will follow at 9:30 a.m.

**Classes available**  
John Jay Center for Learning is offering classes for adults to receive a High School Equivalency diploma. They are available from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, call (260) 729-5525.

# Community Calendar

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

## Reunions

Bryant High School will hold its alumni banquet on May 14. Honor classes this year are the classes of 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1970, 1971 and 1972.

Portland High School will celebrate its 50th anniversary from June 17 to June 19. For more information, email alicemiley23@gmail.com or wsanders317@gmail.com.

## Today

PIKE FRIENDS AND

NEIGHBORS — Will meet at 5:30 p.m. April 14 at Richards Restaurant in Portland.

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

INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH JAY HOSPITAL OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month in Indiana University Health Jay Hospital Conference Room B. The group is for ostomy and intestinal diversion patients and their friends and family to offer mutual support and learn about the latest products and information.

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

A BETTER LIFE — BRANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based 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.

## Friday

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

CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will meet at noon Friday, March, 15, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

## Saturday

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-3336 or (260) 729-7000.

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first and third Saturday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

MUSEUM OF THE SOLDIER — Is open from noon to 5 p.m. the first and third Saturday and Sunday of the month. It is located at 510 E. Arch St., Portland.

# Sudoku

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

Level: Intermediate

## Wednesday's Solution

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

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.



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# Thank you from the United Way

To the editor:  
A big thank you to all of you who participated in the 2021/2022 United Way Campaign.

With help from all of you, our goal of \$140,000 was surpassed by almost \$18,000.

We are so proud to be a part of such a giving community. With your contributions, we are able to fund 19 programs which reach many of you with our annual allocations.

Because you donate to the United Way, we are able to realize other grant opportunities, especially grants from the

## Letters to the Editor

Indiana United Way using Lilly funds. We are able to financially assist other agencies with much needed programs with this funding. We also administer Emergency Food and Shelter grants through the Department of Homeland Security to the food pantries and the

homeless shelter that totaled over \$23,500 during the past couple of years.

Your donations also allow us to work with Second Harvest Bank to host the monthly Tailgate Food Giveaways, which are open to anyone in need of food. We would like to thank the Jay County Fair Board and the City of Portland for allowing us to use their venues for this program. And a huge thank you to the Jay County Sheriff's Office, the Portland Fire Department, the Portland Police Department and all of our regular volunteers for

making the tailgates possible.

We could not conduct the annual campaign without help from our campaign cabinet volunteers, who spend countless hours contacting those of you who give so generously. The United Way of Jay County Board of Directors also deserve a big thanks for the time they spend making sure the dollars you donate are spent wisely and that the needs of the community are being met.

We would also like to thank our media outlets — WPGW radio and The Commercial

Review — for their continued assistance. Your dedication and commitment to the needs of our community are truly appreciated.

Thanks again to all of you who contribute to our campaign in any way and allow us to continue to help to meet our community's needs. You are all appreciated.

Please continue to fight united, win united.

Cindy Denney and Cindy Gardner

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## Population factors change

By MORTON J. MARCUS

A new convention facility is stirring hopes in Terre Haute for economic expansion.

New downtown visitors and new businesses are foreseen in conjunction with the realization of a casino. The band is practicing, "There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight."

Once upon a time, Terre Haute was a transportation hub. Barges brought cargos up the Wabash River to be transferred to smaller vessels or to overland carriers headed to the growing mid-sections of Indiana and Illinois.

Then, rail lines made Terre Haute a passenger and freight crossroad. Later, U.S. 41 was to be the major route for trucking from Chicago to Miami. However, it was not finished in Indiana until after Interstate 65 was complete, delivering a blow to the western Indiana counties.

King Coal lost its crown in the kingdom of energy. Interstate 70 skirted downtown Terre Haute; downtown went down. Retail trade fled to the interstate exit at U.S. 41. A few major employers left the area. Indiana State University struggled to stimulate economic growth. Multiple plans for the revival of downtown were announced, adopted and atrophied.

Over the past half century, despite Terre Haute's loss of 11,946 in population, the metropolitan statistical area (Clay, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo counties) lost only 831.

Why? In three of the four counties, growth outside the major city offset all or part of the decline in the cities.

•Vigo County outside Terre Haute had a growth of 3,571.

•Clay County grew by 2,533, but its largest city (Brazil) saw growth of only 18 persons.

•Sullivan, the city, declined by 419 persons, but Sullivan, the county, saw growth outside that city of 1,347.

•Only in Vermillion County did Clinton City lose 509 residents while the rest of the county lost 845.

The Terre Haute metropolitan statistical area declined from 1.7% of the state's population in 1970 to 1.1% in 2020.

What, just a six-tenth percentage point difference is worth comment? Yes, 0.6% of the state's

### Eye on the Pie



*Should the state respond to an imbalance of population growth? Are Indiana's economic development policies sensitive to great disparities leaving some places to decay while others thrive?*

population in 2020 equaled 40,700. That number, if realized, would have raised the metropolitan statistical area's population in 2020 from 168,900 to 208,600.

Population decline, as experienced by the Terre Haute metropolitan statistical area, was a slow process, an erosion rather than an earthquake. It was not a secret. The increase in population for the state was 1.6 million, or 31%, over 50 years; for this metropolitan statistical area, the decrease was a barely noticeable 6,300, or 3.6%.

Should the state respond to an imbalance of population growth? Are Indiana's economic development policies sensitive to great disparities leaving some places to decay while others thrive?

These data suggest without a vigorous lead city, a region can stagnate. Lead cities provide jobs, plus retail, medical and entertainment services desired by the outlying areas.

Are lead cities necessary in the internet era? Do your candidates for office in 2022 have anything to offer on the subject?

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## Education is key to growth

By MICHAEL J. HICKS

Over the past 30 years, companies in the United States have added 40 million jobs. This is a remarkable achievement that enriches Americans and dramatically improves our standard of living. As we think about this growth, it is helpful to consider what type of jobs have been created, what types of workers are hired and what these facts tell us about the types of economic policies we pursue at the state and local level.

I'll begin by dividing all job types into two categories. The first are "global" jobs. These are jobs that produce a good or service that is sold mostly outside the region in which it is produced. Think of manufactured goods such as automobiles or RVs, agricultural commodities, petroleum products, software or medicines. The "global" definition also includes services such as website design and development, back office financial services and, increasingly, medical diagnostics.

The other type of job is a "local" job. These jobs produce goods and services that are consumed locally. So, preparing a meal in a restaurant, mixing cement, teaching school or litigating a court case are done primarily for local consumers. So are physician and nursing services, lawn care and home construction, retail, childcare and grocery sales.

Of course, not all jobs fit neatly into these categories; maybe 2% of jobs could fit either definition, but that doesn't really change the overall point I'm trying to make. Also, by local I mean a product or service is sold in the same city or in the same and neighboring counties. This means I'm counting a GM assembly plant worker as having a "global" job even if she buys a GM car.

Over the past 30 years, the U.S. has lost between 2 million and 7 million "global" jobs. That means of the 40 million net new jobs in the U.S. since 1992, a total of between 42 million to 47 million are 'local' jobs. No U.S. state, and very few cities, have more 'global' jobs than they did in the spring of 1992.

Chasing these "global" jobs has been the primary economic development policy for many state and local governments for the last 50 years. Every tax incentive, every tax abatement, every business-friendly tax cut or regulatory change is couched in terms of attracting these businesses. So, on the face of it, these are hun-

### Michael J. Hicks



dreds of billions of tax dollars spent over the past 30 years chasing a declining number of jobs.

This pursuit is puzzling, but not as bewildering as the fact that most of the policies that focus on attracting business shift resources, mostly tax dollars, take away from the very things that attract the "local" jobs. These are good schools, clean and safe neighborhoods, parks and the like.

To be fair, most successful state and local governments have shifted focus away from attracting "global" jobs to nurturing their "local" jobs. Sadly, many economically unsuccessful places are still chasing the rapidly disappearing "global" jobs. In fact, one way to measure the economic vitality of region is simply to measure how much money is spent attracting jobs. The more resources a community spends in trying to lure "global" jobs, the more unsuccessful it is, and the more desperate it becomes.

All of this primes the question, who is getting these new "local" jobs and how well do they pay? When I was a young lad, many Americans disparaged "local" jobs. They were primarily service sector jobs, as they are today. Back then, one in three Americans worked in factories. Today, it is one in 13, and the share continues to shrink.

The great American employment growth of the past 30 years has been in these "local" jobs. As it turns out, these new jobs have gone overwhelmingly to college graduates. Nationwide, over the past three decades more than 8 in 10 net new jobs went to folks with a four-year college degree or more. That is over 32 million jobs.

The remaining 8 million jobs went to folks who earned an associate's degree or had some college training. Sadly, the data don't distinguish between the two groups. Folks without any college training or who have less than a high school diploma comprise fewer jobs than they did in 1992. American companies hire fewer workers without college than they did 30 years ago. This doesn't mean there aren't good jobs for people who don't

go to college. Plumbers, electricians, carpenters and welders retire every year, which creates continual turnover in these sectors. There just won't be growth in these occupations.

However, the declining demand for workers without a college degree means that there won't be net growth in these sectors. This is not new. Demand for college graduates has been rising for 75 years, while demand for high school graduates has been in decline over the same time. It is safe to say that nearly all the net job growth over the next several decades will be for college graduates.

Of course, some have argued that many of these college graduates are underemployed or holding jobs that don't require a college degree. That's an issue to take seriously. Fortunately, it is a hypothesis that is easy to test, simply by looking at wages. Businesses won't pay more for education they don't need, so if there is widespread underemployment among college graduates, it should be visible in wage data. Increasing or widespread underemployment will mean lower wages for college graduates relative to everyone else.

It turns out that not only is nearly all job growth concentrated among college graduates, that is where most of the wage growth occurs as well. Over the past 30 years, the wage premium for college graduates relative to high school graduates has risen by more than 5.0%. In the 21st century alone, 82.4% of inflation-adjusted wage increases that accrued to people with a high school diploma or higher went to college graduates.

What does all this mean about economic development policy for states and cities? I think the first lesson is that places that focus chiefly on attracting business should better prepare themselves for continued disappointment. Second, the future of wage and employment growth belongs to regions with high levels of college graduates. States and cities that wish to grow their economy will have to focus more on educating and keeping these workers.

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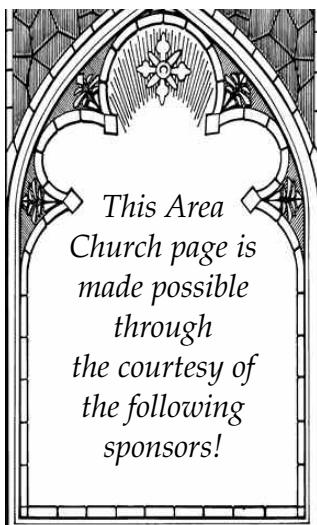
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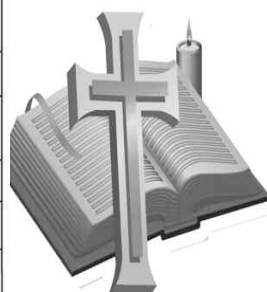
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204 E. Arch St., Portland  
Joe Boggs  
(260) 726-8464  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
asburyministries.org

**Banner Christian Assembly of God**  
1217 W. Votaw St., Portland  
Michael Burk  
(260) 726-4282  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Bellefontain United Methodist**  
440 S. 600 East  
Gordon Jackson  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Bethel United Methodist**  
Indiana 167, 4 miles north of Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Bluff Point Friends**  
80 E. 650 South  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Boundary St. Paul**  
Corner of Treaty Line Road and county road 300 East  
Ava Gannon  
(260) 726-2373  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Bryant Wesleyan**  
209 S. Hendricks St.  
Paul VanCise  
(260) 997-6231  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.  
bryantwesleyanchurch.com

**Calvary United Methodist**  
301 N. Main St., Dunkirk  
Susan Durovey-Antrim  
(765) 499-0368  
Services: 10 a.m.  
susan.duroveyantrim@in.unc.org

**Christ Chapel**  
105 S. Elm St., Fort Recovery  
Quentin Elsea  
(419) 733-1469  
christchapelfr.com

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1209 S. Shank St., Portland  
Bob Graham  
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Services: 10:20 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

**Church of the Living God (Miracle Missions)**  
8472 S. 800 East, Union City  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Church of God of Prophecy**  
797 N. Creagor Ave., Portland  
Nanette Weesner  
(260) 766-9334  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nanybell@yahoo.com

**Church of the Brethren**  
Floral and Chicago avenues, Portland  
Kevin McClung  
(260) 729-7295  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Church of the Living God**  
South Broad Street, Dunkirk  
Services: 7 p.m., 7 p.m. Friday

**Collett Nazarene**  
450 South, 1 mile west of U.S. 27  
Billy Stanton  
(260) 251-2403  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Cornerstone Baptist**  
211 E. Main St., Portland  
Wayne Ward  
(260) 726-7714  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Dunkirk Nazarene**  
226 E. Center St., Dunkirk  
Tom Felt  
(765) 768-6199  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Evangelical Methodist**  
930 W. Main St., Portland  
Steve Arnold  
(260) 251-0970  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Fairview United Methodist/Jay County**  
2875 E. 200 South  
Gordon Jackson  
Lay leader: Beth Stephen  
(260) 726-9184  
Services: 10:15 a.m.

**Faith Community**  
9560 W. 200 South, Dunkirk  
Joe Schmit  
(260) 251-5254  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Family Worship Center**  
200 E. Elder St., Portland  
Ronald Willis  
(260) 726-4844  
Services: 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wednesday  
thefamilyworshipcenter.org

**Fellowship Baptist**  
289 S. 200 West  
Hugh Kelly  
(260) 726-8873  
Services: 10 a.m.  
pastorkelly@fbc-portland.com

**First American Baptist**  
427 S. Main St., Dunkirk  
Dan Coffman  
(765) 768-7157  
Services: 10:40 a.m., 5 p.m.

**First Church of Christ**  
1049 Union City Road, Fort Recovery  
David J. Nicholson  
(419) 375-2860  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
fccfcrecovery.org

**First Community Baptist**  
341 S. Meridian St., Redkey  
Everett Bilbrey Jr.  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**First Free Will Baptist**  
12369 W. 600 South, Dunkirk  
Marion Donathan  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday

**First Presbyterian**  
402 N. Ship St., Portland  
Rev. M. Rex Espiritu  
(260) 726-8462  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10:15 a.m.  
firstpcportland.org

**Fort Recovery Church of the Nazarene**  
401 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Revs. Brad and Kate Ratliff  
(419) 375-4680  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
frnaz@frontier.com

**Fort Recovery United Methodist**  
309 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Rev. David Porath  
Rev. James Stilwell  
(419) 678-2071  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Full Gospel Lighthouse Tabernacle**  
468 E. Washington St., Dunkirk  
Robert Thomas  
(765) 348-4620  
Services: 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Thursday

**Geneva First United Methodist**  
100 W. Line St., Geneva  
Barry McCune  
(260) 368-7655  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Geneva Nazarene**  
225 Decatur St., Geneva  
(260) 525-8609  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.  
Prayer meeting: 6 p.m. Wednesday

**Gilead Church**  
County road 650 North, one-quarter mile east of Balbec  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Hickory Grove Church of the Brethren**  
Indiana 1 and Indiana 26  
Earl Doll  
(260) 731-4477  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**High Street United Methodist**  
435 High St., Geneva  
Rev. Joseph Hampton  
(260) 368-7233  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Holy Trinity Catholic**  
7321 E. Indiana 67, Bryant  
Fr. Peter Logsdon  
Services: 8:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Saturday  
churchofthemostholyltrinity.com

**Hopewell of Life Ministries**  
County road 200 South, 2 miles east of Indiana 1  
Rev. Ruth Funk  
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**Mount Tabor United Methodist**  
216 W. Pleasant St., Dunkirk  
John Retter  
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Services: 9 a.m.

**Mount Zion United Methodist**  
County roads 600 East and 200 North  
Rev. Darrell Borders  
(260) 726-4786  
Services: 9 a.m.

**New Beginnings Holiness Church of Blaine**  
4017 W. 200 South  
Randy Smith  
(260) 251-2406  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nbholiness.com

**New Covenant Fellowship**  
1238 W. 450 South  
Chuck Myers  
(260) 251-0063  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**New Life Ministries**  
415 S. Helen St., Portland  
Dr. Kay Fairchild  
(260) 755-6354  
Services: 4 p.m.  
drkayfairchild.com

**New Mt. Pleasant United Methodist**  
5905 S. Como Road  
Tim Wallace  
(765) 499-7838  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Noble Congregational Christian**  
1964 N. 800 East  
Aaron Huey  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Oak Grove United Methodist**  
829 S. Indiana 1  
Mark Dennis  
(765) 730-3770  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Pennville United Methodist**  
190 W. Main St., Pennville  
Gary Newton  
(765) 669-1070  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Pleasant Hill**  
9945 N. 800 East, Union City  
Bruce Bryan  
(765) 964-3664  
Services: 9 a.m., 6 p.m.  
mypleasanthillchurch.org

**Portland First Church of Nazarene**  
920 S. Shank St., Portland  
Steve Cecil  
(260) 726-8040  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Portland Friends**  
226 E. Main St., Portland  
Herb Hummel  
(260) 202-9732  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.

**Praise Chapel Church of God**  
4527 E. 1000 North (Jay-Randolph county line)  
Rev. David Parry  
(765) 584-7045  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redeemer Lutheran**  
Malin and Elm streets, Bryant  
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(260) 997-6787  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Redkey Faith Ministries**  
9811 W. Indiana 67, southwest of Redkey  
Rev. Craig and Robin Cotherman  
(765) 369-2920  
Services: 10 a.m.  
RedkeyFaith.org

**Redkey First Christian**  
Union and Malin streets, Redkey  
Jeff Hammers  
(765) 468-6172  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Redkey United Methodist**  
122 W. Main St., Redkey  
Lori McIntosh  
(765) 369-2085  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redkey Church of the Nazarene**  
801 W. High St.  
Chuck Hollandbeck  
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**River of Life**  
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**The ROCK**  
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Matt Ransom  
(260) 726-7474  
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matt@therockjc.org

**Salamonia Church of Christ**  
3900 S. 600 East  
Bruce Phillips  
(260) 335-2017  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Second Chance at Life Ministries**  
228 S. Meridian St., Portland  
Dave Keen (260) 251-8792  
Mike Eads (260) 703-0733  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**St. James Lutheran**  
County road 600 East, south of county road 400 South  
Robin Owen  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
pastorrobino@gmail.com

**St. Joseph Catholic**  
1689 St. Joe Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
Services: 7:30 a.m. Sunday

**St. Mary's Catholic**  
346 S. Broad St., Dunkirk  
Rev. Kevin Hurley  
Services: 5 p.m. Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

**St. Paul Catholic**  
517 Meiring Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
Services: 8:30 a.m. Sunday

**St. Peter Catholic**  
1477 Philothea Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Ned Brown  
Services: 10 a.m. Sunday

**Sugar Grove Nazarene**  
County roads 400 North and 550 West  
Rev. Mike Heckman  
(260) 731-4733  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m. (the 2nd and 4th Sunday at Pennville Park from June through September)

**Sugar Grove United Methodist**  
County roads 600 South and 1150 West, Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Temple Baptist**  
Indiana 167, between Dunkirk and Albany  
(765) 768-7708  
Services: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday

**Trinity Lutheran**  
301 N. Wayne St., Fort Recovery  
Robin Owen  
(419) 375-4498  
Services: 9 a.m. (contemporary service, fourth Sunday)  
pastorrobino@gmail.com

**Trinity United Methodist**  
323 S. Meridian St., Portland  
Joe Boggs  
(260) 726-8391  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10:30 a.m.  
portlandtrinity.com

**Union Chapel**  
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Services: 10:20 a.m., 6 p.m.

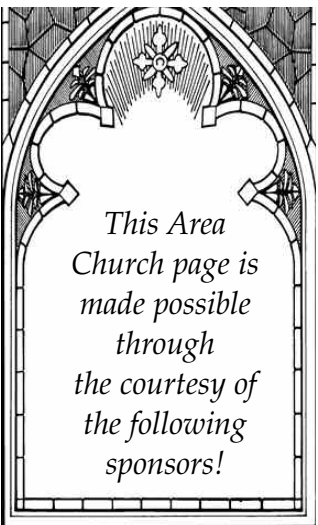
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County road 900 North (Jay-Wells county line)  
Fred Stevens  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Walnut Corner**  
County roads 200 North and 500 West  
Steve Rogers  
(260) 251-1113  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Westchester United Methodist**  
4487 E. 400 North  
(260) 726-6311  
Services: 10:35 a.m.

**West Walnut Church of Christ**  
204 W. Walnut St., Portland  
Gil Allicea  
(260) 726-4691  
Services: 10 a.m.  
westwalnutchurchofchrist.org

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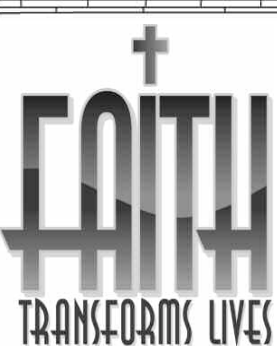
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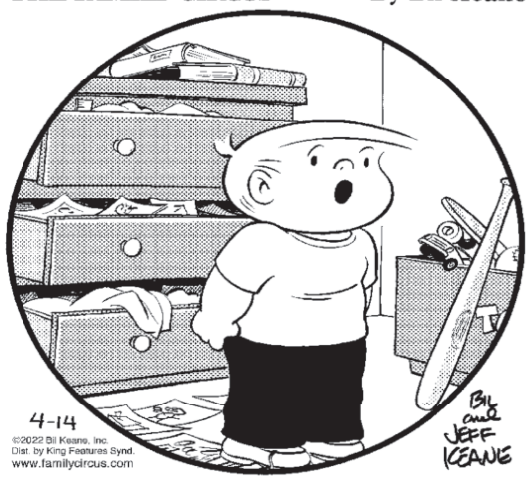
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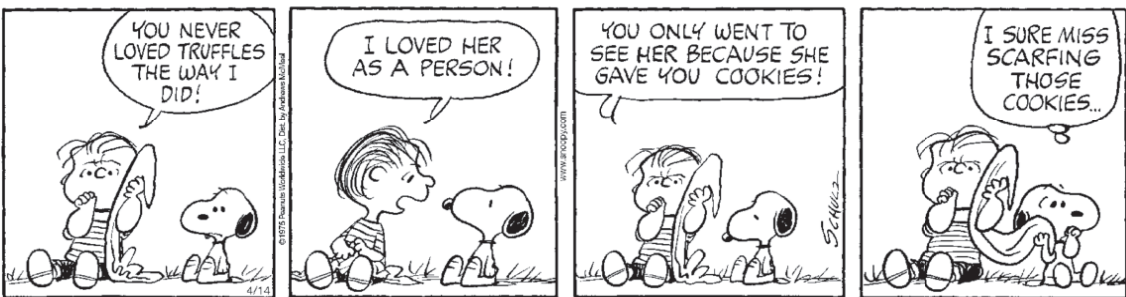
THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



4-14 "Mommy, do you remember where I hid the Easter card I made for you?"

Peanuts



# Collegiate ...

Continued from page 8  
LeFevre and teammates Justin Rhee, Eric Galante and Manuel Guzman posted a fifth-place finish in the 4x100-meter relay. They recorded a time of 44.2 seconds.  
The junior was also 10th in both the 100 dash in 11.13 and the 200 dash with a time of 22.31.

## Wyatt Geesaman Jay County - 2019

Pitched for the Lincoln Trail Community College baseball team Saturday in a 10-6 loss to Southwestern Illinois.  
Geesaman started and tossed 2 1/3 innings for the Statesman. He allowed five runs on five hits and three walks

while recording three strikeouts. He departed the game with Lincoln Trail leading 6-5, but lost an opportunity to be involved in the decision when Southwestern Illinois scored four times in the bottom of the fifth inning.

## Chloe Will Audrey Guggenbiller Fort Recovery - 2019

Ran for the Tiffin University women's track team in Monday's meet in the Warrior Open at Indiana Tech.  
Will crossed the finish line in 5 minutes, 12.82 seconds, in the 1,500-meter run. She finished 21st out of 42 competitors.

Guggenbiller was 33rd in the 800 run in 2:36.28.

## Nick Hayden Jay County - 2017 Collin Haynes Jay County - 2018

Competed for the Indiana University - South Bend men's golf team April 8 and 9 at the Lawrence Tech University Invitational.  
Haynes and Hayden each shot better in the opening round of the tournament at TPC Deer Run in Silvis, Illinois, with the former carding an 81 while the latter shot an 83.  
Haynes went on to shoot 164 for the tournament to tie for 82nd. Hayden finished with a 169, tying for 90th.

# All-State ...

Continued from page 8  
Patterson, the Home-stead senior, averaged 25.8 points, 11.8 rebounds, 2.5 assists and 2.0 blocks before losing to Shade and the Millers in the regional semifinal.  
Shade and Patterson were both second-team

selections last year and are expected to resume their personal battle in 2023-24 — as teammates with the powerhouse Huskies.  
Mila Reynolds of Class 3A state champion South Bend Washington, Jessica Carrothers of Crown Point and Alyssa Crockett of

Westfield round out the first team. Shade is the only non-senior of the group.  
Reynolds is headed to Maryland after scoring 21 points in Washington's 93-35 title game rout over Silver Creek. She averaged 21.6 points and 8.1

Carrothers, an IUPUI recruit, scored 20.7 points and dished out 3.6 assists, leading Crown Point to its second straight Class 4A final four.  
She won last season's state title and made the first team for the second straight year.

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**PROBATION OFFICER-HIRING** Bachelor's degree required. Related field of study preferred. Submit resume & references by April 20, 2022, to Judge Hutchison, 120 N Court Street Ste 316, Portland, IN 47371.

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The Work shall include: approximately 3,400 linear feet of pipe ranging from 12-inch to 48-inch, 40 storm structures including manholes and inlets, and all associated excavation, bedding, backfill, testing, pavement repair, water main and water service lowering/relocation, erosion control, maintenance of traffic, site restoration, and all other incidental work required for a complete installation. Add Alternate work shall include approximately 2,050 linear feet of pipe abandonment, abandonment of 4 structures, and all associated excavation, bedding, backfill, testing, pavement repair, erosion control, maintenance of traffic, site restoration, and all other incidental work required for a complete installation.

Work shall be constructed under a Unit Price Contract. Bids shall be properly and completely executed on a State Board of Accounts Form 96 (Revised 2013). Each Bid shall be accompanied by the Contractor's Bid Attachment (included with the Contract Specifications) to Form 96, a Financial Statement (completely filled out and signed) and a bid security in the form of an acceptable certified check payable to the Owner or an acceptable Bidder's bond, in an amount of not less than 5% of the total bid price, in accordance with the Contract Specifications. The Contract will be awarded in accordance with the provisions of IC 5-16-13 for Public Works projects awarded after June 30, 2015. Pursuant to IC 5-16-13-7, the provisions of the law are incorporated by reference.

The construction of the project is expected to be funded in part by a grant from the State Water Infrastructure Fund , as administered by the Indiana Finance Authority. The construction of the project is also expected to be funded in part by American Rescue Plan Act funds as administered by the Indiana Finance Authority. The Contractor to whom the Work is awarded shall comply with all requirements of said agency. DOC-Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Advertisement for Bids or any resulting contract.

In accordance with the Davis-Bacon requirements, all contractor and subcontractors are required to pay not less than the Federal prevailing wage rates published by the U.S. Department of Labor for each classification of Work performed on this project. Bidders are notified that there is a 7% MBE and 5% WBE participation goal on this project.

A conditional or qualified bid will not be accepted. Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder and must be approved by the State Water Infrastructure Fund as administered by the Indiana Finance Authority. For contracts over \$300,000.00, in accordance with IC 5-16-13-10 and IC 8-23-10-0.5, Contractor must be qualified under either IC 4-13-6.4 or IC 8-23-10 (Indiana Department of Administration or Indiana Department of Transportation) before doing any Work on a Public Works project.

In accordance with IC 22-5-1.7-11.1, Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner, and contractors of any tier as defined in IC 5-16-13-4, will be required to enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all newly hired employees through the E-Verify program (effective July 1, 2011), and comply with the reporting requirements of IC 5-16-13-11.

Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner will be required to provide an Indiana Iran Investment Certification.

In accordance with IC 5-16-13-11, Contractor shall submit an Employee Drug Testing Plan with their Bid and contractors of any tier as defined in IC 5-16-13-4 must comply with the drug testing requirements set forth in IC 4-13-18. Contractors shall complete a Drug Testing Plan Certification to be submitted with their Bid.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or minor defects in bids or bidding procedure, or reject any and all bids, or to accept the bid from the lowest most responsible and responsive bidder as exclusively determined by the Owner. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. No Bidder may withdraw a bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Should there be reasons why the contract cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the Owner and the Bidder determined by the Owner to be the lowest most responsible and responsive.

Submission of a signed Bid by the Bidder constitutes acknowledgment of and acceptance of all the documents and terms and conditions of the Contractual Legal Requirements and Technical Sections of the specifications in the Project Manual. The Contractor to whom the Work is awarded will be required to furnish an acceptable Performance and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the contract price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The Contractor to whom the Work is awarded will be required to purchase and maintain insurance coverage as described in the Contract Documents on an "occurrence basis". Copies of the Drawings and Specifications for the Work are on file (for viewing purposes only) at Portland City Hall, 321 North Meridian Street, Portland, IN 47371; and the Engineer's office, Wessler Engineering, 6219 South East Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46227, Telephone (317) 788-4551. All copies are distributed to Contractors and other interested parties by Wessler Engineering, Inc. (www.wesslerengineering.com/planroom/) for a non-refundable fee. A complete digital set of bidding documents is available for \$200.00. A complete hard copy set of bidding documents is available for \$300.00.

An up-to-date Planholders List may be viewed at http://wesslerengineering.com/planroom/.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 10 a.m. (local time) on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at the Council Chambers in Portland, Indiana. Bidders are encouraged to attend the Pre-Bid Conference.

City of Portland, Indiana  
John Boggs, Mayor  
Attest: Lori Phillips, Clerk Treasurer

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# Sports on tap

## Local schedule

**Today**  
Jay County — Boys golf vs. Wapahani - 4:30 p.m.; Softball vs. Fort Recovery - 5 p.m.; Track vs. Delta and Yorktown - 5 p.m.; Baseball vs. Yorktown - 5 p.m.; Girls tennis vs. Bluffton - 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Muncie Central - 5 p.m.; Junior high golf vs. Winchester Driver - 4:30 p.m.; Junior high track three-team meet at Monroe Central - 5 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — Baseball vs. New Knoxville - 5 p.m.; Softball at Jay County - 5 p.m.

**Friday**  
Jay County — Softball at Norwell - 5 p.m.; JV softball vs. Norwell - 5 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — JV softball vs. Minister - 5 p.m.

## TV schedule

**Today**  
5:14 p.m. — Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Milwaukee Brewers (BALLY)  
7 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Toronto Blue Jays at New York Yankees or Los Angeles Angels at Texas Rangers (MLBN)  
8 p.m. — NHL hockey: Minnesota Wild at Dallas Stars (ESPN)  
10:10 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Cincinnati Reds at Los Angeles Dodgers (BALLY)

**Friday**  
1 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Arizona Diamondbacks at New York Mets or Minnesota Twins at Boston Red Sox (MLBN)  
3 p.m. — NASCAR racing: Camping World Truck Series - Pinty's Truck Race on Dirt, practice (FS1)  
4 p.m. — NASCAR racing: Cup Series - Food City Dirt Race, final practice (FS1)  
5:30 p.m. — NASCAR racing: Camping

World Truck Series - Pinty's Truck Race on Dirt, practice (FS1)  
6:30 p.m. — NASCAR racing: Cup Series - Food City Dirt Race, final practice (FS1)  
7 p.m. — College baseball: Florida at Vanderbilt (ESPN2)  
7:30 p.m. — NBA basketball: Playin game - TBD at Cleveland Cavaliers (ESPN)  
8 p.m. — College baseball: Minnesota at Iowa (BTN)  
8:10 p.m. — Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Milwaukee Brewers (BALLY)  
10 p.m. — NBA basketball: Play-in game - TBD at Los Angeles Clippers (TNT)  
10 p.m. — College baseball: Stanford at UCLA (ESPN2)

## Local notes

**Race is moved to April 23**  
Jay Community Center's Sprint to Spring 5K has been moved to April 23. It will kick off the annual Jay County 5K Circuit.  
Registration is \$20. A tech t-shirt is a \$10 add on, while a cotton t-shirt is a \$5 add on.  
The race begins and ends at Jay Community Center, and will go through Hudson Family Park.  
For more information, contact Jay Community Center at (260) 726-6477.

**Boomer registration is open**  
Registration is now open for Jay Community Center's Boomer T-Ball and Coach Pitch.

The program is open to boys and girls ages 3 through 6. Games will be played Saturdays at Portland Junior League fields.  
Cost is \$55 before May 16, and registration includes t-shirt, hat and practice ball. Multiple child discounts are available. For more information, contact Jay Community Center at (260) 726-6477.

## Public Notice

STATE OF INDIANA  
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CAUSE NO.  
38C01-2204-MI-000013  
HEATHER CLEMMONS,  
Plaintiff,  
vs  
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JOHN R. HARE,  
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ASSN.,  
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FEDERAL CREDIT UNION,  
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**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**  
Notice is hereby given to the following named persons who may claim some interest in the following described real estate and whose whereabouts are unknown or some or all of whom are unknown to the Plaintiff, to wit: "SEE DEFENDANTS LISTED ABOVE"

You have been sued in the above-entitled action to Quiet Title to the following described real estate located in Jay County, Indiana, to wit:

Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot #3 in Sullivan's Addition to the Town (now City) of Dunkirk, Jay County, Indiana; thence East along the North line of Washington Street a distance of Forty-five (45) feet from the point of beginning; thence N 00 degrees 29' 00" seconds East parallel to the west line of Lot #3 a distance of Ninety (90) feet to an iron pin; thence S 89 degrees 59' 00" West parallel to the north line of Washington Street a distance of Forty-five (45) feet to an iron pin on the west line of Lot #3; thence N 00 degrees 29' 00" East along the west line of Lot #3 a distance of Sixty (60) feet to an iron pin; thence N 89 degrees 59' 00" East parallel to the north line of Washington Street a distance of Ninety (90) feet to an iron pin along an old fence line; thence S 00 degrees 29' 00" West parallel to the west line of Lot #3 a distance of One hundred fifty (150) feet to an iron pin on the north line of Washington Street; thence S 89 degrees 59' 00" seconds West along the north line of Washington Street a distance of Forty-five (45) feet to the place of beginning.

Consisting of the E 1/2 of the W 1/2 of Lot #3 also part of the south end of the N 1/2 of Lot #3 and the entire south side of the N 1/2 of the W 1/2 of Lot #3, Sullivan's Addition to Dunkirk, Indiana. Parcel Number: 38-09-09-203-130-000-014; Address: 422 E. Washington St., Dunkirk, Indiana.

That unless you appear in person or by counsel and respond to the allegations of said complaint within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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David J. Karnes, #22847-18  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
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# Sports



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## Signed with Spartans

Jay County High School seniors Quinn Faulkner and Crosby Heniser both signed Wednesday to continue their athletic careers at Manchester University. Faulkner will play football and baseball for the Spartans. Heniser will play baseball. Pictured with Heniser and Faulker (center), from left, are Heniser's father Corey, brother Peyton and mother Connie Griesinger and Faulkner's mother Holly, sister Faith, brother Gabe and father John.

## Former Patriot pitches HU to victory

A former Patriot helped pitch the Foresters to a victory.

Noah Arbuckle, a 2020 Jay County High School graduate, started for the **Collegiate Check-up** the Huntington University baseball team Saturday in its 17-7 victory over Indiana Wesleyan.

Arbuckle went 5 1/3 innings for the Foresters (16-13), leaving the game with his team up 10-2 in the top of the sixth inning. Two more runs that were his responsibility came across the plate as he allowed four earned in all on seven hits and three walks. He struck out two batters.

With 10 appearances on the mound this season, Arbuckle is 3-0 with 30 strikeouts in 40.2 innings.

### Robby LeFevre FRHS - 2019

Was part of a top-five relay for the Fordham University men's track team Saturday at the 2022 Metropolitan Championship in Icahn Stadium in Randall's Island, New York.

See **Collegiate** page 7

## Shade leads AP All-State team

By **BRYAN GASKINS**  
Associated Press Writer

Ashlynn Shade and Ayanna Patterson battled all season for Indiana's top high school honors.

Shade was the state's Gatorade Player of the Year. Patterson won the coveted IndyStar Miss Basketball Award.

Naturally, the two UConn recruits also received the most votes on this year's Associated Press all-state team — with Shade, the 5-foot-10 junior, narrowly outdistancing Patterson as the top vote-getter in this year's balloting.

The results from a statewide panel of sports writers, broadcast-

ers and coaches were announced Wednesday. Players are chosen regardless of grade level or the class their schools compete. The boys all-state teams is scheduled to be released today.

Shade's selection was a fitting conclusion to a spectacular season in which she scored a record-tying

31 points in Noblesville's 76-52 victory over Franklin in the Class 4A state championship game. She averaged 20.9 points, 8.3 rebounds and 4.1 assists, shooting 47.8% from the field and made 38 of 39 free throws in seven tournament games as the Millers went 25-4.

See **All-State** page 7

## Raiders' Carr gets extension

By **W.G. RAMIREZ**  
Associated Press

HENDERSON, Nev. — Through a season of turmoil, Derek Carr performed at his best. So the Las Vegas Raiders have given the veteran quarterback a three-year contract extension.

The extension is worth \$121.5 million, a person with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press, speaking Wednesday on condition of anonymity.

Despite all of the issues with the Raiders last season, including the resignation of coach Jon Gruden, Carr helped them to the playoffs as a wild card in the tough AFC West. He threw for a career-high 4,804 yards and 23 touchdowns as Las Vegas went 10-7 before losing at Cincinnati in the postseason.

"I've only wanted to be a Raider again and I told my agent (Tim

Younger), I said, 'I'm either gonna be a Raider or I'm gonna be playing golf.' I don't want to play anywhere else," Carr said during Wednesday's news conference. "That's how much this place means to me."

Carr said it also meant a lot for him to structure the contract so the team could keep key components around him for a long time while building "a championship team."

"We made sure guys like Chandler (Jones), guys like Davante (Adams), guys like hopefully Hunter (Renfrow), and Foster (Moreau) and those guys can stay here," said Carr, the longest-tenured quarterback in the AFC. "I went through a heartbreak already the last time I signed my contract, my best friend (Khalil Mack) left. And I didn't want that to ever happen again."

"This was an opportunity for me to prove to the team, to the organization, to our fans, that the way we're gonna

structure this is so we can keep everyone together and really have real continuity, really have something to build on."

An eight-year veteran, Carr, 31, was entering the final year of his deal, worth nearly \$19.8 million in base salary. That contract was for five years at \$125 million, the richest in the NFL at the time he signed it in 2017.

He said he told his agent he was willing to play out his contract if it wasn't extended.

"At the end of the day I want to be a Raider and I am crazy enough to go out there on one year, especially with the guys that'll be around me. I said I'll take that chance," he said. "Thankfully, it'll be four more. Hopefully, we can build on that and I can finish and just do what I set out to do nine years ago, and that is to win a championship."

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