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## Ready to crown

Jay County High School will crown its prom queen and king on Saturday night. Pictured, front row from left, are queen and king candidates Grace Brewster, Kess McBride, Lindy Wood, Lucas Lyons and Ozlynn Detro. Back row are Mattie Ardizzone, Konner Sommers, Lilly Hedges, Aidan Garlinger, Hannah Muhlenkamp and Jared Faller. Not pictured is Jayden Maymi.

## HIS will repair road

*Section of 100 North damaged during project*

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

County road 100 north will be repaired.

Portland Board of Aviation on Wednesday approved an agreement with HIS Constructors of Indianapolis for repairs to the road that was damaged during the first phase of Portland Municipal Airport's runway extension project.

Jay County Commissioners had approved the agreement at their April 11 meeting.

HIS Constructors is the contractor on the first phase of the airport's runway extension project, which involves leveling the land to the west of the current runway. Dirt used to level the area was transported from the property of Greg and Cindy Whitenack at 1338 W. 100 North to the airport (661 W. 100 North). That section of road was damaged.

The city and HIS negotiated a contract for repairing the road.

"What it outlines is that HIS will pay someone to come in and do an asphalt overlay on the road that they damaged by running off-road equipment up and down the road repeatedly after being told not to, at no cost to the airport or the city," said Jason Clearwaters of engineering firm Butler, Fairman and Seufert.

The aviation board will not release retainage related to the airport project to HIS until the road has been repaired.

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## Gas tax will reach a new high

By DAN CARDEN  
The Times (Munster)  
Tribune News Service

Hoosier motorists will be paying a total of 74.5 cents in taxes for each gallon of gasoline they purchase in May — the highest amount in Indiana history.

The Indiana Department of Revenue announced Wednesday the state's gasoline sales tax rate next month will be 24.1 cents per gallon, a 10% increase compared to April's gasoline sales tax rate and 60% higher than May 2021.

Indiana is one of 16 states, including Illinois and Michigan, where gasoline purchases are subject to sales tax. The

### Indiana Department of Revenue announces rate will be 24.1 cents

sales tax rate in Indiana is 7%.

But Indiana does not require gas station operators to recalculate the sales tax they collect from motorists each time the price of gas goes up or down.

Instead, the state revenue agency sets a statewide gasoline sales tax rate — based on the average price of gasoline

in the preceding month — that all Indiana filling stations must apply to gasoline purchases for the entire next month.

During the most recent evaluation period, March 16 through April 15, the wholesale price of gasoline soared, primarily due to the oil market impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

As a result, the average

pre-tax price of gasoline in Indiana during that period was \$3.44 per gallon, leading to a May gasoline sales tax rate of 24.1 cents per gallon.

There's no cap on Indiana's gasoline sales tax rate, so if wholesale gas prices continue increasing the state sales tax rate will go up in tandem.

May is just the second month it's been over 20

cents per gallon after April's rate was set at 21.9 cents per gallon.

Indiana also imposes a separate 32 cents per gallon gasoline tax. As recently as June 30, 2017, the state's gasoline tax rate was just 18 cents per gallon, according to the Department of Revenue.

That year, the Republican-controlled General Assembly, led by state Rep. Ed Soliday, R-Valparaiso, and Republican Gov. Eric Holcomb hiked the gasoline tax by 10 cents per gallon, and authorized annual 1 cent inflation adjustments through 2024, to fund a massive road construction program.

See **Tax** page 2

## Assistance announced

By AAMER MADHANI,  
ROBERT BURNS  
and DARLENE SUPERVILLE  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden on Thursday announced an additional \$800 million in military aid to help Ukraine fight back in its strong but increasingly difficult battle against the Russian invasion, but he also warned that Congress will need to approve additional assistance if the U.S. is to keep up its support.

The new military package includes much needed heavy artillery, 144,000 rounds of ammunition, and drones for Ukrainian forces in the escalating battle for the Donbas region of eastern Ukraine. It builds on roughly \$2.6 billion in military assistance that Biden had previously approved.

The aid, Biden said, will be sent "directly to the front lines of freedom."

"Putin is banking on us losing interest," Biden said. The Russian president is betting that "Western unity will crack ... and

### An additional \$800 million in military aid is headed to Ukraine

once again we're going to prove him wrong."

Biden also announced that all Russian-affiliated ships would be barred from U.S. ports.

And he announced that the United States would provide an additional \$500 million in direct economic assistance to the Ukrainian government. That raises the total U.S. economic support to \$1 billion since Russia's invasion began nearly two months ago.

He said that \$13.6 billion approved last month by Congress for military and humanitarian assistance was "almost exhausted."

"Next week, I'm going to have

to be sending to Congress a supplemental budget request to keep weapons and ammunition deployed without interruption," Biden said. Congress has signaled it is receptive to further requests and has been expecting there would be a need for further help for the Ukrainians.

Biden did not detail how much additional funding he would request, adding that he was consulting with defense officials on the matter.

Biden spoke on the new assistance, and more broadly about the situation in Ukraine, hours after Russian President Vladimir Putin claimed victory in the strategic city of Mariupol.



Tribune News Service/Kansas City Star/Jill Toyoshiba

## Migrants stranded

Family and friends of Manuel Guzman held a rally Monday for justice for the 14-year-old Northeast Middle School, Kansas City, student who was fatally stabbed by another student. Guzman's uncle Juan Guzman questioned security at the school as he shouted toward the campus at school security officers and administrators. At one point about 100 students joined them from behind barriers at the school.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 61 degrees Wednesday. The low was 50.

Tonight's low will be 49 with showers possible after midnight

and continuing into Friday. Skies will be partly sunny Friday with a high of 69.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

Need to fill out a birth announcement, engagement or wedding form to have your special event announced in the newspaper? They're now available electronically. Just go to thecr.com, hover over "Forms" and select the form you'd like to fill out.

### Coming up

**Friday** — Results from tonight's JCHS baseball and softball games versus Woodlan.

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



# Repair ...

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Clearwaters said after the meeting that Milestone Contractors is expected to handle the paving work. The estimated cost of the repairs is just under \$55,000.

There is no timeline set for completing the paving, though Clearwaters said Wednesday he expects the work will be on hold until after HIS completes the first phase of the runway extension work. The company is expected to begin that work May 2 and be done by the end of that month.

The second phase — paving

and lighting — of the runway extension to 5,500 feet from the current 4,000 is expected to begin June 1 or soon after. The extended runway is expected to open this fall.

Also Wednesday, aviation board members Mitch Sutton, Clyde Bray and John Ferguson, absent Faron Parr, approved installing a new hydraulic door on a hangar at a cost of about \$16,500.

The airport has had frequent issues with the door and staff members have had difficulty finding parts to make repairs.

Board members agreed it would make sense to install one new door — it will come from Powerlift Hydraulic Doors — ahead of making more extensive hangar upgrades in the coming years. The facility's capital improvement plan includes about \$250,000 for hangar upgrades, which could include doors, lighting or other changes, over a two-year span in 2022 and 2023. (Construction would not likely begin until 2023.)

In other business, the board:  
• Heard from Tavzell that the airport sold 7,012 gallons of the

payments in the amounts of \$24,269.50 and \$5,275.64.

• Heard from Clearwaters that the grant applications to the FAA for this year have been modified. He said it is expected that the FAA will cover the bulk of the cost for a wildlife hazard assessment and wildlife management plan, as well as 20% of the design of a terminal apron expansion. The city will likely apply for a grant to cover the remaining 80% of the cost next year.

• Approved a contract with Rick Twigg for mowing at the airport.

## CR almanac

Friday 4/22	Saturday 4/23	Sunday 4/24	Monday 4/25	Tuesday 4/26
<b>69/57</b>	<b>82/63</b>	<b>81/53</b>	<b>62/39</b>	<b>55/33</b>
There's a chance of rain Friday, with thunderstorms possible in the evening.	Mostly sunny skies are expected Saturday, with the high climbing to 82 degrees.	Sunday's forecast shows a chance of rain. Thunderstorms are likely at night.	Another 50% chance of showers on Monday under mostly cloudy skies.	Mostly sunny skies are on the horizon for Tuesday, with a low of 33 degrees.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> 20-30-45-55-56 Power Ball: 14 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$400 million	Hoosier Lotto: 10-16-22-34-42-44 Estimated jackpot: \$10.6 million
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$22 million	<b>Ohio</b> Midday Pick 3: 4-1-9 Pick 4: 4-9-6-5 Pick 5: 7-6-8-2-2 Evening Pick 3: 6-1-4 Pick 4: 2-4-4-9 Pick 5: 1-4-2-3-3 Rolling Cash: 4-12-25-30-31 Classic Lotto: 15-20-23-25-28-44 Kicker: 8-8-4-9-7-2 Estimated jackpot: \$26.1 million
<b>Hoosier</b> Midday Daily Three: 5-1-0 Daily Four: 8-4-4-6 Evening Daily Three: 6-4-1 Daily Four: 3-1-6-1 Quick Draw: 4-10-11-15-16-19-20-22-29-33-41-44-45-46-52-62-63-72-78-79 Cash 5: 1-3-15-21-26	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....7.94 May corn.....7.99 Wheat .....8.87	Wheat ..... 9.93 May wheat ..... 9.93
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....7.97 May corn.....8.09 June corn .....8.14	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....7.88 May corn.....7.90 Beans .....17.21 May beans .....17.21 Wheat.....10.18
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....7.91 May corn.....7.91 Beans .....17.26 May beans .....17.26	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....7.91 May corn.....7.91 Beans .....17.02 May beans .....17.02 Wheat.....10.31

## Today in history

**On April 21, 1975,** with Communist forces closing in, South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu resigned after nearly 10 years in office and fled the country.

**In 1649,** the Maryland Toleration Act, providing for freedom of worship for all Christians, was passed by the Maryland assembly.

**In 1836,** an army of Texans led by Sam Houston defeated the Mexicans at San Jacinto, assuring Texas independence.

**In 1910,** author Samuel Langhorne Clemens, better known as Mark Twain, died in Redding, Connecticut, at age 74.

**In 1926,** Britain's Queen Elizabeth II was born in Mayfair, London; she was the first child of The Duke and Duchess of York, who later became King George VI and the Queen Mother.

**In 1930,** fire broke out inside the overcrowded Ohio Penitentiary in Columbus, killing 332 inmates.

**In 1972,** Portland High School students were finishing up a three-day series of "mini courses" a variety of areas including cooking, candle making and karate.

**In 1976,** clinical trials of the swine flu vaccine began in Washington, D.C.

**In 1980,** Rosie Ruiz was the first woman to cross the finish line at the Boston Marathon; however, she was later exposed as a fraud. (Canadian Jacqueline Gareau was named the actual winner of the women's race.)

—AP and The CR

## Citizen's calendar

**Today**  
5:30 p.m. — Redkey Town Council executive session, park cabin, 200 S. Mooney St.  
6 p.m. — Jay County Plan Commission, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.

6 p.m. — Redkey Town Council, park cabin, 200 S. Mooney St.

**Friday**  
8 a.m. — Portland Redevelopment Commission, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.



Photo provided

## Road \$ awarded

Jay County was recently awarded \$1 million from the Community Crossings grant offered by Indiana Department of Transportation. Pictured holding the award are Jay County highway superintendent Donnie Corn, governor Eric Holcomb, commissioner Rex Journey and state commissioner Michael Smith.

## Tax ...

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All gasoline purchases in the United States also are subject to an 18.4 cents per gallon federal gas tax, a rate that has not changed since 1993.

The high state taxes almost certainly ensure gasoline prices in Northwest Indiana will remain at or above \$4 per gallon through May unless the pre-tax price of gasoline

drops well below \$3 per gallon, or at least 10% less than its current level.

Statehouse Democrats attempted earlier this year to temporarily suspend the state's gasoline tax through June to immediately cut the price of gasoline for motorists in the state by 32 cents per gallon.

The General Assembly instead

approved House Enrolled Act 1002 that on July 1 eliminates the utility receipts tax, a 1.46% charge paid by businesses and consumers on a portion of their electricity, natural gas, water, steam, sewage and telephone bills, and next year cuts the state income tax rate to 3.15% from 3.23% — with the possibility of future reductions to 2.9%.

## Capsule Reports

### Backing accident

Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500 after a Portland woman backed her vehicle into a Pennville woman's car at the intersection of Adams and Meridian streets in Portland about 5:36 p.m. Tuesday.

Carrie S. Hambrock, 66, told Portland Police she was backing her 2013 Chevrolet Equinox out of a parking spot at Crossroads Financial Federal Credit Union. She didn't notice the 2000 Ford Excursion driven by 39-year-old

Rosa J. Eicher behind her and crashed into it.

### Resisting law

A Portland man allegedly resisting police drove off county road 750 West and into a ditch about 8:13 p.m. Wednesday.

Douglas W. Guntle, 44, was driving north on county road 750 West in Jay County and actively fleeing from a Blackford County officer, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report. He turned into a field and began driving west through the field.

The 2016 Chevrolet Equinox he was driving registered to Roger E. Secrest of Hartford City. It was

towed, with damage estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Guntle was booked into Blackford County Jail about 12:29 a.m. this morning with his bond set at \$1,005. His preliminary charges include a Level 6 felony for resisting law enforcement, a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana and a Class C misdemeanor for reckless driving.

The Chevrolet Equinox he was driving is registered to Roger E. Secrest of Hartford City. It was

### Pole hit

A Portland woman sideswiped a pole with her vehicle in the Walmart parking lot about 6:30 a.m. Monday.

Donna J. Shreeve, 61, was turning left at 950 W. Votaw St. and didn't notice a pole in the parking lot. Her 2013 Jeep Grand Cherokee sideswiped the pole, causing less than \$1,000 in estimated damage.

## Deeds

Brady A. Yoder to Scott A. Brown, warranty deed — Lot 15, Corwin and Jaqua Addition  
Daniel S. Farber to G and W Properties, deed affidavit — Part of Outlot 7 in Woodlawn Park Addition  
Daniel Guntle and Marilyn Rogers to American Electric Power, easement — Part of Section 6, Greene Township, 0.165 acres  
Jon M. and Patricia L. Theurer (deceased) to Alexis K. and Briar M. Armstrong, personal representative deed — Part of Section 30, Wayne Township  
Dawn R. Mock and Dawn M. and Justin R. Whittington to City of Portland, warranty deed — Part of Lot 30, Mangold's Third Addition  
Dawn R. Mock to City of Portland, warranty deed — Part of Lot 29, Mangold's Third Addition  
Front Porch Property Group to City of Portland, warranty deed — Part of Section 20, Wayne Township, 0.019 acres  
Bert and Cheryl Quakenbush to Cory L. Ward, quit claim deed — Part of Lots 7 and 8, Block 1, original plat of Redkey

Leon D. and Linda S. Muhlenkamp to Braden P. Muhlenkamp, warranty deed — Part of Section 28, Wabash Township, 3 acres  
Jennifer L. and Steven E. Schwiertman to Arrowhead Poultry Farms, corrective deed — Part of Sec-

tion 10, Noble Township, 18 acres  
Kurtis L. Hilgendorf to American Electric Power, easement — Part of Section 5, Wayne Township, 0.315 acres  
Brian Brown (deceased) to Christine, Michael and

Summer Brown, deed affidavit — Part of Outlot 1 in Woodlawn Park Addition  
Mark Shannon to Justin and Sarah Fox, warranty deed — Lot 15, Coon Second

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## SERVICES

**Thursday**  
**Abbott,** Betty: 2 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.  
**Morrill,** Deborah: 7 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

**Friday**  
**Charles,** Lewellen: 10 a.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.

**Saturday**  
**Jones,** Molly: 10 a.m., Palmer Funeral Home — Guisinger Chapel, 3718 South Michigan St., South Bend, Indiana.

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# Liver donation changes toddler's life

By DEANESE WILLIAMS-HARRIS  
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Two-year-old Takyra Wordlow bosses around her big sisters — and when they ignore her demands, she stomps her foot to get their attention, her mother Jazz Vance said recently.

Her youngest daughter also keeps her busy as Vance must always keep a watchful eye because of Takyra's love of trying to flip on and off of her older sisters' bunk bed.

In 2020, just shy of Takyra's first birthday, Vance, of Chicago, was pleading with Facebook users to get tested to see if they were a match to

her daughter, who was suffering with biliary atresia, a sometimes-deadly disease of infancy that federal health authorities say is more likely in children with African American and Asian American heritage.

A man responded and underwent surgery to give a portion of his liver to Takyra, saving her the pain of biliary atresia and helping rid Vance of her constant worry.

Biliary atresia is a blockage of the ducts that carry bile from the liver to the gallbladder. It can lead to liver failure if not treated soon enough after diagnosis.

Takyra faced many obstacles while waiting

for a live donor. Initially, she underwent a Kasai procedure, named after Morio Kasai, the Japanese surgeon who developed it. During the procedure, the blocked bile ducts outside the liver are replaced with part of the baby's small intestine to act as a new bile duct. In children who respond well to the surgery, jaundice and other symptoms disappear within weeks. But Takyra's surgery didn't take.

At one point, her abdomen was distended due to a collection of fluid that triggered an infection. From once wasting away at 20 pounds because of her condition, she has done

remarkably well since the liver donation.

"She is doing great by all means," said Dr. Ruba Azzam, director of pediatric hepatology and medical director of the Pediatric Liver Transplant Program at Comer Children's Hospital. "All of the medical problems she was going through are completely gone. She is very active and hitting all of her milestones on time."

Recently, Takyra graduated from physical therapy. She went from not being able to walk, to running around with her sisters, Vance said.

"She picked up walking out of nowhere," Vance remembered. "I thought

to myself, 'Oh no, I am going to have to remind her not to climb the stairs.'"

Vance said Takyra is very independent, smart and stubborn.

"She wakes up and says good morning. She calls her sisters' names, loves Peppa Pig, and she surprised me when I was making brownies, Vance said. "She said, 'Chocolate cake, yummy, yummy.'"

More importantly, Takyra went from taking 11 medicines daily to six, including immunosuppressants to help maintain her new liver.

Vance said she can relax now and focus on school, where she is

working on getting state certified as a manicurist.

"We are blessed beyond belief," Vance said.

Azzam remembered when she had to place Takyra higher on the transplant list because her condition became more dire.

"Her quality of life has done an 180-degree change," she said of the child she described in 2020 as "everyone's little warrior." "We are so glad she has done so well. All the misery has completely changed."

Anyone willing to be screened for a liver donation can contact the liver transplant team at Comer Children's Hospital at (773) 702-6169.

# Aging husband wants to screen suitors for wife

DEAR ABBY: I am an old man, married to a wonderful woman who does everything for me. I'm in poor health and don't expect to live much longer. My wife is a youthful 80. She's trim, pretty, active, hardworking, loving and sexy. She enjoys skiing, fishing, gardening, board games, puzzles etc. She is the most organized person I have ever known. She likes to cook and entertain and is excellent at both.

Although she has quite a few friends — widowed and otherwise — we don't know any men who would be acceptable as a future mate after I'm gone. She's financially independent and meticulous about keeping track of expenses. Neither of us is formally religious.

To be blunt, I can't imagine a better wife for someone special. I would like us to meet a man, probably in his 70s, preferably widowed, physically active, romantically inclined, energetic,

Dear Abby



husband who is deeply in love with and concerned for his wife. However, as much as you would like to screen the applicants to fill the vacancy that your death would create, there are some things a person must do for themselves. When you pass on, your wife may not feel ready to move on according to your timetable. Please let her make this decision for herself when the time is right.

P.S. I am sorry you are not in better health, because it seems you and your wife have a strong and loving relationship that will not be easy to replace.

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DEAR ABBY: My grandson is in a relationship with a girl who manipulates him and abuses him emotionally. I told my grandson what she is doing, but he doesn't see it. Because of that, neither one of them is speaking to me.

My grandson was a caring, happy person until he met her. Now he's withdrawn. He is working, but she is not. They are struggling to make a life for themselves. When I ask how he's doing, he just says OK and nothing more. Is there anything I can do to make him see what she is doing to him? — IT'S OBVIOUS IN IOWA

DEAR OBVIOUS: No. You have done everything you can by trying to enlighten your grandson, who, it appears, "love" has blinded. Now it's time for you to accept that nothing will change until he wakes up and smells the coffee.

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DEAR ABBY: I frequently get together to play cards with a small group of women from my gated community. The newest member, however, never stops talking and becomes surly if she doesn't win. We all find her

annoying and try to avoid playing at her table. When we gently told her the nonstop chatter and constant complaints are distracting, she told us she has no intention of changing. "Take me as I am, or don't associate with me," she has said.

Abby, since we don't want to give up the games or play behind her back, we HAVE to associate with her. In a social setting, she is more bearable and, at heart, is a good and generous person. Advice? — ANNOYED IN FLORIDA

DEAR ANNOYED: This good and generous motor-mouthing poor sport has given you your marching orders. Do nothing behind her back. Tell her once more — directly — that her constant talking during the games is distracting, and that if she persists, she will no longer be welcome to join you for cards. And yes, it may end your social relationship.

# 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.

## Thursday

CELEBRATE RECOVERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda

Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

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

ORGAN TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 3 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the IU Health Blackford main conference room.

JAY COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY — Will meet at 5:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Jay County Public Library. The public is welcome.

PORTLAND LIONS CLUB — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Portland Lions Civic Center, 307 W. 100 North.

A BETTER LIFE — BRIANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for

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

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

## 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.

## Monday

PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

BRYANT AREA COMMUNITY CENTER — Walking from 9:30 to 10:30 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 — Will be played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free pregnan-

cy 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.

BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY 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.

# Sudoku

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Level: Intermediate

## Wednesday's Solution

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

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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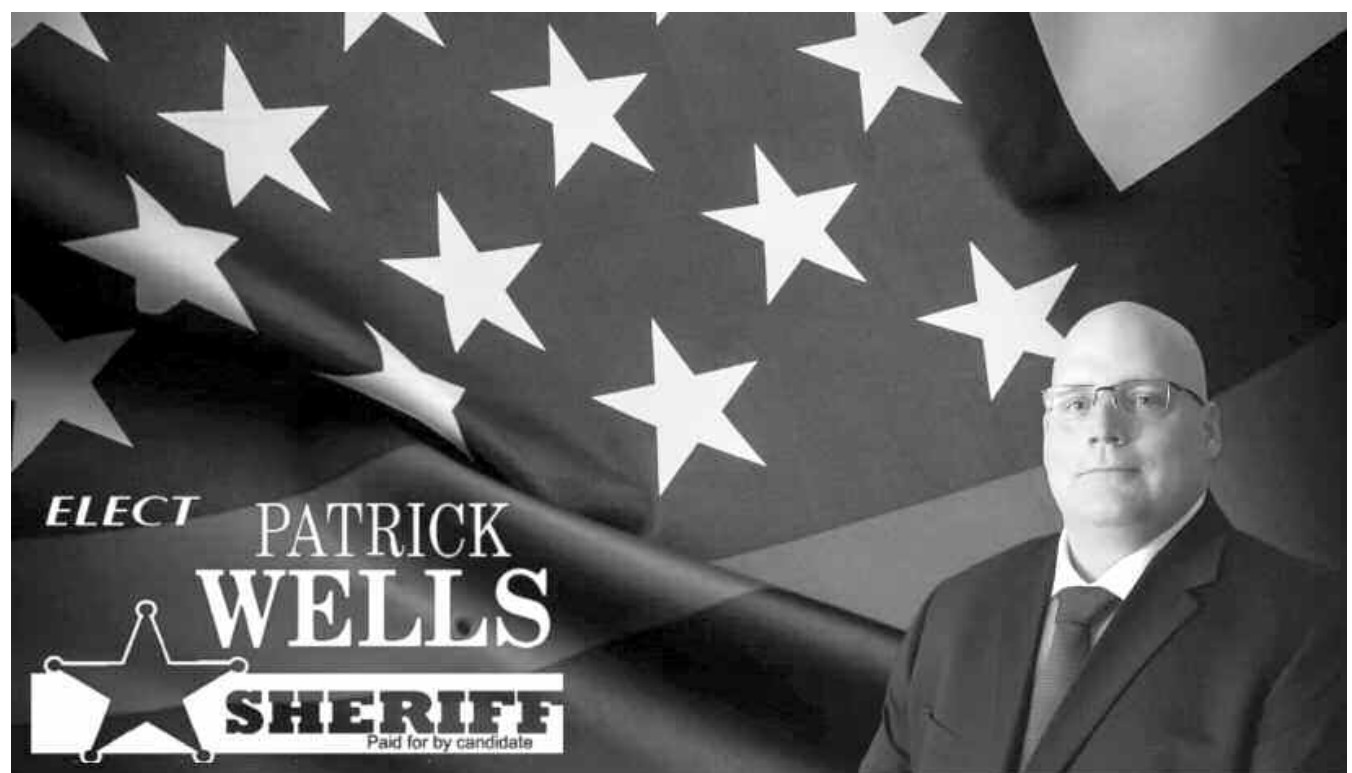
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# Unified efforts would offer benefits

By MORTON J. MARCUS

The preamble to the U.S. Constitution declares the intent of the document: "to form a more perfect Union."

They weren't talking about labor organizations.

Fragmentation was a major issue faced by the founding fathers. Political fragmentation of the 13 contentious states — not the human fragments they avoided of women, slaves, native Americans. Despite progress, those issues remain evident today throughout Indiana.

Consider just the political fragmentation. You would think Hamilton County, which is probably 60 years behind the times, would not be thinking like Lake County which is 100 years behind the times.

## Eye on the Pie



At this point, Myrtle my Muse, reading over my shoulder, whispers, "You've just lost whatever friends you have left in two important Indiana counties."

"Fragmentation!" I say to myself.

Lake County has 19 cities and towns from the days of horses and carriages as well as ethnic and racial stereotypes. Hamilton County has eight cities and towns, half of which, the BIG4

(Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville and Westfield) account for 91% of the county's population. They were built on a post-World War II concept based on the automobile and owner-occupied single-family dwellings, supplemented by racial paranoia.

Lake County has seen tiny efforts to erase the costs, confusion and inconvenience of fragmentation. Several chambers of commerce have formed consolidated entities. There is a Lake County Public Library with nine branches, but six cities continue to have their own public libraries.

Lake County has separate fire and police departments as well as a county-wide sheriff's department. There is no unified bus system to serve the most heavily traveled corridors. The South

Shore commuter rail line provides a very constrained link to Chicago.

In both Hamilton and Lake counties, each governmental unit has its own councils, its own elected and appointed officials.

Consolidation of Hamilton's BIG4 cities would form the second largest city in the state, surpassing Fort Wayne. With open minds, Hamiltonians could create a transit system that recognizes their interdependence with Marion County and the entire Indianapolis metro area.

According to the most recent data, 40% of Hamilton County's workers come from beyond its borders. Plus, 50% of Hamilton County's working residents work in Marion County.

The BIG4 might think in terms

of what is best for all areas of the county. Combined, their separate police and fire units might avoid duplication. They might replace the county's five separate libraries with one system.

Does Fishers need an economic development agency of its own? What do the new, massive multi-unit housing developments portend for the roads in Westfield, congestion in Carmel, air and water quality in Noblesville? Are there plans for these structures as they go into economic decline in the next two decades?

Fragmentation gives rise to the Goldilocks questions: How small is too small? How big is too big?

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# Florida needs to show its work

Tampa Bay Times  
Tribune News Service

When is transparency not so transparent?

When it comes to selecting math textbooks for Florida schools.

Republican lawmakers recently passed a law they said would give parents more say in the books taught in classrooms and found in school libraries. They cloaked the move in a veneer of pursuing transparency.

Last week, the powers-that-be announced they had rejected 54 of 132 math textbooks, saying many of them included references to critical race theory and other "prohibited topics" and "unsolicited strategies." (That's 41%, since we're doing math.)

Naturally, you might ask a simple question: What were the offending passages?

The answer from the state: None of your business.

In its announcement last week, the state did not provide any specific examples of objectionable content from the books, nor when asked did officials fill in the obvious omission. No, no, no. Floridians can't handle that kind of truth. How's that for transparency?

The announcement — as transparent as a Russian press release — made it seem like state education officials were hiding something.

Could that be?

If the books were so offensive, if they were so chock-full of "prohibited topics," plucking out a few examples of offending passages for us all to see would hardly have taken much effort. Instead we are left to imagine the possibilities, like these two we made up:

Offending question: A woman who committed a felony has served her time and wants to vote again, but first she wants to pay all her fines and fees, as the Legislature requires. How much does she owe? (Answer: Good question. Often, no one can say for sure.)

Offending question: At the end of March, the state had 5,145,983 registered Republicans and 5,034,448 registered Democrats. There are 28 congressional districts. How many seats should Republicans be favored to

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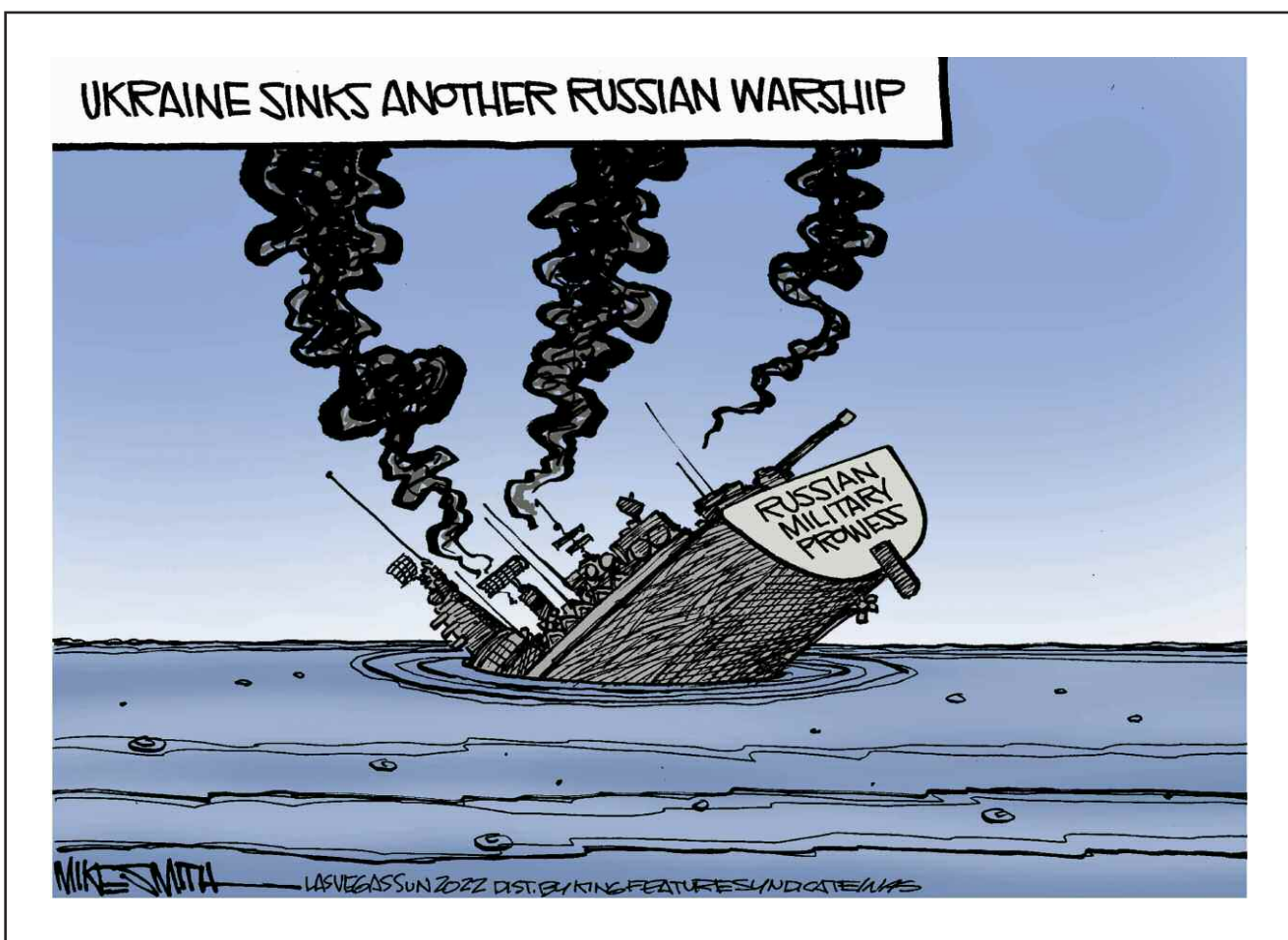
win? (Answer: 14. Wrong! You mistook this for a math question. It's all about politics. Under Gov. Ron DeSantis' personal congressional maps, Republicans would likely win 20 seats and Democrats eight.)

It's unlikely the passages the state education officials found offensive were that obvious, but why oh why did they want to keep the evidence to themselves? Could it be that their case was as flimsy as a damp paper towel? Could it be that they wanted to score political points without having to play any defense? Maybe they have their own definition of transparency?

"Show your work!" is the mantra of many math teachers. They don't accept an answer without students showing how they arrived at their conclusions.

When it comes to rejecting math books, state education officials wanted you to skip that step.

Instead, we should all insist that they always show their work.



# America must lead by example

By MICHAEL DEN TANDT  
Chicago Tribune  
Tribune News Service

For globalization to survive the war in Ukraine, the United States must do better and be better. It is unclear whether the world's greatest democracy has the wherewithal to manage this.

Unfair? It may seem so. President Joe Biden has done a creditable job of rallying the West to Ukraine's side as it battles a brutal Russian invasion. By going public early and often with good U.S. intelligence, Biden has kept ahead of clumsy Russian propaganda and disinformation. The feared devastating cyberstrikes against the West have not (yet) materialized, reportedly thanks to preemptive work by U.S. security services. It's leadership the likes of which we've not seen from Washington in recent memory.

And that's the problem. Biden has a steady hand now. For how long? How long until Washington's next hugely damaging strategic mistake? For the current moment did not rise from nowhere, out of the suddenly maniacal, homicidal mind of Russian President Vladimir Putin. He has been this way for some time, and this war has had two decades of runway. At critical junctures, the United States either vastly overplayed or underplayed its hand.

Recall that in the days after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, thousands of Canadians gathered on Parliament Hill to show their solidarity with Americans. Similar scenes took place worldwide. Not long after, a NATO-led coalition of more than 40 countries joined the U.S. effort in Afghanistan, vowing to bring security and prosperity to a country shattered by decades of war.

But there is, of course, neither security nor prosperity in Afghanistan. The last American soldier departed last year in a rout. Afghan women and girls, whose edu-

cation NATO soldiers championed, are on their own. So are the many thousands of other Afghans — journalists, interpreters, fixers, officials of civil society — who believed Western promises.

And even as the United States and NATO were making those solemn pledges to the Afghan people, the U.S. security establishment, led by President George W. Bush, was rushing headlong toward a war of choice in Iraq in 2003. It is hard to not see parallels between Putin's invasion of Ukraine and Bush's in Iraq two decades earlier. To be sure, Ukraine is a democracy, and Saddam Hussein's Iraq was not. The catastrophe that followed the Iraq War, as the Iraqi state collapsed and the Islamic State militant group began its ascent, was no less horrific for all that.

Bush hoped to seed democracy across the Middle East. Instead, his war set a match to a tinderbox. A few years later, a different American president coping with the consequences drew a red line for Syrian dictator Bashar Assad, forbidding his use of chemical weapons against his own people. Assad, with Russian backing, ignored Barack Obama's warning — without consequence. America had overreached in Iraq. Now, apparently, it would underextend in Syria in the face of atrocity.

Unrelenting regional chaos caused waves of its own — including a flood of irregular migration toward the relative safe haven of Europe. By late 2015, the Syrian refugee crisis was roiling election campaigns in Canada, fueling Brexit rhetoric in Britain

and serving as fodder for a nativist backlash in the United States. Real estate developer and pageant promoter Donald Trump rode the "fear of the other" to power the following November — with help from Putin's Russia.

There isn't room here to catalog the historic degree of harm done to the United States, to its standing in the world, to NATO, to the global institutions of liberal trade and multilateralism built with American leadership after 1945, during Trump's tenure. The fact that declared Republican voters overwhelmingly favor his return to the White House, even after his followers stormed the U.S. Capitol in January 2021, should be shocking and terrifying.

Instead, such is the lassitude caused by frequent exposure to the unthinkable — it's mostly met with a shrug. More Benito Mussolini than Napoleon Bonaparte, Trump is an incompetent. He and his movement nevertheless represent the greatest risk to American democracy, and thus global democracy, since the Second World War.

This isn't to say that liberalism, globalized trade and the institutions developed to support it, such as the World Trade Organization, International Monetary Fund, G-20, International Criminal Court and United Nations, are doomed. But they are in peril. Russia now seeks to smash the U.S.-led global order. China is watching, learning and biding its time. No one knows how it will end.

The Iraq War was a critical step in the descent to this moment of severe global risk. There can be no wars of choice, if there is to be a global community. That is a lesson of Ukraine, as much as the wickedness of Putin.

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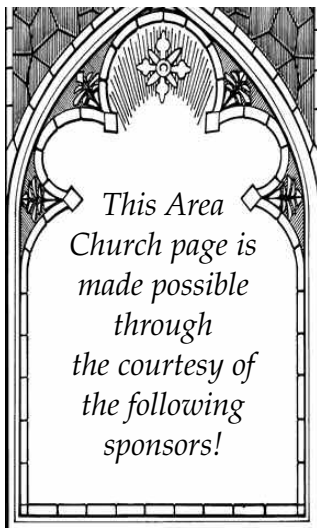
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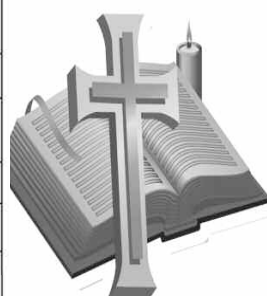
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bryantwesleyanchurch.com

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susan.duroveyantrim@in  
umc.org

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(419) 733-1469  
christchapelfr.com

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Dunkirk  
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427 S. Main St., Dunkirk  
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(419) 375-2860  
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fccfcrecovery.org

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341 S. Meridian St., Red-  
key  
Everett Bilbrey Jr.  
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12369 W. 600 South,  
Dunkirk  
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Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 10:50 a.m., 6  
p.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday

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402 N. Ship St., Portland  
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firstpcportland.org

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401 E. Boundary St., Fort  
Recovery  
Revs. Brad and Kate  
Ratliff  
(419) 375-4680  
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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  
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p.m., 6:30 p.m. Thursday

**Geneva First  
United Methodist**

100 W. Line St., Geneva  
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(260) 368-7655  
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**Geneva Nazarene**

225 Decatur St., Geneva  
(260) 525-8609  
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Wednesday

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pastorrobino@gmail.com

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**St. Paul Catholic**

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**Union Chapel Church  
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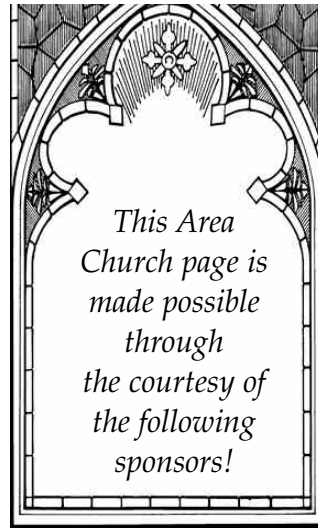
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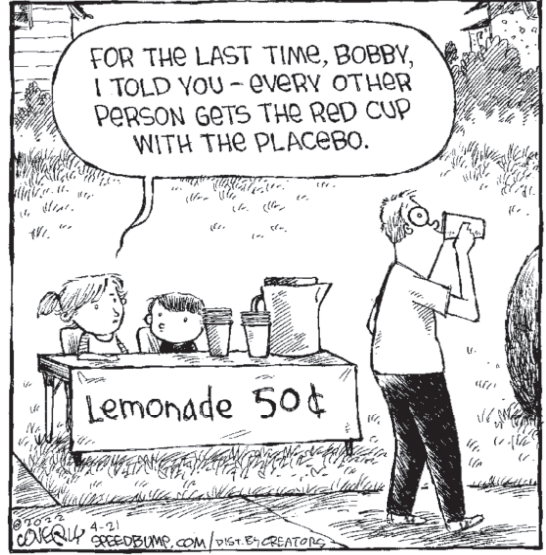
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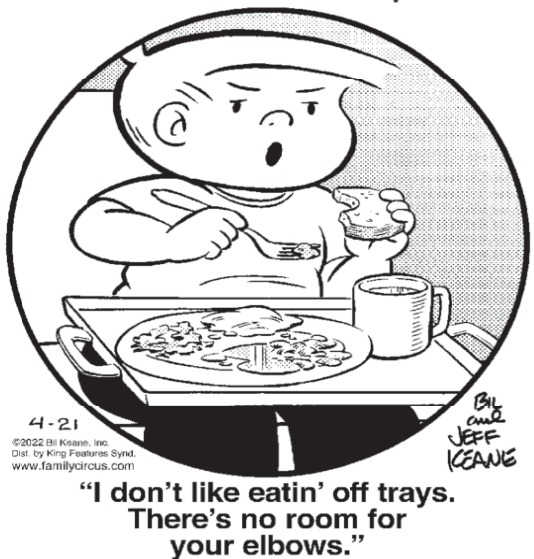
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South dealer. North-South vulnerable. NORTH: A 7 3, K 7 4, Q J 10 6 3, Q 6. WEST: K 9 8 5 2, 10 3, K 5 4, K 7 5. EAST: J 6, J 9 8 6 2, A 8, 10 8 4 2. SOUTH: Q 10 4, A Q 5, 9 7 2, A J 9 3.

The bidding: South 1♣, West Pass, North 1NT, East Pass. Opening lead - five of spades.

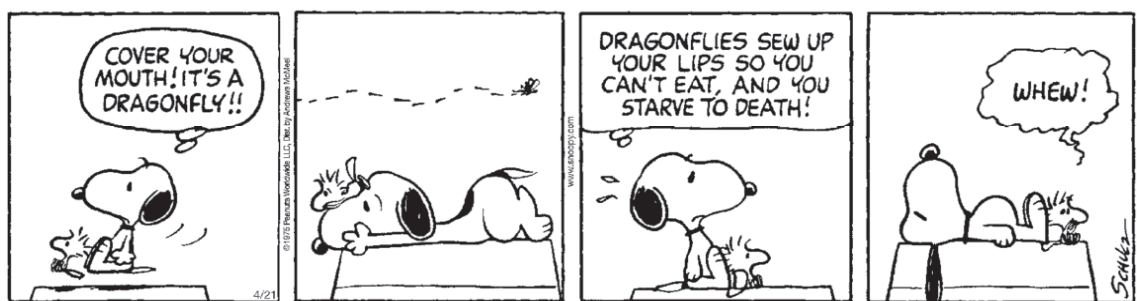
entry that allows him to cash his spades. However, you can make the contract by letting East's jack hold the first trick! Once you do this, the defense disintegrates. When East returns a spade, you still have the suit doubly stopped, and now when you play a diamond, it does not matter which defender wins the trick. If West takes the diamond and returns a spade, you concede another diamond to East's ace to acquire nine tricks.

Assume you're in three notrump and West leads a spade. It seems natural to play low from dummy and win East's jack with the queen, but if you do this, you go down one. East wins your first diamond lead with the ace and returns a spade, and West's spades become established whether you take the ace on this trick or the next one. Your cause is then hopeless, since you cannot make nine tricks without establishing dummy's diamonds, and West still has the diamond

It is true that ducking the spade at trick one would defeat you if it turned out that West had the A-K of diamonds as well as five spades. But this possibility is distinctly against the odds, which strongly favor East having either one or both missing diamond honors. It's not as abnormal as it might seem to let East's jack hold the opening trick. It's virtually certain that West has the king when East does not play that card at trick one, so it isn't necessary to win the first spade to assure two tricks in the suit.

Tomorrow: Test your play. ©2022 King Features Syndicate Inc.

Peanuts



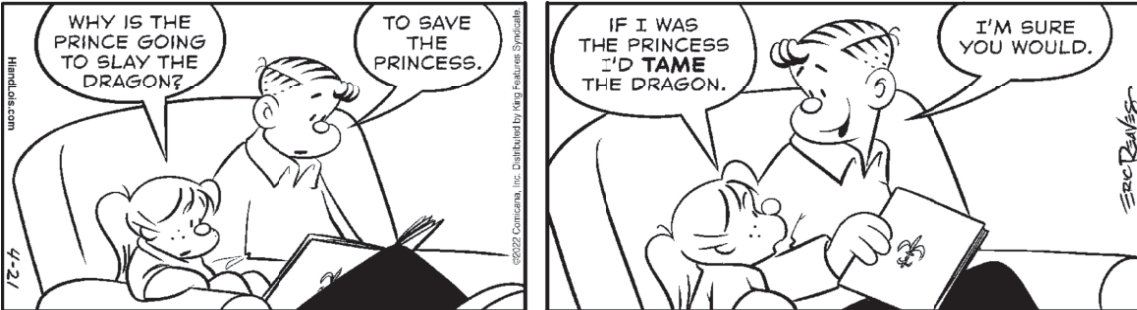
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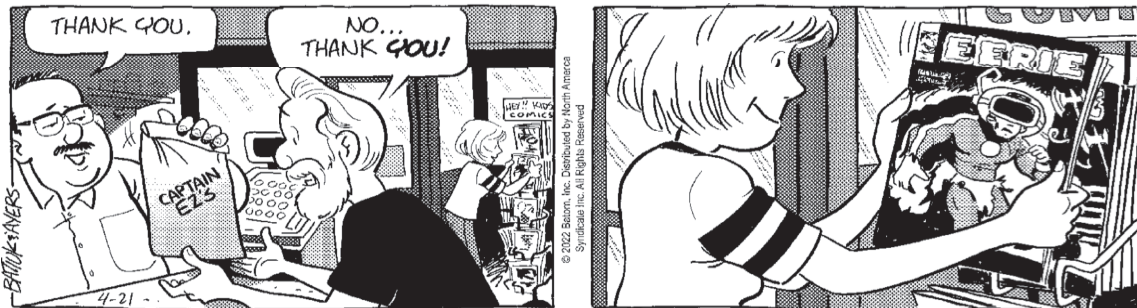
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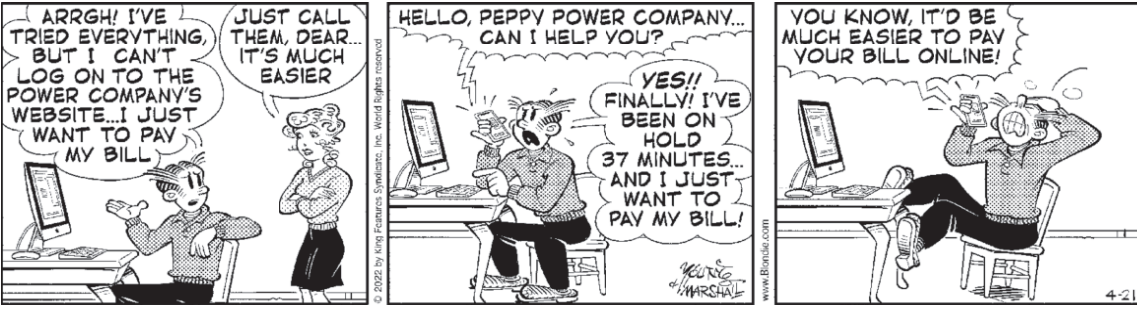
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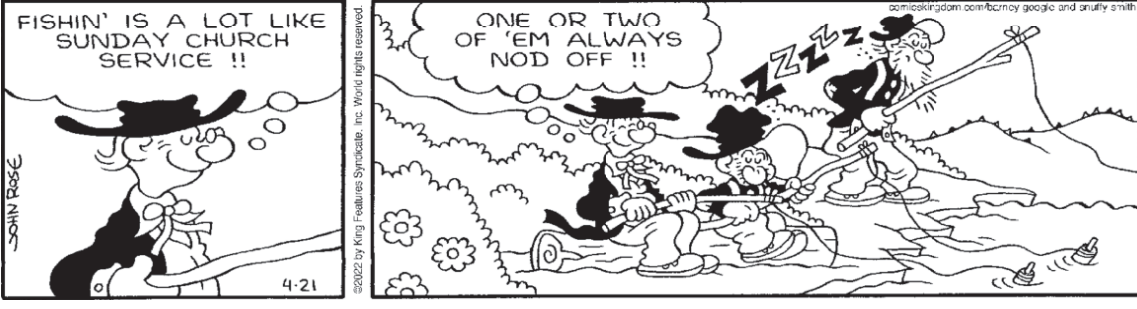
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Blondie



Snuffy Smith



Beetle Bailey



CRYPTOQUIP

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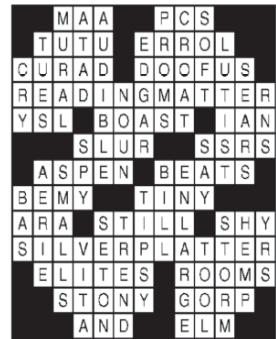
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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals P

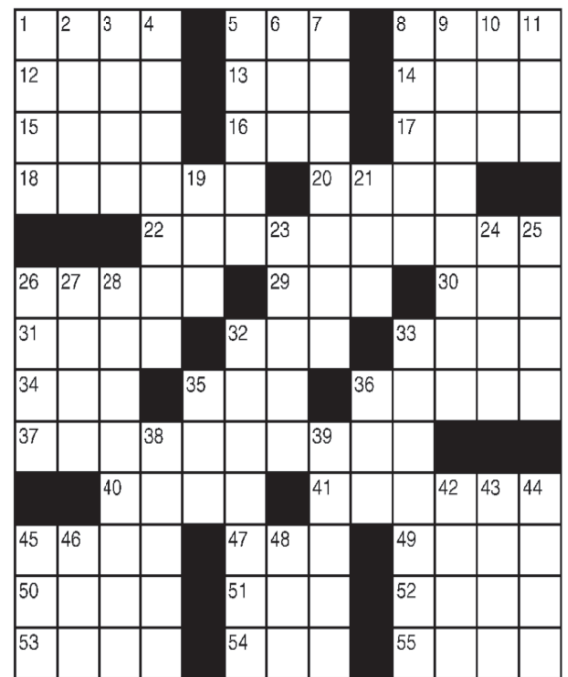
CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS: 1 Alum, 5 Invite, 8 Stretches (out), 12 Sitarist, 13 Archie, to Harry, 14 Trellis climber, 15 Writer Kingsley, 16 "— Love You" (Beatles), 17 Early Peruvian, 18 Olympic skater Ito, 20 Booty, 22 Insincere, as a compliment, 26 Yawning, maybe, 29 Still, in verse, 30 Poetic tribute, 31 Fine, 32 "Blue Bloods" ainer, 33 Poker player's words, 34 Hindu honorific, 35 Large snake, 36 Map up, 37 Returned, 40 Raised, 41 Fracas, 45 Mine, in Marseille, 47 Actress Salonga, 49 Skin opening, 50 "Somebody's Gotta Do It" host Mike, 51 Work unit, 52 Probability, 53 Green shade, 54 Away from NNW, 55 Talk up, 10 SASE, e.g., 11 Salt source, 19 "Awesome!", 21 Pallid, 23 Skewered entree, 24 Actress Falco, 25 Fender bender, 26 "Non-sense!", 27 Gumbo veggie, 28 Heavenly arcs, 32 Pampers, 33 Plant, 35 Spell-off, 36 Hosp. section, 38 Loses moisture, 39 Maxim, 42 Com-motion, 43 Pakistan's language, 44 Nuisance, 45 Branch, 46 Cattle call, 48 Hosp. areas.

Solution time: 24 mins.



Yesterday's answer 4-21



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## Celtics rally for game-two victory

BOSTON (AP) — Jaylen Brown scored 22 points, including 10 in the fourth quarter, and the Boston Celtics rallied from 17 points down to beat the Brooklyn Nets 114-107 on Wednesday night and take a 2-0 lead in their first-round series.

Jayson Tatum added 19 points for the Celtics, who held Kevin Durant without a basket in the second half. Al Horford had 16 points, Daniel Theis scored 15 and Payton Pritchard had eight of his 10 in the final period.

Durant finished with 27 points but struggled from the field for the second straight game, shooting 4 of 17.

Durant and Kyrie Irving were a combined 1 for 17 in the second half.

## Collegiate ...

Continued from page 8  
Guggenbiller competed in the 800-meter run, finishing 36th out of 51 competitors. She had a time of 2 minutes, 40.81 seconds.

Will posted a 24th-place finish out of 27 in the 5,000 meters. She completed the race in 20:31.67.

## Wyatt Geesaman Jay County – 2019

Pitched for the Lincoln Trail Community College baseball team Saturday in a 10-5 loss to Frontier.

Geesaman took the loss, giving up five runs — two earned — on six hits and three walks. He struck out two in four innings of work.

## Sports on tap

### Local schedule

**Today**  
Jay County — Boys golf vs. Delta — 5 p.m.; Softball vs. Woodlan — 6 p.m.; Baseball vs. Woodlan — 6 p.m.; JV softball at Woodlan — 6 p.m.; Junior high golf vs. Delta — 5 p.m.; Junior high track at South Adams — 5:30 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — Baseball vs. St. Henry — 5 p.m.; Softball at St. Henry — 5 p.m.; JV baseball at St. Henry — 5 p.m.

**Friday**  
Jay County — Baseball at Shenandoah — 5 p.m.; Girls tennis at Winchester — 5 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — Softball at National

Trail — 5 p.m.; Freshman baseball vs. Versailles — 5 p.m.

### TV schedule

**Today**  
7:30 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Memphis Grizzlies at Minnesota Timberwolves (TNT)  
7:30 p.m. — College football: Illinois Spring Game (BTN)  
8 p.m. — NHL hockey: Toronto Maple Leafs at Tampa Bay Lightning (ESPN)  
10 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Golden State Warriors at Denver Nuggets (TNT)

**Friday**  
4 p.m. — NCAA baseball: Ohio State at Michigan (BTN)  
7 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Miami Heat at Atlanta Hawks (ESPN)

7 p.m. — College football: Rutgers Spring Game (BTN)  
9 p.m. — NCAA baseball: Maryland at Illinois (BTN)  
9:30 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Phoenix Suns at New Orleans Pelicans (ESPN)

### Local notes

**Race is moved to Saturday**  
Jay Community Center's Sprint to Spring 5K has been moved to Saturday. 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.

To have an event listed in "Sports on tap," email details to sports@theocr.com.

### 90 SALE CALENDAR

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located at 333 Blaine Pike (former DAV Building), Portland Indiana on Thursday Afternoon APRIL 28, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.

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2007 Ford Focus, automatic, PW,PL, 122,000 miles; Estate washer and dryer; Crosley refrigerator; drophead secretary; bakers racks; PYREX: Patterns include Balloons, Early American, Black Scroll, Snowflake, Gooseberry, Butterprint, and Wheat; Craftsman push lawn mower with bagger; fiberglass step ladder; aluminum step ladder; rake; shovel; hedge trimmers; and many other items not listed.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located in the Bulp Exhibition Hall at Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, IN  
Saturday Morning  
April 23rd, 2022  
9:30 a.m.

**CUSHMANS – GARDEN TRACTORS – MOTORS - PARTS**  
Cushman Civilian Airborne motorbike (no title); Cushman Eagle scooter; Cushman 3 wheel industrial cart; Cushman 3 wheel cart with dump bed; Cushman frame, Lobster; Cushman hit and miss engine; Cushman motors; Cushman parts; Steiner articulating 4 x 4 garden tractor with new tires; Bolens garden tractor; Wheelhorse C120 – 8 speed garden tractor; Bushhog ATH720, 3pt., 72 inch finish mower; several Briggs & Stratton engines; several hit and miss engines; mini bikes; mini bike frames; Kohler engines; several Bolens Handy Hoe 1 wheel garden tractors; LARGE SELECTION OF NEW/OLD PARTS STOCK TO INCLUDE: blades, belts, pulleys, filter, gaskets, etc; cultivators; LARGE LOT OF MANUALS; and other items not listed.

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Saturday, April 23rd @ 10:00 AM

2 Rings Live/Webcast  
Located: Bricker Auction Gallery at 414 N Meridian St. Portland, IN  
This auction will include lots of great industrial items, a lot of advertising items and signs, furniture, kitchen items, ice skates, pulleys, cast iron skillets, fishing reels, oil cans, glass piggy banks, cedar chest, table with chairs, Ball Jars, other miscellaneous jars, assorted tools, model car building kits, display racks, sound bar, a few TVs, toys cars, toy motorcycles, toy tractors, and much much more!

The preview for this auction will be held Friday, April 22nd from 2-5 PM. Go to bidbricker.com to bid or download our app (Bricker Auction Company)  
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SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022  
10:00 A.M.

LOCATED: 3430 W State Road 67, Portland, IN or 3 1/2 miles west of Portland at the corner of Hwy 67 and County Road 200 South.  
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## Public Notice

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDDERS

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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.  
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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.

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JAY COUNTY, SS:  
IN JAY CIRCUIT COURT NO. 1  
CAUSE NO.  
38C01-2204-MI-000013  
HEATHER CLEMMONS,  
Plaintiff,

vs  
DELORIS JANET BOTTS,  
JOHN R. HARE,  
PNC BANK NATIONAL  
ASSN.,  
CROSSROADS FINANCIAL  
FEDERAL CREDIT UNION,  
and  
JAY COUNTY TREASURER,  
all their husbands, wives, widows, widowers, heirs, devisees, successors, assigns, and all other persons and corporations or other entities, claiming any right, title or interest in the within described real estate by, through or under them or any other person or entity, the names of all of whom are unknown to Plaintiff, Defendants.

**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.

Jon Eads  
Clerk of Jay County, Indiana  
David J. Karnes, #22847-18  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
DENNIS, WENGER &  
ABRELL, P.C. 324 West Jackson Street, Muncie, Indiana 47305  
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# Sports



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## Strong outing

Sam Myers of the Jay County High School baseball team tosses a pitch during the opening game of Saturday's doubleheader sweep of Centerville. Myers tossed 6 1/3 strong innings to keep the Patriots in the game until they were able to score all of their runs in the bottom of the sixth inning of a 4-3 victory.

## LeFevre part of a best time at Princeton

Visiting one of the top men's track programs in the country, a Fort Recovery High School graduate and his teammates were at their best.

Robby LeFevre, who graduated from FRHS in 2019, and his teammates turned in a season-best time while competing Friday and Saturday in the Larry Ellis Invitational at Princeton.

LeFevre teamed with Justin Rhee, Manu Guzman and Kenneth Maxwell for 15th place in the 4x100 relay. They had a season-best time of 43.24 seconds in a field that included Rutgers, Villanova, Boston College, Navy and the NCAA Division I No. 6 host Tigers.

### Noah Arbuckle Jay County - 2020

Started on the mound for the Huntington University baseball team Saturday in a 3-1 loss to Bethel.

Arbuckle gave up three runs — two earned — on five hits and a walk in 6 1/3 innings. He struck out nine for the Foresters (19-17), who were up 1-0 after the first inning but never scored again.

### Audrey Guggenbiller Chloe Will FRHS - 2019

Ran for the Tiffin University track team Friday and Saturday as it hosted the Tiffin Track Carnival.

## Boggs wins two to lead Jay County

BERNE — The Patriot boys won four events.

That was good enough for a split.

Jay County Junior High School's boys track team finished in the middle of a three-team meet Wednesday against the Woodlan Warriors and host South Adams Starfires. It scored 40 points.

The Patriot girls were third at the meet.

Joseph Boggs was responsible for half of the victories for

### Local roundup

the Jay County boys. He finished in first place in the 800-meter run and 1,600 run.

The Patriot boys also swept the throwing events, with Kaiden Castillo taking the dis-

cus and Chris Compton winning the shot put.

The lone victory for the Jay County girls came from Gabby Raines, who was first in the shot put.

### Golfers fall

The Jay County junior high golf team opened its season Tuesday evening with a 144-146 defeat to the visiting Richmond Red Devils at Portland Golf Club.

Cody DeHoff led Jay County

in the six-hole match with a round of 34. Dawson Goldsworthy shot 36 and recorded the only par for the Patriots, and Jayden Comer and Jacob Weitzel each finished at 39.

### Homan leads

The Portland 10-and-younger Blue All-Star baseball team tied 8-8 with Redkey in the first game of a doubleheader Wednesday before winning the second 11-3.

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Harp Duo Emily Goins & Kathryn Fenstermacher



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