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Site offers guidance for new **business**

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

Entrepreneurs have a new place to find information for how to get a business started in Jay County.

Jay County Development Corporation executive director Travis Richards on Friday updated Portland Redevelopment Commission on the area dedicated to entrepreneurship on the new Jay Region website.

Richards noted that the redevelopment commission had talked about the need to help potential entrepreneurs in the past. A section of the website — jayregion.com — is intended to help address that need.

The site offers a small business resource guide, which includes information about funding that is available, including revolving loans, the facade funding program and the Launch Jay pitch competition. It also provides details about organizations that are available to assist entrepreneurs.

Richards also invited the commission members -Rusty Inman, Reda Theurer-Miller, Joe Johnston, Mike Simons and Dave Teeter — to be part of the "pathway committees" that are part of the county's Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program process. The committees will look at specific areas — advancing e-connectivity, enhancing quality of place, promoting community wellness strengthening local economies — as they work toward helping the county decide who to best allocate its nearly \$4 million from

Act (ARPA). access to high-speed internet in the county, which is one of the options being discussed for the ARPA

the American Rescue Plan

funds. Richards explained that there are some efforts already underway, including Watch Communications building out line-ofsight wireless broadband through Federal Communications Commission Connect America Fund Phase

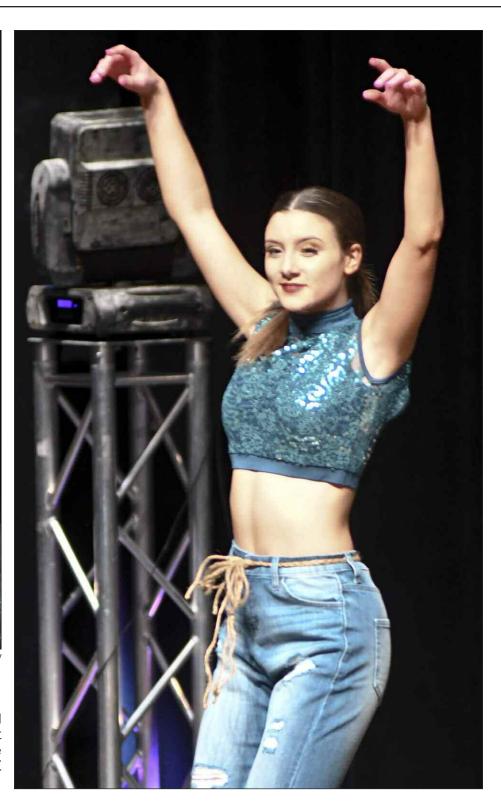
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Dock of the Baileys

Sisters Brenna Bailey (above) and Shea Bailey (right) of Portland dance Friday night to Ottis Redding's "(Sittin' On) the Dock of the Bay" as part of The Dancers of I.N.S.P.I.R.E. recital at Winchester Community High School.



Russians shift units from Mariupol

By DAVID KEYTON and YESICA FISCH

Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — Russia shifted a dozen crack military units from Johnston asked about the shattered port of Mariupol to away at cities across the region, Ukrainian authorities said Friday, as the two sides hurtled toward what could be an epic battle for control of the country's industrial heartland.

> Meanwhile, Russia reported that one serviceman was killed and 27 others were left missing after the fire on board the warship Moskva, which sank a week ago following what the Ukrainians boasted was a missile attack. Moscow previously reported everyone aboard had been rescued.

Fight is turning to focus on control progress toward expanding eastern Ukraine and pounded of Ukraine's industrial heartland

> did not acknowledge an attack on the ship. It continued to say a fire broke out after ammunition detonated, without explaining how that happened. The loss of the guided missile cruiser — the flagship of Russia's Black Sea fleet was a humiliating setback for Moscow.

In Mariupol, reduced largely to

The Russian Defense Ministry bardment, Russian state TV showed the flag of the pro-Moscow Donetsk separatists raised on what it said was the city's highest point, its TV tower. It also showed what it said was the main building at Mariupol's besieged Azovstal steel plant in flames.

The Kremlin has thrown over 100,000 troops and mercenaries from Syria and Libya into the smoking rubble by weeks of bom- fight in Ukraine and is deploying

more forces in the country every day, said Oleksiy Danilov, secretary of Ukraine's National Security and Defense Council.

"We have a difficult situation, but our army is defending our state" he said

Numerous cities and villages came under bombardment in the Donbas — the industrial region in the east that the Kremlin has declared the new, main theater of war — as well as in the Kharkiv region just to the west, and in the south, authorities said.

Russian forces pummeled an estimated 2,000 Ukrainian fighters holed up inside the sprawling Azovstal plant, the last known pocket of resistance in the strategic southern port city, the mayor's office reported.

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Retrospect

JC won inaugural meet ward picked up victories in her career as a two-time state the high jump at 5 feet, 8 inch-champion and two-time state



The Commercial Review/Mike Snyder

Jay County High School's Brian Weaver (right) and Fort Recovery's Matt Heitkamp (center) lead the field in the 300-meter hurdles during their meet April 24, 1997, at Harold E. Schutz Memorial Stadium Weaver finished first in the race, with Heitkamp as the runner-up.

Twenty-five years ago this week, the Patriots and Indians met on the track for the first time.

The April 25, 1997, edition of The Commercial Review featured coverage of the inaugural track meet between Jay County and Fort Recovery high schools.

The Patriot boys doubled up on Fort Recovery, 82-41.

Jay County won the girls

meet 68-55.

Sprints and jumps were the dominant areas for the Patriot boys. Aaron Glogas handled the former, winning the 100meter dash in 11.9 seconds and the 200 dash in 23.8. Joe Shees, and the long jump at 18 feet, $11\,3/4$ inches.

Also picking up wins were Troy Gates (110 hurdles), Wes Schemenaur (discus), Brian Weaver (300 hurdles) and Geoff Marsh (shot put).

Jamie Glassford, Kerri McClung and Julie Lowe played the starring roles for the Jay County girls team.

Glassford, a 1996 state qualifier, zoomed to victories in the 100 dash in 13.4 and the 200 dash in 28.1 She was also first in the long jump with a leap of 15 feet, 8 1/2 inches.

McClung, who would finish

runner-up in the shot put, won the event at 38 feet, 8 3/4 inches. She won the discus at 107 feet, 7 inches.

Lowe posted top times of 6:03 in the 1,600 run and 12:58.5 in the 3,200 run.

Phil Ranly, who was a member of the school's state-champion cross country team in the fall, led the Tribe with three wins. He handled the distance races, finishing first in the 800meter run, 1,600 run and 3,200

Fort Recovery's girls team got wins in the 100 hurdles and 300 hurdles from Jenny Abels.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 70 degrees Friday.

The forecast calls for sunny skies with a high of 83 today. Winds will be consistent at 10 to 20 miles per hour, with gusts up to 30 miles per hour.

Expect partly sunny skies early Sunday followed by a chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon and evening. It will be windy again, and the high is projected in the upper 70s.

Showers are in the forecast for Monday, with a thunderstorm possible. The high will be in the low 60s.

See page 2 for an extended out-

In review

Jay County Solid Waste Management District will have recycling trailers available today. Trailers will be open from 9 a.m. to noon in the shopping center at 220 Lincoln St., Portland, and Dunkirk City Park.

Coming up

Tuesday — A photo of the crowning of Jay County High School's prom royalty.

Wednesday — Results from Tuesday's JCHS girls tennis match at Union City.



Guidance

Continued from page 1 He added that other technologies are being developed that could make it easier to provide high-speed internet access in rural areas.

Theurer-Miller expressed her hope that county government officials would take advantage of the HELP process to guide spending decisions.

"HELP is the planning process," said Richards, noting that the county had to commit a third of its ARPA funds to be guided by the program. (The county can receive up to an additional \$1 million through Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.)

Monday

Richards noted a goal to take advantage of the guidance from the state government through HELP to plan not only for how to use the designated ARPA funds but also to provide advice using its economic development funds from wind and solar projects and economic development income tax dollars.

The commission also discussed issues with semis damaging signs and decorations that hang on light poles along Meridian Street in downtown Port-

Theurer-Miller, who sits on the redevelopment commission as well as Portland Main Street Connect, said it has been a fre-

that about \$30,000 has been spent on lights and signs, as well as the hardware to hang them, and that investment needs to be protect-

Teeter suggested that the city could look into enacting an ordinance prohibiting semis and other large vehicles from parking along Meridian Street.

In other business, the commis-

•Heard from Inman that Hal Tavzel of Sonrise Aviation — he also serves as the manager of Portland Municipal Airport may be seeking funding to help with construction of a new hangar. The airport's current been submitted to the state.

quent problem. She pointed out hangars are expected to be full soon, and more traffic is expected once a runway extension project is completed this year. (The redevelopment commission previously assisted with construction of a hangar with a \$75,000 loan that became a grant if benchmarks for employment and other factors were met.)

•Approved a financial report that shows nearly \$1.3 million in assets. (Some of that money is already encumbered, including for the planned Meridian Street storm sewer project.) Portland clerk-treasurer Lori Phillips also noted that the redevelopment commission's annual report has

·Learned from consultant Ed Curtin of CWC Latitudes that he is working with Richards on potential development in the city. He also has a meeting scheduled with a developer regarding the possibility of constructing single-family homes.

•Talked briefly about the possible installation of an electronic vehicle charging station at John Jay Center for Learning. Inman, who is executive director of the facility, said he has applied for a station but that there have been no recent updates.

•Approved retaining the tax increment. The commission must notify all impacted taxing units.

CR almanac

Tuesday

4/24	4/25	4/26	4/27	4/28
79/54	62/41	53/33	52/32	55/39
Sunday's forecast shows a chance of showers with wind gusts as high as 35 mph.	derstorms. Between a quarter and	Tuesday with a low dipping to	Another day of mostly sunny skies on Wednes- day with a high around 52.	Thurs- day's weather looks to be mostly sunny, with a low near freezing.

Lotteries

Hoosier

Sunday

Midday Daily Three: 9-5-8 Daily Four: 2-9-7-7 Quick Draw: 1-2-4-8-10-12-14-18-21-32-33-41-52-55-56-62-65-70-72-73

Ohio

Midday Pick 3: 2-0-9 Pick 4: 2-9-5-6 Pick 5: 3-4-0-0-3 Evening Pick 3: 7-1-3

Pick 4: 0-1-4-3 Pick 5: 0-7-2-2-0 Rolling Cash 5: 11-12-14-18-26

Wednesday

Estimated jackpot: \$140,000

Powerball

Estimated jackpot: \$400 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$22

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery	
Corn	7.82
May corn	7.87
Wheat	8.75

POET	Biorefi	ining
Portla		0
Corn		7.8

Corn	7.84
May corn	7.96
June corn	

The Andersons **Richland Township**

May corn	7.79
Beans	
May beans	
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Wheat 9.80 May wheat 9.80

Central States Montpelier

COFIL	1.10
May corn	7.78
Beans	16.88
May beans	16.88
April wheat	10.05

Heartland St. Anthony

Corn	7.79
May corn	7.79
Beans	
May beans	16.70
Wheat	10.18

Today in history

the recently created video-sharing website won, 7-5.) YouTube uploaded its first clip, "Me at the Sirhan was sentenced to which showed YouTube co-founder Jawed Karim standing Kennedy. (The sentence in front of an elephant was later reduced to life enclosure at the San Diego Zoo.

endar), English poet and opposed to the conflict William dramatist Shakespeare died in Stratford-upon-Avon on what has traditionally been regarded as the 52nd anniversary of his native John E. Bales Jr. birth in 1564.

1898, In declared war on the United States, which responded in kind two days later.

people died in the domestic airline flights Rhythm Night Club Fire of two hours or less in Natchez, Mississippi. In 1954, Hank Aaron

the Braves hit the first of his 755 major-league nese capital of Beijing. home runs in a game

On April 23, 2005, against the St. Louis Cardinals. (The Braves

> In 1969. Sirhan death for assassinating New York Sen. Robert F. imprisonment.)

In 1971, hundreds of In 1616 (Old Style cal- Vietnam War veterans protested by tossing their medals and ribbons over a wire fence in front of the U.S. Capitol.

In 1972, Jay County died at age 22 from an Spain accidental gunshot wound. The gun went off when he was cleaning it.

In 1988, a federal ban In 1940, about 200 on smoking during went into effect.

In 1992, McDonald's Milwaukee opened its first fast-food restaurant in the Chi-

—AP and The CR

Citizen's calendar

Monday

9 a.m. — Jay County 7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Commissioners, com-Council, city building missioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.

2:30 p.m. — Jay County Solid Waste Management District, 5948 W. Indiana 67, Portland.

131 S. Main St.

Board of Works, city Indiana 67, Portland.

Wednesday 6 p.m. — Jay County Soil and Water Conservation District, USDA 6 p.m. — Dunkirk Service Center, 1331 W.

building 131 S. Main St.

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"Every day they drop several bombs on Azovstal," said Petro Andryushchenko, an adviser to "Fighting, Mariupol's mayor. shelling, bombing do not stop.

A day earlier, Russian President Vladimir Putin declared victory in the battle for Mariupol despite the steel-mill holdouts.

defenders but to seal it off instead and its coal mines, factories and

surrender.

Mariupol has taken on outsize importance in the war. Capturing it would deprive the Ukrainians of a vital port and complete a land corridor between Russia and the Crimean Peninsula, which Putin seized from Ukraine in 2014.

It would also allow Putin to throw He ordered his forces not to more of his forces into the potentialstorm the plant to finish off the ly climactic battle for the Donbas

in an apparent bid to force them to other industries, or what the Kremlin has now declared to be its main objective.

> Danilov reported that some 12 to 14 of Russia's elite military units have, in fact, left Mariupol and begun moving to the east to take part in the fighting there.

"It will now be difficult for our forces, because our guys in Mariupol were taking (those units) on themselves. It is their courage and feat," he said.

Capsule Reports

Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000 after a Fort Wayne woman crashed her vehicle into a Jay School Corporation bus on U.S. 27 about 2:55 p.m. Thursday.

No injuries were report-

The 2021 school bus, driven by 59-year-old Kimberly L. Loy of Portland, was stopped with its flashing red lights and signal stop marker out as students were exiting the vehicle near county road 100 South. Tonya K. Arnold, 55, was driving her 1999 Ford F-150 north on the road when she crashed into the back of the

Arnold's vehicle was towed.

Hit the brakes

A Portland man crashed the vehicle he was driving into the back of a Saratoga woman's car at the intersection of Meridian and Walnut streets about 8:30 a.m. and \$2,500.

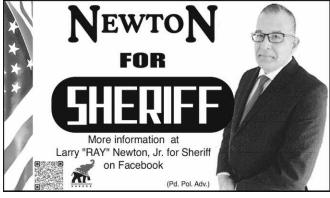
Amber E. Troutwine, 36, slammed on her brakes to avoid hitting a squirrel in the road. Brayden L. Smith, 27, who was driving a 2015 Chevrolet Colorado behind Troutwine, also tried to brake but was unable to avoid a collision with her 2021 Hyundai Elantra.

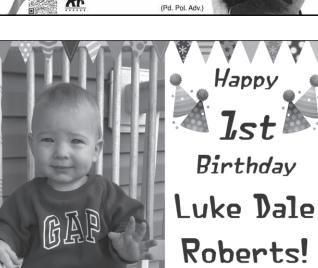
Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500. The vehicle Smith was driving is registered to Portland Motor Parts.

Deer hit

A deer ran in front of a Bryant woman's vehicle on Indiana 18 in Jay County, causing an accident about 9:30 p.m. Thursday.

Carey A. Brunswick, 44, was driving west on Indiana 18 near county road 50 West when a deer ran in front of her 2008 GMC Yukon XL. She wasn't able to avoid a collision with the animal, causing damage estimated between \$1,000





From, Mom, Dad, and

big brother Rhett.

Deeds

Bobinell Long to Linda B. Horine, quit claim deed Lot 6, Myers and Kikendall Addition

Jeramia Busby, warranty deed — Lot 21, Bartlett Addition

Knapke and Martin D. Collins to David A.E. Graber and John J.L. Graber, warranty deed — Part of Section 3, Wabash Township, 42.963 acres

Kelly West and Shelly and Robert Lovis II to

Lot 5, Block 35, original

26, Grays

Kyle B. Coleman to Jacqueline J. Abels, war-Janet M. and William R. ranty deed — Section 30, Noble Township Benjamin K.E.

Lucinda A. Eicher to Jerry E. and Mary E.S. Girod, warranty deed -Part of Section 32, Bearcreek Township, 5

DON'T JUST KINDA TV **DIRECTV** Savvy In, tax title deed —

plat of Dunkirk ndall Addition Gerald E. Jellison to Steve Schwieterman to himself, death deed — Lot

Felony arrests

Drug possession

arrested Wednesday for possession of methamphetamine.

Joey R. Franks, 37, 533 N. Meridian St., was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony, along with two Class A misdemeanors for possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia.

SERVICES

Saturday

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

Monday Dirksen, Louis: 10:30 a.m.,

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 506 E. Walnut St., Portland.

Service listings provided by **PROGRESSIVE OFFICE PRODUCTS** 120 N. Meridian St. Portland, Indiana 47371 (260) 726-9201 progressiveofficeproducts.com

He's being held on a A Redkey man was \$1,500 bond in Jay County





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Part Time Library Page

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Pick up an application and job posting at the library or online at www.jaycpl.lib.in.us.

Try mindful eating, smaller portion sizes

By BARBARA INTERMILL grape binge cost her Monterey Herald

Tribune News Service my appointment today," a pained voice informed my answering machine. "I'm not feeling so good ... maybe I shouldn't have eaten that whole bag of grapes."

patient — she is working hard to replace fresh fruit for her usual candy snacks explained further.

"I was playing on the computer and before I knew what was happening, the entire 2-pound grapes bag of was empty."

I've been there...like when a large box of popcorn suddenly disappears during a good movie.

It's called "mindless eating" — not being aware of what, why or how much we consume. It usually happens when we're distracted. And it can occur with healthful foods as well as those we run to for comfort.

To her credit, this woman ingested a good dose of dietary fiber that promotes gut health. She also got almost half her daily need for potassium – a nutrient that helps keep blood pressure under control. Grapes of all colors are also brimming with antioxidants and other substances that may benefit our hearts, brains and joints, according to the California Table Grape Commission. (99% of the table grapes in the US are produced in the Golden

Unfortunately, compared to just 90 calories in an average serving of grapes, this woman's it.

more than 600 calories.

There are two issues "I need to reschedule here. First, when we eat, we need to pay attention — what some call "mindful eating." Enjoy every bite. Take the time to appreciate food's taste and texture. When I do this, I'm surprised that a When I called this small box of popcorn can be just as satisfying as a whole tub.

Remember too, that – whether it's grapes or olive oil or a good steak we really can get too much of a good thing. Like the ah-ha I heard from a patient years ago, "I get it! It's all about portion sizes!'

For example, 3/4 cup (about 17 grapes) is considered a serving. Nutrition experts advise most of us to consume 2 to 3 servings of fruit each day for good health.

Two pounds of grapes might be a reasonable serving for a bear, but for humans, it translates to 7 servings of fruit; a bit excessive.

Grapes are still a great snack, however. Look for bunches with green, pliable stems and plump berries.

Choose all colors! And don't be afraid if you see a powdery-white coating on your grapes. That's "bloom" — a natural subthat protects stance grapes from moisture and decay.

Store unwashed grapes in the refrigerator and and they should keep for up to two weeks. Rinse before eating, of course.

And here's the rule for grapes and other fruit if you have diabetes: One serving at a time. That's probably a good rule for all of us, come to think of

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certification or the willingness to become CPR certified within 6

ability to push wheelchairs, be flexible, and must have a clean

months of hire. The successful candidate must have the physical

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Or email: careers@swissvillage.org

Woman faces uncertainty

DEAR ABBY: I've been married for 14 years and have two kids. Our youngest is 11. For the last nine years, it has been a loveless marriage. Luckily, he works a lot, but when he's home, I stay in my bedroom. The only thing we do together is eat dinner. Our kids are thriving in school, and I worry that leaving will hurt them terribly. Should I wait until our voungest graduates?

I am 47 and have multiple sclerosis that is slowly progressing. I do not have family and friends for support. Could I be even more lonely if I leave? The thought of divorce feels overwhelming, but I feel like life is passing me by. Hoping you can point me in the right direction. — LIVING IN LIMBO IN MISSOURI

DEAR LIVING: I wish you had mentioned what it was nine years ago that created a rift between you and your husband. If it was your diagnosis, it is truly regrettable. In the interim, have you tried talking about this with a marriage and family therapist? If the answer is no, you should.

I am concerned about the degree of isolation you are feeling. The National Multiple **Sclerosis** Society (nationalmssociety.org) offers virtual and in-person support groups that might benefit you greatly.

Divorcing one's spouse is not a guarantee that one's loneliness will end, as many divorced women and men can attest. The National MS Society may be able to provide what you need right now.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I

Dear Abby



are expecting our first child. We are over the moon about it, and have lots of support from family and friends near and far. My husband's family lives in another state and would need to fly to visit us. His parents are separated, and elderly.

I love his mother dearly, but I have an issue with her best friend, "Myra." Myra has always been passive-aggressive. She makes things difficult and makes rude, snide comments. My mother-inlaw plans to travel to meet our new baby, but she wants Myra to be her travel companion.

Abby, after the stress and exhaustion of delivering a baby and any postpartum aftermath, plus the desire to keep our circle small due to COVID, I do not want to see Myra in the first few months after delivery. I have no issues with my mother-in-law, and don't want to prohibit her from seeing her new grandbaby. But she refuses to travel alone. Am I going too far in saying I won't be up for visiting with her snide best friend? — PREGNANT IN PENN-**SYLVANIA**

DEAR PREGNANT: I don't think you are going too far. You have the right to control who comes into your home. Tell your mother-in-law you would welcome her coming to see the new baby, but that

Myra is not welcome in your home and will have to make other plans while Grandma is visiting your infant.

If she asks why, tell her the truth — that Myra is negative and snide, and you don't want to be exposed to that while you are in a vulnerable state. If she can't agree to your wishes, tell her you and her son will visit her when the baby is older, but you will make sure she has plenty of pictures and videos in the meantime.

DEAR ABBY: My oldest daughter is getting married and has asked my former father-in-law to walk her down the aisle. I have been there for her her whole life. My wife and I were divorced during her senior year of high school. Should I go, stay at home, sit on the groom's side of the aisle or something else? — FATHER OF

THE BRIDE

DEAR FATHER: Have you been invited to this wedding? If the answer is yes, talk to your daughter and ask her what she plans to do about the seating arrangements. Take your cue from what she tells you. You should not be seated on the groom's side of the aisle. As the father of the bride you should be with the bride's family, and ideally, you and your ex-wife should bury the hatchet if only for one day.

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

Community Calendar

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

Reunions

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

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

Today

ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS — 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 BREAK-FAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restau-

BRYANT AREA COM-MUNITY CENTER Walking from 9:30 to 10:30 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 pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accept-

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting at 6

Notices will appear in p.m., in the fellowship hall Community Calendar as at Evangelical Methodist Church, 930 W. Main St., email Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5312.

NARCOTICS ANONY-Bryant High School will MOUS — Will meet at 6 p.m. each Monday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-Portland High School 9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

Tuesday

JAY COUNTY PASTORS AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 8 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Richard's Restaurant.

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public is wel-

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

TOMCH.

For Jay County Schools **April 25-29**

Monday: Main Entress: Walking beef taco Alternate Entrees: PB&J and cheese fun lunch, ham and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch Sides for all meals: Mexican Style Refried Beans

Tuesday: Main Entrees: Chicken nuggets Alternate Entrees: Muffin, goldfish & yogurt fun lunch, ham and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing Sides for all meals: Baked crinkle frie Wednesday: Main Entrees: Classic American cheeseburger

Alternate Entrees: PB&J and cheese fun lunch, ham and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch Sides for all meals: Tater Tots

Thursday: Main Entrees: Beef hot dog on whole wheat Alternate Entrees: Muffin, goldfish & yogurt fun lunch, ham and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing Sides for all meals: Oven

Friday: Main Entrees: Classic cheese pizza Alternate Entrees: PB&J and cheese fun lunch, ham and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch Sides for all meals: Savory green beans

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Tell us what their various volunteer service activities are, or have been, including the number of years and mail to:

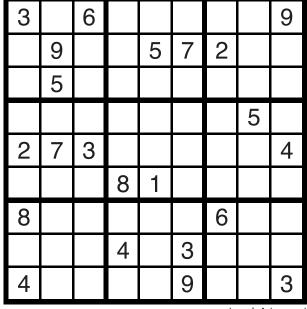
Cincinnatus League

"Service Before Self" P.O. Box 513, Portland, IN 47371

Questions? Call Rose Snow at 260-729-1069

or Barbara Street 260-726-5219 Deadline to receive nominations is May 31, 2022

Sudoku



Level: Advanced

Friday's Solution

The objective is to fill a nine-by nine grid so that each column, each row, and each of the nine three-by-6 5 8 2 7 1 three boxes (also called 4 3 8 blocks or regions) contains the digits from 1 to 9 only one time each.

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

Ballot questions are getting longer

By LARRY DEBOER

Election Day is coming up — on Tuesday, May 3 — and school referendums will be on the ballot in nine school districts. It's best if voters investigate the referendum issues in advance, so they know whether to vote yes or no. A voter might compare the benefits and costs of the referendum tax increase. The benefits are improved education through added money for teachers or new facilities. The costs are added property tax payments.

What if you didn't do your homework and want to do the benefit-cost comparison on the fly, in the voting booth? Over the years the Indiana General Assembly has added requirements to the referendum ballot questions to try to help.

Providing ever-more information about benefits and costs means the ballot questions are getting longer. Ten years ago, in May 2012, six school referendum ballot questions averaged 60 words on five lines. Five years owner's cost is how much their

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ago, in May 2017, 10 referendums averaged 83 words on seven lines. This May, the nine referendums average 136 words on 12 lines.

Be prepared to do some read-

The ballot question includes a description of proposed spending to help voters evaluate the referendum's benefits. In Griffith Public Schools, for example, the referendum will pay for safety and security, retaining and attracting teachers and staff, and programs to expand student education and career opportunities.

The ballot question also helps voters measure costs. A homeproperty tax bill will rise if the al Assembly introduced new balreferendum passes. In the past, the ballot question would list the added tax rate, in dollars per \$100 assessed value.

Many people have a pretty good idea of the value of their homes, from recent sales in their neighborhoods. The assessed value for property taxes is based on that value. Unfortunately, the referendum tax rate is multiplied by the net value of the home, after deductions.

Net assessed value is available from the mailing that taxpayers get from the county treasurer each year, at the top in Table 1. In the Griffith school district, an average \$180,000 home has a net assessed value (after deductions) of \$87,750. The added referendum tax rate is almost \$0.33 per \$100 assessed value, so the average homeowner would pay an extra \$289 per year.

That's a tough calculation to make in the voting booth, even if you remembered to look up your net assessed value. So the Gener-

lot language. Instead of giving the tax rate, the Griffith ballot says "the average property tax paid to the school corporation per year on a residence would increase by 48.39%.

They may not know their net assessed value, but it's possible that homeowners know how much they pay in property taxes, especially in the month of May. The first tax installment is due in May, so some homeowners will have written a check for half the annual amount. Federal income taxes are due in mid-April, and many homeowners deduct their property taxes. They will have recorded the amount only a few weeks before.

So a homeowner could apply 48.39% to their tax bill to estimate the added cost. Except, that's not what the ballot question says. The percentage is calculated on the part of the tax bill that is "paid to the school corporation." The whole tax bill includes the county, city, township, library district and special district taxes.

In Griffith the owner of a \$180,000 home would be at the 1 percent circuit breaker cap, so the total tax bill would be \$1,800. Griffith schools get \$597 of that amount, about 33 percent. If the referendum passes, the school tax bill rises by 48.39 percent of \$597, which is \$289, same as before. That's a 16 percent increase in the total tax bill.

Homeowners may know their total tax bills. It's less likely that they know the fraction that goes to the schools. They could look it up. The number is available on the treasurer's property tax mailing, in Table 3.

Comparing benefits and costs is a reasonable way to decide your vote. To avoid holding up the line at the voting booth, though, read the ballot question and do your cost calculations before you leave for the polls.

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Trade portfolios for some credibility

The Sacramento Bee

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Few issues in Congress transcend partisan polar-

ization as reliably and consistently as members' stock portfolios. Americans across the

ideological spectrum overwhelmingly agree that their federal representatives should not be buying and selling securities given their obviously advantageous access to information that is not available to most investors. And judging by the persistence of robust market participation on Capitol Hill, members of Congress from both parties broadly concur that they relish leveraging that privilege to enrich themselves.

post-Watergate The Ethics in Government Act the Obama-era STOCK Act (Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge), which required more frequent disclosure of congressional trading, have served mainly to underscore the extent of the problem without doing much to solve it. A recent Like Burr, who voted review by Insider found against reform, Pelosi that 59 lawmakers had vio- made matters worse by lated the law, which generally incurs a piddling fine. Meanwhile, flurries of remarkably prescient buying and selling by lawmakers have taken place on the cusp of world- and events market-shaking such as the 2008 financial crisis, the 2020 emergence of the novel coronavirus and this year's Russian invasion of Ukraine, all suggesting senators and representatives were making lucrative use of information gained by virtue of their positions.

An outbreak of pre-panstock-dumping prompted the FBI and the Securities and Exchange Commission to open an investigation of four senators. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-California, ultimately acknowledged failing to disclose a transaction by her late husband and said she would pay a fine, though she maintained that his trades were unrelated to the emergence of COVID-19 or any information she may have had. Sen. Richard Burr, R-North Carolina, who came under more extensive scrutiny based on a broader sell-off ably low esteem.

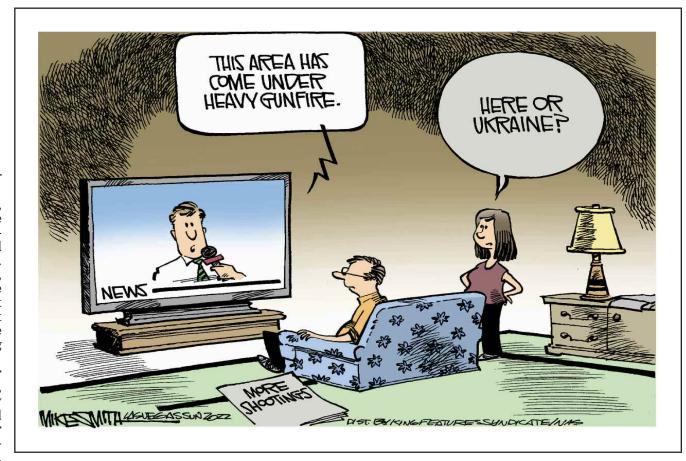
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by him and a relative, stepped down from the leadership of the Intelligence Committee. And scrutiny of former Sen. Kelly Loeffler, R-Georgia, may have helped hand the Senate to Democrats. But the federal government ultimately dropped all the probes without bringing charges.

The husband of another California lawmaker, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, is so prolific and successful as an investor as to have inspired a following on social media, where amateur investors follow the speaker's disclosed trades. There's evidence that the thousands of trades disclosed by members of Congress, and mimicked by those monitoring them, are influencing the broader market. opposing any restriction such congressional profiteering last year, though she has since changed her position.

The cause of reforming congressional stock trading is almost as popular and bipartisan in theory as members' pursuit of market riches is in practice, with more than a fifth of lawmakers signed onto one of several current reform proposals. As anemic previous efforts demonstrate, they have little hope of regaining credibility on the subject if they continue to allow members and their immediate families to own and trade individual stocks.

Requiring members of Congress to limit their investments to diversified funds that don't invite selfdealing and conflicts of interest is not a lot to ask given their unfair advantages over the investing public and the power and responsibility with which they're entrusted. The alternative is another reason to distrust a legislature that Americans already hold in unsustain-



Male pill remains a dream

By SUSANNA SCHROBSDORFF

Special To The Washington Post Women didn't exactly rush into the streets to celebrate the news last month that an improved contraceptive pill for men is in the works. We've been waiting for men to help solve this problem for decades, so please forgive our skepticism. First, we laughed at the idea of men taking any kind of medication that causes temporary infertility. And then we cried because we remembered that men will never be good at birth control until they can get pregnant.

Certainly, there has never been a better time for people with testes to step up and take some responsibility for contraception. According to a recent U.N. report, half of all pregnancies on our overcrowded planet are unintended. A male contraceptive could, if approved, reduce abortions and child poverty. And in the United States, a pill for men should have more relevance now that access to abortion is being rapidly curtailed in many states.

The new male contraceptive works by targeting a specific protein important for cell growth, including sperm formation. Inhibiting this protein dramatically reduces sperm counts, and reportedly it is 99 percent effective. And while the compound has only been tested on mice, there are no observable side effects so far. Four to six weeks after the mice stopped receiving the compound; they were able to father pups again. Human trials are planned for this fall.

Until that occurs, we have time to tackle a foundational issue or two. Let's start with the big one: What exactly could entice the average guy them feel pregnant. Often, for years. for TIME magazine.

Susanna Schrobsdorff



to take a daily pill that does something mysterious to his sperm?

This might be the world's greatest advertising challenge. "Temporary sterility" will never be an easy sell to an audience that is accustomed to being served up all kinds of marketing hustles for trucks, beverages and screen time that play to their masculinity. The only way you'd get guys to take that contraceptive pill, a male friend remarked, is if it also gives them an erection.

The belated emergence of an oral contraceptive for men is further evidence of a pernicious double standard in reproductive health care. Men, as medical researchers put it, have a very "low threshold" for side effects. Earlier versions of the male pill, for example, worked by reducing a man's testosterone but came with side effects that included reduced libido, weight gain and depression.

People who take female oral contraceptives have been putting up with the same kinds of symptoms for decades, plus an elevated risk of severe health issues, including blood clots and some cancers. As you may recall, the female pill works by mimicking pregnancy in the body, stopping ovulation and/or implantation of an embryo. So, yes, to keep from getting pregnant, women take hormones that make

It's hard to imagine men opting for an equivalent biochemical commitment in exchange for birth control. But let's say this new non-hormonal pill for guys makes it to market, and men are willing to try it. Can we really expect them to take a pill every day? If he forgets his pill pack on vacation, you're rolling the dice. Even habitual use of condoms is a challenge for most guys: a 2016 study of 51 males found that men were "less likely" to wear a condom when they judged a potential partner to be attractive or in good health. Until they can suffer the consequences of an unintended pregnancy, men aren't likely to reliably take responsibility for birth control.

Still, all is not lost. German scientist Rebecca Weiss won the James Dyson Award last fall for inventing an "ultrasound-based, reversible and hormone-free" form of male contraception. Users simply put their testicles into a custom-fitted device filled with heated water before intercourse and ultrasound temporarily stops the sperms' motility so they can't fertilize an

That might be even more awkward than some female birth control devices we won't mention. But surely the folks who design space rockets can give this contraption a super-manly astronaut vibe.

Until then, contraception equality is just a dream — a dream in which men are not the only ones who can turn to a sexual partner at the critical moment and say: "We're good,

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Ribbon cutting

Jay County Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new offices of Clear Chiropractic. The site at 609 N. Charles St., Portland, also houses Jay County Therapeutics and Beauty & Wellness.

GM is moving to solidify supplies

By KALEA HALL The Detroit News Tribune News Service

In another move to make sure it has what it needs to electrify its lineup, General Motors Co. said Thursday it entered into a supply agreement with MP Materials Corp. for the alloy and magnets needed for EV programs.

The agreement solidifies terms of a binding agreement announced by the companies in December. MP Materials will supply U.S.-sourced manufactured and rare earth materials alloy and finished magnets — for electric motors in more than a dozen models using GM's new Ultium EV platform. MP is planning a gradual production ramp-up starting in late 2023 with alloy.

The supply agreement is one of several GM has made in the last year to shore up the materials it will need to build 1 million electric vehicles in North America by 2025.

Most recently, GM entered into a multiyear sourcing agreement with Switzerland-based natural resource company, Glencore, to secure cobalt supply for elecvehicles. tric March, GMand POSCO Chemical said they're planning to build a facility in Quebec to produce cathode active material, or CAM, for the batteries used with GM's Ultium EV platform, including those on the Chevrolet Silverado EV, GMC Hummer EV and Cadillac Lyriq.

Last year, GM and **GE** Renewable Energy signed a non-binding memorandum "to understanding evaluate opportunities to improve supplies of heavy and light rare earth materials and magnets, copper and electrical steel used for manufacturing of electric vehicles," the companies said in a press release.

Also in 2021, GM formed a partnership with Controlled Thermal Resources Limited to source lithium from southern California's Salton Sea. Lithium is a crucial mineral needed to build electric vehicle batteries.

Additionally, Detroit automaker and Vacuumschmelze or VAC, a global producer of advanced magnetic materials, are finalizing the details of a deal for VAC to build a U.S. facility that will manufacture permanent magnets for electric motors in GM's EVs built on the automaker's new Ultium electric platform.

GM is attendance today at a groundbreaking event for a MP facility in Fort Worth, Texas, which will be its first rare earth metal, alloy and magnet manufacturing facility.

New program open

A new program is open to the state's

manufacturers.

Indiana Chamber of Commerce announced its new Indiana's Best Places to Work in Manufacturing early this month. Hoosier companies have until late July

to enroll in the program.

All participating employers will receive a feedback report that includes the results of an employee survey. It is intended to identify strengths and weaknesses.

The highest performing companies will be named to the "best places to work" list, which is intended to be used as a recruitment tool.

"With Indiana being the most manufacturing intensive state in the country, we want to focus on that industry and honor those employers who are going above and beyond to support their workers, which helps build strong communities," said Indiana Chamber president and CEO Kevin Brinegar in a press release.

Geesaman joins

Emily Geesaman, a Portland native, has been hired as associate product engineer for Chore-Time.

Geesaman, who now lives in Warsaw, will focus on product design and development for the company, which is a provider of complete end-to-end systems for poultry and egg production. She will be responsible for helping identify market needs and attending product installations, meetings and trade shows.

She recently graduated from the University of Toledo with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

OVG makes hew hire

Ohio Valley Gas recently announced the hiring of Gregory Roach as its new chief financial officer.

Roach joins OVG after spending more than a decade in various senior management roles with American Water. He previously worked in financial planning and analysis leadership in both the natural gas distribution and power generation utility

He has a bachelor's degree from Indiana University and a master's degree from Butler University.

OVG CEO Scott Williams in a press release. "For nearly 80 years, our company has strived to provide excellence in safety, operating efficiency and customer service. Greg brings significant industry experience that will help OVG achieve our goals."

Smith Bros. ranked

Smith Brothers of Berne was one of nine Indiana firms to make the top 100 in the 2022 FDMC 300 List, which ranks the largest cabinet, furniture, millwork, store fixture, office/contract, and component producers in North America.

The company appeared at No. 88 on the I&M, in a press release.

Business roundup

list with annual sales estimated at about \$100 million. It has more than 500 employ-

"Indiana is proud to be ranked as a top producer for so many wood products and to supply a large number of Hoosiers with good paying hardwood manufacturing jobs," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch in a press release. "Wood is a renewable resource and provides a stability and quality to furniture like no other."

Jasper's MasterBrand Cabinets was the top Indiana firm on the list at No. 3.

Drive launched

First Financial Bank is holding a local book drive and financial literacy campaign through April 30.

The bank is celebrating National Financial Literacy Month with the events at its Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois locations. They will collect books of any type to donate to local schools, libraries and churches.

'Financial literacy is the foundation for a thriving community and economic stability," said First Financial chief corporate responsibility officer Roddell McCullough in a press release. "Education is so important that we established it as a key pillar in our ALIVE strategy to help support the needs of low- to moderate-income communities. That's why we are so proud to work with local organizations in each of our communities to promote literacy, and specifically financial literacy, for everyone."

I&M partnering

Indiana Michigan Power on Friday announced that it is partnering with Redtail Land Conservancy to continue the environmental restoration of Reber Woods.

The organizations will work together to "We are thrilled to welcome Greg to the restore a former farm field that separates Ohio Valley Gas leadership team," said two strips of forest at the site, located at 4800 N. Morrison Road, Muncie. The goal is to plant a blend of native grasses and wildflowers to create a natural corridor for wildlife that also supports local and migratory animals with food, water and shelter.

"When Red-tail reached out to see how we could help bridge the gap of these two forests, we were happy to help support a seed mix for the field that allowed for the continued safe operation of the power infrastructure and continued restoration of the habitat," said Jennifer Walker, environmental specialist consultant with

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Musk ready to buy Twitter

and MATT O'BRIEN AP Business Writers

lined up \$46.5 billion in financing to buy Twitter, putting pressure on the company's board to negotiate a deal.

Last week, announced an offer to buy the social media plator about \$43 billion.

The Tesla CEO said

filed with U.S. securities regulators that the Elon Musk says he has money would come from Morgan Stanley and other banks.

Twitter has yet to formally respond to Musk's offer, but the company Musk has enacted an antitakeover measure known as a poison pill that could form for \$54.20 per share, make a takeover attempt prohibitively expensive.

The company said in a

Thursday in documents statement that it received Musk's updated proposal and "new information on potential financing" and said its board is "committed to conducting a careful, comprehensive and deliberate review."



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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: DURING THE INFOMERCIAL FOR BATHROOM FLOORING, THE HOST SHOUTED "DON'T TOUCH THAT TILE!"

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: I equals N

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Random topics

1) What soft drink began in Morrison's Drug Store in Wako, Texas, in 1885?

> 2) What music video has the most views on YouTube?

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: IF A NOMADIC NORTH AFRICAN NATIVE CUTS HAIR AS HIS MAIN LIVELIHOOD, THEN HE'S A BERBER BARBER.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Y equals I



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WORD SCRAMBLE Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to Lyme disease IKHGNI Answer: Hiking

Guess Who?

I am a rapper born in Texas on April 22, 1990. Before fame I lived abroad with my parents doing missionary work. I am known for my spitfire lyrics, and my music dates back to the early 2000s. I've also been in a few films in recent years. Answer: Machine Gun Kelly

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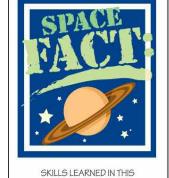
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Crossword Puzzle

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- 2. Treatment of the hands

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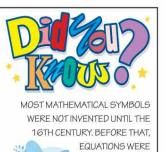


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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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Contract By Steve Becker

All you have to do is pray

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable **A** Q 7 6 5 2 **∀** A **♦** 9 7 4 **♠**A Q 8 WEST EAST **♦**— ▼106532 ♦ J 10 8 6 ♣KJ64 SOUTH ♠ K J 10 9 8 ♥ J 9 4 The bidding:
West North 3 ♣ 6 ♠ Pass 1 **◆** 3 NT Pass

Opening lead — king of hearts.

Assume you're in six spades and
West leads the king of hearts. How would you play the hand?

Your only possible losers are two clubs, but one of these can be avoided if the club finesse wins. However, since the finesse offers only a 50% chance, you should look for another approach that might improve on that percentage. Closer examination reveals that there is the possibility of a poten-

tial endplay against East. If all goes well, you will be able to score 12 tricks without trying the club finesse. You can take the ace of hearts, draw trump, ruff a heart,

eash the A-K of diamonds, ruff another heart, then ruff a diamond. This will clear your hand and the dummy of both red suits. You can then lead a club and, if

West follows low, insert the eight East might win with the nine, 10 jack, but he must then lead a club into dummy's A-Q or yield a ruff-and-discard, and the slam is home. But there's a fly in the ointment

West may play a club higher than the eight when you lead a club toward dummy (he would play the nine in the actual deal), and that would ruin your projected endplay. In that case, you would be right back where you started, needing West to hold the club king.

However, further study reveals that there is an even better method of play available: draw trump, cash

the A-K of diamonds and lead the jack of hearts rather than the nine. West must cover with the queen: otherwise, you can discard a club from dummy.

You trump the queen in dummy,

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You trump the queen in dummy, ruff a diamond and lead the nine of hearts, discarding a club from dummy. East wins with the 10 but must then hand you the slam.

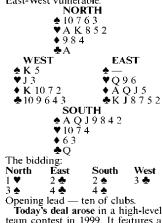
This method of play takes advantage of the knowledge you gained from the opening lead — that West has the queen of hearts. All you have to do is pray that East has the

have to do is pray that East has the 10. And if he doesn't, you still have all your other options in reserve.

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Famous Hand



North dealer.

East-West vulnerable

Today's deal arose in a high-level team contest in 1999. It features a

four spades. It might seem, in looking at all four hands, that declarer must go down one, losing two diamonds, a heart and a spade — and that is exactly what happened when the deal was first played.

play that would occur to very few players At both tables, the contract was

South won the opening club lead with dummy's ace and led a spade. When East showed out, declarer

put up the ace and, for lack of any-

spade. West won and shifted to a diamond, whereupon the defenders collected their two diamond tricks and played a third diamond, ruffed by South. East later scored a heart trick to sink the contract.

At the other table, after the same opening lead, the declarer, Margaret Williams, found an elegant way to give herself an extra chance if she had to lose a spade trick. Instead of leading a spade at trick two, she led a diamond!

At first blush, one might wonder what possible difference this could make, but the answer was soon forthcoming. In practice, East won the diamond with the ace and continued with the queen and another diamond, ruffed by South. Williams now played the ace of

spades and, upon learning that she had a trump loser, cashed the A-K of hearts before conceding a spade to West's king. West then had to return a diamond or a club, allowing South to discard her remaining heart as she ruffed in dummy, and the contract was home.

Observe that once declarer led a

diamond at trick two, there was nothing the defenders could do to defeat her. If they shifted to a h after taking the first diamond. Williams would win, play a second diamond, win the heart return and ruff a diamond to achieve the same position.

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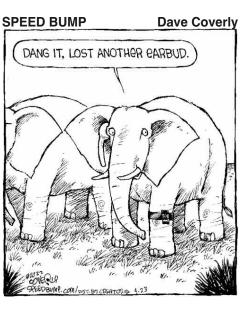
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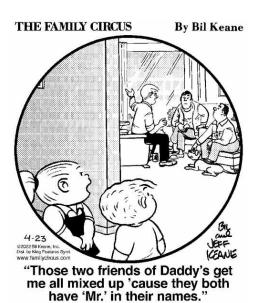
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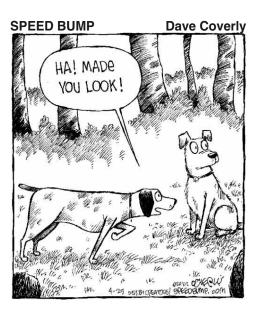
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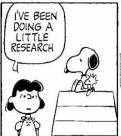


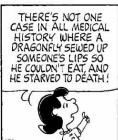












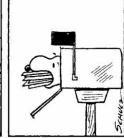


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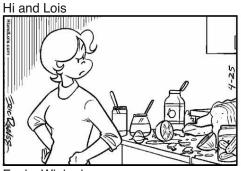
















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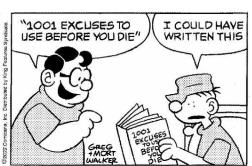


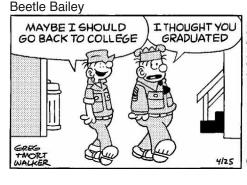
















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TRUST COMPANY. Plaintiff, vs. BUDGET INN MISSIONS,

LLC, Defendant NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

TO: The State Bank and Trust Company, OWNER OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND TO THE

PUBLIC AT LARGE: By virtue of the certified copy of Decree of Foreclosure to me directed by the Clerk of the Allen Superior Court, Allen County, Indiana and thereafter domesticated in Jay County, Indiana, in the above-captioned cause: a) rendering a judgment against the real estate described below in the sum of \$191,358.67, plus statutory interest thereafter, said judgment being in favor of The State Bank and Trust Company, in said amount, plus the costs and accruing costs of the above-described action; Said judgment ordering the sale of the real estate hereinafter described to make assets for the payment of said sum due The State Bank and Trust Company, in the Decree contained, I will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder on May 19, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. on said date, at the Jay County Sheriff's Office in the City of Portland, Jay County, Indiana, the real estate together with income and profits thereof located in Jay County, State of In-

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Parcel No. 38-07-08-400-013.000-033

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Address: 5768 S. Como Rd., Portland, IN 47371

Parcel No.: 38-10-15-403-007.000-024

Tax ID Number: 382100062 The name of the purchaser is Steven Gillette. A petition for tax deed will be filed on or after June 23, 2022. The purchaser is entitled to receive a tax deed for the real property if it is not redeemed before June 23, 2022. The owner or person with a substantial interest of public record or any person is entitled to redeem the real property. The real property has not been redeemed.

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Sydney Rachelle Baughman, Petitioner NOTICE OF PETITION FOR

CHANGE OF NAME Sydney Rachelle Baughman, whose mailing address is: Portland, Indiana 47371, in Jay County, Indiana hereby gives notice that Sydney Rachelle Baughman has filed a petition in the Jay Court requesting that her name be changed to Sydney Rachelle Larsson.

Notice is hereby given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on May 20, 2022 at 11:00

Sydney Rachelle Baughman, 3/29/2022 4-16 23 30-2022-HSPAXLE

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Notice is hereby given that Theodore A. Davis III, Personal Representative, was on the 15th day of March, 2022, appointed Personal Representatives of the deceased, who died the 1st day of March, 2022, and authorized to administer said estate without court supervision. All persons who have claims

against this estate, whether or $not\,now\,due,\,must\,file\,the\,claim$ in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication or this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is ear lier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated my hand and seal of said Court, this 16 day of March 2022 Clerk, Jay County Courts

Aaron M. Henderson #32364-05 502 W. Main Street, Ste A Hartford City, IN 47348 CR 4-16,22-2022-HSPAXLP

6-1.1-25-4.5) to Terek Johargy, any unknown heirs and any person who has a substantial interest in the following described real property located in Jay County, Indiana that it was sold at the Jav County Tax Sale on DATE pursuant to judicial order for nonpayment of property taxes and assessments:

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Tax ID Number: 382100043 The name of the purchaser is Amy Sutton. A petition for tax

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Rallies

Continued from page 10 They still trailed 5-2 before exploding for a halfdozen runs in the fifth. Shenandoah closed to within a run when they scored in the bottom of the fifth, but JCHS tallied two more runs in the top of the sixth and held the home team scoreless over the final two frames.

Sam Myers and Ryne Goldsworthy led the Jay County offense with two hits and two RBIs apiece.

Cody Rowles picked up the win with five strikeouts in 2 1/3 innings of relief, and Gavin Myers closed out the game. Sam Myers started and went four innings, striking out three batters.

Continued from page 10 Jackie Homan suffered the loss for FRHS, giving up six runs on 10 hits in six innings. She struck out three batters and did not allow a walk.

Ella Schoen paced the Tribe offense, going 2-for-3 with a walk and an RBI. Chloey Grisez added two hits, and Maddie Guggenbiller singled and scored a

Fort Recovery will try to get back on track today when it visits Jackson Cen-



Madison Dirksen, a Jay County senior, tracks down a shot off the court during her No. 1 doubles victory with teammate Holly Hemmelgarn. They defeated Bella Phillips and Morgan Williams of Winchester 6-0, 6-1.

Chasing

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The Patriots' No. 1 singles player was especially strong in the final set, serving for the first game, breaking Riggin's serve in the second and fourth and then smashing an ace down the middle to end the fifth. She failed to convert one set point, fought off a game point for Riggin and then finished off her victory when a shot from the Winchester junior went long.

"During the first set I tried looking for the hand that she wasn't as good at," said Brewster. "She was pretty good at both of them, hon-

"So in the second set I tried to make her go back and forth more, and not try to hit the ball as hard. And that started working, because she started getting tired.

After the first two sets of the match average 50 minutes, Brewster needed just 24 minutes to sweep her way through the third.

"Grace pulled it out," said JCHS coach Dave Cramer. "I don't know why she started so slow. She started really slow and then came on really strong. That's great. She's got the fight in her. That's what vou need.

Jay County, whose only loss this season came against Bellmont, was dominant in each of its other three victories, giving up just three games combined.

Sophomore Brenna Haines led that effort with another strong outing at No. 3 singles. She turned in a shutout first set and was up 5-0 and serving in the second. She pushed

to a 40-15 lead and completed the shutout win when a shot from Miranda Williams of Winchester

missed wide to the left. "Brenna, she's going to be really, really good, because she's got a slice thing that's hard to (deal with)," Cramer said. "Most people

never see that coming at them.' Senior No. 2 doubles players Madison Dirksen and Holly Hemmelgarn won the first seven games of their match against Bella Phillips and Morgan Williams before finally dropping one. They would not lose another, going on to break Williams' serve to finish off their 6-0, 6-1 victory.

Lilly Hedges, a senior, had a 3-0 lead at No. 2 singles before giving up a game to Emily Cockerill. She bounced back to win the next six games en route to her 6-1, 6-1 tri-

The lone loss on the evening for Jay County came at No. 2 doubles, where twins Kaylee and Melana Zimmerman lost 6-2, 6-3 to Morgan Lawrence and Mackeenzie Mead-

Junior varsity

Jay County went 3-2 at the junior varsity level, including wins in both singles matches.

Paulina Esquivel picked up an 8-1 win over Addy Haney at No. 2 singles. Brenna Bailey defeated Lindey Rees 8-3 at No. 1 singles.

The other win for the Patriots came by an 8-1 score as the No. 1 doubles pair of Chloe Ruiz and Zion Beiswanger knocked off Jordan Hargrave and Hailey Wolf.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

TodayJay County — Boys golf in South Adams Invitational – 9 a.m.; Boys track in Muncie Central Relays – 10 a.m.; Baseball vs. Randolph Southern - 10

Fort Recovery — Softball at Jackson Center - 11 a.m.; Baseball vs. Lincolnview - 1 p.m.; JV softball doubleheader vs. St. Henry - 10 a.m.

Jay County — Boys golf at Monroe Central – 4:30 p.m.; Softball vs. Wapahani - 5 p.m.; Baseball at Monroe Cen-- 5 p.m.; Girls tennis at South Adams - 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Delta -5 p.m.; Junior high track at Heritage

Fort Recovery — JV softball vs. South

Jay County - Boys golf vs. Adams Central and South Adams at Celina Lynx - 5 p.m.; Girls tennis at Union City - 5 p.m.; Track at Heritage - 5:30 p.m.; JV baseball at Marion - 5:30

Fort Recovery — Track at Anna – 4:30 p.m.; Baseball at Coldwater – 5 p.m.; Softball vs. Coldwater - 5 p.m.; JV baseball vs. Coldwater - 5 p.m.

TV schedule

Today 10:30 a.m. — Formula 1: Emilia Romagna Grand Prix – Sprint (ESPN) Noon — USF football: Philadelphia Stars at Pittsburgh Maulers (FOX) 12:30 p.m. — Soccer: Premier

League: Tottenham Hotspur at Brentford (NBC); Bundesliga: Borussia Dortmund at Bayern Munich (ABC)

2 p.m. — College football: Penn State Spring Game (BTN)

3 p.m. — NHL hockey: New York Rangers at Boston Bruins (ABC) 3 p.m. — PGA golf: Zurich Classic of New Orleans (CBS)

3 p.m. — College football: USC Spring Game (ESPN)

Janus Garie (Esriy)
3:30 p.m. — AMA Supercross (NBC)
4 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Xfini-/ Series – Ag-Pro 300 (FOX)
4:10 p.m. — Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Cincinnati Reds

(Bally Indiana) - NBA playoffs: Dallas Mavericks at Utah Jazz (TNT) 4:30 p.m. — College baseball: Mississippi State at Mississippi (ESPN2)

5 p.m. — Major League Soccer: Chicago Fire at Minnesota United

7 p.m. — USFL football: Houston Gamblers at Birmingham Stallions (FS1)

7:30 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Boston Celtics at Brooklyn Nets (ESPN) College baseball: Maryland

at Illinois (BTN) NBA playoffs: Memphis Grizzlies at Minnesota Timberwolves

Sunday 9 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League -West Ham United at Chelsea (USA) 9 a.m. — Auto racing: Formula 1 -Emilia Romagna Grand Prix (ESPN)

11:30 a.m. — Premier League: Everton at Liverpool (USA) 1 p.m. — College baseball: Nebraska

at Indiana (BTN)

1 p.m. — Major League Soccer: Atlanta

United at Inter Miami (ESPN)

2 p.m. — College baseball: Georgia at Alabama (ESPN2)
3 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Cup
Series – GEICO 500 (FOX) of New Orleans (CBS) 3:30 p.m. — Major League Soccer: New York Red Bulls at Orlando City (ESPN) 4 p.m. — NHL hockey: Pittsburgh Pen guins at Philadelphia Flyers (TNT)

Bandits at New Orleans Breakers (NBC)

7 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Milwaukee Brewers at Philadelphia Phillies

3 p.m. — USFL football: Tampa Bay

3 p.m. — PGA Tour golf: Zurich Classic

Monday

7 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Boston Celtics at Brooklyn Nets (TNT) 9:30 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Utah Jazz at

Dallas Mavericks (TNT)

Tuesday

— Soccer: UEFA Champions 3 p.m. League: Real Madrid at Manchester City

6:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball:

San Diego Padres at Cincinnati Reds (Bally 7 p.m. — NHL hockey: Edmonton Oil-

ers at Pittsburgh Penguins (ESPN)
7:30 p.m. — NBA playoffs: Minnesota
Timberwolves at Memphis Grizzlies (TNT)
9:30 p.m. — NHL hockey: St. Louis

Blues at Colorado Avalanche (ESPN)

Local notes

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Chasing a win

Brewster changes strategy to author comeback as part of Patriots' 4-1 victory over sectional rival

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review
WINCHESTER — Grace Brewster spent the first half of her match trying to overpower her

opponent. It wasn't working.

She decided to change tactics, shifting her strategy to chasing Reagan Riggin all over the court.

Brewster rallied from being down three games and down a set to defeat Riggin 4-6, 6-4, 6-0 Friday night to finish off the Jay County High School girls tennis team's 4-1 victory over the Winchester Golden Falcons.

The win improved the Patriots to 3-1 on the season and was big in terms of setting the stage for the sectional tournament next month. Winchester had won the last four sectional championships prior to JCHS breaking that streak last year.

"It has been a really good start to the year," said Brewster. "I'm really excited for the rest of the year, too, because I feel like we're honestly a really good team together."

Thanks to wins from Madison Dirksen and Holly Hemmelgarn at No. 1 doubles, Lilly Hedges at No. 2 singles and Brenna Haines at No. 3 singles, the Patriots already had the match in hand when Brewster found herself with a three-game deficit in the second set.

She fought anyway.

Brewster served out the next game at love to start a streak of dominance for the rest of the match. She would lose just one game the rest of the way.

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Jay County High School senior Grace Brewster connects on a shot during her No. 1 singles match Friday against Reagan Riggin of host Winchester. Brewster rallied from a big deficit for a 4-6, 6-4, 6-0 victory as the Patriots won 4-1.

JCHS rallies to top Raiders

MIDDLETOWN — The Patriots fell behind early and were facing a threerun deficit through four innings.

A big fifth turned things around.

The Jay County High School baseball team scored six times in the fifth inning Friday night as it rallied for a 10-6 victory over the host Shenandoah Raiders.

The Patriots, who are now 5-2, gave up two runs in the bottom of the first inning and one in the second to fall behind.

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Tribe falls to Blazers

NEW PARIS, Ohio — The Indians went on the road Friday night and returned with consecutive losses for the first time this season.

Fort Recovery High School's softball team went scoreless through the first four innings Friday night in a 6-2 loss to the host National Trail Blazers.

The Indians (9-4), who were coming off of a loss Thursday to St. Henry, gave up three runs apiece in the second and fourth innings. They scored their only runs in the top of the fifth.

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