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Projects funded

INDOT awards Community Crossings grants for paving in Portland, Dunkirk, Redkey and county

By RAY COONEY
The Commercial Review

Get ready for some road work. Indiana Department of Transportation on Tuesday announced a total of \$2.19 million in Community Crossings grants awards for road work in Jay County, Portland, Dunkirk and Redkey.

"That is definitely good news," said Jay County Community Development director Ami Huffman, who applied for the grants on behalf of the municipalities. County engineer Dan Watson handled the application for Jay County. "And that gives us during this down time a chance to get ready to bid so that when this breaks we'll be ready to go."

All Community Crossings projects require a 25% local match.

All of the roads and streets involved were selected based on asset management plans, which evaluate which are most in need of repair.

The largest of the four grants this year is \$1 million for Jay County for paving almost all of Como Road. The road, which runs at a southeast to northwest angle on the west side of the county, will be paved from county road 50 South to the Randolph County line.

INDOT's grant to Portland came in at \$677,973.75.

"I'm glad we've got it," said Portland Mayor John Boggs. "We got everything we asked for. We're looking forward to getting our streets paved."

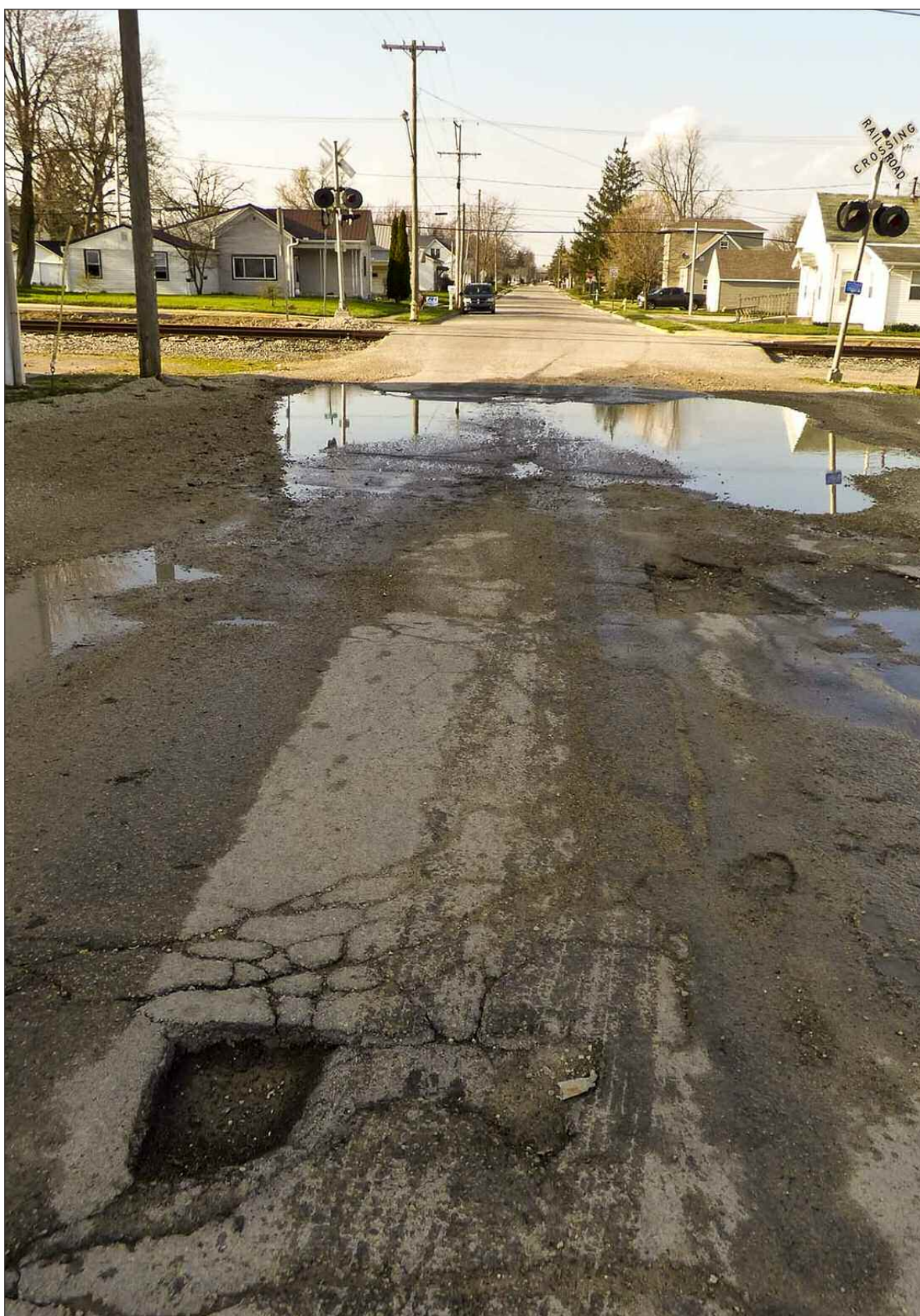
The funding will help the city pave sections of nine streets:

- Main Street between Meridian and Middle streets
- Middle Street between Votaw Street and Blaine Pike
- High and Race streets between Meridian and Park streets
- Arch Street between Morton and Boston streets
- The entirety of Green Park Drive
- Hayes Street between Water and Votaw streets
- Boston Street between Arch and Votaw streets
- Glen Street between Votaw and North streets

Portland's match for the work will be \$225,991.25.

"Because the state gives us so much, we only have to match a little bit of it," said Boggs. "So we get quite a bit back for what we put into it. It enables us to do a lot more than we'd ever be able to do on our own."

INDOT awarded \$291,210 in Community Crossings funds to Dunkirk for paving seven



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Jay County communities were awarded a total of more than \$2.1 million in Community Crossings grants from Indiana Department of Transportation on Tuesday. Those funds will go toward paving roads in Portland — including this stretch of Middle Street just south of Water Street — Dunkirk and Redkey, and about 9 miles of Como Road.

streets. The city's match will be \$97,070.

Dunkirk Mayor Jack Robbins had prepared himself for the state to pull back on such fund-

ing given the coronavirus pandemic, so he was thrilled to learn Tuesday that the funding came through.

Dunkirk's paving will include

two sections of Indiana Street — between Ohio and Center streets, and between Railroad and Grant streets.

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New cases dip from highs on Tuesday

Indiana reports additional 436 with coronavirus

From staff and wire reports

After reporting its highest number of new COVID-19 cases and deaths Tuesday, those numbers pulled back a bit in Indiana today.

This morning's report from Indiana State Department of Health showed 436 new cases, down from 563 Tuesday but still the fifth day in a row that at least 435 new cases have been added to the list. There were 30 deaths in today's report, down from Tuesday's high of 34.

Jay County has three confirmed cases of COVID-19. In the area, only Adams and Wells (two each) have fewer.

Totals in other area counties are as follows: Delaware — 46; Darke — 34; Mercer — eight; Randolph — seven; Blackford — four.

Indiana now has 5,943 total positive tests for coronavirus and 203 deaths. Nearly 31,000 Hoosiers have been tested.

As of its report Tuesday afternoon, Ohio had 4,782 cases and 167 deaths.

Health officials continue to indicate the actual number of cases is likely much higher because testing for COVID-19 is still limited.

Dr. Kristina Box, the state health commissioner, said Tuesday that Indiana's coronavirus deaths have not peaked. She compared the virus deaths that have happened since March 10 to the average number of people who die of flu in Indiana every year — about 150 over a seven-month period.

Gov. Eric Holcomb said residents must follow the statewide stay-at-home order, which will continue through at least April 20 under a two-week extension he signed Monday.

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Adoption by appointment

By RILEY EUBANKS
The Commercial Review

There is still one part of the population that doesn't know what COVID-19 is — pets.

Many pets are getting more time with their owners as they are spending more time at home, either working from home or staying home because their jobs have been temporarily shut down.

It may also be a good time to adopt a pet, as most have more time at home to help their furry friend adjust to a new environment. But COVID-19 has made the process more difficult as shelters are closed to the public.

"We're trying to be as cautious as we can while offering as many services as possible," said Cierra Castillo, who works at Jay County Humane Society in Portland.

Pet shelters adjusting under COVID-19 restrictions

Despite operating at full capacity, housing some animals in offices and even putting two animals in one kennel in some situations, the animal shelter is closed to public, Castillo said.

Adoption applications are still being processed but those interested in meeting their potential pet can only do so by appointment only. Someone looking to adopt a dog can only meet with it outside of the shelter while staying distant from the shelter's employees.

"This isn't a problem for cats because, well, they're cats," Castillo said. But dogs, she said, are complicated and have unique personalities, so it's hard to know if a dog is the right fit with little opportunity to get to know it before taking it home.

Tara Drumm of Midwest Pet Refuge in Portland said the shelter is also only taking adoptions by appointment.

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The Commercial Review/Jack Ronald

Absolutely super

Tuesday night provided the biggest and brightest supermoon of 2020. It was about 7% larger in the sky than the average full moon because it was closer to earth. This photo was made about 10:45 p.m. Tuesday.

Deaths

Glen E. Billington, 56, Sturgis, Michigan
Kathryn Schemenaur, 91, Portland
Roma Pursifull, 85, Redkey
Details on page 2.

Weather

The high temperature Tuesday in Jay County was 77 degrees. The low was 30, and there was about 0.3 inches of rain.

Tonight's low will be in the 40s. Expect a breezy Thursday with winds from 20 to 30 miles per hour and a high of 48.

See page 2 for an extended forecast.

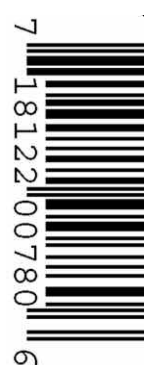
In review

Trash that is regularly picked up on Fridays in Portland will instead be picked up on Thursday this week.

Coming up

Page 4 — During polio epidemic, Jay license plates were unwelcome. Back in the Saddle.

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Adoption ...

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The shelter has received a slight increase in lost animals, a problem she said may get worse in the future.

"With kitten season here ... we know we will be inundated with kitten calls soon," Drumm said in an email, "as well as those who can't keep their pets due to job loss."

Adoptable pets and an application can be found online at midwestpetrefuge.com/adopt.

Blackford County Animal Shelter in Hartford City is also closed to the public and is only processing applications online. Those wishing to adopt a pet will only be allowed inside of the shelter after their application is approved. Applications and a list of pets

available for adoption are posted at blackfordcountyanimalshelter.com.

Mercer County Animal Shelter in Celina, Ohio, is open by appointment.

Muncie Animal Shelter is not processing any adoptions and is closed to the public.

The Jay County shelter is still offering free pet food once a month for those who need it, Castillo said. Adoption applications are available at the shelter or can be emailed and filled out on a computer, she said.

All adopted pets are spayed and come with their first round of testing and vaccinations, Castillo said. Dogs are available for \$100 and cats can be adopted for \$35.



Photo provided

Scar, a mixed-breed male, is available for adoption for \$100 from Jay County Humane Society, 1313 Shadeland Ave., Portland. The shelter can be reached at (260) 726-6339. During Indiana's stay-at-home order, visits to the humane society are by appointment only.

CR almanac

Thursday 4/9	Friday 4/10	Saturday 4/11	Sunday 4/12	Monday 4/13
46/33	43/32	52/43	58/43	51/35
Much colder with a chance of rain overnight. Chance of rain in the afternoon. Very windy.	Temperatures and weather will stay more or less the same from the day before. Mostly cloudy.	Temperatures will rise from the day before. 40% chance of rain in the late evening. Mostly cloudy.	Chance of rain all day: 70% during the day, 60% at night. Otherwise mostly cloudy and warmer.	Temperatures will drop again with a 30% chance of rain during the day. Mostly cloudy.

Lotteries

Powerball Estimated jackpot: \$190 million	Daily Four: 2-4-3-00 Quick Draw: 10-12-17-18-29-31-40-42-43-46-50-53-55-59-62-65-66-71-75-76 Cash 5: 10-21-24-38-41 Estimated jackpot: \$155,000
Mega Millions 25-33-43-51-68 Mega Ball: 20 Megaplier: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$136 million	Ohio Midday Pick 3: 1-1-8 Pick 4: 4-8-7-4 Pick 5: 3-6-3-6-1 Evening Pick 3: 1-2-6 Pick 4: 7-0-6-8 Pick 5: 1-5-6-5-3 Rolling Cash: 13-19-22-30-33 Estimated jackpot: \$140,000
Hoosier Midday Daily Three: 7-9-5 Daily Four: 4-3-6-5 Quick Draw: 1-2-3-13-15-20-27-30-36-42-44-50-54-56-57-63-66-71-72-78 Evening Daily Three: 9-9-5	

Markets

Sunrise St. Anthony Corn.....3.01 May corn.....3.04 Beans.....8.63 May beans.....8.69 Wheat.....5.38	Central States Montpelier Corn.....3.18 May corn.....3.20 Beans.....8.55 May beans.....8.55 Wheat.....5.37 July wheat.....5.37
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Today in history

On April 8, 1864, the United States Senate passed, 38-6, the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution abolishing slavery. (The House of Representatives passed it in January 1865; the amendment was ratified and adopted in December 1865.)

In 1513, explorer Juan Ponce de Leon and his expedition began exploring the Florida coastline.

In 1904, Longacre Square in Manhattan was renamed Times Square after The New York Times.

In 1911, an explosion at the Banner Coal Mine in Littleton, Alabama, claimed the lives of 128 men, most of them convicts loaned out from prisons.

In 1913, the 17th Amendment to the Constitution, providing for popular election of U.S.

senators (as opposed to appointment by state legislatures), was ratified. President Woodrow Wilson became the first president of the United States of America since John Adams to address Congress in person as he asked lawmakers to enact tariff reform.

In 1952, President Harry S. Truman seized the American steel industry to avert a nationwide strike. (The Supreme Court later ruled that Truman had overstepped his authority, opening the way for a seven-week strike by steelworkers.)

In 1961, Wayne Settle of Portland High School took first place at the Regional Science Fair in Richmond. His exhibit was titled "Mutations produced by irradiation of German millet seeds."
—AP and The CR

Citizen's calendar

Today 7 p.m. — Jay County Council, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.	Thursday 11 a.m. — Redkey Town Council special meeting, park cabin, 200 S. Mooney St.
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Obituaries

Glen Billington

Glen E. Billington, 56, Sturgis, Michigan, a former resident of Portland and Bryant, died Monday at Ascension Borgess Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Hackman Family Funeral Homes of Sturgis is to make arrangements.

Kathryn Schemenaur

April 10, 1928-April 6, 2020
Kathryn Jean Schemenaur, age 91, passed away Monday, April 6, 2020, in Persimmon Ridge Healthcare.

She was born in Jay County on April 10, 1928, the daughter of Raymond and Vesta (Thomas) Juillerat. She was married Dec. 30, 1973, to Andy Schemenaur Sr. and he preceded her in death on Jan. 21, 2000.



Schemenaur

She had worked for Graphic Printing and Jay Garment both in Portland.

She was a member of the Bellfountain United Methodist Church where she was the organist and member of the Ladies Aid. She was a 1946 Portland High School graduate and she enjoyed making dolls and doll clothing.

Surviving are two sons, Melvin Sanders (wife: Wanda) of Portland and Stephen Sanders (wife: Sara) of Portland; stepson Andy Schemenaur (wife: Pam) of Portland; two stepdaughters Cheryl Hayden (husband: Dan) of Selma and Peggy Schemenaur of Muncie; one brother, John Juillerat (wife: Catherine) of Portland; and one sister Mary Helen Moore of New Haven; one grandson; two great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Carol Felts.

Private funeral services will be held in the Baird-Freeman Funeral

Home with Pastor Randy Smith presiding.

Burial will be in the Green Park Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Bellfountain United Methodist Church.

Condolences may be expressed at bairdfreeman.com.

Roma Pursifull

Jan. 3, 1935-April 4, 2020
Roma Lee Pursifull, 85, of Redkey, Indiana, passed away Saturday, April 4, 2020, peacefully at Albany Health Care & Rehabilitation Center.

Roma Lee was born in Redkey, Indiana, on Jan. 3, 1935, a daughter of the late Helen J. (Rathbun) and John H. Landess. She was a 1953 graduate of Redkey High School and a 1969 graduate of Ball State Teachers College where she received her bachelor's degree in English and business education.



Pursifull

Roma Lee was the loving wife of Keith A. Pursifull who she happily married on June 26, 1955. She was a dedicated farmers wife, homemaker and teacher. Roma Lee was a member of the First Christian Church, Redkey, Indiana, University Christian Church, Ladies Aid, Cosmos Club, International Order of Eastern Star, Jayland Antique Car Club and the director and leader of VBS for several years.

She enjoyed singing and playing the piano and organ, both at home as well as at church. She loved to cook and enjoyed gardening and canning fruits and vegetables. She loved to open her home and host lots of get-togethers with family and friends. Her home was a place where everyone was welcome and if you were up for the challenge, she would play you in a competi-

tive game of ping-pong or pool. Roma Lee and Keith hosted the annual church New Year's party for several years. Other favorite past-times included reading and crocheting. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren out on the farm.

Roma Lee is survived by her precious husband Keith; son Eric Pursifull (wife: Loria); four daughters, Jill Pursifull, Debbie Bogue (husband: Paul), Cindy Logan (husband: Roger) and Lisa Higgins (husband: Joe); brother John A. Landess (wife: Barb); 15 grandchildren; Andrea Bogue, Shayla Sickels (Gabrial), Kyle Bogue (Amy), Kayla Bogue, Nathan Logan (Giselle), Jason Logan, Brandon Logan (Kandi), Holly Logan, Erica Kelly (Michael), Tyler Pursifull (Leah), Leah Thornburg, Kelli Thornburg, Paul Ryan Thornburg, John Higgins and Kelly McDaniel; 31 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son David Pursifull; and grandson Aaron Bogue.

Services will be private for the family in order to keep family and friends safe during this difficult time due to the pandemic. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery in Redkey, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to The University Christian Church, 2400 N. Nebo Rd, Muncie, IN 47304.

Arrangements have been entrusted to MJS Mortuaries - Redkey Chapel.

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The Commercial Review publishes death notices for those with a connection to our coverage area free of charge. They include the name, city of residence, birth/death date and time/date/location of services.

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

Felony arrests

Neglect

A Dunkirk man is being held without bond in Jay County Jail after he was arrested Tuesday and charged with four felonies, including a Level 6 felony neglect of a dependent charge.

Jerry L. Losey, 39, 1460 N. 1100 West, was also charged with burglary, a Level 5 felony, and theft and possession of cocaine, narcotics or methamphetamine, both Level 6 felonies.

Ashley N. Losey, 31, 925 Water View St., Winchester, was also charged with theft and neglect of a dependent, both Level 6 felonies, and possession of cocaine, narcotics or methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony.

She is being held with-

out bond in Jay County Jail following her arrest Tuesday.

Two charges

A Bryant man is being held on \$5,000 bond in Jay County Jail after he was arrested Monday for two felonies.

Ernest M. Fifer, 203 E. Main St., is facing preliminary charges of possession of a controlled substance and resisting an officer, both Level 6 felonies.

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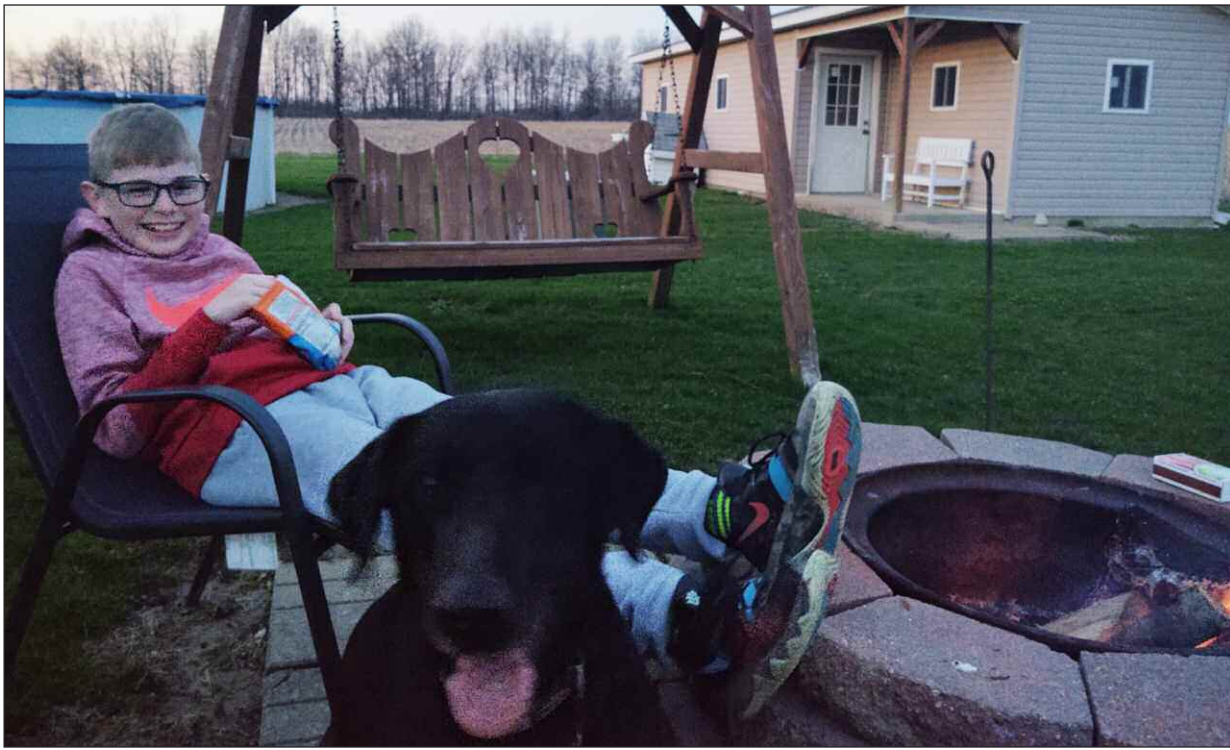
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Relaxing and hiking

Above, Seth Bee, a sixth grader at West Jay Middle School spent some of his stay-at-home time with his dog Bo around the campfire at home.

At right, the Kahlig sisters — 3-year-old Dakota, 6-year-old Ainsley, a kindergartener at East Elementary School, and 8-year-old Bristol, a second grader at East Elementary — took a nature hike along Walnut Creek near Salamonia last week.

How are you spending your stay-at-home time? Send your photos as JPEG files to news@theocr.com.



Monarch's path inspires amid the milkweed

By **TED KOOSER**
U.S. Poet Laureate
2004-2006

American Life in Poetry

I'm writing this column on a summer day when a hungry crowd of Monarch butterfly caterpillars are eating the upper leaves of the milkweed just outside my door in Nebraska, and my wife and I are joyful that they're getting a good start at life.

The following poem is

from Stuart Kestenbaum's new book, *How to Start Over*, from Deerbrook Editions. He lives in Maine and is the state's Poet Laureate.

Joy

The asters shake from stem to flower waiting for the monarchs to alight.

Every butterfly knows that the end is different from the beginning

and that it is always a part of a longer story, in which we are always

transformed. When it's time to fly, you know how, just the way you knew

how to breathe, just the way the air knew to find its way into your lungs,

the way the geese know when to depart, the way their wings know how to

speak to the wind, a partnership of feather and glide, lifting into the blue dream.

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Read, then recycle.

Dedicated dieter feels criticized over her diet

DEAR ABBY: How would you suggest I deal with people who continually want to sabotage my diet?

Dear Abby



I worked very hard to drop more than 30 pounds. I also have digestive health issues that are no one's business.

An example: During the coffee break at a meeting at work, someone offered me lovely homemade baked goods. I said, "No, thank you." I then got a snide remark about being ungrateful for all the "effort that went into them" and was urged to "just try a little bit to be

sociable."

Another time someone plunked a huge chunk of frosting-laden something in front of me.

Or, a friend brings me a large quantity of candy or wine or strange "gourmet" stuff I can't eat, all of which wind up in the trash even after I have asked them to please don't

When I visit my mother, she continues to pile stuff on my plate even after I repeatedly say, "No more, thank you."

Then I get a lecture about wasting food. What do I need to be doing or saying differently? — SABOTAGED IN CONNECTICUT

DEAR SABOTAGED: Take your easily offended co-workers aside and tell them, individually, that you cannot eat their tempting pastries because your doctor has told you you mustn't. I am sure it is the truth, and you should not feel guilty.

As to your mother, who really should know better, the next time she accuses you of wasting food, I don't think you would be out of line to tell her in plain English that she, not you, is the one wasting food by piling more than you can comfortably eat on your plate.

TO MY READERS: Sundown marks the first night of the Jewish holiday of Passover. Happy Passover, everyone!

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Level: Intermediate

Tuesday's Solution

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8	3	2	9	6	4	5	1	7
1	4	8	6	5	3	7	9	2
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License plate was like scarlet letter

By JACK RONALD
The Commercial Review

It was sometime during the 1980s, and my wife and I were at some sort of state gathering.

There were a handful of political types present, but no big names.

One of those was a fellow by the name of Bruce VanNatta.

He was at the time, as I recall, head of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles but was rumored to have higher political aspirations.

Somehow we struck up a conversation, and he asked where we were from.

"Portland," he said. "LA."

That was the first two letters on license plates issued to Portland residents back in the 1950s. As I recall, both Dunkirk and Redkey had different letters on their plates.

"Jay County," said VanNatta. And his story began.

Back in the Saddle



When he was a teenager, he told us, he was a Red Cross volunteer during the summer of 1949. He worked for a period of weeks during the polio epidemic that swept the county that year, helping out at the makeshift hospital annex at the American Legion Post.

One weekend, he told us, some of the guys who had volunteered decided to go looking for some fun. Jay County had been officially shut down by the county health department under terms far stricter than those in place today.

One of the Portland guys had a car, he told us. The group piled in, headed out of town and out of the county. There was a street fair in progress about 45 minutes away, and the midway — and the girls — beckoned.

But not for long. No sooner had they parked the car than the LA on the license plate was spotted.

And the locals at the street fair made it instantly and abundantly clear that the guys should get back in the car and head back where they came from.

That story came back to me when Chris Schanz of The CR's staff took a look back at the local polio epidemic of 1949.

It came back to me in 1999 when the newspaper staff did a detailed series on the 50th anniversary of the epidemic.

The title of that series was "Summer of Fear." And that fit.

Like COVID-19, polio was a mystery back then. No one knew how it was transmitted. No one knew what caused it. It just struck.

Unlike COVID-19, its primary targets were the young. Kids. Infants. Toddlers. High school students.

So the fear that summer was visceral, and running a bunch of teenagers out of town because of the LA on their license plate was understandable.

The good news is that Jay County's polio epidemic played itself out. There were a few terrifying months, but then it disappeared as mysteriously as it had arrived.

The better news is that within several years a vaccine was readily available. Kids who had been infants during the epidemic got their shots in grade school.

There were scars, of course.

Ask around among those in their late 70s and you'll hear the stories.

The late Dr. Eugene Gillum used to say that if you parked across the street from a post office in Jay County and waited 20 or 30 minutes and you knew what to look for, you would see someone who had survived polio. There might be a hitch in their walk. They might take the steps more carefully. But to the medically trained eye, the evidence was there.

Today we are in the middle of something that historians will be writing about for generations. No one knows how it's going to play out. Everyone hopes for the best, but fear and uncertainty are our daily bread.

There will be scars on the nation when this has passed. That much we know.

But the wounds will heal. That much we believe.

We must protect against overreach

The Washington Post

The very idea of the government amassing location data about millions of citizens is anathema to America's strong sensibility for civil liberties — except, perhaps, if America is in the throes of an epidemic and the data is being amassed to help stop the disease's spread.

The Wall Street Journal reported that officials across the country, from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to local leaders, are collecting analysis from the mobile advertising industry to track people's movements. The goal is to build a portal full of information in as many as 500 cities harnessing the insight the companies have into our day-to-day lives — not to sell us stuff but to protect the public. But if this is necessary for our protection, there are nonetheless measures that could limit the cost and the risk.

Any privacy-infringing policies put in place mid-pandemic should be essential to quelling the crisis and genuinely effective. Health officials say that anonymized and aggregated data could aid in understanding the virus's spread and the degree to which local populations are adhering to social distancing directives. Google has shown just how much of this information a single private company can compile, with a cache covering 131 countries, down to the county level in the United States, that is as alarming as it is impressive.

Tracking movements to fulfill the third prong of the World Health Organization's "test, treat and trace" framework may prove crucial in returning someday to normal life. But doing it right is tricky. For one thing, the United States still doesn't have the capacity to test and treat. Telling an individual they've crossed paths with someone infected is less useful when there is little they can do about it — especially when the virus is so widespread and data so insufficiently precise that entire communities could receive alerts. When data-reliant contact tracing does occur, it should happen in the least invasive manner possible. Singapore's system for transmitting Bluetooth signals

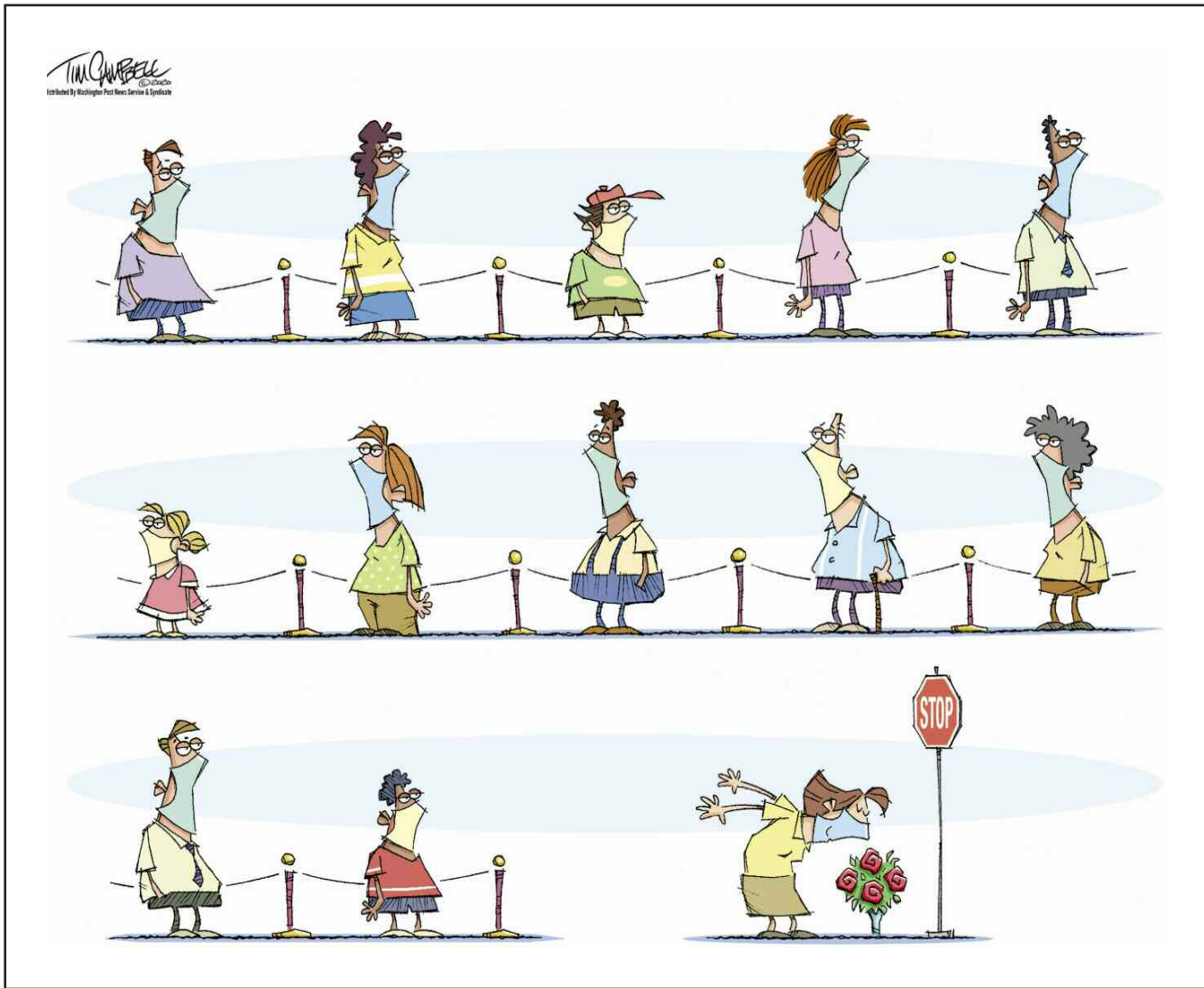
Guest Editorial

The aim is to preserve the most privacy and save the most lives all at once, and that demands honesty with the public about what's being collected, who's accessing it and how it's being used.

between devices, for instance, relies on people's proximity to each other rather than their whereabouts.

The aim is to preserve the most privacy and save the most lives all at once, and that demands honesty with the public about what's being collected, who's accessing it and how it's being used. The government should mandate that transparency as well as the eventual deletion of data. It's not encouraging that officials so far have shared very little with the public about their efforts, or that the surveillance industry appears to be playing a more prominent role than privacy experts in formulating national strategy.

Privacy amid a pandemic may look different from privacy at any other time. Yet without any bulwark against overreach, there's a risk of eroding national norms around data protection in a way that will last long after this crisis is over. Openness and respect for privacy also will encourage public cooperation, which will continue to be essential as the crisis unfolds.



Doctors will show up, every day

By CRAIG SPENCER

Special To The Washington Post

NEW YORK — There are tents outside our hospitals. Every time I see them, I stop, startled.

Their drab and dirty flaps seem so out of place against the grand facades of world-class hospitals. Desperate times, desperate measures. The last time I worked in a tent was West Africa in 2014, during the Ebola outbreak.

In those same tents, I saw too much pain, loneliness and death. People dying alone. I never thought I'd have to see or experience that ever again. I never wanted to. Once was painful enough.

There's no way to describe what we're seeing. Our new reality is unreal. The people and places we've known so long and so well have been transformed. Our ERs are ICUs. Everything looks, sounds and feels different. Just one week and it's a whole different world.

The patients I normally see are nowhere to be found. Every single patient I see has COVID-19. Every single patient. Working in the ER means walking through a corridor of coughing. Each a slightly different pitch and different frequency but all caused by the exact same thing.

It's not just the volume of patients that's hitting us. It's the severity. Respiratory arrest. Respiratory arrest. Respiratory arrest. Each takes six to eight professionals: nurses, respiratory techs, ER docs, anesthesiologists. Each takes an hour or more. Back to back. All shift long.

And it's not just the unrelenting severity. We're being asked to do things we've never done before. Run

Craig Spencer



a code as your goggles fog and you can't decipher the vital signs on the monitor. Try to predict which COVID patient will crash if you send them home, and which won't.

Talk to palliative care. Talk to family members. Long discussions about likely outcomes. Listen as family members sob. They can't be here when they ask to withdraw care. We FaceTime so they can say goodbye. We stop the drips. Turn off the ventilator. And wait.

Your hands upon theirs. You think of their family, at home, sobbing. Someone starts saying a prayer. You can't help but cry. This isn't what we do. You stand by. You wait. This isn't what we do. You stand by. You wait. Time of death: 7:19 p.m.

In West Africa, I saw too many people die. Have a long talk with them in the morning. Go have lunch. Come back and they're dead. This isn't what we do. We signed up to save lives. Not stand by as they pass.

In West Africa, I learned that even if death comes easy, you never get used to it. Today our patients are dying. Our colleagues are dying.

After my return from West Africa, I spent 19 days in a New York City hospital battling Ebola as a patient. Every day I thought of my patients who died. Alone. In a tent. I knew

Ebola took whomever it wanted. Whenever it wanted. There was nothing I could do for them. Now there was nothing I could do for me. Just hope. And wait. And worry.

I know what my colleagues are feeling. I see it on their faces. We are exhausted. Hours in goggles, gowns and masks feel like days. But we are only at the beginning. The mental exhaustion is only starting to set in. The things we do, the things we see. This isn't what we do.

I worry about my colleagues. Every day someone calls me crying. How long will they hold? How long will I hold? I remember how this anxiety gnawed at me every day in Guinea during Ebola. Would today be the day I got infected? Won't know for a week. The days add up. The worry adds up.

I've never seen my colleagues so afraid, so unsettled. But I've also never seen them all work so well together. I've never seen us more unified, more focused, more sincere. Yes, we worry about PPE. Yes, we worry about lack of medications. Yes, we worry about one another.

But I've never seen so much sense of purpose. So much honor to do this job. We didn't sign up for this, but we will show up for this. Every day.

I think of this when I finally get home. Clothes in a bag. Hot shower. Look in the mirror. Indentations of goggles still deep in my face. Blisters on the bridge of my nose.

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COVID vigil

Pastor Paul VanCise of Bryant Wesleyan Church speaks Thursday evening during a prayer vigil for all healthcare workers at IU Health Jay in Portland. About 225 vehicles filled the parking lots at the facility for the vigil as IU Health Jay employees watched from the roof of the hospital.

Projects ...

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Other streets slated to be paved are Center Street between Broad Street and its west end at Dunkirk Moose Lodge; North Street between Meridian and Broad streets; Railroad street between Main and Broad streets; Franklin Street between Lincoln and Oak streets; and the entirety of Chestnut Street.

"I'm tickled to death," said Robbins. "Anything that we can get over here in Dunkirk that helps with the streets, that just puts us farther ahead."

The Community Crossing grant work will be in addition to INDOT's planned work on Indiana 167 from Indiana 67 to the north side of Dunkirk. A pre-construction meeting for that project is scheduled for next week.

In addition to paving that stretch of state highway, there will also be "bump outs" — curb extensions that narrow the crossing distance for pedestrians — at the intersection of Main and Commerce streets in Dunkirk. Those were agreed upon as part of a compromise to keep the traffic light at that intersection in place while making the sidewalks compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"Dunkirk's going to be a

busy little town this summer for a while," Robbins said.

Community Crossings funding for Redkey came in at \$120,000, with a \$40,000 local match.

Those dollars will cover paving for two sections of Main Street — between Railroad and Sycamore streets, and between Union and Meridian streets. Also to be paved as part of the project are High Street between George and Butler streets, and Butler Street between High and Bell streets.

The grants awarded Tuesday come on the heels of more than \$2 million in Community Crossings paving projects in the county last year, including one that saw every street in Salamonina get paved.

Other work completed via the grants last year included paving of New Mount Pleasant Road between county road 200 South and Como Road, all of Bridge Street, Meadow Lane, Hickory Court and Rayburn Drive in Portland, and paving and sidewalk improvements for Commerce, Washington and Lincoln streets in Dunkirk.

The county used economic development funds from the Bluff Point Wind Energy Center project to help municipalities with the local match for those projects.

Wuhan lifts long lockdown

By **DANICA KIRKA**
and **ELENA BECATOROS**
Associated Press

LONDON — After 76 days in lockdown, the Chinese city at the heart of the global pandemic reopened today, and tens of thousands immediately hopped on trains and planes to leave. Elsewhere, the economic, political and psychological toll of fighting the virus grew increasingly clear and more difficult to bear.

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson spent a second night in intensive care with his country in the grips of its biggest crisis since World War II. The 55-year-old Johnson, the first major world leader confirmed to have COVID-19, was stable and responding to treatment, spokesman James Slack said.

Across the Atlantic, New York City endured one of its darkest days yet, with the death toll surging past 4,000, hundreds more than the number killed on 9/11. New York state recorded 731 new coronavirus deaths on Tuesday, its biggest one-day jump yet, for a statewide total of nearly 5,500.

New York's mayor acknowledged today that the true death toll is even higher because the city's count does not include people who died at home without ever being tested for the virus.

"We're talking about something like 100, 200 people per day," Bill de Blasio said on CNN.

Across the U.S., the death toll reached about 13,000, with approximately 400,000 confirmed infections. Some of the deadliest hot spots were Detroit, New Orleans and the New York metropolitan area.

More economic pain was felt. Japan, the world's third-largest economy, could contract by a record 25% this quarter, the highest since gross domestic product began to

be tracked in 1955. The dismal prediction by two economists said exports are expected to dive 60% in the April-June period.

The Bank of France said the French economy has entered recession, with an estimated 6% drop in the first quarter compared with the previous three months, while Germany, Europe's economic powerhouse, is also facing a deep recession. Expert said its economy will shrink 4.2% this year.

European governments have been scrambling to put together hundreds of billions of euros to save lives and prevent bankruptcies. The countries worst hit by the virus are among those that can least afford the costs, like Italy and Spain. But they disagree over how to tackle the challenge.

With European health workers toiling round the clock in a desperate bid to save lives, the psychological toll is becoming unbearable.

Weeks into Italy's outbreak, two nurses have killed themselves and more than 70 doctors and 20 nurses have died from the virus. Hospitals are making therapists available to help staff cope with the effects of seeing so much death. Italy is the hardest-hit country overall, with over 17,000 deaths.

In Spain, nurse Diego Alonso said he and colleagues have been using tranquilizers to cope.

"The psychological stress from this time is going to be difficult to forget. It has just been too much," he said.

Spain's Health Ministry today reported 757 new deaths, bringing the total to more than 14,500, and 6,180 new infections. Both figures were slightly higher than Tuesday's, when the first increase in five days was explained by a backlog of test results and unreported weekend fatalities.

Cases ...

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"We just reported on 34 fatalities today," Holcomb said during Tuesday's briefing from the governor's office. "Make a list of your 34 best friends, and then imagine putting a line through them. That's how serious this is."

Box has projected that Indiana's peak of coronavirus illnesses could last into mid-May. The high percentage of smokers and elderly residents in Indiana means the state has a higher risk than elsewhere.

"I want to brace you to see them increase as we get closer to the peak of this disease," Box said.

Indianapolis officials announced Tuesday that tests have confirmed 11 more city emergency workers as ill with COVID-19 over the past four days, bringing the total to 48. Those include 20 police officers, 21 firefighters and seven emergency medical service staffers, with eight of those first responders having been cleared to return to work.

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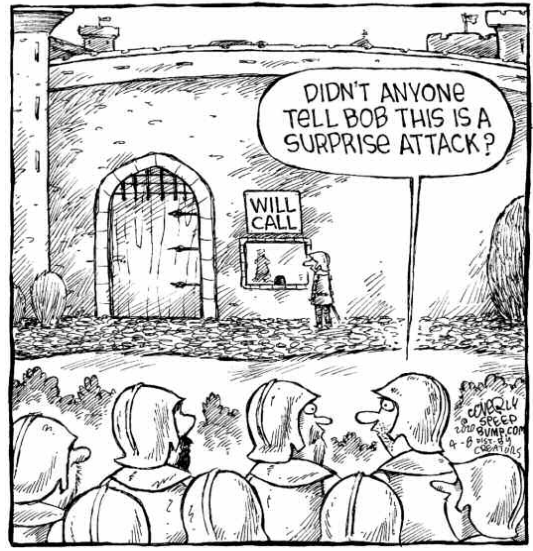
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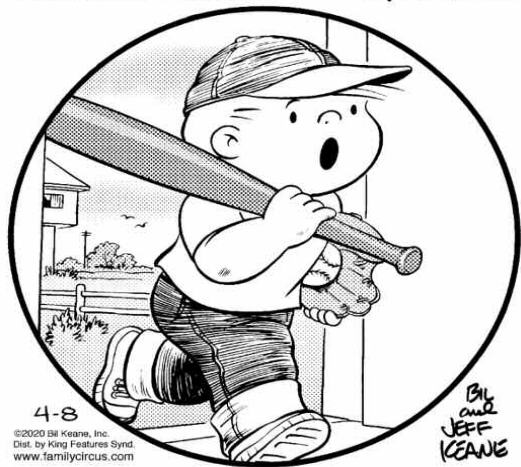
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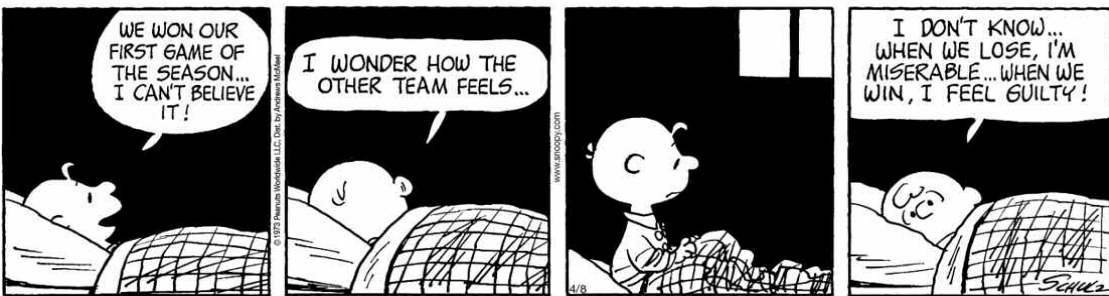


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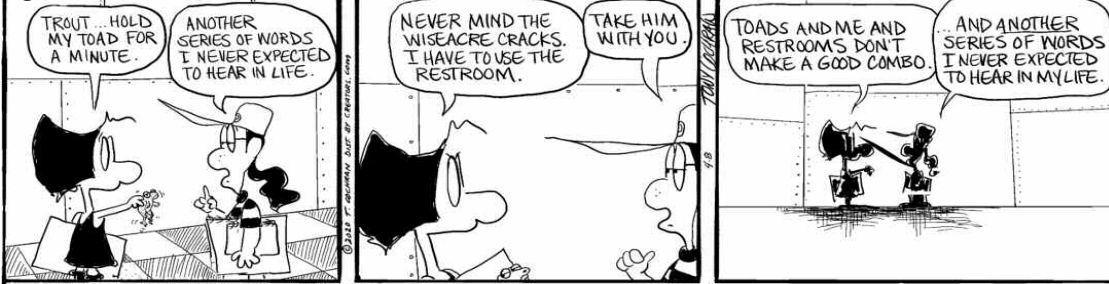
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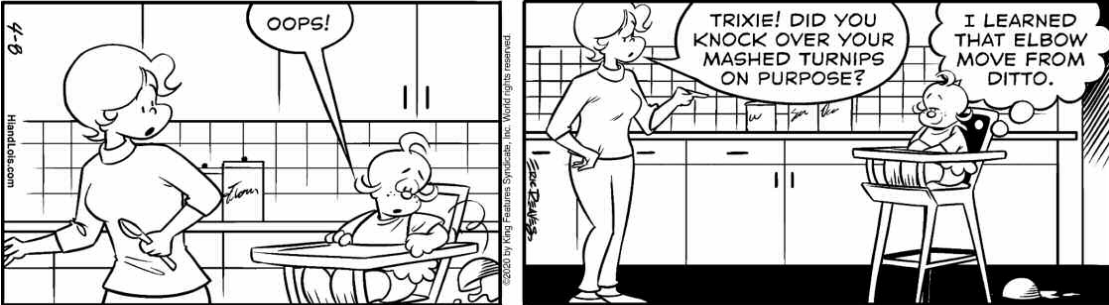
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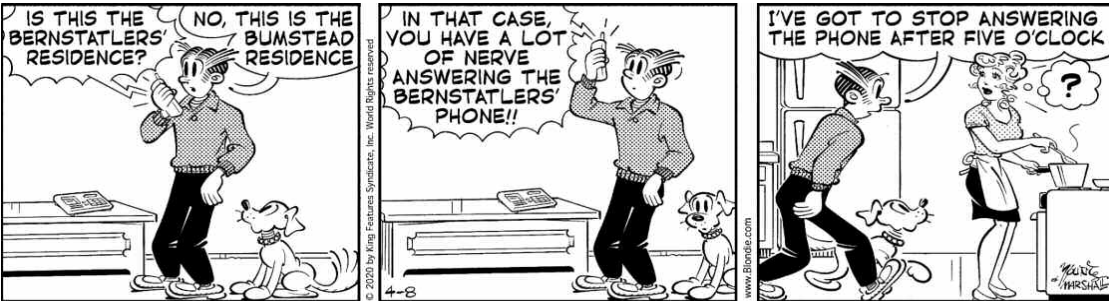
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Arizona has 10 spring training ballparks plus the Arizona Diamondbacks' Chase Field all within about 50 miles. Phoenix Municipal Stadium — Oakland's old spring training base and now Arizona State's stadium — is an option along with Grand Canyon's Brazell Field.

Chase Field could host several games each day following its switch to an artificial surface ahead of the 2019 season.

"We would not have been able to do it with grass, but now with the synthetic grass, absolutely," Diamondbacks President Derrick Hall said.

Baseball's look would be different in empty ballparks. Players from the Orioles and the Chicago White Sox still recall playing in a deserted Camden Yards in 2015 when civil unrest caused a closed-doors game. The game sped along in 2 hours, 3 minutes.

"It was a weird feeling having nobody in the stands," said Sale, a member of those White Sox. "But sometimes you got to adapt. Sometimes you got to do some things for the greater good of what's going on around you."

That was a one-off. This would be every day, pretty much 15 games a day.

"My sense is that it divorces the game from the fans except via television, and that's a mistake," former Commissioner Fay Vincent said. "I don't think a televised game without an audience and without fan reaction is a great idea. I think it's born in desperation. I'm a traditionalist and a bit of

a romantic. I think we ought to wait until we can present the game in its best light."

Phoenix Mayor Kate Gallego maintained player and public health would be the top priorities.

"There is not a person on the planet who doesn't want to get back to a time and place marked by familiarity, and there is nothing more familiar than sports, especially the great American pastime of baseball," she said in a statement. "All of our lives post-COVID-19 will look different. At the city we value flexibility and innovation and are willing to work with the many different sports franchises that call Phoenix home, but only if public health leads every single discussion."

Former manager Jim Leyland thinks the game will return to the field at some point this year.

"I do applaud people that are trying to be creative and come up with different ideas," he said. "At the end of the day, they'll come up with some type of a wonderful package. It's just a matter of when that's going to be allowed."

Starting the season in Arizona presents plenty of complications.

For example, emperatures average a high of 105 in Phoenix in June and the thermometer has just started to dip at 5 p.m., when presumably many games would start in order to be in prime time on the East Coast. Chase Field's retractable roof and air conditioning could make it a site of double-headers and even triple-headers.

By PAUL NEWBERRY

AP National Writer

They are cities defined by iconic sporting events.

When Augusta comes up, one instantly thinks of the Masters. If Omaha is mentioned, it's often in the same breath with the College World Series. It's hard to imagine Louisville without the Kentucky Derby.

In the coming weeks, The Associated Press will look at those cities and others like them — from Williamsport to Oklahoma City to Cheyenne — to examine how the shutdown caused by the coronavirus pandemic is an especially wrenching blow.

"This is who we are," said Jason Fink, the chamber of commerce president in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, which has been synonymous with the Little League World Series since it was founded in 1947.

They can certainly relate to that sentiment in Augusta.

The Masters got its start

in 1934 on the grounds of a former nursery and the golf tournament is usually held the first full week of April.

This week, the city looks like a ghost town.

Augusta National Golf Club is all locked up. Washington Road, which should've been teeming with cars and commerce and humanity, is desolate instead.

A tradition unlike any other has become a year unlike any since the end of World II.

No ticket brokers offering to buy and sell the coveted badges. No long lines trying to land a table at TBonz steakhouse.

"It's a big hiccup," said Mark Cumins, who co-founded TBonz in 1985 and serves up a who's who of golfers, athletes and celebrities during Masters week. "It's not going to destroy us, but it hurts."

While the Masters has been rescheduled for November, it won't be quite the same.

Another event seeping in tradition, the Kentucky Derby is headed for quite a shakeup — assuming it actually gets to the starting gate.

The Run For The Roses is usually held on the first Saturday of May. Because of the pandemic, hold those mint juleps until Labor Day weekend, when the first leg of the Triple Crown is crammed into a slot that also marks the start of college football season.

Not so fortunate: the College World Series in Omaha, Nebraska and the Women's College World Series in Oklahoma City, both of which have already been wiped from the 2020 calendar.

The NCAA Division I baseball championship has been decided in Omaha for the past 70 years. The eight-team tournament is such a part of the city's identity that \$100 million TD Ameritrade Park was constructed a decade ago in exchange for a 25-year promise not to

move the event.

Rich Tokheim's sports apparel shop is right across the street from the 24,000-seat stadium, which is dark most of the year other than the occasional local college game played before sparse crowds. More than half Tokheim's annual revenue comes from those 11 or 12 days when the CWS is held each June.

"We're here because of the College World Series," he said. "It's just so many people."

Oklahoma City will feel a similar blow in late May and early June, when it was supposed to host the Division I softball tournament for the 30th time.

To accommodate what were expected to be record crowds, USA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium underwent a 4,000-seat expansion that raised its capacity to about 13,000.

All the new seats were already sold out.

Turns out, they won't be needed this year.

Reid ...

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Sporting an outgoing personality, Claycomb participated in more than just sports during his time at Jay County. He was involved in 4-H for the first three years, and has been part of student council for the last two years.

Claycomb's voice was also heard throughout school each morning as he recited the Pledge of Allegiance, adding his own twist at the end.

"It was quite a laugh," he said. "I would say the pledge I would try to find a witty word to throw at the end of the day."

Some examples: "Have a wonderful Wednesday. A thrill-full Thursday."

First it started as a running joke. Then it became much bigger.

"You wouldn't believe, I would get pressured by my classmates if I made a mistake in how I said it," he said.

It got to the point that Claycomb received suggestions on what to say the following day. He said upon returning to class, his teacher Kelly Smeltzer helped him devise a plan.

"I'd come to class, he'd give me multiple ideas for the word of the day," he said.

Claycomb wasn't able to pinpoint a favorite teacher, but he identified health and wellness courses as his favorite subjects. His fondness for the field is leading him to attend IUPUI with hopes of entering the nursing program.

He visited the school over the winter and immediately fell in love. "It's a very good program," he said.

"Advisors are great. The school itself is great. The energy it had when I first arrived is something that I really like."

While Claycomb is adjusting to the final month of the school year away from the building, he said he'll miss getting to spend time with his friends on the baseball and swim teams.

And if there's one piece of advice he has for incoming freshmen, it's to not take any part of high school for granted.

"Enjoy it while you have it because it goes by extremely fast," he said. "Feels like yesterday I was walking through school with my sister (Riley) and I was going to be at JCHS for eternity."

"Now I've only got a few more weeks left."

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WEST
♦ 6 5
♥ K 9 4
♦ K 3
♠ K Q 10 9 4 3
EAST
♦ 8 3 2
♥ A Q 7
♦ 7 6 5 2
♠ 8 6 5
SOUTH
♦ A Q J 10 7
♥ 10 6 5
♦ Q J 10
♠ 7 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1♦ Pass 1♠ 2♦
2♠ Pass 4♠
Opening lead — king of clubs.

If a contract can be made only when the defenders' cards are divided in a certain way, declarer must play for that distribution to exist. He lays his plans accordingly and dismisses all other distributions from his mind. Here is a typical case:
West leads the king of clubs, won by dummy's ace. The situation is far from promising, since South could easily lose three hearts, a club and a diamond.
However, there is a good chance
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that West, who overcalled, has the king of diamonds, in which case one loser can be lopped off. Furthermore, dummy's fourth diamond offers the prospect of saving still another trick.
But this latter possibility is complicated somewhat by the built-in block in diamonds. Thus, suppose declarer draws three rounds of trump immediately and leads the diamond queen. Whether West plays the king on this trick or the next, South is unable to utilize dummy's fourth diamond, and he goes down one.
This complication should start South on a train of thought that will lead him to the winning solution. He should cash the Q of trump and then lead the queen of diamonds, leaving one trump at large. It does not matter whether or not West covers; in either case, South plays three diamonds in succession, ending in his hand.
As it happens, West can't ruff the third diamond, and South makes the contract, since he can next cross to the king of spades and discard a loser on the nine of diamonds.
It is true that declarer runs the risk of the second or third diamond being ruffed, but, because making the contract is his primary consideration, he has no choice but to proceed on the assumption that the required distribution actually exists.

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Sports

Senior Spotlight

Reid and his role

High-energy senior sparks Patriot sports, students

Editor's note: Jay County High School spring student athletes are dealing with a new reality of not having school in session as well as having their sports season canceled. This "Senior Spotlight" series will recognize those spring senior athletes who had their final year as a Patriot cut short.

By CHRIS SCHANZ

The Commercial Review

Not graced with an abundance of athletic ability, Reid Claycomb found his role on the Patriot baseball team.

His high energy kept the atmosphere in the dugout positive, regardless of what was happening on the field. He'd relieve pitchers or catchers once they got on base as a courtesy runner.

And as part of back-to-back sectional championship teams, the Jay County High School senior was looking forward to evolving his duties as one of the elder statesmen this year.

"I wanted to take a leadership role, kind of set an example," Claycomb said. "I knew we were going to be young as this last season ended. I thought I could show some of the younger athletes that we can do this even though we are young. We're inexperienced in some spots. I will fill a role and we will go out and have a successful season."

But on Thursday, the 17-year-old Portland resident had his plans come to an abrupt halt as the IHSAA announced it was canceling the spring sports season because of the coronavirus pandemic.

"This is one of the saddest experiences in my life," he said. "I've played baseball for 12 years dreaming about my senior season. I went to all the youth camps



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at the high school waiting to play for coach (Lea) Selvey once I got to high school.

"I was really looking forward to this season after (last year). I knew we would be doubted since we lost quite a few talented seniors but we had goals going into it. I was ready to make some of the best memories of my life.

"I am blessed to have played three years of baseball at Jay County. It's just truly sad."

The only son of Angel and Chad Claycomb, Reid appeared in 11 games for Jay County's baseball team as a junior. The Patriots that season won consecutive sec-

tional titles for the first time since winning three in a row from 1991 to '93.

He had five plate appearances with just two official at bats. He did not record a hit, but walked twice. As a courtesy runner though, he scored 11 times, including three Allen County Athletic Conference games in which he recorded two runs. Seven Patriots scored more than he did, but they were all starters and played in each of Jay County's 26 games.

It was the season opener — Wyatt Geesaman threw a perfect game in a 7-0 win against Elwood

— when Claycomb was first used in his role, and he embraced it from that point forward.

"(The coaches) called on me, I did my job and did my job to the best of my ability," he said. "From then on, I made sure to be ready. Whenever a pitcher or catcher was on base, just be ready for that."

"Kept the dugout morale high; keep high intense energy in the dugout."

That energy from his junior season carried over into his senior year and gave him the opportunity to be one of a half dozen selected to be the leaders of Patri-

In this Oct. 4, 2017, photo, Jay County High School sophomore Reid Claycomb celebrates with his classmates during the powder puff volleyball game as part of the JCHS spirit night festivities. Now a senior, Claycomb had his baseball career cut short as the IHSAA announced it was canceling spring sports for 2020.

ots Pack, the JCHS student section.

Claycomb could always be found at the front along the railing at Harold E. Schutz Stadium for football games and on the floor leading classmates during basketball games. During any big moment in either game, he was one of the most boisterous students of them all.

"I always tried to make it an enjoyable time for students at sporting events," he said. "That is a fond memory of mine, knowing we had a good size student section for every single game."

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MLB discusses option of all-Arizona season

By RONALD BLUM and DAVID BRANDT
AP Sports Writers

Boston's Chris Sale, out for the season following Tommy John surgery, thought about the prospect of his teammates sequestered in the Phoenix area for an extended period if Major League Baseball and its players adopt an all-Arizona start to the season.

"I don't know if I could look at my kids just through a screen for four or five months. Same thing goes with my wife," the pitcher said Tuesday. "That's a long time. But people have done it in harsh scenarios, I guess. I think there's a lot of figuring out to do."

Putting all 30 teams in the Phoenix area this season and playing in empty ballparks was among the ideas discussed Monday during a call among five top officials from MLB and the players' association that was led by Commissioner Rob Manfred, people familiar with the discussion told The Associated Press. They spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because no details were announced.

With its season delayed due to the new coronavirus, both sides are searching for ways to get underway. Kansas City

manager Mike Matheny would feel privileged to help the country return to a semblance of normalcy and provide an escape for fans.

"Just jump in and trust that we may not know when we'll reconnect with our families, and trust that when health officials decide it's OK we'll be able to do that," Matheny said. "But in the meantime, do something that would really help the healing process."

Baseball officials intend to study which options may be viable economically and would gain necessary approvals. The league said it has not yet sought approval of any plan from federal, state and local officials, or from the players' association.

"MLB has been actively considering numerous contingency plans that would allow play to commence once the public health situation has improved to the point that it is safe to do so," the commissioner's office said in a statement. "While we have discussed the idea of staging games at one location as one potential option, we have not settled on that option or developed a detailed plan."

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Athletes get to keep spot

By EDDIE PELLIS

AP National Writer

About 6,500 athletes who already have earned their spots for the Tokyo Games are in for 2021 under redrawn qualifying regulations published Tuesday by the International Olympic Committee.

The IOC released its rewritten roadmap for qualifying for the games, which were rescheduled due to the coronavirus. They'll be held July 23

through Aug. 8 next year.

The new deadline for qualifying is June 29, 2021, and entry lists are due a week later. Individual international sports federations will still be in charge of their qualifying procedures.

Many sports allow athletes to qualify by compiling results over a series of events. The IOC urged the federations to find a balance "between protecting those athletes who were

close to qualifying based on the previous 2020 deadlines and also ensuring the best athletes at the Olympic Games" by taking into consideration performances in 2021.

The IOC announcement confirmed reports last week that the sports had agreed to let athletes keep spots they already had earned. It clarified a number of points, including the need for boxing to relax a rule that sets the top age in the sport at 40. It also requires sports such as gymnastics to decide whether to allow athletes who would've been too young to compete in 2020 to try to be eligible for 2021.

The IOC also said "athlete health is the guiding principle in the scheduling of any remaining Olympic qualification events." It urged sports not to confirm rescheduling until the impacts of COVID-19 can be assessed.

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