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## Boyd says he was cornered

By BAILEY CLINE  
The Commercial Review

Defense attorneys argue the victim attacked the defendant, who they said acted in self defense.

The prosecution questioned why someone acting in self defense would hide evidence and witnesses.

Both sides rested their cases Thursday in the murder trial for Roger L. Boyd.

Boyd, 36, Portland, is on trial for murder and criminal confinement while armed with a deadly weapon, a Level 3 felony. He was arrested after a shooting at 1215 S. Bridge St., Portland, on Sept. 5, 2020, which resulted in the death of 49-year-old James P. Miller of Montpelier.

The trial was slated to resume this morning with closing arguments.

### Prosecution questions hiding of evidence, witnesses

Boyd took the stand in his own defense Thursday after the prosecution rested its case to start the day. He laid out a scenario in which he and Miller had a dispute over a motorcycle that led to an altercation. He said he feared for his life and shot Miller in self defense.

He said he had visited Miller's home in August 2020 to retrieve a motorcycle he had lent him after Miller had kept it longer than expected. (Boyd

told Miller he needed it back because he planned to sell it.) He added that after taking back the bike, which he located on the street next to Miller's house, he noticed parts had been swapped out, it had an extra 4,000 miles on it and it had sustained roughly \$2,000 to \$3,000 in damage.

When talking on the phone later, Boyd testified, he asked Miller to stay away from him.

Boyd said in the early morning of Sept. 5, 2020, he and his

girlfriend, Brittney Shewmake, along with Stephen Ping, Kelsey DeVoe and Mike Malyska were in the basement at the house Shewmake owns at 1215 S. Bridge St., Portland, when they heard a motorcycle outside.

"I was nervous, there's not too many that show up on a motorcycle to my house at 2 o'clock in the morning," testified Boyd.

He said he planned to hide in the basement until Miller left, but Kurt Banter walked inside and indicated Miller needed a key and said Boyd should get his gun.

Contrary to Shewmake's testimony Wednesday, Boyd said he didn't do a "big line" of methamphetamine before confronting Miller. He retrieved his gun and walked outside. He

told Miller he didn't have the key and walked to the garage on the property to look for it. Miller followed him. He and Miller started arguing about the disassembled motorcycle. He said Miller told him he owed him money for the new battery he installed.

Boyd said he tried to leave the garage but noticed Nicole Burke, Miller's girlfriend, in the doorway. He said he panicked, thinking she was blocking the way, and tried to go through another door, which was locked.

He testified Miller pushed him back, tried to headbutt him and repeatedly swung something over his head.

"I thought at that point my life was in serious danger," Boyd testified.

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## Trump blamed for the Capitol 'carnage'

By ROSALIND S. HELDERMAN and JACQUELINE ALEMANY  
The Washington Post

The House committee that has spent a year investigating the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol aired video clips of former President Donald Trump's daughter, son-in-law and closest aides Thursday night as it began making its case that the assault was the violent culmination of an attempted coup.

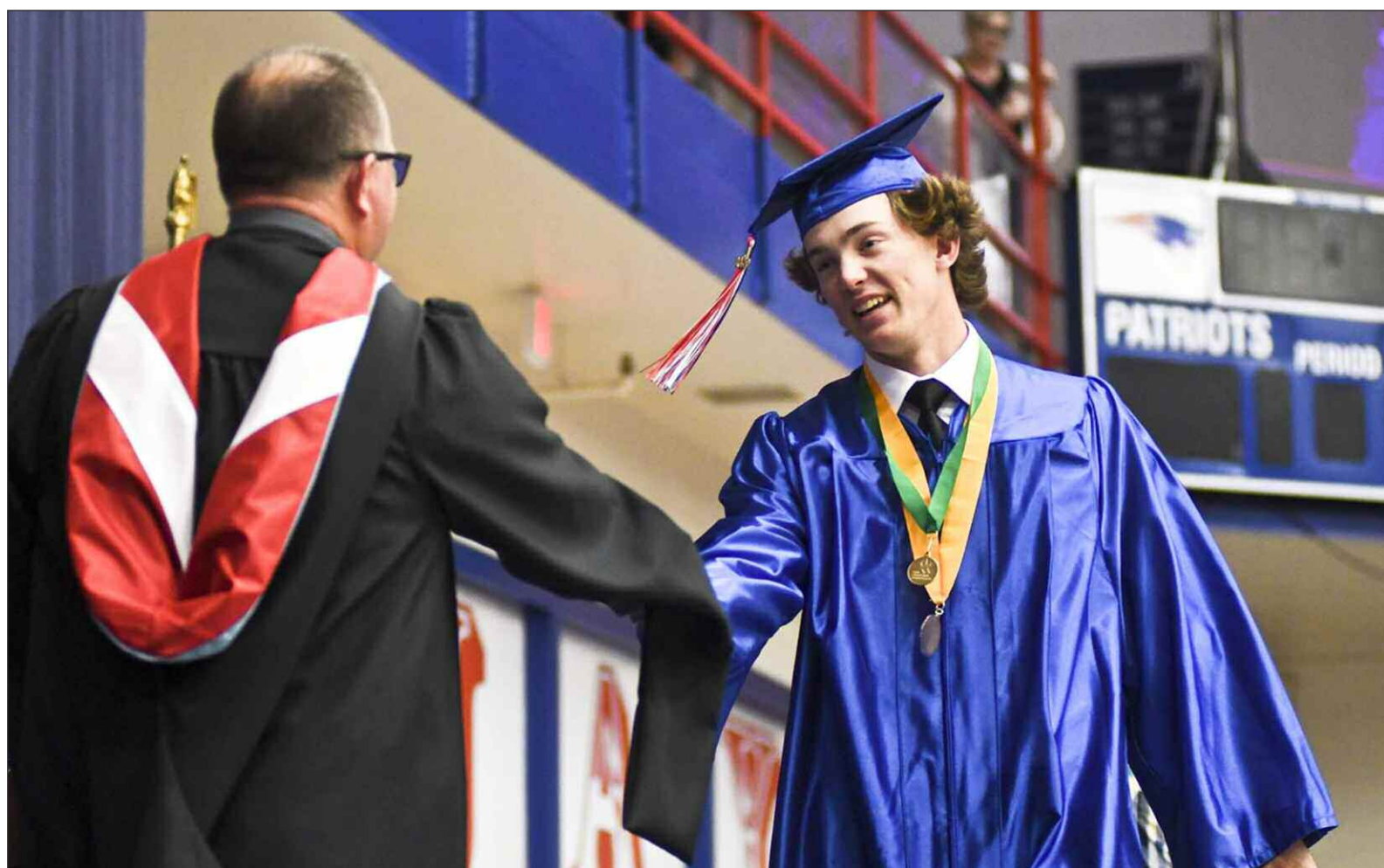
At a rare evening congressional hearing, aired live by broadcast networks, the nine-member panel pinned blame for the violence squarely on Trump, who knew he had lost the 2020 presidential election but lied to the American people that his defeat was due to fraud and then actively worked to subvert democracy.

After conducting 1,000 interviews and gathering 140,000 documents over the course of the year, the committee launched its presentation with a blunt reminder of the vicious violence unleashed by the mob that day. Setting the tone was a chilling compilation of never-before-seen video of a mob surging into the building, including new security footage of aides scattering in fear inside the office of Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-California, a Trump ally.

That was followed by two witnesses who testified live to their harrowing experiences at the Capitol that day. Caroline Edwards, a U.S. Capitol Police officer seriously injured as pro-Trump rioters forced their way into the building, described the scene as "carnage." Nick Quested, a British filmmaker who embedded with and documented the activities of an extremist group, the Proud Boys, and said he watched "the crowd turn from protesters to rioters to insurrectionists."

"The violence was no accident," Committee Chairman Bennie Thompson, D-Mississippi, said as he opened the hearing.

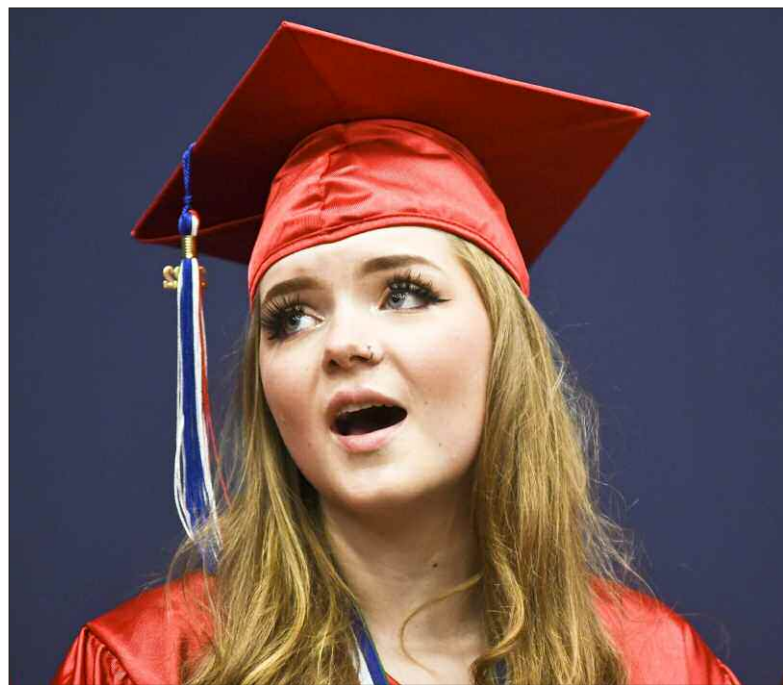
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### Final walk

Sam Dunlavy (above) shakes hands with Jay County High School principal Chad Dodd after receiving his diploma during Sunday's commencement ceremony. The choir, including Elsria Goodman (right) performed "You Will Be Found" from the Broadway musical "Dear Evan Hansen" during the ceremony.



## Shanghai will lock down for testing

### Bloomberg

Shanghai will briefly lock down most of the city this weekend for mass testing as covid-19 cases continue to emerge, causing more disruption and triggering a renewed run on groceries days after exiting a grueling two-month shutdown.

The plan emerged from one area with a handful of cases, then spread in hours to 15 of the financial hub's 16 districts. It encompasses almost all of the city's 25 million residents as health officials use testing to root out any

lockdown if new infections are found in their compounds.

There were five additional infections found among people in quarantine on Thursday, for a total of 11 cases in the financial hub, health officials said. Nationwide, China added 73 infections. The threat of disruptive measures also returned to Beijing, as mass testing turned up 21 new local cases as of 3 p.m. today. More than 4,400 people who were in close contact with those who were infected have been sent to government-mandated quarantine facilities.

Several neighborhoods in the capital's key Chaoyang district, home to company headquarters and embassies, were on alert after a flareup in a local bar ended a five-day streak of zero community spread on Thursday. There were two new infections found outside of quarantine there today.

The return of restrictions and mass testing in China's biggest cities underscores the difficulty of eliminating the virus while the rest of the world accepts it as endemic.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 76 degrees Thursday. The low was 52.

Tonight's forecast calls for a 40% chance of showers and a low of 57. Expect partly sunny skies

Saturday with a 20% chance of showers. The low will be 62. A slight chance of rain will continue through Monday night.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

The City of Dunkirk announced Thursday that its pool is now open. The facility at 120 N. Hoover St., will be open from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3.

The pool will also be open from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 25 cents admission.

### Coming up

**Saturday** — Continued coverage of the Roger Boyd murder trial.

**Tuesday** — Coverage of Monday's Dunkirk City Council meeting.



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He said he used his pistol to shoot a blank at Miller, who he said grabbed him. He noted Miller said the gun didn't scare him.  
Boyd recalled saying, "How 'bout now, motherf---?" before shooting him multiple times. Miller stumbled backward and onto the garage floor. Boyd said he then checked Miller's body for signs of life and told Burke to get inside.  
He admitted to taking some security cameras down and said he gave them to Shewmake. (She testified Wednesday when she went to look for the cameras, they were gone. She later found one camera in her son's dresser.)  
Boyd called police.  
After they arrived and handcuffed him, he said he

expressed concern about having Jeff Hopkins as the investigator on the case. (Years prior to the incident, Hopkins had a relationship with Emily DeVoe, who was seeing Boyd at the same time. Boyd and DeVoe share a child.) He said Portland police officer Dustin Mock told him he didn't have a choice in the matter.  
In addition to Boyd recounting the events of the evening, the defense called witnesses in an effort to paint Miller as a threatening individual and to call into question the police investigation.  
"You didn't mess with Jimmy," Ping testified, saying he had known Miller for 20 years. "Not only was he the strongest guy I knew, he was the toughest and meanest."  
Ping told the court that when

Miller arrived at the property that night he had offered to go upstairs and talk to him but Boyd told him no.  
Jay County prosecutor Wes Schemenaur pointed out that during an interview Ping told police Boyd patted his front sweatshirt pocket as he said, "I'll go take care of this." (Ping said he didn't remember saying that.)  
Emily DeVoe contradicted previous testimony from Hopkins, saying their relationship was more than just sexual. She said he helped with picking up and dropping off her son at Boyd's home. She said the men did not like each other.  
DeVoe also testified that she was in possession of a bullet casing from the garage and gave it to Boyd's mother, Susan. Larry Conine, who is dating

Boyd's mother, testified Shewmake invited him to her house on Sept. 19, 2020. He said he walked inside the garage and noticed a "defect" in the hood of the Pontiac G6 parked there. (The defense has argued that the "defect" could indicate a weapon Miller could have used to strike the vehicle during his altercation with Boyd.) He testified he found a stake in the garage — it was located on a wooden shelf near where Boyd said the altercation occurred — and attempted to match it to the defect. Conine never took the stake to the police and has had it in his possession since that date. He brought both the stake and the car hood with him to court Wednesday.  
Schemenaur questioned why Conine and DeVoe withheld evidence from police. He brought

up Boyd's past as a police officer, having worked at Dunkirk Police Department and Jay County Sheriff's Office. He asked why, knowing basic criminal investigation skills, Boyd would tamper with evidence and not provide all the facts from the start. He listed several inconsistencies in Boyd's story.  
He mentioned different scenarios that could have played out that night. He also questioned why Boyd wouldn't tell police about a key witness (Burke), who was in his basement when they arrived.  
"You hid evidence, you lied to the police, all in an attempt to cover it up," Schemenaur said.  
In Indiana, murder carries a sentence of 45 to 65 years with an advisory sentence of 55 years. A Level 3 felony carries a sentence of 3 to 16 years.

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Saturday 6/11	Sunday 6/12	Monday 6/13	Tuesday 6/14	Wednesday 6/15
<b>75/62</b>	<b>84/66</b>	<b>91/74</b>	<b>95/76</b>	<b>97/74</b>
Skies will be partly sunny most of the day. There is a 20% chance of showers.	There will be a 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Skies will otherwise be partly sunny.	Skies will be mostly sunny with a high of 91 degrees. There is a 20% chance of showers.	Steamy conditions are expected with sunny skies and a high of 95.	The high temperature will climb to 97. There is a 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> Estimated jackpot: \$229 million	12-21-27-32-33-44-47-52-56-58-65 Cash 5: 6-11-20-37-41 Estimated jackpot: \$584,500
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$226 million	<b>Ohio</b> Midday Pick 3: 3-4-7 Pick 4: 9-7-8-0 Pick 5: 1-5-2-4-6 Evening Pick 3: 3-4-7 Pick 4: 5-6-0-6 Pick 5: 0-3-4-7-1 Rolling Cash: 5-11-13-25-32 Estimated jackpot: \$100,000
<b>Hoosier</b> Midday Daily Three: 2-8-1 Daily Four: 0-0-5-7 Quick Draw: 2-6-10-13-17-19-23-25-28-33-36-51-54-58-60-61-64-66-71-78 Evening Daily Three: 7-6-0 Daily Four: 3-0-9-0 Quick Draw: 2-3-4-10-	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....7.89 June corn .....7.89 Wheat .....8.66	Wheat ..... 10.18 July wheat ..... 10.18
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....87.95 July corn.....7.92 October corn.....6.90	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....7.69 July corn.....7.69 Beans.....16.63 July beans .....16.63 May wheat.....10.65
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....7.77 July corn.....7.77 Beans .....17.47 July beans .....17.47	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....7.69 July corn.....7.69 Beans .....17.38 July beans .....17.38 Wheat.....10.33

## Today in history

**In 1898**, U.S. Marines landed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. They fought a land war for the next month, resulting in the end of Spanish colonial rule in the Western Hemisphere.  
**In 1922**, American singer and actress Judy Garland was born in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. Garland starred as Dorothy in the movie "The Wizard of Oz."  
**In 1940**, Italy declared war on France and Great Britain during World War II.  
**In 1977**, American golfer Al Geiberger became the first player to break 60 in a PGA Tour-sanctioned event.  
**In 1999**, the war in

Kosovo ended with then-president Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia agreeing to withdraw troops from the disputed territory following a bombing campaign by NATO.  
**In 2007**, the final episode of the TV series "The Sopranos" aired on HBO.  
**In 2021**, Caleb DeRome and Griffin Mann of Jay County High School finished their seasons at the boys golf regional tournament at The Players Club in Yorktown. DeRome shot an 84 and Mann, who now plays at Hanover, finished his career with a 91.  
—The CR

## Citizen's calendar

**Monday**  
9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.  
6 p.m. — Dunkirk Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St.

7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Council, city building, 131 S. Main St.

**Tuesday**  
6 p.m. — Redkey Town Council executive session, park cabin, 200 S. Mooney St.

# Gary woman gets 11 years

**By MEREDITH COLIAS-PETE**  
Post-Tribune (Merrillville)  
Tribune News Service  
A Gary woman who struck a deal with prosecutors was sentenced to 11 years Thursday in connection with the double slaying of two teens in Calumet Township.  
During the hearing, two portraits of Dawn Carden emerged.  
Her defense lawyer Nicholas Barnes said she got caught up in hiding a murder weapon after her

boyfriend Alvino Amaya fatally shot Max Kroll, 17, and Elijah J. Robinson, 18, in Kroll's grandparents' basement where the teens lived on the 3900 block of West 51st Avenue in Calumet Township. The motive was allegedly over a missing gun.  
Amaya was convicted of murder in the Oct. 16, 2020 slayings and sentenced to 130 years in April. The teens' deaths were an "execution-style" killing, prosecutors said.  
Kroll and Robinson's families,

however, put as much or more blame on Carden — a known drug dealer who goes by "Mama D," according to court documents — whom they called "manipulative" and a "predator", believing she sent Amaya there.  
"You might as well have pulled the trigger yourself that night," Kroll's sister Jasmine Dunfee said.  
Carden, 43, pleaded guilty Apr. 18 to assisting a criminal and dangerous control of a firearm, both level 5 felonies.

# Blamed ...

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"It represented Trump's last, most desperate chance to halt the transfer of power. And ultimately, Donald Trump — the president of the United States — spurred a mob of domestic enemies of the Constitution to march down the Capitol and subvert American democracy."  
In a statement punctuated by clips from testimony gathered so far by the committee — including from close Trump aides and his daughter Ivanka and son-in-law, Jared Kushner — Vice Chair Liz Cheney, R-Wyo., promised that the committee would explain in the coming weeks Trump's multi-prong strategy to subvert democracy and remain in power despite losing the election.  
According to snippets of testimony played by Cheney, Trump's attorney general, William Barr, told Trump his claims were "complete nonsense." Ivanka Trump was persuaded by the assurance. "I respect Attorney General Barr, so I accepted what he was saying," she told the committee.  
Even so, Cheney said Trump tried to use the resources of his office, including the Justice Department, to overturn the vote, then pressured Vice President Mike Pence to toss out electoral college votes for Joe Biden on Jan. 6, 2021. Once violence erupted, she said, Trump not only failed to act to quell it — but instead cheered on the mob.  
"Aware of the rioters' chants to 'hang Mike Pence,' the president responded with this sentiment: 'Maybe our supporters have the right idea,'" Cheney said. "Mike Pence 'deserves' it."  
Cheney, whose decision to join Democrats on the investigative panel has earned her a serious primary challenge and Trump's enmity, offered stern words to her fellow Republicans who have dismissed the committee's work: "I say this to my Republican colleagues who are defending the indefensible — there will come a day when Donald Trump is

gone, but your dishonor will remain."  
The evening's most dramatic moments belonged to Edwards, a police officer who has not before told her story in public. She described in vivid detail confronting extremists at a bicycle rack that had been blocking a wide sidewalk leading to the Capitol. The crowd threw her to the ground, knocking her unconscious. She sustained a traumatic brain injury during the attack and is believed to be the first officer who was injured during the insurrection.  
When she came to, she recalled seeing another officer sitting nearby, holding his head in his hands: Brian Sicknick. He was, she said, "as pale as this piece of paper," holding up a blank sheet that had been sitting on a table in front of her. Sicknick was taken to the hospital and later died; a medical examiner ruled he died of natural causes after suffering strokes but that the events of that day contributed to his condition.  
It was "just a war scene," she said, with injured officers surrounding her. "They were bleeding, they were throwing up, I was slipping in people's blood," she said. "It was carnage, it was chaos. I can't even describe what I saw. Never in my wildest dreams did I think as a police officer, I would find myself in the middle of a battle."  
At the hearing's conclusion, Edwards shared an extended embrace with Sicknick's partner, Sandra Garza, who had been seated in the front row in the committee room.

*Thank You*

We would like to thank all those who helped to get us through this difficult time.

Williamson & Spencer, Jay County Hospital and staff, Penrod Funeral Home, Larry Eads and Kevin McClung, Jennifer Blackford, The Rock Church, and friends who brought food, gifts and comfort.

The Family of Sonny Burgess

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORUM**  
through HELP (Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program)  
**June 13th from 3:00 to 5:00**  
at the John Jay Center.

This event will include introductions to our University Partners, Office of Community Rural Affairs (OCRA) Staff, and Community Coordinator for the Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program. There will also be discussions regarding the Community Vision, Engagement Plans, University Initiatives, and Pathway Explanations. Along with possible initiatives that can be completed within the county using the funds available through American Rescue Plan (ARP) and Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program (HELP).

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# Jay County students make honor roll

Jay County High School released its second semester honor roll.

Making the list are seniors Adnan Akinci, Trenton Alexander, Syeda Aneesah, Madeline Ardizzone, Shea Bailey, Malika Batyr, Dorane Beiswanger, Tarron Bentz, Katelyn Bihn, Lotta Birkert, Kierston Blunk, Samuel Bracy, and Isaac Braun.

Also Ramon Bravo, Grace Brewster, Olivia Bright, Ieva Busa, Emily Byrum, Taryn Caldwell, Sidney Campbell, Makaya Champ and Emily Chenoweth.

Also Haleigh Clayton, Jayden Claytor, Bryce Collins, Heidi Cox, Monica Cristofari, Ethan Dirksen, Madison Dirksen, Elizabeth Dollar, Emily Dues, Samuel Dunlavy, Madison Eley, Abigail Elzey, Beyza Emen, Darius Esparza, Paulina Esquivel-Macias, Marah Fares, Quinn Faulkner, Qadon Ferrell, Anastasiya Fomina, Aaron Funkhouser, Aidan Garlinger, Dyllan Garringer,

Abigail Gillum, Carla Hafercamp, Matthew Hall and Heaven Hambrock.

Also Nadia Hardman, Kayla Harrington, Dustin Harris, Aubri Hatzell, Lilly Hedges, Holly Hemmelgarn, Joshua Hilty, Abilene Hough, Marissa Huey, Kayla Hurt and Tricia Ison.

Also Madison Jetmore, Devin Jinez, Andrea Jutte, Kylie Klopfenstein, Dylan Knapshafer, Tyler Lewis, Haley Likens, Alexyn Longsworth, Mariana Lopez and Itziar Lopez de Arcaute Martinez.

Also Alyssa Lott, Corben Lugar, Lucas Lyons, GraceLyn Maitlen, Cristian Marentes, Kess McBride, Jacob McCowan, Lindy Mercer, Conner Miller, Graiden Miller, Marissa Miller, Masahiro Mitsuishi, Awatif Mohd Asrul, Adam Muhlenkamp, Gavin Muhlenkamp, Hannah Muhlenkamp, Gavin Myers, Dylan Negele, Benjamin Nichols, Kaden Norris, Ryleigh Oswald, Marissa Overla, Elayna Paro, Isaac Peterson, Jonathan Peter-

son, Adrek Pogue, Kelsi Pugh, Isabel Rodgers and Mason Rogers.

Also Maria Sanchez Martin, Kyle Sanders, Hunter Shaneyfelt, Jacqueline Smith, Konner Sommers, Elijah Stephens, Crystal Stewart, Adinai Temirbekova, Evan Toney, Darina Ustenko and McKenna Vore.

Also Maddison Wenk, Seth Wilson, Aaron Wittwer, Lindy Wood, Ashton Yowell.

Also juniors Eden Abshire, Adrianna Aker, Alex Ardizzone, Mara Bader, Danyelle Bland, Blake Bogenschutz, Kelsey Braun, Lauren Brewster, Zacary Brotherton, Taylor Brown, JaiDi Brunson, Madison Brunswick, Kenneth Carducci, Kylee Carreno, Thomas Charles, Makiah Compton, Hilary Cox, Kaleb Cross, Raven Dale, Brady Davis, Seth Degler, Brock DeHoff, Austin Dirksen, Simon Dirksen and Joshua Dowlen.

Also Abbie Fields,

Matthew Fields, Dartaven Fosnaugh, Jared Guntle, Katie Haffner, Patience Hambrock, Haylea Hough, Janae Jacobs, Abigail Johnson, Ryler Johnson, Amelia Jones, Carley Jordan, Raine Keen, Joseph Kunk, Presley Kunkle, Isaac Kunkler, Carter Link, Ralph Link and Lillian Lothridge.

Also Peyton Lothridge, Laci McGinnis, Mabrey McIntire, Destiny McManus, Joshua Monroe, Azael Navarro Garcia, Dominick Newsome, Dusty Pearson, Owen Ransom, Morgan Reier, Ethan Rieley, Lainey Reynolds, Kadin Ridenour, Lilly Rogers and Christian Runkle, Hunter Runyon, Katlin Schoenlein, Renna Schwieterman, Rosealynne Smith, Cameron Smitley, Brooke Stauffer, Alizabeth Stotler, Emily Strausburg, Carson Tipple, Kailey Vance, Lauryn VanCise, Jaiden Watson, Landon Weave, Isaiah Weekley, Natalie Wehrly, Bennett Weitzel, Jordan Wickey, Aryana Winslow,

Hayden Winslow, Kaylee Zimmerman, Melana Zimmerman and Brianna Zorn.

Also sophomores Tommy Adkins, Cade Bechtol, Zion Beiswanger, Joseph Belda, Wesley Bihn, Hannah Boggs, Hunter Bouse, Makaylah Brainerd, Jose Bravo-Torres, Mackenzie Brown, Sean Carpenter, Isabel Castro Martell, Riah Champ, Cameron Clark, Kenzie Clayton, Brayden Collins, Ryan Cross, Kylie Davidson, Morgan Davis, Justin DeHoff, Brooke Delaney and Isabella Denton.

Also Caleb DeRome, Maggie Dillon, Abraham Dirksen, Brenna Dirksen, Olivia Duncan, Trevin Dunnington, Jackson Edwards, Juaquin Flores, Madyson Fraley, Marisa Gallegos-Vargas, Bryan Garcia Benitez, Riley Garland, Liam Garringer, Ryne Goldsworthy, Chelsea Grayson, Brenna Haines, Madison Hambrock, Hayden Hardman, Willow Hardy and Allison Hawbaker.

Also Joske Herndon, Garrett Hime, Mollie Hines, Madeline Hudson, Zander Hudson, Madalyn Hull, Kenzie Landon, Hannah Laux, Reece Leavell, Katie Likens, Nathan Lothridge, Peyton Lykins, Nicholas Lyons, Ismael Martin, Danielle May, Ava Miller, Isaac Miller, Timoteo Minnich, Lilee Monroe, Luke Muhlenkamp, Mason Muhlenkamp, Molly Muhlenkamp, Regina Muhlenkamp, Makinsey Murphy, Parker Nichols, Emma Outcalt, Ty Paxson and Kaley Pettus.

Also Nevin Phillips, Madison Reier, Kallie Richardson, Erin Ring, Alaina Rodgers, Chloe Ruiz, Samantha Sager, Sophia Saxman, Zoey Shaneyfelt, Gage Sims, Alexander Smith, Emily Smith, Raelyn Stone, Azalea Thompson, Lucas Timmerman, Luke Vormohr, Mackenzie Weesner, Elizabeth Wendel, Leah Wenning and Deacon Williams.

Freshmen will be published at a later date.

# Man struggles after close friend's passing

DEAR ABBY: I'm a gay man. A friend of more than 20 years, "Marci," passed away eight months ago after battling cancer for four years. Just a month after the funeral, her wife, "Julia," started dating. She was engaged four months later and married "Leslie" seven months after that. When they started dating, Leslie was still legally married. My husband and I are godfathers to the one child Marci and Julia had.

I don't trust Leslie. I think she took advantage of a person who was grieving. She's a nurse and should know better. I don't like Leslie, and I don't like her kids either. They moved into the house Marci and Julia had built together just a few months after Marci's funeral.

I have pretty much removed myself from the situation. I no

longer go to dinners or social gatherings with them. Seeing them together makes my heart hurt and stomach ache. My husband still goes out with them and seems to have no issue with it. It has caused problems between us at times. He doesn't understand my feelings, and I can't understand how he can support them. Can you help me cope with this or tell me how I can get him to see my side and end the friendship? — STILL MOURNING MARCI

Dear Abby



DEAR STILL MOURNING: It might help your husband be more sympathetic to your feelings if you explain you're still in deep mourning over the loss of a beloved friend, and it affects you physically when you see Julia and Leslie together. He is able to "support them" because, even though their relationship may seem premature, he recognizes they have continued on with their lives.

A way to cope with your pain would be to make a conscious effort to forgive them for their haste AND KEEP FOREMOST IN YOUR MIND THAT YOU PROMISED MARCI YOU WOULD BE A GODPARENT TO HER CHILD. The most effective way for that to happen would

be to be present in her child's life in a way that doesn't always involve the parents.

DEAR ABBY: I have a co-worker — and great friend — who washes her hair maybe once a week and uses dry shampoo in between. (One day, I thought she had gray roots because the dry shampoo was so thick.) I know many people do this, but her hair is excessively oily, and it looks unsightly and unprofessional when she comes to work. It has reached the point that several co-workers (and even an ex-boyfriend of hers) have asked me why she doesn't wash her hair more often because it looks so dirty.

I feel embarrassed for her, but I don't know how to bring it up and suggest that maybe sham-

pooning more often would be better. Even when we have a night out on the town and she has all day to get ready, she still shows up with her hair a greasy mess, slicked back in a clip. Maybe she doesn't realize the impression she is giving. Do I say something to her? — FRIEND WHO CARES IN MISSOURI

DEAR FRIEND: Good friends take care of each other and watch each other's backs. If the situation were reversed, wouldn't you want to hear it from someone you know cares about you?

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 [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

# Community Calendar

Notices will appear in Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, email [news@thecr.com](mailto:news@thecr.com).

## Saturday

PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET — Will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday in the parking lot at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St.

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

## Monday

PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for break-

fast at Richards Restaurant.

BRYANT AREA COMMUNITY CENTER — Walking from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

PING PONG — Will be played from 9 a.m. to noon each Monday at Jay Community Center.

EUCHRE — Will be played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free 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 appoint-

ment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP — Meets at 3 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at Mercer Health in Coldwater, Ohio.

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## Thursday's Solution

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

# Golf cart tax needs to be repealed

To the editor:  
With the recent passage of the City of Portland's golf cart ordinance, I went up to pay my tax. I drove my golf cart to Portland Police Department as directed. After showing proof of insurance and my driver's license, I pulled out my credit card. I was told I could not pay with a credit card, so I provided a personal check. I was also informed that I could not pay with a personal check. I could only pay with cash, a money order or a certified check.

## Letters to the Editor

I also have to pay for a whole year but my sticker is only good for 10 months.  
Out I went to find some cash. While driving back up to the police station, I called my city council representative to let him

know what I thought of this new tax. I was informed that other cities have golf cart ordinances. I informed him that I do not live in other cities. I live in Portland. He also was unaware of the choice of payment for this new tax. Now, how can you vote and pass an ordinance and not know how it was to be paid?  
I also was informed the people violate golf cart laws all the time. So, give them a citation. Don't punish all golf cart owners.  
Back in the police station, I

was told after asking that this tax was going to the police continuing education fund. I'm all for funding police continuing education, but how are the funds going to be monitored? My receipt says "vehicle fund."  
Another thing, my sticker was placed above my left taillight, where I was informed it had to go. But my neighbors had theirs placed on their slow-moving vehicle sign. Now are we going to be in trouble for the sticker not being placed on the left rear bumper?

To me, this is a discriminatory tax. Why are only golf cart owners to pay this additional tax? Why isn't this tax used to help repair city streets that golf carts travel on?  
If you live in Portland and own a golf cart or plan on bringing a golf cart to Portland, I urge you to contact the mayor and city council members and let them know how you feel about this new tax. This is one tax that needs to be repealed.  
Cliff Moser  
Portland

## Ending war key for middle class

By WILLIAM D. HARTUNG  
Tribune News Service

The Biden administration has responded forcefully to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, both in terms of the attention paid to the conflict and the resources devoted to supporting that nation.

This was evidenced most recently by the passage of the administration's proposal for a massive \$40 billion aid package for Ukraine and U.S. NATO allies, more than half of which is for military purposes. The administration has also expanded its goals in the conflict from helping Ukraine defend itself to "weakening Russia," a dangerous escalation.

But the American public is starting to have doubts about the administration's current course. A new poll shows that a majority of Americans now believe that the administration should prioritize battling inflation and other economic woes over punishing Russia. Part of that effort must include using U.S. leverage to help end the war in Ukraine as soon as possible.

It's hard to overstate the size of the Ukraine aid package. Taken together with an aid package passed earlier this year, the U.S. will have committed over \$50 billion to responding to the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the past four months alone. The military portion of this assistance is more than twice the level of U.S. assistance to Afghan military and police forces at the height of the 20-year war there, and the total aid package is nearly as much as the entire State Department budget. And if the war in Ukraine drags on, this funding may be just the beginning.

The administration is right to provide aid to Ukraine to defend itself against the brutal Russian invasion of that nation, but it is also in the interests of the United States — and the Ukrainian people — to avoid a prolonged conflict that will come at great economic and human cost. And pursuing a "victory" that undermines the regime in Moscow could result in the creation of a nuclear-armed failed state, an outcome that will serve no one's interest. Avoiding such a result means putting diplomacy back on the table, however difficult that may be in the current context.

At a time when Americans are concerned about runaway inflation, domestic discord, and shortages of essential goods like baby formula, devoting so much attention and funding to addressing the inva-

William D. Hartung



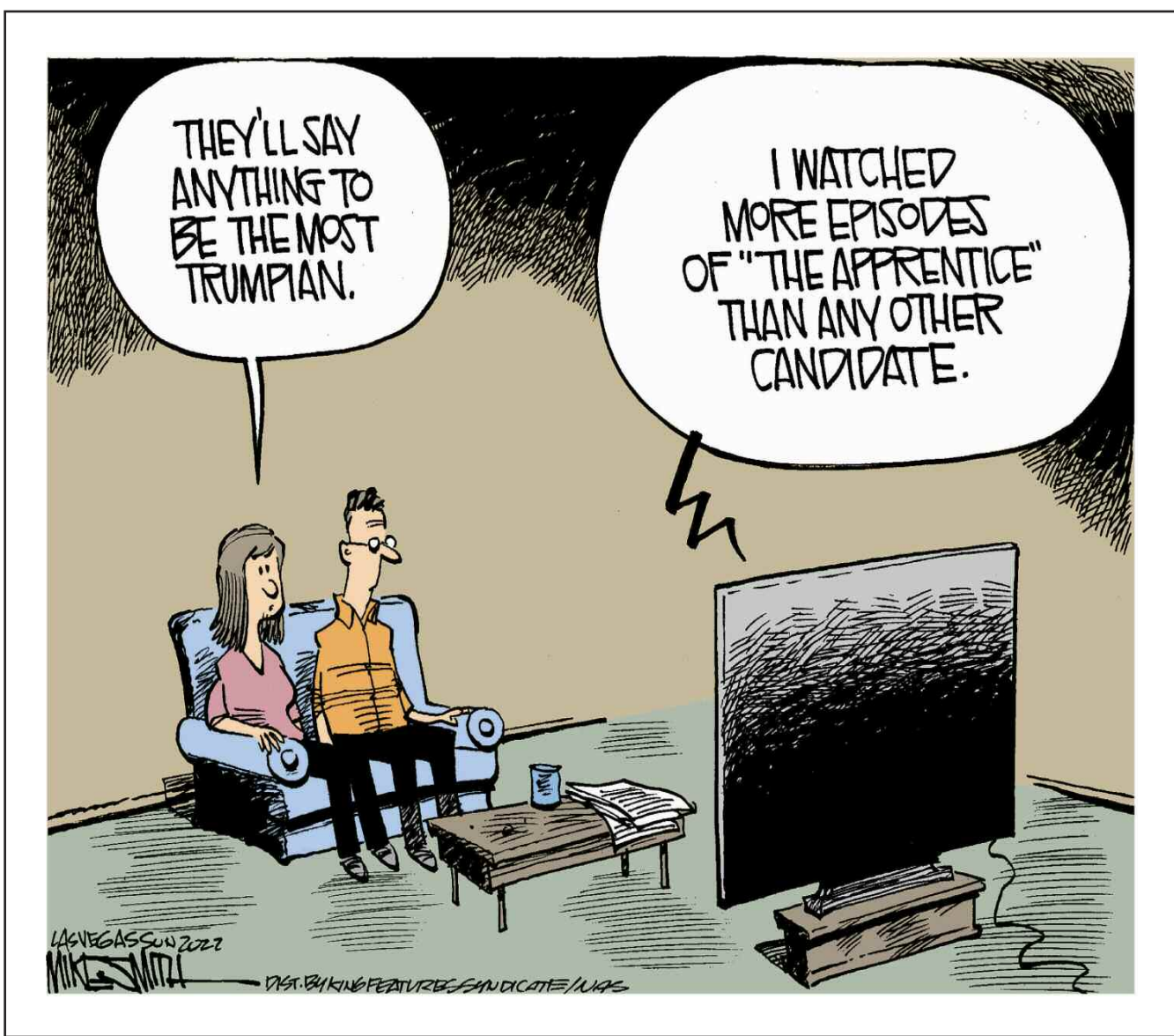
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sion of Ukraine has real and ongoing costs. Fuel and food disruptions stemming from the conflict are causing economic havoc not only in America but also in large parts of the world that depend on imported goods to operate their economies and stave off poverty and malnutrition. The result will be more suffering and more conflict worldwide, some of which could spark calls for additional military and economic assistance from the United States.

President Joe Biden's goal of crafting a "foreign policy for the middle class" would be best served by working to bring an end to the war in Ukraine as soon as possible. If the conflict drags on for years or is pursued as a campaign to "weaken Russia" rather than defend Ukraine, the economic costs to the average American will spiral upward, as will risks to U.S. and European security.

The next step must be to support a diplomatic resolution of the conflict that ends the fighting and assures that Ukraine emerges from the war as a secure and sovereign nation. The United States can play a critical and constructive role in this effort. It's the best way to reduce the risks of a wider war and reduce the damage the conflict is doing to the average American household, in keeping with a true foreign policy for the middle class.

Hartung is a senior research fellow at the Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft.



## Our children deserve better

By JERALD MCNAIR  
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Tribune News Service

I remember the days when the only thing students worried about in school was getting good grades, and when there was a healthy supply of candidates wanting to become teachers.

Regrettably, those days are long gone. Our K-12 educational system is dealing with enormous challenges. As it continues to confront the obstacles and unpredictability of COVID-19, we see growing skepticism among parents about the school system's ability to keep their children safe. With school shootings, including most recently in Uvalde, Texas, where 19 children and two teachers were killed, the fear parents, students and teachers feel is evident and understandable. Unfortunately, parents feel this kind of tragedy can happen at their school or in their community.

According to the Census Bureau, home-schooling is on the rise. The number of families that decided to home-school their children doubled to 11% during the 2020-21 school year from 5.4% during the 2019-20 school year. While the pandemic contributed, concerns for children's safety go beyond a virus. U.S. parents have expressed fears about school shootings and assaults of teachers and students. It's conceivable that the home schooling of students will increase if changes are not made.

The strength and efficacy of our democracy are predicated on a public school system that affords every child the right to attend school, economic status or family wealth notwithstanding. Where would our democracy be had it not been for our school system?

School shootings are a threat to

our educational system — and, therefore, to our democracy. News outlets have reported that over two decades, more than 100 students and staff members have been killed in school shootings, dating to Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, in 1999 and including Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, this past month. When you include colleges and universities, the loss of life increases.

When students are being gunned down in classrooms, change is necessary. When parents are afraid to send their children to school, change is necessary. When teachers are leaving the profession for fear of becoming the next victims, change is necessary.

School safety is not a partisan issue. It is not about public vs. private school, rich vs. poor or public school vs. school choice. Nor is it a racial issue. We all should be able to expect that our children will return home unharmed after going to school. And teachers should expect to return home to their families unharmed.

As the debate continues in Congress, and policymakers hopefully seek to find areas where they can agree, we implore them to put our country first. It is not acceptable, nor reasonable, to accept and normalize school shootings. Our democracy should not have to face these unnecessary challenges.

Why someone would shoot innocent children is an indication of

that individual's compromised mental state. The easy access to certain weapons compounds the problem. Our policymakers don't have to pick either side. They can agree on both of these points. If steps are not made to improve the safety of our children, they will, in turn, suffer from mental health problems, and the cycle will continue.

Last year, more than 37% of high school students reported experiencing poor mental health, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. And 44% reported feeling sad or hopeless. Mental health problems go hand in hand with behavioral problems.

If our youths continue to see peers across the country gunned down in school, why would they want to attend? Will they pay attention in school, or will they be more concerned about their safety? Will we continue to see a mass exodus of teachers leaving the profession? Will we continue to see fewer college graduates going into this field and desiring to be teachers? Then what will we do? Who will teach the next generation?

Our democracy can overcome these challenges if we work together. President Ronald Reagan once said, "There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit." Our legislators must simply find areas to agree upon and move forward.

After all, the lives of children, our future generation, are at stake. They deserve better. Let's give them an opportunity to grow up and be whatever they want to be in life.

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# Hospitalization at home

## Some facilities are giving alternative care option a try

By LISA SCHENCKER  
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Struggling to breathe, Patty Cowick knew she had to head to the emergency room at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, Illinois, in May.

But she dreaded the discomfort and confinement of staying in the hospital. Cowick, 60, has congestive heart failure and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and had been hospitalized before.

"I said can't you do something and let me go home?" she said. "They came back a while later and said we have a program that might fit for you."

They told her she could receive hospital care at home, with daily visits from nurses and virtual check-ins with a doctor. Cowick spent about three days receiving hospital care at her home in rural Kellerville, resting in her rose-colored recliner and watching traffic go by from her front porch.

"I can't stand to be shut up in a room with no fresh air, like the hospital is," Cowick said. "It's been a long road, but I really am thankful for this program."

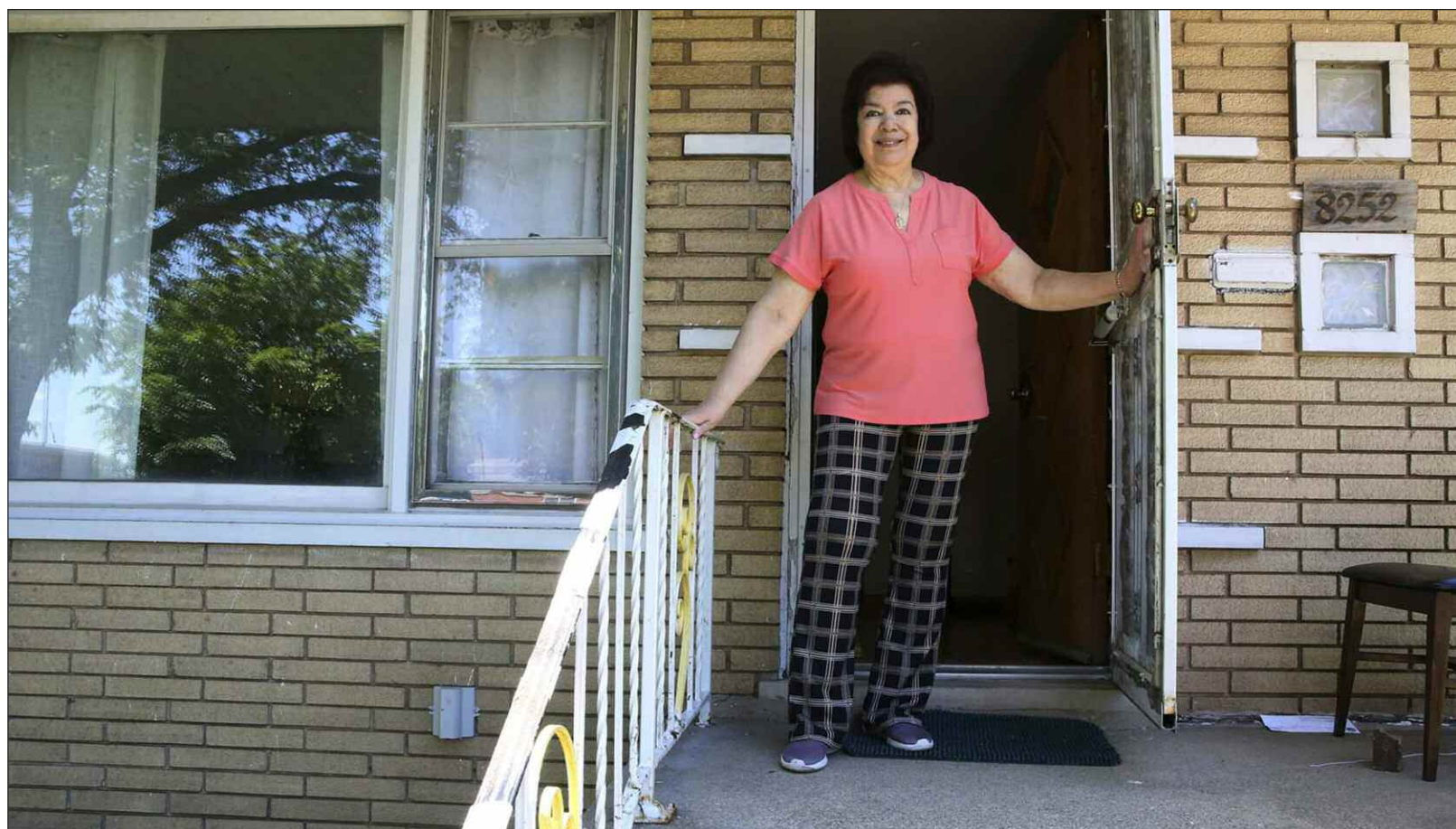
Blessing is one of a handful of hospitals across the state — along with Northwestern Memorial, University of Chicago Medical Center and OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria — that have received federal permission to provide hospital care to some patients at home. It's a program that the federal government started during the pandemic as a way to help hospitals free up space, but Illinois hospital leaders hope to see it continue long term as a way to make patients more comfortable, keep hospital beds open for others and save money.

"We don't see it as just a small program for utilization during the COVID pandemic," said Dr. Luke Neill, medical director of the Hospital at Home program at Northwestern. "We see this as a big shift in care."

Northwestern treated its first hospital-at-home patient in March, and hopes to eventually serve about 300 patients a year at home. Blessing Hospital in Quincy has treated about half a dozen patients at home since February. OSF Saint Francis and University of Chicago Medical Center are still gearing up, with hopes of starting later this summer and within the next year, respectively.

It takes a lot of work to start the programs, hospital leaders say. Hospitals must abide by a strict set of rules in order to bill Medicare and Medicaid for patients treated at home, under federal waivers.

For one, only patients with certain types of conditions are eligible. Those conditions may vary by hospital, but often include cellulitis (a type of skin infection), pneumonia, urinary tract infections, congestive heart failure and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), Neill said. They're conditions for



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Diana Calleros, pictured at her Chicago home on June 3, was the first patient at Northwestern to participate in a program where patients are cared for in their home instead of the hospital. Calleros was hospitalized for congestive heart failure but was allowed to spend the last two days of her admission at home.

which the treatment is relatively straightforward, patients are unlikely to require a lot of imaging, and the risk of patients getting sicker once they start treatment is fairly low, Neill said.

To be eligible, patients also typically need to be on Medicare parts A or B, or Medicaid, unless a hospital has reached agreements with other types of insurance plans to be reimbursed for care at home, Neill said.

Patients who participate must typically be visited, in-person, twice each day by a nurse. A doctor must also check in with patients each day, either in-person or virtually. Patients must be able to immediately reach providers over audio. And hospitals must be able to supply all the equipment, medications and meals a patient may need.

When Cowick participated in Blessing Hospital's program in May, she didn't have internet access in her home, so the hospital lent her a tablet and a hot spot, allowing her to video chat with a doctor each day.

She also wore a monitor on her chest that continuously sent readings to doctors and nurses.

The monitor tracked her heart rate, oxygen and respiratory rate, said Dr. Mary Frances Barthel, chief quality and safety officer for Blessing Health System. "If there's any kind of parameter that gets out of whack, the system will alert me on my phone," Barthel said.

Doctors say they're also able to learn more about patients by visiting their homes.

Northwestern doctors learned that their first hospital-at-home patient, Diana Calleros, was ingesting more sodium than she realized while visiting her home in Chicago's Bush neighborhood. The 78-year-old woman was hospitalized in March for congestive heart failure, and about two days into her hospital stay, doctors asked if she'd like to spend the last couple of days of her hospitalization receiving care at home. She agreed, and spent the rest of her "hospital stay" at home, sleeping in her own bed, her feet propped up on a pillow.

While at her home, Neill asked Calleros if she added a lot of salt to her food. She said no.

But then Calleros' daughter brought out her jar of Knorr chicken bouillon for the doctor to see. It's a common ingredient in Mexican American cooking, and something Calleros used every day, she said.

"He looked at it and said, 'Oh no,'" Calleros said of Neill. It was packed with sodium. Too much sodium can make the body retain fluid, which can be especially problematic for people prone to congestive heart failure. Congestive heart failure is when the heart doesn't pump blood as well as it should, which can cause fluid buildup in the lungs and other parts of the body.

"If she were inside the hospital, I probably would have never understood the type of sodium she actually had in her diet and been able to counsel her on what I think would be the appropriate use of sodium," Neill said.

Hospital leaders say the program can also help save money.

A 2019 study out of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston found that hospitalizing patients at home cost an average of 38% less than caring for patients in the hospital.

Patients hospitalized at home had less imaging, fewer lab tests and fewer consultations with other providers, according to the study, which was published in the peer-reviewed journal the Annals of Internal Medicine. They were also readmitted less frequently to the hospital within 30 days. The study's authors said they might have been less likely to be readmitted because, at home, they were sleeping better and moving around more than they would have in the hospital.

"Unfortunately, although we like to think the inside of the hospital is a safe place, there's also a lot of challenges that can exist, from hospital-acquired infections to falls because people aren't as comfortable with the environment," Neill said.

That's part of the reason Neill and others would like to see the federal government allow the program to continue long term. Now, the program is set to expire at the end of the federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency in mid-July.

There's a bill before Congress that would extend the hospital-at-home program for two years beyond the public health emergency. That bill, however, is still awaiting a committee hearing,

meaning it has a long way to go before potentially becoming law.

Or, the administration of President Joe Biden could extend the public health emergency beyond July, which would keep the program going longer. The administration has not yet publicly announced an extension of the emergency, but it has said it would give 60 days notice before ending it, and it has not yet given that notice.

Despite the uncertainty, local hospital leaders are optimistic that this is the beginning, rather than the end, of hospital care at home.

OSF HealthCare started admitting patients for hospital care at home in 2020, partly as a way to help keep beds available during COVID-19 surges. Because the federal program hadn't yet started at that point, the hospital didn't always have a way to bill for that care, said Jennifer Junis, senior vice president for OSF OnCall Digital Health.

When the federal program started, OSF applied to be part of it, and paused its at-home admissions as it worked to adjust to the federal program's requirements. OSF leaders are eager to once again get started.

"We have capacity issues at our flagship hospital in Peoria at Saint Francis even when we don't have COVID," Junis said. "Anything we can do to offload some of that capacity is really important. We think this is a new care delivery model that's not going away. ... This is creating a better patient experience."



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**Bidding quiz**

Your right-hand opponent opens with One Notrump, both sides vulnerable. What would you bid with each of the following hands?

- ♠ KJ954 ♥ 7 ♦ A982 ♣ KJ6
- ♠ AJ9 ♥ KQJ9 ♦ KJ7 ♣ Q98
- ♠ AJ10983 ♥ 4 ♦ 10 ♣ AQ983
- ♠ A976 ♥ KQJ983 ♦ 6 ♣ AJ
- ♠ AQ82 ♥ 3 ♦ KJ94 ♣ AJ87

1. Pass. It is much too dangerous to bid two spades with such a flimsy suit and only 12 high-card points against an opponent who has 15 to 17 (or 16 to 18) points and scattered high-card strength. You could suffer a huge penalty if the next player had some spade length and most of the missing high cards. A double of one notrump would be equally risky because you can't be sure of setting the contract, and because partner might remove the double to two hearts.

2. Double. With an opening notrump bid of your own and your high cards well-situated behind the opening bidder's high cards, you double for penalties (unless your partnership has some other agreement, the double of an opening notrump bid is not for takeout). There are not many honor cards left for the next two players, and you hope that partner has his fair share of them. If partner bids two

of any suit, which he might do with a weak hand and a long suit, you should pass, as there is almost no chance for game.

3. Two spades. Though you have only 11 high-card points, your 6-5 distribution and strong suits more than compensate for your lack of honor cards; indeed, a game is well within the realm of possibility. A suit bid over one notrump implies a good suit and reasonable safety, both of which you have.

4. Double. Here you have a genuine choice between bidding two hearts or doubling, but there are two factors that favor the double. First, if everyone passes, you have an extremely effective lead against one notrump doubled. Second, if partner pulls the double to two of a minor suit, you can then bid two hearts.

5. Pass. Again, the safety principle applies, as in the first hand. Sometimes you have to pass as a matter of prudence, even though inaction might result in your missing a makeable contract. While you might feel that your side can make a partscore in one of your three suits, the fact is that there's no safe way to explore that possibility. The chance of making a game is remote, and it doesn't make much sense to risk a large penalty when only a partscore is at stake.

Tomorrow: A stitch in time saves nine.  
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**6-10 CRYPTOQUIP**

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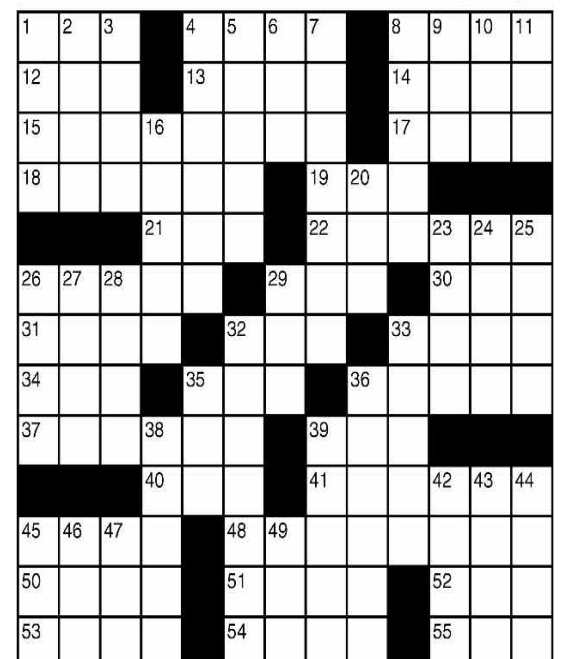
**CROSSWORD** By Eugene Sheffer

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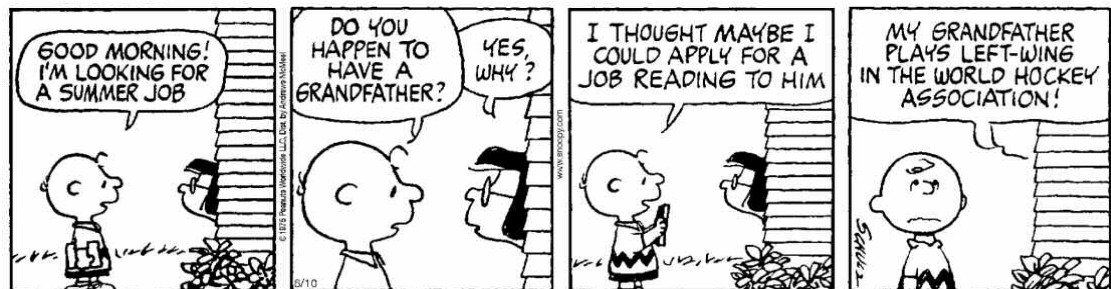
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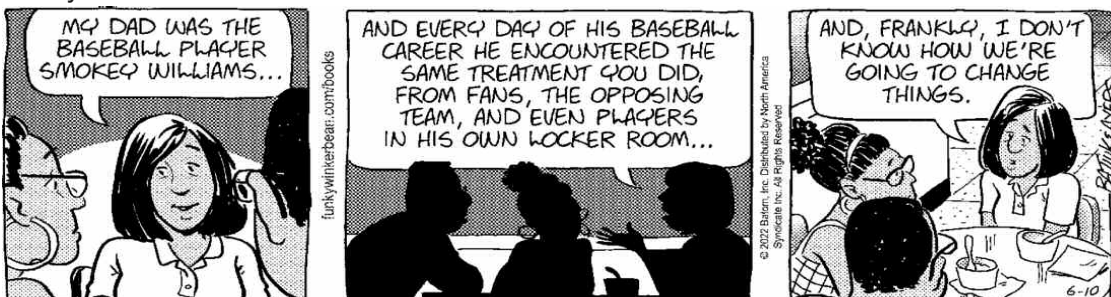
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## In the pack

Trevor Heitkamp of Fort Recovery High School runs amidst a pack of athletes Saturday in the 3,200-meter run at the Division III OHSAA Track and Field State Tournament at Ohio State University's Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium. The sophomore finished 13th in the event with a time of 10 minutes, 1.25 seconds.

## Roundup ...

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The team's last dual meet loss was to South Adams in the 2012 season opener.  
Carson Westgerdes and Mara Bader were the lone triple winners for Jay County. The former took the 11-12-year-old boys butterfly, individual medley and breaststroke while the latter was first in the 15-and-older girls butterfly, individual medley and short freestyle.  
Winning two events apiece were: Jordyn Champ (9-10) — breaststroke and short freestyle

Maria Laux (11-12) — long freestyle and backstroke  
Elly Byrum (11-12) — butterfly and breaststroke  
Lauren Fisher (15-and-older) — long freestyle and backstroke  
Josh Monroe (15-and-older) — 200 freestyle and breaststroke  
**Wiggins leads**  
Sam Wiggins paced the offense for Loy Real Estate and Auction in its 9-6 victory over Local 1620 in Thursday's Portland Junior League Sandy Koufax baseball action.

In Willie Mays baseball games, Portland Kiwanis defeated Portland Lions 6-6 and PG-14 defeated Portland Optimists 11-1. In Rookie baseball, Cook's Nursery blasted Williams Auto Parts 17-4.  
Wiggins had a pair of hits and an RBI to lead the way for Loy. Austin Curtis recorded a single and a double, and Peyton Yowell had two singles  
Zedrian Vazquez doubled twice and drove in a run for Local 1620.  
Jace Vance doubled twice, drove in two runs and scored

twice for Kiwanis. Brady Millspaugh had two hits, two runs and an RBI.  
Alex Huntsman drove in almost half of PG-14's runs as he totaled five RBIs with a home run and a double. Eli Homan struck out six batters.  
Kayden Alberson, Ashton Conn, Brantley Robinson, Bentley Berry and Aiden May all went 3-for-3 for Cook's. Brett Huntsman, Easton Steed, Xander Williams and Hayden Franks had two hits apiece for Williams.

## Rough ...

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(The Patriots had a 331 to finish third at the Winchester Invitational.) That was not meant to be on the challenging 6,934-yard course.  
Jay County No. 1 player Caleb DeRome, a sophomore, was the only golfer on the team to break 90. He was 1-over with three pars on the first four holes but would record only one more in his round as he shot 89. (He had posted an 84 at last season's regional at The Players Club.)  
Advancing to the state tournament as individuals were New Castle's Derek Tabor, who won the tournament with a 6-under-par 66; William Pruitt of Bishop Chatard and Connor McMillan of Fishers, who each shot 74; and Riley Batton of Delta and Dillon Bergum of New Castle, both at 75.  
Kyle Sanders, a senior, recorded a birdie on the 175-yard, par-3 seventh hole. He had two pars on the back nine to finish second for the Patriots with a 92.  
Sophomore Ricky Nava matched DeRome with pars on the second, third and fourth holes and finish with seven in all. But he also had some trouble, particularly with the 369-yard, par-4 12th hole, and finished with a 97.  
Junior Brock DeHoff, who led Jay County with an 83 at Monday's sectional, had three pars in his round of 99. Liam Garlinger's 109 did not factor into the team total.  
The regional brought an end to a strong season for the Patriots, who were 16-2 in dual matches. Their third-place finish in the sectional tournament earned them just the fourth regional berth in school history.

## Sports on tap

### Local schedule

**Saturday**  
Jay County Summer Swim Team hosts Wabash Valley Conference Relays — 9 a.m.

### TV schedule

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2:15 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Cincinnati Reds at St. Louis Cardinals (Bally Indiana)  
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3 p.m. — Major League Soccer: New York Red Bulls at Charlotte (ABC)

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### Local notes

**JCHS baseball hosting camp**  
The Jay County High School baseball program will hold its camp for kindergarten through eighth graders June 13 through 15.  
Sessions will run from 8 to 9:30 a.m. for kindergarten through third graders, 10 to 11:30 a.m. for fourth and fifth graders and 1 to 2:30 p.m. for sixth through eighth graders.  
The registration fee is \$30. Forms are available at Jay County Junior-Senior High School.

**Tennis camp scheduled**  
The Jay County High School boys

and girls tennis program will hold a camp for third through ninth graders June 20 through 24.

The camp will run from 9 to 11:30 a.m. daily at the JCHS tennis courts. It will include a visit from Indiana northern district United States Tennis Association representative Sarah Stanchin.  
The registration fee is \$30 and forms are available at JCHS or Cross-Roads Financial Federal Credit Union's location at 1102 W. Votaw St., Portland.

**Chamber outing set**  
Jay County Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual golf outing July 22 at Portland Golf Club.  
The event will begin with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. It will be limited to 20 teams.  
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For more information, call (260) 726-4481.

**5K circuit continues June 4**  
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The next event in the eight-race circuit is the 4-H Glow 5K scheduled for 7:45 p.m. Saturday at Jay County Fairgrounds. Registration is \$20.  
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# Sports

## Rough regional

*Jay County unable to make run at season-best, shoots a 377 to finish last at The Players Club*

YORKTOWN — The Patriots didn't finish the way they were hoping to.

Jay County High School's boys golf team's season came to an end Thursday as it posted a score of 377 to finish last out of 18 teams in the regional tournament at The Players Club at Woodland Trails.

The Patriots' score was 20 strokes behind 17th-place Northeastern.

No. 12 Cathedral and No. 13 Noblesville each posted scores of 305, with the former winning the regional thanks to the fifth-player tiebreaker. Hamilton Southeastern was third at 309.

The top three teams earn state berths and top five individuals not on advancing teams. The two-day state finals are slated for Tuesday and Wednesday at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel.

After posting the highest sectional score among the teams that qualified for the regional tournament at The Players Club, JCHS coach Dave Haines had set a team goal of posting a season-best 18-hole score Thursday.

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Jay County High School sophomore Caleb DeRome chips toward the pin Monday during the sectional tournament at Hickory Hills Golf Club. DeRome's 89 was the best score for the Patriots at Thursday's regional tournament at The Players Club. JCHS posted a team total of 377 to finish last in the 17-team field.

## FR girls defeat South Adams

BERNE — Emily Boeckman, Makenna Huelskamp and Joelle Kaup each won three events Thursday to lead the Fort Recovery Eels summer swim team as the girls knocked off host South Adams 296-253.

The boys fell 223-116. Boeckman's wins came in the 11-12-year-old girls division as she took the 50-meter freestyle, 50 backstroke and 50 freestyle. Huelskamp was first in the 13-14-year-old 100 individual medley, 50 freestyle and 50 butterfly, and Kaup won the 15-and-old girls 100 freestyle, 100 backstroke and 50 freestyle.

Teigen Fortkamp added two more victories in the 15-and-older division by finishing first in the 100 butterfly and 200 individual medley. Rihanna Wuebker took the top spot in the 9-10-year-old girls 50 freestyle and 25 backstroke.

Earning three victories apiece for the Eel boys were Carson Fullenkamp in the 13-14-year-old 100 freestyle, 50 backstroke and 50 freestyle and Wyatt Gann in the 9-10-year-old 50 freestyle, 25 backstroke and 25 freestyle.

### Jay falls

BLUFFTON — The Jay County Summer Swim Team suffered its first dual meet loss in a decade Thursday, falling 544-489 to host Wells Community.

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