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# Attorney arguing self defense

**By BAILEY CLINE**The Commercial Review

Video evidence of the murder speaks for itself, the prosecution says.

Self defense, the defense argues, is a viable explanation. Trial proceedings for Roger L. Boyd Jr., 36, officially began Tuesday with opening state-

ments and three witnesses. Jury selection for the trial while armed with a deadly currently slated through Friday took all day Monday.

Court proceedings in the case were scheduled to resume at 8:30 a.m. today.

Prosecution says video evidence of murder speaks for itself

weapon, a Level 3 felony. The former police officer was arrested after 49-year-old James P. Miller was shot early Sept. 5, 2020, outside of a house at 1215 Boyd is charged with murder S. Bridge St., Portland. He was and criminal confinement pronounced dead at the scene.

"To understand this case, you have to see this evidence ... from Roger's perspective," explained defense attorney Spenser Benge during his opening statement. described the scenario from

traced back to a motorcycle Following the incident, he Boyd loaned to Miller. Boyd retrieved the motorcycle after Miller kept it longer than the attorney anticipated, added. Benge said Miller and his girlfriend, Nicole L. Burke, appeared at the house Boyd shared with his girlfriend, Brittney Shewmake, in the early hours of Sept. 5, 2020. He described Miller aggressively knocking on the door and windows. After Boyd walked outside and spoke with Miller in the garage, he noticed something in Miller's hand. A struggle ensued, Benge said, before Boyd's point of view, saying it Boyd shot Miller several times.

called the police.

"I want you to keep two things in mind," Benge said. He told the jury to consider

if each witness' testimony is reliable, and to remember the prosecution has to prove that Boyd's actions were not made

in self defense. "You're going to find that Roger Boyd is not guilty," he

The prosecution, however, sees the case differently.

"Seeing believing," is explained chief deputy prosecutor Zec Landers.

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## Moana to open

Jay County Civic Theatre's production of Disney's "Moana Jr." opens Thursday at Arts Place. Pictured, the greedy, ruthless, narcissistic and selfish giant crab Tamatoa, played by McKenna Vore, Ava May (right claw) and Ella Littler (left claw), expresses its disgust in discovering that Moana, played by Karla Kunk, is a human while performing during a recent rehearsal. The opening-night show is sold out. Tickets for additional performances at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, are available online at bit.ly/JCCTMoanaJr, at Arts Place and by calling (260) 726-4809.

# Nassar victims suing

By MARK HICKS and KIM KOZLOWSKI

The Detroit News Tribune News Service

DETROIT — Alleging the FBI mishandled its investigation into sexual abuse allegations against Michigan State University sports doctor Larry Nassar, some of gymnastics' biggest names have filed claims seeking more than \$1 billion against the bureau, attorneys announced today.

Dozens of women, including worldrenowned athletes such as Simone Biles, allege they were among those assaulted "due to the FBI's failure to take required steps to protect them," their lawyers said in a statement today.

Along with Biles, the Nassar victims filing the latest claims include Olympic gymnasts Aly Raisman and McKayla Maroney as well as NC gymnast Maggie Nichols.

They join a group of victims who filed administrative claims under the Federal Tort Claim Act in

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## **Experts: Trend to continue**

**BV ALEXANDRA KUKULKA** 

Post-Tribune (Merrillville) Tribune News Service

Hoosiers are currently paying over \$5 a gallon for gasoline, which experts say won't decrease soon as demand for gasoline continues through the summer.

As of Tuesday, Indiana's average gas price reached \$5.153 per gallon, which is higher than the national average of \$4.919, according to the American Automobile Associa-

A week ago, Indiana's gas prices averaged \$4.603, while a month ago the state's gas prices averaged \$4.218, according to AAA. In June 2021, Indiana's gas prices averaged \$3.057, according to AAA.

The cost of a barrel of oil is nearing \$120, nearly double from last August, which is caused by an increased oil demand that outpaces global supply, said Andrew Gross, an AAA spokesperson, in a said, but when the price statement. Meanwhile, of oil reaches \$100 a bardomestic gasoline prices rel or more, people take continued to increase fol- notice

Indiana's average gas price has climbed to \$5.51/gallon, up by 50 cents in last month

lowing "a robust" Memo-rial Day weekend of trav-pump. eling, Gross said.

"People are still fueling up, despite these high prices," Gross said. "At some point, drivers may change their daily driving habits or lifestyle due to these high prices, but we are not there yet.'

Micah Pollak, associate professor of economics at Indiana University Northwest, said gas prices have increased more than he expected, but he's most surprised by the increase in oil cost.

The price of oil fluctuates all the time, Pollak because that

The last time the cost of a barrel of oil was over \$100 for a consistent period of time was during the 2008 recession, Pollak said.

As the war in Ukraine continues and sanctions on Russia continue, the price of oil will likely continue to increase, Pollak said.

"As long as there is this uncertainty, the price of oil will continue to rise," Pol-

Indiana Democrats have been calling on the Republican leaders to pause the state gas taxes as gas prices increase. As of June, Hoosiers have been paying 74.4 per gallon in gas taxes, Pollak said.

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## Commencement adjustment

Jav County High School graduate Kylie Klopfenstein adjusts her cap after Sunday's commencement ceremony.

#### **Deaths**

Jama Stults, 79, rural Bryant Details on page 2.

#### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 76 degrees Tues-

day. The low was 50. Shows and thunderstorms are expected tonight with a low in the mid 50s. The forecast calls for mostly sunny skies Thursday with a high of

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### In review

Portland Park Board did not hold its scheduled meeting Tuesday because of lack of a quorum. Board president Brian Ison said the board will likely schedule a special meeting to discuss topics that would have been on Tuesday's agenda.

#### Coming up

**Thursday** — Coverage of Renna Schwieterman in the IndyStar Indiana girls Junior-Senior All-Star Game.

**Saturday** — Coverage of the ongoing murder trial stemming from the 2020 shooting of James P. Miller.



## Local/Indiana

# **Arguing**

Continued from page 1 He said Boyd "intentionally and unjustifiably" killed Miller, noting various phrases Boyd said after the shooting, such as ordering Burke to come inside and asking her "What'd you think was gonna f---ing happen?" Landers said Boyd led Miller into the garage, adding that there were no signs of forced entry.

"The evidence will show Jimmy was shot and left on the garage floor to die," said Landers.

Burke testified that on Sept. 5, 2020, she and Miller visited friends and eventually needed to pick up a key from Boyd.

They stopped at a house then owned by Shewmake, where Boyd was residing. Burke testified Miller knocked on the door but there was no answer.

"He didn't seem angry at all," she said.

(In contradiction, Benge

**Friday** 

ing the video she asks Miller "why are you so mad?" Burke said she was referring to a fight she and Miller had the day before.)

According to Burke, she and Miller were outside of Shewmake's home for about 10 to 15 minutes, talking in person to friends. Boyd then came out of the home. Boyd and Miller then went into the garage. It wasn't until after she walked into the side garage door that she noticed Boyd had a gun, she said, adding that Miller had nothing in his hands.

She said after shots were fired Boyd ordered her into the basement. Burke began crying while recounting the experience.

"He shot Jimmy with no remorse and I was scared he was going to do the same to me," she said.

She denied several statements Benge made in relation to Miller's demeanor and actions, pointed out, at one point dur- much of which he pulled from a

transcript of her first interview received footage of the incident sic pathologist at Central Indiwith police. (The prosecution noted her testimony changed during an interview in August 2021.)

suggested Miller Benge slammed the hood of a Pontiac G6 in the garage, demonstrating a picture with dents on the vehicle. He asked Burke to confirm Miller hit Boyd, sending him back into a toolbox, which scraped across the floor. He showed a photo of marks on the floor. Burke denied witnessing either event.

When asked why her testimony was different prior to August 2021, Burke said she was scared. She started sobbing again and told the jury, "I'm not the same person I was.

Jeff Hopkins, investigator at Portland Police Department, interviewed Boyd and witnesses involved in the case. He testified Tuesday he didn't notice a camera on the scene on Sept. 5, 2020.

Eight months later, police

from a nearby home security camera. The video depicts Miller and Boyd walking around the driveway before entering the garage. Burke later follows and stands just inside of the doorway. A series of shots can be heard, followed by a woman screaming, "Oh my God, Roger.'

Hopkins arrived on scene about 2:35 a.m. that night. About five hours later, he interviewed Boyd at the police sta-

Benge questioned Hopkins' thoroughness in the case. He noted Hopkins didn't wear a body camera or recording device on scene. Benge suggested Hopkins had a conflict of interest because he previously had sexual relations with a woman who also had a relationship with Boyd at that

The court also heard from Jimmie Smith, a former foren-

ana Forensic Associates in Indianapolis who conducted Miller's autopsy on Sept. 6, 2020.

Smith testified he found six entry wounds in Miller's body, located in his chest, right shoulder, right arm and right side of his neck. The wounds in his shoulder and neck, he testified, traveled from Miller's back through the front of his body. Miller's death, he concluded, resulted from the multiple gun shot wounds, impacting his heart, lungs, liver and spinal cord.

Smith said he found no stippling — residue burned into the skin resulting from close proximity to a discharged gun — or muzzle imprints on the body or in the clothes.

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.

Baird-Freeman Funeral Home

with Pastor Alan Crull presiding.

Burial will follow in the Gravel

Hill Cemetery in Bryant. Visita-

tion will be Friday from 4 to 7 p.m.

Jay County Cancer Society or Jay

County Humane Society.

at bairdfreeman.com.

Memorials can be made to the

Condolences may be expressed

# CR almanac

Saturday

6/9	6/10	6/11	6/12	6/13		
75/55	73/55	75/58	79/59	81/66		
Mostly cloudy skies are in the fore- cast for Thurs- day with a high near 75.	Friday looks like rain with a 50% chance of showers. Thun- derstorms are possible at night.	sunny skies are expected Saturday. The	There's a slight chance of rain Sun- day. Other- wise, partly sunny.	Another chance of rain, with thunder-storms also possible.		

### **Lotteries**

jackpot:

#### **Powerball** Estimated

Thursday

\$210 million

**Mega Millions** 

4-34-40-41-53 Mega Ball: 3

Megaplier: 4 Estimated jackpot: \$226 million

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 2-7-2 Daily Four: 9-2-1-8 Quick Draw: 3-4-8-9-16-21-22-24-28-29-31-36-41-52-53-57-67-69-72-76

**Evening** Daily Three: 9-4-9 Daily Four: 6-7-9-1

Quick Draw: 2-8-21-22-26-31-35-37-39-42-46-47-48-52-63-65-68-75-76-78

Cash 5: 1-12-23-28-41 Estimated jackpot: \$95,000

#### Ohio

Midday Pick 3: 7-8-0 Pick 4: 6-9-3-5 Pick 5: 3-5-2-9-6 **Evening** Pick 3: 3-2-7 Pick 4: 9-9-8-7 Pick 5: 2-2-3-9-9 Rolling Cash: 5-12-15-Estimated jackpot:

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#### **Markets**

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invaded Italy.

In 1191, King Richard I joined the Crusaders in Acre in what is now Israel.

In 1504, Michelangelo's sculpture David was installed in Florence. It was commissioned in

In 1789, James Madison introduced a proposed Bill of Rights in the U.S. House of Representatives. **1949**, British In

author George Orwell published "1984," his dystopian novel that warned against totalitarianism.

In 1966, the National

6 p.m. — Jay County

120 N. Court St., Port-

**Today** 

land.

Citizen's calendar

Council, commission- Commissioners, com-

ers' room, courthouse, missioners'

In 452, Attila the Hun Football League and Football American League announced their merger. (It would go into

effect in 1970.)
In 1968, James Earl Ray, who was later convicted of the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., was captured at the London Airport.

In 2006, Jay County Plan Commission discussed proposed regulations for confined feeding operations following a comprehensive study that was completed in

In 2009, the United Nations hosted its first World Oceans Day.

9 a.m. — Jay County

courthouse, 120 N. Court

**Monday** 

St., Portland.

-The CR

room,

#### She was born in Portland on Jan. 25, 1943, the daughter of George and Helen (Gilbert) Rohlf-

pital in Fort Wayne.

Jama Stults

1960, to Earl W. Stults, who survives. Jama attended Dunkirk High

ing. She was married on Oct. 22,

**Obituaries** 

Jan. 25, 1943-June 6, 2022

Bryant passed away on Monday,

June 6, 2022, in the Lutheran Hos-

Jama S. Stults, age 79, of rural

School and worked for CTS in Berne for 35 years. She was a member of Geneva VFW, was an avid NASCAR fan, and loved western movies, country music and word puzzles.

Surviving are her husband Earl; two sons, Shannon Stults of Warsaw and Bill Stults of Bryant; eight grandchildren; four and greatgrandchildren;

brother-in-law Bill Stults; sister-in-law

Patti Thieme; two nephews, Stacey Shaneyfelt and Edwin Shaneyfelt; two nieces, Deena Felver and Cynda Stults; two daughters-inlaw, Anette Stults and Gina Stults. She was preceded in death by

three sons, Chris, Rick and Nick Funeral services will be Satur-

day, June 11, 2022, at 11 a.m. in the *al homes or mortuary services*.



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 funer-

# **Irend**

Continued from page 1 Indiana has two taxes on gasoline: the 7% state sales tax and a tax directed to infrastructure projects. The road projects tax that's currently 32 cents a gallon is set to go up by 1 cent in July. The sales tax charged at the pump is calculated monthly and the state revenue department determines it based on the statewide average retail price over a monthlong

period. Politicians don't have power over the price of gasoline, Pollak said, and all they can really do is pause taxes or use oil reserves to help decrease the price slightly.

"This is supply and demand. This is not a political thing," Pollak said.

According to Bloomberg News, the COVID-19 pandemic put a large dent in global oil demand as fewer people were driving to work daily. Crude oil prices fell below \$0, which meant gas prices were fairly low in 2020. As a result of the low prices, energy companies and major oil exporting countries in OPEC cut down crude oil production. U.S. oil demand is about back to where it was pre-COVID, but oil production takes a lot longer to restart than oil consumption as idled wells can't be easily restarted and drilling new wells takes time.

Marie Eisenstein, associate professor of political science for Indiana University Northwest, said politicians could have an indirect impact on gas prices through policy.

For example, stopping construction of The Keystone XL crude oil pipeline sends a message "about commitment to environmental improvements or hostility toward the oil industry" depending on a person's viewpoint, Eisen-

#### **SERVICES**

Saturday

Stults, Jama: II a.m, Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.

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

#### stein said. According to Reuters, only about 8 percent of the pipeline had been constructed and it was years

away from sending Canadian tar sands oil to refineries in the Gulf of Mexico. Much of the refined oil product would likely have been exported to countries in Europe or Asia.

"To the extent that decision makers in the energy industry, and other organizations, view the decision to halt construction as indicative of future policy decisions — for or against oil — it causes changes in the market and possibly in company decisions,"

Eisenstein said. A company could, for example, switch from investing in crude production to other energy sources in anticipation of future policies, Eisenstein

said. "Individuals and businesses change their behavior in response to changes in government policy," Eisenstein said.

In addition to policy, Eisenstein said, the government adding money into the economy amid the pandemic has led to inflation, which is impacting gas prices.
"These have a cumula-

tive effect," Eisenstein said.

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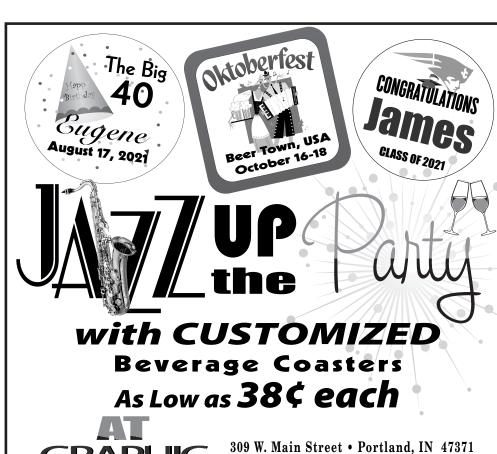
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Wednesday, July 27 (ad deadline July 20)



# Board seats up for election

Two board seats are up for election at Jay County Civic Theatre's annual meeting.

The meeting kicks off at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Asbury United Methodist Church in Portland. To nominate someone for election, email jaycountycivic@gmail.com.

for its show selection committee and give a brief update on its strategic planning process, with a meal to follow. Members are asked to bring side dishes or desserts. Music, karaoke and games will also be featured at the event.

#### **Hosting derby**

West Jay Optimist Club will hold an adult.)

#### **Taking** Note

The group will seek volunteers its free fishing derby next week-

The Jerry Nelson Memorial Fishing Derby is scheduled for 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday at 9848 W. 600 South, Redkey. Registration will begin at 8 a.m.

The derby is for those ages 3 through 17. (Participants younger than 16 must be accompanied by

There will be awards for biggest fish and most fish, and there will be a casting contest. Door prizes will be provided for all participants, and lunch will be served.

#### **Classes offered**

Free adult education classes are available.

John Jay Center for Learning is offering free classes for adults to receive a High School Equivalency diploma. Classes are available from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

For more information, call (260)

# Sentiment lies in observation

#### By KWAME DAWES

Of course, the "elderly couple" Christian's witty and tenderly observed poem "Portrait of Pink, or Blush,' likely, if they are like me, do not imagine themselves to be "elderly," but what they will appreciate is the sensuality of Christian's observation.

in the poem lies in the sug-

#### in Adrienne American **Life in Poetry**

gestion that it is Christian who may be the blushing voyeur at the end of the The delicate sentiment day, and that, of course, is lovely and generous.

#### Portrait of Pink, or Blush

when today at a bistro an elderly couple in jeans, leather bomber jackets, and heeled boots stepped down from their stools to stand and go home-

him behind her, his bomber jacket zipper a spine at her back, him wrapping on her scarf

the heart-shaped cookie she nibbled the shape of her mouth, that cookie, puffy, with still-soft icing white and rose—

I learned

the anthropology of blush

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# Wife rethinks polygamy choice

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are in our 40s. Last year, we decided to make a very big change in our lives. We decided to seek out a second wife (sister wife) for my husband. I was completely on board with it at first. He reached out to a woman he knew years ago and asked if she would consider joining our family. However, I started getting this feeling that she wasn't the right woman to bring into our family. She ignored many of my in-depth questions about why she wanted to live this type of life.

I have expressed to my husband that I no longer want her in my life and it has reached the point that I no longer want to live a plural lifestyle. I felt bad that I'm the one who changed my mind, so I agreed to allow them to continue a relationship — as long as they keep me out of it, and he keeps her out of my home and my life.

I don't understand how he can continue living this way, living two separate lives and be OK with it. We've been together more than 20 years and I don't want to leave, but how can I continue loving a man with my whole heart and soul when he only loves me with part of his? — SISTER WIFE

**DEAR WIFE: Relationships** 

Dear Abby



out when all three of the parties involved feel they are equally valued. Some women tolerate their husband having someone "on the side" because they derive some benefit beyond the emotional connection one associates with marriage. That said, in the final analysis, the only person who can answer the question you're asking me is you.

DEAR ABBY: I am an 11-year-old girl. My 16-year-old sister has severe depression and an eating disorder. She has been to the hospital twice because of it, and now she has to go to the hospital every day to get her to eat more. Even though people are helping her, I don't think she's getting better. It makes me feel worried and sad.

My mom has me seeing a therapist, and she helps me to feel better, but it's still hard knowing my sister such as you describe can work is having such a hard time. I have

never dealt with anything this hard in my life. I wish I could just not have to always think about how sad I am. I really want everything to be normal. Can you tell me ways to not get so upset about everything that's going on? — HAVING A HARD TIMĒ IN IOWA

DEAR HAVING A HARD TIME: I'm glad you are seeing a therapist you can talk to about your sadness and worry. Being able to discuss them with someone you trust and who isn't emotionally involved can be a blessing.

I do have a suggestion that might help you in addition to your therapy. Participate in sports activities and hobbies that keep your mind occupied. If you keep yourself busy, you will have less time to dwell on your sadness and worry. And please, write me again in a couple of months and let me know how you are doing, because I'm hopeful you will be feeling better than you do right now.

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 or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA

# **Community Calendar**

Notices will appear in space is available. To sub- each Wednesday at Harmo-

WEDNESDAY MORN-ING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

PING PONG — Will be played from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays at West Jay Community Center.

BRYANT/NEW CORY-DON SENIOR CITIZENS — Will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Bryant Community Center for a carry-in dinner.

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nings, a support group for friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 726-8229.

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Wednesday at Redkey United Methodist Church, 122 W. Main St. Come early for a meal. For more information, call Pastor Randy Davis at (765) 369-2085.

STRESS AND ANXIETY Community Calendar as CLUB — Will meet at noon CLASS — Meets each Wednesday at 2nd Chance an item, email ny Cafe, 121 N. Meridian St. at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland. For GROUP — New Begin- more information, call (260) 726-9625 or (260) 703-

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP — For caregivers persons Alzheimer's disease or related dementias, the group will meet at 6 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at Blackford Community Hospital conference room, 410 Pilgrim Boulevard in Hartford City. For more information, call Joni Slentz or Lisa Garrett at (765) 348-1072 or (800) 272-

#### **Thursday**

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

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Thursday at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal.

PIKE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS — Meet at 5 p.m. Thursday at El Camino Real restaurant, 220 NW Lincoln Ave., Port-

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY POST 211 — Will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at the post at 211 W. Walnut St., Portland.

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





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Level: Intermediate

#### **Tuesday's Solution**

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# Great race stunt was unforgettable

(Editor's note: This column is being reprinted from June 21, 2000. Of all of the events Jack got to be a part of as a journalist, The Great American Race seemed to be one of his favorite. He frequently told stories about his time on the road, stories like the one in this column.)

By JACK RONALD

The Commercial Review

The Great American Race rolled through Indiana last week, and I admit to feeling a bit of an itch to join it.

The two times I crossed the country covering Spirit of Jay County's adventures in the road rally for vintage vehicles were exhausting, but boy, they were

Fun enough that when Tom Kelsey, a California newspaper photographer who doubles as the official race photographer, asked me back in 1997 to be his driver for about half the race, I quickly said ves.

Kelsey's a character, and we've our Great Race experiences.

way into print.

**Back** in the Saddle



Others haven't.

And when the race rolled through the state last week, I couldn't help but remember some of the crazier moments along the way.

Prime among them was an afternoon in Colorado.

It was the second year in a row that George Reitenour and his friend Alfred Hadley of Noblesville had decided to run Spirit of Jay County in the race.

By then, George was something of a fixture, with his larger-than-life personality, and the car was a standout at every pit stop along the way.

My friend Kelsey was even become close friends thanks to more of a fixture. He's participated in all but one of the Great Some of those have found their Races since the event's inception. And he's known as a pho-

looking for.

That part of Colorado is flat and boring at its best. Kelsey and I were traveling in a "pace car," a new car covered with dozens of promotional tickets. I was behind the wheel, and we were moving in and out of the pack, keeping an eye open for something which might make a special photograph.

Somebody, probably Kelsey, remarked that the countryside looked like that scene in "North by Northwest" where Cary Grant gets strafed by the crop duster. What we needed for a great shot, Kelsey figured, was a crop duster.

The next thing I knew, he was directing me to pull into the drive of a farmhouse. He was hoping to get some information on local dusters, but we hit the jackpot. The farmer was a pilot himself. He'd been watching the old cars go by. And his plane was parked behind the barn.

In a matter of about three min-Kelsey's urging, the pilot would the outside rearview mirror, I

were traveling. He'd be flying low, about telephone-pole height, to assure that the airplane would show up in the picture.

As he took off, I steered us back up the road, into the thick of the Great Racers.

What followed happened so quickly that it's hard to describe.

With Kelsey standing up in the passenger seat, the top half of his body out through the sunroof, I started positioning us between cars, keeping enough distance so as not to throw off the concentration of the rally drivers.

The next thing I knew, the car ahead of us was Spirit of Jay County. The second after that, I saw the airplane on the horizon in the rearview mirror. Then I heard Kelsey laughing crazily. The pilot was coming in lower and lower, far lower than he'd been asked to do.

Kelsey kept shooting film as it approached. And by the time it went over us, it was so low that utes, the deal was done. At he had to duck back in the car. In

tographer who will do just about take off and then fly along the could see the left wheel of the anything to get the shot he's straight route the Great Racers aircraft all too clearly. It seemed straight route the Great Racers aircraft all too clearly. It seemed even with my head.

Then it was over us and closing on Spirit of Jay County. I stepped on the gas and brought us close enough for Kelsey to get

The pilot buzzed Spirit so closely I feared George would have a heart attack. Then, incredibly, it went even lower, touching a wheel on the pavement in front of the car as a kind of farewell before moving off into the sky.

everything in the frame.

Kelsey was laughing hysterically. George and Alfred were incredulous when we drove past.

At the next pit stop, they cornered us. You boys know anything about that. They asked.

Our shrugs were unconvinc-

It was a crazy stunt., But the statute of limitations has run out by now.

And the pictures were apparently great. Trouble is, the number on the aircraft was clearly visible. Publication would have landed the pilot on hot water instantly

## Gun violence is a solvable crisis

**Dallas Morning News** 

As the murdered children of Uvalde are laid to rest this week, our nation needs to muster the courage and political will to treat rising gun violence and mass shootings as an acute public health crisis.

When auto accidents claimed a large number of lives, government and industry dollars funded research to make cars safer, leading to seat belts, airbags and other now standard safety features. Public health studies that linked smoking to cancer, lung disease and other health risks changed smoking habits. Subsequent legal action held tobacco companies responsible for having hidden the health risks associated with their products.

The Second Amendment protects gun ownership in America. The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the individual right to own guns in the Heller decision. In that ruling, Justice same Antonin Scalia also noted that "like most rights, the right secured by the Second Amendment is not unlimited" and that "the right was not a right to keep and carry any weapon whatsoever in any manner whatsoever and for whatever pur-

pose.'

Federal dollars are slowly returning to gun violence research after more than two decades on the sidelines due to fears that scientific study would lead to gun control. But gun violence research is funded at about \$63 per life lost, making it the second-mostneglected major cause of death, according to a 2017 estimate in the Journal of the American Medical Association. While mass shootings at schools rightly spotlight the need for school security, more young people have died from gun violence of all kinds than car crashes, which are second, and drug overdoses,

which are third. But as a nation, we need to know more about gun violence. A research letter in the New England Journal of Medicine concluded that firearm-related deaths increased 13% between 2019 and 2020, with the biggest jump — a stunning occurring among those under 19 years of age.

## Guest **Editorial**

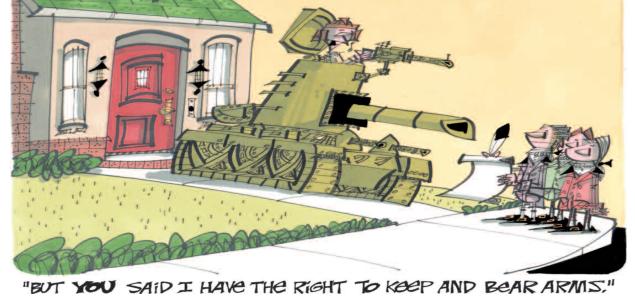
... a more rigorous examination of gun deaths and injuries as a public health crisis will allow researchers to better determine how to prevent such deaths.

And of the 45,222 deaths from gun violence in 2020, roughly 10% were children and teenagers.

But here's the shocker. Roughly 65% of gun deaths among adults were suicides and 30% were homicides. However, among teens and younger Americans, those percentages are roughly flipped, the statistics show.

The nation needs to increase mental health investments and pass sensible gun safety regulations at the federal and state levels. Public support exists for background checks, age limits on weapons purchases, red flag laws and mandatory training for firearm owners. Most of all, the nation has to break the cycle of violence, and a more rigorous examination of gun deaths and injuries as a public health crisis will allow researchers to better determine how to prevent such deaths.

Families and communities wracked by gun violence are forever broken, and the rest of us share their grief and fear that a gunman could mete out carnage on our families and friends. As a society, we must not allow this carnage to persist.



## Sanctions fatigue is Putin's obstacle

By LIONEL LAURENT

Bloomberg Opinion Tribune News Service

The momentum behind Western sanctions against Vladimir Putin is flagging. Even as the European Union toasts its toughest restrictions vet against the Russian war machine including a partial ban on oil imports — concessions are mounting, from exempting pipeline crude to removing Putin's favorite cleric from the sanctions list.

Hungary's Viktor Orban, an admirer of Putin, is clearly playing a big role in splintering the united front. But the risk of fatigue and waning morale goes well beyond Budapest. The cost of hitting Putin where it hurts — energy — is preying on many leaders' minds at a time of high inflation and economic slowdown, as is the grim sight of Russia's advance regaining momentum after 100 days of fighting.

Along with differences of opinion percolating inside and outside the EU over what an endgame might look like, this doesn't bode well for the near term. Estonian Prime Minister Kaja Kallas, who now must reassemble her governing coalition after its collapse last week, is keen to keep tightening the screws on Moscow. But she acknowledges everything will get more "difficult" from here with little chance of a gas embargo in the next raft of restrictions.

It's time for a different approach or a "pause," as Kallas' Belgian counterpart, Alexander De Croo, puts it.

There's no easy fix for sanctions fatigue. The "financial weapon" is an imperfect tool that is prone to patchy enforcement and unintended consequences. The unprecedented scale of sanctions against Putin's inner circle, as well as Russia's financial system, airlines and trade, will contribute to an estimated 10% decline investing in trade and diplomacy

Lionel

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in Russian gross domestic product this year. But it has not deterred or dislodged Putin.

Worse, there have also been some counterproductive effects. The rising price of energy has lined Putin's pockets while impoverishing importers. Russia's oil-and-gas revenue will be about \$285 billion this year, according to Bloomberg Economics estimates. Throw in other commodities, and that more than offsets \$300 billion in Russian foreign reserves frozen as part of the sanc-

And while seizing the yachts and villas of wealthy oligarchs feels good, it's jarring to see Western firms leaving Russia sell assets to those billionaires who are effectively too big to be sanctioned.

Even if the long-term answer here will be to go harder and faster against Russia, it will be vital to shore up economic defenses at home first. Barclays Plc estimates a full embargo on Russian natural gas may reduce euro-area GDP by 4% compared to a baseline scenario; without extra economic support for households, the rhetoric of Orban — who tastelessly compares energy sanctions to an economic "nuclear bomb"

will spread. Already, a YouGov survey from April found European public opinion somewhat conflicted: More than 30% of respondents in seven countries including Spain and Italy advocated

with Russia, rather than defense and security. Without light at the end of the eco-

nomic tunnel, the public mood might turn. If this war drags on and becomes a test of morale, the West and the EU have the advantage in terms of resources and human capital, as Miguel Otero Iglesias of the Elcano Royal Institute has noted. But that comes with a need to protect the most vulnerable in society; fiscal support should be "inevitable," he right-

Pandemic-style support measures should inspire Europe's next policy steps, whether via the joint borrowing structure of the EU's recovery fund or "SURE" loans offered to member states to protect employment. Unity really will be strength at a time of rising interest rates and fragile public finances — especially as Putin starts to throttle gas supplies to countries that don't play by his rules.

It is easy to assume, as some have, that the dividing line in this conflict is between those who want to accommodate Putin and those who are on Ukraine's side. This is neither accurate nor helpful. The journey of Italy is especially instructive: Before Putin's invasion, Mario Draghi was mulling deeper gas ties with Russia. He has since supported an oil ban and backed sending heavy weapons to Ukraine despite domestic political resistance.

Yet he has also called for a common response to rising energy costs and urged the U.S. to think "carefully" about what a cease-fire might look like. With sanctions fatigue threatening to set in, it's Draghi's approach, not Orban's, that should inform the West's next steps.

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U.S. Olympic gymnasts, from left, Aly Raisman, Simone Biles, McKayla Maroney and NCAA and world champion gymnast Maggie Nichols are approached by Sen. Pat Leahy (D-Vermont) after their testimony during a Senate Judiciary hearing about the Inspector General's report on the FBI handling of the Larry Nassar investigation of sexual abuse of Olympic gymnasts, on Capitol Hill on Sept. 15, 2021, in Washington, D.C.

# Suing

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They claim the bureau did not immediately or properly respond to alleged sexual assaults by Nassar first reported to its Indianapolis office in July 2015.

The attorneys claim Nassar assaulted an estimated 90 young women and children between July 28, 2015, and Sept. 12, 2016.

"In July 2015 the FBI received credible complaints from numerous sources and corroborating evidence of Dr. Larry Nassar's sexual assaults of young women and children over the course of several years and across the globe," according to a statement.

"These FBI officials were then able to immediately end Nassar's

predation. However, the FBI was grossly derelict in their duties by declining to interview gymnasts who were willing to talk about the abuse, failing to transfer the complaint to Lansing Michigan where Nassar was continuing to abuse girls, ignoring its obligation to report child abuse to relevant state and federal agencies and lying to Congress, the media and FBI headquarters about their lack of diligence in investigating the Nassar complaint.'

FBI representatives did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

The Federal Tort Claim Act, a statute used to secure a 2021 settlement for victims of the 2018 molesting young women and

shooting in the Parkland, Florida, high school shooting.

The victims in that mass shooting reached a \$127.5 million settlement with the federal govern-

Nassar sexually abused and sexually assaulted dozens of girls and young women while at MSU and with USA Gymnastics.

"The FBI knew that Larry Nassar was a danger to children when his abuse of me was first reported in September of 2015,' Nichols said in a statement. "For 421 days, they worked with USA Gymnastics ... to hide this information from the public and allowed Nassar to continue

girls. It is time for the FBI to be held accountable.'

The victims also include those who testified or spoke out in court about their experiences with Nas-

sar.
"I am in utter disgust that the Department of Justice has no concern for the extent of trauma we have lived with since and every day since," said Arianna Guerrero, who was 13 when seeing Nassar in 2014 at MSU for a gymnastic-related back injury. "There are two responsible FBI agents that are living their everyday life with no accountability, but they have left so many victims with unanswered questions, no justice, and little hope left."

# **Omicron** shot is 'superior' in trials

By ROBERT LANGRETH Bloomberg News

Tribune News Service Moderna Inc. said its COVID-19 vaccine that targets omicron generated a "superior" immune response against the variant compared to its original shot in a widely awaited study that could pave the way for another round

of boosters in the fall.

The trial is one of the first to examine whether omicron-specific immunizations may offer better protection against the strain currently driving outbreaks worldwide. With the virus mutating rapidly, medical experts are trying to decide when and how to modify vaccines to best thwart existing and future variants. Unlike with influenza, there's no established system yet in place to determine how often COVID vaccines should be updated or administered.

Moderna plans to submit the data to drug regulators in the coming weeks, the Cambridge, Massachusetts-based company said in a statement. The magnitude of the antibody increases produced by the booster suggests that COVID shots would not have to be given more than once a year, Moderna Chief Medical Officer Paul Burton said.

"It is not a borderline result, it is really very robust," he said in an interview. "We know that level will decay over time, but being able to boost it up that high is really remarkable.'

Moderna shares rose 2.9% as of 9:35 a.m. Wednesday in New York. They've lost about twothirds of their value since peaking at \$484.47 in August, as concern about the pandemic eases.



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By Steve Becker

whether the diamond lead was a

If East decides that the ten is a singleton, he should take the jack

with the ace and return a diamond for West to ruff. If East had done

this in the actual deal, South would

ing only a spade, a diamond and a

But East donned his thinking cap

and decided that the lead was

almost surely a doubleton. Accordingly, he signaled with the seven of

diamonds instead of taking the ace.
When West later gained the lead

with the king of trump, he returned a diamond to East's ace and ruffed the diamond return to put the con-

the diamond return to put the contract down one.

East knew from the bidding that declarer had four spades and four hearts. (North's two-club bid was Stayman, asking South to bid a four-card major suit if he had one, and South had bid both.) It followed that South could not have

lowed that South could not have

four diamonds, since that would

mean he had opened one notrump

with a singleton club.

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could gain the lead before all the trumps were drawn and could then

stopping the contract was to

secure his diamond ruff.

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## **Comics**

# SPEED BUMP **Dave Coverly** YOU'RE GOING TO RE OMNIPRESENT LEAST DON'T READ OVER MY SHOULDER

# THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane 6-8

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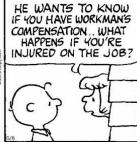
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#### Tomorrow: Picture bidding. ©2022 King Features Syndicate Inc 6-8 **CRYPTOQUIP**

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The bidding:
West

1 NT

NORTH ♠ Q 9 8 5 ♥ A 7 4

SOUTH

Opening lead — ten of diamonds.

You can't see declarer's cards

when you're a defender, but it is often possible to visualize them

almost as if they were faceup on

the table. The relevant inferences may be drawn from either the bid-

ding or the play, but usually it is necessary to examine both of these

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to make a crucial decision at trick

one. West led the ten of diamonds, on which declarer played dummy's

iack, and East had to decide

North

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East

♦ K 6 4

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EAST

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN THE TOILWORN NORSE THUNDER GOD BEHELD THAT THING OF BEAUTY, IT WAS A SIGHT FOR THOR EYES.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals A

#### WHO HAS THAT'S BECAUSE GNOME-SHAPES CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer











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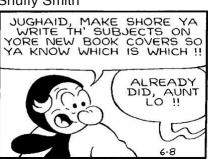
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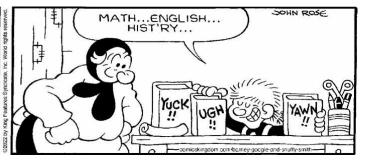
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Liam Garringer of Jay

County hits his tee shot

over the pond on the

par-3 eighth hole during

sectional

Monday's

tournament.

# Sports/Classifieds

#### Local

Continued from page 8 Trever Sheets tossed the final five frames.

Loy edges

Loy Real Estate and Auction slipped past Display Craft 7-6 Tuesday in Portland Junior League Sandy Koufax baseball.

In other PJL action, Matt's Garage beat Barnett's 17-5 in Rookie base-

Austin Curtis recorded two hits and an RBI to lead Barnett.

the win for Loy. Lucas Strait and Xaven Maxwell each had a double.

Andrew Day led Display Craft with two hits and two

Lexten Dakin racked up four hits, including a double and a triple, and four RBIs in powering Matt's Garage to the win. Ethan Peterson was 4-for-4 with a triple.

Barnett's got three hits and two RBIs from Madden

p.m. Saturday at Jay County Fairgrounds

Registration is \$20.
Other races in the circuit include the

Hudson Family Park Half Marathon and 5K

on June 18, the Firecracker 5K on July 4, the Sculpt Fitness 5K on July 16 and the

JCHS baseball hosting camp
The Jay County High School baseball
program will hold its camp for kindergarten

through eighth graders June 13 through

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

Chamber outing set

hold its annual golf outing July 22 at Port-

The event will begin with a shotgur start at 9 a.m. It will be limited to 20

Registration forms are available at the chamber office, 118 S. Meridian St., Port-

land or by emailing tabby@jaycountycham-ber.com. The deadline is July 11. For more information, call (260) 726-

Tennis camp scheduled
The Jay County High School boys and girls tennis program will hold a camp for

third through ninth graders June 20

daily at the JCHS tennis courts. It wil include a visit from Indiana northern dis

trict United States Tennis Association representative Sarah Stanchin.

The registration fee is \$30 and forms

The camp will run from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Jay County Chamber of Commerce will

The registration fee is \$30. Forms are available at Jay County Junior-Senior High

Sessions will run from 8 to 9:30 a.m.

JRDS 5K on Aug. 6.

land Golf Club.



# Best

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New Castle and Bellmont each posted totals of 311 to win their respective sectionals. Yorktown's winning total at Hickory Hills was 322 while Richmond won at Liberty with a 331.

The top three regional teams advance to the state finals along with the top five individuals not on advancing teams.

Shooting a season-best score at The Players Club is a tall task. The par-72 course comes in at 6,934 yards from its championship tees. That's about 500 yards longer than Portland Golf Club (par 70) and many of the other courses in Jay County's regular-season schedule. It's more than 800 yards longer than the 6,080 the Patriots played at Hickory Hills (par 70) for the sectional tournament.

"The Players Club is a lot longer than a lot of the other courses we play, which is bad for me," said Jay County No. 1 player Caleb DeRome after playing the first hole of his practice round there Tuesday. "The greens are a lot faster. A lot more undulation in the fairways. The greens tend to be larger and

faster than the Patriots are typically used to.

And there's more need for strategy, Haines said.

"There are certain holes you need to really play smart on and hit the ball in a certain place instead of just swinging for the fences," he noted. While Thursday's event will be the

first regional experience for Kyle Sanders, Brock DeHoff, Ricky Nava and Liam Garringer of Jay County, DeRome was there last year. (He and then-senior Griffin Mann qualified as individuals.) DeRome recorded eight pars at The

Players Club during his freshman season and finished with an 84. The final state qualifier was Tipton's Maverick Conaway at 75.

'It's a little bit more pressure," said DeRome of the regional atmosphere. "There's a lot more people here. ...

"I need to make sure I aim well, focus the entire time and don't give

"If I could shoot in the low 80s, that would be great.'

DeHoff has come on strong at the end of the Patriots' season. He posted an even-par round at Portland Golf Club in a win over Adams Central on May 26 and led the team with an 83 in Monday's sectional.

"Brock has had some really good rounds," said Haines. "And when his short game is good, he shoots low as well.

The Patriots' best regional finish came in their first appearance in 2003, when Tyler Johnston, Alex Hunt, Jesse Shawver and Ben Freeman combined to shoot at 328 for 10th place out of 12 teams at Edgewood Country Club in Anderson. At The Players Club in 2012,

JCHS posted a 354 for 11th place out of 12. And in the 18-team field in 2017 they recorded a 352 for 15th

# Sports on tap

#### Local schedule

**Thursday**Jay County Summer Swim Team at Wells Community - 6 p.m.

#### TV schedule

Today

2:45 p.m. — Soccer: UEFA Nations
League – Poland at Belguim (FS1)
6:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball:
Arizona Diamondbacks at Cincinnati Reds (Bally Indiana)

7:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball: New York Yankees at Minnesota Twins

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(Bally Indiana) 2:45 p.m. - Soccer: UEFA Nations League - Czech Republic at Portugal 8 p.m. — NHL playoffs: Eastern Con-

ference Finals – Tampa Bay Lightning at New York Rangers (ESPN)

Noon — College baseball: NCAA Tournament Super Regional – Texas vs. East Carolina (ESPN2)

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Public Notice

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 77 OF THE CODE OF OR-DINANCES IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Portland, Indiana that Chapter 77, golf carts is hereby amended to add the following section: Section 77.10 Registration and Fee All golf carts which are operated on a city street shall be registered with the City annually. The Portland Police Department shall inspect and register each golf cart upon the owner applying for registration and the golf cart is inspected to confirm that it complies with all requirements of this Ordinance. Upon being registered, a registration sticker shall be issued by the City and the sticker shall be affixed to the rear bumper of the golf cart. A registration fee of \$35.00 shall be charged annually for pri-

vately owned golf carts who have a Portland address. A registration fee of \$18.00 shall be charged annually for privately owned golf carts who have an out-of-town address. All registrations shall be renewed annually on or before May 1. Fees collected shall be deposited into the Police Continuing Education

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Portland, Indiana on this 16th day of May, 2022. CR 6-3.4.7.8.9-2022 -HSPAXLP -HSPAXLP

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Section 77.01 Definitions

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77.09 Slow moving vehicle sign 77.99 Penalty

(Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06)

§ 77.01 DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a differ

ent meaning. "GOLF CART." A vehicle with four wheels originally designed

for operation on a golf course and powered by a battery or internal combustion motor. "DRIVER'S LICENSE." A valid license to operate a motor vehi-

cle issued by Indiana or any other state. "FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY." Liability insurance coverage on a golf cart in an amount not less than required by Indiana law for motor vehicles operated on public highways in the State

§ 77.02 OPERATION OF GOLF CART. The operation of a golf cart within the City of Portland is strictly prohibited unless the golf cart is operated and equipped in full  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$ compliance with this chapter. (Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) Penalty, see § 77. 99

§ 77.03 OPERATOR. Only persons over 16 years of age and holding a driver's license may operate a golf cart.

(Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) Penalty, see § 77. 99 § 77,04 FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

The financial ability of the operator or owner notwithstanding, the operator of a golf cart must show financial responsibility when operating a golf cart. Written proof of financial responsibility must be available either on the golf cart or carried by the operator at all times.

(Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) Penalty, see § 77.99  $\S~77.05$  TIME OF OPERATION.

Golf carts shall not be operated on city street during one-half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise unless the golf cart is equipped with two operating headlights (one on each side of the front of the golf cart) and two operating tail lights with brake lights (one on each side of the rear of the golf cart) which are visible from a distance of 500 feet.

(Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) Penalty, see § 77.99 § 77.06 PLACE OF OPERATION.

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The number of occupants in a golf cart shall be limited to the number of persons for whom factory seating is installed and provided on the golf cart. The operator and all occupants shall be seated in the golf cart and no part of the body of the operator or occupant shall extend outside the perimeter of the golf cart while the golf cart is being operated. (Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) Penalty, see § 77. 99

§ 77.08 TRAFFIC RULES,

The operator of the golf cart shall comply with all traffic rules and regulations adopted by the State of Indiana and the City of Portland which govern the operation of motor vehicles. (Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) Penalty, see § 77.99

§ 77.09 SLOW MOVING VEHICLE SIGN. All golf carts must display on the back of the golf cart a "slow moving vehicle" sign of the same type required under Indiana

(Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06) § 77.99 PENALTY.

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A violation of any provision of this chapter shall constitute a violation of the Portland City Code. An owner, lessee or operator may be cited to appear in a court of competent jurisdiction by issuance of an Indian uniform traffic ticket. Upon a finding by such court that an owner, lessee or operator of a golf cart has violated any provision of this chapter, such person shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$200 for each offense along with court costs in the amount the same now exists or may hereafter be determined by ordinance or statute. (Ord. 2006-28, passed 12-4-06)

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# Shooting for season best

**Patriots** looking to improve score at regional

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

Taking a team to the regional tournament has been a rare accomplishment for the Patriots.

Coach Dave Haines is hopeful his group can further prove they belong in the field.

The Jay County High School boys golf team will compete in a regional tournament for just the fourth time in its 47-year history when it tees off at 8 a.m. Thursday at The Players Club at Wood- of 303 and 310, respectively. land Trails in Yorktown.

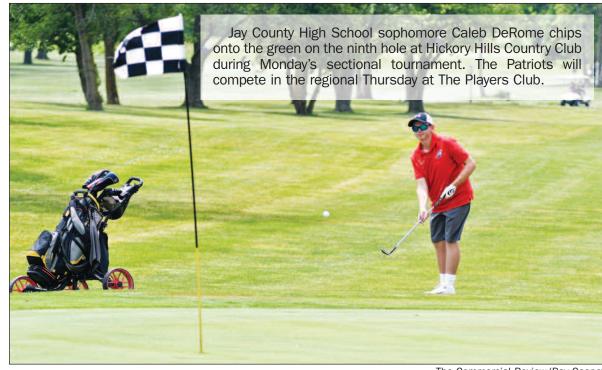
"We've already proven we can shoot in the 330s," said Haines. "We shot 331 at Winchester. So my goal is to break that, to break 330 and shoot in the 320s. Set the bar high and see if we can do

"A 360 just wasn't a good score to get to regionals. That typically won't get you there. I would like to show ... that we can shoot in the low 330s or even break into the 320s."

The 360 Jay County shot Monday to finish third at Hickory Hills Country Club was the highest among the regional qualifiers. Northeastern was next with a 345 in the tournament hosted by Union County at Liberty Country Club.

No. 12 Cathedral and No. 13 Noblesville are favored to battle for the regional title after posting sectional championship scores

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# Jay County knocks off Eels

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The Jay County Summer Swim Team used those relatively slim margins at the top of its lineup to knock off the Fort Recovery Eels 753-512 Tuesday in the season opener for both teams.

Sweeps in the 8-and-younger and 11-12-year-old boys division led Jay County to its victory. Jackson Westgerdes took the top spot in the long freestyle, butterfly and breaststroke in the youngest age division while Sam Gibson was first in the backstroke, individual medley and short freestyle. For the 11-12-year-old boys, Cooper Glentzer earned wins in the backstroke, individual medley and short freestyle while Carson Westgerdes was first in the long

#### Local roundup

freestyle, butterfly and breast-

Other triple winners for Jay County were Addisyn Champ, Jordyn Champ, Maria Laux and Josh Monroe.

Makenna Huelskamp took the top spot for the Fort Recovery girls in the 13-14-year-old butterfly, individual medley and breaststroke while Teigen Fortkamp recorded victories in the 15-and-older long freestyle, backstroke and individual medley. For the boys team, Wyatt Gann was first in the 9-10year old boys backstroke, short freestyle and long freestyle.

#### **Rockets blanked**

The Portland Rockets could not find any offense Tuesday as they lost 11-0 to the visiting Fort Wayne Jackers.

Portland (7-5), which had been averaging 6.7 runs per game, was limited to just three hits against the Jackers. Two of those came from Dakota Durick, while 2018 Jay County High School graduate Max Moser had the other.

Fort Wayne, meanwhile, took control with five runs in the top of the first inning off of Rockets starter Nick Bailey. It added another five runs in the seventh.

Bailey suffered the loss, giving up six runs on eight hits and a walk in two innings of work.

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