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# **Stepping it up**

#### **Bv RAY COONEY** The Commercial Review

DUNKIRK - West Jay Community Center is in the midst of a facelift.

Work to replace flooring in the north end of the building was completed Wednesday. The second phase is awaiting the necessary materials.

"I come to work with a smile on my face every day, I'm so excited," said WJCC administrator Pam Robbins, who announced at the Aug. 22 Dunkirk City Council meeting that the project was underway.

The new flooring was sparked when interior painting that had not been addressed for several years of which was constructed in



around the building at the results.

"We got nice, fresh walls and I looked at the floor and went, 'Ew,'" said Robbins laughing.

The flooring was original to the building, the north section

was completed. Robbins looked 2001. (The south section, which includes the gym, followed in 2004.)

"It held up well for the most part, but it was to the point where you couldn't strip it and wax it nicely and have it last," Robbins added. "It was time for a change." See **Stepping** page 2



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

The installation of new flooring in the north section of West Jay Community Center, including the multi-purpose room (pictured), was completed Wednesday. The south section will follow. WJCC committed \$15,000 to the project, with grants from The Dunkirk Foundation and Dunkirk Industrial Development Corporation covering the rest of the cost.



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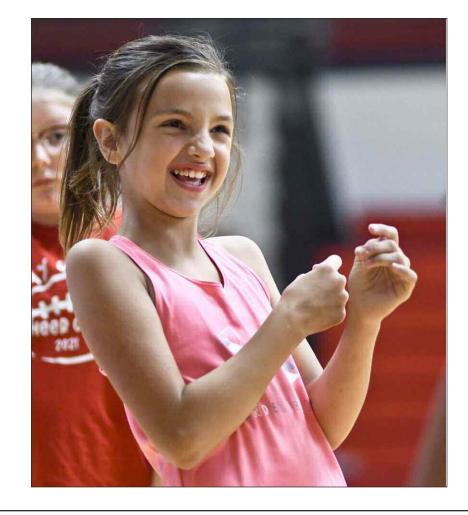
## **Schools** receive safety grant

More federal funding is coming in to help with school security.

Jay School Corporation has been awarded a \$45,000 Secured School Safety Grant, Indiana Department of Homeland Security announced this morning.

Approval of the \$22.9 million in grants statewide came from the Indiana Secured School Safety Board. Grants were approved for 425 schools, the most to have ever applied. The grants require a match percentage from the school district, based on enrollment and other factors.

"These grants allow Indiana to make a real and tangible impact on students, staff and administrators at schools across the state," said director of the Secured School Safety Board Rusty Goodpaster in a press release. "We're proud to be able to help make these schools safer while Hoosier kids receive a world-class education." Jav School Corporation uses the annual grant funding to cover the salary of its school resource officer, superintendent Jeremy Gulley said. The grants fund a variety of initiatives, with 272 going to support costs of school resource officers or other law enforcement. More than 125 went to equipment and technology, with others going for student/parent support services, training, warning sys-tems and threat assessments. "We continue to prioritize investments in school safety to help students and staff succeed without the worry of violence in Hoosier schools," said Indiana Gov. Eric J. Holcomb in the release. "This funding allows schools to address their specific safety needs through additional personnel and programs designed to prepare for and prevent school violence.' Other area school corporations receiving grants include Muncie (\$100,000), Monroe Central (\$50,680.50), Delaware Community (\$50,000), Randolph Eastern (\$50,000), Southern Wells (\$45,000), Randolph Central (\$44,430.99), South Adams (\$30,000) and Blackford (\$25,000).



## Cheery

evening The Jay County High School cheerleading program for kindergarten through sixth graders kicked off Wednesday at East Jay Elementary School. Pictured above, Piper Wagner hits a high V while cheering with a group of other clinic attendees. At left, Avery Carpenter laughs while interacting with one of the Patriot cheerleaders. The 110 girls who attended the clinic, which concludes today, will perform during halftime of the JCHS football team's game Friday against Southern Wells.

**U.N.: Uyghurs deprived of rights** dpa

Tribune News Service

GENEVA — The U.N. Human Rights Office said it sees evidence of crimes against humanity in China's Xinjiang region in a report released late Wednesday by its chief Michelle Bachelet just ten minutes before her term in office was due to end.

"The extent of arbitrary and discriminatory detention of members of Uyghur and other predominantly Muslim groups ... may consti- es and called them lies.

tute international crimes, in particular crimes against humanity," the report notes. The report concludes that from 2017 to 2019 and potentially thereafter, people were deprived of fundamental rights.

Hundreds of thousands of Uighurs and other members of minority groups have been put into forced re-education camps, according to rights groups and Uighurs who have fled China. Beijing has rejected allegations of rights abus-

The U.N. report was supposed to she refrained from criticizing the be published last year but Bachelet delayed its release because she was in talks with China for months to be allowed to travel to the country.

The trip happened in June under the conditions that Bachelet and her office could decide where she would go and who she would speak to without supervision from authorities.

China agreed to the demands, her office said. Bachelet traveled to Xinjiang, but by the end of the trip named a successor.

Chinese government's actions in the region, which prompted international criticism of her.

Bachelet came under immense pressure over the report. She said last week a group of 40 governments had sent her a letter urging her not to publish it.

Bachelet took up the top U.N. rights post in 2018. She did not seek a second term. U.N. Secretary General Antonio Guterres has not yet

#### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 80 degrees Wednesday. The low was 60.

Tonight's low will be 63. Expect partly sunny skies Friday with a high of 87. Highs will be in

the 80s through the Labor Day weekend, with a chance of showers and thunderstorms throughout.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### In review

The Arts Place free summer concert series will wrap up Friday with a performance by The Čold Hearts at 7 p.m. at the Hudson Family Park amphitheater. The group, which features Jay County native Andy Frantz, focuses on honkytonk, outlaw and classic country music.

#### **Coming up**

Friday — Coverage of today's Portland Board of Works meeting.

Tuesday — Results from the FRHS cross country teams in invitational action Saturday.



## Local/Indiana

## Stepping ...

Continued from page 1 So, she went looking for fund-the building to LED. "The whole building will ing

first awarded a \$27,000 grant from the Dr. Donald Johnson Fund through The Dunkirk Foundation for the work in the north end of the building. WJCC is providing \$15,000 in matching funds to handle that work.

Dunkirk Industrial Development Corporation then agreed to provide \$45,000 for flooring in the south end, except for the basketball court. Those dollars also paid to convert some light

fixtures to shift the entirety of

The community center was have new flooring," said Robbins.

The laminate flooring is a style called "Wash Your Hands," neutral grays and light browns that fit in with the style of the rest of the building. Installation in the north section of the building, including the multi-purpose room and offices, was completed Wednesday. The second phase of the project — it includes exercise rooms, which will get a rubberized floor that is black with

blue specks — will begin education, it is also used for project is replacement of fur-"shortly." (The start date has not been set as Floors & More waits for the necessary materials to come in.)

The new flooring will not require waxing.

to hear that," said Robbins.

With flooring in the north section of the building complete, staff will be able to move back into regular offices and the multi-purpose room will again be available for use. Its course with Purdue University. In addition to being utilized for

meetings, including The Dunkirk Foundation, weddings, birthday parties, memorial services and dinners.

The facility is host to Dunkirk's Head Star program. "Our custodian was thrilled It is also home to the facility's senior exercise class, which is currently being instructed remotely via the big-screen TV on the north wall.

"Just about anything," said Robbins. "It gets used a lot."

Looking ahead, Robbins first booking is Sept. 15 for a noted that some landscaping work needs to be done in front of the building. The next big

naces, as the heating, ventilation and cooling system is also original to the building. She noted that The Portland Foundation already helped last year with funding to replace one unit that was down and two more will need attention before winter. (There are 10 furnaces in all.)

West Jay Community Center plans to hold an open house for the community after the second phase of the flooring project is complete.

"We just want people to come out and use it," said Robbins.

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Friday 9/2	Saturday 9/3	Sunday 9/4	Monday 9/5	Tuesday 9/6
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Partly sunny skies are in the fore- cast for Friday with a high near 87 degrees. Most- ly cloudy late.	showers after 3 p.m. Other- wise, mostly sunny, with a	more likely Sunday with a 40% chance	Labor Day has a chance of rain as well, although unlikely. Mostly sunny skies are expected.	of rain. The high may

### **Lotteries**

#### **Powerball**

7-8-19-24-28	
Power Ball: 1	
Power Play: 2	
Estimated	jackpot:
\$148 million	

#### Cash 5: 8-9-13-20-41 Hoosier Lotto: 6-7-17-32-36-40 Estimated jackpot:

58-60-61-62-63-65

#### **Mega Millions**

Estimated	jackpot:
\$169 million	

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 7-5-0 Daily Four: 9-9-6-3 Quick Draw: 1-2-10-11-14-17-35-36-42-43-48-54-56-58-62-71-73-74-78-79 Evening Daily Three: 8-3-5 Daily Four: 7-8-7-3 Quick Draw: 1-5-8-9-12-16-25-31-32-33-35-37-42-47-

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Midday
Pick 3: 9-2-8
Pick 4: 8-7-6-5
Pick 5: 6-4-9-3-9
Evening
Pick 3: 8-1-8
Pick 4: 0-3-2-8
Pick 5: 9-2-6-7-3
Rolling Cash: 7-24-28-
32-39
Classic Lotto: 17-18-19-
28-42-48
Kicker: 9-7-9-0-7-6
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jackpot: Estimated \$35 million

### Markets

<b>Cooper Farms</b>	
Fort Recovery	
Corn	6.88
Sept. corn	6.83

Wheat ..... 7.65 Nov. wheat ..... 8.35

Sept. corn .....6.55

Beans .....14.84 Sept. beans ......13.94 Wheat .....8.29

Corn.....6.74

**Central States** Montpelier



### WOW-ing the crowd

Logan Ross performs on main stage the at Ambassador Park in Fort Recovery during the Win on the Wabash raffle event Saturday.

The Commercial Review/Bailey Cline

## State launches monkeypox dashboard

#### **Indiana Capital Chronicle**

indianacapitalchronicle.com The Indiana Department of Health on Wednesday launched a new data dashboard showing the prevalence of monkeypox cases in the state broken down by age group, gender, ethnicity, race and public health district.

Since mid-June, Indiana has reported 153 probable or confirmed cases of monkeypox. The dashboard does not include two previously reported pediatric cases because follow-up investigations have determined those to have been false positives.

"Our goal with any dashboard is to provide accurate, up-to-date information on the status of an outbreak or important public health issue to by public health emergency pre-

#### keep Hoosiers informed," said Chief Medical Officer Dr. Lindsay said Weaver. "As the monkeypox situation evolves, we continue to review cases and lab results in consultation with our federal partners to ensure our data accurately reflect the current situation. We are grateful to our laboratory, epidemiology and data teams for their continued review of cases so that we can keep Hoosiers informed about this outbreak.

The dashboard, which is posted at monkeypox.health.in.gov, will be updated Monday through Friday by 5 p.m. to reflect cases identified as of 5 p.m. the day before. Due to small case counts in most areas of the state, cases will be broken down

paredness district at this time to protect patient privacy.

Monkeypox is a rare disease with symptoms similar to smallpox, but milder. It is rarely fatal. The illness typically begins with fever, headache, chills, muscle aches and exhaustion about five to 21 days after exposure.

Person-to-person transmission is possible through skin-to-skin contact with body fluids, monkeypox sores or contaminated items, such as bedding or clothing, or through exposure to respiratory droplets during prolonged face-to-face contact.

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Indiana Capital Chronicle is an independent, nonprofit news organization. Its website is indianacapitalchronicle.com.

Felony arrests

#### Drug possession

Two area residents were arrested recently for drug possession. Christina R. Morgan, 48, 510 W. High St., Portland, was prelimi-

felony for possession of methamphetamine and a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana. She was released on an \$11,000 bond from Jay County Jail.

ter, was arrested Wednesday morning and preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony for possession of cocaine or a narcotic drug. He's being held on a \$3,000 bond in

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Heartland

St. Anthony

## Today in history

XIV died, ending a 72year reign. It stands as the longest reign of any European maior monarch.

In 1773, "Poems on Various Subjects, Religious and Moral" by Phillis Wheatley was published in London. It was the first volume of poetry to be published by an African-American poet.

In 1785, Mozart published his 6th string quartet opus 10 in Vienna.

In 1864, Union Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman took control of Atlanta after an evacuation by Confederate troops during the Civil War. Sherman had made the march to Atlanta from the area increase of 5% over the of Chattanooga, Ten- previous year. nessee, with 98,000

In 1715, King Louis troops under his command. The march would continue all the way to the Atlantic Ocean.

> In 1882, the first Labor Day was observed in New York City.

> In 2004, the Jay County High School cross country teams cruised to victories in a home meet against Monroe Central and Union City. Alyssa Johnson led the girls team in its 4K race in 17 minutes, 5 seconds, while Mitchel Thomas won the boys 5K event in 19:44.

> In 2021, Jay County Council adjusted its 2022 budget, bringing it down about \$13,000 from the initial estimate to \$20.17 million. It was an

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## Citizen's calendar

#### Today

4 p.m. — Portland Board of Works, mayor's office, city hall, 321 N. Meridian St.

#### Tuesday

Council, council cham- ter.

7 p.m. — Pennville Town Council, town hall, 105 N. Washington St. 7 p.m. — Salamonia

Town Council, School-5:30 p.m. Portland City house Community Cen-

bers, fire station, 1616 N.

Franklin St.

narily charged with a Level 5 Kerry L. Meredith, 41, Winches- Jay County Jail.

## **Capsule Reports**

#### **Driver thrown**

A Portland man was taken to the hospital for a leg wound after his moped hit a cable box along Votaw Street about 7:25 p.m. Tuesdav.

Daniel Knipp, 66, was driving west on the street near Glen Street when the sun obstructed his vision, according to a Portland police report. His 2020 Baodiao crossed the road and hit a telephone cable box, causing him to be thrown off the moped.

Knipp was transported to IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie for a lower leg injury.

Property damage in the accident is estimated at less than \$1,000.

#### Mower hit

Damage is estimated between \$1,000 and \$2,500 after a Portland man while he was turning along county road 300 North about 5:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Randy P. Nichols, 68, Bryant, was driving east on the road just west of

#### **SERVICES**

#### Friday

LeMaster, James: 2 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

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

Bryant man's vehicle started to turn south into a driveway when a 1963 Farmall tractor, driven by 81-year-old Ralph E. Guin-Portland, towed. grich of

attempted to pass a county road 300 East. He attempted to pass Nichols. The mower attachment struck Nichols' 1988 Chevrolet Cavalier. Nichols' vehicle was



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## Family

### **50th anniversary**



## Fred and Jill Maurer

Jill and Fred Maurer are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary today.

The former Dunkirk residents wed Sept. 1, 1972. They currently live in Fishers.

## Planetarium offers shows

shows planned.

'The Universe Overhead" will delve into new findings from the James Webb Space Telescope. It premieres at 6:30 p.m. Friday, with shows set for 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, 10, 16 and 17.

Earth" "Dynamic explores the global climate. It premieres at 5 p.m. Saturday and will also have showings at 5 p.m. Sept. 10 and 17. "One World, One Sky: required.

MUNCIE — Charles W. Big Bird's Adventure" fol-Brown Planetarium has lows Sesame Street charseveral upcoming free acters as they take an imaginary trip to the moon. Its first showing begins at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, with more shows scheduled at 3:30 p.m. Sept. 10 and 17.

"Halloween: Celestial Origins" teaches the history behind the popular holiday. Showings will start at 6:30 p.m. Sept 30 and Oct. 1, 7, 8, 28 and 29.

All regular programs are free to the public. Tickets or reservations are not

#### Jill and Fred Maurer

## **Oldest child refuses to enable siblings**

DEAR ABBY: I am the oldest of three. We grew up in an abusive alcoholic family. I'm considered the "failure" of the family because I don't drink. I graduated from college, work full time, got married and have a pretty stable life.

Both of my younger siblings drink and use drugs, and their lives are in constant turmoil. The youngest sibling has mentioned they will need to move by the end of this month and their current job has not paid them for several weeks. I dread that they will ask making my sibling homeless? to stay at my house soon, which I BAD SISTER IN CALIFORNIA



cannot allow because of the drinking and drug use. I know they will be upset that they can't stay with me. How do I protect my peace without feeling like I'm

reason for not wanting to host your substance-using sibling is sensible. State it kindly and clearly and do NOT feel guilty about it. You won't be making your sibling homeless. Unless your sibling is friendless, which I doubt, they will find another place to crash, I assure you. .....

DEAR ABBY: My father recently passed from cancer. He was divorced from Mom, but she

DEAR BAD SISTER: Your of life. I'm having the baby blues Considering (a 2- month-old) and grieving at the same time.

My mother has now announced that she plans to take a vacation with her best friend. I think it's too soon and I told her that. Am I wrong for feeling this way and trying to stop her from going? But at the same time, I know she deserves this vacation. I'm so confused. Please help. — RIGHT OR WRONG IN ARI-ZONA

helped take care of him and Allow me to offer my sympa- ical solution for your situamade him happy in his last year thy for the loss of your dad. tion. Please don't wait.

the recent changes in your life, that you "need" your mother is understandable. However, your mother needing a break at this point is also understandable, so please let her go.

As you should know, your baby blues may be happening because of the abrupt hormonal changes your body is experiencing after the birth of your child. Discuss your emotions with your doctor, DEAR RIGHT OR WRONG: because there may be a med-

## Sudoku

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## **Community Calendar**

Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, news@thecr.com.

#### Today

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. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

ANNA'S HOPE — A faith- from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on based recovery group for the first and third Friday all kinds of addictions, of each month in the forwill meet from 6:30 to 8 mer W.E. Gaunt Jewelry p.m. each Thursday at building, 113 S. Main St., the first and third Satur-The Rock Church, 1605 N. Dunkirk. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, one suffering from memcall (260) 766-2006. PORTLAND CLUB — Will meet the of each month in the ïrst Thursday of the Fireplace Room at Edelnonth at Portland Lions Civic Center, 307 W. 100 North. The meal will be information, call (260) served at 6:30 p.m. and the 589-3173.

Notices will appear in meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

*email* support group for parents, friends and relatives who have lost a baby miscarriage, through birth or illness will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Vincent Randolph Hospital, Winchester, in community room 1. For more information, call Kimberly Sibery at (765) 964-6075 or Nikki Bosworth at (765) 584-6452.

#### **Friday**

51-8792. DUNKIRK HISTORI-A BETTER LIFE – BRI- CAL SOCIETY — Is open SOFT SHOULDERS — A support group for anyory loss, will meet at LIONS 10:30 a.m. the first Friday weiss Place at Swiss Village in Berne. For more

#### **CINCINNATUS**

LEAGUE — Will meet at FORGET-ME-NOT — A noon Friday, Sept. 2, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

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

DUNKIRK HISTORI-CAL SOCIETY — Is open played starting at 1 p.m.

#### Monday

PORTLAND BREAK-FAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

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

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

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP - Will meet at 1p.m. the first Monday of each month at Portland Place, 430 W. Lafayette St. For more information, call (800) 589-1121.

EUCHRE — Will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 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, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

#### Wednesday's Solution

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

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day of each month in the Hoover St., Dunkirk. former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113. S. Main St., Dunkirk.

MUSEUM OF THE SOL-DIER — Is open from noon to 5 p.m. the first and third Saturday and Sunday of the month. It is located at 510 E. Arch St., Portland. The website is museumofthesoldier.com.

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## Opinion

#### Page 4

## Our nation owes students a debt

#### **By MORTON J. MARCUS**

We, the people of the United States, are indebted to the millions of students who took on considerable monetary debt to support their dreams and our colleges and universities.

Our nation needs dreamers and risk takers. A young person emerging from the morass of secondary education, illequipped for studies requiring reading, writing and concentration, is faced with an array of choices.

a. Get a job and hope it is the bottom step of an escalator going up and not one at the bottom of a decayed ladder.

b. Go for training in an occupation you will find interesting, remunerative and will make your parents proud.



c. Go to college and learn how to think with tools from many disciplines. Then try to live a life that is interesting, elevating and makes you proud.

These are difficult decisions for young people who generally get little useful guidance from their peers, parents and counselors. These are youngsters ignorant of finance, to say nothing about collateralized tranches.

But the federal government the burden of supporting their nomic tide, based on advancing and banks built a set of programs to encourage enrollment by reducing current outlays for training (which includes such jobs as cargo carriers and chiropodists) as well as for conventional colleges.

Some training programs failed their students by stealing their money. Most programs, however, failed their students by not clarifying the realities of the world they were to enter. Now students are criticized if they chose studies that did not reward them handsomely.

No matter. The students were expected to pay back the loans and the interest accrued thereon. Meanwhile, many parents enjoyed cruises and more prestigious addresses, relieved of

\$10,000 IN STUPENT LOAN DEBT FORGIVENESS IS GREAT...

children's education.

Of course, dear reader, you were not among those parents.

President Joe Biden has said some or all of the loans need not be paid back. This has raised an outcry of anguish. It's unfair!

It's amoral! It's inflationary! It doesn't reduce the federal debt! It doesn't address the high price of education!

Worst of all, we refuse to accept student debt reduction as a national act of contrition. We don't want to tell a full generation that they and we took a ride on multiple fantasies.

We imagined we sent students to good grade and high schools where they learned to be informed citizens.

We imagined a rising eco-

technology, was one that would lift all boats.

We imagined education administrators and trustees were persons of good sense and humility.

We imagined a piece of paper represented a store of knowledge and/or skill.

we know we were Now wrong.

with this act of Now, penance, we have forgiven part or all of student debt.

Will those students now forgive the debt we owe them for their disappointed dreams, their foregone opportunities? .....

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## You're wrong, get over yourself

#### By ROBIN EPLEY

The Sacramento Bee Tribune News Service

I attended an extremely poor, extremely diverse high school in Sacramento where we were constantly told that attending college was the only way to pull ourselves out of poverty and reach the middle class. But the only way to afford the ridiculous cost of even community college or a state school was via loans so predatory that they all but ensured we would never be able to pull ourselves out of debt.

President Joe Biden's plan, announced last week, is to cancel up to \$20,000 of that debt (or at least \$10,000 of it for most of us). That's an incredible gift that will change millions of lives.

Now let's cancel the rest of it.

Tuition long ago outstripped students' ability to pay, with many schools adding amenities that have nothing to do with education. According to the Pew Research Center, the share of students taking out loans to finance their degrees rose from 49% to 69% between 1993 to 2012. Between 1993 and 2020, the average loan amount grew nearly three times over, sur-

passing \$30,000. Until very recently, I owed more than \$35,000 in delay saving for emergenfederal student loans I took cies, 42% said they have out to attend California delayed buying a home and State University, Chico, even after 10 years of trying to pay them off. The only way I was able to pay off these loans was through the generational wealth gained through my family's white privilege. Before that unexpected windfall, after the untimely death of a relative, I too was stuck in the deepening pit of never-ending student loan payments, with a disastrous credit score and no way out. Paying off my student loans gave me the ability to start putting money in my savings account and ultimately buy a home. That's because student loan debt, approximately 90% of which is composed of federal loans, carries interest rates ranging from 4.99% to 7.54%. That's regardless of work ethic or good or bad choices; student loans are a failing system that makes upward mobility much harder. I took out five years of federal loans. The first year I borrowed around \$4,000, and had enough left over for all of my textbooks besides. By the time I was a 5th-year senior, the loans had ballooned to more than \$7,000 and would barely cover CSU's rising tuition.



for help with housing because nothing was left over. I left college with approximately \$27,000 in loans, which became nearly \$45,000 at one point, thanks interest rates that to insured I would likely never make a payment toward principal my amount.

At one point soon after graduation, I calculated that my interest rate was tacking on an additional \$5 per day. That's an additional \$1,800 per year, during a time in my life when I was living paycheck to pay-check. I could hardly afford to pay the rent and buy groceries at the same time, much less pay back hundreds in loan repayments every month. The financial stress I was under was a major factor in ratcheting up the anxiety and depression I still struggle with.

A 2017 study by Prudential Financial found that of student loan 55%debtors say their debt prevents or forces them to 40% said their debt prevents or forces them to delay retirement savings. At least a fifth of respondents said they have delayed getting married or having children because of their student loan debt. I recognize how incredibly lucky I am to have had my student loans paid off, but it is the perfect symbol of what it means to be a middle-class (and often white) college student: My family paid them off for me. Without that assistance, I would never have been able to do that, and would still be drowning in debt and tanking both my credit score and my mental health. And even though I would have benefited from Biden's plan, I still want my classmates and others — more than 43 million Americans to have their loans forgiven. None of us "did it the right way" — we simply won at a rigged game. At the least, we must release students and their families from interest rates so high that they make it impossible to ever pay off the initial amount.



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PROBLEM

## Loan forgiveness is a mistake

#### By MICHAEL J. HICKS

There is precious little to like in President Biden's announcement of student loan forgiveness. Indeed, the most charitable thing that could be said is that it could've been worse. It could've been more inflationary, a bigger addition to our debt, more distortionary in markets and less equitable. That is about all the faint praise it deserves.

The plan forgives either \$10,000 or \$20,000 in student loans to workers who earn less than \$125,000 per year, or \$250,000 per couple. If your parents were poor and you qualified for Pell Grants, you get \$20,000; if they weren't, you get \$10,000. Altogether, this debt relief amounts to about \$350 billion. That adds about 1.2% to our



charged their student debt through military service. One saw extensive combat during her time in uniform. Such programs are common at the state level, for teachers, public safety officers, social workers, librarians and the like.

The U.S. has myriad needs-based loan programs for poor families seeking an education. We have federal work study program most schools, generous scholarships for the poor. Many businesses pay tuition for employees seeking further education. My church even has a generous annual scholarship endowment. We could do a lot better with these types of programs, particularly aiming support to the poorest of students. But, these remain generous and thoughtful efforts supported not just by many Americans, but by nearly all of us. As a nation, we are anxious to help educate people so they may pull themselves up by their bootstraps, and reward those who serve the public. This debt relief honors none of that admirable spirit. The greatest problem with the debt relief is that it primarily targets affluent households, for what they've done, not what they are going to do. This makes the debt relief terribly inequitable, and thus more corrosive to our nation than whatever shortterm benefits we receive. Most of the student debt now accrued came as a result of graduate education, mostly in professional schools. Think pharmacists, lawyers, physicians, dentists, MBAs and the like. It should be immediately apparent that people in these professions should not be good candidates for debt relief. These are all people destined to be among the very highest income recipients.

income, and have paid for a long period. We've already done that as well. But, debt relief for someone who accrued a quarter-million-dollar debt so they can earn a quarter-milliondollar-per-year salary for the next 40 years, strikes me as deeply unfair. This is especially true when you consider who will ultimately pay for this debt relief.

This debt relief will be paid off through tax dollars or inflation. Either way, the people paying will be poorer on average than the ones receiving the relief. This is true even though we have a very progressive income tax system, and many of the beneficiaries of this relief did not graduate from college.

Viewed through a prism of equity,



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*Epley is an opinion writer* I had to ask my parents for The Sacramento Bee.

iederal debt.

This addition to federal debt during this time risks worsening inflation. However, for it to actually add to current inflation, it would require those who received the debt relief to go out and spend extra money. Some will, but the effect of the debt forgiveness on additional consumption this year will be modest.

Based on outstanding student loan debt, Indiana's share of debt relief amounts to about \$1.6 billion. Ironically, that is almost precisely the amount of money the legislature is currently paying out in the Hoosier Stimulus. Yet, our stimulus money will be mostly spent right away, as cash transfers almost always are. This would yield a bigger inflationary effect here than the loan relief. So, Hoosier GOP complaints about the inflationary effects of the student debt relief should be ruthlessly ridiculed.

Still, we all have many other grounds upon which to critique this policy. Equity is the most compelling criticism, and I think it is worth spelling out just exactly what that means in America today. I start by noting that Americans are generally sympathetic toward debt relief and educational assistance. Our nation has provided 80 years of the GI Bill. Both my father and I finished doctoral degrees through access to the GI Bill. I am deeply thankful for this opportunity, and wish it extended to others.

The federal government offers substantial student debt relief for public service. I have two cousins who dis-

I am sympathetic to debt relief for victims of some scam private colleges. We've already absolved that debt. I would also be sympathetic to debt relief for people who are low this is a very poor public policy. Many supporters of the relief have argued that other policies are likewise simply transfers from the poor to the wealthy. They are right, but the moral weakness of that argument reflects just how bad this debt relief is. The only benefit of this argument is to highlight the hypocrisy of the many who tout tax incentives, mortgage tax credits and other transfers from the poor to the rich that color our tax systems.

Concerns for equity are not idle. Collectively, Americans are a generous people, in spirit and acts. That generosity, in both public and private support depends upon the sense of fairness. That is why almost no member of Congress opposed debt relief for those who enrolled in predatory colleges, or those who chose to serve the nation.

In the end, the student debt relief is just pandering to a Democratic-leaning constituency. Within the overall scope of pandering with bad economic policy, it is modest. Still, it richly deserves the criticism it receives. It is inequitable, inflationary and drives us further away from principled compromise on problems with education nationally. These are all factors to weigh next time the issue comes before voters.

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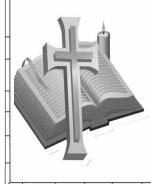


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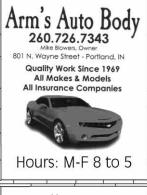
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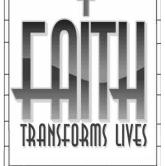
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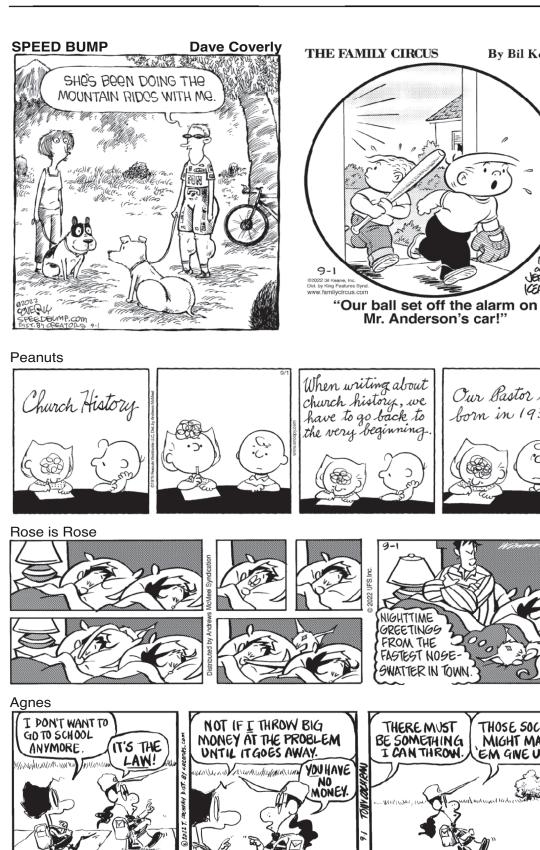
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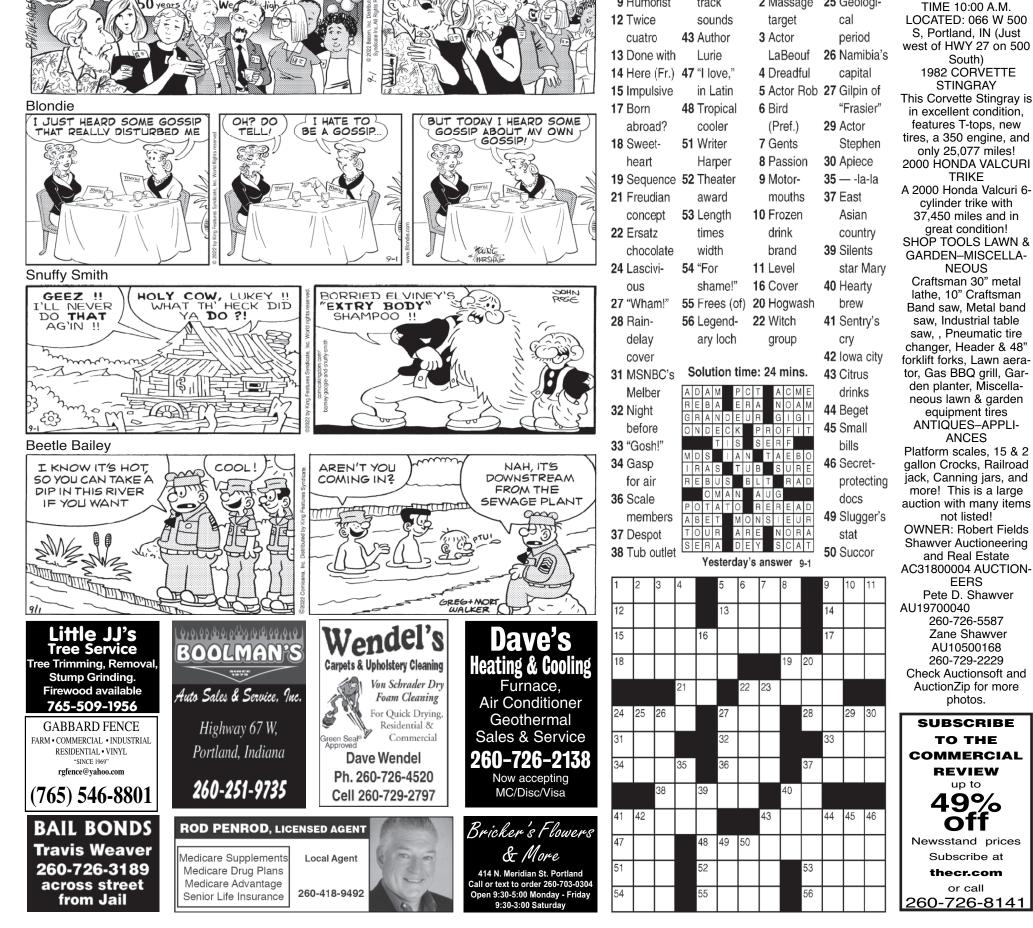
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Saturday, September 10th, 2022 TIME 10:00 A.M. LOCATED: 066 W 500



## **Sports/Classifieds**

## Serena

Continued from page 8 woman in history to win a U.S. missed opportunity and went Open match in their teens, twenties, thirties and forties. The other three players to achieve that feat were Venus Williams, Martina Navratilova and Kimiko Date of Japan.

Williams was poised to nail down the opening set when she broke Kontaveit's serve at 30-40 in the ninth game on a Kontaveit unforced backhand error. While Williams

close out the set in that 10th She became the fourth game, she shrugged off the on to take the set in the tiebreaker.

> Kontaveit appeared annoyed after losing the opening set and stepped up her performance to control the second set, but she couldn't build on the momentum.

The third set was pure Williams guts and determination as she showed Kontaveit couldn't rankings can be deceiving.

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"I think she did everything better," Kontaveit said.

Williams' next assignment will be playing Ajla Tomljanovic, a Croatian-born, Australian citizen who has lived in Boca Raton for most of her life. Tomljanovic defeated Evgrniya Rodina of Russia 6-1, 2-6, 7-5.

Fellow Floridian Coco Gauff, the No. 12 seed, moved into the third round on Wednesday with a 6-2, 7-6 (7-4) win over No. 101ranked Elena Gabriela Ruse of Romania.

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2022 TERM No. 38CO1-2208-EU-000037

In the Matter of the Unsupervised Administration of the Estate

of: BRENDA SUE GIBSON, Deceased

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Kristin Roberts and William W. Hinkle were, on the 29th day of August, 2022, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the estate of Brenda Sue Gibson, deceased, who died on August 12th. 2022.

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

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Larry James Aspy, Deceased No. 38CO1-2208-EU-000031

ADMINISTRATION Joseph Wayne Aspy and Wesley A. Schemenaur were, on the 11th day of August, 2022, appointed Co- Personal Representatives of the estate of Larry James Aspy deceased, who died on October 23, 2021.

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Opening lead — two of hearts. This deal occurred in the 1977 Life Masters Pairs. North was Peter Weichsel, and South was Alan Son-tag, both well-known stars.

tag, both well-known stars. They were playing their own ver-sion of the Precision System, and most of the bids shown were artifi-cial. One club guaranteed at least 16 high-card points; one notrump showed nine to 12 points and a bal-aneed hand; two clubs asked South to define bir distribution, two to define his distribution; two hearts showed a four-card spade suit!

Two notrump asked for any other four-card suit; three diamonds showed four diamonds; four diamonds asked whether South had either the ace, king or queen of diamonds; four hearts said no. West led a heart, and Sontag had

to solve the problem of how to reach his A-K-Q of spades. He won the heart with the ace and cashed the ace of diamonds, planning to continue with the king and another diamond to establish his ten as an

entry if the suit divided 3-2. But when East played the dia-mond queen on the ace, Sontag abandoned his original plan. Instead, he cashed the K-Q-J of hearts and A-K of clubs. He then played the diamond four from dummy and the five from his hand. West won the trick with the eight but was helpless. He had the 10-7-3 of spades and the J-9 of diamonds at this point, and — whether he returned a spade or a diamond — Sontag would gain entry to his hand and so take the rest of the tricks.

Sontag had correctly decided. after West showed up with four hearts and probably four diamonds, that West was likely to have at least three of the nine missing spades, and therefore no more than two clubs. That was why he cashed the A-K of clubs before leading a low diamond from dummy to endplay

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz. ©2022 King Features Synd

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Michael G. Stoner and Amy M. Stoner a/k/a Amy M. McIntire Defendants NOTICE OF SUIT

To the Defendant named below herein, and any other

person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court named above

The nature of the suit is the foreclosure of a mortgage upon the property located in Jay County at 126 Boundary Pike. Portland. IN, 47371, legally described as:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty eight (28), Township Twenty three (23) North, Range Fourteen (14) East more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point Thirty (30) rods South and Eighty-two (82) rods and Twenty three (23) links East of the northwest corner of said Section Twenty-eight (28) in township and range aforesaid in the center of the Greenville Road; thence West Thirteen (13) rods; thence North Six (6) rods; thence East to the center of said Greenville Road; thence Southeast along the center of said road to the place of beginning, excepting Fifty (50) feet off of and along the entire north side thereof, and containing One quarter acre, more or less: the above described parcel being a part of Out Lot Seventeen (17) in Jackson and Reed's Addition to the City of Portland, Indiana. (hereafter "Real Estate").

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Defendant who may claim some interest in the Real Estate and whose whereabouts are not known with certainty: Amy M. Stoner a/k/a Amy M. McIntire You must respond to this summons by publication, by you or your attorney, on or before thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit has been published. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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Portland, IN 47371 Attorney Jon Eads Clerk of the Circuit Court, For Jay County, Indiana CR 9-1.7-2022 HSPAXLP

**260 PUBLIC AUCTION** 

### PUBLIC AUCTION

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This parcel consists of approximately 15 acres with house, garage, and pond. The house built in 1966 has 2496 square feet of living space with 3 bedrooms, 2 ½ bathrooms and a sunroom. The detached 24' x 40' garage was built in 1975 There is a small pond with aerator. The house does need some remodeling.

#### PARCEL #2:

21.85 acres with approximately 10 acres tillable and approximately 11.5 of wooded land. This would make a nice building site as there is rise as the property goes to the north. There will be access given from 200S.

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Review

preview Friday – 7 p.m.

Last week at Madison-Grant: Southern Wells

struggled to slow down the Argylls' running game,

giving up 344 rushing yards in a 46-8 defeat. Trey

Slusher scored the lone TD for the Raiders on a 7-

Boxell - 24 carries for 99 yards and one TD. Receiving — Trey Slusher – four receptions for 42 yards and

at

one TD. Defense — Bryar Gearheart - 12 tackles.

Season leaders: Passing — Jensen Nusbaumer – 8-of-19 for 73 yards and one TD. Rushing - Case

**Southern** 

Poneto, 0-2 (0-0)

year (26th overall)

**Wells Raiders** 

Conference: Allen County

Coach: Mike Roeder, fourth

yard pass from Jenson Nusbaumer.

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## FR grad leading attack for the Cougars

Consider this: Paige Fortkamp's team-high nine kills in a sweep of Providence (Montana) in last weekend's tournament opener were her low mark for the event.

The 2020 Fort Recovery High School graduate has now led the University of

St. Francis Collegiate women's volleyball team

**Check-up** in

kills in five straight matches, including all four in the Electric City Invitational hosted by the University of Providence from Aug. 25 through 27.

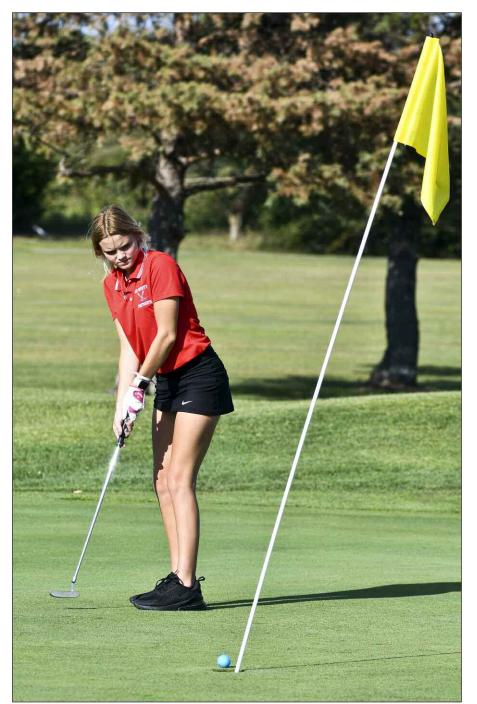
Fortkamp had a strong start to the tournament in Great Falls, Montana, and never faltered, racking up nine kills, eight digs and four blocks in the Aug. 25 opening sweep of the host school. She totaled 12 kills, eight digs and four blocks for the Cougars (6-2) in a five-set loss to The Master's.

She then had eight kills and two digs in a sweep of Haskell and 10 kills, five digs, a block and an ace in a sweep of Arizona Christian.

Through eight matches, the sophomore has 85 kills — that total ties her for 52nd in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics — 40 digs. a dozen blocks, six assists and five aces. She is averaging 2.93 kills per set.

## Lindy Wood Jay County – 2022 Helped the University

of St. Francis women's cross country team to University – Kokomo



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

## **Following fourth**

Jav County High School senior Rosealynne Smith watches her putt roll to the hole Tuesday on the fourth green at Portland Golf Club during the Patriots' match against Fort Recovery and Winchester. Smith posted the No. 2 score for the Patriots with a 56.

## Thwaits perfect in save for 'Caps

MIDLAND, Michigan — walks) combined on a onevictory in the Indiana Nick Thwaits wasn't just hit shutout. good in his most recent out-

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**Jay County** 

**Patriots** 

Last week vs. Huntington North: A TD late in the first half pulled JCHS to within 13, but the Vikings scored twice in the first three minutes of the second half to put the game away. Kadin Ridenour picked up 113 yards and a TD on 26 carries for the Patriots.

Season leaders: Passing — Sean Bailey – 18-of-27 for 185 yards and two touchdowns. Rushing — Kadin Ridenour – 38 carries for 242 yards and three TDs. Receiving - Patrick Hemmelgarn - five receptions for 82 yards and two TDs. Defense - Garrett Bennett - 12 tackles, Bryce Wenk - 11 tackles.

Last meeting: The Patriots racked up 56 first-half points, including five second-quarter touchdowns, as they dominated Southern Wells 63-12. Quinn Faulkner had 115 yards and three touchdowns on the ground and caught a 36-yard TD pass for JCHS.

Game notes: JCHS is looking to start 2-1 under coach Grant Zgunda for the second straight season. ... The Raiders have lost 14 consecutive games, including a winless 2021 campaign ... Calpreps.com has JCHS as a 29-point favorite.

Cougar Classic.

Wood turned in the No. 6 time for St. Francis, which scored 27 points to finish ahead of the host Cougars (44) and Shawnee State (50) in the five-team event. Her time of 22 minutes, 23.5 seconds, was good for 20th place overall.

#### **Cassidy Martin FRHS** – 2019

Saw action in one set Friday in the University of Findlay women's vollevball team's 25-16, 25-17,

ing He was perfect. Thwaits, a 2018 Fort Recovery High School graduate, tossed three perfect innings for the Fort Wayne TinCaps to earn the save in Saturday's 8-0 victo-

Lakes Loons. Entering the game in the bottom of the seventh inning. Thwaits recorded three consecutive ground outs. He went on to retire all nine batters he faced in order, never letting the ball leave the infield.

ry over the host Great

Thwaits (two strikeouts) 26-24 loss to McKendreee and starting pitcher Jose in the UIndy Invitational. Espada (10 strikeouts, two innings.

underway for the fourthyear pro as he has not allowed a run in his last 7 2/3 innings, including each of the last three appearances. He previously put together a run of 11 2/3 scoreless innings before a two-game blip in the first half of August.

Thwaits has a 1.25 ERA in his last 10 appearances for the San Diego Padres' High A affiliate. He finished August with a 1.93 ERA, two saves and nine strikeouts in 14 innings.

On the season, he is 3-5 with two saves, a 3.33 ERA and 47 strikeouts in 54

## Serena advances

#### **Retiring Williams** knocks off Kontaveit in second round

#### **By SANDRA HARWITT**

Miami Herald

Tribune News Service

Serena Williams might no longer be the No. 1 player in the world, but at the U.S. Open on Wednesday night she was remembering how the best in the business fight to win matches.

The No. 605-ranked Williams, who didn't play a match between Wimbledon 2021 and Wimbledon 2022, battled to a 7-6 (7-4), 2-6, 6-2 win against No. 2 seed Anett Kontaveit of Estonia.

"I'm loving this crowd," Williams told the cheering fans after the match. "Oh my goodness, it's really fantastic. There's still a little more left in me.

'This is what I do best.'

The Kontaveit outing is only her sixth match played in the past 14 months she has now won three of those matches

"I'm just pleased I showed up because the last few tournaments I didn't show up," Williams said. "But, like I said, I've been practicing really well and I'm

pleased that I'm finally seeing my practice come into my matches, so that's nice."

Williams, who has sent out signals this U.S. Open is likely to be the last stop of her career, had history on her side in this second-round encounter.

She came into the match with a 74-2 winning record in second-round matches at the Grand Slams. She lost the first time to sister, Venus, in the 1998 Australian Open, and then to Garbine Muguruza of Spain in the 2014 French Open.

She also now holds an impressive 48-15 record when playing one of the top two-ranked opponents in her career, winning 23 of her last 25 encounters.

There's no denying that Williams is the more notable player than Kontaveit she is a 23-time Grand Slam champion with six of those titles coming at the U.S. Open.

This marks Williams's 21st trip to the U.S. Open — she won her first career Grand Slam title here over then world No. 1 Martina Hingis in 1999. Overall, this is the 81st Grand Slam tournament that she has played.

In contrast, Kontaveit's best Grand Slam career result in 29 appearances was reaching the quarterfinals at the 2020 Australian Open.

Williams's first-round victory over Danka Kovinic of Montenegro on Monday added another historical detail to her credentials.

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