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A real page turner

West Jay Elementary School second grader Jerason Edwards flips pages of his book while reading at the end of the school day in Elizabeth Ulrey's classroom Thursday afternoon.

Town council cuts \$ for 3rd officer

Redkey needed to remove \$87,000 from budget

BY BAILEY CLINE
The Commercial Review

REDKEY — The town is no longer funding its third police officer position.

Redkey Town Council reviewed its 2023 budget during a hearing Thursday.

Clerk-treasurer Mary Eley noted the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance instructed her to reduce the town's budget by about \$87,000. (She was also directed to reduce the current budget by around the same amount, which council agreed to in August.)

The majority of the reduction is coming out of the Redkey Police Department budget and employee insurance funds for the removal of the third officer position.

Currently, the town has one law enforcement officer: Redkey Town Marshal Chance Retter started in June, about a month after the resignation of former town marshal Todd Miller. (Former police officer Tim Fishbaugh resigned in April. Bradley Ridenour, who resigned from the police department in November, was charged in Jay Superior Court in July with obstruction of justice, a Level 6 felony.)

Eley pointed out the third officer position has not been filled since last year. The town could apply for grants to cover the job if it still hopes to have a third officer, she added.

"In the past, they got (a) grant for that third police officer, and the town, after that grant went dry, the town took up that third police officer, and we (weren't) getting that money in the budget," she said.

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GM will upgrade Marion plant

By CASEY SMITH

Indiana Capital Chronicle
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General Motors plans to spend \$491 million to expand and upgrade operations at its Marion Metal Center, the company announced Thursday.

The investment is meant to help increase production of GM's "future vehicles," including electric cars, company officials said.

The automaker said it will purchase and install two new press lines, complete press and die upgrades and make renovations to the plant. A roughly 6,000-square-foot addition is also planned.

Work on the facility is slated to begin later this year, with expanded operations expected to start in late 2024.

"Technology is changing

\$491 million investment will help support electric vehicles

everything that we do, and our industry is no exception," Gerald Johnson, GM's executive vice president of global manufacturing, said Thursday at the Marion plant. "We are committed to this workforce and committed to the (electric vehicle) future that they can participate in. Marion has a strong history of stamping excellence and quality ... they're going to the future with us."

The Marion center, which

opened in 1956, produces sheet metal stamped parts and blanks that are sent for multiple GM assembly plants across North America to support production of Chevrolet, Buick, GMC and Cadillac vehicles. The plant employs more than 750 workers.

GM said its employment is expected to remain stable "with the addition of this new work in the plant." Johnson noted that the company's current "commitment" with the new investment

is to the workforce "that's here now."

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation plans to offer GM with up to \$12 million in conditional tax credits, as well as up to \$500,000 in training grants, among other incentives, based on the company's job retention and workforce development plans.

The state incentives package must be approved by the IEDC's board of directors. The city of Marion will also consider additional incentives.

"We don't take it for granted ... we are so grateful that GM is going to be here for a long time to come," said Marion mayor Jess Alumbaugh.

The project announcement comes amid GM's push to ramp up its foothold in the electric vehicle market.

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Special master named

By ZOE TILLMAN and

PATRICIA HURTADO

Bloomberg News
Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — U.S. District Court Judge Raymond J. Dearie was named as special master to review all 11,000 documents seized by the FBI from former President Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago estate last month.

The Justice Department and Trump's attorneys had agreed that Dearie would be a suitable candidate, one of the rare moments of consensus in a case otherwise rife with politics and dispute.

"The Special Master shall review all of the materials seized during the August 8, 2022, execution of a court-authorized search warrant" at Mar-a-Lago, U.S. District Court

Retiring judge will review documents seized from Mar-a-Lago

Judge Aileen Cannon said in announcing the appointment Thursday. She gave Dearie until Nov. 30 to complete the review, and ordered Trump to pay the full cost of the review.

Dearie is a senior federal judge in the Eastern District of New York, which covers three New York counties as well as Long Island. He served a rotation on the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, an arm of the federal judi-

ciary that mostly operates in secret because of the sensitive nature of the covert operations and national security interests at stake.

Dearie was one of several judges to sign off on a succession of warrants that the FBI sought to surveil Carter Page, an adviser to Trump's 2016 campaign, as part of a broader investigation into Russian interference in the election.

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A good laugh

Rhonda Foltz laughs at fellow musicians Saturday during Jay County Cancer Society's Cancer Cruise at Jay County Fairgrounds.

Deaths

Carolyn Brown, 79, Berne
Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 83 degrees Thursday. The low was 55.

Tonight's low will be 60. Expect sunny skies Saturday with a high in the mid 80s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

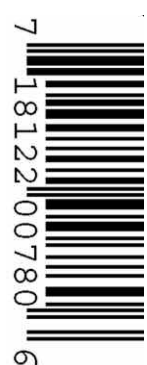
In review

Jay County had a low community level of COVID-19 for the second consecutive week in the update released Thursday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The county has had single-digit new cases of COVID-19 for 15 straight days, with three or fewer every day since Sept. 8 and none Saturday or Sunday.

Coming up

Saturday — Results from tonight's JCHS football game at Bluffton.

Tuesday — Coverage of Monday's Jay School Board meeting.



Capsule Reports

Recycling available

Jay County Solid Waste Management District will have recycling trailers available from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday across from Pennville Fire Station and 9 a.m. to noon in the parking lot at 220 Lincoln St., Portland.

Drunk driving

A Portland man was arrested for drunk driving after his vehicle drifted into an oncoming semi along county road 300 East about 4:59 a.m. Thursday. Ricky N. Nuckols, 50, was driving north on the road just

south of Indiana 26 when his 2022 Polaris Ranger went left of center, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report. His car struck an oncoming 2003 Freightliner Columbia, driven by 66-year-old Rick J. Homan of Fort Recovery.

Nuckols complained of pain all over his body. He was given a breath test and transported to Jay County Jail, where he was preliminarily charged with a Class A misdemeanor for operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Nuckols was released on a \$1,000 bond.

Both vehicles were towed,

with damage estimated between \$25,000 and \$50,000.

Drove into ditch

A Ridgeville man's truck was towed after he swerved to avoid hitting a deer, causing his vehicle to go into a ditch along New Mt. Pleasant Road about 11:25 a.m. Thursday.

Devon D. Cox, 37, was driving northeast on the road when a deer ran in front of his 2007 Chevrolet Silverado. He swerved to avoid the animal, causing his car to go into a ditch on the west side of the road. Cox told Jay County Sher-

iff's Office he was able to steer out of the ditch and back onto the road but still sustained damage to the driver's side of the truck.

His truck was towed, with damage estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

Intersection crash

Damage estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000 after a collision at the intersection of Indiana 67 and county road 125 South about 3:33 p.m. Wednesday.

Kelsey M. Frantz, 18, Portland, was driving southwest on

the highway and stopped in a 2005 Chevrolet Monte Carlo at the intersection with county road 125 South to turn east, according to a Jay County Sheriff's Office report. Jeffrey A. Cordell, 61, Portland, was driving behind Frantz and told police he didn't see his brake lights. Cordell attempted to drive the 2008 Chevrolet Express he was operating around Frantz but struck his car.

Both vehicles were towed. The vehicle Cordell was driving is registered to Michael S. Bailey of Portland.

CR almanac

Table with 5 columns: Saturday 9/17, Sunday 9/18, Monday 9/19, Tuesday 9/20, Wednesday 9/21. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts (e.g., 84/61, 85/65).

Obituaries

Carolyn Brown

March 21, 1943-Sept. 14, 2022 Carolyn Rebecca "Nannie" Brown age 79, of Berne, Indiana passed away Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2022, in Swiss Village in Berne. She was born in Portland on March 21, 1943, the daughter of Charles and Mary Etta (Parkinson) Brown. She was retired from CTS in Berne after 40 years. She was a 1961 Portland High School graduate.

Carolyn was an avid Cincinnati Reds fan, loved to travel and eat out at different restaurants. She loved

the children in her family and became a "mom" to many.

Surviving are two sisters, Madonna Uleman of Decatur and Marirose Mann of Bluffton; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three sisters Rosemary Brown, Evelyn Wentz and Marjorie Harris.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2022, at 2 p.m. in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home with Pastor Eric Lehman presiding.



Brown

Burial will follow in the Gravel Hill Cemetery in Bryant. Visitation will be Wednesday from noon to 2 p.m.

Memorials can be made to the choice of the donor.

Condolences may be expressed at bairdfreeman.com.

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

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

Feds approve extending coverage

By DAN CARDEN

The Times (Munster) Tribune News Service

Hoosier women whose pregnancy care or delivery is covered by Medicaid are now permitted to remain enrolled in the federal-state health program, regardless of their family income, for up to one year after giving birth.

The U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services recently approved the request of Indiana's Family and Social Services Admin-

istration to extend postpartum Medicaid coverage for a full year, instead of the prior limit of 60 days.

Indiana initially extended its postpartum Medicaid coverage to one year beginning in April using funding provided to the state through the American Rescue Plan.

The latest approval ensures the extended Medicaid health coverage remains available for an estimated 12,000 women in Indiana through March 31, 2027.

"Ensuring mothers get the care they need after giving birth is a core part of our effort to address the nation's maternal health crisis," said Xavier Becerra, secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"Thanks to President Biden's American Rescue Plan, now 333,000 families across the nation can access health care coverage for a full year after pregnancy — and have the peace of mind that comes with it," he added.

Felony arrests

Strangulation

An Ohio man was arrested Thursday for strangulation.

Bradley E. Stocker, 54, 409 Tecumseh St., Greenville, was prelimi-

narily charged with a Level 6 felony, along with another Level 6 felony for domestic battery.

He was released on a \$4,500 bond from Jay County Jail.

Upgrade ...

Continued from page 1 The company said new equipment manufactured at the Marion plant will help build new and future electric vehicle models, including the Chevrolet Silverado EV, GMC Hummer EV, Hummer EV SUV and Cadillac LYRIQ. The vehicles will all utilize GM's Ultium battery platform.

Johnson emphasized GM's "very bold commitment" to phase out petroleum-powered cars and trucks in the United States by 2035. Instead, it plans to sell only vehicles with zero tailpipe emissions.

"We won't produce any

more emissions-bearing vehicles, and that's still our commitment," he said. "That trajectory is 15 years or so out, but it's fast paced, accelerated, and we're engineering our way into that future."

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb, who visited the Marion plant Thursday, called the "jaw-dropping" investment a "wise" move by GM, saying Indiana is "all in" the automotive transition to electric vehicles.

State officials and private partners laid out their plan in July for creating a statewide network of reliable electric vehicle chargers using federal funding.

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Lotteries

Powerball Estimated jackpot: \$225 million. Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$256 million. Hoosier Midday Daily Three: 1-1-0 Daily Four: 1-3-6-5 Quick Draw: 3-6-9-13-28-35-37-42-47-53-56-58-59-63-67-68-70-74-78-79 Evening Daily Three: 1-3-9 Daily Four: 7-6-2-9 Quick Draw: 1-7-8-17-25 Estimated jackpot: \$258,000

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn: 6.80 Oct. corn: 6.55 Wheat: 6.84 POET Biorefining Portland Corn: 7.20 Oct. corn: 6.80 Mid Oct. corn: 6.55 The Andersons Richland Township Corn: 6.90 Late Sept. corn: 6.75 Beans: 14.73 Late Sept. beans: 14.18

Today in history

In 1620, the Mayflower set sail for America. English colonists aboard the ship would have founded the Plymouth Colony in what is now Massachusetts and signed the Mayflower Compact.

In 1848, France abolished slavery in all of its territories.

In 1919, the American Legion, an organization of U.S. war veterans, was granted a national charter.

In 1960, Amos Alonzo Stagg announced his retirement at the age of 98 after a 70-year career as a football coach. He spent the bulk of his collegiate coaching career at the University of Chicago.

In 1975, Papua New Guinea gained full independence from Australia.

In 1993, "Cheers" spin-off "Frasier," starring Kelsey Grammer, debuted on NBC. It

became one of the most popular shows of the era.

In 1998, ETA, a Basque separatist organization, announced an indefinite cease-fire after 30 years of attacks in Spain. The group was blamed for more than 800 deaths.

In 2003, the Jay County High School boys tennis team clobbered the Adams Central Jets 5-0. Kentaro Ohgo led the Patriots with a 6-0, 6-0 victory over Matt Bracey at No. 2 singles and Derek Powell gave up just one game in his No. 3 singles victory over Dylan Malone.

In 2021, Fisher Packing announced during a Redkey Town Council meeting that it would expand its Redkey facility to add a new linking line and smokehouse. Plans called for adding eight jobs.

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Citizen's calendar

Monday 4 p.m. — Jay School Board executive session, General Shanks, 414 Floral Ave., Portland. 5 p.m. — Jay School Board, General Shanks, 414 Floral Ave., Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 6:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery School Board, conference room, high school, 400 E. Butler St. 7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.



Photo provided

Opera house donation

The Peoples Bank of Coldwater has donated \$10,000 toward the restoration of the Fort Recovery Morvilius Opera House. Pictured presenting the check is Dan Broering, bank president, and receiving the check on behalf of the opera house are Carol Jutte, Helen LeFevre and Nancy Knapke.

Colleague copes with diagnosis in different way

DEAR ABBY: My husband was diagnosed with advanced chronic leukemia seven years ago. After two rounds of chemo, he was better for a while but was diagnosed with advanced multiple myeloma a year ago. He has been through almost constant chemo and radiation, lost more than six inches of height due to osteoporosis and fractures, and can barely walk around the house or get in and out of the car for his doctor's appointments. We almost lost him three times, but he's hanging on. For us, this is reality. But we have a teenage daughter, and I still have to work to support us. I do not share this information at work.

A business colleague I'll call "Amy" was just diagnosed with chronic leukemia. It's in the early stages, with no chemo or radiation, just monitoring. Now, in every business call and video meeting, Amy talks about how she is surviving cancer and is going to beat this because she is stronger than cancer. Everyone in the office is talking about Amy being a cancer survivor and saying we should do something for her. It grates on me because my husband is so much sicker, and she's

Dear Abby



planning vacations and trips to concerts and telling everyone how great she feels. We all deal with disease differently, but I want to tell her to keep this to herself and focus on work. Should I, and if so, how? — RESENTFUL IN NEW YORK

DEAR RESENTFUL: I sincerely hope you will refrain from doing that. Not all cancers are alike. Everyone's experience with this frightening disease is different. That Amy is doing as well as she is is a blessing. It could also be that she's trying to stay positive, putting on a brave face and living her life to the fullest extent for as long as she is able.

I am truly sorry for your pain. I have "walked a mile in your shoes." It's wrenching and awful. But you will not lessen it by telling your colleague to keep anything to herself. Leave the room instead.

Auditions begin Monday

Auditions are coming up for a local theatre group's performances this winter.

Jay County Civic Theatre will hold auditions for its two upcoming productions of "Frosty the Snowman" and "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever: The Musical", next week at the Jay County Campus of Arts Place, 131 E. Walnut St., Portland. Auditions are slated for 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Monday and 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday. Roles for all ages are available. Rehearsals begin the week of Oct. 3.

To learn more, email jay-countycivic@gmail.com or visit the group's Facebook page.

Taking Note

Naloxone training

Another course for those interested in learning how to administer a potentially life-saving drug is coming up.

IU Health Jay Output Behavioral Health team will be hosting training on Naloxone, the opioid overdose reversal drug, at 2 p.m. and 5

p.m. Wednesday in the administration conference room at the hospital.

The training reviews the signs of an opioid overdose as well as how to treat it. To register, call (260) 726-1960.

President's List

Two local students were recognized recently for making the president's list at a college in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Majenica Moles and Chris Simpson, both from Redkey, were named to Southern New Hampshire University's list for the summer term.

Community Calendar

Notices will appear in Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, email news@thecr.com.

Today

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first and third Friday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will meet at noon Friday, Sept. 16, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

Saturday

JAY COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY — Will gather at 9 a.m. in the democrat party headquar-

ters, 221 S. Meridian St., Portland.

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

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

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MUSEUM OF THE SOLDIER — 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.

Monday

PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

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

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

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

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting at 6 p.m., in the fellowship hall at Evangelical Methodist Church, 930 W. Main St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5312.

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

PORTLAND EVENING OPTIMIST CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month at Richards Restaurant.

Tuesday

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday.

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 5:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at Jay County Public Library community room.

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Level: Advanced

Thursday's Solution

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3	9	7	1	8	2	6	4	5

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



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Little things make world wonderful

By RYAN TRARES

Daily Journal of Johnson County
HSPA Infonet

A flurry of orange and black fluttered inside the plastic container.

Peering inside, a freshly hatched monarch butterfly stretched its wings.

Anthony came running excitedly over to see. He has been watching over the monarch chrysalis for days as it hung suspended in an old carryout food container. Now, the life cycle had come full circle.

Monarch butterflies, and their increasingly imperiled existence, have become a pet project of my mom's. A former kindergarten teacher, she has taken it upon herself to support these regal insects as much as possible.

She planted milkweed — the monarchs' main food source as caterpillars — in her garden. Keeping a watchful eye for eggs,

Ryan Trares



she carefully transplants those into an aquarium, where the unhatched eggs can remain undisturbed. Once the caterpillars emerge from the eggs, mom makes sure to rotate fresh milkweed in and clean out their container.

Such care is certainly needed. Over the past three years, populations of eastern migratory monarch butterflies have fallen by more than 80%, according to the World Wildlife Foundation. This summer, the butterflies were classified as "endangered" by the International Union for Conservation of Nature.

One of the main drivers of its struggles has been the destruction of the milkweed needed for the butterflies to survive. Herbicides and habitat destruction have left the insects without the food and shelter they need to live.

That's a problem for us all. So my mom has tried to help where she can. And she's made sure Anthony knows how important monarch butterflies are to our world.

This year has seen some success from her efforts. She has been able to free a number of monarchs into her garden; at that point, their survival is in nature's hands.

During a recent trip back to Ohio, she had a few chrysalises that had formed. Knowing how much Anthony loves both bugs and nature, she gifted him one attached carefully in a plastic container.

Anthony made sure it was

packed tightly into the car, set in the back seat where he could watch it during our drive home. He picked out a place on our front porch where the container would be protected from wind and sun, as well as from possible predators.

And we waited. Every day, Anthony would poke his head out to see the developments. We'd hold up the container and look closely at the green chrysalis, examining it for signs that emergence is coming.

Then, without even paying attention, the butterfly hatched.

I found it when I was watering the front plants after dropping Anthony off for school. I waited until he got home, then asked him to check on the chrysalis.

"It's a butterfly!" he shouted, wide-eyed and with a smile.

He took the container careful-

ly to the backyard, where our flowering butterfly bush offered both protection and food for the hatchling. Anthony opened the container slowly, letting the monarch slide onto the bush. Still exercising its wings, the insect steadied itself, then looked toward the pollen-filled blooms all around it.

Convinced the butterfly was safe, we went back inside. When we checked later, the monarch was gone — hopefully safely traveling from flower to flower to build its strength.

It's just one butterfly, which in the grand scheme of things doesn't help the monarchs' situation much. But Anthony felt like he had helped, if only a little bit, make the world a more wonderful place. And I agree.

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Congress must fix privacy bill

Los Angeles Times

Tribune News Service

At long last, Congress appears close to crafting a law to protect Americans' data privacy on the internet.

It's something Americans across the political spectrum overwhelmingly want, and it's years overdue. Europe rolled out strong data privacy protections in 2018 and California passed similar measures soon after.

So we'd like to be able to say to Congress: "Better late than never!"

But the bill under consideration in Washington is seriously flawed. It threatens to diminish the privacy protections Californians have come to expect from a state law signed in 2018 and a ballot measure voters approved in 2020. It's weaker than the privacy laws on the books in California and contains a provision that says the federal policy would override state laws. That's unacceptable.

A handful of other states followed California's lead and adopted their own privacy laws, though none are as strong. Tech companies have been pushing Congress for a single privacy policy that is uniform across the nation. It's not surprising that businesses want to avoid having to comply with a patchwork of different data privacy laws across the states. But Congress must not water down the rights of Californians in federal legislation.

Privacy laws in the Golden State allow consumers to opt out of the use of artificial intelligence to create a profile of them based on their personal data, such as facial recognition software or scoring systems that automatically determine if someone is eligible for a service. They prevent companies from charging consumers more if they delete their information, and prohibit monitoring users' precise geolocation using video feeds from surveillance cameras and photos from people's phones.

California's data privacy law also lets consumers opt out of the sale of information that makes inferences about them. As Times reporter Jennifer Haberkorn reports, this includes sensitive information like location-tracking data that could suggest someone had visited an abortion clinic. These are some of the pro-

Guest Editorial

Californians would lose if Congress passes the American Data Privacy and Protection Act with the provision that preempts state laws.

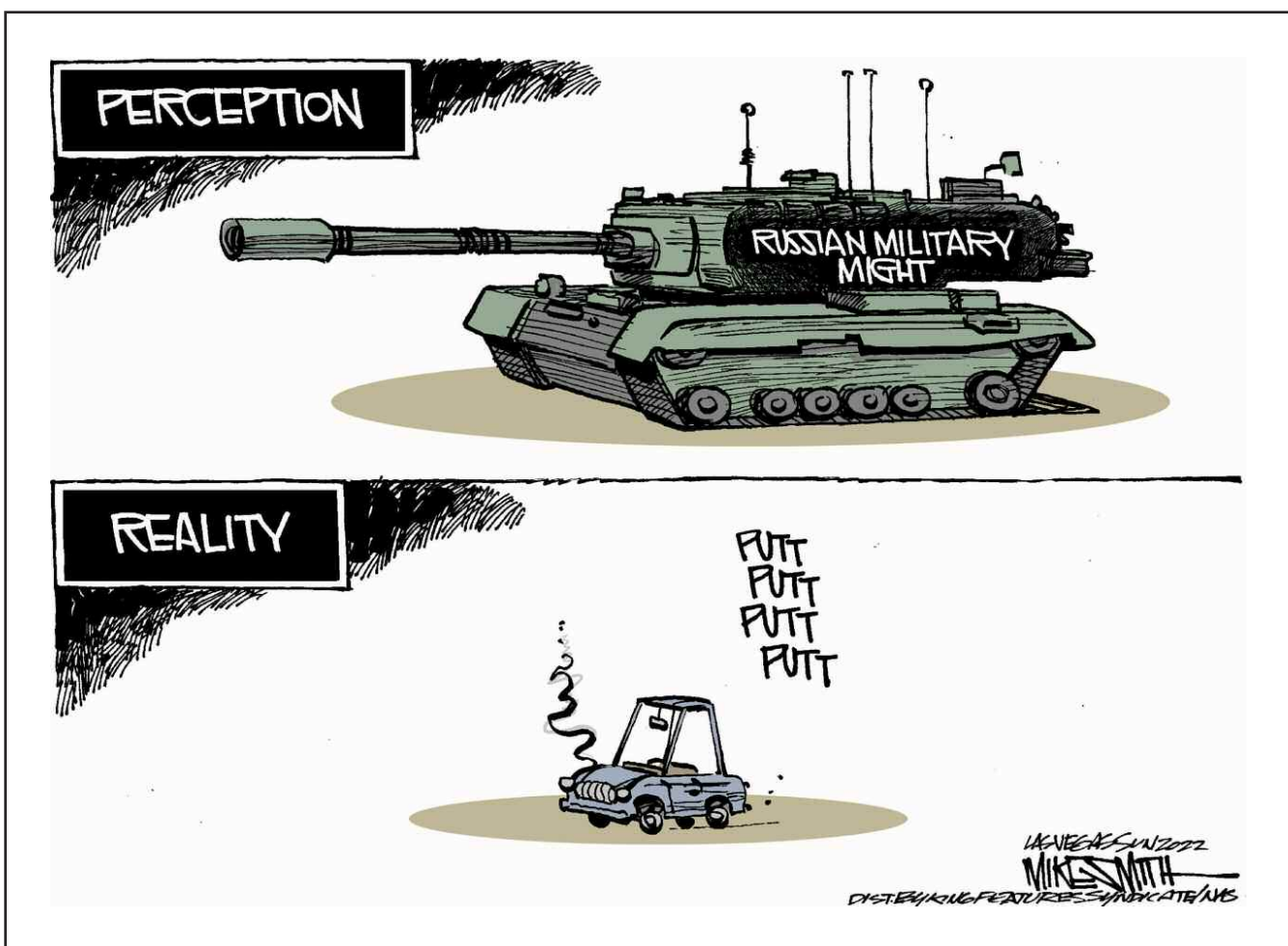
The bill had a groundswell of bipartisan support in Congress this summer as it passed a key committee. But California leaders, including Gov. Gavin Newsom and Attorney General Rob Bonta, urged lawmakers to amend it so that it does not override California law. For a while, it was uncertain if California's concerns would be heeded amid the bipartisan momentum and a big push from the tech lobby.

But the most powerful person in the House is a California Democrat, and she is sticking up for her home state. We applaud Speaker Nancy Pelosi for insisting on changes to the bill. "It is imperative that California continues offering and enforcing the nation's strongest privacy rights," Pelosi said Sept. 1.

It's not clear how the legislation will be rewritten to leave California's laws untouched. Democratic Rep. Anna G. Eshoo of Menlo Park suggested setting the federal law as a floor and allowing other states to enact more aggressive policies. But the bill's author, Democratic Rep. Frank Pallone Jr. of New Jersey, objected. He said that would risk losing support from Republicans, who side with the tech industry in wanting a federal law that preempts the states.

Another approach lawmakers should consider is a framework similar to the federal Clean Air Act, which allows California to set a tougher standard than the national one and lets states choose which they want to follow.

The pervasiveness of technology in modern life has created an insidious market for personal information from which residents of every state should be protected. The nation needs a robust data privacy law, but not one that will weaken California's.



Keep spanking out of schools

By JOHN M. CRISP

Tribune News Service

It's odd: You're having dinner with friends in a nice restaurant. One of them reaches for the breadsticks and carelessly elbows his water glass, swamping the tablecloth.

Immediately, his concerned fellow diners express solicitude and reassurance in response to the abashed offender's apologies. Spare napkins are offered to stem the flood. In no time the water glass is replaced and normalcy restored.

But when a kid does the same thing, in many families the immediate consequence is a swat or a slap or, at best, a severe public reprimand.

What accounts for this discrepancy in how we treat children and how we treat adults?

In fact, apart from boxers and hockey players, children are the only members of our society whom we hit with impunity.

Men often used to get away with hitting women, but our society has appropriately clamped down on that deplorable practice. But with children, we not only permit the hitting, we sometimes encourage it.

Recently Missouri's Cassville school district reversed its ban on corporal punishment and will now allow "swatting the buttocks with a paddle" when "alternative means of discipline have failed."

Younger students are limited to one or two swats; older students can be swatted up to three times. Which is slightly counterintuitive; our society outlawed corporal punishment for adults long ago, but in school the older you are the more you can be hit.

Cassville isn't an outlier: 19 states, mostly in the South and West, permit corporal punishment in public schools.

John M. Crisp



But most youngsters are more likely to be hit at home than at school. In fact, we spank our kids a lot.

One study from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill indicates that the "spanking rate" for 3- to 5-year-olds is 80%.

More recent polling indicates that the incidence of spanking is decreasing. The journal JAMA Pediatrics reported a drop in the proportion of parents who spank from 50% in 1993 to 35% in 2017.

This is a move in the right direction, but not all parents — or public schools! — have gotten the message. Spanking is a regular element of many children's childhoods.

Some parents justify spanking by arguing that children need discipline. They turn to our Judeo-Christian tradition for support. Proverbs 19:18, for example, says, "Chastise your son while there is hope for him, but be careful not to flog him to death."

The limitation in the second clause is good advice, but it sounds more like the sentiments of an entitled, overbearing patriarch than those of a loving god. A few lines away, the writer muses: "... a nagging wife is like water dripping endlessly."

For spankers, the Bible provides a rationale rather than a reason. I suspect that the real reasons we spank our children have more to do with the power relationship than with judi-

cious attempts to discipline. We spank them because we can.

Combine that idea with the fact that nearly all spankings are fueled by anger and frustration, and the result is an unhealthy environment for many American children.

For decades, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the professional organization of 67,000 pediatricians, has been emphatic: It "strongly opposes striking a child for any reason. Spanking is never recommended."

This position is grounded in research that indicates that any corporal punishment is linked to bad consequences for children.

In 2002 Elizabeth Gershoff, then of Columbia University, conducted a meta-analysis of 88 studies that identifies a correlation between "ordinary spanking" and bad outcomes, even when abusive practices — beating, kicking, burning — are factored out.

What sort of bad outcomes? A study of 2,500 children, conducted by Catherine Taylor of Tulane University, found that spanking is a strong predictor of aggression, defiance, temper tantrums, frustration and physical abuse of other children and animals.

This explains why more than 30 nations have banned spanking, at school or at home. In the United States, we are unlikely to pass laws that interfere with how parents treat their children at home.

But, at the least, the discredited practice of spanking should have no place in our public schools.

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Officer ...

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"They used surplus money to help fund that third police officer."

Eley said she spoke with Retter and council president Erik Hammers, who was not at the meeting Thursday, and said the council is still looking into hiring a second officer.

Council member Randy May said the town has had a third police officer position for 20 years.

Also Thursday, council discussed raising the fine for truck drivers violating the town's traffic ordinance. (It comes as an effort to prevent heavy traffic from Indiana 67 traveling on town roads, which is the result of the construction on the bridge along the west end of Redkey.)

The ordinance prohibits vehicles weighing more than 20,000 pounds, specifically semis, from driving along streets or roads within town limits. (School buses, state-, county- and town-owned vehicles, delivery trucks with business in town or Redkey property owners' vehicles are exempt from the restriction.)

Council recently raised the fine to \$250 from the previous \$50.

Council member John Pierce suggested Thursday council raise its fines to \$750 for the first offense and \$1,000 for the second offense.

Town attorney Wes Schemenaur noted the amendment would need to go through public proceedings before it went into effect, meaning it may no longer be applicable to its intended pur-

pose. (Eley said construction is expected to be complete by the end of October.)

Pierce made a motion to raise the fines, but it died for lack of a second.

Council member Dottie Quakenbush added Retter has written almost 100 tickets so far for the violation.

Council members May, Quakenbush and Pierce, absent Gary Gardner and Hammers:

•Agreed to move forward with a master utility study, which would develop a several-year plan for the town's utility systems. Schemenaur noted a plan would help the town secure utility grants. The last plan was created in 2003.

•Authorized Schemenaur to pursue legal action against two

residents for violating town ordinance in relation to the sewer system. The residents have been sent several notices, with council agreeing — May dissenting — in April to send letters giving them 30 days to comply.

•OK'd Redkey Junior League to host a baseball tournament starting at 5 p.m. Oct. 8 in Redkey Morgan Park. Town employee Randy Young noted the tournament is expected to draw several teams and may continue as late as 4 a.m. the next day.

•Gave permission to Young to pursue a grant with other municipal fire departments in Jay County for new breathing apparatuses. Redkey would contribute \$500 toward the application. If it receives the grant, Redkey would get 25 new self-con-

tained breathing apparatus and each firefighter would get their own face mask.

•Learned trick-or-treat hours are set from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 31, with line-up at 5:15 for the costume contest at Redkey Fire Department.

•OK'd Retter to purchase a new radar for his police vehicle. (May proposed allowing Retter to choose between the two options, which were the Python 3 at \$1,807 or the Bee III at \$2,239. Both models are from MPH Industries.)

•Heard opposition from Ann and Ryan Knapp to a trailer home being installed at 503 E. Grandview Ave., just north of their property in town.

•Made \$6,240.15 in water bill adjustments.

•Paid \$124,414.44 in claims.

Fiona pushes toward Puerto Rico

By ROBIN WEBB,
DAVID FLESHER
and ANGIE DIMICHELE

South Florida Sun Sentinel
Tribune News Service

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Tropical Storm Fiona is expected to continue moving west with a gradual decrease in forward speed through Saturday night or early Sunday, followed by a turn toward the west-northwest later on Sunday, as it clears the northeastern Caribbean and approaches the Bahamas.

The center of the storm will move across the Leeward Islands tonight and near the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico on Saturday through early Sunday.

The National Hurricane Center forecasts some slight strengthening during the next few days.

Forecasters also are tracking a new disturbance that emerged Thursday night off the coast of Africa. As of 8 a.m. Friday, its chance of development is 20% over the next five days. It could develop late in the weekend or early next week when it moves north over the Atlantic.

Fiona appears unlikely to be a threat to Florida, the National Weather Service said Thursday.

"The most likely path at this time is a northward turn early next week, away from Florida," the weather service said.

As of 8 a.m. Friday, the storm was producing top winds of 50 mph, with its center located about 175 miles east of the Caribbean and was moving west at 15 mph, according to the National Hurricane Center. Fiona's tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 125 miles from the center.

Fiona formed late Wednesday, becoming the sixth named storm of the 2022 hurricane season. Fiona developed from Tropical Depression Seven, which formed in the Atlantic on Wednesday morning.

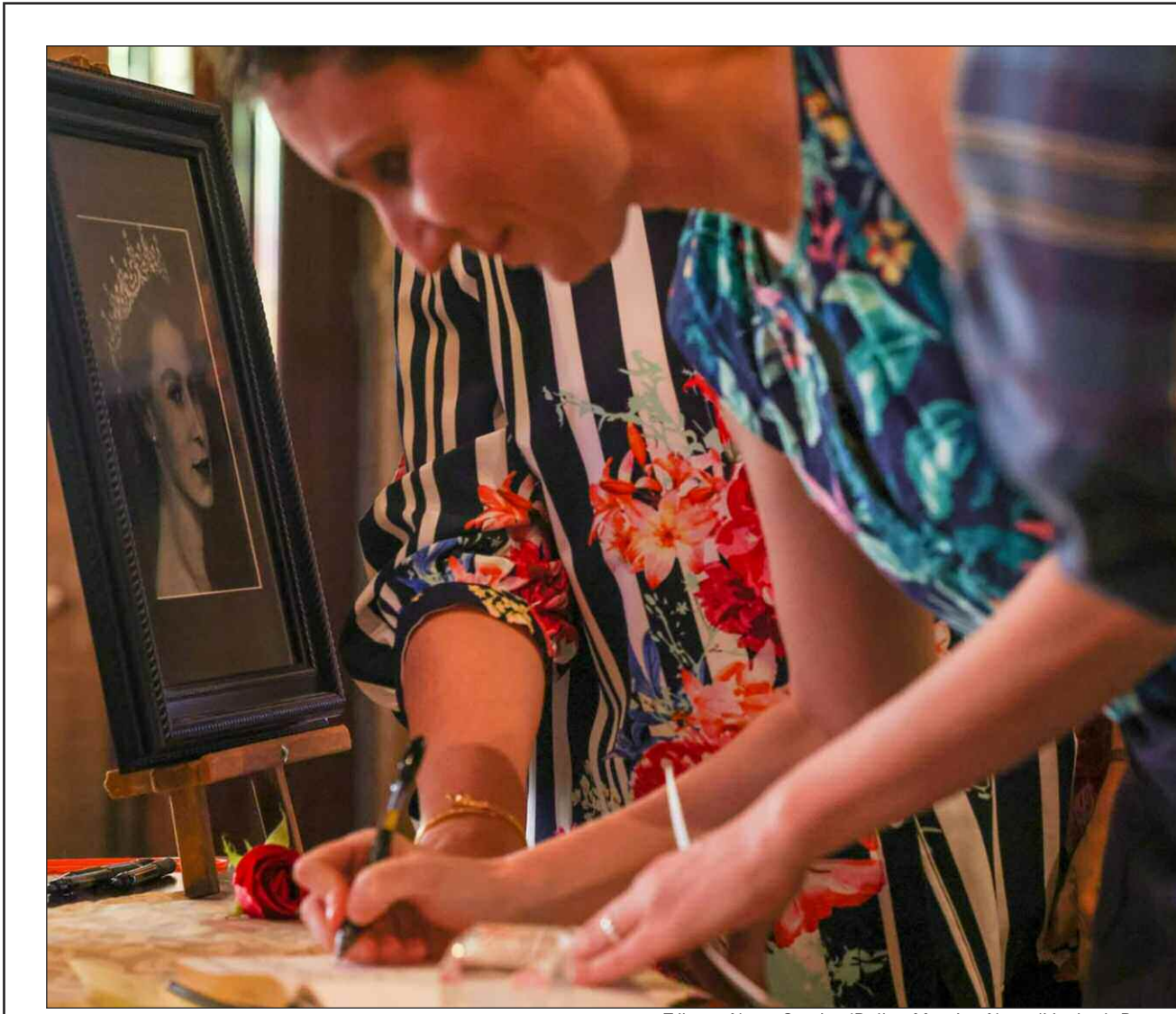
Forecasters said Fiona could move anywhere from eastern Cuba to the northeast of the Bahamas over the next five days.

Fiona is expected to bring sea swells and 4 to 8 inches of rain, with isolated higher amounts.

It's now past the statistical peak of the Atlantic hurricane season with five previously named storms before Fiona. AccuWeather notes that "not a single hurricane has come within striking distance of the East Coast or Gulf Coast" this season.

The next storm to form would be Gaston.

"The Atlantic hurricane season's slow pace so far in 2022 has ... led to a startling disparity in the number of mainland U.S. landfalls through mid-September compared to the last two years," The Weather Channel reported.



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Signing for queen

Belinda Zerdelija signs her name in a book that will eventually make its way to the royal family at a Choral Evensong in thanksgiving of the late Queen Elizabeth II at The Cathedral Church of St. Matthew in Dallas on Tuesday.

Master ...

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The Justice Department inspector general later concluded that federal investigators had made mistakes and omissions in its warrant applications to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, fueling long-

running criticism of the Russia probe by Trump and other Republicans.
Dearie, who has served as a federal judge in Brooklyn for more than 30 years, was nominated to the bench by President Ronald Reagan in 1986.

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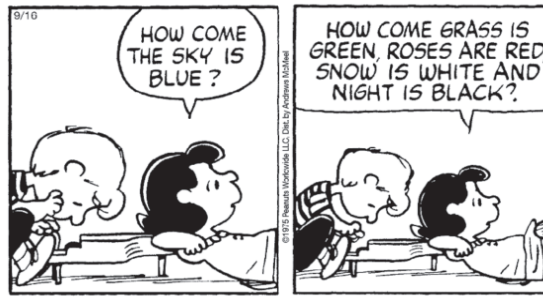
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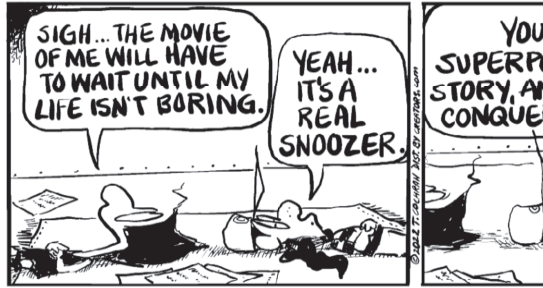
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Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Test your play

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Tomorrow: A fatal discard.

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Tribe rolls over DSJ

FORT RECOVERY — After losses in five of their last six matches, the Indians got back on track Thursday.

The Fort Recovery High School volleyball team cruised to a three-set win, defeating the Midwest Athletic Conference rival Delphos St. John's Blue Jays 25-14, 25-16, 15-19.

Teigen Fortkamp's nine assists were the team high for the Indians (4-6, 1-2 MAC), who had dropped 13 of their first 16 sets in September with their lone match win coming over Russia in tournament action at St. Henry. She also had a dozen digs, four kills, two blocks and an ace.

Grace Klingshirn recorded seven kills against the Blue Jays (6-5, 1-2 MAC) while Paige Guggenbiller and Mara Pearson added five apiece. Guggenbiller also had four blocks.

Audra Bulp came up with 15 digs, Allysen Fullenkamp notched six blocks and Faith Wendel finished with four aces.

JC netters fall

Another close match came down to the final players on the court Thursday as the Jay County boys tennis team lost 3-2 to the visiting Winchester Golden Falcons.

The Patriots lost 3-2 a week earlier to Bluffton and 3-2 to Wabash in Saturday's Jay County Invitational. They'll finish a rain-delayed match — it also looks headed for a 3-2 final — from Tuesday against Adams Central at 4:30 p.m. tonight.

This time around the match came down to No. 2 doubles, where the Patriots' Isaac Miller and Austin Dirksen had rallied from a first-set loss to force a third.

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Jay County High School junior defender Ellie Wendel clears the ball past Belmont's Anna Ruble (28) during the second half of the Patriots' 5-1 loss Thursday. JCHS will get a good look at sectional rivals next week as it plays Delta at home Tuesday and then travels to Yorktown on Thursday.

Long shots



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Pair of goal from 40-plus yards hurt Patriots vs. ninth-ranked Belmont

By **RAY COONEY**

The Commercial Review

With just two and a half weeks left before the sectional tournament, the Patriots had the opportunity to test themselves against a top-10 team.

They felt like they played better than the four-goal margin would indicate.

It was a pair of long scores that

helped the visitors expand their lead.

Jay County High School's girls soccer team gave up two goals of 40 yards or longer Thursday evening in a 5-1 loss to the Class 2A No. 9 Belmont Braves.

"We definitely had our moments but overall we just got beat by skill," said JCHS coach Kendra Muhlenkamp, whose

team is now 5-3. "A lot of girls from Belmont, you can tell that they know how to play soccer. There were times that they were running us in circles.

"We weren't able to find a balance between finding our teammates and getting our touches right.

"I think on a given night it could have been a different out-

come. I feel like the score didn't really show us our game. I thought the girls played hard. I think there was a good 20 minutes that looked like we were a better team, but the other 60 Belmont had it. We need to find a way to keep that good 20 minutes we had and have those throughout the game."

See **Long** page 7

Federer set to retire

By **JAMES O'CONNELL**

New York Daily News
Tribune News Service

First, Serena Williams. And now Roger Federer.

The tennis world is having to say goodbye to another legend of the sport as the Swiss superstar took to social media to announce that he is retiring.

"The Laver Cup next week in London will be my final ATP event," Federer, 41, said in his statement. "I will play more tennis in the future, of course, but just not in Grand Slams or on the tour."

Federer, who debuted in 1997, retires with 20 Grand Slam singles titles, including eight wins at Wimbledon. He finishes his remarkable career behind

Rafael Nadal (22) and Novak Djokovic (21) in major championships on the men's side.

In his statement, Federer pointed to injuries as the main reason why it's time to call it a career.

"As many of you know, the past three years have presented me with challenges in the form of injuries and surgeries," Federer said. "I've worked hard to return to full competitive form. But I also know my body's capacities and limits, and its message to me lately has been clear."

Federer underwent two major knee surgeries in 2020 and an additional operation in 2021. He has not appeared in a tourna-

ment since Wimbledon in 2021 when he lost in the quarterfinal round to Hubert Hurkacz.

"This is a bittersweet decision," Federer added. "I will miss everything the tour has given me. But at the same time, there is so much to celebrate. I consider myself one of the most fortunate people on Earth. I was given a special talent to play tennis, and I did it at a level that I never imagined, for much longer than I ever thought possible."

Federer's resume also includes five wins at the U.S. Open, six at the Australian Open and one at the French Open. His 2009 triumph on the red clay at Roland Garros completed the career Grand Slam.

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