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### Heritage and Hope

The weekend was busy with activities and events in Jay County. Above, Josh Starr works with blacksmith John Steppe of Prairie Creek on Saturday during Jay County Historical Society's Heritage Festival. At left, Zaylea Mason, 17, untangles balloon strings Saturday during Hopefest activities at Jay County Fairgrounds. Hopefest ended with tying attendees' inspirational or hope-filled messages onto balloon strings and releasing the balloons into the air. For a photo from the opening day of the Jay County Fair corn maze, see page 2.

### Jay Co. makes move to attract residents

Program will offer incentives to remote workers

### **Bv BAILEY CLINE**

The Commercial Review It's time for a recruiting

website to make its move. Jay County Commissioners agreed Monday to allow Jay County Development Corporation to move forward with an offer through MakeMyMove, a company based out of Indianapolis. Hopes are for the company to recruit new residents by targeting remote workers willing to relocate. It will cost about \$50,000.

The technology business' database spans 80 million, about 40% of whom work remotely. MakeMyMove offers a financial incentive for its movers estimated at \$11,000 per person. Indiana Economic Development Corporation is providing a 50% match for the program.

Travis Richards, executive director of Jay County Development Corpora-tion, noted the dollars have been set aside for the project. He added that he has spoken to several board members who are in support of the program and would likely approve it at the next board meeting.

Bryan Alexander, Portresident, land and Richards approached commissioners Sept. 12 with the proposal. County attorney Bill Hinkle reviewed the paperwork and suggested commissioners allow Jay County Development Corporation to move forward with recruiting nine workers for a cost of \$50,000. 'With the potential for return on investment, you know, our population's been declining again, so we can try to reverse that trend, and I think this is a good opportunity for Jay County at this point," said commissioner Chad Aker. Answering a question from commissioner Brian McGalliard, Richards noted the process will take place over a one-year period.

## Dunkirk seeks help to fix rates

### By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

DUNKIRK — The city will need some help to get its water rates straightened out.

Dunkirk City Council on Monday agreed to seek advice from accounting and consulting firm Baker Tilly about how to fix its water rates after issues regarding a rate increase and the state's elimination of the utility receipts tax

City attorney Wes Schemenaur explained to council that the problem is two-fold:

### Approved increase was not implemented, repeal of state tax never came to a vote

into effect. By ordinance, it was set to begin June 1.

2) Although it was discussed, city council never voted on an ordinance to reduce rates following the state legislature's repeal 1) A 2% increase city council of the 1.46% utility receipts and approved in March never went utility services use taxes. The ing them and the elimination of

statewide change went into effect July 1.

Conversation at the meeting indicated that Mayor Jack Robbins and clerk-treasurer Tina Elliott had delayed the rate increases in hopes of implement-

the utility receipts tax at the same time. The process stalled after council inadvertently did not vote on the ordinance regarding the tax repeal, leading to the previous rates continuing to be collected.

See Rates page 2

See Attract page 5

### Lawmakers are divided on surplus

#### By WHITNEY DOWNARD

Indiana Capital Chronicle indianacapitalchronicle.com

Democrats and Republicans on a recent budget panel showcased different approaches to Indiana's next two-year spending plan — from saving and paying down debt to onetime vs. ongoing investments.

Indiana's revenues continue to outperform projections, bolstering swollen coffers as stakeholders prepare to draft the 2023 budget amid ongoing inflation

### **Preferences** vary for how to handle reserves

and economic concerns. The state's savings account held over \$6 billion earlier this year before a summer special session sent \$1 billion to Hoosiers for an automatic taxpayer refund.

See Surplus page 5

## Solving problems

Cayden Weiss and Tanner Corwin work their together on computers during technology class Wednesday at East Jav Elementary School in Portland.



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### Deaths

David Burks, 56, Upland

Details on page 2.

land

Patricia Stant, 68, Port-

Weather

The high temperature Monday in Jay County was 69 degrees. The low was 52.

Tonight's low is expected to dip into the low 40s. Expect mostly sunny skies Wednesday with a high of 61.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

Jay County Public Library will host the "Hocus Pocus Experience," a new themed event created in honor of the premiere of "Hocus Pocus 2," at 6 p.m. Thursday. Reservations are required and spots are limited.

For more information about upcoming events at the library, call (260) 726-7890.

### **Coming up**

Wednesday — Local residents are heading to Washington, D.C., on Honor Flight.

Friday — Results from Thursday's JCHS girls soccer game against Muncie Central.



### **Obituaries**

### **David Burks**

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April 5, 1966-Sept. 24, 2022 David L. Burks, 56, of Upland, Indiana, formerly of Dunkirk, Indiana, passed away peacefully Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022, while in the company of family members at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Indiana.

David was born in Portland, Indiana, on April 5, 1966, a son of Wanda J. (Ooten) Burks and the late Claude L. Burks. He was a 1984 graduate of Jay County High School and was



member

Kingsley

of Full Gospel Church, Burks

extremely an hard-working man who loved singing and collecting gospel music. He had a natural-born talent for all kinds of instruments, his favorites being his bass guitar and piano. He also

loved reading history books, watching Indiana University football games, trips to Tennessee and recording several gospel albums with many traveling quartets over the years.

He is survived by his loving mother, Wanda J. Burks; one sister, Lisa (Burks) Watson (husband: Dale); three aunts, Rhonda Dayton (husband: Mike), Lovada Vaughn (husband: Bob) and Ellen Burks; one uncle. Roger L. Ooten: his son at heart, Trevor A. Stidams; and several cousins.

by his father Claude L. Burks.

Services will be private at the convenience of the family at a later date. Burial will be held in Dunkirk IOOF Cemetery

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Kingsley Full Gospel Church, P.O. Box 504, Hartford City, IN 47348.

Arrangements have been entrusted to MJS Mortuaries.

16, 1954-Sept. 24, 2022. Servic-

David was preceded in death es will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland.

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 Patricia Stant, Portland, March from funeral homes or mortuary services.

CR almanac						
Wednesday 9/28	Thursday 9/29	Friday 9/30	Saturday 10/1	Sunday 10/2		
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<b>61/38</b> Mostly sunny skies are in the fore- cast for Wednesday with a high near 61 degrees.	high in the low	<b>69/43</b> Sunny skies are on the horizon for Friday. The high may reach 69 degrees.	<b>70/48</b> Saturday's weather appears to be mostly sunny, with the low at night dipping to 48.	and a low of		

### **Lotteries**

### Powerball

Monday 13-20-31-33-59 Powerball: 20 Power Play: 3 Estimated jackpot: \$300 million

### Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$325 million

### Hoosier

Monday Midday Daily Three: 9-6-7 Daily Four: 7-9-4-2 Quick Draw: 6-12-14-19-22-26--27-28-30-32-33-42-46-48-52-64-69-70-72-73 Evening Daily Three: 6-9-6 Daily Four: 9-7-3-1 Quick Draw: 3-15-16-

### **Markets**

### **Cooper Farms** Fort Recoverv

Corn	6.98
Oct. corn	6.58
Wheat	7 26

20-21-23-36-39-36-43-44-52-56-57-64-70-72-74-76-80 Cash 5: 5-13-19-39-43 Estimated jackpot: \$90,000

### Ohio

	Monday
	Midday
	Pick 3: 5-9-7
	Pick 4: 7-4-1-6
	Pick 5: 1-1-5-0-5
	Evening
	Pick 3: 6-6-7
	Pick 4: 9-2-2-5
	Pick 5: 3-7-2-5-5
	Rolling Cash 5: 3-7-17-
-	24-38
	Estimated jackpot:
	\$120,000
	Classic Lotto: 21-22-25-
	35-37-45
	Kicker: 5-8-0-2-0-6
-	Jackpot: \$36.7 million

## Rates

Made it

through

Jay County Fair Board's corn maze kicked off Saturday. Pictured, from left, 1year-old Westin Walker, Brent Walker, 3-yearold Oaklenn Walker and MaHaley King exit the 1.3-mile path.

Continued from page 1 (Overall, the error has worked in property owners' favor, as the scheduled increase is larger than the tax elimination.)

advised Schemenaur council to ask Baker Tilly to review its books and suggest a path forward to fix the rates to avoid any future issues with state audits. He pointed out that the June 1 rate increase needed to go into effect as scheduled.

"I feel like you've got a problem because you've got a ... published rate, advertised rate," he said. "I don't think it's a huge problem ... because I think we can hopefully go back and satisfy the auditors. It's not like money is missing, it's just the books aren't going to match — what the advertised rate is versus the amount you collected."

"I'm not blaming it on anybody, I just want to get it traightened out before it does become a big problem," added Robbins. Council members Jesse Bivens, Brvan Jessup, Tom Johnson, Kevin Hamilton and Christy Curts voted unanimously to seek Baker Tilly's advice. Robbins also updated council on the city's planned flood mitigation project that will be funded

Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and \$400,000 in federal coronavirus relief funds from the

The environmental study March 2024.

The project calls for cresewer infrastructure.

Council also approved its 2023 budget of \$2.05 million on first reading after holding its public hearing, which resulted in no comments from the public.

The budget is up from \$1.91 million this year, an has two projects scheduled of \$580,701.39 in claims.

increase of about 7%. The bulk of that increase is for the 7% raises approved for most city employees. It calls for \$1.48 million in the general fund, \$303,122 in the motor vehicle highway fund, \$110,500 in public safety local option income tax and \$78,000 in the economic development income tax (EDIT) fund.

Because the city's offices are closed Oct. 10 for Columbus Day, council will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. Oct. 11 to vote on budget adoption.

In other business, council:

•Heard from Robbins that Centerpoint Energy is or will be doing work on streets including Ohio, Johnson, Indiana, High. North and Broad. He said the work will include some digging to get to lines. (He also noted that Centerpoint

for next summer and said the city will look at scheduling paving projects around its work.)

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 Made a slight adjustment to its 2023 salary ordinance to indicate that the pay rates for concessions, admissions and slide attendant workers at Dunkirk City Pool will all be paid the same hourly rate of \$9.42.

•Following a question from Curts, heard from Robbins that Choice One Engineering is working to update the city's asset management plan to include the streets in Quincy Place. (They had previously been inadvertently omitted.) Streets must be included in the asset management plan to be eligible for Indiana Department of Transportation Community Crossings grant funding.

•Approved the payment

by a \$600,000 grant from

American Rescue Plan Act. required for the project is expected to be complete at the end of November, with bidding scheduled for March. Construction is expected to be finished in

ating detention basins east of Broad Street near Moore Avenue and west of 3rd Street near the southern city limits as well as some upgrades to current storm

Local

### **POET Biorefining** Portland

Corn	7.03
Oct. corn	6.83
Oct./Nov. corn	6.58

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Wheat ..... 8.15

Nov. wheat ..... 8.85

**Central States** 

Montpelier

#### Heartland St Anthony

Corn	6.48
Oct. corn	6.38
Beans	14.02
Oct. beans	13.90
Wheat	8.34

### **Today in history**

In 1066, the Norman conquest of England began when William, Duke of Normandy, set sail with his Army for the southeastern coast of England.

Ponce de Leon was granted a contract by Spain to settle the Bimini, an island in the Bahamas, and Florida.

In 1540, Pope Paul III approved the Jesuit order that was founded by St. Ignatius of Loyola.

In 1590, Pope Urban VII completed the shortest papacy in history, dying 12 days after being elected.

In 1777, the Continental Congress held a session in Lancaster, Penn-Philadelphia.

Handy.

In 1954, The Tonight Show premiered with host Steve Allen.

In 1962, Rachel Car-"Silent book son's Spring" was published. It was one of the most In 1514, explorer Juan influential books of the modern environmental movement.

In 1972, Portland Park Board decided to defer plans for major repairs at the Portland youth center until 1973. Contractor Paul Baldauf told the board it would take that time to determine the exact reason cracks had developed in the foundation and south wall of the building.

In 2020, Jay County Commissioners

approved a rule to sussylvania, after fleeing pend the email accounts of Jay County govern-In 1912, "Memphis ment employees within a Blues," which is consid- month if they did not ered the first blues song, complete their required was published by W.C. cybersecurity training. -The CR

### Citizen's calendar

### Wednesday

7 a.m. — Jay County Board of Health, health St., Portland.

Personnel Committee, Indiana 67, Portland.

commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. department, 504 W. Arch Soil & Water Conservation District, USDA 2 p.m. – Jay County Service Center, 1331 W.

### **SERVICES**

### Thursday

Stant, Patricia: 4 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland,

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## Family

## Concert, grandkids make good weekend

### **By DIANA DOLECKI**

Special to The Commercial Review We were waiting for the free concert to begin when I got a series of texts from my daughter. She knows that the chances of me getting and replying to that form of communication is chancey at best.

The first picture was of grandson Jacob pitching. Except that the image was so small that she inadvertently decapitated him. She did manage to get all of him in the pictures that popped up on Facebook.

She also sent a photograph of youngest grandkid Nicholas, holding a trophy that was almost hug. bigger than he was.



Nicholas was on the winning football team. The Red Caps and the Patriots were fierce rivals. Both teams played well but the Red Caps came out on top. They won the prestigious Mayor's Cup and a visit by mayor herself. the Nicholas was excited to meet the mayor and told his mom that he got to give the former majorette a

Jacob's team lost its always hope.

### baseball game. Beth, his mom and my daughter, said the team lost in part because Jacob was trying out the catcher position. He is usually the pitcher. I think he is very brave to try a new position.

I called Beth later to get the details. I was surprised that Nicholas was so excited to meet the mayor. When I was his age I couldn't tell you if any of the small towns in our area of the state even had a mayor.

One of these days I would love to see the boys play. With them living clear across the county, I may never get to see one of their games but there is

As the lights went down, She said she likes to look with the music. At times the pictures and messages ceased.

The opening act at the concert was Lonesome With Company. He was a big guy with a guitar. He had a deep voice that was perfect for the songs he sang.

He was followed by a tiny barefoot lady with a guitar that was almost as big as she was. She didn't speak but sat down and began to play. All I could think was, "Wow." After her second or maybe third song she stopped for a drink of water and addressed the audience.

Gwenifer Raymond was

up the places where she plays. She noted that Muncie was the home of Garfield the cat. I was surprised that she was acquainted with the fat cartoon cat.

She also said the word, "Muncie" was fun to say and sprinkled it throughout her speech. She noted that a lot of odd things happened in the foothills where she grew up. As an aside, she also noted that a lot of "magic mushrooms" grew in that area.

She rested her guitar on her lap and resumed furiously playing. I was afraid her hair would get caught originally from Wales and in the strings when she is now based in London. bent her head to keep time

she played so quickly that her hand was a blur. Other times the music was slow and brooding. The sound was almost magical. It was over too soon. She walked off stage but the audience called her back. When she sat down, one of the many cables got stuck to her bare foot and it took a while to remove it.

She noted that there was merchandise available and asked that she not have to carry it back home with her.

The evening began and ended with stories and pictures of boys playing ball. Not one but two musicians filled the middle. It was a good weekend.

## **Couple are late to church nearly each Sunday**

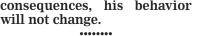
DEAR ABBY: Punctuality is important to me. My husband has many great qualities, but punctuality is not one of them. We have been married 20-plus years and, after many discussions, have not been able to come to agreement on this. We are late to church almost every Sunday and to most parties and family events.

I think it's rude to keep people waiting, and it gives me anxiety. I have tried taking separate cars but think, as a couple, we should arrive together. It seems like when I try to urge him to hurry, he purposely slows down. It has reached the point where we are angry at each other by the time we finally



HARE MARRIED TO TOR-TOISE

**DEAR HARE: Yes. Take the** separate cars. No one cares whether you arrive "together" or not, unless you are going to a dinner party. And if your husband will be late for that, assure your hosts that it isn't necessary to wait for him to arrive. Try fudging the event



DEAR ABBY: My fiancee has been married twice and insists on maintaining contact with four prior sexual partners (other than husbands). Most of the contact is by Facebook, instant message and cellphone. But one former partner is a high school classmate she sees every year at class 'get-togethers."

I think what she's doing is inappropriate and will certainly be so after we are married. She insists they are just "friends" and I am being immature and "untrust-She's adamant that she is ing.' unwilling to cease contact with these former sexual partners arrive anywhere. Any advice? time. But until he suffers the (now friends) under any circum-

consequences, his behavior stances. What's a guy to do? — realized. I know there's intense CROWDED IN FLORIDA

DEAR CROWDED: A "guy" either accepts what his fiancee is telling him — that these old flames are just friends — or he ends the engagement and starts searching for a woman he believes he CAN trust.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been good friends with a couple for more than a decade. The wife has a degenerative illness and is now paralyzed and unable to feed herself. We would love to stay close with them while recognizing the problems they face in planning meetings. Now, at our infrequent get-togethers, it always ends with "we should get together," but then no plans are you up on it, but he may.

pressure on the husband between work, care of their teenage child and health care for his wife. How can we tactfully stay in touch, and at the same time relieve some of the pressure on the husband? I'd love to set up a bimonthly coffee or lunch, but I realize some days, the wife may not be up for it. – GOOD FRIEND IN MARYLAND

DEAR FRIEND: You ARE a good friend, and a caring one. Every caregiver needs an occasional break to recharge. It would be kind to call and offer to be with his wife for a few hours so he can spend some time doing things for himself that he may have postponed. I can't promise that he'll take

## **Community health fair begins Friday**

A nearby hospital will offer free health screenings Friday.

Adams Memorial Hospital, partnered with East Centra Indiana Area Health Education Center, is hosting a community health fair from noon to 4 p.m. at Lehman Park Pavilion, 212 Park Ave., Berne.

There will be a variety of screenings, including those for blood pressure, behavioral health, fall risks, hearing, speech and language. Cholesterol and glucose checks, diabetes support and education and private hernia screenings will be available. Flu shots will also be given for \$25 per person.

Taking Note

### **New acquisitions**

David Owsley Museum of Art recently added more to its collection. The additions will be on display from Thursday through Dec. 22.

Three paintings are highlighted in the exhibit: "A study of laborers harvesting sugar cane" by American regionalist Thomas Hart Benton, "A

monumental 'inscape' or interior psychological landscape" by Chilean surrealist Roberto Matta and "Antarctica Diptych" by contemporary artist Diane Burko. The works are accompanied by several more pieces of American art, as well as photo drawings by former Ball State professor Lawrence Graham, Japanese prints and sculptures and an African mask. Burko will also speaking at the

museum at 6 p.m. Oct. 13 about art and climate change.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays and from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays. Admission is free.



### **PART-TIME, 3RD SHIFT RESIDENTIAL/ASSISTED LIVING C.N.A.**

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Apply online at www.swissvillage.org or send resume to:

### nity Calendar

Notices will appear in is welcome. Community Calendar as space is available. To sub*mit an item, email* meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in news@thecr.com.

### Tuesday

JAY COUNTY PAS-TORS AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 8 a.m. on the family members or anyfourth Tuesday of each one interested in helping Richard's month at Restaurant.

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public step program for those in

JAY COUNTY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP — Will conference room C at University Indiana Health Jay Hospital. Open discussion for cancer patients, survivors, with the group. For more information, contact Linda Metzger at (260) 726-1844.

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Sudoku								
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### Saturday'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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9	8	4	3	2	5	6	1	7	
3	5	1	8	6	7	9	4	2	
7	6	2	4	9	1	3	5	8	

sixth through 12th grade Wednesday will meet at 5:55 p.m. each Tuesday at 2nd Chance at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland. For more information. call (260) 703-0777 or (260) 726-5273.

A BETTER LIFE – BRI-ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for substance abuse. Meal starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-2107.

ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (567) 279-8352 or (260) 729-7000.

NARCOTICS ANONY-MOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Church of God of Prophecy, 797 N. Creagor Ave. in Portland. For more information, call (260) 766-9334.

### Wednesday

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

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

PORTLAND ROTARY CLUB — Will meet at noon each Wednesday at Harmony Cafe, 121 N. Meridian St.

EUCHRE CLUB — Will meet at 2 p.m. the fourth call (260) 766-2006.

of each month at Chalet Village Health and Rehabilitation in the North Lounge.

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

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

STRESS AND ANXI-ETY CLASS — Meets each Wednesday at 2nd Chance at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 726-9625 or (260) 703-0534.

### Thursday

CELEBRATE RECOV-ERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

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

Kayla Reilly, HR Specialist Swiss Village 1350 W. Main St. Berne, IN 46711 Or email: careers@swissvillage.org



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## Opinion

## Museum needs a permanent home

To the editor:

Dunkirk has such a rich history. Much of it is based around the gas boom. Many factories set up shop here and our little community was soon swarming with people and businesses.

The center of town still has many of those buildings from the gas boom standing. Some have been rescued and a few are in sad shape.

The gas ran out and we are now down to just one factory.

However, our historic pride is strong.

### Letters to the **Editor**

The community is coming together to breathe new life back into Dunkirk. We have new businesses opening up and things are improving. In the fall of 2019, a handful of history lovers formed The Dunkirk Historical Society.

We started with nothing but our have our eye on a local historic and third Friday and Saturday of love of local history. Soon we had found a temporary home to start a museum.

Then COVID hit.

we managed to bring in enough in membership fees, donations and a generous grant from the Dr. Johnson Foundation to keep afloat and purchase needed equipment.

We are currently working on becoming a 501(c)(3) corporation. The museum is growing and building. Buying a building is a huge endeavor and we need capital to make a purchase.

We are in search of a benefac-Tough times to raise funds, but tor (or two or three or six) willing to contribute a large sum of money to our capital fund to facilitate the purchase of the building. Our target is \$65,000. Hopefully, this will cover the purchase, any needed repairs and the cost to move into the new location.

If you would like to see the we need a permanent home. We museum, we are open the first

the month — Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Or contact Connie Retter, president, at (765) 768-6772, Robbins, or Nancy secretary/treasurer, at (765) 748-0993, for a special tour.

We would love to show you our vision for the future, which is preserving our past for future generations.

Respectfully, Nancy Robbins Secretary/treasurer Dunkirk Historical Society

## Many laws have privacy at heart

### **Bv NIKI KELLY**

Indiana Capital Chronicle indianacapitalchronicle.com

The underlying fight on abortion is about privacy, and specifically whether a woman can make private medical decisions that the government shouldn't be part of.

I am not a lawyer, but what I can say is that while the word "privacy" isn't explicitly in the Constitution, state and federal lawmakers pass laws based on the right to privacy all the time.

It is regularly protected in state statutes — starting with social security numbers redacted on various court documents, property records and more.

The federal government has two primary privacy laws: the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, or HIPAA, and the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act, or FERPA.

These regulations protect medical information from being shared against a patient's wishes, as well as shields student education data such as test scores and grades.

But it's not just the federal government. Indiana's General Assembly has its own history recognizing the right to privacy.

In 2010 it voted to close access to the state's firearms licensing database, meaning reporters, researchers and the public could no longer verify if someone was legally llowed to carry a firearm. The right to privacy was brought up repeatedly in discussion then, noting two newspaper investigations that used the information. Also, starting in 2015 a new law was put on the books allowing judges, police, victims of domestic violence, elected officials, probation officers, corrections officers and employees of the Indiana Department of Child Services to petition to restrict access to their home address in public property databases.

Niki Kelly

... while the word "privacy" isn't explicitly in the Constitution. state and federal lawmakers pass laws based on the right to privacy all the time.

incinerating, mutilating, erasing, or otherwise rendering it illegible.

•A Hoosier can also sue for unreasonable invasions of privacy — such as "intrusion upon seclusion," appropriation of a person's name or likeness and "false-light publicity." You can learn more about those rights here.

Indiana might have gotten its first inkling on the issue of privacy in the



## College rankings don't matter

#### **By BRIAN HOWELL** Chicago Tribune

Tribune News Service

The news that Columbia University filed fraudulent data to rise in the Ú.S. News & World Report college rankings has again raised the question of what these rankings mean. Does anyone imagine that as Columbia "plunged" from No. 2 to No. 18 (as its ranking was reassessed by U.S. News on its own estimated data) that the Columbia students sitting in their classrooms in Upper Manhattan felt



every student thrive at Cal Tech, even if they are admitted? My own college, Wheaton College, is an excellent believe strongly in the qua ity of the education we offer here. It also has a very specific mission of Christian education that would not work for every person. Plenty of research has demonstrated that prestigious names can make a difference in earnings and opportunities for some students — first-generation or low-income — but make no appreciable difference for others. (Holding other variables constant, most white males get no salary bump by going to Harvard over the University of West Virginia.) And no student is served well if they choose a school where they don't succeed academically, socially and emotionally. The U.S. News rankings emerged in a time when information about specific colleges and universities was harder to find. They provided a guide for those unfamiliar with the many options out there. Today, there is perhaps too much information, so the rankings may serve as a simple way to sort universities, perhaps to make a choice among several good options. But as someone who has worked in higher education for more than 20 years, I would like to encourage every college-bound student to ignore these numbers and instead borrow a technique from my own discipline of cultural anthropology. Over time, schools create a culture. In a smaller college, that culture may extend to virtually every part of campus. In a large university, there may be many "subcultures," in the engi-neering school or in Greek life or among the theater students. Going to

only taking in the preformed admissions presentation), sitting in a class and talking to students can reveal what is really happening in the parts of the school you care about. (Anthropologists call this ethnography.)

This sort of research might not be an option for every student, given the time and cost involved, but every student can find alumni from that school (the more recent the better), write to current students and join a social media account run by students there.

For fear of retribution, their privacy is being protected by that law.

Some other examples: •Basic consumer protections when your personal financial data leaks goes back to protecting privacy and the damage that could be done with that information.

•The Indiana Wiretap Act prohibits intercepting or recording a telephone or electronic communication without the consent of at least one party.

•It's a Class C infraction if a person disposes unen- cle is an independent, noncrypted or unredacted personal information of a cus- Its website is indianacapitomer without shredding, *talchronicle.com*.

abortion fight Thursday when Owen County Judge Kelsey Hanlon issued a preliminary injunction halting the abortion ban at least temporarily. In her ruling, she said whether a privacy right exists under the Indiana Constitution remains an open legal question.

"Regardless of whether the right is framed as a privacy right, a right to bodily autonomy, a right of self-determination, a bundle of liberty rights, or by some other appellation, there is a reasonable likelihood that decisions about family planning, including decisions about whether to carry pregnancy to term are included" under Article 1 of the Indiana Constitution's protections.

The bottom line is there is a litany of laws that protect privacy, even if the word is never used explicitly. The remaining question is to what extent and in which circumstances the government has the authority to overrule that right.

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the quality of their education slipping away?

Columbia is exactly the same university at No. 18 as it was at No. 2. Nothing real in any student experience is different. Nor will it change if Columbia manages to claw its way back up. Is the University of Chicago (No. 6) a tiny bit better than University of Pennsylvania at No. 7? Or objectively 10 places superior to lowly Cornell, way down at No. 17? These rankings have zero to do with what is real about a college or university, and it is time to once again declare them bunk and encourage families, prospective college students and all media folks everywhere to ignore them.

Schools are not, in some holistic, abstract way, "better" or "worse." They are different and serve different students. Some schools are wealthy and prestigious, and others are huge with diverse, niche programs or are small and focused on the liberal arts. Some may have emphases like study abroad or interdisciplinary majors, while others provide a strong sense of belonging for specific students (historically Black colleges or universities and Hispanic-serving institutions). These things can shape your experience, but does that make one objectively "better"? No question, schools such as the California Institute of Technology, which choose only 6.4% of applicants, can fill their classes with highly motivated, accomplished students. They have multibillion-dollar endowments and therefore some extraordinary facilities. But will the campus, spending the night (not gy at Wheaton College.

Figure out the culture — the vibe – of the classrooms, dorms, groups or communities within the college where you would likely spend your time

There's no doubt that the prestige of the Dartmouths and Stanfords of the world can matter. But does the prestige of the school shape campus culture in ways you would like? Is it more creative or competitive? Is this a place where people support one another, or does it emphasize independence? The ranking won't answer any of those questions.

Choosing the No. 51 school (Lehigh University) over the No. 62 school (University of Pittsburgh) won't mean anything to you as you study sociology or biology, as you work out with the football team or play in the marching band. Your life will be much more specific than this arbitrary number assigned by some publication. Getting the life you want in and beyond college will be far more influenced by how you thrive in college — your success in classes, extracurriculars, in your social connections - and, it should be mentioned, by avoiding excessive debt, than in the ranking.

So ditch the "research" of comparing lists and rankings, but delve into the qualitative data you collect yourself. Explore the reality of life at the school, in the places where you think you'll go, and find the place where you can thrive. That's the only ranking that ultimately matters.

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## Attract

Continued from page 1 The one concern I have is the lack of housing to move in,' said McGalliard.

He voiced support for bringing more folks to the county but asked Richards if he thought the potential residents would be able to find housing.

Richards mentioned the planned CB Development condominium project off of county road 75 South near Jay County Junior-Senior High School that he said should have six spaces completed within the timeframe of the project.

"I think over a 12-month period, I don't think it's unreasonable," Richards responded.

McGalliard proposed Jay County Development Corporation move forward with the proposal, with the stipulation that the committee overseeing the process consists only of Jay County residents.

Also Monday, commissioners agreed to allocate \$36,963 to

Dunkirk Public Library and Dunkirk Glass Museum per a recommendation from Jav County Economic Development Income Tax (EDIT) Advisory Committee. Both the library and glass museum — they occupy different portions of the same building — are undergoing renovations totaling \$175,000. The cost for the library's renovations is covered by a memorial fund. The glass museum's renovations will include foundation work, sandblasting and painting the stairwell as well as making the west side entrance stairs compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. LEDs will also be added to the showcases.

Commissioners amended the county's traffic ordinance in relation to the intersection of county roads 325 West and 700 South. Currently stop signs are placed on county road 325 West. Plans are to switch the stop signs instead to county road 700 South.

In other business, commissioners Aker and McGalliard, absent Rex Journay:

•OK'd moving forward with raising ambulance fees for Jay Emergency Medical Service. Director John McFarland — he was not present at the meeting, but director Gary Barnett brought his documents — provided statistics, stating that in order to break even, each ambulance run would need to generate an additional \$162. His proposal suggests lower fee increases for Jay County residents.

•Accepted an agreement with Mindbase, an application designed to care for first responder mental and emotional wellness.

•Discussed but took no action on enacting a hiring freeze, which would require department heads to get approval before hiring new employees to fill empty positions.

•Decided to pay \$6,143.50 to

participate in the East Central Indiana Regional Planning District for the remainder of this year and for 2023. Aker said the five-region district could help the county secure federal grants.

•Agreed to apply for the fuel budgeting program through Indiana Bond Bank, which "provides a tool for local government to protect against market volatility by acting as insurance against rising and unpredictable fuel prices," according to its website. When the group sets the program's rates in November, noted Aker, the county can decide if it wants to participate.

•Selected Wes Schemenaur as county attorney beginning in 2023. Hinkle plans to retire from the position at the end of the year.

•Heard McGalliard would like to resign from Jay County Development Corporation board and have Aker take his

place. The decision will be subject to JCDC approval.

•Learned from county auditor Emily Franks that the county received its \$1 million allocation from an Indiana Department of Fransportation grant Monday. The grant is going toward con-verting part of State Line Road from stone to hard surface.

•OK'd Jay County Emergency Management Agency to apply for two grants, one for salaries at \$29,213.05 and one at roughly \$7,000 for new office equipment.

•Paid several claims, including: \$35,563 for road conversions, \$7,203 from Havel for boiler hookup at Jay County Sheriff's Office and \$536.25 for professional fees from RQAW Corporation for the arsenic removal system at Jay County Country Living.

•Added Eric Butcher — he starts as Jay County Highway Department superintendent Oct. 3 — to the county bank account and credit card.



### Giving chase

Junior Maddy Fraley chases Sophia sophomore Sprunger during a powderpuff football game Wednesday during Jay County High School's Spirit Night at Harold E. Memorial Schutz Stadium as part of homecoming week festivities.

## **Storm begins Iashing Florida Bv ALEX HARRIS and MICHELLE MARCHANTE**

Miami Herald Tribune News Service

MIAMI — Hurricane Ian strengthened overnight into a major storm before making landfall over western Cuba, and an eastern tilt is set to take it into Tampa Bay as a powerful Category 3 on Thursday morning.

But two days out from landfall, Florida was already feeling Ian's first gusty, rainy bands. While any future small shifts in rain for several days.

the track make a difference for who sees the worst of the winds, the major threat for Ian is water. And the amount could be disastrous in some places.

In its 8 a.m. forecast today, the National Hurricane Center said Hurricane Ian is expected to bring historic levels of storm surge - up to 10 feet above dry land in Tampa Bay — and up to 24 inches of rain. Florida's entire west coast could see devastating storm surge and intense

## **Capsule Reports**

### **Council amends**

Redkey Town Council agreed Monday to amend salary ordinance, its accommodating two parttime officers for the rest of this year and next year. (Town Marshal Chance Retter will oversee hiring the officers.) Hopes are to transition to a second full-time officer before Retter begins training at the police academy in January.

## Felony arrests

## Surplus

Continued from page 1 Indiana writes its two-year budgets in odd-numbered years during four-month sessions, with the next scheduled to begin in January. Republicans, who hold the supermajority, seemed intent on keeping excess spending low, even with such high reserves, while Democrats

biggest budget challenge in 2023 will be restraint.

Rep. Greg Porter, D-Indianapolis, said he saw the problem as needing to identify where to spend the money, naming K12 spending as one of his priorities. He credited previous infusions, including 2021's education increase, to President Joe

children attend. When reserves make up 28% of the budget, he said, it hurts Hoosiers.

"I firmly believe that the most powerful tool on earth that sustains businesses, that sustains the economy, that is a smart investment, that is not stuffing cash in a mattress and saying that's fiscally responsible, is education," Qaddoura said. "I think that businesses are desperately in need of workforce. Indiana has a good business environment (and) friendly tax system but we do not invest in our workforce.' By the end of the 2023 fiscal year. even with spending on the automatic taxpayer refund and social services, Qaddoura said reserves would sit at 25%, double the state's own goal of 10-12%. Karickhoff hedged, saying that while inflation had boosted reserves it would also increase agency costs. Capital investment projects funded in the last budget cycle have already encountered hurdles, with construction costs balloon-"We're going to see our budget grow pretty substantially and it's going to be a budget that grows just to take care of the fundamentals,' Karickhoff said. He added that the caucus would prefer to use the money for one-time expenses rather than setting up a program without sustainable fund-

Eads attends Jay County clerk Jon Eads attended the Association of Indiana Counties' Annual Conference Sept. 19 through 22 in St. Joseph County.

It offered a variety of professional development courses.

State officials also provided updates on issues facing county government.

urged investing during a panel discussion last week before the Governmental Affairs Society of Indiana.

For Sen. Fady Qaddoura, D-Indianapolis, Indiana's consistent rankings in the bottom ten for K12 investment, infant and maternal mortality, and public health spending reflect badly on the state's future. The majority of counties don't have affordable healthcare, many struggle with a housing shortage and onethird of counties have maternal healthcare shortages.

"I think with \$6 billion, we can probably make strategic investments," Qaddoura said. But Sen. Aaron Freeman, R-Indi-

anapolis, voiced concerns about how easily those reserves could zero out in an economic downturn. Throughout the pandemic, Republicans have credited the state's savings for keeping Indiana afloat.

When you look at the \$429 million in Medicaid reserves, \$644 million in tuition reserve accounts, \$543 million in the rainy day fund, I don't think those numbers are astronomically high. I don't think they're high enough, frankly," Freeman said.

Freeman said he believed the budget surplus will hover closer to \$4.5 billion after the distribution of the automatic taxpayer refund. Even

Biden's American Rescue Plan.

Even that influx of federal monies didn't make up for prior cuts to education funding, he said.

We have too much money. We will have a \$6.3 billion surplus. I think the challenge is, 'What are we going to do with those dollars?'," Porter said. "We can't fund it on the cheap... (and) we're still playing catch-up.

Rep. Mike Karickhoff, R-Kokomo, said those major investments, especially in K-12 education, were because of his caucus' dedication to paying off debt early. The state's biggest outstanding debt obligation. a pre-1996 teacher pension fund, is scheduled to be paid off by 2030, free-

ing up \$1 billion per budget cycle. "(If) we get that paid off early, that's going to free up more money for us to do the things we need to do," Karickhoff said. "It's easy to say, 'Well, we have \$4 billion or \$6 billion in reserves ...' That's a number that can change very quickly ... We want to invest in human capital in ways that (are) strategic, that help empower people to help themselves and address some of the concerns that my colleagues are talking about."

But Qaddoura noted that teacher shortage persisted despite the spending, highlighting classrooms with that price tag, Freeman said the without teachers at the school his

Obviously with rapid inflation, it's going to show bigger revenue than we anticipated so we'll probably ... continue to pay down debt and have some one-time expenditures, Karickhoff said.



#### Theft

A Portland man was arrested this morning for theft.

820 W. High St., was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony. He's being held on a \$3,000 bond in Jay County Jail.

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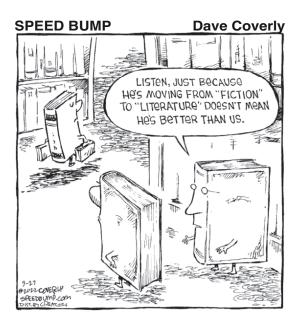
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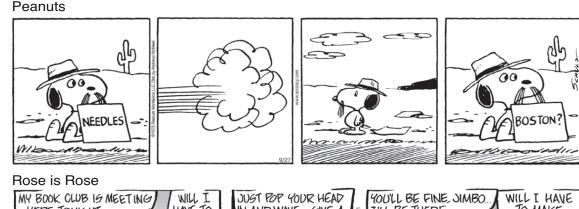
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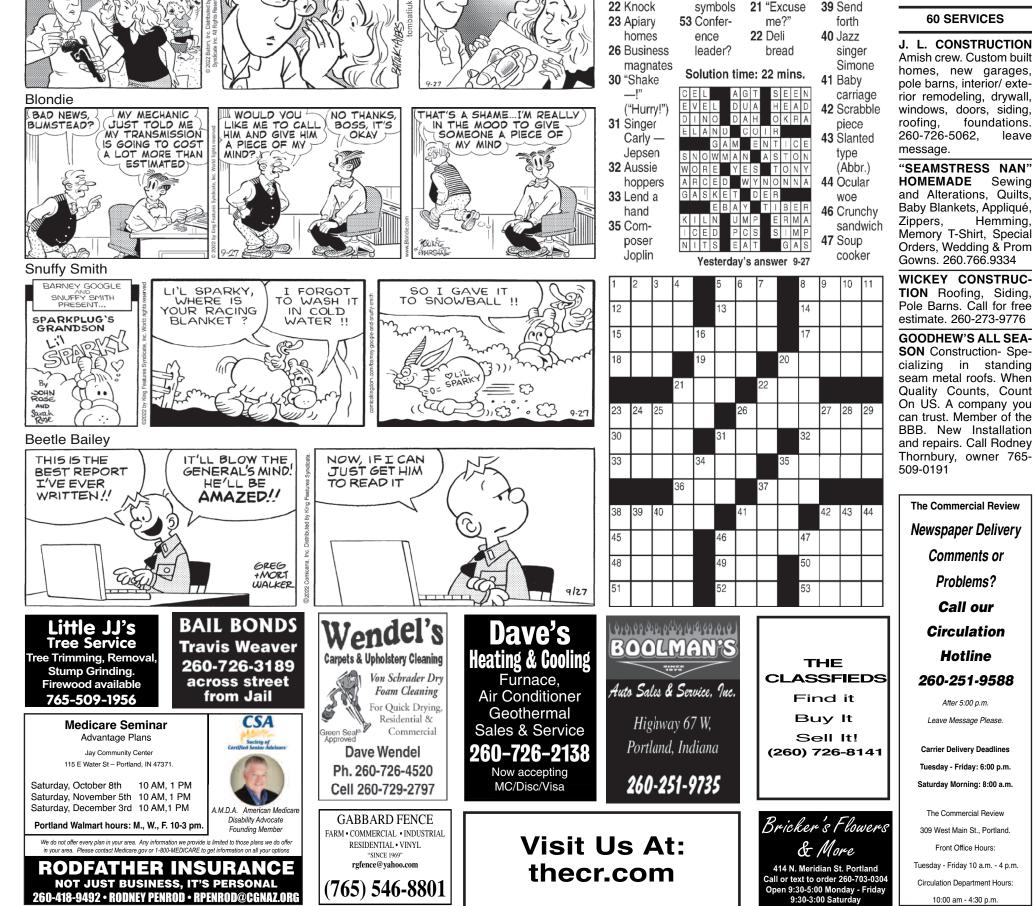
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### **Sports/Classifieds**

## Battle

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Brenna Haines and Denton each had four aces to lead the strong service game for the Patriots, who had not won since beating Shelbyville in Noblesville Invitational on Sept. 10. Sophie Saxman added three and Waddell had two.

JCHS nearly ended its losing streak in the first match of the day Saturday, winning the second set against South Adams after dropping the extended first. That

## FRHS

Continued from page 8 The FRHS girls had six runners in the top 25, with Ellie Will 17th in 21:45.4, Joelle Kaup 19th in 21:57.9 and Alexis Wendel rounding out the team score in 22nd at 22:10.5. Caitlin Weitzel added a 25th-place finish in 22:16.5.

Parker Brunswick posted a time of 18:01 to follow Heitkamp in 24th place for the Tribe boys. Joining them were Ethan Evers (92nd – 20:01.4), Evan Evers (94th – 20:15) and Caleb Rammel (115th – 20:59.2).

### Boys golfers up one

CELINA, Ohio — After placing sixth in the Midwest Athletic Conference during the regular season, Matthew Romer capped the the Fort Recovery boys team score with a 95.

#### forced a third and deciding set in 10 in the three-setter against which the teams traded points to a 4-4 tie. But a short three-point run that included two Shea Alberson kills put the Starfires ahead for good.

The Patriots closed to within one at 7-6 and again at 14-13 but were unable to pull even. Alberson ended the match on an attack from the left side that went off the arms of Waddell for the winning kill

Abbie Fields' 27 kills, including

South Adams, led the Jay County offense on the day. She also had a team-high eight blocks.

Brenna Haines totaled 51 digs, 22 of which came against the Starfires, and 11 aces, both team highs. Sophie Saxman put up 67 assists to go along with 23 digs.

Denton added 18 kills, 10 aces and four blocks, Brunswick also had 18 kills and Maggie Dillon and Brenna Bailey recorded 24 and 23 digs, respectively.

## Jay Co.

Continued from page 8 The girls finished 17 points ahead of the host Eagles out of eight teams.

No one was faster than Brooklyn Byrum as she won the middle school race girls race in 12 minutes, 22.4 seconds, with teammate Abby Fifer right behind her in 12:26.1. Jessie Homan gave the Patriots another runner in the top five as she placed fourth in 13:00.4.

Jay County's boys put five runners in the top 10 led by Raif Beiswanger's time of 10:48.5 for second place. Caleb Garringer was fourth in 11:23.4 ahead of Ricky Beiswanger (seventh -11:36.4), Grady Warvel (eighth 11:38.8) and Sam Wiggins (ninth – 11:47.4).

Rounding out the team score for the Patriot girls were Kaitlyn Fisher (15th – 13:58.7) and Maria Laux (22nd - 14:17.5).

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her strong season for the

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10 for the Indian boys with

a time of 11:43.9 for sixth

place. Russell Hart was

next in 13:15 for 36th place,

with Milo Fiely (43rd -

13:26), Chase Fiely (67th

14:39) and Evan Diller

Reese Diller made the top

Reinhard (84th – 19:12).

score.

## golfers climbed one spot

Saturday for fifth in the MAC Tournament at Celina Lynx Golf Club. The Indians shot 354, finishing four strokes ahead of sixth-place Marion Local

and 11 behind fourth-place Versailles. St. John's (320) won the league title by three strokes over Minster.

Isaac LeFevre led FRHS. recording seven pars in his round of 85 to tie him for 12th overall. Jack Gerker of St. John's and Nathan Beair of Minster shared the low score of 75.

Eli Lennartz had seven pars and a birdie for the Indians to trail LeFevre by one. Keegan Muhlenkamp followed with an 88 and

Based on their performances throughout the season, LeFevre was named to the All-MAC first team while Lennartz earned All-MAC honorable mention.

### **Spikers fall in five**

LIMA, Ohio — Fort Recovery's volleyball team had one-set advantages twice but was unable to put away host Shawnee in a 21-25, 25-21, 17-25, 25-23, 15-12 loss Saturday.

Allysen Fullenkamp and 13 kills and three blocks for FRHS (4-9), which was up two sets to one but fell just short in tight fourth and fifth sets. Teigen Fortkamp had 13 assists, nine kills and a pair of blocks.

Kali Wendel put up 18 assists and recorded 10

digs and Faith Wendel finished with seven aces.

Grace Klingshirn followed Fullenkamp and Fortkamp with eight kills, and Mara Pearson had 11 digs and three aces.

### **Girls golfers last**

 $MIN\overline{S}TER$ , Ohio — The Fort Recovery girls golf team finished last out of nine Saturday in the Midwest Athletic Conference Tournament at Arrowhead Golf Course.

The Indians came in at 473, finishing four strokes behind eighth-place St. John's. Coldwater shot 377 to win the MAC title by four strokes over the host Minster Wildcats.

digs, Audra Bubp had 17 114 for the low score for out of nine scoring teams. FRHS. Jordan Hemmel-The girls did not have garn of Coldwater was the individual conference champion with an 85.

Ella Schoen followed Westgerdes for the Indians with a 117 and Emma Will shot 119. Brynn Stammen's 123 rounded out the team score.

Based on her performance throughout the season, Will earned All-MAC honorable mention.

### Huelskamp second

VERSAILLES, Ohio Makenna Huelskamp placed second Saturday to lead Fort Recovery's middle school teams at the Versailles Tour De Sewer.

The Tribe boys scored (83rd – 15:37) completing Ella Westgerdes posted a 174 points to finish seventh the team score.

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STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF JAY, SS: IN THE JAY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT OAKWOOD MHC INDIANA, LLC, Plaintiff,

V. UNKNOWN OWNER(S) OF ABANDONED MOBILE HOME, and INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES, Defendants. CAUSE NO. 38C01-2209-MI-000040 SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE OF SUIT To the Defendants named and any other person who may be

### **90 SALE CALENDAR**

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**90 SALE CALENDAR** 

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The need for the project is evidenced by the deteriorated condition, which commonly includes section loss, and hydraulic inadequacy of the existing culverts. According to the INDOT Scoping Reports for these structures (2019-2021), the condition rating for each culvert is a 3, which is representative of a structure in "poor" condition. The condition ratings range from 0 to 9, with 0 being a failed structure and 9 being a structure in excellent condition. The purpose of the project is to provide for a condition rating of at least 7 out of 9 ("good" rating) and provide sufficient hydraulic conveyance, increasing the life of the culverts an additional 25 years.

The project will replace the existing culverts. The existing Structure 1 culvert is a 46-foot long, 30-inch diameter corrugated metal pipe (CMP), which will be replaced with a 74foot long, 54-inch diameter CMP. The existing Structure 2 culvert is a 52-foot long, 24-inch diameter CMP, which will be replaced with a with a 49-foot long, 36-inch diameter Type 1 pipe. The existing Structure 3 culvert is a 60-foot long, 18-inch diameter CMP, which will be replaced with a 55-foot long, 30-inch diameter Type 1 pipe. The existing Structure 4 culvert is a 60-foot long, 18-inch diameter CMP, which will be replaced with a 48-foot long, 24-inch Type 1 pipe. The existing Structure 5 culvert is a 92-foot long, 24-inch diameter CMP, which will be replaced with an 86-foot long, 24-inch Type 1 pipe. The existing Structure 6 culvert is 97-foot long, 24-inch diameter CMP, which will be replaced with a 93-foot long, 30-inch Type 1 pipe. The existing Structure 7 culvert is a 69-foot long, 24-inch diameter CMP, which will be replaced with a 72-foot long, 30-inch Type 1 pipe. Riprap will be installed at the outlet of all structures, as well as the inlet of Structure 1. The total length of work at Structure 1 is 594 feet, at Structure 2 is 175 feet, at Structure 3 is 165 feet, at Structure 4 is 300 feet, at Structure 5 is 165 feet, at Structure 6 is 135 feet, and at Structure 7 is 150 feet.

The project will require 2.178 acres of new permanent right-of-way (ROW) and no temporary ROW; 0.726 acre, 0.327 acre, 0.712 acre, and 0.412 acre from Structures 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively. No relocations will occur as part of this project.

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) for the project will require a full closure with detour route for Structure Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 along SR 1 and SR 26. The MOT for the US 27 structures (Structure Nos. 5, 6, and 7) will occur in two phases, with lane closures. US 27 traffic will be reduced to a single open lane with a temporary portable signal. The travel lane will be shifted opposite the lane of construction for each phase, while one half of the structure is replaced. The MOT is expected to take place during one construction season, typically March through November. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. School corporations and emergency services will be notified of closures prior to construction.

The cost associated with this project is approximately \$1,304,200 which includes preliminary engineering, right-of-way, construction with both federal and local funds anticipated to be used. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and INDOT have agreed this project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level-2 environmental document. Preliminary design plans along with the draft CE are available for review at the following locations:

INDOT Greenfield District Website: https://www.in.gov/indot/aboutindot/central-office/welcome-to-the-greenfield-district/

Hartford City Public Library, 314 North High Street, Hartford City, IN 47348 2

3 Jay County Public Library, 315 North Ship Street, Portland, IN 47371 Randolph County Public Library, Farmland Branch, 116 South Main Street, 4 Farmland, IN 47340

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All interested persons may request a public hearing or express their concerns by comments to the attention of Robert Winebrinner submitting at RWinebrinner@lochgroup.com or at 317-334-6858 on or before October 14th, 2022. Any person with limited internet access may request a hard copy of the project information and can contact Robert Winebrinner using the contact information above. If a hearing is determined to be in the best interest of the public, additional notification will be prepared, and the public notified. Otherwise, any comment or materials received will be considered in the decision-making process.

This notice is published in compliance with Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 771.11(h) entitled "Early Coordination, Public Involvement and Project Development" and the INDOT Public Involvement Policies and Procedures Manual, approved by the Federal Highway Administration, US Department of Transportation, on August 16, 2012.

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#### concerned.

The Unknown Owner(s) of the Abandoned Mobile Home who may be interested in the mobile home described in this notice vou are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named cause.

Oakwood MHC Indiana, LLC has filed a Verified Complaint for Court Order to Issue Mobile Home title regarding a certain mobile home situated at 1237 N U.S. 27 #43. Portland, Jay County, Indiana 47371 at a manufactured home community known as Oakwood. The mobile home is described as a 1993 MAKE: PATRIOT, MODEL: UN-KNOWN, VEHICLE IDENTIFI-NUMBER CATION UN-KNOWN. Title and ownership of the mobile home is unknown Plaintiff is requesting that title and ownership of the mobile home be transferred to BSREP II MH Bayshore Heritage, LLC This summons by publication is directed to any person who may claim an ownership interest in the mobile home and whose identity and whereabouts are unknown.

This summons by publication is directed to the Unknown Owner(s) of Abandoned Mobile Home whose whereabouts are unknown.

An answer or other appropriate response in writing to the Complaint must be filed either by you or your attorney on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication of notice of the suit, and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief de manded in the Complaint. Responses must be filed at the Jay County Clerk's Office, 120 North Court Street, #11, Portland, Indiana 47371. The names and address of the attorneys representing the plaintiff are: Kathryn M. Merritt-Thrasher,

#30769-29 J. F. Beatty, #4170-49 LANDMAN BEATTY.

LAWYERS 9100 Keystone Crossing, Suite 870 Post Office Box 40960 Indianapolis, IN 46240-0960 Lawyers for Plaintiff Oakwood MHC Indiana, LLC Date: 9/8/2022 Jon Eads Clerk of the Jay County Courts

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### **Tribe golfers finish** fifth in conference. see **FRHS** roundup

Tuesday, September 27, 2022



### **Jay County spikers** will host ACAC rival **Southern Wells Tuesday**

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Jay County High School sophomore Kiley Williams puts up a block against DaKodah Hartley of Southern Wells during Saturday's Allen County Athletic Conference Tournament at Adams Central. The Patriots opened with a three-set loss to South Adams, then beat Southern Wells, lost a tight two-setter to Adams Central and defeated Bluffton.



Patriots battle to 2-2

MONROE — The idea going into the season was to compete in every match, regardless of the strength of the opponent. At times, that has been a strug-

gle.

It wasn't Saturday.

The Jay County High School volleyball team went 2-2 in the Allen County Athletic Conference Tournament, defeating Southern Wells 25-13, 25-14 and Bluffton 25-14, 25-17.

Its losses were both battles against teams the Patriots had lost to in the last two weeks. They fell 29-27, 23-25, 15-13 to eventual conference runner-up South Adams and 26-24, 26-24 to host Adams Central after getting blown off the court by the Jets on Sept. 13.

Jay wins two, falls just short against Jets and Starfire in ACAC Tournament

Heritage defeated South Adams 25-23, 25-19 in the finals to win the ACAC title.

After opening with the three-set loss to the Starfires, Jay County (5-15) dominated Southern Wells to put an end to an eight-match losing streak

The Patriots gave up the first (14).

point of the match but never trailed again as a Bella Denton block evened the score. The junior middle hitter then stepped back to serve six straight points, including a pair of aces. Her serving set up the story of the match as JCHS

Back-to-back Denton aces ended the first set and Jay County ran out to a 6-1 lead in the second. A strong service run by Laila Waddell extended the lead to 19-7 and, appropriately, Madison а Brunswick ace off the arms of racked up more aces (16) than kills DaKodah Hartley ended the match. See Battle page 7



Jay Co. draws Trojans, Eagles

Both Patriot soccer The other semifinal will folteams will open sectional low at 7 p.m.

**JCHS** to open against Indians

In order to reclaim the sectional title, the Patriots will need to avenge a pair of regular-season losses.

Host Jay County High School got a semifinal match

against the Jay Co. roundup defending champion

Union City Indians in the boys tennis sectional draw held Monday.

On Saturday, the Patriots dropped a pair of matches by 3-2 scores to Lapel and Triton Central.

JCHS and Union City will play in the semifinal round at 5 p.m. Wednesday, with the other semifinal match between Winchester and Randolph Southern contested simultaneously. The winners will return to play in the sectional final at 5 p.m. Thursday, with the champion to advance to the Marion regional.

During the regular season, Jay County suffered 3-2 losses to both Union City and Winchester. It won the 2020 title before losing in the finals to Union City last season.

On Saturday, the Patriots couldn't find the third point they needed in the losses to Lapel and Triton Central.

Against Triton Central, Eli Dirksen won 1-6, 7-5, 12-10 over Cole Thomas at No. 3 singles and the No. 1 doubles team of Sam Myers and Gage Sims defeated Griffin Sego and Ben Toth 7-6 (7-4), 2-6, 10-7. Abraham Dirksen went to a super tiebreaker at No. 1 singles, falling 6-1, 1-6, 14-12 to Tucker Hutchison.

Winners for JCHS against Lapel were Simon Dirksen 6-4, 2-6, 11-9 over Owen Imel at No. 2 singles and Abraham Dirksen 6-0, 6-0 over Mason Poynter at

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play against teams they have already beaten this year.

In the tournament draw Sunday, the Jay County High School boys soccer team got a quarterfinal game against New Castle while the girls received a bye to the semifinals to play Delta.

The Patriot boys (4-5-1) will kick off the eight-team Class 2A Sectional 24 at Delta against the Trojans at 5 p.m. Monday. They defeated New Castle 5-0 when they met Aug. 23.

The other semifinal game in the top half of the bracket pits Centerville against Mississinewa at 7 p.m. Monday.

Additional quarterfinal games will be played Oct. 4. Blackford and Eastbrook will meet at 5 p.m. with the host Eagles and two-time defending champion Yorktown to follow at 7 p.m.

If JCHS wins in the first round, it will advance to play the Centerville/Mississinewa winner in the semifinals at 5 p.m. Oct. 5.

## **Brunswick**, Hart lead 2nd-place FR

VERSAILLES, Ohio Trevor Heitkamp and Natalie Brunswick weren't at the record times they set a week earlier. But they still both finished in the top five.

Heitkamp was the runner-up to lead the Fort **Recovery High School boys** cross country team to an 11th-place finish Saturday at the Versailles Tour de Sewer while Brunswick's fourth-place result and a top-10 finish from Jenna Hart led a runner-up effort for the Tribe girls.

Heitkamp fought off Springfield Shawnee's Gregory Lange by a half second for the runner-up spot

The Patriots are 2-1-1 No. 1 singles. against sectional rivals this season, having defeated Delta and New Castle, tied with Yorktown and lost to Centerville.

Jay County's girls (8-3) will play Delta in the semifinal round of Class 2A Sectional 24 at Yorktown at 7 p.m. Oct. 6. The Patriots beat the Eagles 5-1 Sept. 20.

The opening round of the girls bracket is scheduled for Oct. 4 with the host Tigers taking on Centerville and New Castle playing defending champion Hamilton Heights, which was 13th in the most recent Class 2A poll. The winners will play in the first semifinal game at 5 p.m. Oct. 6.

JCHS is 3-0 against sectional rivals this year. defeating Centerville, Delta and Yorktown by a combined score of 17-3.

The girls championship game is scheduled for 2 p.m. Oct. 8 and the boys title game will be at 6 p.m. Oct. 8. Winners will move on to host a regional semifinal game.

FRHS roundup

in 16 minutes, 34.3 seconds. Jackson Center's Kellen Reichert won the race in 16:07.3.

Natalie Brunswick just missed breaking the 20minute mark as she finished fourth in 20:02.5 while Hart was eighth in 21:09.3 for the Indians, who scored 66 points to trail only Division III No. 8 Botkins (43).

See **FRHS** page 7

### **Runners** improving

UPLAND — Nine of the 11 runners for the Jay County cross country teams recorded careerbest times in Saturday's Delta Invitational at Taylor University.

The boys team had five career-best runs as it scored 156 points for sixth place out of nine teams. The girls did not have enough runners for a team score but got career bests from every competitor.

Patriot freshman Joseph Boggs led the parade of career bests as he finished 10th in the boys race in 18 minutes, 0.8 seconds. Senior Sebastian Solis also had a career best as he was 12th in 18:29.1.

Max Klopfenstein was 39th in a career-best 20:11.6, Darren Fisher finished 53rd in 20:56.5 and Isaac Kunkler was 62nd in 21:27.1.

Alexis Sibray, a freshman, was the top runner for the girls team with a time of 22:49.6 for 18th place. Following her were Paityn Wendel (29th - 24:22.3), Willow Hardy (30th - 24:28.3) and Courtney Harris (53rd - 28:02.5).

Also running for the boys with career-best times were Will Hawbaker (74th - 23:09.3) and Lukes Powers (78th - 24:21.9).

### **Titles swept**

UPLAND — Jay County Junior High School had three of the top five runners in the girls race and two of the top five in the boys race as it won both team titles Saturday in the Delta Invitational at Taylor University.

The boys team scored 30 points to dominate runner-up Delta (106) in the nine-team field. See Jay County page 7