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## Give and take

### Outdoor food pantry seeks to bridge need gap

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

"It's Wednesday. My check doesn't come 'til Friday. What do I do?"

That's the question Kelly Smeltzer and West Walnut Church of Christ sought to answer.

The result is the installation of a FeedingTeam.org outdoor food pantry intended to help residents bridge the gap when resources are gone but the next paycheck is a day or two away.

Smeltzer, the former Jay County High School band director who retired in June, remembers seeing a Facebook post about something called a Blessings Box. He didn't think too much about it at the time, but later learned from his brother-in-law Phil Moore about a new initiative started in his home county. FeedingTeam.org even had a box set up at his home church, Arcadia Church of the Brethren.

Mark and Lisa Hall of Hamilton County started the organization in order to help because they recalled being food insecure when they were a young married couple with kids. "Our mission is to provide food for our hungry neighbors with an emphasis on serving families that don't fit the models of public assistance and traditional food pantries," its website says.

It's a mission that spoke to Smeltzer.

"I just felt called to do this," he said.

"I thought it was a way to serve a need for others," he added. "To me, I thought it was fairly easy to maintain. But I thought it would be good to do. ... If it serves this community a little bit, then that's great."

So Smeltzer, president of West Walnut's board, brought the idea to his fellow board members and they got behind it. FeedingTeam.org provided the outdoor food pantry free of charge and the church gave \$100 in seed money to help fill it. It was installed last month.

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This FeedingTeam.org outdoor food pantry was installed last month on the north side of West Walnut Church of Christ in Portland. It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week for those in need to take a few items to help them get by. Anyone can donate to the food pantry by simply placing non-perishable items in the box.

### Another look is taken at county raises

#### Committee adjust its suggestion for pay increases

By BAILEY CLINE

The Commercial Review

A county committee has settled on its suggestions for raises.

Next it will be up to Jay County Council to finalize the raises for the 2023 budget.

Jay County Personnel Committee suggested a 4% raise across the board for county employees Wednesday. That excludes employees that may be given larger raises as previously suggested, mainly specific positions at Jay County Sheriff's Office, Jay County Highway Department and Jay Emergency Medical Service.

The additional cost for raises compared to this year's budget comes out to a little more than \$809,900.

County officials have been discussing wage increases for months, making cuts across the budget to try to accommodate them. Officials previously discussed a 6% across-the-board wage increase and larger raises for some employees, which would have come to an additional annual cost of about \$1.2 million.

The larger raises for workers mainly at the sheriff's office, highway department and Jay Emergency Medical Service were calculated to bring them closer to the average pay for their salaries. Currently, several positions are paid less in Jay County than the same job in surrounding counties.

The personnel committee previously suggested:

- Between 12% and 27% raises for employees depending on their position at the sheriff's office, as well as a 52% raise for the chief deputy
- Between 6% and 31% raises for positions at the highway department

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## BMV looks at closures

By CASEY SMITH

Indiana Capital Chronicle  
indianacapitalchronicle.com

Some Hoosiers are pleading with the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles to keep local branches open as the agency debates additional closures and pushes for more digital service transactions.

The Indiana BMV has completely closed eight branches around the state since 2019, according to agency data. More than a dozen other locations have additionally downsized or relocated.

Indiana BMV Commissioner Joe Hoage on Wednesday told legislators that staffing challenges and decreased foot traffic within certain branches has caused most of the recent closures. He added that the agency is encouraging more Hoosiers to conduct BMV business online or at digital kiosks. But an Indiana Capital

### State law requires at least one branch in every county

Chronicle review of dozens of public comments submitted by those who live in communities with pending shutdowns show that local residents believe their branches are a vital and necessary resource.

Hoage announced last week the latest BMV branch closure in Nappanee. The location will cease operations Oct. 28. The BMV will instead install a kiosk in the city, which lets residents complete most common transactions on their own.

The decision was made even

after dozens of people from Nappanee and surrounding communities submitted written testimony and showed up at a public hearing to oppose the closure. Many expressed concerns about the impact on the Amish community there, citing the increased distance to be traveled by those without cars to the next nearest BMV branch.

Hoage said in a statement following the closure that "it is never easy for us to make the choice to close a branch."

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### Seiter slams

Holden Seiter, 3, adjusts his mallet for another round of frog launch, one of many free carnival games offered Saturday during Hopefest activities at Jay County Fairgrounds. After a few attempts, Seiter managed to launch the stuffed frog into the basket and win a prize.

#### Deaths

Gary Tabor, 71, Muncie  
Details on page 2.

#### Weather

The high temperature in Jay County peaked at 63 degrees Wednesday. The low was 45.

Tonight's low is expected to dip into the 30s. Friday's forecast calls for sunny skies with the high climbing to near 70.

See page 2 for an extended forecast.

#### In review

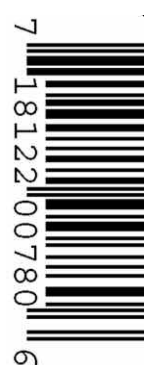
Portland Main Street Fall Festival is scheduled for 4 to 9 p.m. Saturday on Main Street between Meridian and Harrison streets in Portland. It will include free activities, food, vendors and music.

For more details about the festival, see Friday's edition of The Commercial Review.

#### Coming up

Friday — Results from tonight's JCHS boys tennis sectional championship match.

Tuesday — Coverage of Monday's Portland City Council meeting.



# Obituaries

## Gary Tabor

Feb. 20, 1951-Sept. 27, 2022  
Gary Lee Tabor, 71, of Muncie, Indiana, passed away from natural causes on Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2022, in Muncie, Indiana.

Gary was born on Feb. 20, 1951, in Muncie, where he grew up and graduated from Muncie Central High School in 1969. He graduated from Ball State University in 1973 with a bachelor of arts, and then Indiana Wesleyan University with a master of science in business adminis-

tration in 2005. He was also a member of the Masonic Community.

Gary was happily employed at Pak-A-Sak Inc. for over 24 years where he served as the director of marketing and sales and retired in March of 2018.

On any given day, you could find Gary fishing on his pond, driving his tractor doing yard work or hanging with his dear



Tabor

friend and buddy Ron Baker. He was an avid fan of Indiana University basketball, University of Notre Dame football and the Indianapolis Colts.

Gary was always a proud father of many rescue dogs over the years which gave him lots of love and companionship.

Gary is survived by his children, William Tabor and Courtney (Tabor) Turich; daughter-in-law Shahanna Tabor; son-in-law Ted Turich; grandchildren Max Turich and Destini (Tabor) Carter; and best friends Ron and Connie Baker.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents Mann Tabor and Marianne Burnham.

A funeral service to celebrate Gary's life will be held at 1 pm Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022, at Gant Funeral Homes - Yorktown Chapel, 2215 S. Broadway St. in Yorktown. Cremation will follow services. Friends and family may gather to share and remember from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday at Gant Funeral Homes - Yorktown Chapel.

Share a memory and leave your condolences at gantfuneralhomes.com.

The Gant and Miller families are honored to celebrate Gary's life with his family and community.

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*The Commercial Review publishes death notices for those with a connection to our coverage area free of charge.*

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## CR almanac

Friday 9/30	Saturday 10/1	Sunday 10/2	Monday 10/3	Tuesday 10/4
<b>68/45</b>	<b>68/50</b>	<b>68/44</b>	<b>67/42</b>	<b>68/42</b>
Sunny skies are in the forecast for Friday with a high in the upper 80s. The low may reach 45.	Saturday's weather looks partly sunny with wind gusts reaching up to 20 mph. The high may be 68.	Mostly sunny skies are set for Sunday. The low at night will be in the low 40s.	Monday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies and moderate temperatures. Cool at night.	Sunny skies are on the horizon for Tuesday. The low may continue to dip into the low 40s.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> 6-10-24-33-67 Power Ball: 11 Power Play: 3 Estimated jackpot: \$322 million	45-49-51-53-58-61-65 Cash 5: 4-8-11-18-33 Hoosier Lotto: 2-3-16-19-25-31 Estimated jackpot: \$2 million
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$355 million	<b>Ohio</b> Midday Pick 3: 2-8-6 Pick 4: 3-5-4-4 Pick 5: 0-2-8-6-2 Evening Pick 3: 6-0-2 Pick 4: 9-9-6-2 Pick 5: 3-9-5-9-4 Rolling Cash: 18-27-28-35-38 Classic Lotto: 14-17-18-25-33-45 Kicker: 8-6-5-7-5-3 Estimated jackpot: \$36.9 million
<b>Hoosier</b> Midday Daily Three: 9-5-6 Daily Four: 0-9-4-2 Quick Draw: 2-13-15-16-24-27-35-37-43-45-46-56-57-60-61-62-71-74-77-79 Evening Daily Three: 0-3-7 Daily Four: 4-7-2-1 Quick Draw: 5-8-15-19-21-24-25-27-28-34-36-37-41-	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....6.86 Oct. corn .....6.56 Wheat .....7.44	Wheat ..... 8.37 Nov. wheat ..... 9.07
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....7.01 Oct. corn .....6.91 Nov. corn .....6.61	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....6.47 Oct./Nov. corn .....6.47 Beans .....13.89 Oct. beans .....13.89 Wheat .....8.67
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....6.48 Oct. corn .....6.48 Beans .....13.87 Dec. beans .....14.01	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....6.44 Oct. corn .....6.34 Beans .....13.80 Oct. beans .....13.68 Wheat .....8.51

## Today in history

In 1789, Congress passed "An act to recognize and adapt to the Constitution of the United States, the establishment of the troops raised under the resolves of the United States in Congress assembled" at the close of the final day of its first session. By doing so, Congress legalized the existing U.S. Army, which it had inherited from the Continental Congress.

In 1833, 2-year-old Isabella II was proclaimed queen of Spain following the death of her father King Ferdinand VII.

In 1972, Mary M. Fenton, 73, Winchester, died when the vehicle she was driving crossed the center line and collided with another vehicle north of Pennville.

In 2021, the Jay County High School boys tennis team lost 3-2 to Union City in the sectional championship match. Earning wins for the Patriots were cousins Abraham Dirksen and Simon Dirksen at No. 2 singles and No. 3 singles, respectively. —The CR

## Citizen's calendar

<b>Monday</b> 2 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners executive session, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 6 p.m. — Jay County Council special meeting, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.	<b>Tuesday</b> 4 p.m. — Jay County Development Corporation, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Portland Park Board, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 7 p.m. — Pennville Town Council, town hall, 105 N. Washington St. 7 p.m. — Salamonina Town Council, Schoolhouse Community Center.
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## Raises ...

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•Between 6% and 21% raises for employees at JEMS

Personnel committee members Chad Aker, Ted Champ and Jeanne Houchins proposed Wednesday shifting a few positions — jail maintenance and courthouse security — to a 6% raise compared to previous recommendations. They also discussed their options in relation to county employees as a whole, hovering between a 3% or 4% across-the-board raise.

"I think we've done all the cuts we can do," Houchins said. "We're just going to have to make a choice."

All three committee members pointed out the 2023 budget will have a deficit regardless. (Without wage increases, estimates show a deficit of \$365,336.38.)

"We need to fix this. We're in a deficit mode. It's a beautiful time to fix it. Is it the right time? I'll tell you

next year this time," remarked Champ. "But we've not fixed it because we've always done 3 to 4% across the board, and if we just do that again, we've just made it even worse for next year and the following year. We'll never catch up."

Houchins added she would also prefer to give a raise regardless of the budget deficit.

"I would rather take the risk and give the raise then take the risk and lose employees," said Houchins. "We've got some dedicated employees (that have) stuck with us through the years when we haven't been able to give raises or (gave) minimal raises, and I just feel that we owe them a raise."

Aker pointed out employees at the sheriff's office, highway department and JEMS are behind the average pay. He advocated for the larger raises.

"We can't lose those people," Aker

## BMV ...

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"However, as Hoosiers choose to conduct their transactions online and at kiosks more and more often, it is critical for the agency to respond and adapt to those trends," he said.

Currently, the BMV

operates 124 branches statewide. The agency is required by Indiana law to operate at least one branch in each of the state's 92 counties.

BMV spokesperson Melissa Hook said the agency conducts regular assessments of transac-

tion activity "to make sure we are most effectively using state resources." She noted that those assessments can prompt a review of whether a branch should remain open or have an adjustment in its operating hours.

The agency's process to determine whether a branch should be closed requires BMV staff to collect and analyze data to determine who uses the branch and how, in addition to a review of the fiscal effects of the closure.

## Capsule Reports

### Front end collision

Damage is estimated between \$10,000 and \$25,000 after a Portland woman's van drifted into the westbound lane on county road 300 South and crashed into a Portland man's truck about 6:55 a.m. Wednesday.

Janel M. Vogel, 29, was driving east on the road when she drifted into the westbound lane. She told Jay County Sheriff's Office she was having difficulties seeing the road. Paul J. Szym-

czak, 49, was driving west on the road when he saw Vogel's 2017 Toyota Sienna approaching him. Szymczak told police he slowed his 2013 Chevrolet Silverado but wasn't able to avoid a crash with Vogel's van.

No injuries were reported.

### Intersection crash

A Portland teen drove in front of oncoming traffic about 3:38 p.m. Wednesday, causing a collision.

Erin S. Moore, 46, was driving northeast on Indiana 67 and crossing the intersection with county road 200 West when an eastbound 2012 Cadillac ATS, driven by Bryan A. Garcia, pulled in front of Moore. She wasn't able to avoid crashing her 2012 Chrysler 200 into Garcia's vehicle.

Both vehicles were towed, with damage estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

## Give ...

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Despite that initial donation, Smeltzer said his challenge to his fellow congregants was to think about what is in their cabinets that they may not need or use.

"Throw it in your car," he said. "The next time you drive by the church, put it in the cabinet. ..."

"It might be a help and benefit to many others who really can use that food more than we could."

"The whole concept behind it is 'Take what you need, give what you can,'" he added, quoting the phrase that is printed on the top of the outdoor food pantry. "Rely on the community."

The dandelion yellow food pantry — it is located in the alley north of West Walnut Church of Christ, 204 W. Walnut St., Portland — is open 24 hours a day, seven

days a week and is available to anyone in need. Those who use it are asked to limit themselves to six items per visit in order to make sure there is enough for others.

Those who are able to donate can do so by simply stopping by and putting their items in the box. Suggested items include non-perishable foods such as canned soups, fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, condiments and crackers. Toiletries and personal hygiene products are also welcome.

"It's open, out there, 24/7," said Smeltzer. "It's just come up any time you want. Take something. If you can, leave a can of something."

"That's what I like about it. It's not a me, it's not an us, it's everybody. To be able to give to others is a pretty good feeling."

## SERVICES

### Thursday

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

### Saturday

**Tabor**, Gary: 1 p.m., Gant Funeral Homes, 2215 S. Broadway St., Yorktown.

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# Single woman rebuked for her choice

DEAR ABBY: I am almost 30, not married, no kids. I am a workaholic. I love my nieces and nephews to death, and being an aunt is one of my favorite things ever. My issue is: I don't want to have kids.

I started dating again a few months back, and it seems like any man I go on a date with thinks he can change my mind about kids. I have personal medical reasons for not wanting to give birth. Of course, if I do meet a man who has kids, that would be perfect! I'd be a great mom.

So why is it I get called dirty names because I choose not to have kids? Everyone says I'll change my mind once I meet the right guy, but this isn't a negotiable issue. If we want to adopt or consider other options for kids, I am more than willing. There are children who need a home more than I need to bring one into this world just to pass on my DNA. Please help me understand

Dear Abby



what I am missing. — UNWAVERING IN IDAHO

DEAR UNWAVERING: Not every woman wants to bear children. That is a fact. For someone to call you "dirty names" because of how you feel is judgmental and presumptuous. Motherhood should be — and is — a personal choice, and birth control allows us the freedom to exercise that choice as we see fit.

It's possible you may be dating in the wrong age group. If you concentrate on older men who most likely already have children, I'm betting you will receive less flak and have a better outcome. There are also

dating apps for couples who want to remain child-free or for those who are already parents. Check them out.

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend has a penchant for long stories, many times on the phone, which are trivial. This morning, she called and proceeded to describe, at length, a nightmare she'd had last night. I try — I really do — to listen, but I usually wind up thinking, what's the point of having a looong conversation about a nightmare? Because I got bored, I started using the computer to search for some meal coupons. When I found them, I interrupted her monologue, which led to a back-and-forth accusatory interchange, "I interrupt you, you interrupt me," etc., etc., etc.

I have always been easily bored with long-winded conversations about minor issues or non-issues. People sometimes criticize me because it's obvious I'm not

paying attention. How do I fix this so people don't get offended when they persist with these pointless stories? Today I had to hang up as our "discussion" was escalating. — EASILY BORED IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR EASILY BORED: If this happens regularly, the problem may be that you have a short attention span. However, if that's not the case, it's time you realized that relationships are based on people taking the time to communicate with each other. This includes hearing and listening as well as talking. If you value your relationship with your girlfriend, try to make more of an effort. And help her to compromise by pointing out how she can edit some of her longer monologues.

DEAR ABBY: This may seem kind of morbid, but I want to know if I should write a letter to my daughter and son to be read after

my death to let them know how very proud I am to have been their mother. Is this an OK thing to do? — GRATEFUL MOM IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR GRATEFUL MOM: I see nothing wrong with it. However, an even better thing to do would be to convey that message to your son and daughter OFTEN while you are still among the living.

DEAR ABBY: My husband's parents treat our two daughters very differently. My oldest is bright and talkative, and she's treated with love and kindness from both of them. They bring her gifts for holidays and birthdays and make time to be with her. Our younger daughter has multiple disabilities. She is nonverbal and requires help in all areas. My in-laws act as if she doesn't exist. They never interact with her and never buy her gifts. They claim to be religious people, but I find their

behavior toward our younger child to be completely devoid of love or kindness — the opposite of what their religion teaches. It's distressing to my husband and me.

We have mentioned the inequality before, to no avail. In fact, they never even responded. What should we do? It's tearing my heart apart to see my younger child treated this way by people who should love her unconditionally. — MOM OF TWO IN OHIO  
DEAR MOM OF TWO: You do not have to sit by and helplessly tolerate your younger daughter being treated the way she has been. I agree that what your in-laws have been doing is cruel and hurtful. It's appalling. So you and your husband should TELL them that if they want to continue seeing their grandchildren, they will show more consideration to the younger one, or else it won't happen.

# Survivors point to stress education as key

By JESSE BUNCH

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette  
Tribune News Service

PITTSBURGH — It was a miracle that 20-year-old Zaire Goodman made it out of the Tops grocery store in east Buffalo alive.

The young man, who was shot in the neck and through the back by white supremacist Payton Gendron, unwillingly became a member in one of the country's continuously growing clubs this May: a legion of survivors of mass terror events.

Last Tuesday, months after the deadly massacre that left 10 others dead, Goodman's mother, Zeneta Everhart, was composed as she spoke at Pittsburgh's Eradicate Hate summit, an international gathering of anti-violence experts inspired by the Tree of Life synagogue shooting in 2018, at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

According to Everhart, the 18-year-old Gendron was "misguided." After she read his 180-page manifesto — one in which he touted the anti-Black and anti-immigrant "Great Replace-

ment Theory" — Everhart suggested better education on race could have averted the shooting.

"He didn't know who we were — he doesn't know who Black people are in this country," Everhart said of the alleged shooter. She added, "In America, we don't teach true African American history. We don't tell the story of what America did to my ancestors."

Over the course of the morning, experts in digital extremism monitoring and other survivors discussed how to prevent hateful and racially motivated attacks like Buffalo and extremist violence that has erupted domestically and abroad over the past decade. Like Everhart, the panel stressed that education and intervention with potential shooters is crucial, while also important were efforts to remove hateful manifestos and livestreamed videos of attacks from the internet as soon as they appear.

Bjorn Ihler, a survivor of the far-right attacks on Norway's Utoya Island in 2011, turned the

horrific experience — one where 77 people were shot killed — into action.

Ihler, 31, now runs the Khalifa Ihler Institute, a nonprofit that tackles anti-violence projects. For example, the company used data to create a "hate map" that creates a global picture of extremism. Ihler drew connections between Buffalo and the Norway attack, where neo-Nazi Anders Breivik left behind a hateful manifesto Ihler said was similar to Gendron's. Similar, too, was the manifesto recovered from gunman Brenton Tarrant after the 2019 Christchurch mosque shootings in New Zealand.

"I think this constitutes a trend, of what I've been calling the 'manifesto shooters,'" Ihler said. "The documents themselves constitute as a transnational threat."

Meanwhile, another nonprofit is hoping to form partnerships with social media and tech platform where these manifestos and livestream videos of attacks can circulate widely in the minutes following the first

gunshot or explosion. Nick Rasmussen, executive director of the Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism, suggested removing this content as soon as possible can prevent other would-be terrorists from acting.

In the 24 hours after Christchurch shot and killed 42 people, Meta — formerly Facebook — scrambled to remove the livestream video of the attack from its platform.

"The attacker in Christchurch, New Zealand, successfully livestreamed for way too long a period of time" Rasmussen said.

His team, which runs a 24/7 monitoring service, aims to alert tech companies when extremist content is shared on their platform. One focus was smaller tech platforms that lack the tracking resources that large companies like Meta have.

Later, Sam Vinograd, assistant secretary for counterterrorism policy in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, nodded to efforts from the

Biden administration, which released the first-ever national strategy for domestic terrorism that included the tracking of financial activity of suspected domestic terrorists, training for military veterans on potential extremist targeting within that community, and funding for anti-extremism prevention groups.

Speaking virtually from a town near Buffalo was the Rev. Mark E. Blue, president of the NAACP's branch in Buffalo. He said "no amount of money" could ever erase the tragedy that happened in Buffalo.

Still, the community is moving forward to heal. The Buffalo Bills honored family members of the 13 Tops grocery shooting victims during their home opener at Highmark Stadium, including Zaire Goodman.

"We have made some great strides, but we still have a long way to go," Rev. Blue said. "We had prayer circles we had every nationality of individual in the city of Buffalo come together to try to bring some healing in our city."

# Community Calendar

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

## Today

CELEBRATE RECOVERY — 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 — BRANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based 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, call (260) 766-2006.

## Saturday

PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET — Will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday in the parking lot

at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St.

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

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first and third Saturday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

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.

# Sudoku

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		5	4		8		7	
7							2	8
5			9	1		3		
2					5	8		7
		7						
4		1		8				9
			7	4				8
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Level: Intermediate

## Wednesday's Solution

5	2	9	3	4	7	8	6	1
8	3	4	1	6	9	7	2	5
7	1	6	2	8	5	9	4	3
1	4	5	7	9	3	2	8	6
2	9	3	6	5	8	4	1	7
6	7	8	4	1	2	3	5	9
4	8	1	9	3	6	5	7	2
3	5	7	8	2	1	6	9	4
9	6	2	5	7	4	1	3	8

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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# Futurists deserve salute of thanks

By MORTON J. MARCUS

"The [Indianapolis] Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD) envisions Indianapolis as a growing, vibrant, and beautiful city where people are [sic] businesses thrive in an inclusive, world-class community."

That's about all one can learn about DMD from its obtuse website.

I doubt Bob Kennedy would have written such empty words. He certainly would laugh at the Freudian slip where DMD says "people are businesses."

Bob is a former director of DMD, an active, questioning voice on the development commission, and, during his long career, the architect for the city/county public library. His style is direct and material.

Morton J. Marcus



Fluff and bluff have no place in his approach to urban development.

If I have read Bob correctly, each project is an entity unto itself. Simultaneously, each project is a component of a community, the aggregation of projects over time. "Vision" and "identity" are important place markers, but inherently transitory concepts. Places evolve; respect for the past guides, but does not inhibit, the present.

As Bob Kennedy turns 90, he continues to enjoy the values of urban life, the convenience of the city and the diversity of experience and people available daily. No one I know has taken his place within the city's power structure advocating for improving Indianapolis.

There are still good people attempting to constrain the eternal Hoosier forces of self-interest. Preservation scholar James Glass provides support for those who aspire to protect our built past. On the battle lines opposing contemplated debasement of our natural resources are Clarke Kahlo, a freelance Indianapolis citizen, and Jeff Stant, leader of the statewide Indiana Forest Alliance.

Clarke reminds bureaucrats

that "... there are often issues which have community-wide implications which warrant wider public scrutiny than by just the immediate residents and sometimes even by the paid city planners who are supposed to also consider the broad public interest."

Once employed at DMD, today Clarke seeks to inform and help people in central Indiana participate in the plans hatched by local officials and private investors to encroach on sensitive natural areas. Clarke knows how frequently public and private organizations are blind to the present and future value of protecting both large and small environmental assets.

Finally, speaking of present and future assets, let's recog-

nize the immense value of children and those who invest in them.

Once a woman has freely made her own decision to give birth to or adopt a child, she begins the long-term, difficult journey of motherhood. She faces far more significant challenges than any encountered by Wall Street "risk-takers."

Her challenges involve our future. Her successes and disappointments begin early in the process, and impact our lives in unforeseeable ways. She deserves our support and appreciation. She, as much as any veteran, deserves to hear, "Thanks for your service."

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# Everyone will feel the impact

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Tribune News Service

A new study might finally get the attention of industrial leaders and others who have shrugged off the threat of human-caused climate change. It finds that more than half a million privately owned parcels of coastal property — the kind of property generally held by the well-heeled — could be underwater by 2050.

Studies galore lately have warned that global warming trends today are surpassing even the worst-case scenarios of just a few years ago. So much new data and dire pronouncements from scientists have emerged, in fact, that it's easy to let it become numbing. Even apocalyptic data, in the abstract, is still abstract.

But the analysis published this month by the research nonprofit Climate Central puts the issue into a context of dollars and acreage that could be useful driving home this urgent message to those who might otherwise be disinclined to listen to it.

The organization took existing data on predicted sea level rise and analyzed it against coastal property records across the U.S. What it found was that almost 650,000 parcels of privately owned land, across more than 4 million acres, will be below projected tidal boundaries by 2050. The lost real estate will be largely along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts.

The report lays out some truly sobering ripple effects of the loss of this land, including eroding tax bases for local governments "as property owners object to paying taxes on submerged land." That's the kind of projection that might, finally, get through to people who have been blithely or doggedly refusing to acknowledge the crisis at hand.

As one of the experts involved in the study told The Washington Post, "People really haven't internalized that yet — that 'Hey, I'm going to have something taken away from me by the sea.'"

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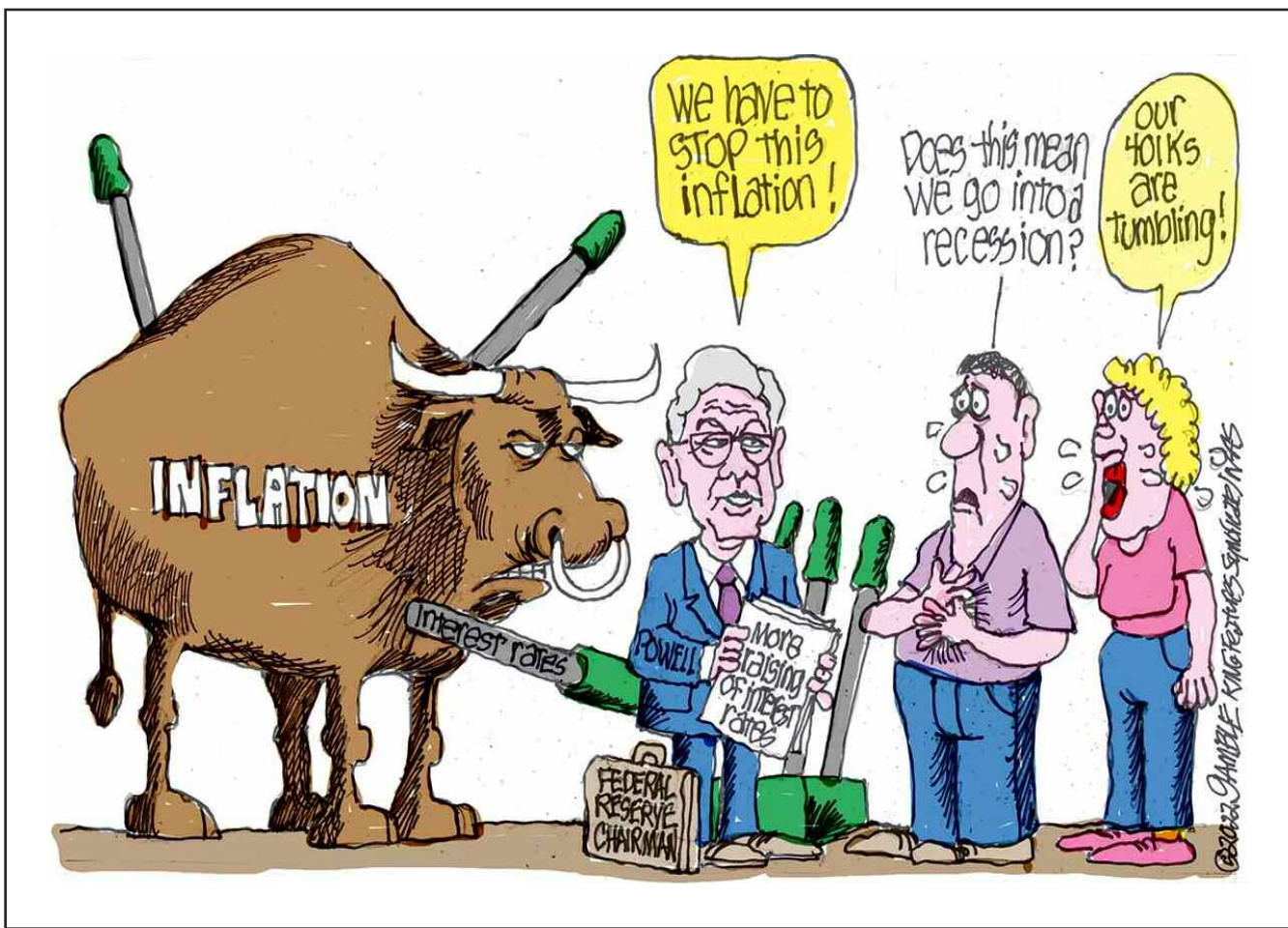
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The primary sufferers of the effects of climate change so far have generally been the poor — particularly developing-world citizens wracked by droughts and flooding in societies that don't function well even when the weather cooperates.

In the U.S., California wildfires, increased instances of Gulf hurricanes and other global-warming fallout makes the already-challenging lives of working-class Americans more so.

The wealthy — a group that includes those who control an industrial sector that has for years stymied attempts to confront climate change — generally have the resources and mobility to keep themselves out of harm's way, whether it's societal upheaval or a slow-motion environmental catastrophe. If it takes an existential threat to their vacation homes and beachfront land to finally get them to join the fight to save the planet, that, at least, would be a positive aspect to the latest dismal climate news.



# State is musically eclectic

By LEO MORRIS  
Indiana Policy Review

When I was a newbie reporter at the Wabash Plain Dealer, I started hearing about a young woman named Brenda Webb, just a few years out of high school and beginning to make a name for herself as a country singer. Since she was the younger sister of superstar Loretta Lynn, it was the consensus that Brenda just might make it.

And so she did. She grew up to become Crystal Gayle, who had more than a few No. 1 country hits.

Later, after I had moved on to the Michigan City News-Dispatch, I began a series of annual pilgrimages to Bill Monroe's bluegrass festival in Bean Blossom, just outside Nashville in Brown County. Like Gayle, a Kentucky transplant, Monroe had lived in Northwest Indiana while perfecting the new form of music called bluegrass.

How many other states can boast of being home to the creator of a whole new genre of music?

In Wabash, I still listened to LPs, along with AM radio my first source of music. My collection grew as my tastes changed.

For example, in my last days in the Army, my crowd (a disreputable bunch at Fort Hood, Texas) listened to a lot of Led Zeppelin, Jefferson Airplane and Janis Joplin. Out of the Army and back in Fort Wayne, I ran with a gentler crowd (i.e., including women), so I heard a lot of James Taylor, Carole King and Cat Stevens.

By the time I got to Wabash, I had discovered cassettes, which made hearing a lot of diverse music while driving one of life's joys — the lack of inventive album covers to turn into wall coverings being a major drawback. My musical tastes expanded to include the big band and jazz, a smattering of

Leo Morris



salsa, a little country (thank you, Brenda).

At some point in Michigan City, I discovered CDs and I listened to, well, practically all of it. I mostly avoided rap (not musical enough), and a little bit of opera went a long way (much too musical), but I liked some of everything in between. You might find me listening to Muddy Waters' great "Hard Again" blues album one day, Dvorak's "New World Symphony" the next.

These days, I praise the virtues of Alexa, the voice of Amazon's Echo smart speakers. If you are also an Amazon Prime member, you have access to a couple of million songs, and Alexa can call up whatever music you're in the mood for.

You can say, "Alexa, play the hits of (pick a year)," and suddenly you will be transported back to high school. You can ask her to shuffle Leonard Cohen songs or even to play a Leonard Cohen station, which will deliver Cohen and also artists like him. You can ask her to play a favorite song, such as Glenn Campbell's heartbreaking "I'm Not Gonna Miss Her," then say, "Alexa, play more like this." The other day, I was thumbing through a book of beat poems and asked Alexa to play a bebop station for my mood music.

Through Alexa, I have lately been happily discovering the range of music from Indiana.

When most people think of musicians from this state, the list

probably begins with Michael Jackson and ends with John Mellencamp. But there are so many more.

•Wes Montgomery, one of the most influential guitarists of his time, whose improvisational licks influenced everybody from Jimi Hendrix to Pete Townshend. He died much too soon, at 45 of a heart attack in 1968.

•Hoagy Carmichael, whose songs such as "Stardust," "Georgia on My Mind" and "Heart and Soul" have become classic standards and whose tunes are featured in so many of those old black and white movies.

•Cole Porter, whose witty lyrics reinvented the American songbook for a modern era, often overlooked as a composer of equally sophisticated melodies.

•Axl Rose of Guns N' Roses, Mick Mars of Motley Crue and David Lee Roth of Van Halen, who put so much energy into rock that we almost didn't realize it was a dying form.

•Freddie Hubbard, an extraordinary jazz trumpeter; J.J. Johnson, groundbreaking trombone player; Joshua Bell, a child prodigy on violin who made his Carnegie Hall debut at just 17.

•And on and on. Indiana may not have the distinction of representing a specific genre, as Nashville does for country or Mississippi and Chicago do for blues or New Orleans does for Cajun and zydeco. But it has contributed much to this country's musical landscape and helped crowd out the noise of the universe with much more structured and pleasing sounds.

Maybe not rap, maybe not opera, but a little bit of everything in between. However you choose to listen to it.

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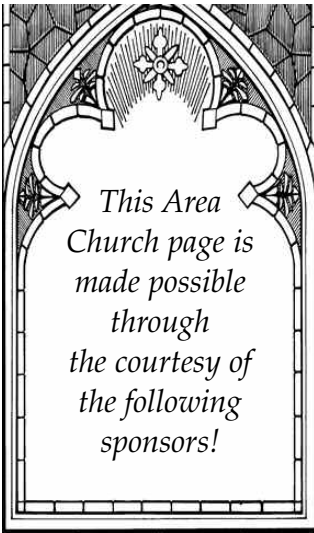
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Joe Boggs  
(260) 726-8464  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
asburyministries.org

**Banner Christian Assembly of God**  
1217 W. Votaw St., Portland  
Michael Burk  
(260) 726-4282  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Bellefontain United Methodist**  
440 S. 600 East  
Gordon Jackson  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Bethel United Methodist**  
Indiana 167, 4 miles north of Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Bluff Point Friends**  
80 E. 650 South  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Boundary St. Paul**  
Corner of Treaty Line Road and county road 300 East  
Ava Gannon  
(260) 726-2373  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Bryant Wesleyan**  
209 S. Hendricks St.  
Paul VanCise  
(260) 997-6231  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.  
bryantwesleyanchurch.com

**Calvary United Methodist**  
301 N. Main St., Dunkirk  
Susan Durovey-Antrim  
(765) 499-0368  
Services: 10 a.m.  
susan.duroveyantrim@in.unc.org

**Christ Chapel**  
105 S. Elm St., Fort Recovery  
Quentin Elsea  
(419) 733-1469  
christchapelfr.com

**Church of Christ (Southside)**  
1209 S. Shank St., Portland  
Bob Graham  
(260) 726-7777  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

**Church of the Living God (Miracle Missions)**  
8472 S. 800 East, Union City  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Church of God of Prophecy**  
797 N. Creagor Ave., Portland  
Nanette Weesner  
(260) 766-9334  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
nanybell@yahoo.com

**Church of the Brethren**  
Floral and Chicago avenues, Portland  
Kevin McClung  
(260) 729-7295  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Church of the Living God**  
South Broad Street, Dunkirk  
Services: 7 p.m., 7 p.m. Friday

**Collett Nazarene**  
450 South, 1 mile west of U.S. 27  
Billy Stanton  
(260) 251-2403  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Cornerstone Baptist**  
211 E. Main St., Portland  
Wayne Ward  
(260) 726-7714  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Dunkirk Nazarene**  
226 E. Center St., Dunkirk  
Tom Fett  
(765) 768-6199  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Evangelical Methodist**  
930 W. Main St., Portland  
Steve Arnold  
(260) 251-0970  
Services: 10:20 a.m., 6 p.m.

**Fairview United Methodist/Jay County**  
2875 E. 200 South  
Gordon Jackson  
Lay leader: Beth Stephen  
(260) 726-9184  
Services: 10:15 a.m.

**Faith Community**  
9560 W. 200 South, Dunkirk  
Joe Schmit  
(260) 251-5254  
Services: 10 a.m.

**Family Worship Center**  
200 E. Elder St., Portland  
Ronald Willis  
(260) 726-4844  
Services: 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday  
thefamilyworshipcenter.org

**Fellowship Baptist**  
289 S. 200 West  
Hugh Kelly  
(260) 726-8873  
Services: 10 a.m.  
pastorkelly@fbc-portland.com

**First American Baptist**  
427 S. Main St., Dunkirk  
Dan Coffman  
(765) 768-7157  
Services: 10:40 a.m., 5 p.m.

**First Church of Christ**  
1049 Union City Road, Fort Recovery  
David J. Nicholson  
(419) 375-2860  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
fccfcrecovery.org

**First Community Baptist**  
341 S. Meridian St., Redkey  
Everett Bilbrey Jr.  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

**First Free Will Baptist**  
12369 W. 600 South, Dunkirk  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday

**First Presbyterian**  
402 N. Ship St., Portland  
Rev. M. Rex Espiritu  
(260) 726-8462  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10:15 a.m.  
firstpcportland.org

**Fort Recovery Church of the Nazarene**  
401 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Revs. Brad and Kate Ratliff  
(419) 375-4680  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
frnaz@frontier.com

**Fort Recovery United Methodist**  
309 E. Boundary St., Fort Recovery  
Rev. David Porath  
(419) 678-2071  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Full Gospel Lighthouse Tabernacle**  
468 E. Washington St., Dunkirk  
Robert Thomas  
(765) 348-4620  
Services: 6:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Thursday

**Geneva First United Methodist**  
100 W. Line St., Geneva  
Barry McCune  
(260) 368-7655  
Services: 9:30 a.m.

**Geneva Nazarene**  
225 Decatur St., Geneva  
(260) 525-8609  
Services: 10 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.  
Prayer meeting: 6 p.m. Wednesday

**Gilead Church**  
County road 650 North, one-quarter mile east of Balbec  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Hickory Grove Church of the Brethren**  
Indiana 1 and Indiana 26  
Earl Doll  
(260) 731-4477  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**High Street United Methodist**  
435 High St., Geneva  
Rev. Joseph Hampton  
(260) 368-7233  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Holy Trinity Catholic**  
7321 E. Indiana 67, Bryant  
Fr. Peter Logsdon  
Services: 8:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Saturday  
churchofthemoostholytrinity.com

**Hopewell of Life Ministries**  
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403 Sharpshurg Road, Fort Recovery  
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(419) 375-4153  
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**Mount Tabor United Methodist**  
216 W. Pleasant St., Dunkirk  
John Retter  
(765) 768-7273  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Mount Zion United Methodist**  
County roads 600 East and 200 North  
Rev. Darrell Borders  
(260) 726-4786  
Services: 9 a.m.

**New Beginnings Holiness Church of Blaine**  
4017 W. 200 South  
Randy Smith  
(260) 251-2406  
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nbholiness.com

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1238 W. 450 South  
Chuck Myers  
(260) 251-0063  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**New Life Ministries**  
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(260) 755-6354  
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drkayfairchild.com

**New Mt. Pleasant United Methodist**  
5905 S. Como Road  
Neil Butcher  
(765) 499-7838  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Noble Congregational Christian**  
1964 N. 800 East  
Aaron Huey  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Oak Grove United Methodist**  
829 S. Indiana 1  
Neil Butcher  
(765) 760-9085  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Pennville United Methodist**  
190 W. Main St., Pennville  
Gary Newton  
(765) 669-1070  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Pleasant Hill**  
9945 N. 800 East, Union City  
Bruce Bryan  
(765) 964-3664  
Services: 9 a.m., 6 p.m.  
mypleasanthillchurch.org

**Portland First Church of Nazarene**  
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Steve Cecil  
(260) 726-8040  
Services: 10:45 a.m.

**Portland Friends**  
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Herb Hummel  
(260) 202-9732  
Services: 10 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9 a.m.

**Praise Chapel Church of God**  
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Rev. Josh Canfield  
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Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redeemer Lutheran**  
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Father Dan Layden  
(260) 997-6787  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Redkey Faith Ministries**  
9811 W. Indiana 67, southwest of Redkey  
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(765) 369-2920  
Services: 10 a.m.  
RedkeyFaith.org

**Redkey First Christian**  
Union and Malin streets, Redkey  
Jeff Hammers  
(765) 468-6172  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Redkey United Methodist**  
122 W. Main St., Redkey  
Lori McIntosh  
(765) 369-2085  
Services: 10:30 a.m.

**Redkey Church of the Nazarene**  
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**River of Life**  
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matt@therockjc.org

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(260) 335-2017  
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**Second Chance at Life Ministries**  
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Mike Eads (260) 703-0733  
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Robin Owen  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
pastorrobino@gmail.com

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Services: 7:30 a.m. Sunday

**St. Mary's Catholic**  
346 S. Broad St., Dunkirk  
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Services: 5 p.m. Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

**St. Paul Catholic**  
517 Meiring Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Alexander Witt  
Services: 11 a.m. Sunday

**St. Peter Catholic**  
1477 Philothea Road, Fort Recovery  
Rev. Alexander Witt  
Services: 9 a.m. Sunday

**Sugar Grove Nazarene**  
County roads 400 North and 550 West  
Rev. Mike Heckman  
(260) 731-4733  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m. (the 2nd and 4th Sunday at Pennville Park from June through September)

**Sugar Grove United Methodist**  
County roads 600 South and 1150 West, Dunkirk  
Scott McClain  
Services: 9 a.m.

**Temple Baptist**  
17920 Indiana 167, Dunkirk  
John Elam  
(765) 768-7708  
Sunday school: 10 a.m.  
Services: 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday  
7pillarsdirector@gmail.com

**Trinity Lutheran**  
301 N. Wayne St., Fort Recovery  
Robin Owen  
(419) 375-4498  
Services: 9 a.m. (contemporary service, fourth Sunday)  
pastorrobino@gmail.com

**Trinity United Methodist**  
323 S. Meridian St., Portland  
Joe Boggs  
(260) 726-8391  
Services: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 10:30 a.m.  
portlandtrinity.com

**Union Chapel**  
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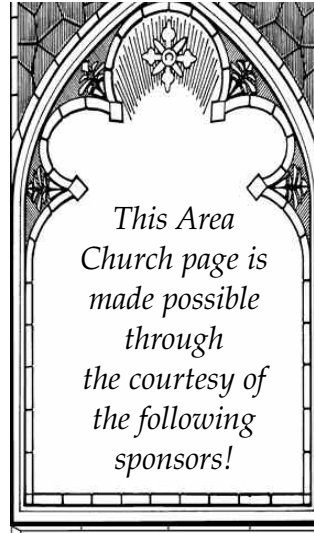
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County road 900 North (Jay-Wells county line)  
Fred Stevens  
Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

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County roads 200 North and 500 West  
Steve Rogers  
(260) 251-1113  
Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.

**Westchester United Methodist**  
4487 E. 400 North  
(260) 726-6311  
Services: 10:35 a.m.

**West Walnut Church of Christ**  
204 W. Walnut St., Portland  
Gil Alicea  
(260) 726-4691  
Services: 10 a.m.  
westwalnutchurchofchrist.org

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zionlutheranportland@gmail.com  
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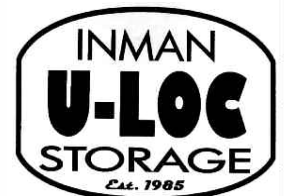
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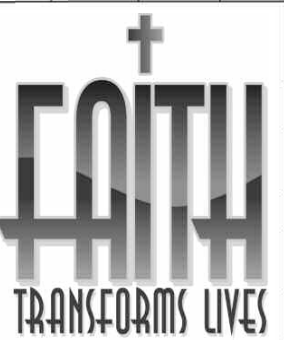
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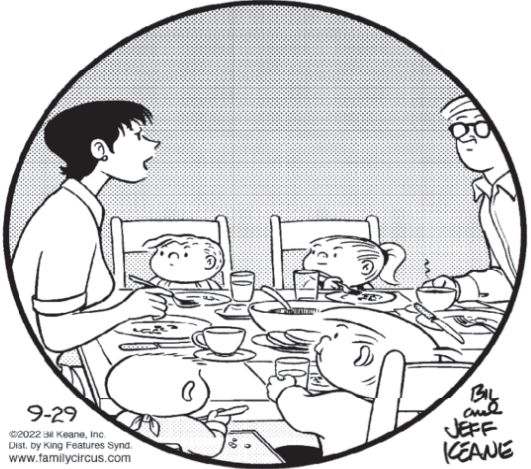


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North dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH: ♠9 5, ♥K 7, ♦A Q J 10 5 2, ♣A K 4. WEST: ♠J 10 7 6 2, ♥10 9 3, ♦8 4, ♣Q 9 5. EAST: ♠A Q 4, ♥J 8 6 2, ♦K 6 3, ♣10 8 3. SOUTH: ♠K 8 3, ♥A Q 5 4, ♦9 7, ♣J 7 6 2.

The bidding: North 1♦, East Pass, South 1♥, West Pass, North 3♦, East Pass, South 3NT.

Opening lead — six of spades. "Third-hand high" is an adage that dates back to the days of whist...

stantly be on the lookout for them. This deal illustrates such an exception. Defending against three notrump, East won his partner's spade lead with the ace and returned the queen...

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz. ©2022 King Features Syndicate Inc.

9-29 CRYPTOQUIP

VICV XCMS RTUEQKJ CV VIZ NIZNETDV NTDKVZU RCL GZQKJ UZCXXS UDMZ. LIZ LITDXM GZ NCLIQZUM.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE SCOTTISH MUSICIAN IS BOASTING INTERMINABLY ABOUT HOW SUPERBLY HE PLAYS. WHAT A BRAG-PIPER! Today's Cryptoquip Clue: J equals G

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS: 1 Ella's style, 5 Haydn nickname, 9 Oklahoma city, 12 "Hell — no fury ...", 13 Pitcher, 14 Goose egg, 15 Long-snouted mammals, 17 "Mazel —!", 18 Actress, 19 Puccini work, 21 ICU worker, 22 Tablecloth material, 24 Broadway production, 27 Silent, 28 Pesky insect, 31 Poetic dusk, 32 Khan title, 33 "Hail, Caesar!", 34 Evening, in an ad, 36 Rep.'s rival, 37 Blue shade, 38 "It's nobody", 40 Yes, to Juan, 41 Least desirable, 43 Iraqi currency, 47 "Entourage" character, 48 South Pole region, 51 Corp. boss, 52 Leeway, 53 Band-leader, 54 Lith., once, 55 Art Deco master, 56 Leftovers recipe, 23 Mosque leader, 24 Stock holder, 1 "Candida" playwright, 2 Kid's plea, 3 Envelope abbr., 4 Supposition, 5 Anti-fur org., 6 Shock partner, 7 For each, 8 Incendiary crime, 9 Feelers, 10 Couturier Christian, 11 Thomas Edison, 16 Raggedy doll, 20 Identify, 22 Olympic sleds, 40 Notices, 41 Some vets, 42 Unrefined metals, 43 Title for Judi Dench, 44 Bickering, 45 Bar mitzvah, e.g., 46 Garbage barge, 49 Neither here — there, 50 Pre-schooler

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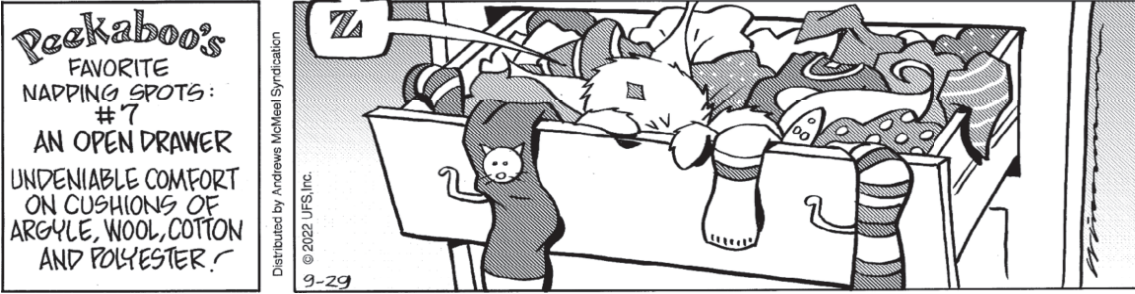
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Yesterday's answer 9-29

Peanuts



Rose is Rose



Agnes



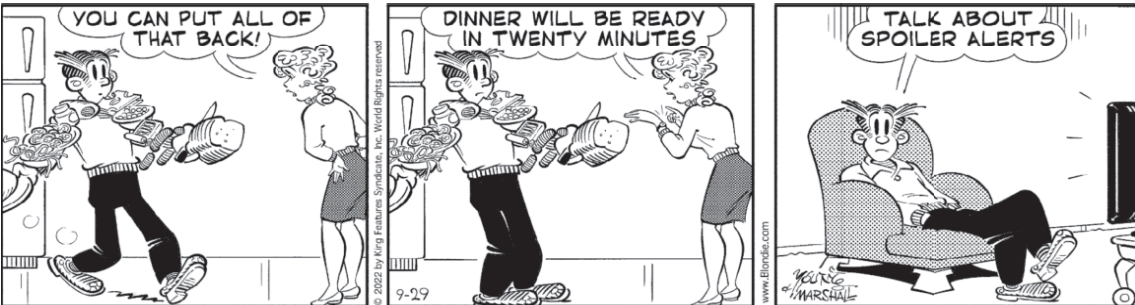
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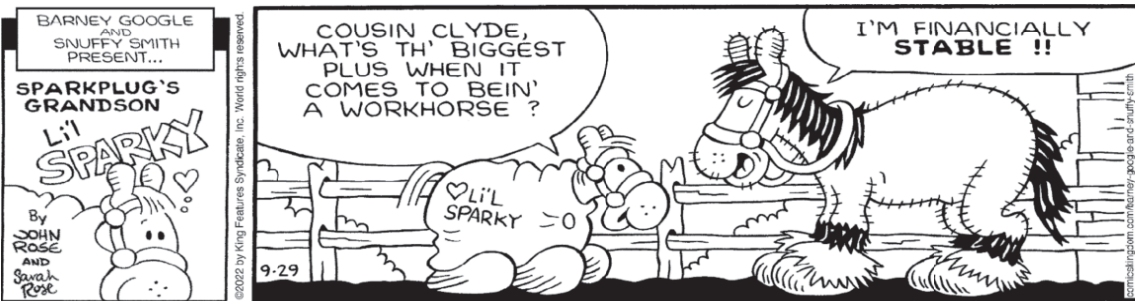
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## More ...

Continued from page 8  
The Patriots and Golden Falcons scored matching 4-1 victories Wednesday — Winchester's win over Randolph Southern was never in doubt — to earn their berths in tonight's championship match. The title match comes exactly two weeks after the Golden Falcons edged JCHS 3-2.

JCHS No. 1 doubles duo Gage Sims and Sam Myers easily dispatched of Camden Lafuze and Corbin Richards and No. 1 singles player Abraham Dirksen fought off Owen Dowler 6-3, 7-6 (7-5). With Simon Dirksen falling at No. 2 singles, Muhlenkamp and Miller had the opportunity to end the match or leave the result up to Eli Dirksen. They were able to avoid putting

that pressure on their sophomore teammate.

Miller and Muhlenkamp first had a chance to put the match away when they were up 5-4 in the third set, but the Indians served out the next game at love to pull even. Miller responded by serving the Patriot pair back to a 6-5 advantage, the last point coming when a Union City return attempt sailed long.

The next game was tied at 15-15 and 30-30 before a shot by the Indians went long to give Jay County a match point. They made the most of it, with Muhlenkamp tapping over a volley that Union City was unable to return cleanly.

That point capped a reversal of fortunes from when Austin Dirksen and Muhlenkamp lost 6-4, 3-6, 6-

4 to Hoggatt and Thornburg in the Aug. 22 regular-season meeting.

"We lost focus a little bit," said Miller of Wednesday's second set. "We pulled back ...

"We rallied a lot of lobs ... and it made us fall," added Muhlenkamp. "We ended up hitting the ball a little bit harder and not lobbing it and came back and won."

With the match already in hand, Eli Dirksen also flipped the script on Parker Kerns in the No. 3 singles match. After dropping the first game, he won 12 of the next 15 including a second-set sweep for a 6-3, 6-0 victory. He had lost 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 to Kerns last month.

"He was a different character tonight," said Gillespie. "When he is hitting that first serve in, he is totally different. ... I really feel that

he's progressed enough where he can take his serve and take advantage of it, and he's got a great forehand."

Myers and Sims were in control throughout, taking 4-1 leads in both sets. They were off the court first, breaking Union City's serve to end the match.

Abraham Dirksen looked like he might be headed to a third set against Dowler as he trailed 5-4 in the second, but he rallied to force a tiebreaker and let out a yell with a fist pump when he hit an overhead winner to the open court after chasing Dowler to the right corner.

Simon Dirksen lost 6-2, 6-3 in a battle of wills with Zackary Fulk at No. 2 singles in which both were simply trying to keep the ball in play.

## 61 ...

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Judge reached the plateau 61 years after Roger Maris' record-setting season with his mother Patty sitting next to Maris' son behind home plate. The two-run shot in the seventh inning came on a 3-2, 94-mile an hour sinker. Like Judge has been throughout, he was understated in his celebration. His teammates came out of the dugout, there were hugs and then the game continued.

Judge's shot gave the Yankees the lead after Gerrit Cole had coughed up a three-run advantage in the bottom of the sixth.

# Sports on tap

## Local schedule

**Today**  
Jay County — Girls soccer vs. Muncie Central — 4:40 p.m.; Boys soccer at Liberty Christian — 5:30 p.m.; Volleyball at Heritage — 6 p.m.; Junior high volleyball at Heritage — 5:30 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — Volleyball at St. Henry — 5:30 p.m.; Boys golf sectional at The Colonial Golfers Club — 5 p.m.; Middle school football vs. Marion Local — 5 p.m.; Middle school volleyball vs. Marion Local — 5 p.m.; Middle school cross coun-

try at Celina Middle School Invitational — 5 p.m.

**Friday**  
Jay County — Football vs. South Adams — 7 p.m.  
Fort Recovery — Football at Marion Local — 7 p.m.

## TV sports

**Today**  
8 p.m. — College football: Utah State at BYU (ESPN)

**Friday**  
2:20 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Cincinnati Reds at Chicago Cubs (Bally Indiana)  
7 p.m. — College football: Tulane at Houston (ESPN)  
7 p.m. — High school football: Buford vs. Collins Hill (ESPN2)  
8 p.m. — College football: San Diego State at Boise State (FS1)  
8:15 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Pittsburgh Pirates at St. Louis Cardinals (Bally Indiana)

10:30 p.m. — Canadian Football League: BC Lions at Ottawa RedBlacks (ESPN2)  
10:30 p.m. — College football: Washington at UCLA (ESPN)

## Local notes

**Wrestling registration open**  
A sign-up session is scheduled for kindergarten through sixth graders who would like to be part of Jay County Wrestling Club. The club's Little Patriots Program is

for those in kindergarten through second grade and focuses on wrestling basics. Its elementary dual team for those in grades 3 through 6 focuses on expanding those skills with the team also entering four to six dual competitions. Registration fees are \$80 and \$120, respectively. The sign-up sessions for third through sixth graders will be 6 p.m. Oct. 13 and 6 p.m. Oct. 18. Sign ups for kindergarten through second graders will be at 6 p.m. Nov. 22 and 6 p.m. Nov. 29.

**Turkey Trot is Nov. 5**  
The Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K is scheduled for Nov. 5.  
The race will begin at 10 a.m. at the Cooper Farms processing facility, 1 Cooper Farm Drive, St. Henry, Ohio. Check-in begins at 9 a.m.  
For more information or to register, visit [speedyfeet.com](http://speedyfeet.com) and search for "Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K."  
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## 90 SALE CALENDAR

**LEIST AUCTION**  
Saturday, October 1, 2022  
10:00 A.M. / 10:30 A.M.  
Double Ring  
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Islander w/ 70 HP Evinrude; Polaris 300 4x4 Xplorer; Fabrique 4-Wheeler; Murray 12 HP; Amana Freezer;  
Frigadaire Fridge/Freezer; Kenmore Washer; Whirlpool Dryer; Compost tumblers; Motors; homemade utility trailers; yard carts; ; Wood splitter; Coleman Powermate Maxa 5000 EP Gen; Generac Powerwasher; 2.5 HP 21 Gal Air Compressor; Craftsman stackable tool box; paint guns; tools; 2 loads birch wood; tree stands; lots of scrap; Vin Gosley Shelvador Ice box; Old butcher block; Primitives; Cast Iron King Bed; Antiques; Collectibles; Furniture; Household misc. Lots and lots more!  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located: 922 W Seventh Street Portland, IN  
Saturday morning  
OCTOBER 15th, 2022  
10:00 AM.  
REAL ESTATE  
PARCEL #1:  
This parcel has a ranch style home with 2039 square feet of living space and was built in 1973.

**PARCEL #2:**  
This parcel has a 2 bedroom, 1 full bathroom home setting on it with approximately 3.6 acres of wooded area with pond.

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There are approximately 13.13 acres of tillable and wooded ground in this parcel.

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This parcel consists of Parcel #1 and Parcel #2. 2 houses with approximately 4.12 acres.

**PARCEL #5:**  
This is the entire property with 2 houses and 17.25 acres.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
OCTOBER 1, 2022  
TIME 10:00 A. M.  
LOCATED: 8108 W. 400 S. Redkey IN  
REAL ESTATE  
3 bedroom 1 bath home containing 1,651 sq. ft. of finished living area. nicely situated on 3.4 acres. Open house September 18th from 1-3 p.m.. Or for private showing call auctioneers.  
**CAR-FARM EQUIPMENT - LAWN AND GARDEN**  
2012 Chevy Impala 75k miles, Int. 354 utility tractor (non running), (2) fifteen ft. flat bed hay wagons. **COINS - JEWELRY - GUNS**  
1837 \$5 gold coin, 1908,1911,1914,1925 \$2.5 gold coins, (2) 10k and 14k diamond solitaire rings, Smith and Wesson.32 cal., 5 shot revolver with original box. **ANTIQUES - HOUSEHOLD - MISC**  
Cast metal glass horse figurines, glass elephants, hull pottery, 1937 American legion Muncie IN medallion, 2 arrow heads, horse drawn sleigh, wood spoked wagon wheel, several items not mentioned.  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located: 525 N Middle Street Portland, IN  
Friday afternoon  
OCTOBER 7, 2022  
4:30 P.M.  
**HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS**  
Ge washer; Maytag dryer; 3 pc. bedroom suit; Jim Davis and Kent Helms paperweights; Daisy BB pistol; US Navy photo log; Carnival

## 250 PUBLIC NOTICE

## Public Notice

**ORDINANCE 2022-09**  
ORDINANCE AMENDING STOP INTERSECTIONS BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Jay County, Indiana that the Jay County Code of Ordinances, Title VII, Chapter 71, Schedule I, Stop Intersections, is amended as follows:  
1. County Road 325 W shall stop at County Road 700 S is hereby deleted.  
2. County Road 700 S shall stop at County Road 325 W is hereby added.  
3. The penalty for violation of this ordinance is set forth in Title VII, Chapter 70.99 in the Jay County Code of Ordinances. **PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Jay County, Indiana on this 26th day of September, 2022.  
Chad Aker, President  
Jay County Commissioners  
Attest: Emily Franks, Jay County Auditor  
CR 9-29-2022, NS10-5,12-2022 HSPAXLP

## 90 SALE CALENDAR

Glass; Shambarger bottle; Black Depression bowl and berry set; old children's books; ; foot locker; Navy uniform; Japan flags and officer badges; German Swastika arm band; 1922, 1964 and 1965 Indianapolis 500 programs; Kennedy newspapers; Griswold skillet; Wagner skillets; cast iron cat; ; and other items not listed.  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located: 525 N Middle Street Portland, IN  
Friday afternoon  
OCTOBER 7, 2022  
4:30 P.M.  
**REAL ESTATE**  
Single story home with 2 bedrooms, 1 full bathroom and 1229 square feet of living area. This home has a gas forced air furnace and new gas water heater. There is a 2 story detached garage and house sets on a corner lot.  
10% nonrefundable deposit day of sale with balance due at closing. Seller will provide General Warranty Deed and Owners Title Insurance. **PERSONAL PROPERTY** will sell immediately following real estate.  
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STATE OF INDIANA  
COUNTY OF JAY, SS:  
IN THE JAY CIRCUIT COURT  
2022 TERM  
In the Matter of the Supervised Administration of the Estate of: Gary W. Kelly, Deceased No. 38CO1-2208-ES-000006  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
Notice is hereby given that Sabrina McCammon was, on the 15th day of September, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Gary W. Kelly deceased, who died on the 25th day of February, 2022. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
Dated at Portland, Indiana, this 16th day of September, 2022.  
**HINKLE RACSTER & SCHEMENAUR**  
121 W. High Street  
Portland, IN 47371  
Attorney  
Jon Eads  
Clerk of the Circuit Court,  
For Jay County, Indiana  
CR 9-22-29-2022 HSPAXLP

## 250 PUBLIC NOTICE

## Public Notice

**JAY COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATION**  
**JAY COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Arrowhead Poultry Farm LLC, 8617 E SR 26, Portland, IN has filed with the Jay County Board of Zoning Appeals a petition, #Var2022-09-21, requesting a Variance to the zoning regulations, to wit:  
Parcel ID: 38-08-10-300-012.003-028  
Location: 1037 N 700 E, Portland; IN, Noble Township, Section 10  
Description of Action Requested: To allow the construction of one additional, 640,000 head, pullet building on said property located 66 feet from the north property line thus requiring a variance of 84 feet.  
A public hearing will be held by said Board on October 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Community Resource Building, 118 S Meridian Street, Portland, Indiana. At that time, all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard in reference to matters set out in the petition. The petition and file on this matter are available for public inspection at the Jay/Portland Building & Planning Department, 118 S Meridian Street Ste E, Portland, Indiana 47371.  
If unable to attend the meeting, the Department will accept letters from the public prior to the meeting date. Letters may be sent or taken to the Jay/Portland Building Department.  
Jay County Board of Zoning Appeals  
John Hemmelgarn  
Zoning Administrator/Director  
September 26, 2022  
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## 90 SALE CALENDAR

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located: Bubp Exhibition Hall, Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, IN  
Saturday Morning  
OCTOBER 1, 2022  
9:30 A.M.  
**ANTIQUES-OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS-ART WORK-HOUSEHOLD**  
Oak dry sink cupboard; Oak settee bench with storage; glass claw feet organ chair; "The Artist" by Jim Gray, #168 of 1776; "French Market" by Jack Miller; "Market Street" by Philip Clayton, #39 of 500; "Santa" by Carolyn Shores Wright, #319 of 1950 and #357 of 1950; "Evening in Winter" by Robert Frost; Marilyn Feighner signed print; ; PFALTZGRAFF YORKTOWN; LARGE ASSORTMENT OF DECORATIONS FOR ALL HOLIDAY SEASONS. ; corn hole set; pet crate; heater; and other items not listed. **AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** Please note that this is

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**Legal Notice**  
Notice is hereby given that the Jay County Election Board will conduct a Public test of the Election automatic tabulating equipment in accordance with IC 3-11-14.5 at 10:00 a.m., local time on October 3, 2022. All members of the public are invited to attend the test which will be held in the Election Room or the Auditorium at the Jay County Courthouse, Portland, Indiana.  
Jon Eads  
Clerk, Jay Circuit Court  
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## One more



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Sam Myers, a Jay County High School junior, hits Wednesday during his sectional semifinal match with No. 1 doubles partner Gage Sims against Camden Lafuze and Corbin Richards of Union City. The Patriot avenged a 3-2 regular-season loss to beat the defending champion Indians 4-1 and earn a spot in tonight's championship match against Winchester.

### Jay gets revenge victory in sectional semi, will need another to win the championship

By RAY COONEY  
The Commercial Review

Having dropped four out of five games to lose the second set, conventional wisdom would have said the Patriots should take advantage of the opportunity for a break to regroup before the deciding third set.

Luke Muhlenkamp and Isaac Miller thought otherwise.

Although the momentum seemed to be decidedly against them, the No. 2 doubles pair decided to keep right on playing.

And they delivered. Miller and Muhlenkamp fought off Union City's Brenna Hoggatt and Jacob Thornburg for a 6-1, 3-6, 7-5 victory Wednesday that locked up the host Jay County High School boys tennis team's sectional semifinal win.

"We were just ready to play," said Muhlenkamp. "We just wanted to get it on. We were already playing for almost two hours at that point."

Eli Dirksen's win at No. 3 singles was the icing on the revenge victory

as the Patriots ousted the defending champion Indians 4-1 to earn a date with Winchester to play for the title tonight.

"I knew they could do it," said JCHS coach Donald Gillespie, whose team lost 3-2 to the Indians during the regular season. "I believed in them. The big thing was trying to get them to believe in themselves. ...

"First mission of sectional accomplished. One more."

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### Review preview

Friday - 7 p.m.



### South Adams Starfires

Berne, 4-2 (1-2)

**Coach:** Grant Moser, eighth year

**Conference:** Allen County

**Last week vs. Adams Central:** The visiting Jets racked up 476 yards of offense as they handed the Starfires a 49-20 defeat. South Adams quarterback Owen Wanner tossed three TD passes, including a 70-yarder in the first quarter.

**Season leaders:** Passing — Owen Wanner — 94-of-160 for 1,264 yards and 15 TDs. Rushing — Maverick Summersett — 77 carries for 466 yards and 12 TDs. Receiving — Brady Beall — 34 receptions for 325 yards and four TDs. Defense — 70 tackles and four fumble recoveries.

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### Jay County Patriots

Portland, 2-4 (1-3)

**Coach:** Grant Zgunda, second year (25th overall)

**Conference:** Allen County

**Last week vs. Woodlan:** Jacob Snyder of the Warriors completed a 54-yard pass to Nolan Metz on fourth-and-8 late in the fourth quarter to set up his own game-winning 1-yard TD run in a 40-33 win over Jay County. The Patriots got 162 yards and three TDs from senior Kadin Ridenour.

**Season leaders:** Passing — Sean Bailey — 54-of-90 for 756 yards and seven TDs. Rushing — Kadin Ridenour — 103 carries for 644 yards and eight TDs. Receiving — Patrick Hemmelgarn — 17 receptions for 360 yards and five TDs. Defense — Bryce Wenk — 35 tackles.



**Last season:** South Adams got on the board on a 25-yard pass from Owen Wanner to Brady Beall on fourth-and-10 less than three minutes into the game as it handed the Patriots a 42-13 defeat.

**Game notes:** The Patriots would need to win out in order to avoid a sixth consecutive losing season ... South Adams is ranked ninth in Class 1A despite having lost two of its last three games ... CalPreps.com lists the Starfires as 21-point favorites.

## Fortkamp is in top 35

A big match Wednesday night kept a Fort Recovery High School graduate into the top 35 nationally.

Paige Fortkamp totaled 13 kills in a 25-21, 25-17, 18-25, 25-12 University of St. Francis volleyball victory over Spring Arbor, putting her at 31st in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics in that category.

Fortkamp, a 2021 FRHS graduate, was the only player to reach double-digit kills for the Cougars (11-9), who fed her the ball 42 times in the win. She also had five digs and an ace.

Wednesday's match followed back-to-back 10-kill efforts for the sophomore in three-set losses to Indiana Wesleyan and Marion on Friday and Saturday, respectively.

She has recorded double-digit kills in seven consecutive matches.

Fortkamp has 233 kills on the season to place her 31st in the NAIA and fourth in the Crossroads League. She is third on the squad for both blocks (30) and aces (16).

### Jalyn Bruns Fort Recovery — 2022

Made the all-tournament team as she helped the Indiana University — East women's golf team to a runner-up finish Friday as it hosted the IU East Delaware Women's Invitational at Delaware Country Club in Muncie.

Bruns played consistent golf for the Red Wolves, shooting an 86 in the opening round and 87 in the second round. (All 36 holes were played in a single day.) Her

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total of 173 tied her for sixth with Bridget Marshall of the University of Francis.

The freshman was second on the team trailing only Annie Gillock. IU east totaled a 697 to finish second to Marian (665) in the five-team field.

### Whitley Rammel Fort Recovery — 2022

Helped the Eastern Tennessee State University women's volleyball team to a 25-23, 25-17, 25-17 sweep of Furman on Saturday.

Rammel came off the bench to record four kills for the Buccaneers (8-6). She also had one block assist.

For the season, the freshman ranks fourth on the team with 60 kills. She also has 32 blocks, 14 digs and one assist in 37 sets.

### Anhely Montes Jay County — 2020

Played for the Anderson University women's soccer team Wednesday in a 2-0 victory over Franklin.

Montes saw 20 minutes of action off the bench for the Ravens (4-2-2).

She also played 19 minutes Saturday in a 3-0 loss to 13th-ranked Calvin.

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By KRISTIE ACKERT  
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TORONTO — After seven games and eight days without a home run, Aaron Judge made history Wednesday.

After 34 plate appearances, which included being walked 13 times, Yankees slugger hammered his 61st home run of the season off Blue Jays' lefty Tim Mayza at the Rogers Centre to tie the American League single-season home run record.

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