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TPF hopes to move forward on plan

Analysis is next step toward child care facility

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

Child care has repeatedly been identified as a community need.

The board of directors of The Portland Foundation decided they needed to take a step toward a potential solution.

That step came last month as the foundation's board approved making an offer on the former Judge Haynes Elementary School building and Jay School Board on Aug. 22 approved the sale for \$35,000.

"In order to serve Jay County children and families, The Portland Foundation has purchased the former Judge Haynes Elementary School building with the intention of renovating it for use as an early learning center," foundation executive director Doug Inman said in a press release after the sale had been OK'd.

The foundation's board had discussed the issue at its August meeting and approved the purchase. Inman indicated that the idea was to secure the building for potential use as an early learning center rather than have it potentially sold for another purpose.

Since the purchase, The Portland Foundation has contracted with architectural firm Barton Coe Vilamaa for an in-depth engineering and architectural analysis of the building. (The firm specializes in school projects and has handled work for Jay School Corporation, most recently the renovation of Jay County Junior-Senior High School, for decades.) The foundation asked for recommendations regarding the building's heating, ventilation and cooling system, asbestos removal, possible roof replacement and other factors.

If the report comes back with recommendations and estimates The Portland Foundation's board finds feasible, the next step would be to put out requests for proposals for both a contractor to renovate the building and an operator for the early learning center. Inman said he'd like to see those steps complete by the end of 2022.

Barton Coe Vilamaa did an assessment of the facility — it was a less in-depth overview than the pending report will be — and returned with an estimate of \$1.3 million. Inman acknowledged that the number has likely gone up significantly since then, as has been the case with most construction projects.

"In the perfect world, we continue to move forward with it," he said, noting that several potential operators had been interested previously.

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Indian Way Day

Fort Recovery Middle School hosted its annual Indian Way Day activities Friday. Pictured at top, Brody Barga, 14, Kayden Ranly, 11, and other members of the Wabash tribe race to submit their trivia answers. At left, Andy Niekamp (left) and teacher Lisa Huelsman toss their hands in the air after winning a race.

FBI finds classified materials

By SARAH D. WIRE

Los Angeles Times
Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — Twenty-seven documents with classified and top-secret markings were recovered from former President Donald Trump's office at his Mar-a-Lago estate in Florida, according to a detailed inventory of what the FBI removed during its court-approved search of the home last month.

The eight-page inventory released Friday detailed more than 10,000 government documents removed in the search and includes

Unsealed file lists 27 documents recovered from Mar-a-Lago

the location where each item was found and if it was classified, but not the subject matter. In many cases, highly classified materials are listed as having been stored in the same boxes as hundreds of

unclassified items, including newspaper and magazine clippings and clothing. Among the boxes were 48 empty folders marked with a classified banner.

Those empty folders could be of

particular concern as the Office of the Director of National Intelligence assesses the risks to national security that could result from disclosure of the seized materials because it could be difficult to determine what information might have been inside and where it is now.

Trump's lawyers demanded more information about what was seized from the Palm Beach estate as part of their request for a judge to appoint a third-party special master to review the items.

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Swaying with Sue

Sue and Mike Hosier dance to Brooks & Dunn's "Neon Moon," performed by The Cold Hearts band member and Jay County native Andy Frantz, during the final performance in the Arts Place free summer concert series Friday.

White House requests \$47 billion in funding

By PAUL M. KRAWZAK

CQ-Roll Call
Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — The Biden administration is seeking tens of billions of dollars in emergency funds as part of the upcoming short-term spending bill lawmakers will take up this month, ranging from more military aid to Ukraine to heating and cooling assistance for low-income households.

Administration officials laid out the new requests, totaling \$47.1 billion, on Friday ahead of the long Labor Day weekend. Congress reconvenes next week to start working on stopgap funding legislation on which President Joe Biden's signature is required before Oct. 1 in order to avert a partial govern-

ment shutdown. The largest individual piece of the White House proposal seeks \$22.4 billion to cover ongoing needs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Office of Management and Budget Director Shalanda Young said in a blog post that additional funds are needed to restart a suspended program that sent free at-home testing kits to U.S. households and help prepare for a "potential fall surge."

Of the COVID-19 request, \$18.4 billion would go to the Department of Health and Human Services and \$4 billion would support global efforts to contain and treat the pandemic.

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Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 84 degrees Friday.

Today's high will be 84. There is a chance of showers and thunderstorms beginning in mid-afternoon.

The chance of precipitation continues throughout the holiday weekend, with highs of 79 Sunday and Monday.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

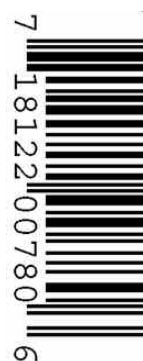
In review

Jay County Public Library will host staff from Jay County Purdue Extension Office to discuss garden vegetables and how to preserve crops to last through the winter and beyond at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Reservations are requested by calling (260) 726-7890 or stopping in at the library at 315 N. Ship St., Portland.

Coming up

Tuesday — Results from the FRHS cross country teams at the Treaty City Invitational.

Thursday — Coverage of Wednesday's Jay County Council meeting.



Plan ...

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“Our hope is that the price tag comes back where it’s economically feasible to do this.”

The acquisition of Judge Haynes — the school was closed at the end of the 2017-18 school year as part of a years-long consolidation process that saw Jay School Corporation reduce from 10 schools to six — for a child care and early learning center was initially discussed late last year. County officials initially committed funds, then a month later rescinded that decision.

Potential funding has remained in limbo since then, in part because the county is going through the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs’ Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program (HELP) to assist with deciding how best to utilize its nearly

\$4 million in federal coronavirus relief funding provided through the American Rescue Plan Act. Jay County Commissioner Brian McGalliard had also expressed concern about the county being involved in a child care facility.

“Our hope is that the county will still come alongside us with this,” said Inman. “But rather than them feeling pressured that they would be the lead on this financially and the lead to push this forward, we feel it’s important to the community and feel like it was time for us to step up and take the lead on this financially.”

As he has previously, Inman noted that early childhood education has been on The Portland Foundation’s radar since 2017 via the third iteration of the 20/20 Vision project. Child care was

also identified as the top priority through a recent planning process via Lilly Endowment’s Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT VII) Community Leadership Grant and, Inman said, has been identified as a priority by all four pathway groups working through the HELP process.

In his press release, he referred to data from Early Learning Indiana’s Closing the Gap report that showed 1,026 children in need of services in Jay County compared to a current capacity of 252.

“The children are Jay County’s future. There is no greater investment we can make than by showing them they are valued by the community,” Inman said.

Inman initially proposed the acquisition of Judge Haynes at 827 W. High St., Portland — it is bordered by High and Walnut

streets on the north and south, and Western Avenue and Alexander Street on the east and west — to Jay County Council and Jay County Commissioners for renovation to be a child care facility late last year. He asked for the county to contribute \$975,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds toward the project. At that time, Jay School Board had agreed to donate the building to The Portland Foundation if the effort moved forward. Inman also requested \$325,000 from Portland City Council.

In December, Jay County Council approved \$700,000 in funding for the project. But at the Dec. 13 Jay County Commissioners meeting, McGalliard voiced opposition to the proposal saying he didn’t feel comfortable investing public funds in a 70-year-old

building and that the facility would not “solve the whole countywide daycare problem.” That launched a discussion that led to commissioners deciding to tour Judge Haynes before taking action regarding funding.

County council rescinded its approval of the \$700,000 at its Jan. 12 meeting. A Judge Haynes tour — commissioners Chad Aker and Rex Journey, county council members Harold Towell and Matt Minnich, and city council member Janet Powers attended — occurred Jan. 27.

Commissioners discussed the issue at each of their next two meetings but took no action on The Portland Foundation’s request. They instead agreed to look at other possible solutions to the county’s child care challenges.

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Sunday 9/4	Monday 9/5	Tuesday 9/6	Wednesday 9/7	Thursday 9/8
79/62	79/62	79/60	80/60	80/60
There’s a 60% chance of rain throughout the day Sunday, with thunderstorms possible.	Labor Day has a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon.	More rain is possible Tuesday with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms.	Mostly sunny skies are expected Wednesday with a chance of rain. The high will be 80.	Another chance of rain is possible Thursday. Otherwise, mostly sunny skies are likely.

Lotteries

Hoosier Midday Daily Three: 4-8-1 Daily Four: 1-0-4-1 Quick Draw: 3-7-11-15-17-23-34-39-37-41-44-45-49-54-55-56-57-68-71-72	Pick 4: 3-3-0-0 Pick 5: 7-1-6-1-4 Rolling Cash 5: 1-7-12-14-34 Estimated jackpot: \$100,000
Ohio Midday Pick 3: 7-1-3 Pick 4: 9-6-4-5 Pick 5: 5-5-5-3-6 Evening Pick 3: 0-4-1	Powerball Estimated jackpot: \$148 million Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$169 million

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn.....6.81 Sept. corn6.71 Wheat6.61	Wheat 7.51 Nov. wheat 8.21
POET Biorefining Portland Corn.....7.36 Sept. corn6.96 Oct. corn6.66	Central States Montpelier Corn.....7.16 Sept. corn6.51 Beans14.91 Sept. beans13.96 Wheat7.76
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Today in history

In 301, Saint Marinus founded San Marino.
In 1609, Henry Hudson of England sailed into the harbor of what is now New York City and up the river that is now named for him. He was on a mission for the Dutch East India Company.
In 1783, the Treaty of Paris, which ended the Revolutionary War, was signed. It had been nearly two years since British Gen. Charles Cornwallis had surrendered at Yorktown, Virginia.
In 1875, Ferdinand Porsche was born in Mafersdorf, Bohemia, Austria-Hungary (now Liberec, Czech Republic). After working for the Austro-Daimler Company in the auto industry, he formed his own firm to design sports and racing cars in 1931.
In 1894, Labor Day was celebrated as a national holiday for the first time in the U.S.
In 1939, Britain declared war on Germany following its invasion of Poland at the outset of World War II.
In 1950, Giuseppe Farina won the inaugural Formula I Driver’s Championship.
In 1976, NASA’s Viking 2 landed on Mars after a nearly yearlong journey.
In 2021, the Jay County High School football team scored five second-quarter touchdowns en route to a 64-12 thrashing of the Southern Wells Raiders. Quinn Faulkner totaled 115 yards and three touchdowns on the ground while also catching a 36-yard TD pass from Sam Dunlavy. —The CR

Citizen’s calendar

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 7 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. — Salamonia Town Council, Schoolhouse Community Center. Wednesday 5:30 p.m. — Jay County Council, commissioners’ room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.
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Retrospect

Mower with a dream visited

Twenty-five years ago this week, a youngster made his way through Jay County in pursuit of his dream.

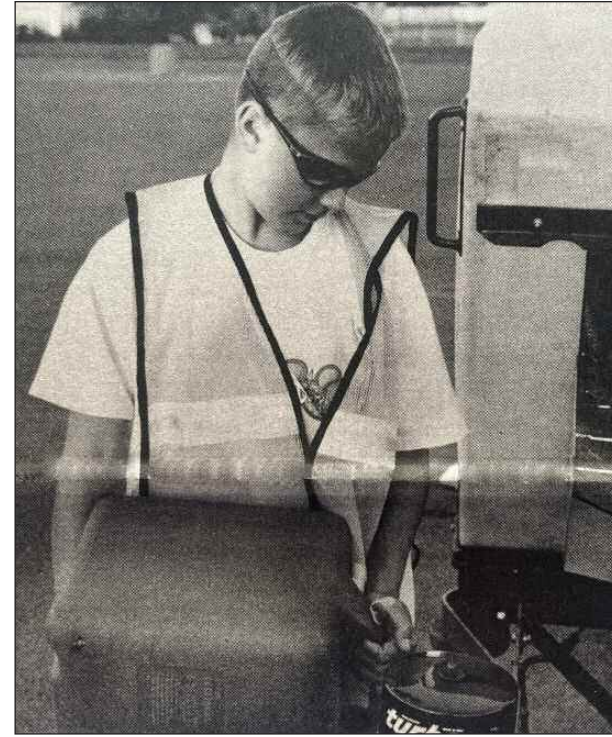
The Sept. 5, 1997, edition of The Commercial Review featured a story about Beaver, Utah, 12-year-old Ryan Tripp, who dreamed of mowing the lawn at the White House.

The dream turned it into a cross-country fundraiser as he endeavored to drive his Walker mower more than 3,300 miles to Washington, D.C.

“It started out as just a notion between (us),” said Ryan’s father Todd.

Todd ran a landscaping business and when one of his trucks broke down and left he and his son stranded 10 miles from home, Ryan suggested driving one of the mowers the rest of the way. That evolved into an effort to break the Guinness Book of World Records mark of 3,034 miles riding on a lawn mower.

Ryan was slated to drive his more 3,366 miles from Salt Lake City to Washington, D.C. The trip was turned into a fundraiser for 3-month-



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old Whitnie Pender, a family friend, who was awaiting a liver transplant at Primary Children’s Hospital in Salt Lake City.

The Tripps had started their journey Aug. 15. “Most of the time I listen to CDs,” said Ryan. “And when I’m not listening to them, Dad and I talk on the radio.

“I think about how fun it’s gonna be when we get to Washington, and how fun it’s been seeing all the states. ... It’s pretty exciting.”

They planned to continue through Fort Recovery and on through Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York, then through New England before heading south with an

Ryan Tripp of Beaver, Utah, puts gas in his Walker lawnmower in the parking lot of Walmart in Portland on Sept. 4, 1997, as he passed through the city during his effort to ride his mower more than 3,300 miles from Salt Lake City to Washington, D.C.

arrival target of Sept. 25. And while Ryan’s request to mow the lawn at the White House was turned down because of security reasons, he was approved to cut at Capitol Hill.

“I would rather cut the grass at the White House, but Capitol Hill would be good,” Ryan said.

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Neither his lawyers nor the Justice Department objected to making the inventory public. U.S. District Judge Aileen Cannon of the Southern District of Florida ordered the unsealing of a status report on the Justice Department’s investigation as well as the detailed property inventory Friday morning.

Cannon is still weighing whether to appoint a special master to determine whether some of the materials are covered by attorney-client privilege. Trump’s team also wants the special master to decide whether the former president can claim executive privilege over the documents.

Funding ...

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Republicans have blocked additional supplemental funds for COVID-19 response efforts, including a \$10 billion installment earlier this year, arguing unspent pandemic aid should be repurposed and instead. The administration ended up taking the \$10 billion from other pots of money.

It is also seeking \$4.5 billion to battle the spread of the monkeypox virus, with \$600 million of that total devoted to international

The Justice Department has objected to the appointment, saying review by a special master would delay its investigation and hinder a national security review by the intelligence community. It also contends that, because the documents belong to the government, Trump, as former president, cannot claim executive privilege.

During their search on Aug. 8, FBI agents removed more than 100 documents containing classified information — including some marked top secret and meant to be available only in special government facilities — from the Trump estate, along with more than 30 boxes of materials containing thousands of government records.

FBI investigators are probing potential crimes, including violations of the Espionage Act and obstruction of justice.

Identifying what might have been in the empty folders marked classified and where the information is now should be a priority, said Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney, D-N.Y., a member of the House Intelligence Committee.

“Why are there folders that contained classified information that are now empty? Where are the documents?” Maloney said. “Those questions need to be answered.”

Without knowing more about the folders, it is difficult to say how alarmed intelligence officials might be, Maloney said.

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More cases in children are likely

By TOM AVRIL
The Philadelphia Inquirer
Tribune News Service

With so many people using at-home COVID-19 tests, if they're testing at all, experts acknowledged long ago that the true number of cases is higher than what is officially reported.

New CDC data suggest that among children, the true number is a lot higher.

The evidence comes from the blood samples of children who had their blood drawn at commercial labs for non-COVID reasons, such as measuring levels of cholesterol or lead. Among 26,725 blood samples collected in May and June, nearly 80% contained a type of antibody that the immune system produces only in response to infection — not in response to the vaccines.

Assuming that percentage holds true for all U.S. children, the CDC estimated that at least 57 million youths had been infected with the coronavirus by the end

of June, four times the cumulative total of reported cases at that point. Even that figure could be an underestimate of cases dating to the beginning of the pandemic, as the levels of these telltale antibodies drop to undetectable levels in most people within a year.

The proportion of children with COVID-positive blood samples was slightly lower in Pennsylvania (73.2%), New Jersey (72.5%), and Delaware (75.7%), but still well above official reported totals, said Craig Shapiro, an infectious diseases specialist at Nemours Children's Health in Delaware.

"The fact that more than 75% of those samples were positive for antibodies does tell us that we're definitely underestimating the number of children who've been infected," he said.

Comparable data for adults are available only as late as April, but even then, nearly 60% of adult blood samples contained the antibodies that indicate infection.

While some of these infected people may have tested themselves at home and did not report the results, others probably had no idea they were infected and never got tested, Shapiro said. Their immune systems, in many cases bolstered by vaccination or previous infection, may have snuffed out an infection before it caused any symptoms.

"Many people, especially children, are not going to be overtly symptomatic," he said.

Shapiro cautioned that the results from blood samples are not necessarily representative of all children. He cited one CDC study in which children getting their blood drawn for cholesterol measurement were more likely to test positive for the coronavirus than children getting their blood drawn for other reasons. But the differences were small, and on the whole, the blood samples paint a clear picture: Reported case totals are missing lots of infections, he said.

Republicans looking to hire interns

INDIANAPOLIS — Paid internships are available at the statehouse.

Indiana Senate Republican Caucus and Indiana House Republicans are offering paid internships for the spring semester in various offices during the 2023 session of the Indiana General Assembly, according to a press release from members of both groups.

Candidates must be college sophomores or older. Recent college graduates, including graduate and law school students, are also encouraged to apply. The Senate positions are

open to Indiana residents or students attending an Indiana college.

Internships are full-time positions in downtown Indianapolis beginning with a mandatory orientation in late December and concluding at the end of the legislative session in April 2023.

To learn more or to apply for an internship, visit IndianaSenateRepublicans.com/Intern and indianahouserepublicans.com/internship.

The application deadline for both internship opportunities is Oct. 31.

Husband, father tired of being ignored at home

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my wife for 25 years, married for 22 of them. I love her very much, but sometimes I feel it isn't mutual. We have three children, all girls, ranging in age from early teens to mid-20s. My wife also has an older son from a previous marriage.

My complaint for years has been that I am the least important person in the world to her. The kids, work and friends always come first. I understand that kids have needs, but I should get some attention once in a while. We will be in the middle of a conversation, and if one of them walks into the room, texts or calls, she stops midsentence and totally ignores me. Sometimes I talk to her, and she doesn't even hear me if they are in

Dear Abby



the room. She and the kids laugh and joke about it, but I don't think it's funny.

I have worked hard to support them, 60-hour weeks and weekends to make ends meet, and I feel like I'm an afterthought to all of them. I spoil them on birthdays, Mother's Day and Christmas. One year not one of them remembered my birthday. Am I overreacting? — INVISIBLE MAN IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR INVISIBLE: What

has been going on under your roof is no laughing matter. But your passivity may be partly responsible for it. You should have told your wife years ago how you felt, but it isn't too late to do it now. Tell her you feel ignored and unappreciated by her and the children. Tell her you are unhappy, and if she wants the marriage to last, she will join you in marital counseling because you are tired of being low man on the totem pole. I don't think doing that would be overreacting. In fact, I think it's overdue.

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter and her cousin are the same age. Both are medical school graduates. Eight months ago, when this cousin got married at an in-

person wedding, he was showered with gifts from the family. My daughter, in contrast, had a private ceremony because of COVID concerns and sent a wedding announcement to the family. To the shock and amazement of my husband, my daughter and myself, not a single person in the family thought to send her a gift or even a card.

There's no bad blood in the family. Everyone appears to love her. She is disappointed and devastated. Should I just get over this, or should I say something to the family? She and her husband live 2,000 miles away, and at this point, I can't envision them making the effort to fly home and see the family ever again. — BAF- FLED IN TEXAS

DEAR BAFFLED: I don't think anyone intended to give

your daughter short shrift. The rules of etiquette state that wedding gifts are required if someone is attending a wedding. While it would have been nice of these relatives to have sent a gift or at least a card, they were not required to. I see no reason why you shouldn't inform these relatives that your daughter was deeply hurt that no one was inclined to send her and her husband so much as a congratulatory card.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.Dear-Abby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Community Calendar

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

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 SOL-

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

Monday

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

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

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

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

EUCHRE — Will be

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

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

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

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

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

PORTLAND EVENING

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

Tuesday

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public is welcome.

THE LANDING — A 12-step program for those in sixth through 12th grade 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 - BRIANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based 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 ANONYMOUS — 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.

Sudoku

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

Level: Advanced

Friday's Solution

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

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



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September 9, 2022

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WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

For Jay County Schools
September 5-9

Monday: NO SCHOOL, LABOR DAY

Tuesday: Main Entrees: Meatballs and Spaghetti Sauce, Penne Pasta, Breadstick
Alternate Entrees: Pancakes, Yogurt and Cheese Fun Lunch, Turkey & Cheese Salad, Saltine Crackers, Light Ranch Dressing
Sides for all meals: Savory Green Beans

Wednesday: Main Entrees: Classic Chicken Sandwich, Alternate Entrees: Cereal, Goldfish & Yogurt Fun Lunch, Turkey & Cheese Salad, Saltine Crackers, Light Ranch Dressing
Sides for all meals: Seasoned Corn

Thursday: Main Entrees: Beef nachos
Alternate Entrees: Pancakes, yogurt & cheese fun lunch, turkey & cheese salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing
Sides for all meals: Mexican style refried beans

Friday: Main Entrees: Classic Pepperoni Pizza
Alternate Entrees: Cereal, Goldfish & Yogurt Fun Lunch, Turkey & Cheese Salad, Saltine Crackers, Light Ranch Dressing
Sides for all meals: Seasoned potato wedges

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Extremes are a recipe for disaster

St. Louis Post-Dispatch
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The examples abound of America's lurch toward greater extremism on both the right and left. It's getting to the point where free speech is being stifled by self-righteous word police on the left and screaming, armed lunatics on the far right. Each side uses the other's examples as justification for even more extreme behavior, as Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis so aptly demonstrated with his derisive reference to Dr. Anthony Fauci, saying, "Someone needs to grab that little elf and chuck him across the Potomac."

Supporters of former President Donald Trump, apparently unsatisfied with the results of

Guest Editorial

their armed insurrection on Jan. 6, 2021, are now calling online for attacks on the FBI and the launching of civil war. Two right-wing militants were convicted last week of conspiring to kidnap the governor of Michigan.

Other countries that failed to stop their drift toward the extremes saw nothing but pain and hardship, as Germans and Russians can attest. Central America is still reeling from

bloody civil conflicts in the 1980s that culminated in direct attacks on the Catholic Church and the assassination in El Salvador of Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero because right-wing militants didn't like his words.

At that same time in nearby Nicaragua, the Sandinista guerrilla victory replaced military dictator Anastasio Somoza with the socialist rule of Daniel Ortega, whose own dictatorship ended after a democratic election in 1990. But Ortega returned to power in 2007 and has done everything in his power since then to wipe out all vestiges of democracy. In mid-August, Ortega's government arrested Bishop Rolando Alvarez and threw eight of his associates in jail. Their

crime? Words. They dared to criticize Ortega.

The United States isn't there yet, but these are cautionary tales of how far things could go if Americans don't come to their senses. The far right is not alone in the resort to armed violence, as underscored by the 2020 riots following George Floyd's murder by Minneapolis police. The far left also is entirely capable of stifling speech by seeking to impose rules on the use of gender-neutral pronouns or referring to pregnant women as "birthing people" — including in government documents.

The last time the Democratic Socialists of America, whose membership includes Rep. Cori Bush of St. Louis, criticized Orte-

ga was January 2019. The organization's response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine included a demand that the United States withdraw from NATO, blaming "imperialist expansionism" for the Ukraine war. In November, Bush voted against a measure to extend U.S. sanctions against Nicaragua, followed by a vote in March opposing sanctions against Russia.

Neither edge of the extremist fringe seems willing to look at the harmful effects of its own words and actions, and the effect they have on the other side's further radicalization. Those in the moderate middle who allow themselves to be silenced are equally complicit in America's downfall.

Law is bad for church and state

By JOHN M. CRISP
Tribune News Service

The Texas legislature passed Senate Bill 797 more than a year ago, but school districts and citizens were preoccupied with the pandemic. No one paid much attention to its requirement that all public schools in Texas post our national motto: In God We Trust.

But as students return to in-class learning this fall, in some schools they're finding prominently displayed posters bearing the motto centered above a United States flag and a Texas flag.

Not everyone thinks this is a good idea. "In God We Trust" has been inscribed on our currency since the Civil War, but not without controversy. In fact, in 1907 President Theodore Roosevelt objected strenuously to the motto's inscription on our coinage, calling it "dangerously close to sacrilege."

Posting the motto in every school in Texas generates more questions than solutions. Atheists or agnostics might wonder to whom the "We" in "In God We Trust" refers. So might Muslims, Buddhists, Sikhs and Hindus, who will clearly understand that the "God" in "In God We Trust" is the Christian god. And even Jews, who worship, more or less, the same god, might object to the assertive, proselytizing nature of the motto.

Other citizens, religious and secular, wonder how the public display of a religious sentiment in a public school doesn't violate the Constitution's Establishment Clause, which prohibits the establishment of any religion by government.

The bill's sponsor, state Sen. Bryan Hughes, anticipated this objection. Hughes crafted it to distance the state from the posting of the motto by requiring that all signage bearing the motto be donated by private individuals or purchased with donations, thus, according to Hughes's logic, removing responsibility from the state.

So we can expect "In God We Trust" posters to proliferate in Texas schools — and probably elsewhere in the nation. And challenges are unlikely to survive in the courts.

The courts have generally held that the motto doesn't violate the Establishment Clause. In 1984, the Supreme Court ruled that acts of "ceremonial deism" are permitted "chiefly because they have lost through rote repetition any significant religious content."

John M. Crisp



In other words, "In God We Trust" is constitutional precisely because its religious content has been drained out of it through overuse.

Here's another problem with the motto: Some Christians would argue that it's not very Christian. They might note that Jesus wasn't fond of assertive religious sanctimony, and he urged his followers not to be like the "hypocrites," who love to pray in public so that they can "be seen of men."

Trusting God takes place in the heart, they might say, and it's presumptuous to assert trust on behalf of an entire nation, which, if truth be told, has never really done that good a job of relying on God, except ceremonially.

And S.B. 797 is both assertive and coercive. A draft version of the bill says that public institutions "may" post the motto in every building. The final version says "must."

The enforced posting of the national motto isn't good for the state or for religion. Despite its obvious judicial dodge, any reasonable observer — and impressionable child — will understand that S.B. 797 represents an endorsement of a version of Christianity.

"In God We Trust" was chosen unanimously by Congress as the national motto in 1956, largely as an assertion of our righteousness in comparison with the godlessness of communism.

But I prefer the unofficial motto that "In God We Trust" replaced. "E Pluribus Unum" means "Out of Many, One." The Latin gives it a certain dignity, as well as equal standing in relation to the many languages spoken in our country.

If we're looking for a national idea we can all share, "In God We Trust" is, at best, fraught with problems. But "E Pluribus Unum," would be a fine sentiment to post in every classroom: It's an inherently American aspiration that hopes to unite, rather than divide.

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We're learning about engagement

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This is how civic engagement is supposed to work. Indiana took one path on abortion, Kansas another — though their demographic and political profiles are similar.

Other states will move down different paths still, or stay where they are for a while, serving either as cautionary tales or as examples to be followed by legislators and voters elsewhere. Indiana and Kansas likely will take up the issue once more themselves, since many of their people will insist on it.

Things already are complicated and will get much more so. Good.

Where abortion in the 50 United States is concerned, public opinion matters again. Debate matters again. Politics matter again. Fifty years in judicial limbo left us with atrophied legislative muscles and poor understandings of the problem. As a result, the U.S. stands well behind the rest of the world in figuring out a way forward on an issue that demands widespread civic engagement.

Small numbers of disproportionately vocal people — the ones most visible in chat forums and other social media — believe that abortion is beyond public opinion, debate, and politics. Almost nowhere on earth, however, does that belief prevail — least of all in the liberal-democratic countries.

The patchwork of abortion laws globally is worth a look. Across cultures, political systems, and religious traditions, most countries regard abortion as an agonizingly complex moral and legal standoff between protections for unborn children and protections for the women who carry them to birth. These societies look for guidance to their philosophers, religious leaders, scientists, and people who have considered and experienced abortion personally — and in return they receive complicated, evolving, non-monolithic responses. It is not easy or simple.

These complicated matters, on which good and experienced people disagree, cannot be resolved by dictates from on high. Abortion and similar issues must be grappled with at society's ground level. In the U.S., our "ground level" is the states — a built-in set of policy-political laboratories.

If you are among the millions of Americans who care about abortion, then prepare for your share of disappointments. Only a few states will position themselves at the poles of abortion on demand throughout pregnancy or exception-free bans of the practice. The rest may start out in one direction only to pull back once that pesky stuff of public opinion, debate, and politics come into play.

Indiana demonstrated the pattern already, as a first mover. The legislative debate and testimony around SB 1 was complex, comprehensive, and serious. The path to the pole was not taken. Many Hoosiers clearly believe that SB 1 goes too far, nonetheless, while others regret that any pullback occurred. In such cases, we can express ourselves in the many peaceful and effective ways encouraged in a free society, and work to influence our representatives to reconsider the law. We can encourage the many private organizations that work, appropriately and legally, to offer alternatives for women across the range of their

Gary Geipel



attitudes about abortion. We can vote.

Corporations can express themselves, too, though perhaps they would be wiser not to. Their leaders know what is tightly protected in their own heads and hearts about abortion. They know that the strident views shared in chat forums and town hall meetings do not represent the attitudes of most of their employees, let alone their customers. So, there may be an unused set of muscles to be tested in C-Suites as well. Instead of picking winners on non-business matters, perhaps corporate leaders should encourage viewpoint diversity, debate, and civic engagement on the part of their employees — who are the actual voters, after all.

Public opinion, debate, and politics are good things — and not just on abortion. These things are the stuff of societies that want to remain intact and free, and it is high time that we practice them again broadly in America:

•The people who disagree with me are not evil or stupid; they might even have something to teach me.

•The defeat my side just experienced does not mean that all is lost; we will have another chance, with new information and fresh arguments.

•No one is better off if I flee my neighbors or the entire state over a political setback; they need me here more than ever.

•"Agonizing" does not begin to describe it at times. But this is how it is supposed to work.

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Ribbon cutting

Jay County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Crown City Lanes, 115 Eaton Pike, Dunkirk. The bowling alley is slated to open next week. For a story about the facility, see Tuesday's edition of The Commercial Review.

Red Gold opened new warehouse

Red Gold continues to grow. The company recently announced the opening of a new warehouse in Alexandria.

The 250,000-square-foot warehouse is connected to its 1-million-square-foot distribution center on Indiana 28. Construction on the new facility began in November.

The warehouse features a "high tech racking system" that handles more than 8,000 pallets and is connected with the Red Gold processing plant in Orestes.

"We are excited to bring this project to completion," said Red Gold president and CEO Brian Reichart in a press release. "The new building has 14 dock doors to support Red Gold's manufacturing growth and adds 82 additional truck-trailer parking spaces for our customers picking up loads or parking for Red Gold's RG Transport fleet."

Red Gold, which is headquartered in Elwood, has facilities in Portland and Geneva.

BOND invests

BOND Capital recently was part of a \$150 million investment round in Genies.

BOND, which includes Jay County High School graduate Mary Meecker as a general part-

Business roundup

ner, invested in the digital avatar company based in Los Angeles, Tech Crunch reported. It has partnerships with celebrities including Justin Bieber, Migos and Cardi B.

Genies received a \$1 billion valuation.

Genies founder Akash Nigam told TechCrunch he believes the virtual trend and the desire to have ownership and individuality in the digital world will make avatar ecosystems strong performers in the future.

"I think a lot of creators understand that they're contributing so much back to all these different platforms, but they're not reaping nearly enough of the benefits," Nigam said.

Kean honored

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb recently bestowed former Second Harvest Food Bank CEO Tim Kean with the Sagamore of the Wabash award, which was

presented by State Rep. Sue Errington.

The honor is the highest that can be given by the governor of Indiana. It is based on distinguished service to the state.

Kean was a member of the board of directors for Second Harvest, which serves Jay County, beginning in 1985. He became associate director of the organization following his retirement in 2005 and was named president and CEO in 2012.

"It's really an honor for me to present this because I was on the board when [Tim] was hired as CEO," said Errington in a press release. "It really is a very prestigious award for people who have done extraordinary things."

Ivy Tech named

Forbes' list of America's Best State Employers included Ivy Tech Community College in its top 100.

The rankings are based on employee ratings of safety of work environment, fairness of compensation, opportunities for advancement and other factors.

"Becoming known as great place to work has been a focus of the College," said Ivy Tech president Sue Ellspermann in a press release. "It is exciting to see that

our efforts to align policies and procedures to support all employees have paid off. These efforts have enabled us to increase employee engagement and attract and retain top talent."

Ivy Tech has also been honored by Forbes among its Best Employers for Women and Best Employers for Diversity this year.

BSU LEAPs

The Liberal Education and America's Promise (LEAP) Indiana Faculty Awards recently honored seven Ball State University faculty members.

Adam Kuban was this year's LEAP Indiana Paragon Award recipient. He is a professor of journalism.

Christopher Baas, Cesar Cruz, J.P. Hall, Jeremy Merrill, Benjamin Strack and Susan Tomizawa were recognized as part of the LEAP Indiana COVID Character Honors program.

"We are extremely proud of our faculty members whose work and dedication as educators is being recognized by LEAP Indiana," BSU provost and executive vice president for academic affairs Susana Rivera-Mills said in a press release. "At Ball State,

our engaged faculty and staff are dedicated to our students' success from day one."

Everheart hires

EverHeart Hospice this week announced the hiring of Diana Gehle as a nurse.

Gehle, a graduate of Rhodes State College, has 41 years of nursing experience.

EverHeart provides hospice services in Jay, Adams, Blackford, Delaware, Randolph, Grant and Wayne counties in Indiana and Mercer, Auglaize, Darke, Allen, Miami, Preble, Shelby and Van Wert counties in Ohio.

IBA announces changes

Indiana Bankers Association recently named Evan Hoffmeyer as its new assistant vice president of communications and promoted Emily Brooks to digital media manager.

Hoffmeyer most recently worked as communications director at Raybourn Group International in Indianapolis. He was previously a journalist for more than a decade, including five years at WTHR TV.

Brooks joined IBA as a member engagement specialist in 2018. She is a graduate of Indiana University.

Holcomb drops regs

By LESLIE

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Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb temporarily dropped several fuel regulations and work hour restrictions in an executive order Monday evening, aimed at limiting disruption to the state's fuel supply following a fire last week at a BP oil refinery plant.

The BP plant in Whiting, Indiana, is the United States' sixth-largest refinery, according to the Indiana Office of Energy Development, and typically processes 430,000 barrels of crude oil daily. It provides a quarter of the refined fuel Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin use, according to Holcomb's executive order.

An electrical fire last Wednesday has since been put out, but it shut the plant down.

Holcomb's order tells State Health Commissioner Dr. Kris Box to waive fuel volatility

inspection and enforcement requirements through September 15. It also waives rules requiring distribution of fuel at specific levels of volatility at gas stations through the same date.

The order also exempts motor carriers and drivers who transport refined fuel in "direct response" to the shutdown from restrictions on the hours they can work, through September 10.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Saturday temporarily lifted a Clean Air Act rule stipulating that lower-volatility gasoline be sold in the summer, waiving it until Septem-

ber 15. Higher volatility gases contribute more to ozone pollution.

"As a result of the BP refinery shutdown, Administrator [Michael] Regan determined that extreme and unusual fuel supply circumstances exist and has granted a temporary waiver to help ensure that an adequate supply of gasoline is available in the affected areas until normal supply to the region can be restored," the EPA said in a news release.

Experts say the plant shutdown won't greatly impact fuel prices if it reopens this week, according to the Associated Press.

Governor seeks to limit disruption following fire at BP refinery

Airlines commit to cover \$

By KELLY YAMANOUCHE

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution
Tribune News Service

Delta Air Lines and other carriers are committing to pay for hotel and food expenses for some passengers whose flights are canceled or delayed by three hours or more, as the federal government pushes airlines to improve how they treat customers during flight disruptions.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg sent a letter to airlines two weeks ago "challenging" them to improve their customer service plans. He pledged to post an interactive dashboard before Labor Day showing what consumer are entitled to from airlines when their flights are canceled or significantly delayed due to circumstances within the airline's control.

The steps come as the airline industry emerges from a brutal summer travel season marred by flight disruptions, cancellations and staffing shortages.

The new DOT dashboard posted Thursday shows that most major U.S. airlines have committed in writing to customer service improvements, including for

meal vouchers and hotel expenses, federal officials said.

"Passengers deserve transparency and clarity on what to expect from an airline when there is a cancellation or disruption," Buttigieg said in a written statement.

When a flight is canceled or significantly delayed for reasons within Delta's control, the Atlanta-based airline now commits to rebook customers on the next available flight, or, if necessary, rebook on flights operated by another airline that it has a ticketing agreement with at no additional cost.

It also says when a flight is canceled or significantly delayed for reasons within Delta's control and passengers are stuck overnight away from home or their destination, it will provide complimentary hotel accommodations at Delta-contracted facilities when available and ground transportation to and from the hotel, or reimburse reasonable costs for a hotel room and ground transportation. Delta also said it will provide a meal or meal vouchers if such a cancellation or delay results a delay of at least three hours.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

LOCATED: 066 W 500 S, Portland, IN
(Just west of HWY 27 on 500 South)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2022
10:00 A.M.

1982 Corvette Stingray, 2000 Honda Valkyrie Trike
Shop Tools, Lawn & Garden, Miscellaneous, Antiques, Appliances

OWNER: ROBERT FIELDS

PUBLIC AUCTION

LOCATED: 108 Jack Imel Avenue, Portland, IN
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2022

10:00 A.M.
REAL ESTATE

This beautiful 3-bedroom brick ranch-style home comes with 2 bathrooms and 1,537 sqft of finished living space! The home has a vaulted ceiling, Florida/Sun room, utility shed, cement driveway, and attached 2-car garage! Its located in a great location and is a wonderful opportunity.

OPEN HOUSE: The open house will be held Sunday, September 4th from 1 to 3 PM – or, for a private showing, phone the auctioneers!

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PUBLIC AUCTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2022
10:00 A.M.

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15 acres w bldgs (fenced), gator, vehicle, saddles & tack, antiques and collectibles.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHY DO WEIGHTLIFTERS CAUSE STANDARDS TO BE HIGHER? BECAUSE THEY'RE CONSTANTLY RAISING THE BAR.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals P

Trivial Review

(Answers are printed below, upside down.)

In Labor

- 1) What state was the first to make Labor Day an official holiday? 2) What Spanish military surgeon Fidel Pages first create in 1921?

1) Oregon 2) The single-shot epidural anesthesiologist

9-5 CRYPTOQUIP

TKDCFQ PCDYGJKV BEC UCWYQ ZOYZKOJVX DYKS BJSE K WYOR QUIXESUR QZCJUYG TUKWCO: XKDR QPEFDYO.

Saturday's Cryptoquip: LIQUID COMPOUND APPLIED TO HAIR WHICH GIVES IT LONG-LASTING WAVES: A PERMANENT SOLUTION.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals G

CRYPTO FUN Determine the code to reveal the answer! Solve the code to discover words related to dog ownership. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 15 = E)

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to dogs.

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Word scramble grid with 6 empty boxes.

Guess Who?

I am an actor born in Pennsylvania on September 5, 1951. I am the youngest of seven children. I worked as a cameraman for a local TV station. I've been in many popular movies, including dramatic and comedic roles. My real surname is Douglas.

Answer: Michael Keaton



WHAT IS A GROUP OF CATS CALLED?

ANSWER: CLOWDER



- ENGLISH: Claw SPANISH: Garra ITALIAN: Artiglio FRENCH: Griffes GERMAN: Krallen

Math Blocks

Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-10. The numbers in each row add up to the totals to the right. The numbers in each column add up to the totals on the bottom.

Math blocks grid with numbers 4, 10, 5, 2, 9 and row totals 18, 12, 12 and column totals 9, 17, 16.

Solution grid for math blocks.

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- 1630: THE CITY OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS IS FOUNDED. 1921: THE FIRST MISS AMERICA PAGEANT IS HELD IN ATLANTIC CITY, NJ. 2021: BITCOIN IS RECOGNIZED AS LEGAL TENDER IN EL SALVADOR.



POUNCE

spring or swoop suddenly on prey

GOOD DOG WORD SEARCH

Vertical word search grid containing words like AGILITY, APRON, BALANCE, BARK, BEARD, BELLY, BREED, BRINDLE, CANINE, CAPE, CHAMPION, CLUB, CRATE, CROUP, DOCKED, DOG, HOCKS, NEUTER, PET, SHOW, SPAY, TAIL, VETERINARY, WITHERS.

WORDS

- AGILITY APRON BALANCE BARK BEARD BELLY BREED BRINDLE CANINE CAPE CHAMPION CLUB CRATE CROUP DOCKED DOG HOCKS NEUTER PET SHOW SPAY TAIL VETERINARY WITHERS

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS 1 Bog 6 Side-steps 12 Net defender 13 Swiss metropolis 14 'The Joy Luck Club' author 15 Porter 16 Cuban money 17 Despot 19 Mormon church, for short 20 'Shoo!' 22 Hot tub 24 Egyptian cobra 27 Curved molding 29 Ethereal 32 2002

Solution time: 26 mins.

Crossword grid with letters and numbers.

Yesterday's answer 9-3

Large crossword grid with numbers 1-57.

Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Hidden asset

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

The bidding: East 1 NT, South Pass, West 2♦, North 3 NT. Opening lead — ten of diamonds. This rather pedestrian-looking deal occurred in a pairs contest. The deal would have indeed been ordinary except that of the thirteen declarers who played it in three notrump, only three succeeded — despite the fact that there was no way to stop South from making nine tricks!

eight tricks he had started with — four hearts, three diamonds and a club — and so went down one. At the three tables where the contract was made, declarer saw another way to try for a ninth trick while keeping the club finesse in reserve. These Souths won the first diamond in dummy and immediately led a spade to the ten. West won with the queen and led a second diamond to dummy's king, whereupon declarer led another spade. This time, East won with the jack and returned a third diamond to South's ace. With the diamonds known to be divided 4-3, declarer now had a free shot (except in the unlikely event that West had started with the A-K-Q-x of spades). He led a third spade, and when the suit broke 3-3, dummy's nine became his ninth trick. West cashed his good diamond, but declarer took the rest. The three successful declarers realized that testing the spades first would cost nothing provided the spades were divided 3-3 or 4-2 about an 84% probability. If it developed that the spades were 4-2 and East had the length, declarer would lose four spades and still have the club finesse in reserve. Also, if West turned out to have started with five diamonds — which declarer would learn on the third round of the suit — he could then decide whether to give up on the spades and try the club finesse.

Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable. NORTH: ♠Q 10 5 2, ♥A 4 3, ♦J 7 6, ♣A Q 2. WEST: ♠K 8 3, ♥10 8 6 5, ♦A, ♣J 6 5 4 3. EAST: ♠J 6, ♥K Q J 9 2, ♦K Q 8 4, ♣9 7. SOUTH: ♠A 9 7 4, ♥7, ♦10 9 5 3 2, ♣K 10 8.

The bidding: North 1♦, East 1♥, South 1♠, West 3♥, 3♠, 4♥, 4♠, Dbtc. Opening lead — five of hearts. You might wonder how declarer made four spades doubled on this deal — as can be seen, he seems certain to lose three diamonds and a trump trick. But South made the contract, and it all came about in a perfectly simple way. The hand was played in the 1978 World Open Pair Championship in New Orleans. Declarer was Brazilian star Pedro-Paul Assumpcao, and he got to four spades on the bidding shown. North's opening diamond bid was systemically correct in the methods used by the

Brazilian pair, but it no doubt induced Assumpcao's bold four-spade bid on the second round. It did not take long for declarer to find the winning line of play. He won the heart lead with the ace and led dummy's jack of diamonds at trick two. It is hard to blame East for covering the jack with the queen; certainly most players would have done exactly as he did. But the effect of covering the jack was catastrophic. West was forced to win his partner's queen with the ace, and he shifted to a low club. Assumpcao won with dummy's ace and led the queen of spades, losing to West's king. Back came another club, taken with the queen. A low trump lead from dummy caught East's jack, and when declarer returned to dummy with a trump and led the seven of diamonds through East's K-8-4, the battle was over. Declarer's only losers were two diamonds and a trump. Assumpcao's jack-of-diamonds play at trick two had everything to gain and nothing to lose. He gave East an opportunity to go wrong, and he did. Plays like this — aimed at exploiting the defenders' inability to see each other's cards — sometimes enable declarer to make a contract that otherwise could not be made.

Tomorrow: Look before you leap.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

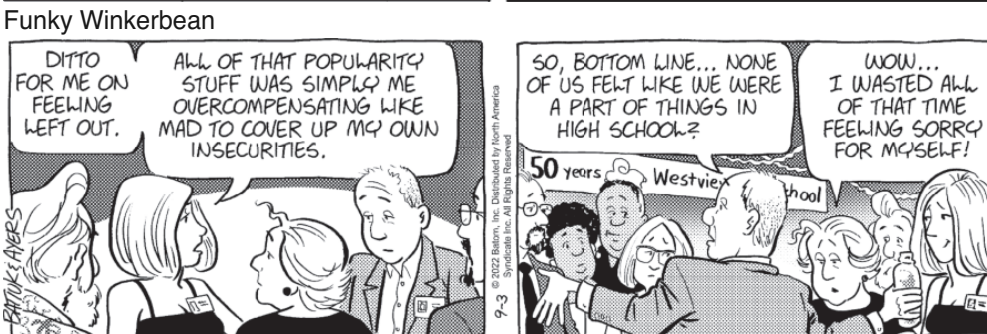
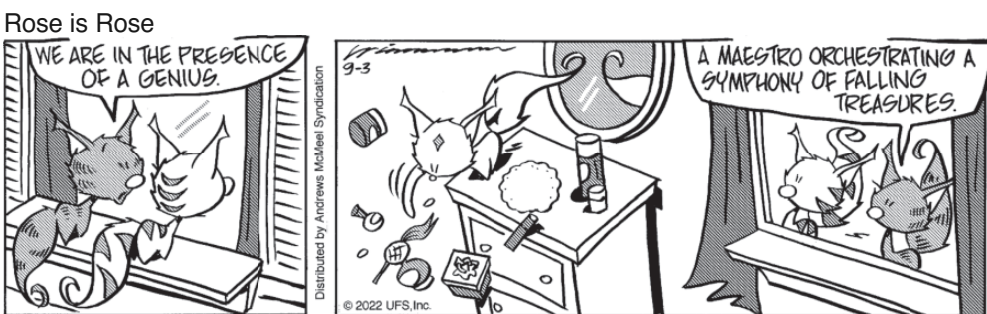
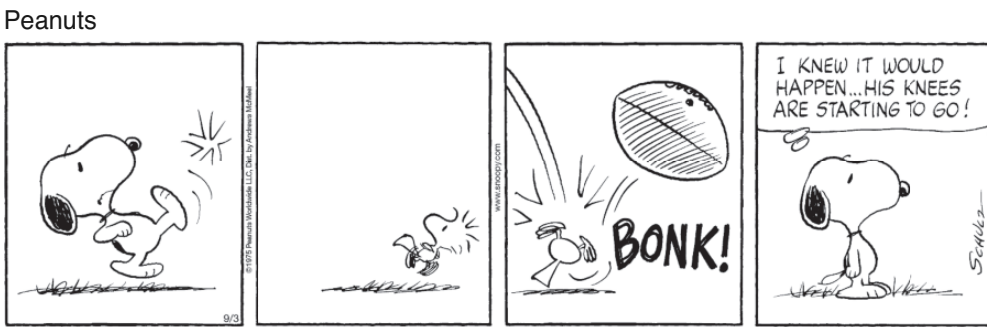
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Saturday's answer 9-5

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Laughter

Maybe it's a chuckle from reading a vintage Peanuts cartoon. Maybe it's a column by a member of The CR staff. But we try to keep our sense of humor.

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Victory ...

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Myers finished with 57 yards and three scores on just five carries. The Patriots' play called "Buck" was open as the Southern Wells defense focused on Ridenour, who still had 70 yards on seven rushing attempts.

"The reason that was working ... was because they had two or three linebackers outside of the defensive end so they'd just come around the outside and stop the power," said senior offensive lineman Joseph Kunk. "But with 'Buck,' we'd block down and then we'd kick that last guy and then that cuts it up."

The Patriots racked up their 350 yards on just 25 plays, an average of 14 yards per play.

Southern Wells looked as if it had something going late in the first half as it moved the ball more than 50 yards and was threatening in the final minute. But in hurry-up mode they spiked the ball in an effort to stop the clock on what they thought was third down — it was actually fourth down — to give the ball back to the Patriots with 10.7 seconds left.

That was enough time for Bailey to launch a deep pass down the left side to Patrick Hemmelgarn, who ran the rest of the 80 yards and crossed the goal line as time expired.

Bailey added a 45-yard scoring pass to Ethan Reiley in the fourth quarter to finish 5-of-5 passing for 185 yards.

"That's what we've got to be able to do is make people pay," said Zgunda. "We want to be balanced. That was nice to see, us being able to spread the ball around."

The lone points for the Raiders came in the third quarter when Jenson Nusbaumer was under pressure and launched a pass to the back of the end zone. Bryar Gearheart, who finished with five catches for 54 yards and nine carries for 46 yards, came down with it for a 7-yard TD.

"We started him this season at quarterback and realized he wasn't going to get the touches that he needed," said Southern Wells coach Mike Roeder. "(We put) him out at flanker and



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Christian Runkle, a Jay County High School senior, brings down Southern Wells running back Case Boxell as Corey Emery (52) comes to help out during the first half Friday night. With their 35-point win, the Patriots are 1-2 heading into Friday's game against the Class 1A No. 2 Adams Central Jets.

being able to run him — jet sweep — and also throw the ball to him. He's a stud."

Though happy with the win, the assessment from the Patriot players was that they could have played better and will need to

play better to compete with Class 1A No. 2 Adams Central (3-0) next week.

"We struggle blocking in the backfield sometimes," said Myers. "I know I struggle blocking sometimes. We've got to hold

blocks for longer. They're big. They're good."

Zgunda agreed with that assessment.

"It's literally that easy," said Zgunda. "Blocking and tackling."

Box score

Southern Wells Raiders (0-3, 0-1 ACAC) at Jay County Patriots (2-1, 1-0 ACAC)

S. Wells 0 0 6 0 — 6
Jay Co. 13 22 0 6 — 41

First Quarter

JC — A.J. Myers 3 run (Sheldon Minch kick), 8:21.
JC — Myers 9 run (run failed), 2:46.

Second Quarter

JC — Kadin Ridenour 19 run (Brady Davis run), 10:11.
JC — Myers 31 run (kick failed), 5:58
JC — Patrick Hemmelgarn 80 pass from Sean Bailey (Christian Runkle run), :00.

Third Quarter

SW — Bryar Gearheart 7 pass from Jenson Nusbaumer (run failed), 2:52.

Fourth Quarter

JC — Ethan Reiley 45 pass from Bailey (kick failed), 11:50.

Team Statistics

	SW	JC
Rushes - yds	36-154	10-164
Comp-Att-Int	8-13-0	6-6-0
Passing yds	53	186
Total Plays	49	25
Total Offense	207	350
Punt ret - yds	0-0	1-2
Kickoff ret - yds	6-100	1-2
Sacks - yds lost	1-7	1-5
Punts - yds	1-30	0-0
Ints - yds	0-0	0-0
Fumbles - lost	1-0	3-0
Penalties - yds	5-40	2-11

Individual Statistics

Rushing — Southern Wells — Gage Roberts 16-85, Bryar Gearheart — 9-46, Case Boxell 5-15, Jenson Nusbaumer 4-8, Kaiden Schmidt 2-5. Jay County — Kadin Ridenour 7-70, A.J. Myers 5-57, Ethan Reiley 1-22, Brady Jetmore 3-14, Carter Fugiett 2-6, Sean Bailey 1(-5).
Passing — Southern Wells — Jenson Nusbaumer — 8-13-0 53. Jay County — Sean Bailey — 5-5-0 185, Nick Laux 1-1-0 1.
Receiving — Southern Wells — Bryar Gearheart 5-54, Trey Slusher 1-5, Kaiden Schmidt 1(-2), Gage Roberts 1(-4). Jay County — Brady Davis 2-9, Patrick Hemmelgarn 1-80, Justin DeHoff 1-51, Ethan Reiley 1-45, Jacob Robinson 1-1.

Cavs blank Tribe

Fort Recovery struggles against 2021 Division VI state finalists

FORT RECOVERY — The Indians ran all over Urbana last week.

With the 2021 Division VI runners-up at Barrenbrugge Athletic Park on Friday night, they weren't able to gain much ground.

Fort Recovery High School's football team managed just 106 yards of total offense against the Coldwater Cavaliers on Friday night as they fell 42-0 in their Midwest Athletic Conference opener.

After racking up nearly 300 rushing yards in Urbana, the Indians (1-2, 0-1 MAC) could manage merely 11 against Coldwater. They averaged just 2.21 yards per play, including barely a third of a yard per rushing attempt.

The Cavaliers (3-0, 1-0 MAC), meanwhile, churned out 357 yards. They had a 21-0 lead over FRHS at halftime and put the game away with three third-quarter touchdowns.

Quarterback Marcel Blasingame had a hand in four of Coldwater's six touchdowns, running in scores of 11 and 3 yards. He also connected with Curtis Duerr for a 36-yard TD pass and Braylen Harlamert for a 19-yard scoring strike.

Blasingame completed all but one of his nine pass attempts for 190 yards and added another 45 yards on the ground. Luke Sudhoff, who had a 7-yard TD run in the third quarter, added 64 yards on eight carries. Jack Ebbing had the other TD on a 37-yard run late in the third quarter.

Troy Homan, subbing again at quarterback for the injured Cale Rammel, went 9-of-17 passes for 95 yards while also throwing two interceptions. Ethan Hartnagel's 11 yards were the team-high on the ground. Reece Wendel had a team-best five tackles.

Fort Recovery will be on the road Friday as it travels to Minster (1-2, 0-1 MAC). Both teams will be looking to bounce back as the Wildcats lost 34-0 Friday to defending Division VII state champion Marion Local.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Today
Jay County — JV football vs. Alexandria — 10 a.m.
Fort Recovery — Cross country at Treaty City Invitational — 9 a.m.; Volleyball at St. Henry Invitational — 9 a.m.; Middle school cross country at Treaty City Invitational — 9 a.m.

Tuesday
Jay County — Girls golf vs. Wes-Del and Yorktown — 4:30 p.m.; Girls soccer vs. Wapahani — 5 p.m.; Boys tennis at Randolph Southern — 5 p.m.; Volleyball at Bluffton — 6 p.m.; Junior high football at Adams Central — 5:30 p.m.; Junior high volleyball at Bluffton — 5:30 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Volleyball vs. Celi-na — 5:30 p.m.; Junior high volleyball vs. Versailles — 5 p.m.

TV sports

Today
7:30 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Liverpool at Everton (USA)
10 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Leeds United at Brentford (USA)
11 a.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN2)
Noon — College football: Colorado State at Michigan (ABC); North Carolina State at East Carolina (ESPN); South Dakota State at Iowa (FS1)
12:30 p.m. — College football: Richmond at Virginia (Bally Indiana)
12:30 p.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Manchester City at Aston Villa (NBC)
1 p.m. — Soccer: International

women's friendly — Nigeria vs. United States (FOX)
3 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Xfinity Series — Sports Clips Haircuts VFW Help A Hero 200 (USA)
3:30 p.m. — College football: Cincinnati at Arkansas (ESPN); Oregon at Georgia (ABC); Tulsa at Wyoming (FS1); UTEP at Oklahoma (FOX)
6:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Cincinnati Reds (Bally Indiana)
7 p.m. — College football: Utah at Florida (ESPN); Illinois State at Wisconsin (FS1); Notre Dame at Ohio State (ABC)
7 p.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN2)
7:10 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Minnesota Twins at Chicago White Sox (FOX)
10:30 p.m. — College football: Boise State at Oregon State (ESPN); Kent State at Washington (FS1)

Sunday
9 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Leicester City at Brighton & Hove Albion (USA)
9 a.m. — Auto racing: Formula 1 — Netherlands Grand Prix (ESPN)
11 a.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN)
11:30 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Arsenal at Manchester United (USA)
1 p.m. — WNBA basketball: Chicago Sky at Connecticut Sun (ESPN2)
1:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Cincinnati Reds (Bally Indiana)
3 p.m. — College football: Florida

A&M at Jackson State (ESPN2); Florida State at LSU (ABC)
3 p.m. — WNBA basketball: Las Vegas Aces at Seattle Storm (ABC)
4 p.m. — Auto racing: NHRA — Funny Car All-Star (FS1)
5:30 p.m. — Major League Soccer: Atlanta United at Portland Timbers (FOX)
6 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Cup Series — Cook Out Southern 500 (USA)
7 p.m. — Major League Baseball: San Diego Padres at Los Angeles Dodgers (ESPN)
7 p.m. — Boxing (FS1, FOX)
7 p.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN2)

Monday
11 a.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN)
2 p.m. — Auto racing: NHRA — U.S. Nationals (FOX)
4:15 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Washington Nationals at St. Louis Cardinals (Bally Indiana)
8 p.m. — College football: Clemson at Georgia Tech (ESPN)
7 p.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN2)

Tuesday
11 a.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN)
Noon — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN)
6 p.m. — Soccer: Women's international friendly — Nigeria vs. United States (ESPN2)
7:40 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Cincinnati Reds at Chicago Cubs (Bally Indiana)
7 p.m. — Tennis: U.S. Open (ESPN2)

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Sports

Run away victory

Myers scores three times and Bailey connects on two long TDs as Jay County rolls to a 35-point ACAC win over Southern Wells

By RAY COONEY
The Commercial Review

A.J. Myers scored on three consecutive carries. Sean Bailey connected on three passes of more than 40 yards, with two of them going for touchdowns.

And the Patriots scored on every possession before sending in the junior varsity squad to run the final four minutes off the clock.

Jay County High School's football team was in control throughout Friday night as it rolled to a 41-6 victory over the visiting Southern Wells Raiders in the Allen County Athletic Conference opener for both teams.

"Offensively, we scored every drive except for the last one. So from that standpoint, I think we executed pretty well," said JCHS coach Grant Zgunda, whose team improved to 2-1. "We're getting a little tighter. Our timing is better."

"I thought defensively we played well at times, and then we'd make a critical error. ... (Southern Wells) scored six points, so (the defense) played well."

"We've got some work to do. And I think it's OK to say that. I think Southern Wells has improved a lot. I really do. That being said, we just had a lot of mental mistakes tonight ..."

The Patriots were in control from the start as Kadin Ridenour ran through a massive hole and ripped off a 42-yard run on the first play from scrimmage. Three plays later, Myers was in the end zone and Sheldon Minch followed with an extra point for a 7-0 lead.

Southern Wells (0-3), which has now lost 15 in a row, had some



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Jay County High School sophomore A.J. Myers fights through a pair of Southern Wells defenders during the first half of the Patriots' 41-6 victory Friday night. Myers scored three times for JCHS in the first half.

success moving the ball on its first possession, traveling 30 yards to the JCHS 39-yard line (with some help from a running into the punter call). But the Raiders came up short on a

fourth-and-2 attempt and the home team pounced.

Bailey found Justin DeHoff deep on the right side for a 51-yard connection that took the ball inside the 10-yard line. One play

later Myers was in the end zone again.

A 19-yard Ridenour run up the middle and a 2-point run by Brady Davis — Ridenour pushed him through the defense and

across the goal line — extended the advantage, and Myers added his third TD run, this one from 31 yards out, for a 27-0 lead midway through the second quarter.

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