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## Commissioners open to freeze

By BAILEY CLINE  
The Commercial Review

Commissioners are open to a hiring freeze — as long as all county departments are included.

Jay County Commissioners recommended Monday to remove exemptions from a joint ordinance with Jay County Council incorporating a hiring freeze. The drafted ordinance, which has not yet been formally approved by either commissioners or council, will likely return for discussion during the council meeting Wednesday.

### Proposed ordinance sent back to council, but without exemptions for some departments

Jay County Personnel Committee suggested Sept. 19 to begin a hiring freeze — it has also been referred to as an “elimination of salary” ordinance — next year. Last week, council reviewed a draft of the proposed legislation.

It would require county department heads to alert the personnel committee following the termination of any full-time employee. The personnel committee would then review the vacated position within five business days and

schedule a conference with the department head and commissioners president and alert council about the position, the proposed ordinance read.

If council does not OK the department head to fill the posi-

tion, 60 days after the date of termination, the dollars allocated for that position would be eliminated.

County attorney Bill Hinkle noted Monday he made a few revisions to the draft. It now requests department heads alert the personnel committee as soon as they are notified of a full-time employee’s departure from their position. (This was suggested as an effort to expedite the process for officials in order to know if they can begin advertising for the job.)

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### Championship celebration

The Jay County High School boys soccer team carries coach Bobby Ruiz across the field after defeating the Eastbrook Panthers 2-0 in Saturday’s Class 2A Sectional 24 championship game at Delta to win its first title since 2014. The Patriots needed just 33 seconds to score their first goal in the victory and advance to play fifth-ranked Canterbury at home at 5 p.m. Wednesday in the regional semifinal. For more on the game, see page 10.

## Carducci is now leading Arts Place

Arts Place is again under new leadership.

Carolyn Carducci has been named acting director of Arts Place, the organization announced in a press release Monday.

She takes over from Desiree Duell, who had been executive director since Aug. 1. The press release did not provide details regarding Duell’s departure.

Carducci has served as Arts Place’s director of development. She will assume the executive director responsibilities for a six-month period.

The Portland resident previously worked at Jay Community Center and has 30 years of experience with non-profit organizations. She has a bachelor’s degree in business management from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Duell’s hiring was announced in June with the retirement of longtime Arts Place executive director Eric Rogers set for July 31. She had spent the previous 11 years of her career working in various capacities, including founding artist organizer and advisory council member for Sanctuary ArtPark, in Flint, Michigan.

Rogers had been Arts Place’s only executive director, having originally been hired as Jay County Arts Council’s first full-time staffer in 1976. He had been with the group, which later became Arts Place, ever since, overseeing its growth that included a \$2.4 million renovation and expansion project that was completed in 2021.

## Suit alleges assault, doping at HU

By JARED KEEVER and ILENE HALUSKA  
Chronicle-Tribune (Marion) and Herald-Press (Huntington) HSPA Infonet

Two former Huntington University student athletes have filed a civil lawsuit in federal court leveling allegations of sexual assault and doping against the school’s former running coach Nicholas Johnson.

The lawsuit, filed Sept. 30 in U.S.

District Court Northern District of Indiana, also accuses university officials, along with Nicholas Johnson’s wife, Lauren Johnson, and assistant cross country coach and track coach Curtis Hines, of turning a blind eye to the abuse and misconduct alleged in the complaint.

“Nicholas Johnson and his co-defendants have been destroying the lives of young runners in

Northern Indiana for years,” reads the opening paragraph of the complaint filed on behalf of former runners Emma Wilson and Hannah Stoffel. “Today Plaintiffs take a stand to stop him and his enablers.”

The lawsuit, which is central to an investigative report published earlier this week by the IndyStar, alleges battery against Emma Wilson, who according to the lawsuit,

received injections of an “unknown substance” that, the lawsuit says, Nicholas Johnson told her were part of a “study” he was conducting. It also alleges that Nicholas Johnson hugged and massaged Wilson with an “unknown substance(s)” against her will and that the coach inflicted emotional distress on Wilson because of those actions.

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## Russia launches attacks on Ukraine

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Tribune News Service

KYIV, Ukraine — Russia launched fresh rockets and combat drones over several regions of Ukraine on Tuesday, following heavy bombardment a day before that left at least 19 people dead, struck vital infrastructure, and prompted furious international condemnation.

The authorities in the hotly contested southern region of Zaporizhzhya reported rocket attacks, while explosions took place in the vicinities of Kyiv and the western city of Khmelnitskiy.

An air raid alert sounded in Kyiv on Tuesday morning, prompting people to seek safety

in emergency shelters. An alert on Monday had people taking cover in emergency shelters for nearly six hours.

Areas of Dnipropetrovsk, Vinnytsia, Mykolaiv and Rivne were also under fire. In the Vinnytsia region south-west of Kyiv, a thermal power station was attacked with combat drones. There were no casualties, the power plant’s press office said.

Ukrainian media reported that 20 rockets had landed on Tuesday morning.

In the afternoon, the Russian Defence Ministry confirmed attacks against military sites and the power network.

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### School spirit

Fort Recovery High School cheerleaders ready the banner for football players to run through during the homecoming game Friday at Barrenbrugge Athletic Park.

#### Deaths

**Robert Brumbaugh**, 96, Portland  
Details on page 2.

#### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 74 degrees Monday. The low was 51.

The forecast calls for a low of 58 tonight with winds gusting to 20 miles per hour. There is a chance of showers beginning early Wednesday with thunderstorms possible in the evening. The high will be 74. See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### In review

The Portland Board of Aviation meeting scheduled for October 19 has been postponed. It will instead be held at 3 p.m. Oct. 21 at Portland Municipal Airport.

#### Coming up

**Wednesday** — Coverage of tonight’s Dunkirk City Council meeting.

**Thursday** — Results from Wednesday’s JCHS boys soccer regional semifinal.





# Freeze ...

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He also added 911 dispatchers and courthouse security on the list of those who would be exempt from the rule, which originally included merit deputies and corrections officers Jay County Sheriff's Office, as well as Jay Emergency Medical Service personnel.

During the council meeting Oct. 5, council member Ted Champ — he is on the personnel committee — suggested the county should offer no exemptions from the ordinance.

Commissioner Brian McGalliard voiced similar sentiments Monday.

"I don't understand why we'd pick and choose which departments we're going to do that to," he said.

Commissioner Chad Aker, who also sits on the personnel committee, said the hiring freeze would help county officials become more aware of positions within county departments.

"So I guess, from the meeting, I think Ted was trying to emphasize that it's not to actually to reduce personnel, but to help the council and commissioners understand the positions better and see if there's ways that we can improve, I guess, and also help us (determine) if that position's really needed or not," he said.

County assessor Robin Alberston asked if employees will be compensated for picking up additional responsibilities after a position is eliminated. (The department head could amend job descriptions, which Alberston said would take several months.)

County clerk Jon Eads questioned Aker's logic, saying there are alternative methods that would accomplish the same task.

"I don't think the hiring freeze is a way to get better informed of what's going on in the office," he said.

Aker responded, alluding to the county's increased budget

for next year. (The county faces an estimated budget deficit of \$1.24 million in 2023.)

"We're just trying to be fiscally responsible," Aker said. "We don't want to waste pay on something that's not needed."

McGalliard voiced concern for the county's finances moving forward.

"I totally agree we have people underpaid, I just don't want to bankrupt the county in order to get them where they need to be," he said. "I mean, that's my big concern, when you're spending more than you're bringing in ... I just don't see this fixing the problem."

Commissioners then agreed to recommend the ordinance to council with no county department exemptions. (That excludes county officials, which are required by law.)

They also forwarded a request for \$35,000 from Pam Robbins of West Jay Community Center to Jay Economic Development

Income Tax (EDIT) advisory committee.

Robbins noted Dunkirk Industrial Development Corporation recently committed \$45,000 for new flooring and electrical work at the community center. The next phase of renovations includes upgrades to the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system. She requested \$35,000 for three new furnaces.

In other business, commissioners:

- Approved an inter-local agreement with the City of Portland in relation to the Bailey Building at the southwest corner of Main and Commerce streets. According to the agreement, the county will forgive \$36,328.57 in back taxes on the building in exchange for the city taking on the responsibility of demolishing it.
- Heard a pitch from Mike Kleinpeter of Kleinpeter Consulting Group. His company offers help applying Indiana

Office of Community and Rural Affairs grants. He charges about 8% of the amount for planning grants and a flat \$5,000 for construction grants.

- Learned the operator doing water testing for Jay County Country Living has resigned. Aker noted the part-time position — Jay County Health Department budgets \$5,000 for it — requires training from Indiana Department of Environmental Management. He pointed out health department administrator and environmentalist Heath Butz has expressed interest in assuming the role.
- Heard from Lowell Kable, who pointed out flooding issues near his home on Boundary Pike.
- Appointed McGalliard to the East Central Indiana Regional Planning board.
- OK'd Jay County Country Living director Melissa Blankley to apply for a county credit card.

## CR almanac

Wednesday 10/12	Thursday 10/13	Friday 10/14	Saturday 10/15	Sunday 10/16
<b>74/45</b>	<b>60/36</b>	<b>55/36</b>	<b>63/40</b>	<b>60/36</b>
There's an 80% chance of rain or thunderstorms, with wind gusts reaching up to 30 mph.	Windy conditions and mostly sunny skies are in the forecast for Thursday. Gusts may reach 30 mph.	Friday's weather looks like sunny with highs in the mid 50s. At night, partly cloudy.	There's a chance of rain in the afternoon and evening. Otherwise, mostly sunny.	Another slight chance of showers Sunday under mostly sunny skies. The low may dip to 36.

## Lotteries

<b>Powerball</b> Monday 3-6-11-17-22 Powerball: 11 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$420 million	12-15-19-26-31-33-34-37-39-48-52-59-70-71-73-77 Cash 5: 12-21-25-26-30 Estimated jackpot: \$110,000
<b>Mega Millions</b> Estimated jackpot: \$445 million	<b>Ohio</b> Monday Midday Pick 3: 9-5-7 Pick 4: 4-3-4-5 Pick 5: 4-4-7-6-9 Evening Pick 3: 8-6-7 Pick 4: 3-3-6-8 Pick 5: 0-5-2-6-0 Rolling Cash 5: 15-16-20-26-35 Estimated jackpot: \$130,000 Classic Lotto: 3-12-19-27-40-47 Kicker: 2-5-7-5-4-3 Jackpot: \$37.7 million
<b>Hoosier</b> Monday Midday Daily Three: 4-0-2 Daily Four: 8-2-3-7 Quick Draw: 2-5-9-10-11-15-19-21-31-38-40-57-62-63-64-66-68-70-72-74 Evening Daily Three: 7-8-1 Daily Four: 6-3-4-8 Quick Draw: 3-4-7-11-	

## Markets

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b> Corn.....7.02 Oct. corn .....6.82 Wheat .....7.56	Wheat ..... 8.45 Nov. wheat ..... 9.15
<b>POET Biorefining Portland</b> Corn.....7.03 Oct./Nov. corn .....6.83 Dec. corn .....6.98	<b>Central States Montpelier</b> Corn.....6.70 Oct./Nov. corn .....6.70 Beans .....13.55 Nov. beans .....13.55 July wheat.....8.86
<b>The Andersons Richland Township</b> Corn.....6.69 Dec. corn .....6.79 Beans .....13.21 Dec. beans .....13.73	<b>Heartland St. Anthony</b> Corn.....6.62 Oct. corn .....6.57 Beans .....13.33 Nov. beans .....13.38 Wheat .....8.66

## Today in history

In 1884, Eleanor Roosevelt was born Anna Eleanor Roosevelt in New York City. Roosevelt, the first lady during Franklin D. Roosevelt's three-plus terms as president, was named as a delegate to the United Nations and served as chair for the Human Rights Commission as it drafted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948.

In 2005, the Jay County High School girls soccer team advanced to the semifinal round of the sectional tournament with a 2-0 win over the Blackford Bruins at Marion. Sara Garringer and Abby Schmiesing scored goals for the Patriots.

In 2016, Jay County Hospital approved a letter of intent to expand its relationship with Cardon Management Company V Llc to provide licenses at four skilled nursing facilities across the state. At that time, the hospital owned facilities in Hamilton and Hendricks counties with Cardon handling their operations.

—The CR

## Citizen's calendar

<b>Today</b> 7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Council, city building, 131 S. Main St.	Commission, Wells County Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton. 6 p.m. — Jay County Council, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.
<b>Wednesday</b> 8 a.m. — Upper Wabash River Basin	

## Obituaries

### Robert Brumbaugh

Feb. 23, 1926-Oct. 7, 2022  
Robert W. Brumbaugh, age 96, of Portland passed away Friday, Oct. 7, 2022, in IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie.

He was born in Portland on Feb. 23, 1926, the son of Joseph and Mildred (Shirk) Brumbaugh. He was married on June 23, 1951, to Norma J. Pfeifer who survives.

Robert worked at Sheller-Globe in Portland for 38 years and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 71 years Norma; one daughter, Linda

Mann (husband: Allen) of Geneva; two grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by grandson Jeremy Mann; brothers Richard, Jay, Norman and Gerald Brumbaugh; and sisters Wanda French and Maxine Martin.

Graveside services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Green Park Cemetery Chapel with Pastor Darrell Borders presiding. Mili-



Brumbaugh

tary graveside services will follow by American Legion Post #211.

Baird-Freeman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials can be made to the Jay County Humane Society.

Condolences may be expressed at bairdfreeman.com.

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

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

## Felony arrests

### Theft

Two Portland women were arrested Monday for theft.

Bethany J. Howard, 31, 128 W. 3rd St., was charged in Jay Superior Court with a Level 6 felony, as well as a Class A misdemeanor for criminal trespassing. She's being held in Jay County Jail on a \$3,000 bond.

Raven N. Howard, 25, 128 W. 3rd St., was charged in Jay Superior Court

with a Level 6 felony. She's being held on a \$3,000 bond in Jay County Jail.

### Dependent nonsupport

A Richmond man was arrested Friday for nonsupport of a dependent and failing to appear in court.

Robert D. Jenkins III, 37, 100 Northwest East St., was charged in Jay with a Level 6 felony. He's being held on a \$3,000 bond in Jay County Jail.

### Unlawful possession

A Greensburg resident was arrested Monday for unlawful possession of a syringe.

Isaiah N. Runkel, 27, 6324 S. 225 East, was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony, along with a Class B misdemeanor for public intoxication.

Runkel is being held on a \$4,000 bond in Jay County Jail.

## Capsule Reports

### Intersection crash

A Redkey Town Council member and a Portland man both had the vehicles they were driving towed after they collided at the intersection of county road 1000 West and Indiana 67 about 3:40 p.m. Sunday.

William P. Goodman, 37, was driving a 2004 Dodge Ram southwest on Indiana 67 and crossing the intersection with county road 1000 West. At the same time, Randy J. May, 68, was crossing the highway to turn from county road 650 South onto county road 1000 West. (There is no stop for highway traffic at the intersection.) Goodman wasn't able to avoid hitting May's 2022 Kia Sorento, causing between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in estimated damage.

May complained of chest pain. His grandson, 14-year-old Colton D. May of Redkey, complained of head pain.

The vehicle Goodman was driving is registered to William L. Thomas of Portland.

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## SERVICES

<b>Wednesday</b> <b>Brumbaugh, Betty:</b> 2 p.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.
<b>Thursday</b> <b>Brumbaugh, Robert:</b> 11 a.m., Green Park Cemetery Chapel, Portland.
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# Autumn activities are in full swing

By DIANA DOLECKI

Special to The Commercial Review

It's that time of year again. Temperatures are all over the place. If you dress warmly in the morning then you will be too hot or cold by the end of the day. The opposite also holds true. Choosing clothes with layers that you can add to or subtract from sounds like a great idea but no matter what you choose, it will be wrong.

Having said that, the school that our granddaughter, Emma, attends had its annual homecoming dance this past weekend. She made the dress she wore. If the weather turns chilly she will need much more than the filmy thing she is wearing over her perfectly fitted dress. The dress was

## As I See It



red. The back laced up. With the addition of high, high heels, and a lot of time spent on getting her hair and makeup just right, she looked like an old-time movie star.

Annual school events are just one of the many rites of autumn. For those of us who haven't attended school for decades we have our own annual chores. I have almost all of the houseplants brought in. The only ones

still out there are the night blooming succulents. They are currently in bloom and are gorgeous, as usual.

I found out the hard way that they have a pronounced scent when they bloom. There is no polite way to put this. They stink. After the sun goes down on the pure white blooms they do their best to imitate rotting flesh. Therefore, they have to stay outside where their beauty can be admired from afar.

There are plenty of outside chores to be completed before the snow flies. The house needs to be prepared for winter. Tasks that I have left for "tomorrow" are demanding to be dealt with.

We stopped by the plant store the other day. They had a nice

selection of bulbs. I filled a sack with Queen of the Night tulip bulbs. Those are the ones that are almost black. They are striking on their own and will look even better when contrasted with the other colors of tulips.

I made an almost fatal mistake when I spotted an iris rhizome that I didn't want to live without. I bent over to pick it up and lost my balance. I almost fell face first into the box of irises but I managed to change direction and landed on my rear. Thankfully, the only one who saw me was my hubby who gave me a welcome hand up.

I had forgotten how hard a floor can be.

The garden is almost done for the year. There are four green

tomatoes that I am watching closely. I doubt if they will actually ripen but there is always hope. I am debating on whether or not to clean up the part of the garden that has gone wild. There are lots of critters that can overwinter in the tangle of plants. There are a whole parade of cats that traipse through the yard every day that might appreciate a bit of shelter. That is my excuse for leaving the garden as is until spring.

There are always projects to do around the house. Old houses demand as much attention as old homeowners do. Once the outside is mostly ready for winter the inside will demand attention. As the saying goes, if it's not one thing, it's another.

# High-end meals made for dogs in San Francisco

By MELISSA HERNANDEZ

Los Angeles Times

Tribune News Service

A new fine-dining restaurant in the Bay Area has gone to the dogs.

While some eateries may welcome customers' furry companions during a sit-down meal, Dogue — which opened Sept. 25 in San Francisco's Mission District — serves only canines.

Owner and head chef Rahmi Massarweh said

Dogue may be the first restaurant in the country to serve a tasting menu exclusively for dogs. It offers meticulously crafted pastries from its in-house "patisserie" and French-inspired courses made with locally sourced, organic ingredients.

"What we do doesn't generally exist," Massarweh told The Times. "My approach is as if it were a human restaurant. It's as if

you have come into my restaurant, and the star guest is your dog."

During the week, Dogue serves Parisian pastries and "dogguccinos" that start at \$4.95. A \$75 three-course meal — which is seasonal and rotates frequently — is served only for Sunday walk-ins. Massarweh said pet owners can choose from a variety of dishes to serve their faithful companions, such as

organic beef chuck steak with fermented carrots and beets or green-lipped mussels with fermented carrots and wheatgrass.

Massarweh prepares and presents every dish — even the ones he cooks nightly for his dogs: Grizzly, Luna, Achilles and Sir Wellington. Burned out from working in the restaurant industry for nearly a dozen years, Massarweh stepped out of the kitchen in 2015 to open

a doggy daycare center with his wife. He continued preparing fresh-cooked food for his dogs daily and eventually began prepping the same portions into weekly doggy bags for his private daycare clients.

Jason Villacampa said he learned about Dogue after seeing a photo of one of the elaborate pastries on his Instagram feed. He brought his corgis, Captain and Tony, to the restaurant's

grand opening, he said, where the pups dined on chicken and chaga mushroom soup, a chicken-skin waffle with charcoal flan and grass-fed steak tartare with microgreens.

"Food is a love language, and I think it's another way to kind of express and share love with your dog," Villacampa said. "It's a way to take care of them and share healthy but fun food as well."

# Man's views turn family against him

DEAR ABBY: My father considers himself a deeply religious man. He believes that anyone who doesn't conform to his beliefs is going to hell. He told my gay sister she is going to hell. At my brother's wake and celebration of life, he announced to everyone that my brother was going to hell because he was an atheist. He also criticized the arrangements, even though they were exactly what my brother requested. I pulled him aside and asked him to quit saying these things. He refused and declared, "This conversation is over!"

The next morning, the family voted unanimously to ask him to leave. Being the eldest, I was "elected" to deliver the news to him. He and my stepmother didn't take it well and both said a lot of terrible things. Now they refuse to accept that the whole family agreed to it, and they blame me for it.

Any ideas on how to repair the damage? My stepmother suggested I lie and say it was just me and I am sorry. Neither is true. Maybe it's best I remain estranged from my father, and he can have normal relations with the rest of the family? — TRUTH TELLER IN GEORGIA

DEAR TRUTH TELLER: I disagree with your stepmother. Do

## Dear Abby



she turned 4. Her parents buy her anything and everything she wants, and she's allowed to run the show.

Recently, we watched her overnight, and I was upset with her for calling my husband an old, fat man and a punk, in addition to trying to manipulate us as she does her parents. Discipline to curb her smart mouth is frowned upon, and laughed off. My husband has spoken to his son about this twice. It has changed nothing. I don't feel it's my place to scold and discipline, but if she's in my home, I think she must behave respectfully. Abby, please help with any advice. — FRUSTRATED NANA IN WASHINGTON

DEAR NANA: That little girl is 4. By failing to teach their daughter consideration for the feelings of others, your husband's son and daughter-in-law are doing Jenny a disservice. By the time she's 6, she'll be as welcome as a polecat at a picnic. You have every right to make and enforce the rules for what goes on in your home. Jenny should not be permitted to call your husband (or anyone, for that matter) nasty names, and unless she apologizes, you should not babysit her.

not lie about why your father and his wife were asked to leave. Your siblings need to step forward and make plain that the vote was unanimous. If your father and stepmother choose to isolate themselves after that, you all will be better off.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to my husband for nearly six years. We have a very good relationship and have three grown adult children between us. Four years ago, my daughter and his daughter-in-law had children — I will call them "Timmy" and "Jenny."

My grandson Timmy is autistic, but doing well with speech therapy and special education (preschool). He has his challenges, but we are supportive and encouraging. Jenny is and always has been a chatterbox. She was a good little girl until

# Community Calendar

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

## Today

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.

LITTLE SALAMONIA CEMETERY ASSOCIATION — Meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, at Jay County Public Library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland.

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.

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

## Wednesday

WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant.

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

BRYANT/NEW CORYDON SENIOR CITIZENS — Will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Bryant

Community Center for a carry-in dinner.

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

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

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# Sudoku

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Level: Beginner

## Saturday's Solution

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

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# Salvation Army needs volunteers

To the editor:  
The Salvation Army is looking for dedicated volunteers to become advisory council members for the Salvation Army of Jay County.

## Letters to the Editor

Currently, council members are needed to grow services and continue providing aid to those in need in Jay County. Council members meet at least four times a year and their main duty is to plan and carry out the annual Red Kettle Campaign.

Money raised by the Salvation Army of Jay County is used to assist those living in the county. Assistance includes help with utilities, food, medications, transportation, rent and other such needs.

The Salvation Army is also there in times of disaster in the county. This includes fires, tornadoes, floods and similar situations.

As the local advisory council grows, more services will be able to be offered. These include providing school supplies to students, nursing home

gifts during the holidays, coat drives and more.

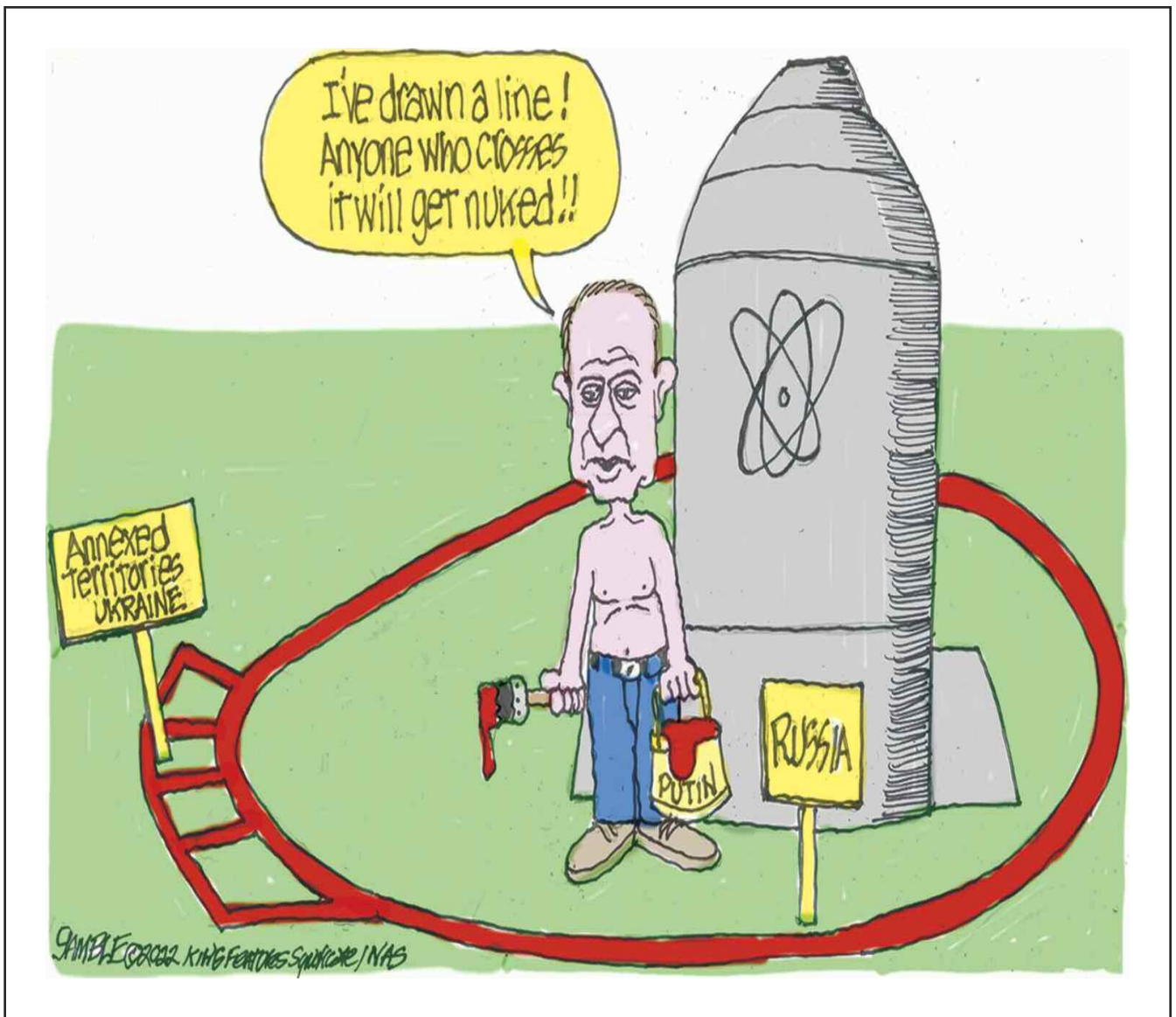
Local residents are needed to make this happen.

A community is only as strong as those living there want it to be. Service to your community through the Salvation Army of Jay County is needed. Not only will your community benefit, so will those who volunteer with a heart for serving.

You are invited to attend the next advisory council meeting. If you would like to attend or would like more information, call Angie, the Northern Indiana Salvation Army liaison at (765) 327-3986.

Angela Quinn  
Northern regional liaison

The Salvation Army Indiana Division



# Expect manufacturing struggle

By MICHAEL J. HICKS

We are now 18 months into inflation that is above the 2% to 2.5% level that the Federal Reserve targets as a normal rate of inflation.

To slow that inflation rate, the Fed has raised their benchmark interest rate five times, from 3.25% to 6.25%. This has the effect of increasing the cost of borrowing, thus reducing consumer demand. It also increases the risk of a recession. It is too early to predict a recession, and economists, including this columnist, have a poor track record of predicting recessions. However, it is not too soon to think through what we might expect with a recession and what unexpected risks might accompany a downturn.

The goal of the Fed's higher interest rates is to cause consumers and businesses to purchase fewer goods and services. Naturally, the higher prices of inflation cause consumers and businesses to alter the mix of products they buy, but it doesn't necessarily reduce demand. Higher interest rates do reduce demand, especially for big ticket items such as automobiles, RVs, homes and appliances.

There is still pent-up demand for new cars, and both RVs and homes are coming off a blistering pace of sales. We already can see the effect of higher interest rates on all these items. The price and quantity reductions aren't yet at recession levels, but auto sales are down 25% from their 2021 highs, existing home sales are down 35% from their January highs and RV sales are down 36% from this time last year.

None of these data are as bad as they appear. Some of the new car sales are stymied by continuing supply chain problems. Home and RV sales are down from what was an unsustainable pace over the past year. Viewed historically, the current slide in sales is unwelcome, but not itself signs of a recession.

Higher interest rates eventually begin to affect smaller purchases as well. Lower demand for housing means fewer purchases of appliances and furniture, while demand for auto parts and construction materials will lessen.

This boosts the likelihood of a recession that is likely different from our more recent experiences. We've been through a pandemic recession that affected

Michael J. Hicks



most services. The Great Recession was led by a housing bubble, and that affected manufacturing. In 2001, we had a short, mild recession, as we did in 1990 and '91. Both of those downturns saw slow labor market recoveries that could be attributed to other causes. The next year is likely to be far different.

The last recession we've had as a result of Fed tightening was in 1982. That will scare many old timers, myself included, who recall the sharp decline in manufacturing. Whether or not this period of interest rate increases results in a recession, it is certain to hit manufacturing harder than did recent downturns.

In a typical post-World War II recession, about half the GDP declines were in manufacturing. Within manufacturing, almost all the declines were in consumer durable goods and in business equipment. These purchases are more sensitive to interest rates than services, and so bear the brunt of the downturn. Indiana's economy is modestly less manufacturing dependent than in 1982, but still the most manufacturing intensive in the nation. Indiana and the Midwest will bear a disproportionate shock if we go into recession.

Whether or not we go into recession, we should anticipate that manufacturing will struggle through much of 2023. The effects aren't just limited to high interest rates. Our efforts to control inflation also mean that the U.S. dollar is strengthening in value relative to other currencies worldwide. While that is superb if you are planning a trip to Paris or London, it also means that U.S. exports are now more expensive than ever.

All this means is that there is little chance that manufacturing production does not decline in the coming months. Still, there is good news as well. Adjusting for inflation, 2021 was the peak manufacturing production year in history. This is not an industry in decline, just one that needs fewer workers to set new production

records. So, a slowdown in manufacturing production comes right off the peak of record production.

There are other good signs about the possible short-term effects of a recession. Since 2021, American manufacturing firms have struggled to find the workers they need. Many manufacturers, particularly in the Midwest, are facing their first tight labor markets in 25 years. This will make them more reluctant to reduce employment during a downturn.

The key challenge is understanding when inflation will end and how quickly interest rate changes affect the economy. This is a mathematical relationship that economists can measure with some ease. The problem is that the relationship is constant over time. New technology speeds the effect of interest increases, but it also speeds price changes for businesses. At the same time, buyers and sellers hedge risks with longer-term contracts, particularly for goods that require months to produce.

Some effects of interest rate increases will take as long as 18 months to work through the economy, others take a few minutes. So, as of early October, perhaps two-thirds of the Fed's interest rate increases have yet to affect consumer spending. This explains both that inflation remains a grueling presence and why the risk of recession grows each time the Fed raises rates in response.

Once inflation is seen to reverse course, the effect of interest rate hikes will continue for more than a year. So, it is nearly impossible to perfectly time the level of interest rate increases needed to slow inflation without a recession. This is why the so called 'soft landing' is so rare. We should no longer expect one, though we might be happily surprised. It is more likely now that we face a recession in the coming months. There are some good signs it won't be deep and long, but those too can change.

I don't think an honest forecast can be made with more certainty than that.

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# Iran's ruler faces a formidable foe

By BOBBY GHOSH

Bloomberg Opinion  
Tribune News Service

A week ago, I worried that the anti-regime demonstrations in Iran might falter if the mostly young protesters didn't get some help from grown-ups — like the trade unions, say, or the so-called moderate elements within the theocratic state. I reckoned it would take the participation of groups of that stature to rattle Ali Khamenei, the Islamic Republic's ruthless supreme leader.

The adults have not yet risen to the occasion, but the tyrant and his theocrats have been confronted and confounded by an unexpected constituency: schoolgirls. They represent a new kind of challenge for a regime that usually deals with dissent by licensing its security forces to use torture and murder. Does Khamenei dare turn his thugs on children?

The protests have evolved from an expression of disgust over the death of a young woman, Mahsa Amini, in the custody of Iran's notorious morality police. Women continue to dominate the demonstrations, but they are no longer content merely to burn their hijabs in symbolic opposition to the regime's restrictive dress code. Now, they are calling for the dismantling of the entire theocratic edifice of the state.

Their ranks have been joined by schoolgirls, who are likewise calling for the downfall of the regime. Video clips of girls confronting teachers and officials in classrooms are proliferating on social media, despite the government's efforts to impose a communications blackout. In some clips, the kids can be heard chanting "Death to the dictator," and stomping on images of Khamenei.

Demonstrations have also spread across university campuses across the country, accelerating after a bloody crackdown on protesters at Tehran's Sharif University. Beating down college students is practically routine for the

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regime, however, and Iranians are all too familiar with images of carnage in the campus.

But the supreme leader has never set his attack dogs upon schoolkids — not yet, anyway. Will the IRGC and Basij balk at clubbing children into submission, especially given the risk that their actions will be caught on cellphone cameras and shown to the wide world?

They must know that the world is paying attention. In the U.S., Canada, Europe and Turkey, there have been rallies in solidarity with the Iranian protesters. Their signature slogan — "Women! Life! Freedom!" — has been taken up in Afghanistan, where women are fighting their own battles against misogynistic rulers.

Having already announced sanctions against the morality police and other regime officials, President Biden has announced he will impose "further costs" on those responsible for violence against the protesters. The European Union is considering sanctions requests from Germany, France, Denmark, Spain, Italy and the Czech Republic.

Any action against schoolkids will undoubtedly invite harsher penalties, such as expulsion of diplomats and barring Iran from international forums. Even allies like China and Russia will find it hard to back Tehran in those circumstances.

But perhaps most worrying for the supreme leader is that a crackdown against children might finally bring the grown-ups into the streets. The kids are a problem Khamenei can't easily solve.

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## Dancing in

Native American and First Nations members dance in the arena for the Grand Entry ceremony of the 69th annual Chicago Powwow at Schiller Woods on Saturday in Chicago.

## Capsule Reports

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### Lost control

Damage is estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000 after a Portland man lost control of the truck he was driving, causing him to drive into a ditch along county road 300 North about 8:46 a.m. Monday.

Douglas A. Mahon, 37, told Jay County Sheriff's Office he was driving on the road near county road 750 West when his vision became obstructed by sunlight. He grabbed the driver's side visor and started to lose control of the 1980 International

al F25 he was driving, according to a report from the sheriff's office. The truck swerved and went into a ditch, where it rolled over and came to a rest on its wheels. Mahon refused treatment but told responders he would take himself to the hospital.

The semi truck — it's registered to Daniel M. Kitchel of Galveston — was towed.

### Drunk driving

A Portland man was arrested for drunk driving after he drove off

county road 50 North about 4:23 a.m. Saturday.

Triston A. Ronald, 24, told Jay County Sheriff's Office he was driving along the road and swerved to avoid hitting deer. His 2012 Dodge Charger went into a ditch and had to be towed.

Ronald was given an alcohol breath test and preliminarily charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C misdemeanor. He was released on his own recognizance from Jay County Jail.

His vehicle was towed.

## Suit ...

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In addition, the lawsuit alleges negligent infliction of emotional distress against the university, the university Board of Trustees, Hines and Lauren Johnson, and "John Doe defendants" who, the lawsuit says, either knew or reasonably should have known of Nicholas Johnson's alleged actions. Another negligence allegation names all but the John Doe defendants and says that all "breached their duty" to protect Wilson from the actions alleged.

Battery allegations made on behalf of Stoffel as part of the lawsuit are similar to those of Wilson's and include allegations that he forced "her to engage in nonconsensual sexual conduct." The 33-page lawsuit alleges that Nicholas Johnson engaged in sex acts with Stoffel against her will several times between July and November of 2020. (Stoffel has agreed to have her name used publicly, her attorney says.) Lauren Johnson knew of the contact, the suit alleges. The suit goes on to allege intentional infliction of emotional distress by Nicholas Johnson and negligent infliction of emotional distress and negligence on the part of the university, Board of Trustees, Lauren Johnson, Hines and the John Doe defendants.

In addition, it alleges Title IX violations against the university and the other defendants.

The suit is seeking punitive and compensatory damages.

Nicholas Johnson is a former runner from Huntington University and was head cross country coach and assistant track coach at the small Christian school until December 2020 when he was arrested on felony charges of child seduction, kidnapping, and identity deception that he

engaged in inappropriate contact with a recruit and traveled with her across state lines.

In 2021, Nicholas Johnson pleaded guilty to identity deception as part of a plea deal negotiated with Huntington County Prosecutor Jeremy Nix. The child seduction and kidnapping charges were dismissed.

"That was a plea deal that I ended up offering to Mr. Johnson after his attorneys deposed the victims for counts one, two and three," Nix said. "The victim there was extremely uncooperative."

Nicholas Johnson was sentenced earlier this year to two years, with only 30 days of that time served in the Huntington County jail. Of the additional time, 150 of the remaining days were to be served on electronic monitoring through Community Corrections, and 550 days were suspended to be served on probation.

"Despite numerous concerns from some track team members and parents of the students, Huntington University named Lauren Johnson as the replacement head coach for her husband," the lawsuit says.

Lauren Johnson had previously been an assistant coach with the cross country and track teams, according to the lawsuit.

The university, it says, "was aware that Nicholas Johnson was still living with Lauren Johnson and "upon information and belief, after his firing, Nicholas Johnson continued to and still provides workouts to the runners at Huntington University."

On Thursday, Huntington University released a statement saying that it had placed Lauren Johnson and Curtis Hines on administrative leave "effective immediately and until further notice pending investigation."

## Attacks ...

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"The goal of the strike has been achieved," said ministry spokesman Igor Konashenkov.

On Monday, Ukrainian authorities counted more than 80 Russian attacks by land, sea and air. Many were averted by the air defenses. According to initial information, 19 people died and more than 100 were injured across the country although Kyiv said the number was subject to change.

The escalation of Russian attacks on Ukraine could be classed as war crimes, the UN Human Rights Office in Geneva warned.

"Attacks targeting civilians and objects indispensable to the survival of civilians are prohibited

under international humanitarian law," spokeswoman Ravina Shamdasani said.

"The location and timing of the strikes — when people were commuting to work and taking children to school — is particularly shocking," she added.

In addition to putting civilians in harm's way with strikes on city centres, 12 energy companies and other important infrastructure were hit on Monday, the UN office said on Tuesday.

Attacking power plants just before winter hits particularly vulnerable people who are unable to flee because of their age or illness, Shamdasani said.

President Joe Biden and the other leaders of the G7

group will hold a virtual meeting on Tuesday to discuss their "unwavering commitment to support Ukraine," the White House said.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy will join at the start of the closed meeting, scheduled to begin at 1200 GMT.

In a statement, the White House said the leaders would discuss holding Russian President Vladimir Putin "accountable in the face of Russia's aggression and atrocities."

Hundreds of localities were still without electricity as a result of Monday's bombardments, Ukrainian authorities said. At one point, more than 3,500 communities were in the dark.

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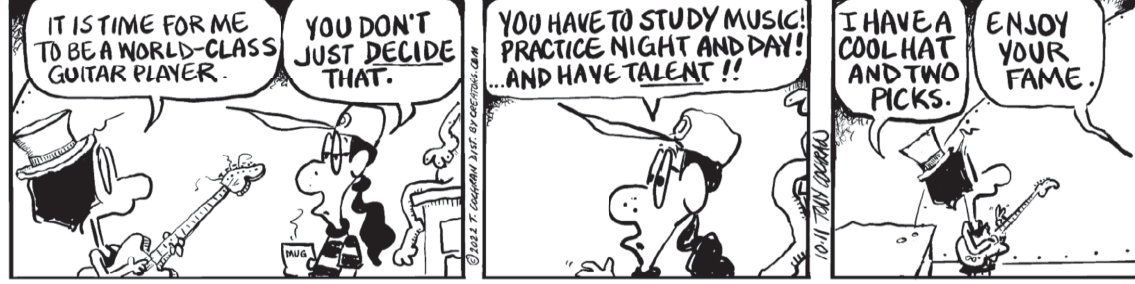
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# Court hears pork industry challenge

By DAVID G. SAVAGE  
Los Angeles Times  
Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Tuesday will hear the pork industry's challenge to a California animal welfare law that would forbid confining breeding pigs in narrow metal cages for most of their lives.

At issue are two broad questions: Can one state can enforce regulations within its borders that will force businesses in other states to change their practices? And can voters insist on standards of morality and decency that include the humane treatment of animals?

In 2018, 63% of California voters approved Proposition 12, a ballot measure to prohibit the sale of eggs or meat that originate from the extreme confinement of egg-laying hens,

breeding pigs or calves raised for veal. The law was due to take full effect this year.

While some of the largest meat packers, including Hormel and Tyson, said they could comply, the National Pork Producers Council sued, alleging the law is unconstitutional because it would require farmers in the Midwest and North Carolina to change how they raise and confine their breeding pigs.

California produces less than 1% of the pork sold in the state, the producers told the court, but "Prop. 12 will transform the pork industry nationwide."

To comply with the California law, breeding pigs would have to be given larger pens that would allow them to stand and turn around, or they could be confined in an open area with other pigs. The producers said those changes would increase their costs by 9%.

"The practical effect of Prop. 12 is that commercial activity outside of California will need to comply with California's regulations, and therefore [it] is an extraterritorial regulation of the \$26-billion interstate pork market....Consumers nationwide will pay for California's preferred sow-housing methods," they told the court.

The pork producers lost before a federal judge in San Diego and the 9th Cir-

cuit Court of Appeals, which said they had no claim of a constitutional violation. But in March, the Supreme Court agreed to hear the industry's appeal, and the Biden administration joined the case on the side of the pork producers.

"California has no legitimate interest in the housing conditions of out-of-state animals," Solicitor General Elizabeth B. Prelogar said. "States may not otherwise regulate out-of-state entities by banning products that pose no threat to public health or safety based on philosophical objections to out-of-state production methods or public policies that have no impact in the regulating state."

In defense of the law, the state's attorneys said the law regulates what happens inside California.

It "only restricts the products that businesses choose to sell within California's borders," they said. "In approving Prop. 12, California voters chose to prohibit the in-state sale of pork products that they found to be immoral and potentially dangerous to human health."

Attorneys for California also contended that the pork producers challenging the law do not represent the entire industry, noting that three years ago, "nearly a third of the nation's pork industry had converted to sow breeding facilities to allow for group housing" where breeding pigs may move around freely.

"Pork produced this way may be marketed as 'crate-free' pursuant to USDA regulations" and can be separated from other pork products, they said.

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# Patriots to open sectional vs. Western

The Patriots have played their sectional opponent before. It's just been a while. Jay County High School got an opening-round game against the Western Panthers in the IHSAA sectional draw held Sunday. The teams have met once pre-

viously — in the final game the Patriots' inaugural season. JCHS (2-6) will host Western (5-3) in the quarterfinal of Class 4A Sectional 20 at 7 p.m. Oct. 21. Other quarterfinal games in Sectional 20 will be fifth-ranked Kokomo (8-0) at Frankfort (1-7), Mississinewa (5-3) at Marion (0-

8) and Huntington North (2-6) at Muncie Central (3-5). The Jay County/Western winner will advance to play the Mississinewa/Marion in the semifinal round Oct. 28. The Kokomo/Frankfort and Huntington North/Muncie Central winners will meet in the other semifinal.

The championship game is scheduled for 7 p.m. Nov. 4. The only meeting between the Patriots and Western came in the final game of the 1975 season. JCHS won 26-14 to finish the year at 8-2. Jay County will be looking for its first sectional victory since edging Logansport 22-21

in the quarterfinal round in 2017. It went on to lose 9-6 to Wayne in the semifinal that year. The Patriots' only sectional title came in 2007, when they defeated Muncie Southside in the championship game. They went on to fall to Bishop Dwenger in the regional.

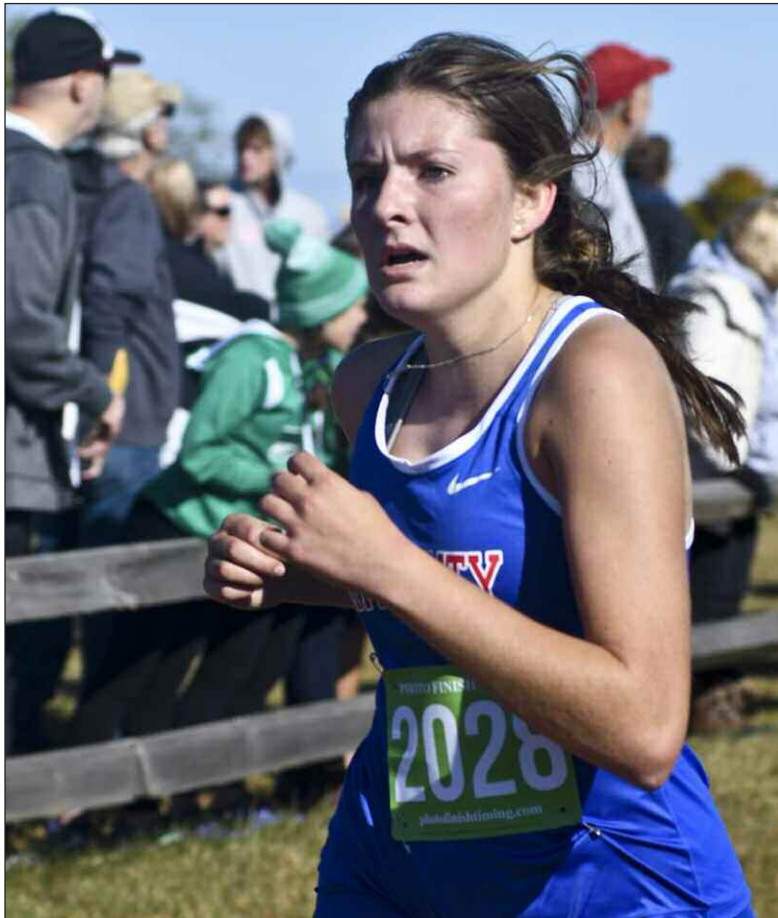
## Quick ...

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"Dylan had a corner kick. It was beautiful, right to me," said Link. "I was able to get a head on it. It bounced right off the crossbar, right to Buckland and he tapped it in for a goal."  
"We just came down with so much intensity and got that corner kick," said Buckland. "And then Carter headed it and it hit the post. And it just came down to me and I saw that I had to hit it and I just put it in the back of the net."  
JCHS goalie Kaleb Coppock saved a shot from the Panthers' Isaiah Ross five minutes later. Then, at the 30:09 mark, the Patriots extended their lead.  
Levi Muhlenkamp was pushing up the middle for a shot when he was fouled at the edge of the 18-yard box. The foul was ruled to have occurred outside the box, resulting in a free kick rather than a penalty kick.  
As Eastbrook set up its wall in an effort to block the kick, Marentes saw his opening. He hit a perfect shot that looped into the top right corner of the goal with no danger of any defender or goalie Reid Aupperle touching it.  
"I saw an opening on the right side," said Marentes. "The goalie was way far left. And I was just like, 'If I get a good placement on it, it's going in.' It did."  
"He plays behind my house for hours and even sometimes up to dark practicing those shots," added Ruiz. "He is awesome for that. ... It paid off."  
Eastbrook (9-8-1) had some opportunities to score, including a pair of tries by Jonathan Olson that went just wide to the left in the final minute of the opening half. But for the most part, the defensive line of Brayden Collins, Trevin Dunnington, Alan Ortiz, Brenden Runyon and Dowlen, with Buckland dropping back to help out in the second half, limited those chances. And Coppock denied the seven shots that came at him.  
The championship was not something that the Patriots thought they would be chasing this season after losing eight seniors to graduation from the 2021 squad. And after a strong start, they hit a lull in September, going four weeks between victories. But they were ready at tournament time, defeating sectional foes New Castle, Mississinewa and Eastbrook by a combined 9-1.  
"Our chemistry has really grown immensely from the beginning of the year," said Dowlen. "Throughout the season we just kept growing together, getting better together, communicating together. I think that really helped us get to where we are."

Jay County and Canterbury have never played in boys soccer. They have four common opponents — Eastbrook, Woodlan, Bellmont and Heritage — with the Cavaliers having beaten all of them by a combined 12-1 score. The Patriots are 2-2 against those teams, including a 2-1 loss to Heritage.  
Ruiz said his team will be focused on its own game rather than making adjustments for the unfamiliar foe.  
"It's such a short time. There is not much you can change in three days," he said. "We're going to start the game as we started sectionals and go from there. ... I'm not going to change anything because it's been working."  
The winner of Wednesday's regional semifinal will advance to play either Northwestern or No. 6 Culver Academies in the regional championship game at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at Norwell.

## Three ...

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The meet marked the end of the season for the Patriot boys team, which finished eighth out of 11 scoring squads with 188 points. (The top five teams and top 10 individuals not on advancing teams move on to the regional, which will also be contested at the Taylor facility.) Wapahani dominated its way to the boys title with 33 points. Yorktown was a distant second with 92 followed by Monroe Central (108), Muncie Central (114) and Burris (151).  
The JCHS girls did not have enough runners for a team score. Monroe Central captured the championship with 62 points, followed by Yorktown (70), Delta (108), Daleville (129) and Muncie Central (also 129).  
Boggs had the best finish of the day across both Patriot teams, getting out to a solid start and battling for the 18th and 19th positions as the field past the mile mark running along a wooded area on the east side of the complex a couple of miles west of the Taylor campus. He had climbed to 15th by the 2-mile mark and made another strong push in the final mile to finish 10th in 17 minutes, 23 seconds.  
Solis spent most of the first half of the race close behind his younger teammate, sitting 23rd after the first mile. Like Boggs, he picked off rivals as the race went to cross the finish line in 17:51 for 18th place.  
"Outstanding effort by both Joseph and Sebastian," said



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Alexis Sibray, a Jay County freshman, hustles down the home stretch during Saturday's sectional meet at the Taylor University Cross Country Complex.

Wood. "We just had a great day for Jay County runners."  
Sibray ran a similar race, leading the Patriots off of the start line and putting herself in contention for a regional berth at 26th place after the first mile.

She climbed up to 19th at the 2-mile mark, and Wood made sure to catch her attention as she headed into the final quarter mile.  
"I had her about that eighth transfer spot, so I knew she

couldn't give up spots," he said. "And so I kind of let her know that she was in a critical place and that she needed to go, and she went. She took off and passed a bunch of people. ... She had a great race. She's on a great track as a freshman to have a really nice career."  
The final push was more than enough to secure a regional berth as she finished 16th in 21:27.93. (The final individual regional qualifying spot went to Winchester freshman Mariah Manning in 22:23.53.)  
Placing 34th overall, fellow JCHS freshman Paityn Wendel wasn't too far off of being a contender for a regional berth. She passed a pair of runners late — one with about 100 yards to go and another at the line — as she recorded a time of 23:01.57.  
"I think Paityn's gaining confidence. If we had another week before sectional, especially after this race, she's somebody that I think we could get through. ... She has what it takes to get through and she could very easily be a regional runner."  
Behind Boggs and Solis for the Patriot boys were freshman Max Klopfenstein in 48th with a time of 19:22, Owen Ransom in 53rd at 19:34 and Wyatt Kunkler in 66th at 20:43. Also running but not factoring in the team score were Darren Fisher (68th — 20:57) and Isaac Kunkler (79th — 25:13).  
Willow Hardy followed Wendel by placing 43rd in the girls race in 23:49.11 and Courtney Harris was 60th in 26:14.

## KC rallies to top Las Vegas

**By HERBIE TEOPE**  
The Kansas City Star  
Tribune News Service  
The Chiefs were sleepwalking in the first half of Monday night's game against the Las Vegas Raiders at GEHA Field at Arrowhead Stadium.  
But they woke up with a fury shortly after a controversial roughing the passer penalty against Chiefs defensive tackle Chris Jones.  
The Chiefs proceeded to overcome a double-digit deficit behind tight end Travis Kelce's four-touchdown night, and then held on to secure a 30-29 win over the Raiders.  
"What a good win to get against a rival," Chiefs coach Andy Reid said. "(Raiders coach) Josh

(McDaniels) has done a phenomenal job there with the Raiders and they played us very tough. Our crowd was tremendous tonight, digging in for four quarters with us and hanging right there."  
The questionable penalty against Jones, which occurred after the defensive tackle forced a fumble by quarterback Derek Carr, appeared to be the catalyst behind the Chiefs' win.  
Kelce recorded touchdown catches on the Chiefs' first two possessions of the second half, helping the home team roar back and take a 24-20 lead. The All-Pro tight end finished the game with seven catches for 25 yards and four touchdowns on eight targets.

## Sports on tap

**Local schedule**  
**Today**  
Fort Recovery — Volleyball vs. New Knoxville — 5:30 p.m.; Middle school volleyball at New Bremen — 5 p.m.; Middle school volleyball at New Bremen — 5 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
Jay County — Boys soccer regional semifinal vs. Canterbury — 5 p.m.  
**TV sports**  
**Today**  
2:30 p.m. — Soccer: Women's international friendly — United States at Spain (ESPN2)  
3:33 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: American League Division Series — TBA at New York Yankees (TBS); National League Division Series — TBA at Atlanta Braves (FOX)  
4:33 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: American League Division Series — TBA at Houston Astros (TBS)  
6:33 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: American League Division Series — TBA at Los Angeles Dodgers (FOX)  
7 p.m. — Men's college soccer: Ohio State at Michigan (BTN)  
7:30 p.m. — NHL hockey: Tampa Bay Lightning at New York Rangers (ESPN)  
10 p.m. — NHL hockey: Las Vegas Golden Knights at Los Angeles Kings (ESPN)  
**Wednesday**  
4:35 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Division Series — Philadelphia Phillies at Atlanta Braves (FOX)  
7 p.m. — NHL hockey: Boston Bruins at Washington Capitals (TNT)  
7 p.m. — NBA preseason basketball: New York Knicks at Indiana Pacers (Bally Indiana)  
7:30 p.m. — College football:

Louisiana at Marshal (ESPN2)  
7:30 p.m. — NBA preseason basketball: Brooklyn Nets at Milwaukee Bucks (ESPN)  
8:37 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Division Series — San Diego Padres at Los Angeles Dodgers (FS1)  
9:30 p.m. — NHL hockey: Chicago Blackhawks at Colorado Avalanche (TNT)  
10 p.m. — NBA preseason basketball: Minnesota Timberwolves at Los Angeles Lakers (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. Thursday 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.  
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## FRHS girls place fourth at invite

COLDWATER, Ohio — The Indians put five runners in the top 51 of a field of nearly 200 Saturday to place fourth out of 19 teams in the Coldwater Lions Invitational.

The Indians scored 170 points to put them behind only Division III No. 4 Fort Loramie (72), Division III No. 3 Liberty Center (72) and Versailles (170).

The boys team was 15th out of 21 squads with 363 points. Junior Natalie Brunswick set the pace for the FRHS girls, finishing just 12 seconds off of her school record with a time of 19:19.32 for seventh place. Ellie Will followed in 29th at 20:49, with Megan Diller 44th in 21:31, Jenna Hart 50th in 21:38 and Alexis Wendel 51st in 21:41.

Trevor Heitkamp crossed the finish line in 16:16 for fifth place to lead the Indian boys and Parker Brunswick had a time of 17:30 for 34th. Joining them were Ethan Evers (122nd - 19:40), Evan Evers (136th -

### Local roundup

19:51) and Caleb Rammel (148th - 20:19).

### JC spikers go 1-3

LIBERTY — Jay County's volleyball team finished 1-3 Saturday in the Union County Invitational, scoring its lone win 24-26, 25-15, 15-11 over Whiteland. The Patriots fell 25-14, 25-16 to Union County, 25-19, 10-25, 15-10 to Northeastern and 22-25, 25-18, 15-10 to Seton Catholic.

Maggie Dillon had 10 digs and three aces for the Patriots (8-22) in their victory over Whiteland. Sophie Saxman recorded 17 assists, Laila Waddell came up with 11 digs and Abbie Fields finished with six kills.

Madison Brunswick led the

JCHS attack in the other three matches, recording six kills in each.

The Patriots are off until Saturday when they play Center-ville in the sectional semifinal at New Castle at 11 a.m. The championship match will be at 6 p.m.

### Heading to Haviland

The Fort Recovery volleyball team got an opening-round match against Wayne Trace in the OHSAA volleyball tournament seeding released Sunday.

The Indians (6-13), who received the No. 7 seed in the Kalida District, will visit Haviland to play Wayne Trace at 6 p.m. Monday. The winner will advance to play second-seeded host Parkway in the second of two sectional championship matches about 7:30 p.m. Oct. 19.

FRHS also lost 25-20, 25-19, 25-19 Saturday to Division IV No. 5 Fort Loramie.

Kayla Heitkamp (11 assists), Audra Bulp (10 digs), Mara Pearson (nine kills) and Saige

Leuthold (six blocks) led the Indians in Saturday's match. Teigen Fortkamp had nine assists, six kills and a pair of aces.

### Third and fifth

In the Allen County Athletic Conference Tournament on Saturday, the Jay County eighth grade volleyball team finished third while the seventh graders were fifth.

Hallie Schwieterman finished with 27 points, 19 kills and five digs to lead the eighth graders, who defeated South Adams and Southern Wells in pool play while losing to Adams Central, then topped Woodlan in the third-place match. Ella Rigby had 34 assists, Carly Trinidad totaled 22 digs, Isabelle Vazquez had 19 points, and Lucy Mace and Lydia Johnson each recorded 13 kills for the Patriots (15-12).

The JCHS seventh grade team got 25 points, including eight aces, from Brenna Ruble. Emalyn Homan had 21 points and

eight assists and Gabbi Petro totaled eight digs.

### Diller leads at Lions

COLDWATER, Ohio — Reese Diller's 26th-place finish led the Fort Recovery middle school cross country teams at Saturday's Coldwater Invitational.

The Indian boys scored 353 points to finish 13th out of 17 teams. The girls team was also 13th with 350 points.

Diller posted the top finish for Fort Recovery, placing 26th with his time of 11 minutes, 45.31 seconds. Following him were Russell Hart (74th - 12:57), Milo Fiely (80th - 13:15), Chase Fiely (108th - 14:09) and Evan Diller (129th - 15:15).

Riley Heitkamp was the fastest running for the Tribe girls, crossing the line in 14:01.7 for 43rd place. Trailing her were Courtney Klenke (49th - 14:17), Kendall Ranly (68th - 14:41), Jazmyne Welling (122nd - 16:59) and Madilyn Reinhard (138th - 18:19).

## PKs ...

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After matching the Hamilton Heights Huskies through regulation and two seven-minute overtimes, Jay County couldn't do it again in penalty kicks as it lost 3-1 when Molly Muhlenkamp's try to keep the season alive went wide to the right in Saturday's Class 2A Sectional 24 championship game at Yorktown Sports Park.

"To be able to even get PKs against a team like Hamilton Heights, our girls should be proud of themselves," said JCHS coach Kendra Muhlenkamp. "We played a very good defensive game. There wasn't a lot of shot attempts in the whole game."

With the game still scoreless after 80 minutes of regulation and the pair of overtimes, it was left to be decided by a best-of-five penalty kick shootout. Hamilton Heights won the toss, chose to go first and took the lead for good when senior Riley Landis scored past Patriot goalie Angel Clairday to the right corner.

Jay County (11-4) sent all-time leading goal scorer Mara Bader to the line to respond, but her shot sailed high over the crossbar.

Huskies Natalie Marcum and Ella Hickok added two more PKs to the right corner while Hamilton Heights goalie Audrey Lang punched Patriot senior Alizabeth Stotler's try over the crossbar.

That made it 3-1 and put all of the pressure on JCHS. It had to make all of its remaining penalty kicks and stop both from the Huskies (14-5-1) simply to pull even.

It was a monumental task that turned out to be too much.

Freshman Aixa Lopez kept the Patriots in the game when she hit her penalty kick to the right corner, and Lang's PK was a grounder up the middle



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Gabi Bilbrey, a Jay County High School senior, pushes the ball up the field Saturday during overtime of the Class 2A Sectional 24 championship game against Hamilton Heights. The Huskies won 3-1 in penalty kicks after 94 minutes of scoreless soccer.

that Clairday saved. But Muhlenkamp's shot flew wide of the right post and left her and her teammates to bury teary faces in their jerseys while Hamilton Heights celebrated a repeat title.

It was a trophy that was a bit unexpected, given how much the Huskies lost to graduation from the team that beat Jay County 9-0 in last year's final.

"Community, other people, coaches said this is going to be a rebuilding year," said Hamilton Heights coach Travis Kauffman, noting the loss of nine senior starters from his 2021 squad. "Our

seniors, our captains, came in and said, 'That's not what we want. We're not going to let that define us.' So this year was kind of about defying those expectations."

The Huskies advance to host a regional semifinal on Thursday night against Belmont, which earned its regional berth with a 1-0 win over Woodlan in the championship game of Class 3A Sectional 23.

Scoring chances were limited for both teams during regulation, though Hamilton Heights missed a couple of golden opportunities.

The first of those came

with 22:40 on the clock in the second half as senior Cassidy Felger worked into the right corner and sent a high cross that got past the arms of a leaping Clairday. Sophomore Addyson Ferguson was on the spot to redirect it into the net, but her header went up and over the crossbar.

With 14 minutes left, the Huskies again seemed primed to break the onto the scoreboard when sophomore Sarah Toll swiped the ball from JCHS defender Ellie Wendel. But Toll's shot caromed off the left post.

The best Jay County

scoring opportunity during regulation came when senior midfielder Gabi Bilbrey stole the ball off of a Huskies throw-in, worked up field and then sent a long through ball to Bader. Bader had a breakaway, but her shot with defending Reese Snodgrass bearing down went just wide to the left.

"I felt like they had a very good strong defensive line that we just couldn't beat," said Muhlenkamp. "Any through ball we got, any long ball they stopped. But we did the same on their part."

The loss ended a strong season for the Patriots,

who had won six in a row heading into the sectional title game. (Their last loss came Sept. 15 to Belmont.) It saw Bader, who will be lost to graduation along with starters Paige Mumbower, Bilbrey and Stotler, set new school records for single-season goals (37) and career goals (74). She broke the marks of 31 and 63, respectively, previously held by 2016 JCHS graduate Gabbie Mann.

"The first day of practice, I knew there was something special," said Muhlenkamp. "We had those pieces. We put them together. ... I am so proud of the girls."

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**Wrestling registration is set for Thursday, see Sports on tap**

# Sports



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Jay County High School senior Carter Link works between Eastbrook defenders Philip Ritchie (left) and William Payne (right) during the Patriots' 2-0 sectional championship victory Saturday at Delta.

*Wednesday's opponent*



**Canterbury Cavaliers (14-1-3)**

**Coach**  
Greg Mauch

**Conference**  
Independent

**Goal leaders**  
Donovan Doolittle – 16  
Dallas Watson – 9  
Octavius Ogubi – 8

**Assist leaders**  
Doolittle – 8  
Jackson Glassley – 7

**Saves leader**  
Saed Anabtawi – 39

**Team notes:** Canterbury's only loss came in its second game of the season — 3-2 at Carroll ... The Cavaliers are in the regional for the third consecutive year. They advanced to the regional final in 2021 before falling 2-1 to Bishop Dwenger in overtime. They have seven state championships, with the last coming in Class A in 2019 ... Since opening the season with a tie and a loss, Canterbury has allowed just eight goals in its last 16 games.

**History:** Jay County and Canterbury have never met in boys soccer. The Patriots' last appearance in a regional was in 2014, when they lost 5-0 to Kokomo in the semifinal.

## Quick to crown

*Jay County scores in just 33 seconds en route to team's first sectional championship since 2014*

By RAY COONEY  
The Commercial Review

MUNCIE — Thirty-three seconds.

The Patriots took the opening kickoff and worked the ball to Carter Link, who attacked along the right side of the 18-yard box. His shot caromed off a defender and out of bounds for a corner kick.

Dylan Marentes sent the corner kick from the right side to Link, who hit a header toward the frame.

It bounced off the crossbar to a waiting Cayden Buckland, who slammed the rebound into the goal. The clock showed 39:27.

An hour and a half later, the Patriots were carrying coach Bobby Ruiz across the field, victorious.

The quick score proved to be all Jay County would need as it shut out the Eastbrook Panthers 2-0 Saturday in the IHSAA Class 2A Sectional 24 boys soccer championship game at Delta.

"Dream come true," said Ruiz, who coached JCHS to its first sectional title since 2014 and sixth in program history.

"It feels amazing," added Link, one of four seniors on the team. "After winning sectionals last time eight years ago, doing that for our school feels awesome."

The Patriots' first regional appearance in eight years will be at home — on the JCHS football field — at 6 p.m. Wednesday against fifth-ranked Canterbury. The Cava-

liers earned their third consecutive regional berth when they scored with three seconds left in the second overtime period to beat Heritage 1-0.

Looking back at his team's opening goal, Ruiz said it's been a strategy to garner corner kicks when shots aren't clear because of the strength of Josh Dowlen and Link on headers. It paid off quickly with the sectional championship on the line.

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## Three make regional

*Solis joined by freshman in earning another week to run*



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By RAY COONEY  
The Commercial Review

UPLAND — A year ago, a Patriot senior extended her career with the team's lone regional berth.

Another senior advanced to the second level of the tournament this season, and he'll have a pair of freshmen with him.

Freshman Joseph Boggs and Alexis Sibray led the Jay County High School teams in Saturday's sectional race at the Taylor University Cross County Complex as they joined senior Sebastian Solis in earning regional berths.

"Of course this is the time of year when you want to peak," said JCHS

Jay County High School senior Sebastian Solis runs side by side with Brandon Musick of Monroe Central during the sectional race Saturday at the Taylor University Cross County Complex. Solis finished 18th to earn a regional berth.

coach Bruce Wood of a list of career-best times from his regional qualifiers and on down the lineup. (Wood's daughter Lindy was the team's only regional qualifier last season and went on to make the semi-state.) "We maxed out on

our mileage about two weeks ago and we've been tapering a little bit to try to get ready to do our best today. Because if we don't do our best today, there's not going to be a next week."

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## JCHS falls short in PKs

By RAY COONEY  
The Commercial Review

YORKTOWN — Through 94 minutes of play and two penalty kicks, the Patriots were unable to put the ball in the net.

That left them no margin for error.

They survived the two kicks that followed. The third brought an end to their season.

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