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# Aker, Bowers to square off

By BAILEY CLINE
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One candidate is fresh to the

Another is finishing his first term as a county commissioner.

Two Portland residents will face off for the Jay County Commissioner seat representing the middle district as incumbent Republican Chad Aker and Democrat Joel Bowers are running against each other in the November election.

Aker defeated Bryan Alexander in the Republican primary. He's finishing up his first term ness, Jay Home Inspections. as a commissioner and has served as president since January 2021. A 1990 Jay County High grew up on a pullet farm in

Incumbent Republican commissioner is facing challenge from Democratic party chair

associate's degree in electronics engineering at ITT Technical Institute. Aker is a full-time firefighter at Portland Fire Department. He also runs his own busi-

Bowers serves as chair of Jay County Democratic Party. He School graduate, he earned an rural Jay County. After graduat-

ing from Jay County High School in 2006, he attended Ivy Tech Community College and Ball State University and earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education. He's currently a fourth grade teacher at Frances Slocum Elementary School in Marion.

Bowers said he's campaigning in order to create compromise

for the seat in order to bring a balance to the board of commissioners. (Currently all three seats are occupied by Republi-

"I want to make a difference," he said. "And I want to create balance because we have to have differing opinions on both sides

in order to find what works for everyone." Aker hopes to continue what

he's been working on as a commissioner for the last few years, pointing to the roughly \$3.9 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds the county has to use. (The community has been involved with planning how to spend a portion of those funds through the Hoosier Enduring Legacy Process, which should be finalized by the end of this year.)

County officials have offered several options for American Rescue Plan Act funds, including addressing the need for more child care, housing and rural internet access.

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## Council adjusts pay for security

By BAILEY CLINE The Commercial Review

County officials agreed recently to give 6% or more raises to employees next

At least one position had been overlooked.

Jav County Council agreed Wednesday change a courthouse security officer's classification.

Courthouse security officer Monte Shrack noted the county had agreed to give 6% across the board or larger raises to its employees in 2023. He pointed out his position and others in the same role had changed job classifications. Security officer Dillon Mosier, he noted, had changed to a lower classification and pay. After incorporating the raises compared to his pay this year, he would receive a roughly 3.8% raise instead of 6% or larger, according to Shrack.

Council members pointea out their intentions were to give the larger raises to all employees. The pay cut, council member Harold Towell said, seemed to be an oversight. Council member Ted Champ noted the pay difference would come out to 39 cents an hour.

Council agreed to bump Mosier to a different job classification in order to give him a 6% raise.

See **Adjusts** page 2



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**Survival story** 

Redkey Elementary School fourth grader Colby Retter reads "I Survived The Battle of D-Day, 1944" this morning in Andrea Oswalt's classroom. It is part of a series of "I Survived" books that tell stories about historic events from the perspective of a child.



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## Homecoming march

Fort Recovery High School Band members march off the field after the opening of the homecoming game Friday against Parkway.

## **Indiana Supreme Court steps in to** abortion lawsuit

By CASEY SMITH

Indiana Capital Chronicle indianacapitalchronicle.com

The Indiana Supreme Court on Wednesday took jurisdiction of a lawsuit over the state's new, near-total abortion ban a move that likely keeps abortion access in Indiana safe for several more months.

The state's highest court granted a request by Republican Attorney General Todd Rokita to bypass the Indiana Court of Appeals. The court also denied the state's request to stay the preliminary injunction that is currently blocking the law.

Briefing deadlines are set for December, according to the court's order. An oral argument

is set for Jan. 12.

debate was originally filed in Monroe County Court in August by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Indiana on behalf of health care providers and a pregnancy resource center.

A special judge in Owen County ruled last month that the ban likely violates the Indiana Constitution. An injunction issued by Judge Kelsey Blake Hanlon, a Republican, halted the state's new abortion law one week after it took effect. Under the injunction, the state's previabortion law stands – allowing abortions up to 20

The state quickly appealed that decision and asked the Indiana Supreme Court to bypass the Court of Appeals The court challenge up for and take the case directly.

#### **Deaths**

Nancy Snyder, 89, Centerville, Ohio

Janet Collins, 87, Winches-

Details on page 2.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 72 degrees Wednesday and there was about a tenth of an inch of rain. The low was 53.

Tonight's forecast calls for a low of 34 with winds gusting to 20 miles per hour. Expect a windy Friday as well with a high of 60. See page 2 for an extended outlook.

### In review

The Portland City Council meeting scheduled for Monday has been canceled. Council's next meeting is at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 7.

#### Coming up

**Friday** — A look into the two candidates running for District 33 representative.

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



### **Obituaries**

#### Nancy Snyder

Sept. 11, 1933-Oct. 7, 2022 Nancy Ellis Snyder, 89, passed away Friday, Oct. 7, 2022, at Otterbein Senior Neighborhood-Springboro in Centerville, Ohio.

She was born Sept. 11, 1933, in Farmland, Indiana, a daughter to the late Vera

Leona (Harmon) Lawrence and "Dick" Traxler.

She was a loving, sweet soul with a strong work ethic. Just picture Rosie the Riveter grit with a heart and soul



for helping others and a sweet tooth to boot.

She resided in Rose Hill, Ohio, while working for Sheller-Globe before making the move to Dayton, Ohio, to be closer to her sons and grandchildren. She established residency in Washstraight to work at the local IGA Traxler and Sue Bowers; and

market in the deli department. She retired as the deli manager after 12 years.

She always loved the nostalgia of the Great Darke County Fair for its food and "Old Folks Tent" banter where she could meet family and friends galore. Her cooking, famous pineapple salad, and homemade peanut butter fudge will live on with her fond memories.

Left to cherish her memory are brothers and sisters-in-law William "Bill" and Nell Snyder, Virginia "Ginny" (Snyder) and Lonny Gibbons, and Harry "Trace" Snyder; sons David Snyder and Michael Snyder; grandchildren Joshua Snyder, Kelley (Snyder) and Doug Kershner, Adam Snyder, and Austin Snyder; as well as great-grandchildren Harper, Hadley, and Stella Snyder.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her ington Township, Ohio, and got siblings, Ollis Traxler, Gene

Tuesday

10/18

46/29

Mostly sunny skies are expected

Tuesday, with

ping below freezing at

jackpot:

night.

daughter-in-law Linda (Austerman) Snyder.

Visitation will be Oct. 14, 2022, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Reichard Funeral Home located at 400 W. Deerfield Road, Union City, Indiana. Funeral Service will follow with burial in the Union City Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at reichardfh.com and in lieu of flowers plant a memorial tree, by visiting reichardfh.com/send-

#### **Janet Collins**

Sept. 9, 1935-Oct. 11, 2022 Janet R. Collins, 87, of Winchester, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022, at Reid Health in Richmond.

She was born on Sept. 9, 1935, in Winchester to Guy and Edna Cook.

Janet was a 1953 graduate of Ridgeville High School. On June 7, 1953, Janet married H. Rex Collins. She worked at the Randolph County Hospital, the Ran-

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dolph Nursing Home and in Home Health Care. Janet was a preacher's wife and pianist at Olive Branch Christian

Church,

Collins where she also belonged

to the Olive Branch Ladies Group. She loved shopping, time with her friends and with her

Janet is survived by her husband, H. Rex Collins; a daughter, Deborah (Don) Shilt of Winchester; a grandson, Chad Laughman; granddaughter Mindy Collins; brother David Cook; five sisters-in-law, Lila Collins, Lala Rees, Lois Lawler, Ruth Ann James and Diana Cook; and several nieces and nephews.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents; two sons, Timothy and Johnathan Collins; and sister, Carolyn Sue Ross-Ritchey.

A service to celebrate Janet's

life will be at 2 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, at the Walker Funeral Home. Burial will be at a later time at Hopewell Cemetery. Friends and family may call from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to EverHeart Hospice, 743 E. Washington St., Winchester, IN

Walker Funeral Home in Winchester is entrusted with the

arrangements. Condolences may be shared with the family at walkerswinchester.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 serv-

## CR almanac

Friday 10/14	Saturday 10/15	Sunday 10/16	Monday 10/17	
60/44	61/38	61/37	49/30	
Friday's forecast shows sunny skies and high winds, with wind gusts reaching up to 35 mph.	Saturday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies, with winds again reaching high speeds, up to 20 mph.	Sunday looks to be mostly sunny, with a low in the mid to high 30s. Rain possible late.	Monday has a chance of rain under mostly sunny skies. The high won't reach past 50.	

### **Lotteries**

#### **Powerball**

14-30-41-42-59 Power Ball: 6 Power Play: 5 Estimated jackpot: \$454 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$494 million

#### Hoosier Midday

Daily Three: 2-0-5 Daily Four: 8-1-6-5 Quick Draw: 1-5-7-8-9-26-29-30-32-38-45-54-55-59-60-61-65-66-68-78

Evening Daily Three: 3-8-5 Daily Four 2-3-7-0 Quick Draw: 1-3-6-8-10-13-14-15-17-24-25-26-27-3133-41-48-51-64-77 Cash 5: 1-2-4-13-20

Hoosier Lotto: 1-4-9-18-

Estimated \$2.8 million

#### Ohio

Midday Pick 3: 7-6-5 Pick 4: 2-3-8-3 Pick 5: 1-4-5-9-7 Evening Pick 3: 5-2-1 Pick 4: 1-4-1-4 Pick 5: 6-9-8-6-4 Rolling Cash: 1-3-4-21-

Classic Lotto: 5-8-11-

22-31-37 Kicker: 1-2-8-6-3-2 Estimated jackpot:

\$37.8 million

### open."

Aker would like to see some of the dollars used to create a new public service building for Jay Emergency Medical Service, Jay County Health Department and Jay County Coroner's Office. He said he would also like to see more of the suggestions county officials have given for usage of the funding come to life, such as creating infrastructure for housing or providing more

"(I'd) like to see, just, the betterment of Jay County in all," he said. "I guess that's why I'm running again, is because I want to see this. I don't want to just drop the ball and depend on someone else to pick it up and not know where we're at (by) this point.'

better rural internet access.

In relation to farmers, Bowers runoff. He suggested treating small farms as local businesses and offering tax abatements, varying between one to five years depend-

"A lot of what I'm trying to build in as a commissioner candidate and then as a commissioner elect is to try to provide services that you would find in more metropolitan areas, because I realize that a lot of the problems associated with rural we don't have the same services, and people leave here," he said

One of his other goals would be to introduce a 24-hour resource for

"I think that that's absolutely necessary at this point," he said. 'We have so many times where, particularly with the pandemic, where people are in danger of or in dire straits of, you know, hurting themselves ... during times that

Continued from page 1

members present, they

chose to table a discus-

sion on the ordinance

proposing a hiring freeze

recently by Jay County

council — until next

6 p.m. Oct. 19 for a second reading and adoption of

council members Mike

Rockwell, Ray Newton,

absent Jeanne Houchins,

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Council meets again at

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With only four council

Meridian (Health) Services is not

Aker pointed out one of the ideas that has been proposed for usage of American Rescue Plan Act dollars has addressed mental healthcare. He noted Meridian Health Services, Youth Service Bureau and Jav County Drug Prevention Coalition have had a hand in planning for services.

Bowers also suggested using American Rescue Plan Act funds for creating groups who can deescalate situations related to mental illness.

"A lot of the money that was provided by ARP ... was focused on increasing health care to actually take care of people," he said. "We've got the money that's been provided to us we can use for that

During the budgeting process this year, Jay County Council cut \$200,000 allocated for road conversions. Aker previously noted there are still dollars remaining to continue with some of those conversions. (The county has converted more than 20 miles from stone to hard surface in the last four years.)

'We may not be able to do as many as we've done in the past, but I don't want to totally shut off the program," he said. "If we can do a couple miles a year, that's progress."

Bowers said he would like to areas boiled down to the fact that ensure funding is spread throughout the county for paving rural roads. He would also like reconstruction of rural access roads, such as county roads 400 South and 200 South.

> are in good repair, we can make sure that people can get to the places they need to in order to get the things they need, especially in times where there are severe situations," he said.

Jay County Country Living — formerly known as Jay County Retirement Center — is also a hot topic for both candidates. Aker noted the choice whether to close the facility will be a joint decision made by council and commissioners.

"I'd like to see it continue, but if it comes down to it, I mean, I hate to say we're going to close it, but we've just got to look at it and look at the feasibility for it," he said, referencthe residential center's finances. He noted current director Melissa Blankley has brought in several new residents and all are up to date on their payments.

Bowers pointed out there are several nursing homes around Jay County.

"But I feel that Jay County Country Living provides a different aesthetic and a different setting for those people, and I think that is absolutely necessary," he said.

Bowers again referenced his comments about party representation. He said he wants to help represent all taxpayers throughout the coun-

"I have the best interests at heart," said Bowers. "I'm willing to do anything I can to make sure everyone is equally represented and everyone is equally taken care of. And I just feel that I represent a group of people that aren't necessarily represented by the current administration, and I think that that's important."

Aker noted his nearly 30 years in public service as well spent working and living in Jay County.

"I live here, I want to see this "By making sure that those roads community thrive," he said. "I'm trying to make the best fiscally responsible decisions, the decisions that are best for everybody, not just a small group of people. I guess if you want to see continued progress, vote for me.'

### **Markets**

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#### Heartland St. Anthony

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Beans	13.48
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Wheat	8.59

### **Today in history**

House was laid. President George Washingpermanent location of the new capital in early 1791, and he and French city planner Pierre Charles L'Enfant selected the site for the residence.

In 1903, the Boston Americans defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates to win the first modern World Series.

In 1972, Joe Lloyd Sun Chief Solar. won the individual title

In 1792, the corner- and led Redkey High stone of the White School to the team championship at the Jay County cross country ton had announced the meet. Lloyd won the 2.5mile race at Portland Country Club in 13 min-

> In 2021, Jay County Council gave preliminary approval to tax abatements for the Leeward Renewable Energy's Rose Gold Solar and Scout Clean Energy's

> utes, 19 seconds by 11

seconds over Bryant's

Ron Grogg.

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### **SERVICES**

Friday

Snyder, Nancy: I p.m., Reichard Funeral Home, 400 W. Deerfield Road, Union City.

Saturday

Collins, Janet: 2 p.m., Walker Funeral Home, 248 E. South St.

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Adjusts additional appropriations: \$36,963 for Dunkirk Public Library Dunkirk Glass Museum. \$30,000 for jail wages and \$10,000 for other Jay County Sheriff's Office wages, \$4,212.26 for Jay County Emergency Management Agency training provided by a state grant,

celebration, \$5,000 for Jay County Critical Incident Management Stress team, \$221.16 for extradition expenses from Jav County Jail and \$126 for pauper counsel from Jav County Public Defender.

 Tabled additional appropriations of \$9,500 \$7,500 for Jay County for gas, lube and oil from tractor repair fund.

Fairgrounds' centennial the sheriff's office and \$6,012.50 for medical and hospital fees from Jay County Corrections.

> ·Made several transfers, most notably \$41,000 from the highway equipment fund to the gas, lube and oil fund and \$35,000 from the highway equipment fund to truck and

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### Citizen's calendar

#### **Monday**

5 p.m. — Jay School Board, General Shanks, 414 Floral Ave., Portland. 6:30 p.m. — Fort Recov-

ence room, high school,

400 E. Butler St.

ery School Board, confer-

lage hall, 201 S. Main St. Wednesday

6 p.m. — Jay County Council, commissioners room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.

7:30 p.m. — Fort Recov-

ery Village Council, vil-

### Bowers emphasized the need for purpose."

said, he would also like to provide an incentive to increase crop productivity and decrease wastewater

ing on the need.

mental health care.

## Dispose of medication, drugs properly

By CHERI KNAPKE

Did you know that there is a drug take-back bin in the IU Health Jay hospital lobby available 24 hours a day?

The United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is holding its next National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on Oct. 29. Drug take-back programs are designed to allow for the anonymous, safe disposal of prescription medications that are expired or unused.

However, these programs will also accept non-prescription medications with no questions asked. Since the first Take-Back Day in 2010, there have been 22 Take-Back Days endorsed by the DEA. Thus far, take-back programs throughout the nation have collected nearly 8,000 tons of medications, with 360 tons number of children who find being collected on April 30 of this year alone.

Why are drug take-back programs important?

Drug take-back programs allow for the anonymous, safe

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viding a safe disposal location, program sites remove potentially dangerous medications from the community. Such medications can be harmful, especially for children, the elderly and pets, if left unattended or in an unsecure area. The threat of medication poisoning, especially in children, is very real. More young children now visit U.S. emergency rooms for drug poisonings than for car crashes, largely due to an increase in the and swallow prescription drugs at home.

What should you do before dropping off your medica-

Drug take-back programs are disposal of medications. By pro- designed to be anonymous in easily available, there are two

order to create an environment ways to dispose of medicines at original containers and mix that does not enforce stigma or make anyone feel unwelcome. While it is not necessary, many people prefer to remove all personal information from medication bottles before dropping them off at the disposal sites. For the safety of all involved in take-back programs, it is preferred that all needles are removed from the medications before bringing them in and disposed of properly in sharps containers.

Where can you go to dispose of expired or unused medications?

There is a permanent medication take-back bin located in the IU Health Jay hospital lobby as well as other sites in local communities. There are several websites online available to help in finding a return/disposal location nearest you.

What if you can't get to a and creams. disposal location?

When a take back option is not ing steps:

home, depending on the drug.

Flushing medicines: Because some medicines could be especially harmful to others, they have specific directions to immediately flush them down the sink or toilet when they are no longer needed, and a take-back option is not readily available. How will you know? Check the label or the patient information leaflet with your medicine or consult the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's list of medicines recommended for disposal by flushing. Remember, do not flush your medicine unless it is on the flush

Disposing medicines in household trash: If a take back program is not available, almost all medicines, except those on the FDA flush list (fda.gov), can be thrown into your household trash. These include prescription and over-the-counter drugs in pills, liquids, drops, patches

To do so safely, use the follow-

them with something undesirable, such as used coffee grounds, dirt, or cat litter. This makes the medicine less appealing to children and pets and unrecognizable to someone who might intentionally go through

the trash looking for drugs. Put the mixture in something you can close (a re-sealable zipper storage bag, empty can, or other container) to prevent the drug from leaking or spilling

Throw the container in the garbage.

Scratch out all your personal information on the empty medicine packaging to protect your identity and privacy. Throw the packaging away.

For more information on drug disposal visit the FDA's website.

Please dispose of unused medications properly. You can always ask your local pharmacist if you have specific ques-

Cheri Knapke is the manager Remove the drugs from their of IU Health Jay Pharmacy.

## **Community Calendar**

Notices will appear in NEIGHBORS — Will meet Community Calendar as at 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, *space is available. To sub-* at Pizza Hut in Portland. emailmit an item. news@thecr.com.

**Today** 

PIKE FRIENDS AND Walnut St., Portland.

AUXILIARY POST 211 — p.m. the second Thursday Will meet at 6 p.m. Thurs- of each month in Indiana and learn about the latest day at the post at 211 W. University Health Jay products and informa-

TY HEALTH JAY HOSPI-TAL OSTOMY SUPPORT AMERICAN LEGION GROUP — Will meet at 6 Conference tion. Hospital

INDIANA UNIVERSI- Room B. The group is for ostomy and intestinal diversion patients and their friends and family to offer mutual support

A BETTER LIFE – BRI- Come early for a meal. For ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 CLUB — Will meet at 7 p.m. each Thursday at The p.m. the second Thursday Rock Church, 1605 N. of each month at Jay Com-Meridian St., Portland. munity Center.

more information, call (260) 766-2006.

JAY COUNTY TRAILS

### Sudoku

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Level: Intermediate

Wednesday's Solution

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

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## DEAR ABBY: We recently found

out my 19-year-old daughter is pregnant. This is her first boyfriend, and she is absolutely smitten with him. He has asked her to marry him, and we are excited and happy for her, but there is one thing we are having a hard time with: I am almost certain he is cheating on her.

They live with us, so I can see the signs — he says he's working late, and several times even told her he had to work all night. He's always on his phone, and he never allows her to see it. He keeps it on silent and face down. When he gets a text message (which is often), he immediately says he has to go to the bathroom. Then he stays in there for about a half-hour.

I've tried talking to her about what I'm seeing, but she gets mad at me. She says she trusts him and insists he would never cheat on her. It's painful to watch this happening to her, and I don't know how to handle it. Should I continue bringing it up or let her find out on her own? KNOWS ALL TOO WELL

DEAR KNOWS: You have already brought it up. Your daughter should not rush into marriage just because she is pregnant, if that's her intention. Because her boyfriend is living with you, he's likely not mature or financially stable enough to be married to anyone. no drinking, gambling or drug prob-

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(What do his parents think about this?)

I was tempted to advise you to hire a private investigator to find out if the young man is really working late or all night, but I'm not sure you need to go to that expense. The truth will eventually reveal itself. In the meantime. give your daughter plenty of emotional support because she is going to need it, and probably more.

DEAR ABBY: I married my high school sweetheart in 1967. In 1979, after 12 years of marriage, we refinanced our mortgage so we could add a room. During the credit check, it was brought to my attention that my wife had borrowed \$14,000 and opened a secret mailbox in a different town to hide it from me.

The problem was, and still is, that she has refused for 52 years to tell me what it was for. Needless to say, my trust in her was shaken. She had

lems. I must have asked her a thousand times what she needed the money for, and still no answer. Our marriage went downhill, I had an affair, and we separated.

In 1990, we got back together, but it wasn't the same. The kids were grown, so four years later we divorced. I'm 75 now, remarried 20 years ago, and I still can't figure out why she couldn't tell me the truth to save our marriage. (Abortion keeps popping into my mind.) A day does not go by that it doesn't enter my mind even all these years later. My kids are estranged because all they know is that I had an affair. I suppose I will be wondering until my dying day. Advice? — STILL IN THE

DEAR STILL: What your exwife needed that money for is anybody's guess. She may have used it to bail out a friend who was in trouble. She also could have been paying off a blackmailer. The possibilities are so varied that guessing her motive could be a parlor game.

Since you asked, my advice to you is to finally let the past stay in the past and quit upsetting yourself over something you will never get a straight answer about. There are few more effective ways to diminish the joys of the present than to do what you are doing.



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## Officials are acting in self-interest

By MORTON J. MARCUS

Long ago, on a cold windy day, a youth came upon an elderly person hesitating to cross a busy ice-covered boulevard.

"Might I have the pleasure of escorting you to the far side of this dangerous icy avenue?" asked the youth.

"Ah, indeed," replied the senior with evident gratitude.

When they reached the other side safely, they parted with appreciation to each other. How was the youth to know this elderly person was about to murder someone?

This tale may help us understand a major moral dilemma: seemingly well-intentioned acts often serve undesirable consequences.

In 2008, a major portion of the financial sector of the Unit-

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ed States was in danger of collapse due, in large measure, to its own ingenuity with investments in home mortgages. The federal government, with the participation of the Federal Reserve Bank, saved the day.

In the face of an unprecedented drought in financial markets, extraordinary quantities of money were flushed into the economy. As a result, most of us did not suffer from the disaster that could have been.

and/or jobs.

As we recovered slowly from this Great Recession, along came the COVID-19 pandemic. With the sudden impact and terror of a tornado, millions were taken ill, many to die. To restart the economy and maintain basic commerce, again money was flushed into the sys-

These were noble acts to aid a distressed nation. However, while COVID-19 disrupted the entire economy, the 2008 crisis was mainly in the financial sys-

The price paid for the repeated COVID-19 alleviation payments to households and businesses has been inflation. More money in the hands of families and firms, independent of their

Yet many did lose homes needs, released a flood of buy- homeowners symbolic property ing inconsistent with the ability of a changed economy to

absorb. Did we learn anything from this?

Not in Indiana!

Our legislature and governor gave back tax money to income taxpayers rather than putting dollars to work where productivity could be increased. Most notably they failed to pay neglected teachers and pave neglected roads.

Those refunds were made in

Isn't 2022 the year in which all representatives in the house and half the senators are up for election?

Not to be out done, a unanimous council and mayor of Indianapolis will provide

tax relief in 2023.

Isn't 2023 coincidently the year when councilors and the mayor

are up for election? Were there some other uses for those funds? A faster schedule for better street lighting? More attention to illegal gun sales? Side-

When the Indiana General Assembly reassembles, if there is any honor left in that collectiv-

Might they reconsider their penchant for self-interest over the public interest. The same applies to our many local governments where the preservation of privilege precludes progress.

Marcus is an economist. Email him at mortonjmarcus@yahoo.com.

## **Congress owes** a permanent fix

**New York Daily News** 

Tribune News Service Imagine the life you have now, with all your routines that you've built and the goals you've achieved, with one caveat: At any time, through no fault of your own and without warning, faraway people could take away not just your job but your right to have a job, throw your entire future into disarray, and potentially separate you from your family permanently.

Every once in a while, the people with this absolute power over you signal that they may use it, but maybe not, dangling the ax over your head for years.

This might sound like some sort of punishment from Dante's Inferno, but it's reality for hundreds of thousands of people living under the alwaystenuous DACA program. Wednesday, they were rattled yet again as a federal appeals panel affirmed a lower court ruling that had declared the program illegal last year, while staying the impact of that ruling for the roughly 600,000 people who are still protected by it.

immediately grown up alongside us, who have contributed indelibly to our society and are integrally part of it in every way except on paper, are huddling with families and wondering whether they should get their affairs in order, as if diagnosed with some

fearsome illness. about the facts: Inflicting ment, one that has gone this type of cruelty on on far longer than it these people is not a fact should have and which is of nature or a proper consistently disavowed response to anything; it's by public opinion.

### Guest **Editorial**

*Inflicting* this type these people is not a fact of nature or a proper response to anything; it's a choice, from years of cynical political and **Washington** dysfunction ...

a choice, one resulting Functionally, nothing from years of cynical mmediately changes, political maneuvering and yet around the coun- and Washington dysfunctry, people who have tion, and it accomplishes nothing, helps no one, serves no greater pur-

pathway to citizenship for every last Dreamer and reform the laws that allowed so many to have no other options in the first place. Every day Let's be clear-headed frankly, an embarrass-



NEWS ITEM: THE U.S. LAUNCHES THE WRONG RUSSIAN INTO SPACE,

of cruelty on one resulting maneuvering

pose.

Congress must enact a without a resolution is,

on now to fix the inflation, crime and border crisis problems!

### Term to have far-reaching implications

**By SCOTT UNDERWOOD** Herald Bulletin (Anderson)

**HSPA** Infonet Every October, when a new nine-

month U.S. Supreme Court term begins, important and interesting cases await the nine justices. The term that began last week

seems particularly pivotal for the direction of our country's laws, given the high court's controversial decision last term to overturn Roe v. Wade, the 1973 case that had affirmed a woman's right to have an abortion.

The rejection of Roe v. Wade hinged on the power of the court's new 6-3 conservative majority, signaling the willingness, if not eagerness, to reverse past rulings that favored a progressive agenda.

Here's a brief look at a few of the most consequential and intriguing cases slated for SCO-TUS consideration:

#### State redistricting laws

The high court will consider at least two related cases.

In Merrill v. Milligan, Alabama voters and the state chapter of the NAACP are challenging the drawing of the state's seven new U.S. House districts. Only one of those has a Black-majority population while Black residents comprise 27% of Alabama's overall population.

The state argues that "race-neutral" criteria was used to draw the map and that a ruling in the plaintiffs' favor would require "racial targets" and "race-based sorting"

in drawing new districts. In the second case, Moore v. Harper, SCOTUS will weigh a challenge by Republican legislators in North Carolina to a state supreme **Underwood** 

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The GOP legislators contend that only a state legislature has the power to create district maps. If SCOTUS agrees, it would stifle the ability of state courts to consider the legality of new legislative and congressional maps, almost certainly leading to even bolder gerrymandering.

The high court, perhaps, is more likely to rule that a court-appointed panel cannot redraw districts.

The high court's rulings in these cases, of course, could have consequences in Indiana, where both major parties have been guilty of gerrymandering to consolidate political power.

#### **The Clean Water Act**

In June, at the end of its last term, SCOTUS handed down a decision constricting the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ability to regulate greenhouse gas emissions via the Clean Air Act.

Justices heard arguments on the first day of the new term in a case that could limit the scope of the Clean Water Act of 1972. An Idaho couple has asked the court to strike down wetland protections so that they can build a home withcourt ruling that a new congres- out securing an EPA permit.

The high court's decision in this case could help settle ongoing political debates and litigation concerning preservation of areas that drain into protected waterways. Business interests generally favor a narrow definition of these protections while environmentalists, of course, want a broad interpretation.

#### Religious vs. civil rights

Remember the Religious Freedom Restoration Act and the clamor it caused in Indiana — and nationally — in 2015? Indiana Gov. Mike Pence signed the legislation, which essentially enabled business proprietors to refuse service to gay people based on religious beliefs.

SCOTUS dodged ruling on the legality of a similar 2018 case in Colorado, where a Colorado baker claimed that being legally required to create cakes for samesex couples violated his right to freedom of speech.

This time  $\bar{\text{a}}$  round, the high court will consider a case where a graphic designer has expressed religious objections to creating wedding websites for same-sex couples.

 Decisions on these cases and dozens of other before the U.S. Supreme Court are likely to have far-reaching implications for public policy impacting the environment, business, civil rights, elections and many other significant aspects of American life.

For Hoosiers and Americans everywhere, it will be another SCOTUS term to remember.

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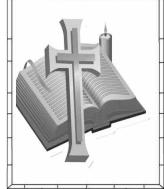
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#### **High Street**

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### (260) 368-7233

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#### Redeemer Lutheran

Malin and Elm streets, Bryant Father Dan Layden (260) 997-6787

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9811 W. Indiana 67, southwest of Redkey Rev. Craig and Robin Cotherman (765) 369-2920 Services: 10 a.m. RedkeyFaith.org

#### Union and Malin streets,

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

#### **Redkey Church** of the Nazarene 801 W. High St.

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River of Life 722 W. Main St., Portland Susan Hathaway (260) 729-1095 Services: 10:30 a.m.

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County road 600 East, south of county road 400 Robin Owen

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#### pastorrobino@gmail.com **Trinity United Methodist**

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(Jay-Wells county line)

County road 900 North

#### Fred Stevens Services: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m. **Walnut Corner**

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#### Westchester **United Methodist** 4487 E. 400 North (260) 726-6311

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**West Walnut** 

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

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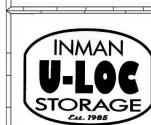
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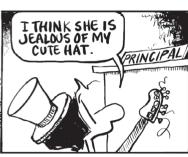
















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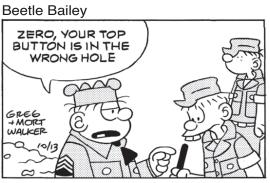




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clubs, South would have made the contract easily, scoring five trump tricks in his hand, the heart ruff in

dummy, two club tricks and the ace of diamonds. But West correctly

played the nine of clubs on South's five, and dummy's queen won the

Declarer then cashed his remain-

ing trumps, reducing his hand to the Q-8 of diamonds and king of clubs. West's holding at this point

was the K-J of diamonds and the ace of clubs, while dummy had the

A-7 of diamonds and six of clubs South now exited with the king of clubs, endplaying West to make the

At the second table, the play

started the same way when West also led the K-Q-A of hearts. But

here the play varied dramatically when East realized that his partner might eventually get endplayed if

left to his own devices. So at trick three, East ruffed his partner's ace

of hearts — usually an absolute sin — and returned a diamond.

As a result of this brilliant defen-

sive play, declarer had to go down one regardless of how he contin-

ued. It is not often that a defender with a hand as terrible as East's has

the opportunity to make the key play on a deal, but obviously East

was not just sitting there with his

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Opening lead - king of hearts. Consider this deal played in a team-of-four match. The contract at both tables was three spades, but at one table the contract was made, while at the other table declarer

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went down one.

At the first table, West led the K-Q-A of hearts and continued with another heart. Declarer ruffed with dummy's king, played a low trump to his queen and led the five

Had West gone up with the ace of Tomorrow: Bidding quiz

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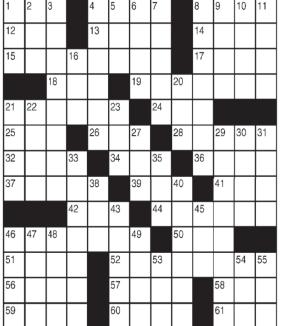
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## **Ends**

Continued from page 8 'We knew they were fast. We knew they were good. We knew that they knew how to touch the ball. We knew that they know how to send the ball through."

The Cavaliers' two goals after halftime both came off of corner kicks, with Jack Najdeski scoring at the 35:42 mark and Finnian O'Connor finding the net in the 76th minute.

Along with Ogubi, who had three assists, controlling action in the midfield and Anabtawi, who was credited with four saves before giving way to sophomore Rafael Lopez in the final 10 minutes, the Canterbury defense limited scoring opportunities as it earned its third consecutive shutout.

"I thought our back line all across the board did well today," said Mauch, whose team topped Bellmont and Heritage each 1-0 in its sectional semifinal and championship games

"They all put in a ton of work," he added of his squad. "We start working with them in kindergarten. Virtually every kid on the roster, all but two, came through our middle school. They've been playing together, and that helps.'

90 SALE CALENDAR

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**PUBLIC AUCTION** 

Located at 333 Blaine

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Thursday Afternoon

OCTOBER 13, 2022

4:30 P.M.

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**PUBLIC AUCTION** 

Located: 408 E Main

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Sunday Afternoon

OCTOBÉR 16th, 2022

1:00 P.M.

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FURNISHINGS -

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4 drawer chest along

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The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Trevin Dunnington of Jay County tries to take the ball away from Canterbury's Donovan Doolittle during the first half.

The regional semifinal loss brought an end to a season in which the Patriots surprised themselves. After losing eight seniors to graduation, they finished 8-6-1 and had a pair of four-game winning streaks. That included the run through the sectional, as they outscored final regular-sea-

son opponent Liberty Christian and sectional rivals New Castle, Mississinewa and Eastbrook 13-1.

"I never dreamed that we were going to play in regionals," said Ruiz following his first season leading JCHS. "I'm proud of them. It's a good season. It's a great season.'

### Sports on tap

#### Local schedule

**Today** — Junior high football at Jay County Elwood – 5:30 p.m. Fort Recovery — Volleyball vs. New Bremen (varsity only) – 6:30 p.m.; Eighth grade football at Anna – 5 p.m.

**Friday**Jay County — Football at Heritage – 7

Fort Recovery — Football vs. Anna – 7

#### TV sports

**Today**6 p.m. — Women's college soccer: Wisconsin at Penn State (BTN)
7 p.m. — College football: Temple at Central Florida (ESPN); Baylor at West Vir-

ginia (FS1)
7:30 p.m. — College football: Morgan State at North Carolina Central (ESPN2)
7:37 p.m. — Major League Baseball
playoffs: American League Division Series – Cleveland Guardians at New York Yankees (TBS)

8 p.m. — Women's college soccer: Purdue at Iowa (BTN) 8:15 p.m. — NFL football: Washington

Commanders at Chicago Bears (FOX)

Friday
3 p.m. — Soccer: Premier League –
Brighton & Hove Albion at Brentford (USA)
4:37 p.m. — Major League Baseball
playoffs: National League Division playoffs: National League Division Series – Atlanta Braves at Philadelphia Phillies (FS1) 6:30 p.m. — Men's college soccer:

Penn State at Indiana (BTN)
7 p.m. — NBA preseason basketball:

Houston Rockets at Indiana Pacers (Bally

7:30 p.m. — College football: Navy at Southern Methodist (ESPN)

8:37 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Division Series – Los Angeles Dodgers at San Diego Padres (FS1)

#### 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 six graders will be 6 p.m. tonight and 6 p.m. Tuesday. Sign ups for kindergarten through second graders will be at 6 p.m. Nov. 22 and 6 p.m. Nov. 29.

#### Turkey Trot is Nov. 5

The Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K is scheduled for Nov. 5. The race will begin at 10 a.m. at the Cooper Farms processing facility, 1 Cooper Farm Drive, St. Henry, Ohio. Check-in

egins at 9 a.m.

For more information or to register, visit speedy-feet.com and search for "Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K."

To have an event listed in "Sports on tap," email details to sports@thecr.com

#### 90 SALE CALENDAR

**LIVE AND ONLINE PUBLIC AUCTION** Located 806 E Votaw St., Portland, IN

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10:00 A.M. TRACTORS-TRAILERS-**EQUIPMENT-MOBILE** HOME

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AC31800004 **AUCTIONEERS** Pete D. Shawver AU19700040

260-726-5587 Zane Shawver AU10500168 260-729-2229 Check Auctionsoft and AuctionZip for more pho-

tos. **PUBLIC AUCTION** Located: 926 West Seventh Street, Portland Indiana (across from Green Park Cemetery) on Saturday Morning OCTOBER 15th, 2022

10:00 AM. **OLD & COLLECTORS** ITEMS - HOUSEHOLD GOODS - TOOLS

4 pc. Mid Century Modern bedroom suit; ; 5 pc. bedroom suit; Lane cedar chest; Berne sofa; Maple Peninsular cast iron stove; Fostoria

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Forge anvils; Boys Scouts and Girls Scout badges and patches;; Dewalt nailer; Black and Decker 14.4 rechargeable drill; Lincoln 225 amp welder; furniture clamps; and other items not listed.

**AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** Donna's family owned and operated the Western Auto Store in Portland for many years and this auction offers a nice variety of items. DONNA TYNDALL,

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same rate ordinance has not been filed. At such hearing and prior to final adoption of said Ordinance, all interested parties may appear and be heard. A copy of Ordinance 2022-14 may be examined at the office of the City Clerk Treasurer, 321 North Meridian Street, Portland, Indiana.

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# Run ends in regional

No. 5 Cavs too much for Jay in semifinal

#### By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review The Patriots had not been to a regional in eight seasons.

And they had not seen a team this year with the skills their opponent brought to the pitch.

County School's boys soccer team was able to hold off the visiting Canterbury Cavaliers for nearly 20 minutes of their Class 2A regional semifinal Friday, but eventually the fifth-ranked team in the state took control as it handed the Patriots a 6-0, season-ending defeat.

"We knew it was gonna be tough," said JCHS coach Bobby Ruiz. "They gave it all. They fought every single minute."

The Cavaliers (15-1-2) advanced to Saturday's regional final at Norwell. They will play No. 6 Culver Academies (14-3-1), which topped Northwestern 4-2 in regional semifinal action Wednesday.

While Canterbury used quality passing to keep control of the ball early,



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Jay County High School sophomore Cayden Buckland hustles to try to stop a kick from Charles Trent of the No. 5 Canterbury Cavaliers during Wednesday's Class 2A regional semifinal game. Trent scored his team's first two goals as it defeated the Patriots 6-0.

ball to sophomore Levi more to the visitors. Muhlenkamp in front of

After having a goal

ing chance. They got the control went more and broke through just over defender Josh Dowlen and three minutes later when Donovan Doolittle sent a the net, but his shot went waved off in the 15th ball up the middle to it was the Patriots who just wide right. And as minute because of an off- Charles Trent. The junior had the first great scor- the minutes ticked off, sides call, the Cavaliers was able to beat JCHS too many negative balls,

score past goalie Kaleb Coppock for the only goal his team would need.

"We were just playing

said Canterbury coach Greg Mauch. "We just needed to push forward. There was space. Their backs were giving us some space. We just had to play it there."

Canterbury, though, would add five more, the second of which came when the Patriots failed to clear the ball. Junior Tavy Ogubi then took control of it on the left side and sent it to Trent in the middle, who converted again to the right corner.

Goalkeeper Saed Anabtawi — the Indiana University commit is considered one of the best in the nation at his position — started the Cavaliers' third score with a roll out to Ogubi after denying a Dowlen header shot. Ogubi sent a through ball to Donovan Doolittle, who was left with no defense to beat as he dribbled toward the right post and then shot to the left corner.

And then at the 5:43 mark, Ogubi again was the facilitator on a pass to Abdalla Hammad. The senior then faked out both defender Trevin **Dunnington and Coppock** before tapping the ball inside the left post for a 4-0 lead.

"We were prepared to try to stop them," said Ruiz. "We planned not to go up ... But as the game went through ... we started to move the line up ... and that's when we got

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## FR grad Will No. 3 for Dragons

An extra kilometer pushed a former Indian into the top three of her

Chloe Will, a 2019 Fort Recovery High School graduate, was the No. 3 runner for the Tiffin University women's cross country team as it competed in the 6K Rosa Invite hosted by the University of Wisconsin Parkside in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Will crossed the finish line with a time of 24 minutes, 32.01 seconds. That was good for 82nd place out of 135 runners and third for the Dragons behind Ines Macadam (18th) and Charlotte Campbell (54th).

The meet marked Tiffin's first 6K event this season. Will was coming off of a season-best 5K time of 20:16.2 Fort Recovery – 2022 Oct. 1 at the Louisville Classic.

**Paige Fortkamp** Fort Recovery - 2021

### **Collegiate Check-up**

Started for the University of St. Francis women's volleyball team Wednesday in its 25-17, 25-13, 25-18

loss to Bethel. Fortkamp totaled four kills for the Cougars (13-12). She also had two

### **Whitley Rammel**

Recorded a career-high 15 kills Wednesday in the Eastern Tennessee State University women's volleyball

loss to Chattanooga.

Rammel paced the Buccaneers (12-7) with a .393 attack percentage, committing just four errors to go along with her 15 kills. She also had three

blocks and a pair of digs. The freshman's previous career high in kills was a dozen against East Carolina on Sept. 3.

She also had six kills and one block apiece Friday in a sweep of the University of North Carolina - Greensboro and Saturday in a sweep of Western Carolina.

#### **Anhely Montes Jay County - 2020**

Played for the Anderson University women's soccer team Wednesday in

team's 19-25, 24-26, 25-21, 28-26, 15-11 the game for the Ravens (7-3-2).

#### an 8-0 victory over Defiance. Montes saw 25 minutes of action in

Padres pull





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CONTROL (INDICA)

By KEVIN ACEE The San Diego Union-Tribune

Tribune News Service LOS ANGELES Literally speaking, the Padres didn't have to win.

But they had to win. San Diego's 5-3 victory Wednesday over the Dodgers sent the National League Division Series to Petco Park with the teams tied at a game apiece.

The Padres held three one-run leads Wednesday. The Dodgers came back twice to tie the game.

They threatened to do so twice after the Padres took their 4-3 lead in the sixth. But reliever Robert Suarez quelled both threats, one in the sixth inning in relief of Yu Darvish and the other of his own making in the seventh.



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## **Jay County**

Portland, 2-6 (1-4) Coach: Grant Zgunda, second year (25th over-

Conference: Allen County

Last week vs. Lapel: After leading by 14 late in the third quarter, Jay County gave up 22 unanswered points to the Bulldogs in a 29-21 defeat. A Rylie Hudson interception on the Patriots' final drive sealed the victory for Lapel.

Season leaders: Passing — Sean Bailey – 75of-130 for 1,022 yards and 10 TDs. Rushing — Kadin Ridenour - 152 carries for 929 yards and 10 TDs. Receiving — Patrick Hemmelgarn - 27 receptions for 551 yards and seven TDs. Defense — Lucas Strait - 55 tackles.

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### **Heritage Patriots**

Monroeville, 5-3 (4-1) Coach: Casey Kolkman, third year (13th overall

Conference: Allen County

Last week vs. Southern Wells: Heritage put up 34 first-quarter points and cruised to a 68-20 victory over the Raiders. Quarterback Kobe Meyer totaled 109 yards and three touchdowns on just eight carries as four different Heritage players recorded rushing touchdowns.

Season leaders: Passing — Kobe Meyer – 85-of-177 for 825 yards and five TDs. Rushing — Kobe Meyer - 122 carries for 756 yards and 13 TDs. Receiving — Ibrahim Williams – 24 receptions for 264 yards and two TDs, Tanner Whitman - 24 receptions for 222 yards and three TDs. Defense Rylan Whitacre – 82.5 tackles.

Last season: In a game played in wet, muddy conditions, Heritage scored 23 fourth-quarter points to pull away for a 39-7 victory. Jay County trailed just 8-7 at halftime but the game got away in the final 12 minutes. Quarterback Sam Dunlavy scored the lone TD for the Patriots on a 4-yard run.

Game notes: This is the 12th meeting all time between Jay County and Heritage, with the latter holding a 6-5 lead  $\dots$  JCHS has dropped five games in a row, giving up at least 29 points in each of those defeats ... With a win, Heritage would guarantee its first winning season since 2015 ... This will mark Jay County's first road game since its Sept. 16 loss at Bluffton. The team will return home next week to host Western in the opening round of the sectional ... CalPreps.com lists Heritage as an 18-point favorite.