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School scenarios

Jay County Sheriff's Office deputies Cory Shepherd, left, and Tre Nusbaumer corner Rachel Williams, a 911 dispatcher with Mercer County Sheriff's Office, during a training simulation Wednesday. Local police met with the Mercer County Sheriff's Office for an all-day training on school safety in the case of a shooter entering the building. About 14 officers from different Jay County departments trained at East Jay Elementary School on the first day of Jay School Corporation's fall break.

Panel approves recommendations

Indiana Capital Chronicle indianacapitalchronicle.com

A state panel tasked with charting Indiana's energy future on Wednesday approved recommendations that at times pit budgetfriendliness and reliability against a shift toward alternative fuel sources that is already in progress.

"Over the last two years, we've of energy sources that don't com-worked on a bipartisan basis to promise reliability and affordabiling the session in January. The ers to craft recommendations for a Hoosiers and businesses expect." comprehensive energy policy for goal is for Indiana to utilize a mix a draft final report that could

Among goals is to keep electric rates low as compared to other states

hear from experts and stakehold-ty, because that's what everyday

The task force is helping Indiana our state," said 21st Century Enernavigate utility and energy regulagy Policy Development Task tions amid fuel and bill increases Force Co-Chair Rep. Ed Soliday, R- and advancing technologies. It Valparaiso, in a statement."... Our approved 13 recommendations in

group has already had some earlier recommendations come to fruition.

'We didn't always agree on the legislation that came from it," Soliday said, "but there were actual products out of the task force that we hope make a difference and

we're in a very, very changing world."

Underpinning the recommendations was what the task force considers the five "pillars" of electric service: reliability, resilience, stability, affordability and environmental sustainability.

One goal: that Indiana's average residential, commercial and industrial retail electric rates be within the cheapest 25% of all states by the end of 2030.

Several suggestions focused on alternative fuel sources, such as one recommending legislation slashing the percentage of capacity that regulated utilities can buy

in market under statute. See **Approves** page 2

2023 county budget

By BAILEY CLINE The Commercial Review

After months of planning for raises and making cuts, the 2023 budget is in place.

County Council approved the budget on a second reading and adopted it Wednesday.

It also recognized council member Mike Rockwell, who resigned effective Saturday.

The budget for next year comes in at more than \$20.8 million, up by just over \$659,000 for the current year. It has \$9.7 million in the general fund, increasing from this year's general fund total of \$9.44 million.

Other major fund totals include \$2.95 million for Jay County Commissioners, \$2.73 million for Jay County Highway Department — the department also has an additional \$1.8 million from the state in the Local Motor Vehicle Highway fund — \$1.75 million for Jay Emergency Medical Service, \$1.46 million for Jay County Jail and \$1.2 million for Jay County Sheriff's Office.

The 2023 budget rose mainly because of raises council agreed to give county employees, ranging mostly between 6% and 31%. The county agreed earlier this month to give 6% raises across-the-board and larger raises to some departments, mainly the sheriff's office, highway department and Jay Emergency Medical Service.

Wage increases for different departments are as fol-

•Between 12% and 27% raises for employees depending on their position at the sheriff's office, as well as a 52% raise for the chief deputy

•Between 6% and 31% raises for positions at the highway department

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

See Budget page 2

Committee will get Eastman emails

By ZOE TILLMAN

Bloomberg News Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — More emails involving Donald Trump's former attorney John Eastman feature evidence of potential postelection criminal activity by Trump and his allies, a federal judge in California found.

U.S. District Judge David Carter on Wednesday ordered the disclosure of eight documents that Eastman argued should be shielded from a congressional committee investigating the Jan. 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol, citing privileges for attorney-client communications or legal work product.

Carter found that the emails related to criminal conduct, known as the crime-fraud exception. Carter earlier this year held that Trump "more likely than not" attempted to obstruct Congress's certification of the 2020 election and engaged in a conspiracy to defraud the United States.

Trump and Eastman haven't been charged with any crimes in a spokesperson for Trump did connection with their postelection challenges to President Joe for comment.

Biden's wins in key states; there are pending federal and state criminal investigations. Carter's findings don't bind prosecutors to take action and don't guarantee that either man will ultimately face charges, but the case marked the first time a judge publicly stated that the former president likely committed federal crimes.

The long-running legal fight between Eastman and the Jan. 6 committee over access to thousands of pages of messages from his Chapman University email account had come down to 562 documents. Carter previously ordered the disclosure of several emails to the Jan. 6 committee based on the crime-fraud exception. Carter agreed with Eastman that most of the remaining contested emails were privileged, but ordered the disclosure of 33 documents, including eight covered by the crime-fraud excep-

Eastman's lawyers Anthony Caso and Charles Burnham and not immediately return a request

Sam's strategy

Filomeno, reaches for а red checkers piece Saturday Pennville Park. Filomeno played against his friend, 7-year-old Evan Hall, during the Pennville Pumpkin Festival.



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Deaths

Peggy Robinette, 82, Portland

Barbara Lindsey, 77, Port-

Details on page 2.

Weather

The high temperature was 52 degrees Wednesday in Jay County. The low was 37.

Skies will be mostly clear tonight with a low of 39. Expect sunny skies Friday with a high of 67 and windy conditions with gusts up to 30 miles per hour.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Redkey Town Council postponed its meeting that was scheduled for tonight. It will instead meet at 6 p.m. Oct. 27. The agenda will include budget adoption.

Coming up

Friday — Our annual harvest special section, including a look at progress, yields.

Tuesday — Results from the FRHS cross country teams in the district meet.



Obituaries

Peggy Robinette

Aug. 5, 1940-Oct. 17, 2022 Peggy Robinette, age 82, a resident of Portland, passed away on Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, at her home in Portland.

Peggy was born on Aug. 5, 1940, in Muncie, Indiana, the

daughter of Donald and Sarah (Sackett) Irwin. graduated She from Muncie Central High School and worked for Indiana Glass in Dunkirk and Village Pantry in Portland. She was



a member of Gold Wing Road Riders Association (G.W.R.R.A.) Funeral services will be held on and Portland Evening Optimist Saturday at 11 a.m. at 1945, in LaPorte, Indiana, the

Saturday

Club. She married Kip Robinette on Feb. 4, 1978.

Survivors include:

Her husband of 44 years — Kip Robinette, Portland, Indi-

One son — Terry "Joe" Robinette, Montpelier, Indiana

Two sisters — Betty Weist, Markleville, Indiana, and Suzzy Giesman (husband: Sam), Muncie, Indiana

great-grandchildren She was preceded in death by

a grandson, Kyle Joe Robinette. Visitation will be held on Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Williamson-Spencer and Penrod daughter Funeral Home in Portland. Pastor Steve Arnold will officiate and burial will follow at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

Memorials may be directed towards Jay County Cancer Society.

Condolences may expressed at williamsonspencer.com.

Five grandchildren and five Barbara Lindsey

Feb. 1, 1945-Oct. 17, 2022 Barbara Ann Lindsey, age 77, a resident of Portland, passed away on Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, at her home in Portland. She was a former resident of Lakeland, Florida.

Barbara was born on Feb. 1,

Robert and Iva Lou (Pensinger) Lindsey. She graduated from Portland High School 1963 and attended Amber's School of Beauty Culture.

Lindsey

Barbara married Oliver "Buzz" Lindsey on Sept. 26, 1968, and he passed away on Nov. 13, 2016. Survivors include:

Beverly Her sister Dieringer (husband: Jim), St. Marys, Ohio

Niece — Angela Dieringer,

Columbus, Ohio
Nephew — Jeffrey Dieringer
(wife: Sara), St. Marys, Ohio Great-nephew — AJ

Great-nieces — Kendall and

Private services for the family will be held at Gravel Hill Cemetery in Bryant, Indiana

Arrangements entrusted to Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland.

Condolences may be expressed at williamsonspencer.com.

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

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

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Sunday

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Sun is on the horizon for Sunday, keeping warm temperatures in the upper 70s during the day.

sunny

There's a chance of showers Monday afternoon. Otherwise, mostly

75/52

Monday

Tuesday has a 30% chance of rain after 2 p.m. mostly cloudy

67/45

Approves

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Before House Enrolled Act 1250 introduced "reliability adequacy metrics," public utilities assem-

Rep. Matt Pierce, D-Blooming-

recommendation. Pierce said he would step in to ensure utilities

Soliday noted that capacity

Lotteries

Powerball

6-8-15-27-42 Power Ball: 10 Power Play: 3 Estimated jackpot: \$550 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$30 million

Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 6-8-3 Daily Four: 9-6-0-5 Quick Draw: 1-15-19-20-26-28-30-32-33-38-41-48-52-56-57-58-68-71-74-75

Evening Daily Three: 2-9-4 Daily Four: 7-8-3-6 Quick Draw: 3-12-15-17-22-23-27-31-32-35-37-4345-53-59-60-62-69-70-73 Cash 5: 8-9-15-33-35 Hoosier Lotto: 1-7-21-26-36-44

Estimated jackpot: \$3.2 million

Ohio

Midday Pick 3: 0-9-7 Pick 4: 9-3-4-2 Pick 5: 4-5-5-9-1 Evening Pick 3: 7-7-1 Pick 4: 2-3-5-9

Classic Lotto: 7-11-25-

Estimated \$38.3 million

Pick 5: 5-8-4-8-8 Rolling Cash: 2-5-20-38-

29-38-49 Kicker: 4-2-2-3-9-8

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Nov. beans	13.69
Wheat	8.45

Heartland

St. Anthony	
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Beans	13.46
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Today in history

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In 1882, actor Bela Lugosi was born Blasko Béla Ferenc Dezső in Lugos, Hungary. He made his film debut in 1923 and earned the role of Dracula in the Broadway production of Bram Stoker's novel four years later. He went on to play the character in the 1931

film. High School football team got a pair of defensive touchdowns in a 29-7 victory over East-

In 1973, Queen Eliza-

Central States

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Nov. beans	13.69
Wheat	8.45

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In 1803, the Senate beth II opened Sydney ratified the Louisiana Opera House in Aus-Purchase Treaty 24-7. tralia. The design of the The deal doubled the building was selected during a 1957 contest but

> plete. **1977**, Lynyrd In Skynyrd singer Ronni Van Zant and guitarist Steve Gaines among those killed

when a plan crashed in

Gillsburg, Mississippi. In 2017, the Jay County High School football team edged Logansport 22-21 in the opening round of the sectional In 1972, the Portland tournament when an errant snap derailed kicker Mario Perez from attempting a potential game-winning field goal for the Berries.

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bled their portfolios themselves.

ton, who on Wednesday ran through a lengthy and largely unsuccessful list of proposed changes, suggested deleting the

was concerned that the measure, which would require utilities to own more, "could potentially force us to have to keep more expensive, polluting legacy generation on the grid longer than maybe we

prices had shot up. Indiana, then,

minimized purchases.

"The fear is that if we don't find the right balance, we're going to pay whatever price," Soliday said, adding that Illinois demand is driving prices skyward. He hinted the task force would recommend cutting the threshold in a separate committee meeting earlier this month.

Budget

Continued from page 1 •Nearly 17% raises for jail cooks and Jay County Courthouse custodians council specified they are jumping to \$15 an hour. (Cooks work 30 hours a week.)

•About 15% raises for both Jay County Health Department's administrator and nurse

•About 6% raises for courthouse security and jail maintenance

The county also made several cuts from original proposals, reducing the original budget projection by nearly \$450,000 on Sept. and cutting more throughout September and October. Some of the largest cuts made at meetings include: \$200,000 for road conversions — Jay County Commissioner Chad Aker previously noted there would still be some funds left over for the work — more than \$110,000 from the sheriff's office budget, including \$75,000 allotted for purchasing new vehicles in 2023; about \$102,000 from the highway department fund, about \$93,000 of which was planned for gas, lube and oil; \$100,700 from Jay County Country Living's budget, approximately \$83,800 of which covers wages; and \$45,000 from the commissioners' budget, including a \$25,000 decrease for Jay County Development Corporation and a \$20,000 decrease for John Jay Cen-

ter for Learning. Also Wednesday, council president Jeanne Houchins pointed out it was Rockwell's last meeting as a council member. He recently submitted his resignation letter to Jay County Republicans. His resigna-

tion is effective Saturday. "It's been a learning experience, everybody should try it sometime, said Rockwell, resulting in a few laughs around the courthouse auditorium.

Rockwell served on council for about 12 years.

He noted Wednesday he had planned to finish out

SERVICES

Friday

Blazer, Themla: 2 p.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland. Blanchard, Donald: 2 p.m.,

Wilson-Shook Funeral Home, Dunkirk Memorial Chapel, 317 N. Main St., Dunkirk.

Saturday

Robinette, Peggy: 11 a.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

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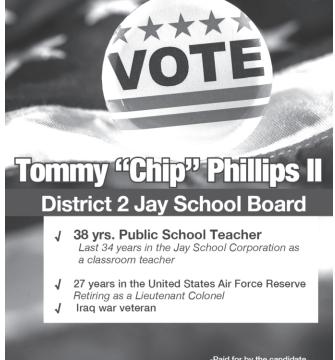
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his term serving as council District 4 representative - Republican Cindy Bracy is running uncontested for the position in the November election — but his house sold soon after he and his wife put it up for sale. The Rockwells are moving to Wells County to spend more time with their children and grandchil-

"I thank everybody," said Rockwell, who owned Rockwell Door Sales for 27 years prior to selling the business in 2020. "(I) enjoyed working with you. We've got a big group here. We do our best, that's all I can say," he

Rockwell then made a motion to adjourn.

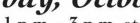


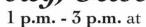
Book Signing

Oaks, The Mighty Tree by Donna Haggenjos

illustrated by Steve McClung

Saturday, October 22





Books are available for sale at book signing Oaks, The Mighty Tree

\$1200 Indiana sales tax

Oaks, The Mighty Tree is also for sale on Amazon and at Barnes e3 Noble stores.

Steve McClung will have a selection of his original paintings for sale as well.



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Community Resource Portland Municipal Center, 118 S. Meridian Airport, 661 W. 100

6 p.m. — Jay County Board of Zoning Appeals, Board of Aviation, St., Portland.

Today

Friday

Citizen's calendar

3 p.m. — Portland North.

Husband keeps wearing birthday suit

DEAR ABBY: I'm so disgusted. My husband has started walking around the house with no underwear, letting it all hang out, so to speak. Then he makes comments like, "Doesn't this look good?" I'm sickened by his behavior. I feel violated. How do I tell him to stop without hurting his male pride? – COVERING MY EYES IN TEN-NESSEE

DEAR COVERING: I'm sorry you didn't mention how old your husband is and how long you two have been married, but any radical change in an older person's behavior could indicate a serious medical problem. Consider discussing this with your doctor because your exhibitionist spouse may need a medical and neurological exam to see if he has experienced a small stroke or the beginnings of dementia. If he's still a "young-un," give him the affirmation he is askDear Abby



ing for and then ask him to cover up.

DEAR ABBY: When my husband and I first got married, I became pregnant with twins. I miscarried one of them, but the other was born healthy. Ever since he was very young, our son has mentioned that he felt like he should be a twin or he wishes he were one. My husband and I are torn about whether we should tell him. It may give him comfort and an understanding about why he feels this way, but it also may cause him pain and grief knowing he lost a sibling. Any advice? and tell her to have a nice night with his sister. I want him to ____ SENSITIVE MOM IN THE when I'm leaving. When she com____ move out. I want him to be work-**EAST**

DEAR MOM: You didn't mention how old your son is. If he is into his teens or older, the next time he raises the subject, you and his father should tell him the truth. While he may be sad to have been unable to have a relationship with his twin, he may be glad to know his longing for twinship was related to the circumstances of his gestation and birth, and not a fantasy.

DEAR ABBY: I have a new office mate, and we are not hitting it off well. From the beginning, I tried to engage her in friendly small talk, but I get nothing back except what seems to be defensive feedback. Every time I start a conversation, I end up feeling like I offended her. At this point, I now say "good morning"

municates, she uses baby talk and likes to make faces. She is so creepy. Any suggestions? WEIRDED OUT IN FLORIDA

DEAR WEIRDED OUT: An office is not a social club. This woman is clearly not capable of engaging in the kind of banter you are used to. Accept it. Be pleasant and businesslike, and focus on the tasks at hand. If the face-making and baby talk become more than you can tolerate, and because these behaviors distract from your work, discuss them with your supervisor or your employer.

DEAR ABBY: My son graduated from high school and won't make a plan. He doesn't help with anything around the house, won't save money to buy his own car and refuses to share our extra car

ing and saving money if I'm paying for his room and board. He sleeps until noon, works sporadically and spends his limited money on pre-workout supplements, shoes and guitars. He's on his phone playing games in his bed most days until late into the night. Advice? — ENOUGH ALREADY IN VIRGINIA

DEAR ENOUGH: Your son isn't making a plan because vou have been such a generous parent, he has no incentive to leave the nest. Tell him that unless he starts doing his fair share around the house, finds a full-time job and proves he's saving money, you want him OUT of there. Then give him a deadline, and if he hasn't shown improvement by then, follow through. Sometimes a dose of tough love is what it takes to get a message across.

Ohio hospital hosting health fair Saturday

Local residents have the opportunity to learn more about their health this weekend.

Mercer Health is hosting a fall health fair from 7 to 10 a.m. Saturday and Oct. 29 at Mercer County Community Hospital in Coldwater, Ohio. It will offer discounted labs and free health screenings they include checking blood pressure, pulse oximetry and respiration, as well as a scan for weight, skeletal muscle mass, percent body fat and extracellular water — to those who attend.

In related news, the hospital's gift shop will also hold its grand opening from 7 to 11 a.m. both days.

Appointments for the labs and screenings are required. To register, visit cizigbsmeg.timetap.com.

Contact Stacy Schwieterman at (419) 678-5216 or smschwieterman@mercerhealth.com for more information.

Genealogy fair

Indiana State Library is bringing back its genealogy and local history

The event will return to downtown Indianapolis from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday in the library's history reference room, 315 W. Ohio St., according to a press release from the facility.

Its theme this year focuses on family

Taking Note

drama and how to learn more about "complicated and unconventional" ancestors. In addition to presentations on research techniques, attendees will also have the opportunity to collect information from genealogy and local history groups as well as shop with vendors in the library's exhibition hall.

To learn more, visit bit.ly/3ClTFbN.

Radio show

Tom Cherry's Old Time Radio Show

The cast will perform an episode of "The Sealed Book" and feature magician Pandor the Mystic, according to a press release from the group. Those attending are encouraged to participate

Tickets for the performance at the community center, 100 N. Main St., Farmland, cost \$1. For more informa-

will host a Halloween special at 3 p.m. Saturday at Farmland Community Cen-

in the show's costume contest.

tion, call (765) 468-7631.

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Community Calendar

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

Today

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

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ORGAN TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 3 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the IU Health Blackford main conference room.

JAY COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY — Will meet at 5:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Jay County Public Library. The public is welcome.

PORTLAND CLUB — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Portland Lions Civic Center, 307 W. 100 North.

A BETTER LIFE – BRI-Meets at 1 p.m. on the third ANNA'S HOPE — A faithbased recovery group for

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Wednesday's Solution

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Level: Intermediate

Sudoku

all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Thursday at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2006.

Friday

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first and third Friday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113 S. Main St., Dunkirk.

CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will meet at noon Friday, Oct. 21, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

Saturday

PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET — Will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday in the parking lot at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St.

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

Monday PORTLAND

BREAK-FAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant. BRYANT AREA COM-MUNITY CENTER

Walking from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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

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

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



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- Low insulin copay No coverage gap increases and \$35 per prescription
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You're invited to attend a benefits workshop about Medicare Advantage from IU Health Plans. The presentation will be hosted by Josh Carrasquillo

Date(s) and time(s): October 18th 10AM and 2PM Location: Blackford Hospital (Main Conference Room) Address: 410 Pilgrim Blvd, Hartford City, IN 47348

Date(s) and time(s): October 27th 10AM and 2PM Location: Jay County Hospital (Conference Room A & B) Address: 500 W Votaw St, Portland, IN 47371

Date(s) and time(s): November 2nd 10AM and 2PM Location: Blackford Hospital (Main Conference Room) Address: 410 Pilgrim Blvd, Hartford City, IN 47348

Date(s) and time(s): Location: Address:

To reserve your space, please call Josh Carrasquillo at 419.678.1108

An independent authorized agent of IU Health Plans will be present with information and applications For accommodations of persons with special needs at sales events, call 419.678.1108 (TTY/TDD 711). All meeting guests may be required to wear a mask and practice social distancing while in IU Health facilities. It is also possible that meeting guests may be asked to attend virtually.



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Available data is vitally important

By MORTON J. MARCUSAmong the most famous words in the New Testament are "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.'

Those words came to mind when Donald Trump ranted against The Swamp in Washington. They also came to mind when the Indiana General Assembly reduced protection for wetlands in our state.

Environmentally and economically, The Swamp is vitally important for America. Whether it be the Everglades or the Census Bureau, all of us gain from its role in enriching our lives.

America lives on data and dies from ignorance or indifference to data. We all collect data. When we see crowds of customers at one Eye on the Pie



store and not at another, we are collecting data.

When friends tell us about an exciting or informative program on TV, we are assembling data.

That's exactly what the Census Bureau, the Bureau of Economic Analysis, the Bureau of Labor Statistics and many others in The Swamp do regularly. Plus, they make it public, without

And they do it with rigor and vigor. Unlike the State of Indiana, The Swamp does not suffer from data constipation. Our state withholds data. When Mitch Daniels was governor, he may have tried, but failed to find a tonic to loosen the grip on data of the Department of Revenue (DOR) and the Department of Workforce Development (DWD), to name but two agencies.

Try to find the addresses of all businesses in Grant County from DWD. They claim it is confidential. But that's not the case in other states.

Try to get reasonably current and accurate data on county retail sales tax collections from DOR. It's available in other states, but not here.

day. Maybe today it's better, but I'm not finding it. After all, I'm an old nerd.

In the absence of Indiana retail sales tax information, I turn to the Census Bureau's exploratory set of state retail sales data. Yes, exploratory. Something relatively new, an attempt to satisfy the need of many in and out of government to understand state differences in our complex economy.

From the June 2022 data, Indiana's retail sales, unadjusted for price changes, were up 7.8% compared to the nation's 9.2% increase. This includes our gasoline sales increase of 44% compared to 48% rise nationally. *Email him at mortonjmar-*

Again, these data are from an *cus@yahoo.com*.

I've tried. But that was yesterexperimental program at the ay. Maybe today it's better, but Census Bureau. They have been released with the appropriate analytical statistics for anyone who wishes to examine their quality. The Swamp does not

hide its alligators. But these data, being out there for all who wish to see them, will circulate and percolate through the professional media and the many crevices of

social media. All of which is better than dancing around the golden calf, as Moses found the people when he descended Mt. Sinai with the tablets.

Marcus is an economist.

Decisions threaten access, accountability

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Tribune News Service
Two court decisions this week may have dealt a blow to a pair of equity and social justice issues that have been among the most fiercely debated topics in our city and state in recent years: voting access and police accountability.

The first ruling came from the U.S. Supreme Court and promises to further muddy the waters surrounding mail-in voting. On Tuesday, the court invalidated a lower court ruling that said ballots mailed without a date could be counted in Pennsylvania.

The Supreme Court did not issue an opinion on the matter but released a oneparagraph order that vacated a decision in May by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, which found the date requirement was immaterial under the Civil Rights Act and cannot be used as a reason to reject ballots.

The Supreme Court ruling means the issue which has already been litigated in state and federal courts — will likely be litigated some more, and could impact next month's elec-

As with almost every political issue these days, Democrats and Republicans are divided on voting access. Democrats consider issue that should not invalidate an individual's vote. Republicans, on the other hand, believe a missing date means the vote should be tossed out.

Does it really matter if the date is missing from a ballot, provided it is mailed in on time? What if the person writes in the date but month, misspells the should that vote be invalidated? It feels akin to turning a person away from the voting booth on Election Day if they don't know the date.

Bottom line: This is part of a broader effort to disenfranchise voters and stir up confusion surrounding elections. The guiding principle when it comes to election issues should be to make it as easy as possible to vote — which the majority of Americans support. A simple fix here would be to eliminate the date requirement from all mail-in bal-

In the second court ruling, a Philadelphia judge dismissed the murder charges against former police officer Ryan Pownall, who killed David Jones after pulling him over for illegally riding a dirt bike in North Philadelphia in 2017. Pownall said ion.

Guest **Editorial**

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he frisked Jones and felt a gun. The two got into a scuffle. Jones fled and Pownall shot him twice in the back. This incident was the second time Pownall had shot a man in the back as he ran from police.

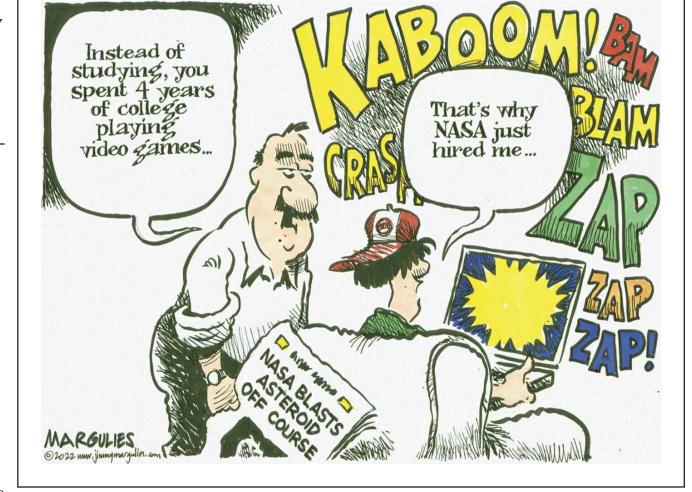
District Attorney Larry Krasner charged Pownall with murder in 2018 — the first on-duty city officer to face such charges in two decades.

But on Tuesday, Common Pleas Court Judge Barbara McDermott dismissed all the charges against Pownall after finding prosecutors failed to give the grand jury proper legal instructions regarding the different degrees of murder, and when and how officers are legally justified to use their gun.

McDermott's stinging decision found there were "so many things wrong" with the district attorney's presentment to the grand jury, calling it unreliable and "no good." She added that if a defense attorney had made such errors, she would "declare them incompetent."

Krasner has made police accountability a hallmark of his office. He has brought charges against officers for wrongdoing and pushed to exonerate who inmates have been wrongly convicted. Both of those efforts are welcome and necessary if justice is to be truly blind.

However, that cuts both ways. If Krasner wants to hold cops accountable and free those wrongly convicted, he must make sure the cases are airtight, or it will only undermine his credibility before the courts and in the court of public opin-



We all have a role to play

more likely to take part in bullying

because those are the years when

youths begin to exhibit their inde-

pendence. They become more aware

of their bodies and how they are per-

ceived by their peers, which makes

them more likely to fall prey to peer

how youths communicate with oth-

ers, it's important for parents and

guardians to be cognizant of how

they comport themselves in front of

their preteens and teens, such as

how they engage someone at the

store, how they behave while driving

in traffic and the tone they use when

talking to friends and neighbors. If

youths routinely see adults engage

in practices that are aggressive or

mean-spirited, it's likely these

youths will mimic those behaviors,

Adults can also influence how

youths engage with social media plat-

forms. If adults take part in unhealthy habits, such as spending

an inordinate amount of time on

social media posting negative com-

ments or numerous pictures and self-

ies, youths may duplicate those prac-

tices. Psychologists often lament the

negative impact that "likes" and the

opposite have on the self-esteem of

youths. The saying, "Hurt people hurt people," tells the story.

practices is necessary. After all, the

development of our youths is our

responsibility. Each of us plays a

role in guiding our youths and teach-

Adults' awareness of their own

regardless of the consequences.

Because of their role in shaping

By JERALD MCNAIR

Chicago Tribune Tribune News Service

It has been more than 20 years since the first state passed anti-bullying legislation. The Columbine High School massacre in 1999, in which 12 students and one teacher were fatally shot and 21 others wounded by two students who reportedly were hullied and acted as bullies, catapulted the topic of bullying to a new awareness.

Our society began learning about the broad impact bullying has on the mental, social and psychological wellbeing of our youths. How we define bullying has gradually expanded. The enormous growth of social media platforms has played a major role in how we interpret and describe it.

Lawmakers have responded. States across the country have laws that require schools to form and enforce policies to prevent and penalize bullying. According to the Cyberbullying Research Center, 49 states have mandates that schools must follow to effectively deal with bullying. However, the ever-evolving tech world and social media platforms make it difficult for educators and lawmakers to curtail it.

Bullying takes on different forms, such as cyberbullying and social, physical and verbal harassment. Cyberbullying occurs more frequently because it can take place in multiple venues and at any time. It is often difficult to ascertain all of the participants involved because platforms may allow individuals to hide their identities.

Students who are bullied are more likely to experience lower grades, depression and anxiety, according to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data. Nearly 14% of public schools report that bullying takes place at least once a week. It's more frequent in middle school, followed by high school.

Middle school students may be ing them the appropriate ways of in Illinois.

Jerald *McNair*



communicating. when it comes to bullying, we often focus on what happens at schools. Yet so much of it takes place outside of school.

Certainly, institutions of learning must meet the challenges and put safeguards in place to ensure that youths are able to feel safe at school. l'he laws recognize schools' obliga-

However, the responsibility does not end at school. How adults behave matters. Studies show adults do, indeed, bully. Data from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health reveals the existence and effects of bullying in the workplace. Unfortunately, not enough research has been done on adult bullying. At the same, it plays out regularly at the supermarket or at a fast-food restaurant when a customer verbally assaults an employee for a mistake. Most children have witnessed angry reactions in drivers when someone makes a mistake while driving or simply because they are not going fast enough.

October, as National Bullying Prevention Month, brings the issue of public behavior and bullying to the forefront. While schools should review their policies and practices to ensure that students are safe, it's imperative that adults don't model

the practices of bullies. Simply put, how we speak to and treat each other matters. Behaving appropriately is something we all should do and not just in October. The celebrated diarist Anne Frank once said, "How wonderful it is that nobody has to wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.⁵

Bullying is wrong, and we can all stop it.

McNair is a school administrator at South Holland School District 151

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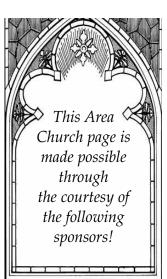
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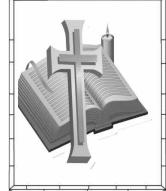
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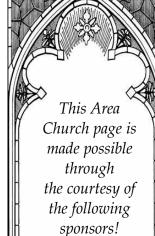
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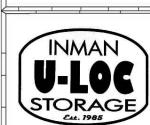
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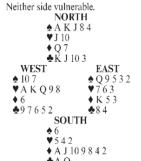
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A little white lie



South dealer.

The bidding:
West **♣**A Q North Pass Pass king of hearts. Opening lead -

It is sometimes necessary for a defender to lie to his partner. While bridge is undeniably a partnership game, it is also true that if the only way to get your partner to do what you want him to do is to lie, you do

Take this case where North-South reached five diamonds on the bidding shown. Let's say you're

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East and your partner leads the king of hearts.

After dummy appears, you don't like the prospects of your side col-lecting three tricks. With your king of diamonds situated in front of South's diamonds, and South virtually certain to hold the ace of clubs for his opening bid, it doesn't look like there's much you can do. Yet, if you're on your toes, you can defeat

the contract. You start by playing the seven of hearts on partner's king. When West continues with the ace of hearts, you play the three. It's true that by playing high-low in hearts, you're indicating a doubleton. To that extent you're deceiving your partner.

But your little white lie pays off handsomely when partner next leads the queen of hearts, forcing declarer to ruff in dummy. As a result, declarer can take only one diamond finesse instead of two, so vou eventually score a trick with the king to set the contract. However, if you hadn't told an untruth by playing high-low initially, West probably would not have led another heart at trick three, and your king of diamonds would never have seen the light of day.

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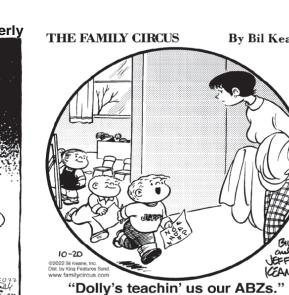
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Colts' offense is still evolving

By GEORGE BREMERThe Herald Bulletin (Anderson)
Tribune News Service

INDIANAPOLIS — Coming off his most prolific game with the Indianapolis Colts, veteran quarterback Matt Ryan can only speculate about the

offense's next evolution. "Triple-option, I guess, right?" Ryan said, tongue planted firmly in cheek Wednesday at the Indiana Farm Bureau Football Center. "Going back to Penn Charter days (growing up in Philadelphia). I think my last high school game we had like eight pass attempts or something.

The triple-option likely can safely be taken off the of possibilities. (Although, a combination of Sam Ehlinger, Nyheim Hines and Parris Campbell could be entertaining.)

But Ryan's point should still be heeded. The tripleoption represents something close to the polar opposite of the attack the Colts used Sunday in a 34-27 victory against the Jacksonville Jaguars.

The 37-year-old quarterback finished 42-of-58 for 389 yards with three touchdowns and wasn't sacked or intercepted. It was a season-high point total by two full touchdowns, and Ryan set a single-game franchise record for completions.

It's also likely unsustain-



Tribune News Service/Getty Images/Justin Casterline

Alec Pierce (14) of the Indianapolis Colts scores a touchdown against the Jacksonville Jaguars during the fourth quarter at Lucas Oil Stadium on Sunday in Indianapolis.

The no-huddle offense ried about how we do it. It's time between snaps but will remain a tool on head coach Frank Reich's utility belt moving forward, but Indianapolis (3-2-1) isn't locking in to any single style of play.

'You do what you have to do in order to win football games," Ryan said. "Obviously, that's not going to be every week where you're throwing the football that much. The good part about our guys is to a man, 11 guys out there, no matter what's going on, they're going to compete.

just about finding a way to get it done.'

Circumstances Sunday dictated much of the Colts' unique approach.

The team's top two running backs — Jonathan Taylor (ankle) and Nyheim Hines (concussion) — were sidelined, and the Jaguars destroyed Indianapolis' timing and rhythm by dominating in the trenches during a 24-0 victory on Sept. 18.

The answer was a nearly full-time hurry-up offense "They're not really wor- that didn't only limit the second-quarter deficit.

also placed an emphasis on getting the ball out quickly.

Ryan's completions averaged just 9.3 yards, and just four plays went for 20 yards or more — including the game-winning 32-yard touchdown pass to rookie wide receiver Alec Pierce, which was the longest scoring play of the season.

It worked well enough the Colts were able to score four touchdowns and a field goal on their final five possessions to erase a 14-3

Indianapolis simply can go back to that same well.

'You do anything too much, defenses are going to catch on and have a different plan," Colts offensive coordinator Marcus Brady said. "Obviously, we were able to do that this week, but I would think that nobody really saw that coming. So we've got to find different ways to not disguise — but have different plans knowing the defenses are going to be in on it a little bit.

Each week is going to be different. What do they do well? How can we attack them? How can we marry stuff off of what they're seeing about us on film?"

There are very few secrets between Indianapolis and this week's opponent — the two-time reigning AFC South champion Tennessee Titans (3-2). The Titans won 24-17

Lucas Stadium on Oct. 2 and have won four straight games in the series overall. The Colts threw for 327 yards in the last meeting but turned the ball over three times and gained just 38 yards on the ground.

Tennessee is ranked fifth against the run with 516 yards allowed this year, but the Titans are just 19th with an average of 4.5 yards per carry.

But that doesn't mean easier to move the ball through the air where Tennessee ranks 32nd in total yards (1,438) and average

per attempt (7.4). It's still unclear whether Taylor or Hines will be able to return to the lineup this week, and the once dominant Indianapolis

running game has with-

After ranking second in the NFL in 2021, the Colts enter Week 7 with the 29thranked running game. They are fifth in passing yards after finishing 26th a year ago.

"We are still seeking to be a balanced football team," Reich said. "We want to be a balanced football team. We think that what does that mean? It doesn't mean 50/50. What does it mean? Does it mean a perfect balance every week? No, it doesn't mean perfect. It means, over the course of a season, you typically don't want to be at the extreme end of one of those.

"We don't want to be in top-five passing attempt teams, and we don't want to be in the topfive (rushing) attempt. We want to be good in both. We believe we have the personnel to be good in both. So we're still trying to find our way a little bit in the run game, and in the meantime we have to do what we Teams have found it far can to try and win games."

Astros top NY in series opener 2019. Minute Maid Park is still 0 lead in the best-of-seven game tion on Sept. 6, made his first

By KRISTIE ACKERT New York Daily News

Tribune News Service HOUSTON — The Yankees

beat up on the Guardians on Tuesday to advance in the playoffs and immediately started talking about slaying the dragons. The Astros have been their nemesis since 2017, eliminating the "Baby Bombers," in that year's American League Championship Series, and again in

a House of Horrors for the Yan-

Clarke Schmidt gave up two big homers and Frankie Montas coming out of the bullpen gave up another Wednesday night as the Astros rallied to beat the Bombers 4-2 in Game 1 of the ALCS.

The Astros, who swept the Mariners in the last round and waited for the Yankees, take a 1-

In the sixth inning, Schmidt

hung a slider and Yuli Gurriel hammered it over the left field wall. Two batters later, Schmidt missed on a sinker, hanging it over the middle of the plate for Chas McCormick, who crushed it for his first postseason home run.

Montas, who had been shut down with shoulder inflamma-

postseason appearance as a Yankee. He gave up a 386-foot shot to Pena in the seventh.

After giving up an early home run to Harrison Bader, Verlander locked it down, retiring the last 14 hitters he faced striking out 11. With his strikeout of Isiah Kiner-Falefa in the fourth inning, Verlander became the all-time leader in career playoff strikeouts.

Collegiate ...

Continued from page 8 The second round of the tournament was canceled because of inclement weather, leaving the Red Wolves in 15th place.

Anhely Montes Jay County - 2020 Helped the Anderson Universi-

ty women's soccer team to a 5-0 victory Wednesday over Man-

Montes recorded one shot as she played 31 minutes off the bench for the Ravens (8-4-2). She also saw 18 minutes of action in a 3-0 loss Saturday to Hanover.

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playoffs: American League Championship Series - New York Yankees at Houston Astros (TBS)

- Major League Soccer: FC 8 p.m. -Cincinnati at Philadelphia Union (FS1)

10 p.m. — NBA basketball: Los Ange-7 p.m. — High school football: Dentun les Clippers at Los Angeles Lakers (TNT) — Major League Soccer: Los Angeles Galaxy at Los Angeles FC (FS1)

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7 p.m. — NBA basketball: San Antonio Spurs at Indiana Pacers (Bally Indiana) 7:30 p.m. — NBA basketball: Boston Celtics at Miami Heat (ESPN)

7:30 p.m. — College football: Tulsa at Temple (ESPN2) 7:37 p.m. — Major League Baseball

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Rookie shines, but Indiana's rally falls short

No. 6 overall draft pick Mathurin scores 18 in debut for Pacers

INDIANAPOLIS — Not much is expected of the Indiana Pacers this year. Their betting line

over/under for wins is second-lowest in the NBA.

But while they lost their season opener Wednesday, there were some bright spots. They fought back from a big fourth-quarter deficit to get within three with 15 seconds left in Wednesday's season opener. And their first-round draft pick showed the potential to be a building block for the future.

Benedict Mathurin debuted as the No. 2 scorer for Indiana though its rally came up short in the closing moments in a 114-107 loss to the Washington Wizards.

Indiana was down by 18 in the third quarter and still trailed by 11 with 1:30 to play before consecutive 3-points from Aaron Nesmith and Mathurin put some pressure on the Wizards. A Mathurin steal of a Kyle Kuzma pass gave the Pacers the ball back, and after two offensive loss to Charlotte.

scored to pull the home team to within 110-107. (He was fouled on the shot, but missed the ensuing freethrow attempt that could have closed the gap to

Washington was able to hold on with Will Barton making four free throws in the final 15 seconds to seal the win.

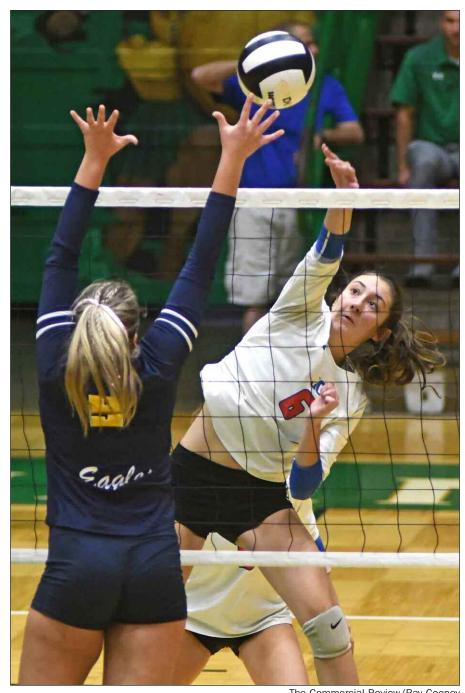
Tyrese Haliburton shot 10-of-18 from the field for 26 points to lead the Pacers, who were without center Myles Turner because of a sprained ankle. He hit three 3-pointers and also led the team with seven assists.

Mathurin, a rookie out of Arizona who Indiana took with the sixth pick in this year's draft, played 28 minutes off the bench, hit three 3-pointers and was second on the team with 19 points. He also grabbed seven rebounds.

Buddy Hield and Jalen Smith added 16 points apiece, with Hield also grabbing a team-best 10 rebounds.

Bradley Beal led the Wizards to the win with 23 points and Kuzma was right behind him with 22 points and a team-high 13 rebounds.

Indiana will play its second consecutive home game to open the season Friday at 7 p.m. when they host San Antonio, the only team projected for fewer wins than the Pacers this year. The Spurs opened Wednesday with a 129-102



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Jay County High School senior Abbie Fields hits past the blocks of Addie Phillippe of the Delta Eagles during Saturday's sectional championship match at New Castle. The Patriots dropped the match after they were unable to convert set-point opportunities in each of the first two sets. Fields closed her career with a team-best 12 kills.

Rammel helps to spark a rally

The East Tennessee State University women's volleyball team dropped the first two games Satur-

A former Indian was there to help spark a comeback.

Whitley Rammel helped the Bucca-

neers rally Collegiate from their Check-up slow start to

defeat The Citadel 25-27, 26-28, 25-15, 25-20, 15-11.

ETSU After dropped the opening two games, Rammel recorded consecutive kills as part of an 8-0 run that finished a third-set win. She finished the match with eight kills — third-most on the

Rammel had her lone assist as part of a 6-1 Buccaneers run to start the fourth set and also recorded a pair of blocks.

For the season, the freshman is fourth for Eastern Tennessee State with 114 kills. She also has 47 blocks, 19 digs and four assists.

Jalyn Bruns FRHS - 2022

Posted the No. 3 score for the Indiana University East women's golf team Oct. 18 in Tournament Players Club Deere Run Invitational in Silvis, Illinois.

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