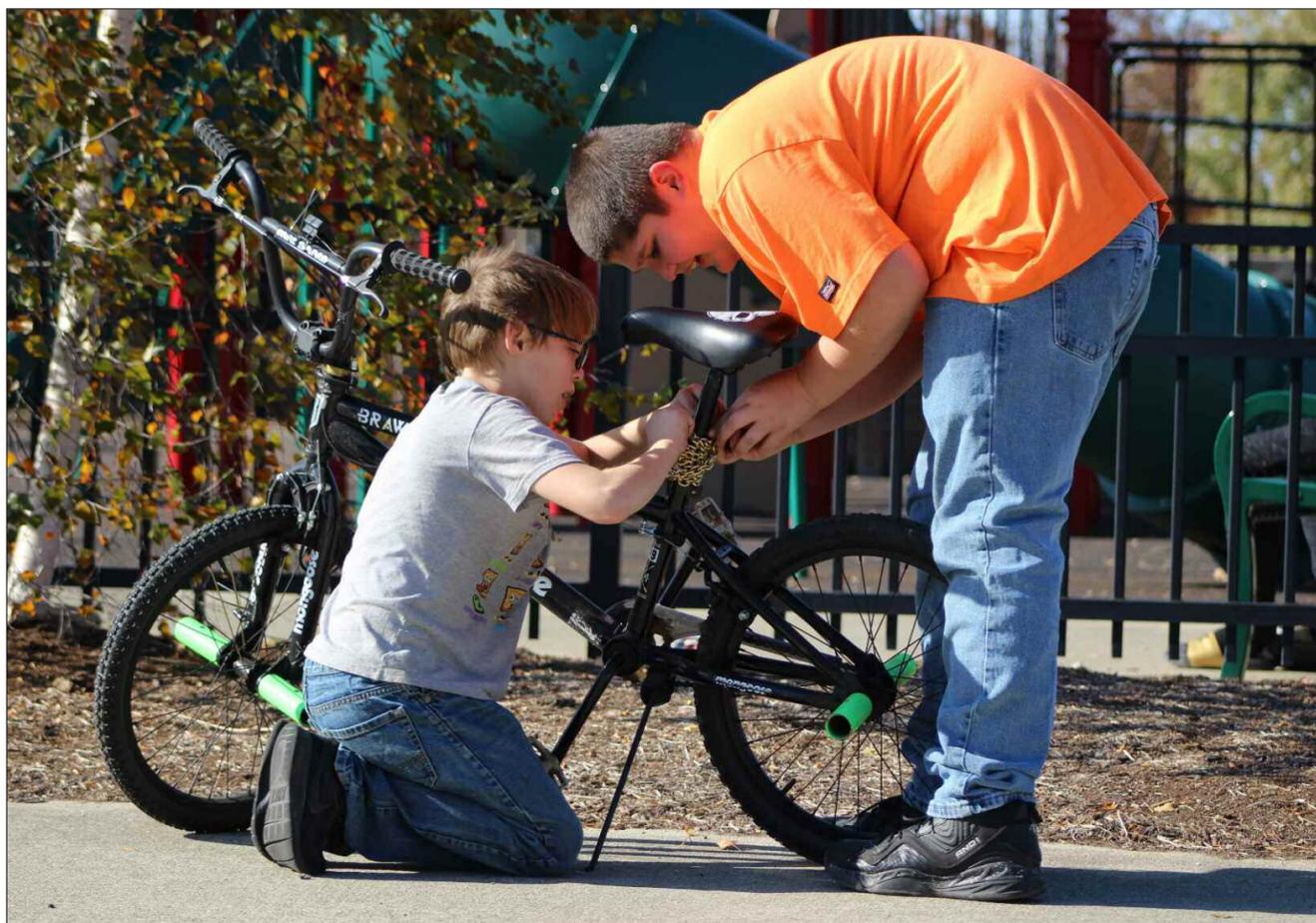


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## Bike adjustments

Skylar Pace, 10, and Greg Williams, 13, adjust Pace's bicycle seat Friday at Hudson Family Park. Several families visited the park for the warm weather Friday afternoon, when the high temperature reached 73 degrees. Today's forecast shows sunny skies with windy conditions. Wind gusts may reach as high as 20 mph.

## Runway project in its final stages

*Inspection of work is scheduled for Monday morning*

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

The extended runway is open.

New markings have been painting.

Grooving is complete.

Portland Board of Aviation learned Friday that only the finishing touches remain for Portland Municipal Airport's runway extension project.

A final inspection on the runway's extension to 5,500 feet from the previous 4,000 feet is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday. That process will be used to create a "punch list" of items that still need to be addressed.

Milestone Contractors, which finished work left over by HIS Constructors from the first phase of the project and handled the second phase, will then have two weeks to complete those items.

"And then we'll get it wrapped up," said Tim Barkey of engineering firm Butler, Fairman and Seufert.

A ribbon-cutting for the extension was held Sept. 16. The facility was then closed for a week in late September to allow crews to paint new markings on the full length of the runway as well as handle grooving, which helps with traction in wet conditions.

Jason Clearwaters of Butler, Fairman and Seufert noted that one of the facility's new precision approach path indicators was dim and needs to be fixed.

Once that is handled, a Federal Aviation Administration flight check will be scheduled.

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# Trump subpoenaed by panel

By SARAH WIRE

Los Angeles Times  
Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — The House Jan. 6 select committee issued a subpoena to former President Donald Trump, calling him the "central cause" of a coordinated effort to overturn the results of the 2020 election.

Committee members voted unanimously at their last hearing Oct. 13 to subpoena the former president as part of its investigation into what led to the Capitol insurrection on Jan. 6, 2021. The subpoena, which was sent to his lawyers Friday along with a letter outlining the committee's case, orders Trump to produce documents by Nov. 4 and appear for what could be a multiday deposition under oath by Nov. 14.

"As demonstrated in our hear-

ings, we have assembled overwhelming evidence, including from dozens of your former appointees and staff, that you personally orchestrated and oversaw a multipart effort to overturn the 2020 presidential election and to obstruct the peaceful transition of power," the letter states.

Over months of hearings, the committee has argued that blame for the insurrection should be placed squarely on Trump's efforts to stay in power despite knowing he'd lost the election. In its letter, the committee accuses Trump of maliciously spreading false information declaring that the 2020 election was stolen; attempting to corrupt the Justice Department; pressuring state officials to change election results; and overseeing an effort to submit false election result certificates to the National

Archives. It also accuses him of pressuring then-Vice President Mike Pence to illegally reject state electors, filing false information in court, and inciting violence at the Capitol and refusing to send supporters home.

"In short, you were at the center of the first and only effort by any U.S. president to overturn an election and obstruct the peaceful transition of power; ultimately culminating in a bloody attack on our own Capitol and on the Congress itself," the letter states.

The committee's letter, which was signed by its chair, Rep. Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., and vice chair, Rep. Liz Cheney, R-Wyo., instructs Trump to produce a variety of documents including messages sent by Trump or that Trump ordered to be sent Jan. 6; all communications or notes from

conversations he had with members of Congress between Election Day and Jan. 6; and notes or memos about the presidential election, the scheme to have fake electors submit false election certificates and the Jan. 6 joint session of Congress. Some of the requests cover the period between the election and the Capitol riot, and others reach back to September 2020 before the election.

The panel repeatedly asks Trump to produce communications that occurred on the Signal messaging application, including communications about his campaign's election lawsuits, Pence's role on Jan. 6, about the Oath Keepers and the Proud Boys and communications with members of Congress about contesting certification of the election.

See Trump page 2

## Retrospect

# JCHS spikers won first sectional title

Twenty-five years ago this week, the Patriots were celebrating a sectional championship.

The Oct. 20, 1997, edition of The Commercial Review featured coverage of the Jay County High School volleyball team's Class 4A sectional title, the first in the sport in school history.

The Patriots defeated Marion 15-13, 15-6 in the final after fighting off Huntington North 16-14, 15-12, 15-6 in the semifinal round in the tournament at Wayne. It was the first season in which an IHSAA sport other than football had been contested in classes rather than a single-class tournament.

"It was great," said JCHS coach Fred Medler. "There was a high level of controlled excitement all day. It's been a slow process to get a Jay County team ready to play this well at this level. It's well worth it for this group of seniors."

The Giants took 5-0 leads in both games of the championship match, but Jay County was able to bounce back both times. Julie Marsh's nine kills and two blocks led the Patriots at the net while Jenny Hough had 23 digs and 11 service points, including six aces. Laura Medler, Fred's daughter, added

nine kills and eight digs.

In the semifinal win over Huntington North — JCHS rallied from a 12-8 deficit in the first game, dropped the second and then dominated the third — Rachel Newhouse racked up 18 kills and Marsh added 14. Lori Schoenlein totaled 36 assists.

As they took the bus trip back home to Jay County, the Patriots celebrated in a frenzy. A caravan of Patriot supporters followed behind, honking their horns and joining in the fun.

Jay County would go on to lose 15-7, 15-5 to Lafayette Jefferson in the regional at Marion.



Photo provided

The Jay County High School volleyball team celebrates its 1997 sectional championship, which came with wins over Huntington North and Marion. Pictured, from left, are Lisa McKee, Rachel Newhouse, Jenny Hough, Elise Jester, Lori Schoenlein, Libby Michael, Melissa Crooks, Julie Marsh, Laura Medler, Kendra Denton, Zibby Theurer and Kim Flowers.

### Deaths

Beulah Hiser, 98, Portland  
Details on page 2.

### Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 69 degrees Friday. The weekend forecast calls for warm but windy conditions with highs of 76 today and Sunday and winds gusting to 20 miles per hour. Lows will be in the 50s. Expect a high of 77 Monday.

See page 2 for an extended forecast.

### In review

Dunkirk Water Department will be flushing fire hydrants from Monday to Friday. The work will be completed between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day.

### Coming up

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

Thursday — A look at local athletes competing at the collegiate level.



Project ...

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He added that he will also schedule an 11-month warranty inspection.
With the project nearly completed, board members Mitch Sutton, Clyde Bray and John Ferguson, absent Faron Parr, approved paying \$366,975.37 to Milestone for work completed between Sept. 16 and Oct. 14.
Clearwaters reminded the board that it is continuing to hold back \$99,383.98 in retainage from HIS. He said the company has been informed that property releases will be required from each of two borrow pit sites — one owned by Greg and Cindy Whitenack and the other by the City of Portland — before those funds are distributed.
The board also approved an agreement update with Butler,

Fairman and Seufert for an additional 320 hours and mileage to cover additional time spent on the project site at a cost of \$49,000. (Delays with HIS Constructors on the first phase of the project led to the need for more time.)
In relation to the runway extension project, the board approved FFA grant pay requests of \$434,369.67 and \$35,819. (The entirety of the project is being covered by federal grants thanks to coronavirus relief funding.)
Board members also asked that Butler, Fairman and Seufert work with Milestone to barricade the project's construction entrance, which is near the intersection of county roads 100 North and 100 West.
Clearwaters reminded board

members that the airport's updated capital improvement plan will need to be approved at next month's meeting. It is due to the Federal Aviation Administration by Dec. 1.
Last month the board had discussed seeking federal funding to rehabilitate the pavement for the original 4,000-foot section of runway. It was last repaved in 1998.
Also discussed was funding for a new storage building for snow removal equipment.
Clearwaters said he will plan to have a draft of that updated plan ready for the board's review on Nov. 16.
In other business, the board:
• Heard from airport employee Matt Simmons — airport manager Hal Tavzel was absent — that the facility sold 6,435.44

gallons of fuel in September for \$32,479.02. That's up from 5,639 gallons in September 2021.
• Heard from Simmons that James Brewster, a local electrician, has been contracted to handle some lighting repairs in hangars and other areas at the airport. He also noted that a new data line to the airport's weather terminal will be inspected Monday. The weather station has been out of commission for months.
• Briefly talked about hangar rental rates. The board last month had discussed raising the rate from the current \$75 per month and decided to evaluate other hangars before considering a proposal. With both city clerk-treasurer Lori Phillips and Tavzel absent from the meeting, the issue was tabled.

• Discussed the situation with a hangar being rented by Rick Owens. The board voted last month to send a letter to Owens requiring him to vacate the hangar by Oct. 31. Sutton said Friday two letters had been sent and returned unserved. A third has been sent. If it does not reach Owens, Sutton said the next step would be to get city attorney Wes Schemenaur involved to discuss a path forward.
• Learned 43 free flights were given to those 8 through 17 years old during a Young Eagles event at the airport last month.
• Was reminded Tavzel and Clearwaters both attended this week's Aviation Indiana annual conference at Purdue University.
• Paid \$2,406.42 in claims.

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Table with 5 columns: Sunday 10/23, Monday 10/24, Tuesday 10/25, Wednesday 10/26, Thursday 10/27. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts (e.g., 76/53, 77/54).

Lotteries

Table listing lottery results for Hoosier, Ohio, Powerball, and Mega Millions, including pick numbers and estimated jackpots.

Markets

Table listing market prices for Cooper Farms, POET Biorefining, and The Andersons, including various crop prices like corn and wheat.

Today in history

In 1836, Sam Houston was inaugurated as the first president of the Republic of Texas.
In 1883, the Metropolitan Opera House opened on Broadway at 39th Street in New York City.
In 1962, President John F. Kennedy informed Americans of the Cuban missile crisis when he declared a naval blockade of Cuba to prevent additional ship-

Citizen's calendar

Monday
9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.
3:30 p.m. — Jay County Solid Waste Management District Board, 5948 W. Indiana 67, Portland.
4 p.m. — Jay School Board executive session, General Shanks, 414 Floral Ave., Portland.
5 p.m. — Jay School Board special meeting, General Shanks, 414 Floral Ave., Portland.
6 p.m. — Dunkirk Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St.
7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Council, city building, 131 S. Main St.
Wednesday
5 p.m. — Dunkirk Park Board, city building, 131 S. Main St.

Obituaries

Beulah Hiser
Nov. 9, 1923-Oct. 20, 2022
Beulah Florence Hiser, age 98, of Portland, passed away on Thursday, October 20, 2022, in Persimmon Ridge Healthcare.
She was born in Portland on November 9, 1923, the daughter of Asa and Viola (Sherman) Smith. She was married on April 17, 1948, to Clayton Hiser, and he passed away on May 31, 1990.
Beulah was a farmer and also worked at Bailey Products in Union City and Farm



Hiser

Bureau in Portland. She was a 1941 Portland High School graduate, member of Zion Lutheran Church, Bryant Community Center, Widow to Widow, Bryant Euchre Club, Jay Community Center, Jay County Rural Youth and Wednesday Morning Breakfast Club. She enjoyed playing cards, putting puzzles together and square dancing.
Surviving are several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.
She was preceded in death by a brother, Lowell Smith, and three sisters, Onnalee Hammitt, Gladys Kaderly and Garnet Katterheinrich.
Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at 11 a.m. in the

Zion Lutheran Church with Fr. Dan Layden presiding. Burial will follow in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Hartford City. Visitation will be at the church from 10 to 11 a.m.
Memorials can be made to the Zion Lutheran Church. Baird-Free-man Funeral Home in Portland is handling the arrangements.
The Commercial Review publishes death notices for those with a connection to our coverage area free of charge. They include the name, city of residence, birth/death date and time/date/location of services. There is a charge for obituaries, which are accepted only from funeral homes or mortuary services.

Capsule Reports

Pole hit
Damage is estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000 after a Muncie woman's vehicle hit a pole along county road 300 West about 2 p.m. Friday.
Nastazia L. Brown, 24, was driving north on the

road just south of county road 300 North. She told Jay County Sheriff's Office she reached to grab a bottle on the floor and drove her 2010 Chrysler Town and Country off the road, striking a pole.
Brown complained of

face pain. Her vehicle was towed.
Deer crash
An Ohio teen's vehicle was towed after he crashed into a deer along Indiana 26 about 9:40 p.m. Thursday.
Nicholas J. Thornhill, 16, Ansonia, was driving east along the highway near county road 200 East when his 2016 Jeep Compass crashed into a deer.
Damage is estimated between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

Trump ...

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The letter also broadly asks for all communications or memos about messages with key outside players in the committee's investigation, such as former Trump advisers Stephen K. Bannon, Roger Stone and Michael Flynn, and with attorneys including Sidney Powell, John Eastman and Rudolph W. Giuliani. Multiple former presidents have testified before Congress, a fact noted by the committee in its letter to Trump. But most have done so voluntarily: This is just the second time in modern U.S. history that Congress has issued a subpoena in an attempt to compel testimony from a president. In 1953, then-President Harry Truman refused to obey a subpoena from Congress, but voluntarily testified multiple other times before leaving office.
"We recognize that a subpoena to a former President is a significant and

historic action," Thompson and Cheney wrote. "We do not take this action lightly."
Trump has not said whether he will provide documents and testimony as required, but he is expected to challenge the subpoena. He could choose to comply, negotiate with the committee, announce he will defy the subpoena or ignore it. He could also go to court and try to stop the committee from enforcing it.
The day after the committee voted last week to issue the subpoena, Trump decried the panel's actions in a rambling post on his social media platform, Truth Social, but did not address how he intended to respond.
Cheney said at an event at the Harvard Kennedy School's Institute of Politics earlier this week that if Trump refused to comply, the committee would "take the steps we need to take" without elaborating on what

those steps would be. With just over two months left before the committee is expected to finish its work, any fighting over logistics around Trump's possible appearance means there is a diminishing chance that the public might hear firsthand from the former president as part of the committee's final report. The committee has had mixed success in persuading the Justice Department to charge those who have refused to testify or supply documents to the panel. Two of the four people the House has voted to hold in contempt, Bannon and Peter Navarro, a former White House trade adviser, were indicted. The Justice Department declined to charge Trump's former chief of staff Mark Meadows and aide Dan Scavino Jr.
Bannon was sentenced Friday to four months in jail and a fine of \$6,500. Navarro's trial is next month.

Felony arrests

Drug possession
Two people were arrested Friday for possession of methamphetamine and other related charges.
William A. Lawhorn, 50,

253 E. Bell Ave., Redkey, was preliminarily charged with a Level 5 felony, along with two Level 6 felonies for unlawful possession of a syringe and maintaining

a common nuisance. He's being held on a \$30,000 bond in Jay County Jail.
Bobbie L. Smith, 45, 810 Indiana Ave., Richmond, was preliminarily charged with a Level 5 felony, as well as a Level 6 felony for obstruction of justice. Smith is being held in Jay County Jail on a \$10,000 bond.

Funeral home listings for Saturday (Robinette), Monday (Laux, Norris), and Tuesday (Hiser).

Brockman Boeckman Funeral Home advertisement featuring a tree logo and text: '60 Minute Guide to Planning Ahead', 'FREE Advance Funeral Planning Workshop!', and contact information.



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## TOPS together

Members of Portland's Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) club recently gathered for a group photo in the 1910 Haynes Model 19 touring car on display at Community Resource Center. (The vehicle is owned by the Barry and Elizabeth Hudson family.) The photo will be featured in a calendar for northeast Indiana TOPS clubs. Pictured in front are Ruth Bruss, Sally Pritchard, Kathy Roberts, Ann Ryan, Kathy Saunders, Cheryl Morehouse, Ruby Shaneyfelt and Carol Wiggans.

## Sharing dinner lowers stress

By NANCY CLANTON

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution  
Tribune News Service

Sitting down for a meal together lowered their family's stress level, according to 91% of parents who responded to a nationwide survey by the American Heart Association. Of the 1,000 adults who participated, about half said they eat alone because of scheduling issues, and 84% said they wish they could share a meal more often with loved ones.

"Sharing meals with others is a great way to reduce stress, boost self-esteem and improve social connection, particularly for kids," said Erin Michos, M.D., M.H.S., American Heart Association volunteer, associate director of preventive cardiology at Johns Hopkins and a co-author of the American Heart Association's statement on Psychological Health, Well-being, and the Mind-Heart-Body Connection. "Chronic,

constant stress can also increase your lifetime risk of heart disease and stroke, so it is important for people to find ways to reduce and manage stress as much as possible, as soon as possible."

Participants said it's not just family they wanted to see across the table. Nearly 7 in 10 (69%) respondents said they would feel less stressed at work if they could take a break or eat lunch with a co-worker.

## Family friend becomes entitled

DEAR ABBY: I have two sons, 18 and 20. Since they were young, whenever we invited one of their friends to join us for an activity, dinner, etc., I have treated that friend. Over the past few years, we have included one friend in more activities as well as on numerous family vacations.

The problem is, the more we have treated this friend, the more he has expected. For example, during our last weeklong vacation, he expected us to pay not only for every meal, but also every little incidental. When he was once asked for \$10 by a vendor, he immediately complained. (It was for a short safety class so he could jet ski as our guest.)

Before he was 18, his parents sent money to help cover expenses, but now I cover it all. This would be a lot easier to accept if he even once said "thank you" or seemed appreciative. Aside from this, he's a pleasant, respectful 19-year-old who has been my sons' friend for almost 10 years.

Should I say something to him? Should I ask if he can cover some of his own expenses? It is easily financially feasible. I don't want to risk my sons' friendship, but I feel the situation has gotten out of hand. — NOT AN ATM IN THE SOUTH

DEAR NOT AN ATM: You mentioned this young man's parents stopped reimbursing you for their son's expenses when he turned 18. What other things do they expect him to start shouldering responsibility for? You have been more than generous by continuing to subsidize him.

Because you are uncomfortable with the situation, a conversation is overdue about how these things should be handled in the future. Be sure to let him know that he is always welcome, but now he is an adult and some ground rules need to be set. And since your son's friend seems not to have mastered the words

Dear Abby



"thank you," it would be a kindness to remind him how important they are.

DEAR ABBY: Is there a sensitive and appropriate way to suggest to my mother that she would benefit from therapy? Our family has suffered from generational abuse. After years of therapy, I've been able to stop that cycle, and my children have grown up in a loving, non-abusive household. However, my mother holds on to unhealthy behaviors. She can be quite mean to family, and it makes me not want to be around her. My kids aren't close to her because I limit their exposure to her. I'd love to have a healthy relationship with her, but I know it isn't possible until she gets some help. Is there a way to tell her I think she'd be happier and healthier and we'd have a better relationship if she went to therapy? Or must I just accept that this is my mother and leave it be? — HELPED IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR HELPED: Tell your mother you would like to have a closer relationship with her, but something is holding you back. Rather than say SHE could benefit from therapy, suggest that if the two of you could get some family therapy together, it might be helpful. Explain that talking with someone was enormously helpful for you and your family. If you approach the subject obliquely rather than head-on, she might be willing — IF she's interested in a closer relationship with you. If she's unwilling or defensive, you will have to accept the status quo.

## Community Calendar

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

### Today

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

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

### Monday

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

BRYANT AREA COMMUNITY CENTER — Walking from 9:30 to 10:30

a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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

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

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

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS

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

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

### Tuesday

JAY COUNTY PASTORS AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 8 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Richard's Restaurant.

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

THE LANDING — A 12-step program for those in sixth through 12th grade will meet at 5:55 p.m. each Tuesday at 2nd Chance at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 703-0777 or (260) 726-5273.

A BETTER LIFE - BRIANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for substance abuse. Meal

starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-2107.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (567) 279-8352 or (260) 729-7000.

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

### Wednesday

WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

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

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

## Sudoku

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

Level: Advanced

### Friday's Solution

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

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

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## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

### For Jay County Schools October 24-28

**Monday:** Main Entrees: Walking beef tacos **Alternate Entrees:** Build your own pizza fun lunch, cheddar/mozzarella salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing **Sides for all meals:** Mexican style refried beans

**Tuesday:** Main Entrees: Chicken nuggets, macaroni and cheese **Alternate Entrees:** Build your own pizza fun lunch, cheddar/mozzarella salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing **Sides for all meals:** Seasoned peas

**Wednesday:** Main Entrees: Classic cheeseburger in bun **Alternate Entrees:** Build your own pizza fun lunch, cheddar/mozzarella salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing **Sides for all meals:** Tater tots

**Thursday:** Main Entrees: Beef hot dog on whole wheat **Alternate Entrees:** Build your own pizza fun lunch, cheddar/mozzarella salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing **Sides for all meals:** Savory green beans

**Friday:** Main Entrees: Classic cheese pizza **Alternate Entrees:** Build your own pizza fun lunch, cheddar/mozzarella salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing **Sides for all meals:** Seasoned carrots

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# Protect schools from ransomware

The Washington Post

Ransomware gangs are taking Americans to school. So far this year, hackers have taken hostage at least 1,735 schools in 27 districts; the massive Los Angeles Unified School District is their latest target. The tech industry can at least slow this scourge. But educators should not rely only on outside help to fix this problem for them.

Ransomware hackers breach computers, lock them up, steal sensitive data and demand money to release their hold on organizations' critical systems. These criminals often attack schools because they are profitable targets. If all ransomware victims refused to pay, the

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attacks would stop. Indeed, paying up might be illegal: The Treasury Department released guidance last year noting that giving money to global criminal organizations can violate sanctions law.

The trouble is, saying no isn't always easy. Los Angeles didn't capitulate, and the criminals leaked a trove of data — a consequence that can prove more or

less serious depending on the sensitivity of the stolen information. Just the first stage of a ransomware attack, when hackers lock up access to critical systems, can cripple any organization. Schools face the threat of extended disruptions in children's education. Many schools are doing the math and discovering that paying a ransom costs less than hunkering down.

A broad payment ban is one solution. But some worry such a measure would be too harsh on struggling districts. There are many things to try first. Educational institutions can harden their defenses: Last year's bipartisan infrastructure law authorized \$1 billion to help local gov-

ernments improve their cybersecurity capabilities — and public schools should be top candidates for fortification. Setting security standards such as mandatory multifactor authentication is a smart start, but few K-12 institutions are full of tech whizzes. They will need plenty of training and support. Offline backups of critical information are also key, so that if the criminals do breach sensitive systems, immediately ejecting them isn't as essential as it would be otherwise.

Building capacity to oust ransomware attackers from the systems they have locked up is another important line of defense. The same bipartisan

law created the Cyber Response and Recovery Fund to provide federal aid to breach victims. It has \$20 million per year for five years that, if spent on helping schools after they have been hacked, could help liberate computer systems in institutions that failed to keep the proper backups and to observe good cybersecurity hygiene.

"Because we can," said a representative of the ransomware gang that took down Los Angeles Unified School District, explaining the collective's motivations to a Bloomberg News reporter.

Schools' task is to turn "can" to "can't" — or, at least, to make success pay a whole lot less.

## We must remember this day forever

New York Daily News

Tribune News Service

In his last tweet of Jan. 6, as order was restored in the Capitol and his mob was cleared out, President Donald Trump extolled the violent ransacking.

"These are the things and events that happen when a sacred landslide election victory is so unceremoniously & viciously stripped away from great patriots who have been badly & unfairly treated for so long. Go home with love & in peace. Remember this day forever!"

Of course, the day will be forever remembered not for the supposed heroism of "great patriots," but for the shame that the then-president brought on himself for subverting the rule of law and democracy.

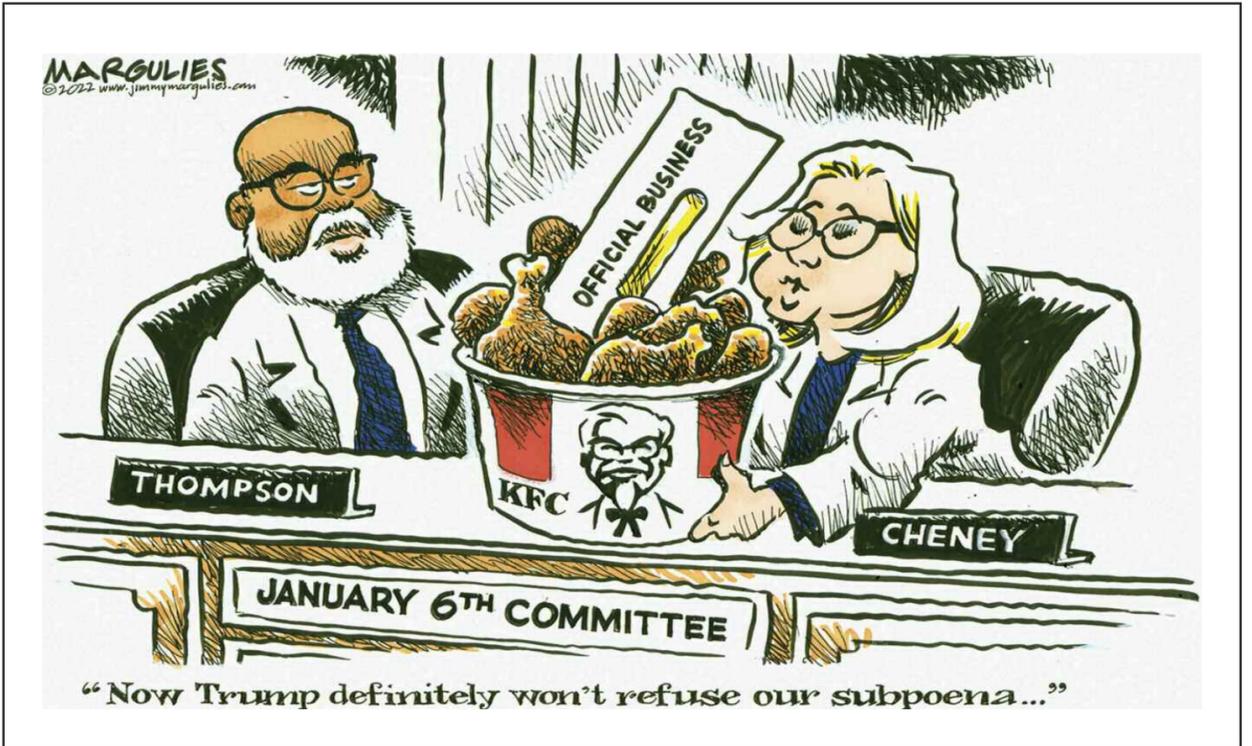
What will also be forever remembered is how Trump was unanimously subpoenaed by the bipartisan Jan. 6 committee after its nine members presented their findings that he knew all along that he lost the 2020 election to Joe Biden, but tried every which way to cling to power. From asking Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger to find 11,780 more votes, to mounting phony court challenges, to cobbling together fake slates of electors to pressuring VP Mike Pence to violate his oath, to the final step of attacking Congress.

New evidence from the Secret Service and cabinet secretaries Mike Pompeo and Elaine Chao underlines Trump's overwhelming complicity in the sacking of the seat of government to try to cling to power.

Of course, even after the subpoena, there's next to no hope that the committee will ever hear from Trump under oath, as he — a man unfit for power in 2016, 2020, 2024 and any other year — will duck and stall and then invoke the Fifth Amendment at every turn. Should Republicans prevail in next month's midterms, the Jan. 6 panel will be shuttered.

Thursday, we also heard of possible criminal referrals of Trump's core conspirators and saw a remarkable video from Fort McNair of Congress' bipartisan, bicameral leaders captured by Alexandra Pelosi, daughter of the House speaker, as they took refuge from the mob. As Trump said, "Remember this day forever!"

### Guest Editorial



# We can learn from COVID deaths

By MICHAEL J. HICKS

Last week three Yale professors published a study of COVID-related deaths in the United States. The data they used matched COVID deaths, voter registration by party and age in two states — Florida and Ohio. One goal of the study was to test whether anti-vaccine or anti-mask campaigns contributed to differences in death rates by political affiliation. Here's what they found.

Before COVID, the death rates between Floridians and Ohioans of the same age but different political affiliation was statistically identical. That is unsurprising. During the early days of COVID, the excess deaths began to rise, but political affiliation had no effect on the difference in death rates. Once you control for age, Republicans and Democrats died at exactly the same rate, just as the virus intended.

Slowly, the Republican death rate began to edge higher than the Democrat death rate, again controlling for age differences. In the weeks before the COVID vaccine was made available, a gap emerged, with Republicans of the same age dying at a 22 percent higher rate than Democrats in these two states. That is large, accounting for hundreds of extra dead Republicans. This might have been due to Republicans having been exposed to more anti-mask messaging, leading them to forego more public health recommendations.

However, once the COVID vaccine was introduced, the death rate difference between Republicans and Democrats of the same age ballooned to 153 percent. Most of the deaths were concentrated in counties with low vaccine rates, where it is more likely the anti-mask/anti-vaccine propaganda was more effective. This is gob smacking.

While it is always possible that there are some underlying risks associated with political affiliation, such as gun ownership or lifestyle choices, these didn't cause death rate differences until COVID

## Michael J. Hicks



came along. It was partisan differences in the consumption of anti-vaccine messaging that killed many, many more Republicans than Democrats.

This is a stunning technical study, with profound implications about the role of public health and anti-vaccine propaganda. Unsurprisingly, social media immediately filled with folks questioning the study's technical methods and data. In response, I could defend the quality of the study, and the pedigree of the research team, consisting of three full professors at Yale, including one of this generation's most gifted econometricians. Still, that misses the point entirely.

Nationwide, at least 250,000 Americans died of COVID because they chose not to be vaccinated. More will continue to succumb to the disease. Every last one of these deaths resulted from the rejection of modernity and reason. These were voluntary and senseless deaths attributable to petulant ignorance. The people second-guessing a study about which they have no technical understanding, exhibit the same flawed reasoning as those who rejected the COVID vaccines.

Now to be sure, neither ignorance nor petulance are partisan human characteristics. We are all crafted from the same crooked timber of humanity. Indeed, before COVID, the rejection of vaccines and public health interventions, such as fluoride, were mostly confined to the political left. Something shifted in recent years, and has become more mainstream.

Neither can this be attributed uniformly to political leadership. Ohio's Republican Governor Mike

DeWine vigorously urged residents to receive a vaccine and led by example. In contrast, Florida's Governor Ron DeSantis embraced the political opportunism of the anti-vaccine crowd and still won't publicly admit that he was an early recipient of the vaccine. His behavior was raw disregard for the lives of citizens in order to obtain short-term political gain.

It is tempting to view the widespread effect of the anti-vaccine movement as a national embarrassment. One might be enticed to view these unnecessary deaths through an evolutionary prism. The ability to discern truth from lies may be as much an evolutionary requirement for survival in the modern world as the ability to craft stone tools was 250,000 years ago.

Some claim that the vaccine hesitancy was caused by the mistakes of our public health officials. They certainly made mistakes, but in hindsight it is clear that they delayed the vaccine too long rather than rushing it into circulation. Most of the other mistakes involved simple human failures that inevitably accompany unfolding events with huge gaps of knowledge. Anyone who has served in a war or responded to a natural disaster will have seen this before.

Perhaps it is a byproduct of our seemingly safe and secure modern world that so many citizens are flummoxed by common uncertainty. This might make them susceptible to charlatans and propagandists who delude them with a pretense of knowledge and certainty. Still, the widespread anger and rejection of simple scientific knowledge will always elude my understanding.

As an active researcher, I understand how imperfect the scientific process is and always has been. Methods of analysis improve; data gets better and more frequent. Most importantly, with dozens or hundreds of people researching a single narrow topic, nearly every few weeks something new and useful is published. The advancement

of knowledge is relentless. It is even more so in a crisis, like a pandemic or recession. Still, we all learned about the scientific method in elementary school.

I suspect most occupations are similar: Auto repair and maintenance, selling financial derivatives, or planning weddings are all jobs that undergo constant change and learning. The great economic philosopher Adam Smith recognized this in 1776, in his Wealth of Nations. His description of the benefits of the specialization of labor on production remain a standard fare in every economics textbook. This is part of what ushered in the modern world in which we now live.

This acceptance of expertise, trust and accumulated knowledge is necessary to sustain our modern world. Yet, we live in a time when social media allows more-skilled charlatans to deceive us. I think those of us who came of age before the dissolution of national media are especially vulnerable to purposeful distortions. That vulnerability killed a quarter million Americans, and it endangers us all in the years ahead.

The years before us require substantial effort to remedy the problem of disinformation and lies. There is much hope on this front. Some of the worst offenders face financial ruin in civil court, or lengthy criminal sentences. Younger Americans are savvy, and we are building institutions to better judge news and ferret out disinformation. Perhaps we can learn something meaningful from the partisan differences in COVID deaths. If not, these deaths will have been for nothing — heart-breaking, pointless and without meaning.

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## Company celebrates

Joyce/Dayton Corporation on Oct. 12 held a ceremony to celebrate 50 years of its manufacturing facility in Portland. The company manufactures screw jacks, actuators and lifting systems. The company, established as Joyce Cridland Company in 1873 and now headquartered in Dayton, Ohio, was founded to build jacks and lifting equipment for the railroad industry.

## BSU students, faculty honored

Ball State University students and faculty recently earned national recognition.

Students Kyle Anthony-Petter, Grace Goedecker, Trisha Martin, Brianna Minnich and Abigail Rosenow earned the Charles E. Peterson Prize Competition award, student Travis Johnson won an Award of Excellence from the American Society of Landscape Architects and the university's bachelor and master of architecture programs were awarded the U.S. Department of Energy's seal of recognition.

Goedecker, Martin, Minnich, Rosenow and Anthony-Petter earned their honor for their drawings of the Interurban Bridge at Oldfields — a historic site in Indianapolis. Presented by the Heritage Documentation Programs of the National Park Service, the Athenaeum of Philadelphia, the American Institute of Architects and the Association for Preservation Technology, it is intended to heighten awareness about historic buildings in the U.S. Johnson earned his honor from the American Society of Landscape Architects for his project, "Nature's Song - An Interactive Outdoor Music and Sound Museum."

The honor for BSU's architecture programs goes to those "that are preparing tomorrow's architectural and engineering leaders to design and build the most sustainable buildings possible."

### Alexander certified

Cassie Alexander of IU Health Jay recently earned her licensed clinical addictions counselor (LCAC) certification.

Alexander, a behavioral

### Business roundup

health therapist at IU Health Jay, passed her certification exam after completing course work and participating in a supervised clinical practice. A graduate of Indiana University — East with a degree in social work, she had 13 years of experience in the field.

"Cassie is what we like to call a 'unicorn' in our field because there are not nearly enough LCAC providers in our state," said IU Health Jay Behavioral Health program manager Jenni VanSkyock in a press release. "We are so grateful that she made this commitment to advancing her education and serving her patients. Her experience and knowledge are tremendous assets to our community and team."

### Mural in place

With the completion of The Transitions installation, Indianapolis International Airport is home to the largest art installation of its kind in the United States.

Transitions is a three-

dimensional mural that is made from more than 300,000 recyclable cups. Covering more than 14,000 square feet, it was a partnership between airport officials and artists.

"We're serious about our commitment to public art and local artists, and today's dedication is a big demonstration that we mean what we say," said Indianapolis Airport Authority executive director Mario Rodriguez in a press release.

### Lilly buying

Indianapolis-based pharmaceutical company Eli Lilly is set to buy Akouos, Reuters reported this week.

The report showed the transaction for the genetic medicine developer would be for about \$487 million. Eli Lilly hopes to expand in the area of gene therapies that seek to address various disabilities, Reuters said.

### Ardagh investing

Ardagh Group this week announced that it will provide grant funding to German non-profit organization Wissensfabrik for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education for primary and secondary schools in Germany.

The grant estimated at 5 million euros is expected to reach 200,000 students over a 10-year period. Ardagh launched a similar program in the United States last year.

"Ardagh is a major employer in all of the communities in which we operate across the Americas, Europe and Africa," said chairman and CEO Paul Coulson in a press release. "Social sustainability is at the core of our sustainability strategy. We recognise the critical role education, and access to education, plays in ensuring equal opportunities and in building successful, vibrant communities."

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- ✓ Iraq war veteran

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## The Commercial Review's 24th Annual Christmas Fiction Contest



Open to residents of Jay, Randolph, Adams, Delaware, Blackford and Wells counties in Indiana, also Mercer and Darke counties in Ohio. Former area residents who are subscribers to The Commercial Review may also enter.

Selected entries will be published in The CR's annual Christmas Greetings special section. The first-place entry will also receive \$250.

Original short stories with a Christmas theme or setting should be emailed to [news@thecr.com](mailto:news@thecr.com) by Dec. 9. Each entry should bear the writer's name, complete address and telephone number.

**Entry Deadline is Dec. 9, 2022.**

*The 2021 winner*  
*"Gifts of Love  
for Angie"*  
*By Mary T. Hemmelgarn*

10-22 CRYPTOQUIP

WMSW DYVWGUYV, ZSGI-HDYFLZ  
JEGZ MSV S GLFSGISJDO  
VYGHGEVERQ VURQ. EW'V S  
VWSGWERQ VWSGDERQ.  
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: BIG SPANISH SEAPORT TOWN WHERE SEVERAL KEY PACKAGE DELIVERY SERVICES ARE BASED: PARCELONA.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Q equals G

### Trivial Review

(Answers are printed below, upside down.)

#### It's playoff time

- 1) What teams did the Jay County High School football team beat to make the 2000 sectional title game after going 1-8 in the regular-season?
- 2) What school has won the most football sectional championships in IHSAA history?

1) Greenfield-Central and Muncie Central  
2) Carmel (32)

10-24 CRYPTOQUIP

IDFZWBX TKJFVU TDBJVY ERD  
RZN ZBEZXN BKSVU LBDNV FD  
Z YKSVY KI LVIFYZB KFZBX:  
FKWVY EDDUN.  
Saturday's Cryptoquip: THAT LUSTROUS, DARK-PLUMED BIRD HAS A REMARKABLY SURPRISING SONG. IT'S A STARTLING STARLING.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Y equals R

### CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to being vegetarian. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 3 = A)

**A. 20 16 6 16 13 3 15 23 16**  
Clue: Plant-based food

**B. 9 16 3 23 13 9**  
Clue: Well-being

**C. 3 21 2 4 3 23**  
Clue: Living organism

**D. 3 20 8 2 19**  
Clue: Steer clear of

### WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to vegetarianism.

EGMEUL

Answer: Legume

### Guess Who?

I am an actor born in California on October 24, 1989. My first on-screen credit came in 2009. I had a recurring role on "Switched at Birth," but made an impression as a superhero of sorts on a Netflix series about kids with powers.

Answer: David Castañeda

### kids' corner

### FOOD FACT!

PAN, THIN CRUST AND DEEP DISH ARE TYPES OF THIS POPULAR COMFORT FOOD.

ANSWER: PIZZA

### How they SAY that in...

**ENGLISH:** Oven  
**SPANISH:** Horno  
**ITALIAN:** Forno  
**FRENCH:** Four  
**GERMAN:** Ofen

### Crossword Puzzle

1			2	3	4
5			6		
8			7		
9					

**ACROSS**  
1. One who purchases  
5. Pleasant to eat  
7. Olive is one type  
9. Customer selections

**DOWN**  
1. Hard part of bread  
2. Barely enough  
3. Time to eat  
4. Type of noodles  
6. Belonging to you  
8. Abbreviation for "take out"

Answers:  
Across: 1. Consumer 5. Tasty 7. Oil 9. Orders  
Down: 1. Crust 2. Scant 3. Meal 4. Ramen 6. Your

### THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

OCT 19

- 1512: MARTIN LUTHER BECAME A DOCTOR OF THEOLOGY.
- 1789: JOHN JAY IS SWORN IN AS THE FIRST CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES.
- 2003: MOTHER TERESA IS BEATIFIED BY POPE JOHN PAUL II.

### New word ANCHOVY

small, silvery marine fish

### PRODUCE AISLE WORD SEARCH

S W N P P D K P S Q K U K A L R U B P A  
T K H S E W S I S A E P S Y C E L E R Y  
O A S Y O P K H D S R P T U Z F P K T H  
R O A O B E E T S T T T U H U T O H T U  
R C U L N T Q O N G O U O Q C S T B U E  
A C Q S R R E P P E P S H R R C R A S I Y  
C L S A R T I C H O K E P N H L T M E C  
H Y K T D O U E C I B A S S G I Q O U C I  
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Z Q H N I K P M U P P H L P I D S K T R  
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F T N T A L D P T W G H S R A F A Q L P  
M T I N G C B A G R T A U D R B K G Y D  
O Q O A G M N R E O C N R O C F B M U Y  
F Z N L U Y O S K E E L B B D M I A D S  
U F S P W Z A N D Q Z F M L K L Y F C U  
E B S G K Y P I C A U L I F L O W E R U  
M Y H G K R E P O F F U Z C Z O D P Q T  
T S Z E W A A S E I L W Q N C H A R D Y

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

- ### WORDS
- ARTICHOKE
  - ASPARAGUS
  - BEETS
  - BRUSSELS SPROUTS
  - CABBAGE
  - CARROTS
  - CAULIFLOWER
  - CELERY
  - CHARD
  - CORN
  - EGGPLANT
  - GARLIC
  - LEEK
  - LETTUCE
  - ONIONS
  - PARSNIPS
  - PEAS
  - PEPPERS
  - POTATOES
  - PUMPKIN
  - SHALLOTS
  - SQUASH
  - TOMATOES
  - TURNIPS
  - ZUCCHINI

### CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

**ACROSS**  
1 Declares pair  
6 Plank  
11 Celtic language  
12 Spool out  
14 Tell  
15 Purify  
16 Off-roader (Abbr.)  
17 Whoville  
19 Indian bread  
20 Yon folks  
22 Genetic letters  
23 River deposit  
24 Filled fully  
26 Hall of TV talk fame  
28 Meadow  
30 — Salvador  
31 Wine stores  
35 Blue Grotto isle  
39 GPS suggestions

**DOWN**  
1 "Queen of Soul" Franklin  
2 Soft fabric  
3 Greek vowel  
4 Decomposes  
5 Villain's look  
6 Tuition collectors  
7 Wallet stuffers  
8 Canine greeting  
9 Control  
10 Alaskan peak  
11 Spoiled kids  
13 Slow musical tempo  
18 Italian article  
21 Screams  
23 French legislature  
25 Narc's org.  
27 Pouch  
29 Element #33  
31 Boorish  
32 Morals  
33 Eagerly accept  
34 Salty expanse  
36 Wunderkind  
37 Esteem  
38 Not moving  
41 Kilmer poem  
44 Arizona tribe  
45 Sprint  
48 Med. plan  
50 — Victor

**Solution time: 26 mins.**

A	L	B	U	M	K	F	C	A	M	I
L	O	R	N	A	A	O	L	G	O	D
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O	E	D	I	N	T	S	T	E	V	E
W	D	S	T	O	Y	E	S	S	E	S

Yesterday's answer 10-22

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							53		
							54		

### Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

#### As ye sow, so shall ye reap

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A Q 4  
♥ 6 5  
♦ A 10 8 7 5  
♣ K 6 3

**WEST**  
♠ 10 8 6 2  
♥ 7 3 2  
♦ 6 4  
♣ Q 7 4 2

**EAST**  
♠ K J 7 5  
♥ 8 4  
♦ Q J 9 2  
♣ J 10 9

**SOUTH**  
♠ 9 3  
♥ A K Q J 10 9  
♦ K 3  
♣ A 8 5

The bidding:  
North 1♦ Pass 2 NT 4♥  
East Pass 2♥ Pass 6♥  
South 2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass 6♥  
West Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — two of spades.  
In the great majority of deals, declarer cannot precisely predict the outcome at the start of play. All he can do is to try to find the line of play that offers the greatest chance of success and then hope for the best.  
Consider today's deal from a pairs championship. When the opening lead was not a spade, South made six hearts easily. He drew trump,

cached the K-A of diamonds and ruffed a diamond. Next came a club to dummy's king, followed by another diamond ruff that established the ten as his 12th trick. The ace of spades provided the entry to the good diamond.  
But where a spade was led originally, South faced a more difficult challenge. Those declarers who finessed the queen went down after East won with the king and returned a spade, killing the critical entry to dummy's fifth diamond.  
However, South can make the slam despite the spade lead by playing low from dummy on the opening trick. East wins with the jack but can do no better than return a club, taken by declarer with the ace.  
South now plays three rounds of trump (discarding a club from dummy), cashes the K-A of diamonds and ruffs a diamond. A club to the king, followed by another diamond ruff, establishes dummy's last diamond, with the ace of spades as the entry.  
By adopting this approach, South makes the slam if the diamonds are divided either 3-3 or 4-2, and he still has the spade finesse to fall back on if the diamonds are divided 5-1.

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### Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

#### Famous Hand

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ Q 7 2  
♥ A K 8 2  
♦ K 7 4  
♣ 8 5 4

**WEST**  
♠ 10 6 5  
♥ 10 3  
♦ A J 5 3 2  
♣ J 10 2

**EAST**  
♠ A 4 3  
♥ 9 7 4  
♦ Q 10 9 8 6  
♣ A 9

**SOUTH**  
♠ K J 9 8  
♥ Q J 6 5  
♦ —  
♣ K Q 7 6 3

The bidding:  
East Pass South Pass West Pass North Pass 3♣ Pass 1♥

Opening lead — ten of spades.  
Odd things sometimes occur during the bidding — even in world championships. Consider this deal from a match between the United States and Thailand some years ago.  
With a U.S. pair North-South, the bidding went as shown. Certainly a majority of players would open the South hand with one club, but the American South in this case elected to pass his aceless 12-point hand.  
But something went drastically wrong on the next round when North passed South's jump-shift response in clubs. South obviously thought that three clubs was forcing, but the bidding ended abruptly when North decided that his skimpy 12-point hand couldn't possibly produce a game opposite a partner who had previously passed.  
South made four clubs, scoring 130 points, but this was nothing to cheer about since four hearts (worth 620 points) could not be defeated.  
However, not to be outdone, the Thai North-South pair did even worse at the other table! Their bidding went:  
East Pass South 1♣ West Pass North Pass 2♣ Pass 3 NT

The opening one-club bid, in the Bangkok System, was artificial. It showed 12 to 20 high-card points, and furthermore denied a five-card or longer suit, except possibly in clubs. The one-notrump response was forcing to game and asked for clarification of the opening bid.  
South's two-club rebid showed at least five clubs and minimum values, but North then made no allowance — when he jumped to three notrump — for the possibility that South could have the sort of hand he had.  
East made the normal opening lead of a diamond, and North could not avoid going down two for a net loss of 330 points on the deal.

Tomorrow: You can win, but you can't lose.  
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### CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

**ACROSS**  
1 Embassy VIP  
4 — tai (cocktail)  
7 Group of quail  
11 Gridlock sound  
13 Mornings (Abbr.)  
14 Chiefs coach  
15 Jacob's twin  
16 Peanut product  
17 Stately trees  
18 Hitch-hiker's digit  
20 Info  
22 Standard  
24 Get by  
28 Hoarder  
32 Seize by force  
33 "— want for Christmas ..."  
34 Pen tip  
36 Jog  
37 Subjects, usually  
39 Drive-in servers

**DOWN**  
1 Help in a crime  
2 Screen material  
3 Boyfriend  
4 Chairman of China  
5 During  
6 Imam's faith  
7 Initiates a chat, say  
8 Slithery fish  
9 Pep  
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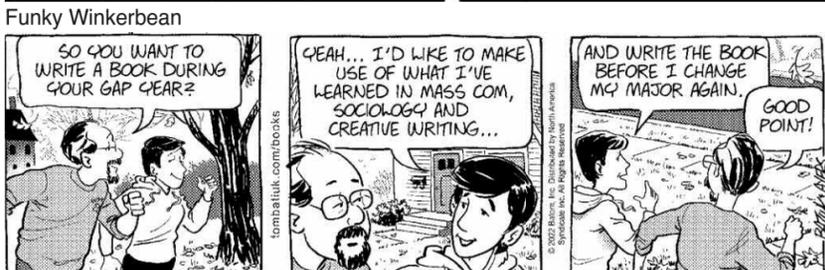
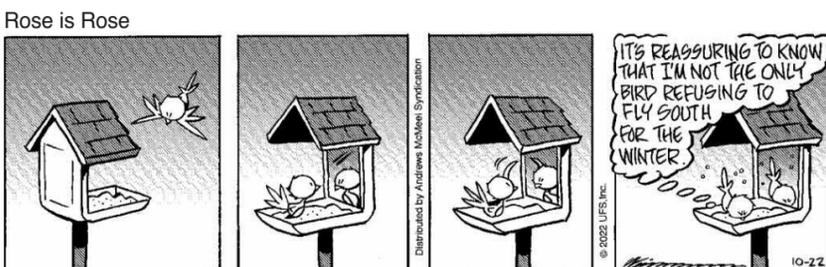
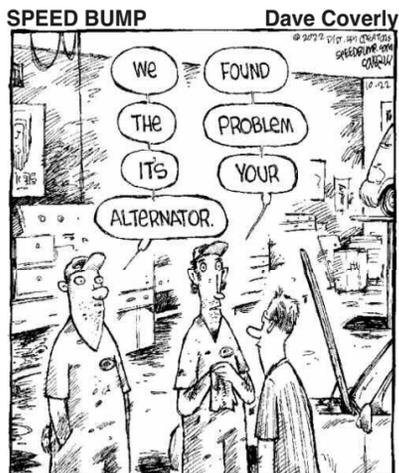
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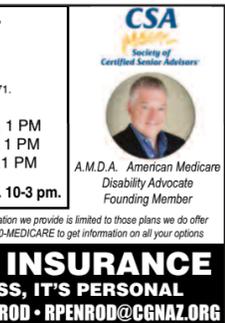
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Located: Women's Building at the Jay County Fairgrounds, 806 E Votaw Street, Portland IN  
Saturday Morning  
**OCTOBER 29, 2022**  
10:00 A.M.  
**HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS**  
Sofa and matching chair; rocker recliner; table with 5 chairs; Pine chest of drawers; LEAD CRYSTAL: candleholders, vases, candy dishes, to name a few, Longaberger baskets; Radio Flyer wagon; tricycle; metal shelf; TOYS (both new and old)  
**FORD EXPLORER - BOAT - TOOLS**  
2011 Ford 4 wheel drive Explorer with 3rd row seat, cloth and leather and 165,000 miles. 1976 EBB Tide fiberglass, v-bottom, fish boat with Johnson Javelin 85hp outboard motor on a Silvertrail trailer; Chicago Electric dual mig welder; Craftsman scroll saw; Craftsman table; saw; Craftsman router with table; Porta-Mate table; Craftsman 4" x 36" belt sander; and many other items not listed.  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
Located:6774 WEST 600 SOUTH REDKEY IN,  
OCTOBER 29, 2022  
10:00 A.M.  
TRACTOR- EQUIPMENT-GARDEN TRACTORS-SHOP TOOLS  
1954 Ford NAA tractor, Dearborn 8ft 3pt disc, Ford 5ft 3pt rotary mower, 7ft 3pt grader blade, Gilson snowblower, Craftsman 19.5hp riding mower 42in cut, mower parts and decks, solar battery chargers 6 and 12 volt, power hand tools, sockets, wrenches, bolt cutters, hand, lawn, and garden tools.  
**ANTIQUES-HOUSEHOLD-MISC**  
American Legion wall clock, coke clock, curve glass secretary, cedar chest, Tonka truck, trailer, dozer, old toys, 7 drawer knee hole desk, Maytag washer and Dryer, Kenmore refrigerator, Whirlpool refrigerator, electric fireplace, small kitchen appliances, camping equipment, Christmas supplies.  
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2022 TERM  
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38C01-2209-DC-000079  
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TONYA CHOWNING and  
LACY CHOWNING  
Petitioners  
TO: ALL UNKOWN PARTIES  
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**OCTOBER 29, 2022**  
10:00 A.M.  
TRACTOR- EQUIPMENT-GARDEN TRACTORS-SHOP TOOLS  
1954 Ford NAA tractor, Dearborn 8ft 3pt disc, Ford 5ft 3pt rotary mower, 7ft 3pt grader blade, Dearborn 3pt 2 bottom plow, 3pt field cultivator, (2) single axel utility trailers, Fimco lawn sprayer on transport, lawn thatcher, 42 in yard roller, (3) Gilson 16hp garden tractors, s-14 Gilson garden tractor, 2-38 Gilson garden tractor, Gilson snowblower, Craftsman 19.5hp riding mower 42in cut, mower parts and decks, front tine tiller, Craftsman roll away tool box, Craftsman upright air compressor, bench model drill press, bench grinder on pedestal, ready heaters, welding table with vice, floor jacks, Stihl gas powered blower, log chains and binders, solar battery chargers 6 and 12 volt, power hand tools, sockets, wrenches, bolt cutters, hand, lawn, and garden tools.  
**ANTIQUES-HOUSEHOLD-MISC**  
American Legion wall clock, coke clock, curve glass secretary, cedar chest, wood utility cabinet, kerosene lamps, nail keg, reel mower, RR jack, (2) pump jacks, Tonka truck, trailer, dozer, old toys, baby toys and bedding, treadle type sewing machine, globe and globe banks, bumper pool table, duck decoys, wooden highchair, metal lawn chairs, 33 and 45 records, maple full size bed with matching dresser and mirror, full size bed complete, 6 drawer dresser, dresser with mirror, book shelves, 7 drawer knee hole desk, dining room table with 4 chairs, 3 cushion sofa, vanity with mirror, sewing cabinet, kitchen utility cabinet, kitchen utility cart, leather recliner, leather chair, rocker recliner, LG 42 and 36 in T.V.s, floor lamps, record players, eye heater, Maytag washer and Dryer, Kenmore refrigerator, Whirlpool refrigerator, electric fireplace, small kitchen appliances, camping equipment, Christmas supplies.  
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**OCTOBER 29, 2022**  
10:00 A.M.  
**HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS**  
Sofa and matching chair; rocker recliner; table with 5 chairs; computer desk; Modern Oak corner cabinet; metal bakers rack; Sanyo TV; Samsung TV; love seat converts into bed; reclining sofa; Oak dry sink; TV stand; lighted curio cabinet; rocker; computer desk; queen size bed; microwave cart; wood cabinet; king size bed; 2 drawer wood file; Pine chest of drawers; lamps; night stand; electric chair; Panasonic TV; 4 drawer cabinet; desk; coffee table; Regulator wall clock; (2) wood stools; Footstool; floor lamp; lamp stand; card table; LEAD CRYSTAL: candleholders, vases, candy dishes, to name a few. Frosted pitcher and tumblers; Longaberger baskets; Radio Flyer wagon; tricycle; metal shelf; TOYS (both new and old) - blocks, Fisher Price cash register, Potato Head, blocks, etc; Corelle set of dishes; Corning; vintage Tupperware glasses and measurers; glass measuring cups; Keurig coffee maker; crock pot; skilllets; baking pans; dish towels; flatware; knives; cookware; pressure cooker; Smoothie maker; copper cookie cutters; dolls; juicer; charcoal grill; folding tables; stainless mixing bowls; coolers; stadium seats; pictures; bedding; baskets; books; cookbooks; office supplies; holiday decorations; games; cane; medical braces; and many other items not listed.  
**FORD EXPLORER - BOAT - TOOLS**  
2011 Ford 4 wheel drive Explorer with 3rd row seat, cloth and leather and 165,000 miles. VIN #XLT1FMHK8D80BGA14661; 1976 EBB Tide fiberglass, v-bottom, fish boat with Johnson Javelin 85hp outboard motor on a Silvertrail trailer; Xtreme 6500 watt generator; Troy Bilt tiller/cultivator; Yard Man push mower; 1600 psi pressure washer; Columbia 5 speed drill press; Chicago Electric dual mig welder; Craftsman scroll saw; Craftsman table; saw; Craftsman router with table; Porta-Mate table; Craftsman 4" x 36" belt sander; Mitata miter saw; Craftsman 6 hp wet/dry vac; electric hedge trimmers; band saw; 2 wheel cart; chains; winch; gas cans; pipe cutters; car jacks; indexes; aluminum ladders; wood ladders; saw horses; levels; pry bars; ramps; drop cords; drill bits; metal tool cabinet; hose reel; trash cans; sprinklers; bicycles; white plastic fence; pruners; shovels; and many other items not listed.  
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# Mistakes ...

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Western (6-4), which had not won a sectional game since 2017, advances to host seventh-ranked Kokomo (9-1) in the semi-final round Friday.  
The evening fell apart in a matter of minutes for Jay County after the Panthers took almost five minutes to march down the field for the opening score. Facing fourth-and-9, the home team lined up for a punt. Sheldon Minch had to jump to wrangle a high snap, and by the time he came down and was able to try to kick the ball, Western junior Ian Beatty was there to block it.  
Two plays later, Deaglan Pleak scored on a 29-yard run.  
On the first play of the ensuing drive, a Christian Runkle fumble gave the ball back to the Panthers. This time they needed three plays, with quarterback Mitchell Knepley scoring on a 27-yard run on which he started left and cut back up the middle.  
The Western TDs were separated by just 1:20 on the clock, giving the visitors a 21-0 lead.

Box score			
<b>Western Panthers (6-4)</b> at <b>Jay County Patriots (2-8)</b>		W — Trey Stone 15 pass from Knepley (Epp pass from Norman), 1:54.	
<b>Western 21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 — 44</b>
<b>Jay Co.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 — 0</b>
<b>First Quarter</b>			
W — Kyler Norman 16 run (Bridgely Seekri kick), 7:12.		Third Quarter No scoring	
W — Deaglan Pleak 29 run (Seekri kick), 5:46.		Fourth Quarter No scoring	
W — Mitchell Knepley 27 run (Seekri kick), 4:26.		<b>Team Statistics</b>	
<b>Second Quarter</b>		<b>W</b>	
W — Pleak 4 run (Seekri kick), 11:18.		<b>JC</b>	
W — Sheldon Minch tackled in end zone for safety, 9:26.		<b>Rushes - yds</b> 35-310 29-87	
W — Cade Epp 12 pass from Knepley (pass failed), 7:19.		<b>Comp-Att-Int</b> 2-3-0 2-15-0	
		<b>Passing yds</b> 35 27	
		<b>Total Plays</b> 38 44	
		<b>Total Offense</b> 337 122	
		<b>Punt ret - yds</b> 0-0 0-0	
		<b>Kickoff ret - yds</b> 2-57 4-68	
		<b>Sacks - yds lost</b> 0-0 1-9	
		<b>Punts - yds</b> 0-0 1-(-6)	
		<b>Ints - yds</b> 0-0 0-0	
		<b>Fumbles - lost</b> 1-0 4-1	
		<b>Penalties - yds</b> 2-20 2-10	
<b>Individual Statistics</b>			
<b>Rushing</b> — Western — Deaglan Pleak 11-100, Kyler Norman 5-79, Mitchell Knepley 5-59, Myreon Devost 5-34, Mitchell Betz 3-24, Matthew McKittrick 4-14, Mason Tedder 1-2, Brady Comer 1-0. Jay County — Kadin Ridenour 22-83, A.J. Myers 2-14, Sean Bailey 2-9, Nicholas Laux 1-(-2), Sheldon Minch 1-(-17).			
<b>Passing</b> — Western — Mitchell Knepley 2-3-0 27. Jay County — Sean Bailey 1-12-0 9, Nicholas Laux 1-3-0 26.			
<b>Receiving</b> — Western — Trey Stone 2-15, Kyler Norman 1-12. Jay County — Patrick Hemmelgarn 1-26, Garrett Bennett 1-9.			

“We came out and we played really well to start the game,” said WHS coach Alex Stewart, whose team added 23 points, including the safety, in the second quarter. “We came out guns blazing and scored and took the lead. I felt like our offensive line did a really good job of controlling the line of scrimmage and getting on our blocks. ... We caused some turnovers, gave

ourselves some short fields and good opportunities to score and took advantage of it.”  
The Panthers out-gained JCHS 270-46 in the first half. Deaglan Pleak led the attack with 100 yards on just 11 rushes.  
One bright spot for the Patriots was senior Kadin Ridenour breaking past the 1,000-yard rushing mark for the season.  
After struggling early — he averaged just over 2

yards on his first eight carries — he was able to fight for slightly larger gains and then passed 1,000 on a 19-yard run late in the third quarter. He finished with 83 yards on 22 carries, giving him 1,012 for the year.  
Zgunda recalled first giving Ridenour a try at running back last season after a series of injuries at Lapel.  
“Even under those circumstances, I was like,

‘Oh my gosh.’ I had no idea that he could run the ball like that,” said Zgunda. “And I knew he’d be perfect with what we wanted to do this year.”  
“I’m happy for him. He’s a great kid, great young man. ... Good leader.”  
For the team moving forward, the coach said the weight room is going to be key to having a chance to break a streak of six consecutive losing seasons.  
“The proof’s gonna be in the pudding next,” Zgunda said. “We’ve played a lot of young guys the last couple years. We’ll have a lot coming back. ...  
“But it’s gonna have to be the weight room. We see it week after week. We just don’t match up strength-wise. ...  
“We have got to get in the weight room. ... We’ve got to hit that hard and take it seriously and understand that that’s what’s gonna put us over the hump.”  
“That, in my opinion, is the main thing we have to do to be able to compete and get over the hump.”

# Edges ...

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But when St. Henry scored with 15 seconds remaining in the third quarter — Harrison Wendel ran in from 6 yards out — it also went for two and cashed in on a Wendel reception from Eli Broering.  
So, when Troy Homan scored on an 8-yard pass from Rammel in the final period, Fort Recovery had a choice — go for one and the tie or two and the lead. They chose the latter option, but Rammel was stopped short of the goal line.  
The Indians had two more chances with the ball, but both drives ended in interceptions.  
Wendel led the St. Henry win, scoring all three of its touchdowns and carrying the ball 31 times for 146 yards.  
FRHS relied on its aerial attack, with Rammel and Homan connecting 13 times. Rammel was 23-of-33 for 316 yards and three TDs overall while Homan racked up 199 yards and two TDs on his baker’s dozen worth of receptions. Reece Wendel totaled 11 tackles and Lucas Acheson had eight.

# Sports on tap

## Local schedule

**Today**  
Fort Recovery — Cross country district meet at Columbus Grove — 10 a.m.

## TV sports

**Today**  
7:30 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Liverpool at Nottingham Forest (USA)  
10 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Crystal Palace at Everton (USA)  
Noon — College football: Indiana at Rutgers (BTN); Syracuse at Clemson (ABC); Kansas at Baylor (ESPN2); Cincinnati at SMU (ESPN); Iowa at Ohio State (FOX)  
12:30 p.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Manchester United at Chelsea (NBC)  
3 p.m. — College football: West Virginia at Texas Tech (FS1); Purdue at Wisconsin (ESPN); Northwestern at Maryland (BTN); Texas at Oklahoma State (ABC); Mississippi at LSU (CBS); Memphis at Tulane (ESPN2); UCLA at Oregon (FOX)  
4:30 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Xfinity Series — Contender Boats 300 (USA)  
5:07 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs:

American League Championship Series — Houston Astros at New York Yankees (TBS)  
7 p.m. — College football: Mississippi State at Alabama (ESPN, ESPN2)  
7 p.m. — NBA basketball: Detroit Pistons at Indiana Pacers (Bally Indiana)  
7:30 p.m. — College football: Minnesota at Penn State (ABC)  
7:45 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Championship Series — San Diego Padres at Philadelphia Phillies (FOX)  
8 p.m. — College football: Kansas State at TCU (FS1)  
10:30 p.m. — College football: Washington at California (ESPN)  
11 p.m. — College football: Montana at Sacramento State (ESPN2)  
**Sunday**  
9 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Leicester City at Wolverhampton (USA)  
9:06 a.m. — Soccer: Liga MX — Pachuca at Monterrey (FS1)  
11:30 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Newcastle United at Tottenham Hotspur (USA)  
1 p.m. — NFL football: Indianapolis Colts at Tennessee Titans (CBS); Green Bay Packers at Washington Commanders (FOX)

1 p.m. — Major League Soccer: New York City at CF Montreal (ESPN)  
2:30 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Cup Series — Dixie Vodka 400 (NBC)  
2:37 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Championship Series — San Diego Padres at Philadelphia Phillies (FS1)  
3 p.m. — Auto racing: Formula 1 — United States Grand Prix (ABC)  
4 p.m. — Men’s college soccer: Wisconsin at Northwestern (BTN)  
4:15 p.m. — NFL football: Kansas City Chiefs at San Francisco 49ers (FOX)  
5 p.m. — NHL hockey: Anaheim Ducks at Detroit Red Wings (ESPN)  
7:07 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: American League Championship Series — Houston Astros at New York Yankees (TBS)  
8 p.m. — Major League Soccer: FC Dallas at Austin (ESPN)  
8:15 p.m. — NFL football: Pittsburgh Steelers at Miami Dolphins (NBC)  
**Monday**  
3 p.m. — Soccer: Premier League — AFC Bournemouth at West Ham United (USA)  
4:07 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs:

American League Championship Series — Houston Astros at New York Yankees (TBS)  
7 p.m. — NBA basketball: Indiana Pacers at Philadelphia Phillies (Bally Indiana)  
8:03 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Championship Series — Philadelphia Phillies at San Diego Padres (FS1)  
8:15 p.m. — NFL football: Chicago Bears at New England Patriots (ESPN)  
**Tuesday**  
6 p.m. — Soccer: Michigan State at Ohio State (BTN)  
6:07 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: American League Championship Series — New York Yankees at Houston Astros (TBS)  
7:30 p.m. — NBA basketball: Dallas Mavericks at New Orleans Pelicans (TNT)  
8 p.m. — NHL hockey: Colorado Avalanche at New York Rangers (ESPN)  
8:03 p.m. — Major League Baseball playoffs: National League Championship Series — Philadelphia Phillies at San Diego Padres (FOX)  
10 p.m. — NBA basketball: Golden State Warriors at Phoenix Suns (TNT)  
10:30 p.m. — NHL hockey: Vegas Golden Knights at San Jose Sharks (ESPN)

## Local notes

**Wrestling registration open**  
A sign-up session is scheduled for kindergarten through sixth graders who would like to be part of Jay County Wrestling Club.  
The club’s Little Patriots Program is for those in kindergarten through second grade and focuses on wrestling basics. Its elementary dual team for those in grades 3 through 6 focuses on expanding those skills with the team also entering four to six dual competitions. Registration fees are \$80 and \$120, respectively.  
A sign-up session for third through six graders will be at 6 p.m. Oct. 18. Sign ups for kindergarten through second graders will be at 6 p.m. Nov. 22 and 6 p.m. Nov. 29.  
**Turkey Trot is Nov. 5**  
The Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K is scheduled for Nov. 5.  
The race will begin at 10 a.m. at the Cooper Farms processing facility, 1 Cooper Farm Drive, St. Henry, Ohio. Check-in begins at 9 a.m.  
For more information or to register, visit [speedy-feet.com](http://speedy-feet.com) and search for “Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K.”



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# Sports

## SHHS edges Tribe

Playoff brackets will be set Sunday

ST. HENRY, Ohio — The momentum the Indians were hoping to have heading into the postseason never materialized.

Fort Recovery High School's football team closed its regular season Friday with a 22-21 loss to St. Henry.

The Indians (3-7, 2-6 Midwest Athletic Conference) had hoped that after running the MAC gauntlet — it included Division V No. 1 Coldwater; Division VI No. 1 Marion Local and Division VII No. 6 New Bremen — it could finish strong in its final three games. But after beating Parkway two weeks ago, they finished with consecutive losses to Anna and St. Henry.

FRHS was expected to make the playoffs, win or lose, while St. Henry (2-8, 1-7 MAC) needed a win to have a chance to earn a berth. (The top 16 teams in each region move on to the tournament.)

Cale Rammel gave the Indians their first lead of the game at 15-14 early in the second half when he tossed a 13-yard touchdown pass to Riggs Tobe and then ran in the 2-point conversion.

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Jay County High School senior Kadin Ridenour looks for room to run as Ian Beatty of the Western Panthers prepares to try to tackle him during Friday's Class 4A Sectional 20 quarterfinal game. With 83 yards on the evening, Ridenour surpassed the 1,000-yard rushing mark. The Patriots lost 44-0 to extend their sectional first-round skid to five seasons.

## Mistakes end season

By RAY COONEY  
The Commercial Review

A high snap resulted in a blocked punt that led to a touchdown.

An unforced fumble led to another.

A low snap on a punt ended up in a safety.

It was that kind of night for the Patriots.

Jay County was never able to get on track Friday as its season ended with a 44-0 loss to the Western Panthers in the quarterfinal round of the IHSAA Class 4A Sectional 20 tournament.

"Tonight came down to just a lot of mistakes," said JCHS coach Grant Zgunda. "We didn't play a clean game on offense at all. We did not block well. We really didn't do a whole lot of anything well on offense. ... We had a lot of drops tonight."

"When we start hanging our heads and doing that stuff, it just makes for a really long night."

It extended the Patriots' sectional quarterfinal losing streak to five seasons and marked their seventh consecutive loss.

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