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## **Commissioners support bridge effort**

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Commissioners are supporting an effort to preserve a more than 80-year-old steel bridge.

They're also hoping to learn why INDOT plans to replace instead of repair it.

Jay County Commissioners agreed Monday to send a letter to Indiana Department of Transportation in relation to its planned replacement of the ly referred to as the blue bridge ule, Milestone Contractors will land resident, asked for com- the bridge. For \$200,000 more,

Area residents are seeking to save structure over Salamonie

over the Salamonie River on replace it with a new concrete the east edge of Portland. structure. steel truss bridge — colloquial- According to INDOT's sched-

on Water Street (Indiana 26) remove the bridge in April and

Jenny Bricker, a rural Port-

missioners' support Monday in they decided to build a new an effort to preserve the bridge. "I want you to help us save our local historical treasure,"

she said. More than 1,400 people so far have signed a petition against the bridge's removal, Bricker added.

She explained INDOT has been planning the project since 2019. At that time, she said, INDOT estimated it would cost less than \$1 million to repair

bridge allowing it to handle more weight, with a wider path and a sidewalk. In today's figures, she continued, the project is now expected to cost at least \$3.3 million. Restoration is currently priced at \$1.3 million.

She added INDOT did not provide the proper legal notice for its public hearing on the replacement bridge accused it of being in violation of its own procedures.

See **Bridge** page 2

## **China** clamps down on protests

**Demonstrations** oppose *'zero COVID'* policy

By LYRIC LI

The Washington Post Small protests against strict "zero China's COVID" policy occurred in several cities Monday evening, as citizens defied a police crackdown and threats of reprisal, with Beijing blaming "foreign forces" even as authorities moved to vaccinate more seniors and relax some distancing measures.

From Hangzhou in the east to Kunming in the southwest and Beijing in the north, small groups of people demonstrated by holding up blank paper — a symbol of state censor-ship — in solidarity with protesters in Shanghai, the first major city where the recent rallies against the zero COVID measures occurred.

The protests were primarily vehicles to vent about lockdowns and commemorate people who had died in a fire in the far northwestern region of Xinjiang last week. Many Chinese believe that the zero COVID policy worsened the tragedy by slowing first responders, an allegation that authorities deny. Frustrations about political oppression have also crept in, with some calling for the ouster of the ruling Communist Party and President Xi Jinping.

Monday evening's demonstrations were relatively small, involving perhaps dozens of protesters. Rallies against alleged local government malfeasance are also not an uncommon sight in China - but prolonged, nationwide protests against cenauthorities extremely unusual. Videos of these moments circulated widely online, even as

censors made efforts to cut

off access.

Local security officials, who appeared to be caught off guard when demonstrations began over the weekend, seemed more proactive in trying to stamp out Monday's protests. In Hangzhou, home to tech giants including Alibaba, police were shown in a widely circulated video cornering a bespectacled young man and trying to grab a bouquet of chrysanthemums, a symbol of mourning, from him.

See China page 5



#### Warm wishes

Dunkirk celebrated the holiday season Monday with its Feel the Warmth of Christmas event. Pictured above. Dunkirk Mayor Jack Robbins pours hot water in the pot for hot chocolate Monday at city hall. At right, Sawyer McCombs, 4, tells Santa Claus what she wants for Christmas at Fuqua Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM.



## GOP lays out education priorities

By CASEY SMITH

Indiana Capital Chronicle indianacapitalchronicle.com

Indiana's top Republican lawmakers said they plan to prioritize school choice and enact a plan to "reinvent" high school education during the next legislative session.

an expansion of work-

Lawmakers plan to 'reinvent' high school

That will largely involve who are better prepared rate, as well as other acafor the workforce — and based learning opportuni- increase the likelihood ties available for high they will stay in Indiana schoolers. The goal is to as the state tries to reverse the state needs to invest

demic impacts following the COVID-19 pandemic.

But Democrats maintain graduate Hoosier students its dismal college-going more in early learning

Statehouse last week, Indiana's largest teacher unions lobbied for lawmakers to directly address the ongoing, statewide teacher shortage. They

first. They also empha-

offer a child care tax credit

or lower the age for com-

pulsory school attendance

Educators said they

have different concerns,

from seven to five.

also called for increased sized that Indiana should funding to public schools, and implored legislators to focus less on "culture war"

Lawmakers can start filing bills now, but no specific legislation has been suboo. mitted yet. Republican While lobbying at the leaders said they plan to release their specific priority lists sometime next month, before the 2023 legislative session officially kicks off Jan. 9.

See Education page 5

#### **Deaths**

Larry Loyd, 82, rural Port-

Mildred Armstrong, 86, Portland

Dixie Craig, 87, Upland Veronica Schwartz, infant, Geneva Becky Sitsler, 65, Montpe-

See page 2 for details.

#### Weather

The temperature in Jay County hovered between 41 and 46 degrees Monday.

Showers are expected tonight with a thunderstorm possible after 9 p.m. and winds gusting to 40 miles per hour. will Temperatures fall through the day Wednesday.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### In review

The City of Portland's water office will be closed Thursday to allow employees to attend a training session.

Also, Portland Redevelopment Commission will hold a special meeting at 8 a.m. Thursday at Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.

#### **Coming up**

**Wednesday** — Results from the JCHS girls basketball game against Northeastern.

**Friday** — Coverage of Thursday's Portland Board of Works meeting.



## Local

## CR almanac

Friday 12/2

Wednesday 11/30
36/19
There's a 30% chance
of rain and
snow in the

Thursday

12/1

49/47 36/25 Sunny skies are in the forecast Thursday

Friday looks to be partly sunny with a slight chance of rain at night.

47/24 Chance of rain in the morning. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a low in the mid to low

Saturday

12/3

45/34 Sunday has a 40% chance of rain snow throughout the day.

Sunday

12/3

## morning with with highs in wind gusts the mid to reaching up to upper 30s.

### **Lotteries**

#### **Powerball**

Monday 29-30-32-48-50 Powerball: 2 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$65 million

#### Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$305 million

#### Hoosier

Monday Midday Daily Three: 0-8-8 Daily Four: 0-0-3-3 Quick Draw: 3-17-18-22-26-29-38-40-42-46-48-58-60-62-64-69-71-73-78-80

Evening Daily Three: 2-3-6 Daily Four: 1-3-8-4 Quick Draw: 2-5-6-7-11-

13-18-29-32-41-53-55-60-62-63-65-68-73-75-76

Cash 5: 13-14-27-32-35 Estimated jackpot: \$349,500

#### Ohio

Monday Midday Pick 3: 0-4-6 Pick 4: 9-4-2-0 Pick 5: 8-6-7-1-4 Evening Pick 3: 3-8-8 Pick 4: 5-4-1-3 Pick 5: 5-7-5-7-2 Rolling Cash 5: 2-10-20-

33-35 Estimated jackpot: \$130,000 Classic Lotto: 2-22-23-

35-42-48 Kicker: 7-7-7-3-0-0 Jackpot: \$2 million

#### **Markets**

#### Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn.....6.86 Dec. corn ......6.87

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<b>POET</b> Biore	efining
<b>Portland</b>	
Corn	6.9

Dec. corn ......6.91 Jan. corn ......6.78

#### The Andersons **Richland Township**

Corn	6.69
Dec. corn	6.74
Beans	14.51
Dec. beans	

#### Wheat ...... 7.27 Dec. wheat ..... 7.27 Central States

Montpelier	
Corn	6.60
Jan. corn	6.64
Beans	14.46
Jan. beans	14.48
July wheat	7.74
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Heartland St. Anthony

Corn	6.35
Dec. corn	6.40
Beans	14.37
Dec. beans	14.37
Wheat	7.23

## **Obituaries**

#### Larry Loyd

March 20, 1940-Nov. 22, 2022 Larry Loyd, age 82, a resident of rural Portland, passed away on Tues-

day, Nov. 22, at his home in Portland. Larry was born on March 20, 1940, in Portland, the son of Gerald and

Madonna (Bickel) Loyd. He graduated from Gray High School in 1958 and retired from Westing-(ABB) house in Muncie after 35 years of service. He was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Portland.



Larry married Sandra Gordon on October 3, 1959.

Survivors include: His wife of 63 years: Sandra Loyd -

Portland, Indiana Three children: Lisa Vogler (hus-

band Pete) of Portland, Indiana, Christopher Loyd of New Buffalo, Michigan, and Aaron Loyd (wife Janet) of Portland, Indiana

Two brothers: David Loyd of Portland, Indiana, and James Loyd of Portland, Indiana

Brother-in-law: Robert Gordon -Redkey, Indiana

Several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon at Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home in Portland. Memorial services will follow at noon on Thursday at the funeral home. Pastor Scott Turner will officiate and burial will follow at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

Memorials may be directed towards Jay County Cancer Society or Asbury United Methodist Church. Condolences may be sent to williamsonspencer.com.

#### Mildred Armstrong

May 26, 1936-Nov. 26, 2022

Mildred Armstrong, age 86, a resident of Portland, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 26, at Pine Knoll in Win-

Mildred was born on May 26, 1936, in Portland, the daughter of Paul and Juanita (Hodge) Myers. She graduated from Portland High School in 1954 and worked for Fort Recovery Industries and Dunbar Furniture. Mildred was a member of the Methodist Church. She married Robert "Bob" Armstrong on July 8, 1978, and he women and speak into their lives.

Child solicitation

child solicitation.

A Portland man was

Jonathan I. Coy, 30, 510

W. Walnut St., was pre-

liminarily charged with a

Level 4 felony for vicari-

ous sexual gratification,

a Level 5 felony for child

solicitation, a Level 6

felony for importation or

distribution of obscene

matter and a Class A mis-

demeanor for inappropri-

ate communication with

He's being held on a

\$22,500 bond in Jay Coun-

a child.

ty Jail.

passed away on June 20, 2011.

Survivors include: Her children: Sheryl Stockton (husband Steve) of Portland, Indiana, Gary Edmundson (wife Christina) of Tucson, Arizona, Anita Hines

(husband Weldon) of Redkey, Indiana, Robert "Peewee" Armstrong (wife Susie) of Portland, Indiana, Russell Armstrong (wife Kelli) of Portland, Indiana, and Rita Brotherton (husband Robert) of Portland, Indiana

Sister: Treva "Betty" Stultz of Dunkirk, Indiana

14 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren

She was preceded in death by the following children; Kenny Edmundson, Rex Edmundson and Robin

Private graveside services will be held at Green Park Cemetery in Portland.

Memorials may be directed towards Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements entrusted

Funeral Home in Portland. Condolences may be sent to williamsonspencer.com.

Williamson-Spencer and Penrod

#### Dixie Craig

March 24, 1935-Nov. 25, 2022 Dixie L. Craig, 87, of Upland, Indiana, passed away Friday morning, Nov. 25, at her home.

Dixie was born March 24, 1935, in Bicknell, Indiana, to the late Rev. Kenneth C. Swan and Mary V. (Strahle) Swan.

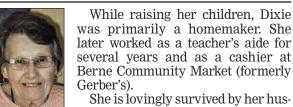
Dixie was united in marriage to Daniel Craig on December 11, 2009.

She graduated from Jefferson High School in Adams County in 1953. She received an associate's degree in executive secretarial

from International Business College. She was a member of First Nazarene Church in Dunkirk, Indiana.

Craig

Dixie loved her family and loved to travel abroad. A classy lady, she presented herself with excellence. She was honest, compassionate, empathetic and very likable. She had a unique ability to relate to young



Armstrong

later worked as a teacher's aide for several years and as a cashier at Berne Community Market (formerly Gerber's). She is lovingly survived by her husband, Daniel Craig of Upland, Indiana; son, Michael (Amy) Craig of Portland, Indiana; daughter, Jennifer L. Craig of Versailles, Indiana; son, Jeffrey D. (Melissa) Craig of Decatur,

Indiana; two step-daughters, Amy D. (Todd) Deford and Ann Marie (Michael) Lundin, both of Marion, Indiana; two brothers, Kenneth D. (Sarah) Swan and Thomas D. (Peggy) Swan, both of Marion, Indiana; sister, Diana K. Swan of Wabash, Indiana; 11 grandchildren: Kerri Cunningham, Kimberly Hiland, Thomas M. Craig, Christopher Shallenberger, Kelly Ridenhour, Timothy Craig, Jaron Craig, Shannon Craig, Nicholas Spann, Lilly Craig, and Janice Guntle; numerous great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and step-grandson, Edward Brooks, III.

In addition to her parents, Dixie was preceded in death by her children's father, Thomas A. Craig; son, Thomas Lee Craig; and grandson, Trent Craig.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, at Mount Hope Church of the Nazarene in Berne, Indiana, with Rev. Christopher Shallenberger and Rev. Thomas M. Craig officiating. Entombment will follow at Mount Hope Church of the Nazarene Cemetery.

Visitation will be held prior to funeral, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, at the church.

Preferred memorials are to Mount Hope Church of the Nazarene.

Veronica N. Schwartz, infant, Geneva, Nov. 26, 2022. Services were held at the family's residence Monday.

Becky L. Sitsler, 65, Montpelier, Oct. 5, 1957-Nov. 25, 2022. Services are pending at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home in Montpelier.

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.

## **Today in history**

**In 1777**, San Jose — superposition. became the first settled city in California. orbit. It later became the state's first capital in Lyndon B. Johnson

In 1830, Polish residents began an armed uprising against Russian rule.

In 1832. Louisa Mav Alcott, author of the classic novel, "Little his resignation. McNa-Germantown, Philadelphia. A key player in the women's suffrage movement, she registered in 1879 as the first woman to vote in the Concord school com- company Atari released mittee election.

In 1877, Thomas Edihand-cranked phonograph to others for the first time.

In 1897, the first around the world. motorcycle race was held in Surrey, England.

In 1929, explorer American became the cinematic first human to do so, with the trip taking more than 18 hours.

In 1935, Physicist Panther Schrodinger "Wakanda Erwin published his thought which includes an hom-"Schroexperiment, dinger's cat," a paradox beginning of the film. illustrating quantum

at that time called San In 1961, NASA Jose de Guadalupe launched Enos, a chiminto Earth's panzee,

> In 1963, President appointed the Warren Commission to investigate John F. Kennedy's assassination.

In 1967, U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara announced Women," was born in mara was and is still the longest serving Secretary of Defense, having spent more than seven years in the office.

In 1972, arcade game "Pong," a one or two-player video game simson demonstrated his ilar to tennis. The game became an Atari classic, selling around 35,000 Pong consoles

In 1976, actor Chadwin Boseman was born in Anderson, South Carolina. Boseman took Richard Byrd flew over on the role of "Black the South Pole. The Panther" in the Marvel universe prior to his death in 2020. He is acknowledged in the 2022 Black Forever," age to Boseman at the

### **SERVICES**

Today

merce St., Portland.

Thursday Craig, Dixie: II a.m., Mount

Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

Service listings provided by **PROGRESSIVE OFFICE PRODUCTS** 120 N. Meridian St. Portland, Indiana 47371 (260) 726-9201

#### arrested Monday for various charges relating to

Felony arrests

An Ohio woman was arrested Monday for theft. Melissa E. Greany, 47, 603 E. Elm St., Celina, was preliminarily charged with a Level 6 felony.

She's being held on a \$3,000 bond in Jay County

#### Failed to appear

A Portland man was arrested Monday for failing to appear in court.

Jacob A. Bowdell, 35, Portland, is charged in Jay Superior Court with nonsupport of a dependent, a

Level 6 felony. He's being held without bond in Jay County Jail.

## **Bridge**

Continued from page 1 Commissioner Brian McGalliard said bridge is a landmark and questioned why INDOT would choose to replace instead of repair it.

Bricker noted if INDOT will not budge on the project, she has looked into moving the bridge 100 feet south and connecting it to a local trail system.

County attorney Bill Hinkle pointed out commissioners could request INDOT review its guidelines and host a second public hearing. They could also contribute a letter of support in the effort. They agreed to do both, and commissioner Rex Journay volunteered to draft the letter.

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Robbins. Lisa: Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Com-

Hope Church of the Nazarene, 5005 East 500 South, Berne. Loyd, Larry:

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JayRegion is proud to announce its partnership with Yodel Community Connections to bring an allencompassing community calendar to Jay County.

We are one of the first communities in the nation to bring this completely innovative approach to life. The schools, nonprofits, youth sports leagues restaurants, museums, businesses, churches, and more will be represented on the calendar making it the one-stop shop for community members to find events happening throughout the county.

The calendar will be launching in just a few weeks, and we want your events to be represented before we launch. This tool is completely free and includes multiple benefits such as statistics, multiple sharing features, your very own QR code, and the opportunity to increase engagement and attendance at your upcoming events. Yodel is offering 6 in-person info sessions on December 5th and 6th where you can learn how this

tool will benefit your organization. Coming to these sessions will be your ticket to the calendar -Dates and times being offered: Monday, December 5th - 10am, 12pm, or 6pm

All sessions will be held at the Community Resource Center -118 South Meridian Street, Portland, IN 47371.

Tuesday, December 6th - 12pm, 3pm, or 5pm

Please register for one of the info sessions by calling 260.726.9311 and feel free to pass this along to any other organizations you think should be included. This is a valuable tool for organizations and community members in Jay County and we're excited to have you be a part of it!

## Citizen's calendar

#### **Thursday** 8 a.m. — Portland

Redevelopment Commission. Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland. 4 p.m. — Portland of Works, Board mayor's office, city hall,

#### **Monday**

321 N. Meridian St.

chamber, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 7:30 p.m. — Fort

City Council, council

Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.

#### Dec. 6 4 p.m. — Jay County

Development Corpora-Community tion, Resource Center, 118 S. 5:30 p.m. — Portland Meridian St., Portland.



Photo provided

### **Optimists donate**

Portland Evening Optimist club donated \$500 to The Journey Home veterans center, located in Winchester, at the club's meeting on Nov. 21. Pictured are Teresa Miller representing the veterans center and Pat Gibson, current Portland Evening Optimist president.

## Thanksgiving was quiet

By DIANA DOLECKI

Special to The Commercial Review

I hope your Thanksgiving was a good one, filled with food and family. Our holiday was a quiet one. It was just my husband and I, so I cooked a normal supper without cranberry sauce or oyster dressing. There weren't any sweet potatoes or green bean casseroles. Pumpkin and pecan pie were nowhere to be found. I did manage to cook a turkey and there is plenty left over for sandwiches.

I talked to my brother, Michael. He and his wife went to a buffet for their meal. They had all the usual fixings without having to cook or clean up. Michael didn't feel like driving anywhere and it was the perfect solution for them.

His wife, Diana, has an appointment coming up. Her hip has been giving her trouble. Michael says he can hear her bones rubbing together. He was upset with her one day because she walked up to their church to help clean it. He thought she should stay home and rest.

his family were on their way to have Thanksgiving dinner with their son's future in-laws.

See It



I assume it went well as I haven't talked to them since. I did talk to his son, Jadyn, a few days before the holiday. Jadyn said they were talking about a fall wedding next year. I cautioned him to avoid getting married on September 25 as that was when my first husband and I got married. I told him that date was unlucky. He laughed.

I also called my cousin, Tim. I hadn't talked to him in months and months. He plays Santa every year. I need to tell him that his beard isn't quite white enough. One of these days it will stay white on its own. We caught up on each other's lives until it was time to tend to dinner.

I talked to my daughter. She was at work but there was a lull in her emergency room My other brother, David, and and we chatted until patients started coming in. It seems that people were coming in

They had a carry-in. She said the food was delicious. We compared Christmas lists. She had recommended something for her son, Jacob, but when I looked it up it was not what we had in mind.

She offered a couple of other suggestions for him. I told her that I had an apron monogrammed for her youngest son. When I was down there for her birthday last summer, Nicholas had made eggs and they were perfect. His sister, Emma, asked for bacon with her eggs but Nicholas told her he didn't know how to make bacon, he only did eggs.

Beth said Nicholas is branching out and is learning how to do eggs over easy as his previous repertoire was scrambled eggs only.

Emma is having boy trouble. I'm sure she will work it out. The teen years are the best years to sort out the qualities she does and does not want in a

We may have had a quiet day but that was made better by being able to talk to loved ones via the phone. I enjoyed not having to travel or host a big dinner but loved the conversations even

## Bride-to-be doesn't want sister in her wedding

DEAR ABBY: I became engaged to a wonderful man five months ago. We have set a wedding date for next year. I'm ecstatic — thrilled to be planning such an important milestone in my life. I'm the youngest of five girls. Four of us are extremely close. Three of my sisters have graciously offered to help with the wedding planning and preparation. I have included them in my bridal party — matron of honor, two bridesmaids, and two of my teenage nieces as junior bridesmaids.

There's one big issue: My parents and two of my sisters insist that I include my oldest sister, "Iris," in my bridal party even though she has a mental illness (schizophrenia). She is medicated, but still speaks to her "voices." I love her, but I don't find it appropriate to include her in my

My matron of honor is supportive and agrees it would be unwise. However, my remaining family is guilt-tripping me because Iris missed out on two of my sisters' weddings due to facility. g in a psychiatric now and requires care and supervision. Am I wrong for not wanting to risk including her on

Dear Abby



my big day? — FUTURE BRIDE IN KENTUCKY

**DEAR FUTURE BRIDE:** Weddings are family events that can sometimes strain relationships. As with all conflict, communication and compromise are key. Discuss your concerns with your parents, sisters and fiance and consider their opinions and advice. Get assurances of their help to ease your concerns and raise your comfort

More important, respectfully discuss your feelings and concerns with Iris. Instead of being in the bridal party, she might be happy with a less prominent role while still room and we touch each other being part of the celebration. rarely. He has recently become **she would be if she's excluded** abusive during arguments, from this family milestone.

future. It would be wonderful his wife. I'm not sure what direc- offers a quality of life to our famif Iris could share in this joyful occasion. However, include her only if your parents and siblings are willing to guarantee that should her presence become a distraction or disruptive, they will quietly and immediately remove her.

DEAR ABBY: Although my husband and I are no longer in a romantic relationship, we are what I call "life partners." After cancer left him impotent, he rejected any physical affection at all. I had an extramarital affair which lasted four years. My boyfriend passed away last year. I have no desire to be physically involved with my husband, but I do miss being affectionate and in a romantic (not necessarily sexual) relationship.

I feel empty, and I'm not sure if we should be considering divorce or continue in our dayto-day routine of being socially close but otherwise distant. We no longer share the same bed-

tion to go. — HOPELESS IN PENNSYLVANIA

**DEAR HOPELESS: The rela**tionship you have described with your husband is not a "marriage" in the traditional sense. Ask your husband, in as nonconfrontational a way as possible, if he would like to remain married to you or be divorced. Explain clearly to him what your needs are and ask if he is willing or able to fulfill them. I cannot imagine why you would want to stay in a relationship that is becoming increasingly abusive. Consult a divorce lawyer and take your guidance from them about how to protect your interests BEFORE speaking to your husband, to ensure he doesn't try to hide his (and your) assets.

DEAR ABBY: I took a job and relocated to another state. My wife chose to stay behind so our kids could finish school in the hometown they grew up in. For the last 20 months, we have gone She lives with my retired parents You may not realize how hurt more verbally and emotionally back and forth from the state I fice what you envision for work in to our hometown. I suswhich may be the result of his pect she's unhappy with the idea having a long-distance mar-Thankfully, you are healthy recently reconnecting with his of relocating, even though it's a riage or return to the town

Starting at

ily that doesn't exist in many other places.

Much of my time is spent appeasing her, especially when there is conflict between our teenage kids at home. We have been actively looking at schools in my new city, but there is never any resolution to our relocation issue. Advice? — LONG-DIS-TANCE HUSBAND/DAD

DEAR LONG-DISTANCE: I wish you had mentioned whether your wife works outside the home. Does she have a career she doesn't want to leave? If the answer is no, continue looking for schools in the new community. Then contact a real estate agent to help you find a suitable place for your family to live. Once you have narrowed it down to a few, invite your wife to look at them with you and choose what she thinks would be

want to make the move, she should say so, which will free you to decide whether to sacriyour family's future, continue and stepping into a bright felon brother who had assaulted place worth investing in and you left so you can be together.

## Community Calendar

come.

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

**Today** 

CENTER EUCHRE — Will Meridian St., Portland. For be played at 1 p.m. each more information, call

Tuesday. The public is wel-

THE LANDING — A 12sixth through 12th grade will meet at 5:55 p.m. each Tuesday at 2nd Chance at BRYANT COMMUNITY Life Ministries, 228 S.

(260) 703-0777 or (260) 726-

5273.

JAY COUNTY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in conference room C at Indiana University Health Jay Hospital. Open discussion for cancer patients, survivors, family members or anyone interested in helping with the group. For more information, contact Linda Metzger at (260) 726-1844.

A BETTER LIFE - BRI-ANNA'S HOPE - A faithbased 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-

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

#### Wednesday

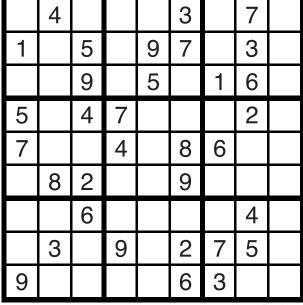
WEDNESDAY MORN-ING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional

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.

most suitable. At that point, if she doesn't

## Sudoku



Level: Beginner

Saturday's Solution

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

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## Book emphasizes spirit, resilience

**Herald Bulletin (Anderson)** 

Hoosiers often hold dear their inherent values of practicality, resilience and good old common

In 1986, the favorably-received Indiana Way by historian James H. Madison was published by Indiana University Press. In it, Madison showed how a collective spirit tied Hoosiers together over the decades.

Others have done the same, notably in the 1929 sociological study of Middletown, actually Muncie, by husband and wife Roger Staughton Lynd and Helen Merrell Lynd.

They found a distinct difference — a "cleavage," they called it — between Indiana's working class and business class that defined one's entire life and career. While individuals experience economic troubles, the

### **Hoosier Editorial**

texture of Indiana life doesn't

Now there's a new look at Hoosier attitudes and adaptability in Climate Change and Resilience in Indiana and Beyond, published this month by Indiana University Press. The book may eventually rank

alongside the previous studies. While its 233 pages are often weighty with scientific and sociological data, the book is ready to become a college textbook and a guide for those interested in tackling climate

chapters, Hoosiers are offered suggestions for ways to join the response to and possible correction of climate change.

Gloom and doom take a back

There is little wonder why IU Press jumped on these timely essays, as it was edited by Janet McCabe, former director Environmental Resilience Institute (ERI) and now deputy administrator of the U.S.Environmental Protection Agency; Gabriel Filippelli, earth sciences professor at IU; and IU Professors Kimberly Novick and James Shanahan.

Of late, IU's ERI has become the state's leading climate research repository. It administers the Hoosier Life Survey of 2,700 respondents, which found in part that 58% of the population believe that environmening Americans.

However, few Hoosiers anticipate being impacted by a major disease outbreak in the next decade; instead most were concerned about the economy.

ERI has replaced the once-Purdue Climate Change Research Center, which faded from view after issuing extensive studies on Indiana's climate challenges. It hasn't issued an annual report since 2020. Its two chief communicators have moved to other roles.

That absence makes this book crucial in providing direction for units of government, businesses, farmers, urban dwellers and rural residents or, in general, everyone.

There are dozens of positive takeaways.

Emphasizing that diversity leads to stability and

At the end of each of its 12 tal change is adversely affect- resilience, two essays discuss ways to improve the Indiana landscape. Homeowners can plant prairie grass or wildflowers in their lawns to attract birds and other pollinators. Farmers can use cover crops to prevent wind-eroding sandy

> Despite constantly reminding Hoosiers of the dire consequences of climate change more days of extreme heat, more extreme rain events, increased health risks and reduced agricultural production — the authors remain hopeful that Indiana residents will display a can-do response.

> Climate Change Resilience in Indiana and Beyond is certainly a call to action. It is also a reminder of the community spirit that can unite Hoosiers in saving our environment.

## Young should pay attention

By JERALD MCNAIR

Chicago Tribune Tribune News Service

Perhaps the youngest voters in our democracy are beginning to see that they can effect change.

The midterm elections saw historic turnout among this voting bloc ranging in age from 18 to 29. The political party that zooms in on the Zoomers and millennials will likely be the one that leads this country for the foreseeable

They see what is happening in a country with a violence epidemic: In 2020, there were more than 45,000 firearm-related deaths in the United States. Members of younger generations are dying in unimaginable numbers. Data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows that homicide is the leading cause of death for Black males in their 20s. Suicide also is a leading cause of death among the young.

And the governmental focus on student debt has certainly gotten the attention of Gen Z and millennials, particularly those who are college graduates.

ime mothers is 26, accordto overturn Roe v. Wade persuaded this age group to come out and vote.

Whatever the motivation, hopefully this trend will continue. A healthy democracy requires participation by its citizenry. Even in presidential elections, less than 65% of Americans generally turn out to vote. In midterm elections, those numbers decrease considerably — often to less than

Much has been written about the plight of our democracy. The status quo became a target on Jan. 6, 2021, when insurrectionists breached the U.S. Capitol.

Our youths have been watching, listening and paying attention. Political pundits have underestimated our youths and their concern for our nation. So have we. We parents and educators assume they're more concerned with partying and thinking only of the moment.

We of the older generations often find fault with social media platforms such as TikTok, Instagram and Snapchat. We loathe the fact that our youth inordinate an amount of time on them, Illinois.





often at the expense of face-

Then there is abortion. cy, Barack Obama said, "We The average age of first-proved once more that the ing to the CDC. Perhaps the comes not from the might Supreme Court's decision of our arms or the scale of our wealth, but from the enduring power of our

> about caring for the future generations. Is that only lip service? Do they truly care? Through their vote, our youths will determine who they believe more. The fact that they care enough to participate is not only inspiring, but it also means the future of our nation may be in good hands. The challenges that our nation will face in the future are real and unrelenting: wars, terrorism, natural disasters and diseases we don't understand.

Only through engaging in constructive dialogue, exchanging ideas and putting our nation first will we triumph over these obstacles. When our youths vote, they show that they are putting our nation first and that they care.

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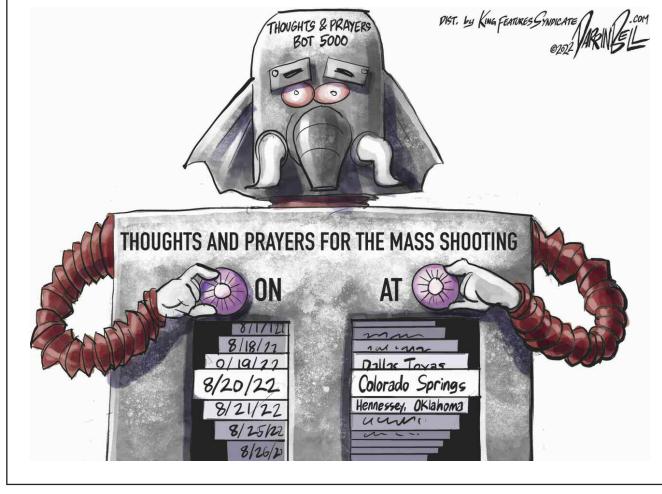
to-face communication and development of personal relationships. On the other hand, social media platforms provide information to our youths, including what's happening in politics. Apparently, our youths have been paying attention and realize their vote mat-

Now, the challenge is convincing many others to participate in our democracy. Certainly, a 30% participation rate is reasonable for this age group compared with that of prior years. However, in absolute terms, that is still a dismal number. Whatever party seizes this moment will have the upper hand in upcoming

One good thing is that our faith has been restored. During his speech in 2008 after winning the presidentrue strength of our nation ideals: democracy, liberty, opportunity and unyielding hope." Our youths have given us hope that our democracy is alive and

Both political parties talk

McNair is a school



## This isn't Mueller the sequel

office. (If elected and sworn in, he

could then dismiss federal charges

against himself.) While the justices

might be sympathetic to that argu-

ment, there is no Supreme Court

precedent that would definitively win

the case for Trump. The court has

never held that a sitting president

can't be prosecuted, much less a can-

didate. His argument would have to

focus on the way the court has histor-

ically weighed the costs and benefits

of civil suits and subpoenas against a

sitting president — and would have to

extend those concerns to candidates.

would be that it's bad for democracy

if the sitting president could order

criminal prosecution of one of his

leading opponents. To see why this

isn't preposterous, run the thought

experiment of asking yourself how

you would have felt if Trump's Jus-

tice Department had charged Joe

Biden with a crime during his 2020

presidential run, say for conspiring

with his son, Hunter, in connection

with Ukraine. The charge would have

been weak; but it would have been

extremely difficult for Biden to run

for office while defending himself

against a criminal charge. Indeed, the

very fact of criminal prosecution

would no doubt have hurt Biden's

candidacy among some swing voters.

is the repeated insistence by the

Supreme Court that even the presi-

On the other side of the argument

To simplify, Trump's best argument

**By NOAH FELDMAN** 

Bloomberg Opinion Tribune News Service

To no one's surprise, Attorney General Merrick Garland has appointed a special prosecutor, Jack Smith, to investigate former President Donald Trump. You might think that you've seen this movie before. But there's little reason to think this will be a repeat of the Robert Mueller investigation that declined to bring charges against Trump. Charges are more likely this time around — though that doesn't guarantee they will stick.

Remember how worried we were about whether special counsel Mueller would be fired? And remember how then-Attorney General William Barr subverted Mueller's report by misrepresenting its contents in advance of its release?

Garland is no Barr. He will respect the special counsel's independence. It would be almost impossible for him to insist on prosecution if Smith judged it inappropriate. And it would be astonishing if he blocked charges that Smith wanted to bring. Either method of contravening the special prosecutor would politicize the prosecution decision. Garland's whole emphasis at the Department of Justice has been to restore the department to its traditional (and desirable) status as nonpartisan.

Smith is by all accounts a straight shooter, free of partisan bias. He won't be afraid to charge Trump with federal crimes if the evidence supports it. That's bad news for Trump. Especially because, with respect to the classified documents Trump took from the White House to Mar-a-Lago, it already seems clear there is enough evidence for criminal charges.

Trump could claim that the courts should block criminal charges against him while he's running for dent isn't above the law. That princi- Harvard University.

Noah Feldman



tion and subpoenas of Richard Nixon while he was in office, and a subpoena of Trump's financial records by the New York County District Attorney's office while Trump was president. If the president isn't above the law,

ple permitted the criminal investiga-

a presidential candidate shouldn't be, either. What's more, even a candidate who has been convicted and gone to prison can still run. Eugene V. Debs, who ran as a Socialist in 1904, 1908 and 1912, ran again in 1920 — this time from federal prison after his 1918 conviction under the Espionage Act on charges that today would be rejected as violating the First Amendment. Debs got nearly a million votes in 1920, 3.4% of the votes cast.

The Supreme Court's conservative majority is far more loyal to its jurisprudential ideology than to Trump personally. It probably wouldn't act to save Trump from prosecution out of any sense of obligation to him, especially if another Republican candidate, like Ron DeSantis. emerged as a viable alternative.

That said, the conservative justices will take seriously the concern about a president criminally charging the leading challenger. If Trump is at the front of the pack, it's conceivable that they might suspend charges pending a full consideration by the court. That could delay the criminal process long enough for Trump effectively to be able to run without being required to defend himself in court.

And don't rule out a surprise along the way: Trump might pull out a piece of paper and say he preemptively pardoned himself secretly while in

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## **Bridge**

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Also Monday, commissioners approved an ordinance enacting a hiring freeze — it's also been referred to as an eliminating salary ordinance — for all county offices.

Jay County Council and commissioners agreed to move forward with the process at a meet-

The legislation requires county department heads to alert the county's personnel committee as soon as they are notified of a fulltime employee's departure. The committee, which is made up of the commissioners president and the council president and vice president, would then review the vacated position within five business days, schedule a conference for the department head and commissioners president and alert council about the position, the proposed ordinance reads. If council does not OK the department head to fill the position, the

would be eliminated from the budget 60 days after the date of termination.

A hiring freeze was proposed near the end of the county's budgeting process. Its current 2023 budget pulls from the county's reserves. (Consulting firm Baker Tilly is in the process of creating a comprehensive plan for Jay County's financial outlook.)

Council will review the ordinance for approval next month.

Commissioners also approved a resolution and signed a oneyear contract to participate in the fuel budget program through Indiana Bond Bank. The program acts as insurance to protect against fluctuating fuel prices.

Answering a question from McGalliard, Aker confirmed Jay School Corporation also participates in the program.

In other business, commissioners Brian McGalliard, Rex Journay and Chad Aker:

•OK'd McGalliard to reach out dollars allocated for that position to Bill Walters of East Central

and request an intern. The group is providing its members with interns at no cost to the counties. McGalliard noted the extra helper will do research and help Jay County look into applying for federal grant dollars.

•OK'd purchasing three new cameras from Digital Video Solutions and Security of Avilla at a cost of \$2,881. McGalliard suggested earlier this month installing more cameras in Jay County Courthouse, specifically cameras at both east and west entrances as well as a camera facing the voting room.

 Heard from Journay about how surrounding counties handle property owners installing manure pipes underneath roads. County attorney Bill Hinkle suggested commissioners could amend an existing ordinance that refers to property owners installing a new driveway in order to address that issue.

•Reviewed The Portland Foun-

Indiana Economic Development dation's guidelines for grant applications. Commissioners have suggested incorporating a similar method for those requesting usage of incoming dollars, such as economic development funds from wind and solar farms, American Rescue Plan Act dollars or Economic Development Income Tax (EDIT) funds.

> •OK'd closing the courthouse from noon to 1 p.m. Dec. 5 for a staff Christmas meal.

•Paid the following claims: \$389,863.79 claim from Milestone Contractors for converting about five miles of State Line Road from stone to hard surface — about 80% or \$1 million of the project's cost was paid for through a Community Crossings grant; \$51.83 for air dusters and \$35.56 for business cards at the highway department

•Paid roughly \$20,000 to B and H Buildings of West Lebanon for the new salt storage building at Jay County Highway Department.

•Agreed to pay up to \$50 for snacks at the annual health fair for county employees.

Awarded the following bids: \$6,174.05 to NAPA Auto Parts of Portland for a tire changer for highway the department; \$3,811.77 to Progressive Office Products of Portland for three laptops, two monitors, two keyboards, two docks and two monitor stands as well as \$1,850 to Progressive Office Products for an interactive display for Jay Coun-Emergency Management

Agency. ·Agreed to host a spring certificate tax sale for 32 properties that were not bought in the September sale.

•Accepted an annual renewal contract with LifeStream Servic-

·Sold and signed the title of an old truck from Jay County Surveyor's Office to Joe Johnston for

•Accepted \$400 in donations to Jay County Country Living

Protesters march along a street Monday during a rally for the victims of a deadly fire as well as a protest against China's harsh COVID-19 restrictions. A deadly fire Thursday, in Urumqi, the capital of northwest China's Xinjiang region, has become a fresh catalyst for public anger, with many blaming COVID lockdowns for hampering efforts. rescue Authorities deny the claims.



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## China

Continued from page 1 'Can't I bring some flowers to the West Lake?" the man asked the officers, referring to a popular destination where some had gathered to demand the lifting of strict anti-coronavirus measures. Security forces attempted to take the man away by force but were stopped by onlookers. The patrols around the lake

man was eventually let go. away by police in front of were a lot of police cars upscare maii ın Hangzhou. As crowd of perhaps dozens gathered, with some velling "free her." Authorities ordered the crowd to disperse, citing social distancing protocols.

the authenticity of the two clips. But a subway station near the West Lake was closed Monday evening, according to Niu, a resident who spoke on the condition that only her last name be used for fear of government reprisal.

Police also stepped up and conducted identity Another clip showed a checks on people in the woman forcibly taken area, she said. "There economic parked around the lake, she she said. "I worry about of COVID taken away; they were brave to speak their mind and didn't do anything wrong."

In a possible sign that China may eventually The Washington Post relax its zero COVID poliwas not able to immedi- cy, which includes long

testing and placing close contacts of coronavirus patients in centralized quarantine facilities. some local governments started loosening restric-

tions this week. Public transportation in Urumqi, the Xinjiang capital where the deadly blaze occurred, partially restarted Monday, while delivery services resumed Tuesday. A district in the hub of Guangzhou where there had recently been a spate screamed for help, a the people who have been announced Monday that it would exempt seniors, students and people who worked from home from mass testing unless they need to enter public venues.

officials Beijing, pledged not to lock down

ately independently verify lockdowns, regular mass residential buildings for more than 24 hours at a time. And the southwestern metropolis of Chengdu called off the construction of a massive facility intended to house more than 10,000 people, in a sign that mass centralized quarantine could be on its way out.

Beijing's coronavirusfighting policies have kept the country's death rate low by international standards, but medical experts are increasingly questioning the sustainability infections such measures amid the spread of more transmissible versions of the omicron variant. China said Tuesday that it had logged more than 38,500 infections in the past day — an extremely high number by the country's stan-

## **Education**

Continued from page 1 Speaking at a preview event with the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Republican House Speaker Todd Huston said his chamber will primarily focus on their plan to "reinvent" high school by expanding work- and jobbased opportunities that count towards a high school diploma.

"We have to adjust to a new economy," Huston said, adding that Indiana's current high school model puts too much emphasis on traditional higher education.

Huston said details are still being hashed out, but hinted that the plan could involve replacing certain courses, like calculus, with different work-based learning.

Indiana's education leaders are already in the process of revamping the state's academic standards by cutting back current requirements and streamlining the content that teachers are required to cover in a school year. The state's education department was tasked with the standards overhaul by lawmakers earlier this year.

Last month, Indiana's inartisan intel im educa. tion committee additionally approved multiple education bills expected to be filed during the 2023 legislative session, including several that emphasize work-based learning experiences.

As the General Assembly enters a new budget talchronicle.com.

year, Huston said he also expects the legislature to approve an increase in K-12 funding, "while expanding options for kids to attend the school of their choice.'

"Indiana has always been a leader in parental choice and empowerment and we are going to build on that success," Huston continued. "Every Hoosier parent should have an opportunity to send their child a school of their choice."

Lawmakers approved a \$1.9 billion increase for schools in 2021 that was meant to help districts increase teacher pay. But school leaders around the state are calling for another funding boost to help educate students in poverty, English language learners, and those with disabilities.

Huston further told reporters he would support another legislative attempt to make school board elections partisan. A bill that would have required ballots to include school board candidates' partisan affiliations died in committee following widespread criticism in the last legislative session.

Republican Senate President Pro Tem Rodric Bray was not as supportive: "I'm not sure the system is broken where it is right now.'

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carded a club on the second round,

South's chances took an immediate

turn for the worse.

East won the eight of spades with

the jack and shifted to the diamond ten. After winning the ten with dummy's king (West could not take the ace without handing South his ninth trick), declarer did not make

the mistake of playing another spade. Had he done so, East would

have won and returned a diamond

to sink the contract.

Instead, South shifted gears at

this point and set about laying the groundwork for an endplay. He began by cashing four clubs, reduc-ing all hands to five cards. West had a choice of discards on

the clubs, but there was no escape

In practice, he retained the K-J-8 of hearts and A-J of diamonds.

Declarer then played the ace and another heart. West was able to take two hearts and the ace of dia-

monds, but had to concede the game-going trick to the queen of

diamonds at the end.

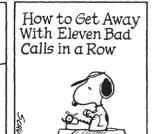
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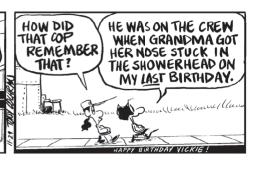




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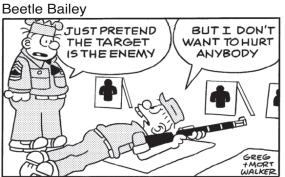
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Opening lead — seven of hearts.

There are some hands where developments force declarer to take an entirely different tack than he had originally planned. These are the hands that test a declarer's resourcefulness and adaptability.

a heart. Declarer took East's ten with the queen and, naturally enough, tried to develop dummy's spades. But when he played the ace and another spade and West dis-

Consider this deal where South got to three notrump and West led

Observe that if West had elected to hold four hearts and the singleton ace of diamonds as his last five cards, South would have countered by leading his low diamond before cashing the ace of hearts. Once declarer adapted to the circumstances he encountered, all roads

Tomorrow: Sylvia misapplies a rule.

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## Pressure

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16 points, respectively. Cate when we were attacking. Some- made five of his six attempts (11), assists (four) and blocks (two).

more Mason Carpenter set the he paced the Patriots with 11 victory.

pace for Richmond with 17 and points. Josh Dowlen and Dusty Pearson each added nine points while Bennett Weitzel grabbed

#### **Junior varsity**

Jay County nearly doubled Senior wing Carter Link hit up the Red Devils in the first

the game in the opening seven minutes, outscoring Richmond 15-8. The lead slipped to four at halftime and two after three quarters, with the Red Devils closing to within 35-34 on a pair of Deiondr'e Clinton free throws with 30.5 seconds left. JCHS held on, milking the final five 3-pointers.

The Patriots took control of 10.8 seconds off the clock as the home team fouled repeatedly in an effort to extend the game.

Liam Garringer led the Patriots with 12 points, including all of their four in the final period. Ben Crouch added 11 points.

Julien Smith paced Richmond with 21 points, including

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times it was right away ... We from 2-point range while also 11 rebounds. have a call and a signal on leading his team in rebounds Junior Ryder Cate and sopho- three second-half 3-pointers as quarter and held on for a 35-34

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#### **Public Notice**

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-14

An ordinance amending 50.092 of the Code of Ordinances, relating to the Schedule of Rates and charges to be collected by the City of Portland, Indiana from the owners of property served by the Sewage

WHEREAS, the City of Portland, Indiana has heretofore, by Ordinance 2017-8, established the rates and charges to be collected for the Sewage Works operated

WHEREAS, the current rates and charges are not sufficient to meet the reasonable financial requirements of the utility and the sewage rates and charges should be revised; and. WHEREAS, it is now the determination of the City Council that the

rates and charges previously established must be revised to permit operation of said Sewage Works; NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of

Portland, Indiana that Ordinance 2015-2 be and the same is hereby amended as follows: 2 PATES AND CHAPCES

	a. Itales and changes
ıss I (Inside):	
	Phase I

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Class I (Illside):		
	Phase I	Phase II
Treatment Rate per		
1,000 gallons of use	\$7.44	\$8.47
Base Rate (per month)		
Meter Size:		
5/8 Inch meter	\$24.30	\$27.65
3/4 Inch meter	\$31.63	\$35.98
1 Inch meter	\$51.97	\$59.13
1 ¼Inch meter	\$79.54	\$90.49
1 ½Inch meter	\$112.65	\$128.16
2 Inch meter	\$189.94	\$216.10
3 Inch meter	\$430.24	\$489.48
4 Inch meter	\$760.61	\$865.35
6 Inch meter	\$1,699.52	\$1,933.55
Class II (Outside):		
	Phase I	Phase II
Treatment Rate per		
1,000 gallons of use	\$7.44	\$8.47
	Phase I	Phase II
Base Rate (per month)		
Meter Size:		
5/8 Inch meter	\$33.17	\$37.74
34 Inch meter	\$43.17	\$49.11
1 Inch meter	\$70.94	\$80.71
1 ¼Inch meter	\$108.57	\$123.52
1 ½Inch meter	\$153.77	\$174.94
2 Inch meter	\$259.27	\$294.98
3 Inch meter	\$587.28	\$668.14
4 Inch meter	\$1,038.23	\$1,181.20
6 Inch meter	\$2,319.84	\$2,639.30
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b. UNMETERED USERS. For users of the Sewage Works that are unmetered water users or if accurate meter readings are not available, the monthly charge

shall be based upon 5,000 gallons of water usage and determined by applying the following monthly rate: Phase II Phase I

\$61.50

\$70.00

46.13

46.13

Residential:

Class II

\$70.37

52.78

52.78

\*Class II base rates include a 36.5% surcharge above the Class I base To the equivalency formula as shown below:

Class I (Inside City Limits)

& townhouses/unit

Duplexes/unit

Commercial:

Class II (Outside City Limits)\* \$70.37

Phase I Monthly Rate Equivalency Factor Equivalent Class I Residential: Single-family residence. including mobile homes/unit 1.00 \$61.50 Apartments, condominiums

0.75

0.75

Retail establishments: First 3 employees 1.00 61.50 70.37 Each additional employee 15.38 17.59 0.25 Laundromats & washeterias/washer 0.75 46.13 52.78 Grain elevator: First 3 employees 1.00 61 50 70.37 Each additional employee 0.25 15.38 17.59 Phase I Monthly Rate Equivalency Factor Equivalent Class I Class II Factor Motel, rooming houses, bed & breakfast 30.75 61.50 1.00 61 50 0.2515.38

and similar establishments: First rental room 105.56 Each additional rental room 0.50 35.19Restaurants, drive-ins, bars & organizations with eating and/or drinking facilities: 70.37 First 2 employees Each additional employee 17.59 Professional offices First 3 employees 70.37 Each additional employee 17.59 Service stations/auto repair without car wash: 61.50 70.37 First 3 employees Each additional employee 17.59 With car wash: 2.50 153.75 175.93 Per car wash bay Shop or office in residence 70.37 1.00 61.50 Veterinarian: First 2 employees 61.50 70.37 Each additional employee 20.30 23.22 0.33Recreational Areas: 42.22 Campground (per campsite) 0.60 36.90 Institutions: Schools per pupil enrolled (5-day school week) 0.10 6.15 7.04 Churches and other religious organizations: Without eating facilities (for each 200 members or fraction thereof) 61.50 70.37 With eating facilities (for each member) 0.02 1.23 1.41 Group Home: 1.00 61.50 70.37 First 3 employees Each additional employee 0.25 15.38 17.59 20.30 Each resident 0.33 Governmental: Offices: 61.50 70.37 First 3 employees 1.00 Each additional employee 0.25 15.38 17.59 Fire Department: 61.5070.37 Each truck bay 153.75175.93 2.50 Industrial: Manufacturing: First 2 employees 1.00 61.50 70.37 Each additional employee (Manufacturers who discharge industrial wastes into the sanitary sewage system of the City shall install, operate, and maintain, at the user's expense, a measuring device satisfactory to the City for the measurement of the volume of flow discharged for sanitary sewers and shall be charged for the quantity of flow.)

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operate, and maintain, at the user's expense, a measuring device satisfactory to the City for the measurement of the volume of flow discharged for sanitary sewers and shall be charged for the quantity of flow.)

2023. Phase II rates shall be effective April 1, 2023. d. All other sections of section of 50.092 not hereby amended shall not be affected by this Amended Ordinance and shall remain in full force and effect.

c. EFFECTIVE DATE. Phase I rates shall be effective January, 1

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Portland, Indiana this 21st day of November, 2022. Lori Phillips

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## Too much pressure

## Jay struggles vs. full-court in opening loss

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review RICHMOND — From the start, the Red Devils put the pressure on.

The Patriots didn't han-

dle it well.

Jay County committed 24 turnovers Saturday night as it opened its boys basketball season with a 56-43 loss to the Richmond Red Devils.

Coach Jerry Bomholt put the loss on his shoul-

"I did an extremely poor job of preparing these kids to play tonight," he said. "I've never had a team do this, ever. ... There was no resemthat went on here. ...

quickness like that. But that's no excuse. Our mistakes came from a lack of fundamentals. ... We threw passes where we didn't have a guy there. We threw passes that had we thrown it five seconds earlier, it would have been great. We did everything fundamentally that you can do against

pressure. Everything." the lead once — 3-2 — but turnovers were a problem throughout as Richmond (1-1) employed a full-court press from the jump. They had seven give-aways in the opening quarter and a dozen at halftime, finishing with 24 in all.

The result was that the Red Devils racked up 10 more field-goal attempts

and were able to get to the line more frequently despite JCHS being in the bonus with two minutes left in the opening quar-

"That's something that we've been working on,' said Richmond coach Billy Wright. "We felt like with our depth, our speed, we could kind of neutralize their size. They were big and physical. We felt we could make it an 84foot game for 32 minutes."

Jay County was still only down by one late in the second quarter before allowing the final five points of the half. They trailed by only four when blance of fundamentals Bomholt called a timeout with 2:56 to go in the third "It's hard to simulate quarter.

But it was the Red Devils who responded after the break in the action, getting a 3-pointer from Preston Hunter and then two in a row from Zion Deloney to push their advantage to 39-26.

The Patriots would never get closer than eight points the rest of the way.

"Every time we'd make The Patriots (0-1) had a run — we'd get it to five, two straight turnovers and they either get two straight baskets or two straight threes, so now we're digging back out of the whole," said Bomholt. "We never did get the game, in the second half. where we felt comfortable we could make a legitimate run at them.

See **Pressure** page 7



The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Preston Hunter (left) and Deante Smith (right) of Richmond High School trap Jay County's Dusty Pearson during the first half Saturday. The Red Devils used their various pressure defenses to force 24 Patriot turnovers as JCHS dropped its season opener 56-43.

#### **Box score**

**Jay County Patriots** 

at Richmond Red Devils

Boys varsity summary

Jay County (0-1)			
	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	PTS
irksen	2-7	0-0	6
ink	3-5	2-2	11
owlen	3-5	0-0	9
ogensch	utz 1-7	0-0	3
earson	4-9	0-1	9
leitzel	1-10	3-6	5
otals	14-43	5-9	43
	.326	.556	

#### Richmond (1-0) FG-FGA FT-FTA PTS Deloney 0-1 2-3 4-6 2-2 0-0 0-0 0-0 Carpenter Cate 6-10 Horton Hunter Smith 0-2 **8-14 Totals**

10 10 9 14—43 13 13 15 15—56

**3-point shooting:** Jay County 10-21 (Link 3-4, Dowlen 3-4, Dirksen 2-5, Pearson 1-3, Bogenschutz 1-5). Richmond 6-21 (Deloney 2-2, Carpenter 2-7, Hunter 1-2, Cate 1-4).

Rebounds: Jay County 33 (Weitzel 12, Pearson 9, Dirksen 4, Link 4, Dowlen 4, Bogenschutz). Richmond 34 (Cate 11, Reising 7, Carpenter 4, Horton 4, team 3, Kovach 3, Hunter 2).

Assists: Jay County 9 (Bogenschutz 3, Weitzel 3, Dirksen, Link, Pearson). Richmond 8 (Cate 4. Hunter 2. Delonev. team)

Blocks: Jay County 3 (Pearson

Personal fouls: Jav County 16 (Dowlen 4, Bogenschutz 4, Pearson 4. Weitzel 3. Dirksen). Richmond 15 (Horton 3, Reising 3, Kovach 3, Deloney 2, Carpenter

Turnovers: Jay County 24, Rich-

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## FR boys smack Stars

**RECOVERY** The Indians allowed just two points in each of **Local** the first two quarters.

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Fort Recovery High School's boys basketball team opened its season Saturday with a 47-14 destruction of South Adams.

The Indians (1-0) led 24-4 at the intermission and then shut out SAHS in the quarter. The Starfires (1-1),who opened with a 57-49 win over South Adams, had just one field goal in the

first half. Cale Rammel's points were the team-high for Fort Recovery. Rex Leverette followed with nine points, and Landon Post scored six.

Brady Beall and Conner Fear had four points apiece for South Adams.

FRHS won the junior varsity game 65- 29. Briggs Overman had 18 points and Eli Lennartz added

#### Two make first team

Jay County junior defensive lineman Bryce Wenk and senior wide receiver Patrick Hemmelgarn were both first-team All-Allen County Athletic Conference selections. The honorees were announced Saturday.

From his spot on the line, Wenk finished second on the JCHS squad with 59 tackles. He also

forced two fumbles and recovered one.

Hemmelgarn was the Patriots' top receiving threat, catching 29 passes for 598 yards. He scored seven receiving touchdowns.

Earning places on the All-ACAC second team for Jav County were running back Kadin Ridenour and linebacker Lucas Strait. Ridenour ran for 929 yards and 10 TDs in nine games while Strait had a team-high 72 tackles and returned his only interception for a touchdown.

#### FR girls fall to 0-2

UNION CITY, Ohio - The Mississinawa Valley Blackhawks pulled away from the Fort Recovery girls basketball team in the final quarter Monday as the Indians fell 50-

After managing just five first-quarter points, FRHS pulled to within 22-19 at the half. They were down by eight after three quarters and then were doubled up 18-9 in the fourth.

Cali Wendel and Maddie Guggenbiller reached double figures for the Indians with 12 and 10 points, respectively. Kennedy Muhlenkamp was next with four points.

Sophomores Woodbury and Syenna Purdin each scored 13 points for Mississinawa Valley.

#### Jay 7th wins

WINCHESTER — Elizabeth Brunswick came up big to lead the Jay County seventh grade girls basketball team to a 26-16 win Monday over host Driver. The eighth grade squad

lost 34-26. Brunswick matched Driver by herself, scoring 16 points to pace the seventh grade Patriots. Amelia Heath followed with six points.

Hallie Schwieterman had the team high of 15 points for the Jay County eighth graders. Kylie Shannon was next with five points.

Wrestlers go 2-3
The Jay Co County Wrestling Club elementary school team finished 2-3 in Sunday's Yorktown Elementary Duals for a seventh-place finish. It defeated Bloomington South and Penn while falling to Delta, Hamilton Southeastern and New Palestine.

Going undefeated on the day were Cooper Reynolds and Varen Ridgway each at 5-0 and Max Mayers at 3-0. Blake Wood was 4-1.

Also posting winning results on the day, all at 3-2, were Khoden Bentz, Bryce VanSkyock and Jackson

### Sports on tap

#### Local schedule Today

ketball vs. Bellmont - 6 p.m.

Jay County — Girls basketball vs. Northeastern – 6 p.m.; Swimming at Bluffton – 5:30 p.m.; Wrestling at Centerville - 6 p.m.; Junior high girls basketball at Bellmont - 5 p.m.; Junior high boys bas-

Fort Recovery — Middle school girls basketball vs. New Knoxville - 5 p.m.; Middle school boys basketball at New Knoxville - 5 p.m.

#### TV sports

Today 2 p.m. — Soccer: World Cup – United Syracuse at Purdue (BTN)

States vs. Iran (FOX); England vs. Wales

6:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball:

To John — Well's College basketball:

Nong Island vs. St. John's (FS1)

p.m. — Men's college basketball:

Maryland at Louisville (ESPN2)

7:30 p.m. — NBA basketball: Golden

State Warriors vs. Dallas Mavericks (TNT) 8:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Baylor at Marquette (FS1) 9:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball:

Virginia at Michigan (ESPN) 10 p.m. — NBA basketball: Los Angeles Clippers vs. Portland Trail Blazers (TNT)

Wednesday 6 p.m. — Women's college basketball:

ball: Kansas State at Butler (FS1)
7 p.m. — Men's college basketball

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Prake at Indiana State (Bally Indiana)

7:15 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Ohio State at Duke (ESPN); Purdue
at Florida State (ESPN2)

6:30 p.m. - Men's college basket-

8 p.m. — Women's college basket-ball: Wake Forest at Minnesota (BTN)

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