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### Bringing in beans

Debris flies from the rear of a combine while a farmer harvests beans Friday in a field on the north side of Votaw Street on the west edge of Portland. The high temperature was in the 70s.

## Three seek to follow Shannon

A retired manufacturing supervisor, a children's pastor and a former teacher and judge are seeking to replace a longtime school board member.

Tom Crouch, Gloria Hamilton and Tommy "Chip" Phillips are all running for the District 2 seat on Jay School Board. Incumbent Mike Shannon, who has served five terms, decided not to run for re-election.

Crouch is retired after a career as a supervisor for manufacturing firms including Sheller-Globe and Sonoco in Portland; Magna Powertrain in Muncie; and Integrated Manufacturing & Assembly in Berne. He is a 1969 childhood education) in 1995, Indigraduate of Dunkirk High ana Wesleyan University with a

### Crouch, Hamilton and Phillips are running for District 2 seat

Mayor in 2019.

Hamilton serves as the family Nazarene Church. She graduated from Muncie Southside High School in 1992, Ivy Tech (early School and ran for the Republi- bachelor's degree in business

can nomination for Dunkirk administration in 1999 and a master's degree in management in 2001. She home schools her chiland children's pastor at Dunkirk dren, she said, in part because of curriculum and to be able to give individualized learning that would not be available in large classrooms. This is her first time running for office.

Phillips is retired after a 38-year

career in teaching with 34 of those years for Jay School Corporation. He was also Dunkirk City Court Judge for 16.5 years. (He resigned from that position and was reprimanded by Indiana Supreme Court in April 2017 following an altercation with Dunkirk's police chief.) He retired as a lieutenant colonel after serving 27 years in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. He earned his bachelor's degree in education from Marion College in 1978 and master's degree in education from Ball State University in

The candidates were asked to respond to a questionnaire from The Commercial Review. Their answers follow.

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### **Ballot** crowded for seat on board

Four are in race for seat in District 1

The current District 1 representative on Jay School Board moved out of the district.

Four candidates are hoping to replace him.

Mike Foreman, Brandon Kloer, Marcie Vormohr and Chad Bricker are all seeking the District 1 seat on Jay School Board. The winner of Tuesday's election will replace Chris Snow, who moved out of the district and is now running in District 5.

Brick is the owner of **Bricker Auction Company** and Realty and also works for Tucker of Muncie Real Estate. He graduated from Reppert School of Auctioneering and Tucker School of Real Estate.

Foreman is a graduate of Monroe Central High School (1974) and Ball State University (1978). He is retired.

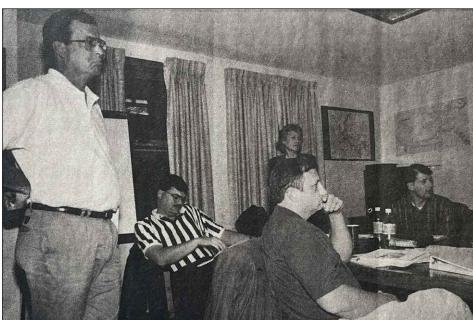
Kloer is a mechanical engineer at Honeywell. He graduated from Muncie Southside High School in 2001 and earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Indiana University (2005) and a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from IPFW (2018).

Vormohr graduated from Jay County High School in 1977 DePauw University. She is a homemaker. Her husband Frank served two terms on Jay School Board and Snow is her nephew.

The candidates, none of whom have held elected office before, were asked to respond to a questionnaire from The Commer-Review. Their cial answers follow.

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### Retrospect



The Commercial Review/Mary Ann Lewis

Fort Recovery Local School's superintendent Pat Niekamp (left), high school principal Ed Snyder, school board member Jack Staugler, elementary school principal Nancy Knapke and board member Dan Kahlig react after learning an election equipment issue would delay the results of voting on Nov. 4, 1997. Though it took a bit longer, the news turned out to be good as voters approved a levy to fund the construction of Fort Recovery Elementary/Middle School.

## School levy passed

this week, voters gave the green light to build a new school.

The Nov. 5, 1997, edition of The Commercial Review featured election coverage for a school levy for the construction of a new elementary school.

The result of that levy and subsequent building project is the current Fort Recovery Elementary/Middle School on Sharpsburg Road.

Voters overwhelmingly supported the 4.75 mill levy that included an additional 0.5 mill

levy With the

Twenty-five years ago receive \$13 million from bers had spent months Ohio's Building Assistance Program to construct the new school and remodel the high school for handicapped accessibility.

Work on the project included 79% approval had started with a facilities assessment committee four years earlier with plans quickly solidified to pursue a building assistance project. The committee, school board members and administrators worked beginning in September 1993 to learn more about the program and gain approval. That finally came from the for maintenance. It was state in July 1997 with expected to raise about funding approved a \$3.5 million for the proj-month later, but the project still hinged on district qualified to and school board mem- he added later.

advocating for the project prior to election day at club meetings, sorority gatherings, church functions and anywhere anyone would listen.

They got positive early indications on the project with the handful of district voters in Burkettsville and Darke County supporting the levy 28-4. But an issue with election equipment delayed the tally.

"I wish those results would come in," said Niekamp about 10:45 p.m. while pacing the board room.

The final phone call came at 11:45 p.m.

Niekamp's reaction? "That's super!"

"I'm tickled to see the levy issue. Superin- that kind of support approved, the school tendent Pat Niekamp from the community,"

#### Weather

Jav County had a high temperature of 75 degrees Friday.

Today's forecast calls for showers with winds at 25 to 30 miles per hour — gusts will be up to 50 miles per hour — and a high of 68. More rain is expected

tonight with the low dropping to

Skies will be sunny Sunday and Monday with highs in the 60s. Lows will be in the 40s.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

#### In review

Arts Place will host performance troupe Letters Aloud for "All Our Best: Perseverance in Times of Trouble" at 7 p.m. Saturday. The event features actors reading letters by individuals experiencing pandemics, social upheaval, discrimination and more. Admission is free.

#### Coming up

**Tuesday** — Results from the FRHS cross country team at the state finals.

**Wednesday** — Coverage of all of the local races from Election Day.



## CR almanac

Tuesday

11/8

11/6	

Sunny

Sunday

66/42 62/41 Monday's skies are on weather looks the horizon for to be sunny Sunday with

with a high in wind gusts up to 20 mph. with a high the low 60s.

61/41 67/47 Mostly Another sunny skies are expected day of mostly sunny skies is in the fore-Tuesday with a for Wednesday. degrees.

Wednesday

11/9

There's a 20% chance of rain Thurs day under mostly sunny

69/50

Thursday

11/10

### **Lotteries**

#### Hoosier

Midday Daily Three: 2-3-2 Daily Four: 8-8-0-9 Quick Draw: 8-9-11-16-22-26-27-35-38-41-42-43-48-58-60-64-70-71-72-73

#### Ohio

Midday Pick 3: 3-4-7 Pick 4: 8-8-7-6 Pick 5: 2-8-1-9-5 Rolling Cash 5: 6-10-25-

Estimated jackpot: \$263,000

#### **Powerball**

Estimated jackpot: \$1.6 billion

#### **Mega Millions**

Estimated jackpot: \$119 million

### **Markets**

<b>Cooper Farms Fort Recovery</b>	
Corn	6
Dec. corn	6
Wheat	6

**POET Biorefining Portland** Corn......6.81 Dec. corn ......6.93 Jan. corn......6.87

**The Andersons Richland Township** 

Corn.....6.71 Dec. corn ......6.76 Beans ......13.93 Dec. beans ......13.52

WheatJuly wheat	
July wheat	8.56

#### **Central States Montpelier**

Corn6.71	
Late Nov. corn6.71	
Beans14.47	
Late Nov. beans14.47	
Wheat8.54	

#### Heartland **St. Anthony**

Corn	6.46
Dec. corn	6.51
Beans	14.27
Dec. beans	14.32
Wheat	8.07

### **Today in history**

what Gunpowder Catesby led a group of attempt to blow up Parliament, the king and his family.

In 1838, Honduras declared its independence from the United ment to the Constitu-Provinces of Central America.

In 1844, Democrat James K. Polk won the U.S. presidency as he defeated Henry Clay of the Whig Party.

In 1855, labor organ-Indiana. Debs became national secretary and treasurer for the Brotherhood of Locomotive 1893 became president of the new American

Railway Union. suffrage leader Susan street lights for Penn B. Anthony cast a ballot in the presidential Drive. Polk had risen to election. She was later the Democratic nomiarrested for voting ille- nation after former gally. She was convicted in what she called Buren opposed the "the greatest outrage annexation of Texas. history ever nesseď."

In 1914, Britain and France expanded World War I by declaring war on Turkey.

Lewis became the first incumbent Republican American to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. A social critic, he Robbins scored a 264is known for his novels 194, winning both of 'Babbitt", smith" and "It Can't 35 votes. Happen Here."

In 1940, Franklin D. became known as the Roosevelt was re-elect-Plot ed for his third term as occurred when Robert President of the United States. Roosevelt ulti-Roman Catholics in an mately served three terms and part of a fourth term before his passing. As a result of his unprecedented four terms, the 22nd amendtion was ratified in 1951 limiting presidents to two terms.

In 1952, Bill Walton was born in La Mesa, California. Walton led the UCLA men's basketball team to nationizer Eugene Debs was al championships in born in Terre Haute, 1972 and '73 and was part of an 88-game winning streak. He won NBA titles with the Portland Trail Blazers Fireman in 1880 and in in 1977 and the Boston Celtics in 1986.

In 2007, Portland City Council approved In 1872, women's the installation of new Street and Williamson president Martin Van

> In 2013, India launched its first interplanetary spacecraft, sending an orbiter to

In 2019, Democrat In 1930, Sinclair Jack Robbins defeated Gene Ritter in the race for Dunkirk mayor. "Arrow- the city's precincts by

—The CR

### Citizen's calendar

#### Monday

5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chamber, fire station, Public Library Board of 1616 N. Franklin St.

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

#### Nov. 14

9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., building, 131 S. Main St. Portland.

ortland. 7 p.m. — Dunkirk City 3:45 p.m. — Jay County Council, city building, Election Board, voting 131 S. Main St.

room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.

4 p.m. — Jay County Trustees, community 7:30 p.m. — Fort Recov-room, library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland.

5 p.m. — Jay County School Board, General Shanks, 414 E. Floral Ave., Portland.

6 p.m. — Dunkirk Board of Works, city

### Three

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What is the most important issue facing Jay School Board and what, specifically, would you do to address

Crouch: We need to bring our kids back up to speed after the COVID-19 pandemic and keep our kids safe from the bullying that is going on in our schools today.

Hamilton: Making sure each student has the help they need to succeed and learn the best way they can. Making sure there is transparency for parents and that they know what their children are learning and how they can be involved. God gave children to parents and they need to be involved. I would love to see an area for parents and taxpayers on the website with a list of all materials used. Also, to keep inappropriate materials and critical race theory out of Jay Schools.

**Phillips:** I believe the most important issue facing the Jay School Board is to provide the best education possible for our students — an education that not only prepares them for college but also for adult life. I would want to make sure our corporation constantly monitors and evaluates our educational process so it is superior.

Over the last decade, Jay School Corporation has seen its education fund year-end balance grow from less than \$1.5 million to a projected \$6.7 million at the end of 2023. What would you do to make sure Jay Schools stays in a strong financial position?

**Crouch:** I will continue to work with the board in planning and projecting future costs to stay within the

**Hamilton:** Encourage the board to make good, sound financial choices and prioritize the greatest needs first. Make sure teacher and substitute pay

Early voting is available from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. today and 8:30 a.m. to noon Monday

is up with the rest of the area. Ensure we should help them reach that goal programs and extracurricular activities have what they need so students can participate, build friendships and learn teamwork and stretch their personal growth. I think it is important to improve and take care of facilities and equipment the schools have and then look at new things.

**Phillips:** To make sure the Jay Schools stay in a strong financial position, I would advocate that spending be monitored and evaluated.

Earlier this year, Jay School Board approved a list of 40 new goals covering a wide variety of topics ranging from vocational programs to Early College. As a school board member. what would you do to help to ensure an education that provides a bright future for all Jay School Corporation students?

**Crouch:** Continue to provide the college courses offered today.

Hamilton: I would encourage as many vocational and hands-on programs as possible. Not every student wants to go to college and we are a more rural, family area so I think helping students learn trades and vocations from this area and have opportunities for students to learn local jobs and trades would be a big benefit. When students can learn things hands-on — not just by books — it really helps them learn the concepts and see what the possibilities are for their interests and passions. And if students want to go to college,

Phillips: As a Jay School Board member, to help make sure the education process provides a bright future for our students, I would want the process to be constantly evaluated for improvement.

Why should residents of Jay County vote for you?

Crouch: Being a resident of Jay County my entire life, I feel motivated to work with the board to make Jay County the best it can be.

Hamilton: I have 35 years of experience working with children and families in many capacities. I started at 13 teaching Sunday School and I have done Vacation Bible School, worked in daycare with all ages -birth to 12 — as a teacher, cook, van driver, assistant director and now a family pastor. I did student teaching in three schools in college and my heart is with the child first. Each child learns differently and at a different pace, so looking at each child as an individual and not lumped with the whole class is important, and working closely with parents is crucial.

Phillips: I believe the residents of Jay County should vote for me, because my 38 years as a public school teacher allows me to bring experience and knowledge to the board. I believe my educational background would make me a positive contributor.

### Holcomb to attend climate conference

By LESLIE BONITA MUNIZ Indiana Capital Chronicle

indianacapitalchronicle.com Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb will attend the United Nations' Climate Change Conference of the Parties in Egypt next week, where he'll talk about Indiana's work with renewable energy infrastructure — days after breaking ground on a second phase of the controversial Mammoth Solar Farm project in northwestern Indiana.

"I'll be able to highlight what we're doing to make a difference in our little patch in our property here in America and hopefully, others learn from it," he told reporters after a Tuesday event.

Holcomb said the United Kingdom's ambassador originally invited him to the conference before the COVID-19 pandemic hit. The invitation was reextended, he said, and his office conferred with Egyptian authorities.

The governor said Hoosiers have rolled out a number of innovations across a variety of sectors, including on the agricultural and industrial fronts. And he emphasized maintaining a balanced, resilient mix of economic activities and energy sources.

"We're producing that concrete, we're producing that steel, we're producing those products that are literally building other economies. And we're doing it in a way where we're not reliant on any one source," he said.

#### **SERVICES**

Saturday

Smith, Annabelle: I p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

> Sunday Du Jardin, Thomas: 2 p.m.,

Portland Golf Club, 124 W. 200 South, Portland

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### **Optimist donation**

The City of Portland donated \$100 Wednesday to the Evening Optimists of Portland. The group is hosting an auction at 10 a.m. today at Smitley Auction.

## Couple in friend group constantly complain

DEAR ABBY: We have a group of friends who get together most Friday nights. We go out to eat, meet for drinks or gather at one of the group member's homes for dinner and drinks. One person in particular constantly complains about everything every single week. They don't like the restaurant that was chosen, or the food the host prepared or the place the pizza was ordered from. Once, they kept repeatedly telling the host they wanted to punch the host's son in the face because he was rude to the host on his way out for the evening. This guest's spouse also nitpicks relentlessly. It makes everybody uncomfortable.

It has reached the point that THE DOWNER

Dear Abby



the group doesn't want to get together anymore. My spouse and I haven't seen the group for several weeks now, but we miss them. Is there a polite way to tell this couple their negativity is a drag on the rest of the group, and maybe they should seek professional help or learn to keep their mouths shut? — DOWN WITH

DEAR DOWN: No, there Christmas we receive another what the discussion was about isn't. But you could stop inviting this particular couple. If you are asked about it, all you have to say is that you grew tired of their constant criticism, which put a damper on the events.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is married with children, and she's happy with a wonderful husband and a beautiful home. My concern is that they have hung professionally done photos of themselves, their kids, their friends and candid images from their wedding in many of the rooms on the first floor, but there are none

framed family photo of them. What would you think if we gifted them a lovely portrait of us? UNSEEN IN MINNESOTA

DEAR UNSEEN: I think it's worth a try, but don't be offended if they don't display it. They appear to be so centered on their nuclear family that there isn't room for anyone else in their picture-perfect house.

DEAR ABBY: Recently, my wife told me her brothers have been mad at her for more than a decade and don't talk to her because of something I said at a family getof my husband and me or the together 12 years ago. I asked grandparents. Every what they were mad about and looking back.

that upset them, but they didn't say — they just quit contacting her. To me, it's childish and rude to treat their sister that way. Do you have any thoughts or suggestions? — DID NOT KNOW IN THE SOUTH

DEAR DID NOT: Yes, I do. The term for what your wife's brothers have been doing is "passive aggression." Because your wife's brothers aren't willing to address the issue, nothing can be done to resolve it. This is why I suggest the two of you — and whatever other relatives you do get along with — go on with your lives and waste no more time

## **Community Calendar**

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

#### **Saturday**

PORTLAND FARMERS Monday MARKET — Will be held Saturday in the parking meet at 7 a.m. for break-1605 N. Meridian St.

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

DUNKIRK HISTORI-CAL SOCIETY — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first and third Saturday of each month in the former W.E. Gaunt Jewelry building, 113. S. Main St., Dunkirk.

MUSEUM OF THE SOL-

Saturday and Sunday of the month. It is located at Hoover St., Dunkirk. 510 E. Arch St., Portland. The website is museumofthesoldier.com.

BRYANT AREA COM-MUNITY CENTER Walking from 9:30 to 10:30 every a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 1 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Portland Place, 430 W. Lafayette St. For more information, call (800) 589-1121.

**EUCHRE** - Will be DIER — Is open from noon played starting at 1 p.m.

Notices will appear in to 5 p.m. the first and third each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125

PREGNANCY CENTER — Free pregnancv testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is **Tuesday** PORTLAND BREAK- located at 216 S. Meridian to 5 p.m. Monday through lot at The Rock Church, fast at Richards Restau- Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accept-

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 4:30 p.m., with the meeting at 5 p.m., at South Side Church of Christ, 1209 S. Shank St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-

BREAD OF LIFE COM-MUNITY 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.

NARCOTICS ANONY-MOUS — 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.

PORTLAND EVENING OPTIMIST CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month at Richards Restau-

JAY COUNTY PASTORS from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each FAST OPTIMISTS — Will St., Portland. Hours are 1 AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 11:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the chapel at Indiana University Health Jay Hospital

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

THE LANDING — A 12step 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 - 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-



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#### Friday's Solution

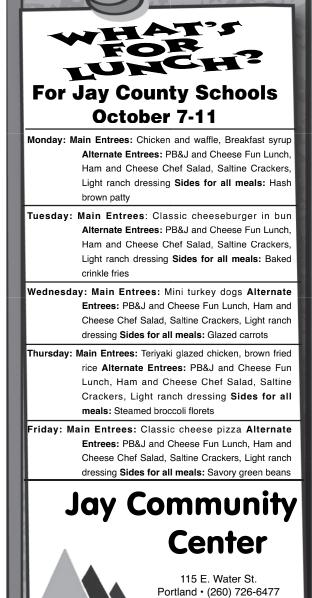
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### Casting ballot is crucial

To the editor:

I would like to remind everyone of voting age and eligibility about the importance

**Letters to** of casting your vote. the Editor It is the

duty and responsibility of each of us as citizens to exercise this most crucial obligation.

David Johnson Portland

## Do not tolerate political violence

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A man who marinated in the stew of virulent rightwing rhetoric allegedly broke into

Guest the San Francisco **Editorial** home of the

speaker of the U.S. House, shouted "Where is Nancy?" and then brutalized her husband Paul with a hammer. A nation that's seen the shooting of Gabby Gif-fords and Steve Scalise, where threats and intimidation against members of Congress have been rising rapidly, can hardly act surprised, but we must not lose our capacity for outrage.

Nor should we mince

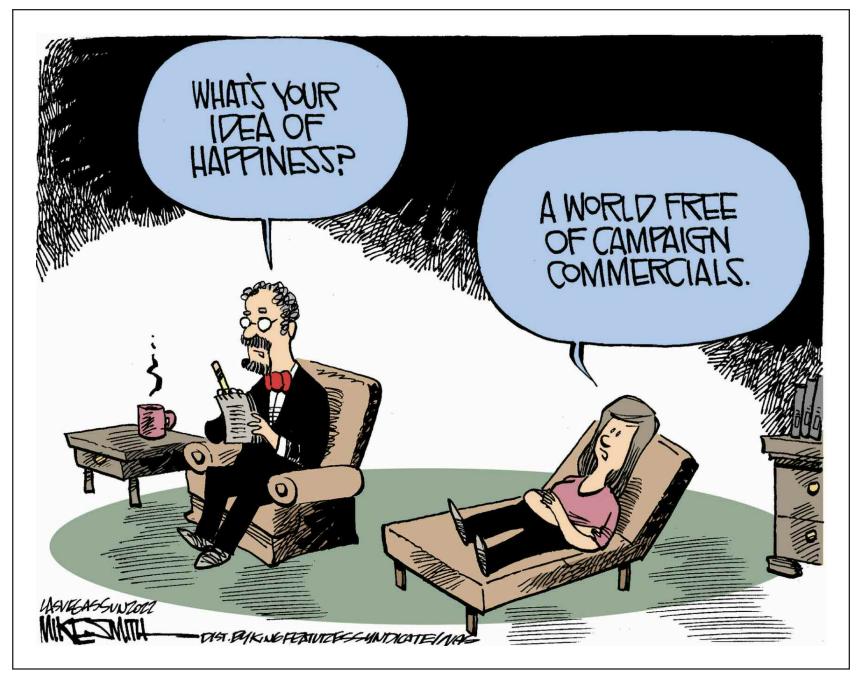
words about who is responsible for the current climate. While American politics has been dangerously divisive for decades, it's Donald Trump who, while holding the nation's largest megaphone, swaggered about in a tough-guy costume, played coy with the Proud Boys, Oath Keepers and unhinged conspiracy theories like QAnon, called his critics enemies of the state and smirked as crowds chanted to lock up his political opponent.

Trump's kerosene on the smoldering fire helps threats against members of than tenfold to 9,625 in 2021, according to the Capitol Police. Though these were aimed at Democrats and Republicans alike, many were Republicans or pro-Trump individuals attacking Democrats or Republicans considered anti-Adam Trump. Rep. Kinzinger, the only Republican save Liz Cheney bold enough to serve on the Jan. 6 Committee, released chilling audio of callers menacing him and his family.

Even more disturbing have been vile attacks on poll workers whose job is not to make tough political decisions, but to fairly administer our elections.

A September speech by President Joe Biden on safeguarding American democracy, which critics wrongly said vilified half the country, gave no quarter to intimidating extremism of any kind: "I want to say this plain and simple: There is no place for political violence in America. Period. None. Ever.'

In the wake of the attack on Paul Pelosi, every Democrat can be expected to repeat that refrain. Every last Republican must join them, and make their voices loud.



## Hospitality, tourism have grown

By MICHAEL J. HICKS

Fall is a time for inexpensive conferences and parent weekends at colleges, and so, over the last month, I've been traveling extensively in the eastern half of the country.

Some folks enjoy travel for the beautiful scenery, historic architecture and differing cultures. As an economist, I also think about local productivity differences over time — we are romantic in that way. What I saw offered only good long-term prognosis for the economy.

Travel causes intense interaction with the hospitality and tourism sectors. These are sophisticated industries, whose productivity has local effects on employment and business profitability. This is also the only sector nationwide not to have a explain why recorded full employment recovery in the post-recession period. That's not Congress increased more necessarily a bad thing if it is accompanied by productivity improvements. Everywhere I visited, I saw productivity improvements.

Economists measure productivity as the value of goods or services sold per unit of inputs. Inputs are people, raw materials or equipment. In the hospitality and tourism sector, this means mostly getting more revenue per worker. People are a huge cost share to this industry, so making more money per worker is always the goal of productivity improvements.

This example also demonstrates the importance of thinking like an economist. A more productive business requires and hires — fewer workers. So, if you think that business is the single measure of an economy, as many novices do, you'll view productivity growth as unwelcome news for a region. However, fewer workers in a hotel or restaurant is just the first in a multi-step effect of productivity growth.

Productivity growth, and a declining number of employees, means that each remaining worker is more valuable to a company. This ultimately means higher pay, more investment in worker training and better productivity effects are widespread, it boosts the wages of all cash register, or the numberless than they were before COVID. *mhicks@bsu.edu*.

Michael J. Hicks



workers across the region. Productivity growth also reduces the price of the goods or services sold, causing customers to buy a larger quantity.

There are a couple caveats to these salutary effects. If the productivity growth is very fast, it will place more workers than can be absorbed by the natural growth of the economy. If the displaced workers have few other skills, they might struggle finding new work. Also, if the local industry is heavily monopolized, workers might not see the gains of their productivity.

Fortunately, in the case of hospitality and tourism, few places will exhibit any of these characteristics. Even in Orlando, Florida, home of the largest destination tourism market in the world, labor markets are competitive. Disney doesn't enjoy a glut of workers. So, the effects of productivity growth in these sectors will be shared by business owners, workers and consumers alike.

There's enormous focus on automation and digitization as a source of productivity growth. That makes sense; robotics, computers and other equipment are all around us. But, automation is probably not the largest factor affecting productivity growth.

We've all seen the newish automatic pay kiosks that are the standard in most fast food restaurants. These cut labor costs, but are really just the next productivity iteration of enhancements that came from McDonald's laying out a production line 70 years ago. This pace of productivity improvement is relentless, from self-service drinks to drive-thru lines. There are hundreds of other small examples of this.

Most of us have experienced online payments as well. This fringe benefits. Moreover, if the seems new, but it is just a few technological steps up from a

picture keys that were introduced on them in the '80s and '90s. Each step that cuts out human involvement cuts labor costs in some tasks, but it also increases the importance of the workers who remain.

Perhaps the biggest change to productivity comes from altering what and when a task is performed. This is an area that is particularly tied to human skills and judgment. I spent six nights in a hotel room this month, and did not have my towels exchanged or bed made. That's a marked departure from even a few years ago, when most hotels changed towels and at least made beds every day. Likewise, many restaurants are closing earlier, choosing to operate only during the most productive periods. Cutting tasks and delivering fewer services during periods of low demand are evidence that these hospitality tourism businesses are trying to be more productive. What's left are workers performing tasks that are more complex, such as customer service, rather than mundane tasks like making a

That's the story of almost all productivity changes. We automate those things humans aren't particularly good at, and pay more for the things we are good at doing. Humans aren't particularly strong animals, so our early attempts at productivity growth used animals to move goods, plow fields and grind flour. We aren't fleet of foot, so we built aqueducts to move water and roads to carry wagproductivity Newer improvements used robotics to do mundane but complex tasks like assembling cars. Computers now do computations in portions of a second that 75 years ago would've required every human being to do calculations

by hand for years. This productivity growth is better for firms. We know that simply because they are spending resources to become more When the dust settles, it is almost certain that hospitality and tourism will be less expensive in inflation-adjusted terms *University. Email him* 

... if the productivity effects are widespread, it boosts the wages of all workers across the region. **Productivity** growth also reduces the price of the goods or services sold, causing customers to buy a larger quantity.

That has been the case throughout the past 300 years of remarkable productivity growth. But, has it been better for workers in the hospitality and tourism sector? In the most recent jobs report, that sector saw the largest annualized increase in wages. Hourly wages in this sector grew by 7.9 percent, much faster than the 5.0 percent that all private sector workers received.

This is good news for business owners in the travel and tourism industry, good news for those of us who consume their services, and especially welcomed news for the people working in that industry. Of course, it should go without saying that all of this is possible through the marvels of market economics, where business, workers and consumers all seek what's best for themselves. In so doing, they quietly deliver value and growth across the economy.

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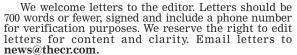
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## Crowded

Continued from page 1 What is the most important issue facing Jay School Board and what, specifically, would you do to address

Bricker: I think our school board is in need of help in an abundance of school violence. I would like to look into more school hallway monitoring.

Foreman: Our society today is bombarded with social media and woke Controversial issues like critical race theory are being pushed in our public education systems. According to our school policy, the superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for dealing with controversial issues and with parental concerns about program content or the use of particular materials. The superintendent has full administrative authority for properly discharging his professional duties while the school board holds him responsible for acceptable results. As a school board member and concerned grandparents I look forward to working with Mr. Gulley regarding controversial issues that need to be addressed.

**Kloer:** The most important issue should always directly relate to the students and their education. To ensure that our students get the best education possible, we need to be fiscally responsible, hire retain the best teachers and ensure that students the necessary resources. I will work within our budget and find the right balance to do all three of these things. Many students have fallen behind due to the pandemic, and I want to ensure we are doing what we can to help students get to where they need to be.

Vormohr: The most important issue facing any school board today is knowing our children are in a safe environment, one the best staff and keep our

that affords each student facilities and students safe. the opportunity to explore many different options for choosing a career path after high school. I believe that recess, art, music, auto mechanics, physical education, etc. are equally as important in a child's well-being as are English and Math. I would like to smaller classrooms with sufficient support staff. Teachers should be able to use their gifts and knowledge in less restrictive, more creative ways thus allowing students the ability to expand their horizons.

Over the last decade, Jay School Corporation has seen its education fund yearend balance grow from less than \$1.5 million to a projected \$6.7 million at the end of 2023. What would you do to make sure Jay Schools stays in a strong financial position?

Bricker: I would like to make sure our school pay for all employees is current and compatible to other school districts. I'd also like to make sure we don't have an abundance of school administrators.

Foreman: As a school board member it will be my responsibility to be well informed concerning all issues before the board. I am very interested in the budget. As a corporation we have a responsibility to our tax payers, school personnel and community to be fiscally responsible. During the budget process I will ask questions and express my concerns. Kloer: To maintain the

that Jay Schools is in, we need to make responsible decisions even when they may seem unpopular. The priority should always be the students and what is best for their education. I am willing to make tough decisions so that we can continue to offer beneficial programs, hire and retain

We need to be flexible, and I will think outside the box on ways to partner with organizations in our community and access resources and grants to supplement our budget.

Vormohr: For Schools to stay in a strong financial position, we need to be proactive. We need to maintain current facilities, both school buildings and sports complexes. A good school system and its available extracurricular activities are the first things many prospective families will look at when choosing a community. Additionally, as our population may change with different cultures and ethnicities, we need to plan for the future of the children. We might want to begin looking for more bilingual teachers who are able to educate and communicate with both students and parents.

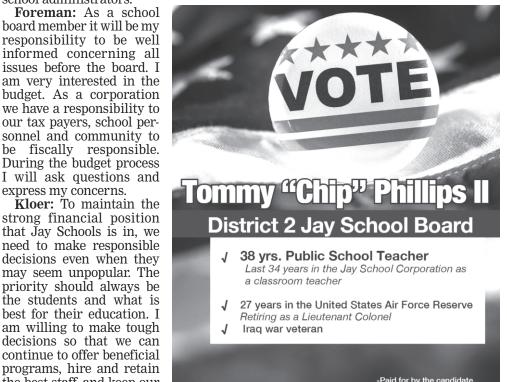
Earlier this year, Jay School Board approved a list of 40 new goals covering a wide variety of topics

ranging from vocational programs to Early College. As a school board member, what would you do to help to ensure an education that provides a bright future for all Jay School Corporation students?

**Bricker:** I would like to work to bring back some more of our vocational classes and to make sure we are offering enough school financing to our teachers for teaching supplies.

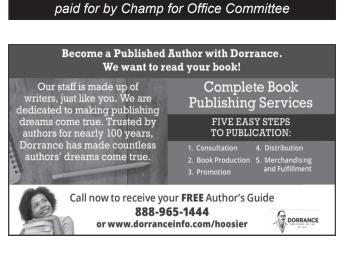
Foreman: We have a diverse student population so it makes sense that we should offer diverse vocational programs along with opportunities for post secondary education. Our role as a school corporation is to encourage the growth of individual employees for ultimate goal of improving the educational program. As a board member I will support a salary pay schedule that is partially merit based to encourindividual growth which will help to ensure a bright future for our stu-

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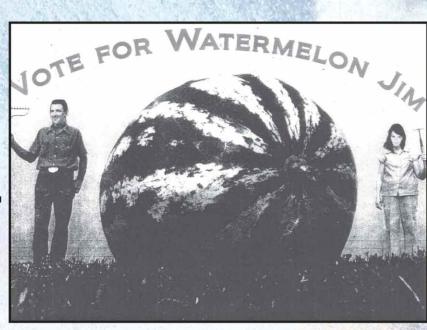
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## True Story

Back in the fifties Thelma had 9 kids

No one would rent to her when they saw them 9 kids.

She took the 9 kids to the Cemetery and told them to get out and stay she would come for them in an hour. The first place she went to this woman had a house beside of hers for rent. She rented the house the lady asked her if she had any kids she said I have 9 kids they are all in the cemetery.

Thelma went back to the cemetery and picked up her kids.

When she got back, the lady called the police.

They came and she told the police Thelma had 9 kids all in the cemetery.

Thelma said you didn't ask me if they was dead, did you.

Thelma got the house.

She was the best renter I ever had.

Watermellon Jim

#### **CRYPTOQUIP** 11-5

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: SONG ABOUT SOMEBODY LIVING IN A VALLEY DRAFTING A CONSTITUTION: "THE FRAMER IN THE DELL."

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: C equals G

#### Trivial Review

#### Serious questions

- 1) Who is the only player in the top five in World Series home runs who did not play for the Yankees?
- 2) The Yankees have the most World Series wins. What team has the most World Series losses?

2) Brooklyn/Los Angeles Dodgers 1) Duke Snider

#### 11-7 **CRYPTOQUIP**

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: WHAT DO YOU CALL A CELEBRITY GROOMING HIS UNKEMPT HAIR AFTER WAKING? AN UP-AND-COMBING STAR.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals W



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### WORD SCRAMBLE Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to men's health. CRENCA Answer: Cancer

### Guess Who?

I am a musician born in New Jersey on November 5, 1987. I am part of a successful trio of brothers who burst on the scene after making an appearance on "Hannah Montana." I play lead guitar for the band, which still produces hits today.

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Answer: Kevin Jonas

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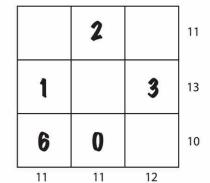


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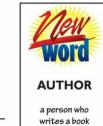
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#### **Get Scrambled** Unscramble the words to

determine the phrase.

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Can you guess what the bigger picture is? ANSWER: BOOK

**MEN'S HEALTH WORD SEARCH** 

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#### Rescuing a lost cause

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Assume you're declarer at four hearts and West leads the jack of spades. There seems to be nothing to the play, but when you win the spade with dummy's queen and lead a trump to your queen, East shows out, and you discover that the 10 "sure" tricks you started with are not nearly as certain as you thought they were.

Let's say you next cash the A-K of spades, discarding a diamond from dummy, and then, with fingers crossed, play the A-K-Q of t will f But West ruffs the third club and shifts to a diamond, and you go down one.

You might lament that you were extremely unlucky to run into a 5-0 trump split as well as a 5-2 club division, but when you think about it a bit more, you realize that you could — and should — have made the contract.

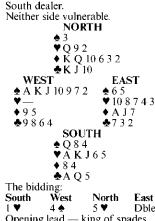
Instead of discarding a diamond from dummy when you cashed the A-K of spades, you should have discarded the queen of clubs! You could then play dummy's A-K of clubs, lead a low trump to your ten and play the ten of clubs, ruffing it with dummy's king if necessary. This sequence of plays would have yielded your 10th trick.

Actually, there's nothing fancy about this play — it just looks fancy. It cannot cost you a trick to discard the queen of clubs, and at the same time it significantly increases your chances of making the contract. Indeed, had the queen of clubs been the deuce of clubs, you would surely have adopted this approach and easily made the con-

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### Famous Hand



Opening lead — king of spades.

This deal was played many years ago by Ralph Hirschberg, one of the top players of his era. If you enjoy challenging problems, try to figure out how he made five hearts doubled on this layout after the lead of the spade king, a diamond shift to the queen and ace, and a spade return by East, ruffed in dummy with the deuce.

Hirschberg reasoned that East had to have all five missing trumps for his double of five hearts. The problem was how to do East out of his seemingly certain trump trick.

He began by leading dummy's nine of hearts. East was forced to cover with the ten to protect his trump holding, and Hirschberg won with the jack. He then led a diamond to the king, ruffed a diamond and cashed the A-Q-K of clubs to produce this position: North

Camila

♦ 10 6 3 West East **♥**8743 Immaterial South **Q** ♥AK6

A diamond was now led from dummy. East could not afford to ruff with the three since South would overruff with the six, trump his spade loser with the queen and score the last two tricks with the A-K of trump.
So East ruffed the diamond with

the seven, and Hirschberg overruffed with the king. When the queen of spades was next ruffed in dummy, East was forced to underruff with the three.

This left East with the 8-4 of hearts in front of declarer's A-6, and when a diamond was led from dummy, East's apparently invincible trump trick went up in smoke.

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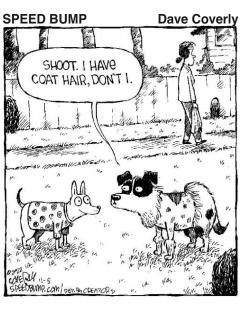
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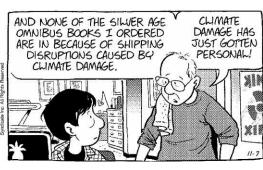


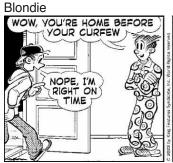
























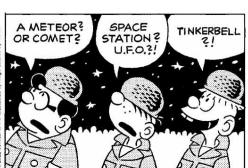


















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#### 90 SALE CALENDAR

LIVE AND ONLINE **PUBLIC AUCTION** Located 806 E Votaw

St., Portland, IN Bubp Building at Jay Co. Fairgrounds. Saturday November 5th, 2022

10 A.M. Howdy Doody Marionette, Ideal Roy Rogers Chuck Wagon, 1940's Disney Daisy Duck & Mickey lamps, Marx Lone Ranger target set, Camel Cigarette tin dealer display & collectibles, Marx Infantry Toy Soldiers, Peter Max signed Peace by the

Year 2000 artwork with doodle, tin litho mechanical & wind up toys (Japan & Germany), Marx Coca-Cola 1930's steel pressed truck, 1930's Coca-Cola adver-

tising displays, Coca-Cola collectibles. Mason's Root Beer thermometer, Squirt salt & pepper shakers, Seven Up menu board, Coca-Cola porcelain sign, U.S postage stamp coin op machine, paper mache Planters Peanut, bicycle license plates & much

more... Grube Auctioneering, LLC Adrian Grube AU11500034 419-305-9202

**PUBLIC AUCTION** Located 105 Boundary Pike

Portland, IN Saturday morning NOVEMBER 5, 2022 10:00 A.M. REAL ESTATE

11AM PERSONAL PROPER-TY 1 1/2 story home built in 1939. Home has 4 bedrooms, 2 full bathrooms, a basement, and 2700

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#### 90 SALE CALENDAR

tral air, gas water heater, and a 2 car detached

garage HOUSEHOLD GOODS-OLD & COL-LECTORS ITEMS GE refrigerator; GE stack washer & dryer; Lazy Boy rocker/recliner; Oak table with 4 chairs; Mobility Plate flatware in

case: Ancestral china, Wedding Band pattern; Premium cracker tin; Fostoria: Bronze statues; Brass statues; jewelry; Pennville Mill thermometer; Modern Mold stove; Coke cooler;

Machinists tool boxes; and many other items not listed. For more information or

private showing contact: LOY REAL ESTATE & AUCTION 260-726-2700 or GARY LOY AUC-TIONEER 260-726-5160.

Personal Property to be sold at 333 Blaine Pike (former DAV Building) beginning at 11:00 A.M. following the real estate. WYRICK ESTATE SALE Loy Auction AC#31600027

Auctioneers Gary Loy AU01031608 Ben Lyons AU10700085 Travis Theurer AU11200131

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The sealed bids will be opened in the Commissioners Room in the Jay County Courthouse on November 28, 2022 at 9:05am and continuing until completed. The sealed bids should be received at the Jay County Survevor's Office no later than 9:00am on November 28, 2022. - Jay County Surveyor's Office 120 North Court Street

Portland, IN 47371

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Sincerely. Bradley A. Daniels Jay County Surveyor CR 11-5,15-2022 HSPAXLP

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**260 PUBLIC AUCTION** 

### PUBLIC AUCTION

LOCATION: 214 East Arch St. Portland In

#### **NOVEMBER 12, 2022**

10:00 A.M.

REAL ESTATE

3 Bedroom, 2 full bath, 2 story home containing 1773 sq. ft. of finished living area. Privacy fence, detached 22x22 ft. garage. Street and alley access. Open house is Sunday October 30th from 1-3pm or for private showing phone auctioneers.

ANTIQUES-FURNITURE-APPLIANCES

Glass door display cabinet, 2 door China cabinet, oak rocking chair, oak 3 drawer dresser, Childs roll top desk, antique blower, antique roller, Cuckoo clock, wall clock, kerosene lanterns, spinning wheel, crock butter churn,6 and 4 gal crocks, galvanized wash tub, 5 gal milk can, mirror with ornate frame, carved ornate lamp, weaving and loom supplies, library table, Japanese sword, primitive décor, granite cookware, corner cabinet, queen sz bed complete, full sz bed complete, rocker recliner, Samsung 42" flat screen T.V., Simplicity serge mate 4350D, Shark vacuum, Ninja air fryer, 2 pressure cookers, small kitchen appliances, large lot of animal figurines (bulldogs), large lot of craft supplies, lamps, mirrors, wall décor, 4 drawer filing cabinet, Kenmore upright freezer (nice), Kenmore washer and dryer.

#### SHOP-GARAGE-OUTDOOR

Wen 40 gal air compressor, bench model drill press, 10" table saw, 15 psi pressure washer, Dewalt and Makita battery and power tools, power miter saw, electric push mower, tool cart, shop vac, roll away tool box, sockets, wrenches, garage tools, 3 quarter in drive socket set, Central scroll saw, 6ft aluminum step ladder, 20ft aluminum ext. ladder, child's cart, kerosene heater, 10x10 pop up canopy, rabbit cages. pet cages, tomato cages, live traps, 2x2 lumber, recurve bow.

NOTE: Check Auctionsoft and AuctionZip for more photos. High quality clean auction.

TERMS ON REAL ESTATE: Cash with 10% down day of the auction and balance at closing. Closing to be 30-45 days. Sale not subject to buyer obtaining financing. Please make financial arrangements prior to auction.

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**260 PUBLIC AUCTION** 

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#### NOVEMBER 19, 2022

10 A.M.

**REAL ESTATE** 

3 bedroom, 2 bathroom ranch style home containing 1,704 sq. ft. of finished living area. 24'x24' attached garage. 24'x22' attached work area. 32'x42' pole building. 28'x32' shop, above ground pool, Nicely situated on 2.5 acres. Open house will take place on November 6th from 1-3pm. or for private showing phone auctioneers.

#### TRACTOR-MOTOR HOME-CAMPERS-VAN-MOWERS

ITC model UC25HD compact tractor with hydraulic loader and back hoe attachment (53 actual hours), 1992 Ford E350 Airex motor home (low miles), Dutchmen 26' tandem axel bumper pull camper, Trophy 21' bumper pull camper, 1988 Ford Econoline 150 van, 1976 Yamaha 350 motorcycle, Polaris magnum 2x4 ATV, front tine tiller, antique Lawn King 8 garden tractor 34' cut, Troy Bilt and Huskee 16h garden tractors with 42' cut, Craftsmen 15.5hp with 40' cut, push mowers, 300 gal. oil tank with filter, pump, and reel, 300 gal. waste oil tank, roll away tool box, 3,000 psi pressure washer, battery powered tools, wrench, sockets, and hand tools, lawn and garden tools, battery powered weed eater, wheel barrow, shop-vac, roll away shop bench, tool cart, bicycles, (10) 220 volt commercial lights.

#### ANTIQUES-APPLIANCES- HOUSEHOLD

Texaco and Tonka toy trucks, Valvoline road signs, large Valvoline plastic sign, large lighted sign with letters, 3 coin operated candy machines, Coca-Cola cooler, child's sled, Remington manual typewriter, Singer sewing machine, wood burning cooking stove, porcelain pans, cast iron patio base, metal lawn chair, old camping stove, old gas cans, highchair, Whirlpool refrigerator, Hotpoint washer/dryer, small kitchen appliances, pedestal fans, (2) 10.000 btu air conditioners, computer system, PA Starck Spinet piano with bench, swivel rocker recliners, futon, Broyhill entertainment center, end tables, baby bed, 2 pc dresser set, Christmas décor, large lot of shelving, tables, and glass front showcases, metal and wood utility cabinets, 2 and 4 drawer filing cabinets, wood stove, Polly garden cart, lawn chairs, Kirby sweeper, luggage rack.

NOTE: Check Auctionsoft and AuctionZip for more photos. High quality clean auction.

TERMS ON REAL ESTATE: CASH with 10% non refundable deposit day of the auction and balance upon closing.

> TERMS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY: CASH - GOOD CHECK - CREDIT CARD

> OWNERS: STROHL ESTATE

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SHAWVER AUCTIONEERING AND REAL ESTATE - AC31800004 **AUCTIONEERS** Pete D. Shawver Zane Shawver Lic# AU19700040 Lic# AU10500168 260-726-5587 260-729-2229

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### **PUBLIC AUCTION**

Located at 3976 W SR 28 Ridgeville Indiana on Sunday Afternoon

**NOVEMBER 13, 2022** 

#### OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS - HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Sellers cabinet with bin; Pine cabinet with glass doors; wood rocker; drying rack; hall tree; cabinet top; wood flower stand; Yazee scooter; metal glider; metal lawn chairs; metal lawn chair glider; wood table with 4 chairs; GE refrigerator; GE electric range; Whirlpool gas stove; Frigidaire and Amana small chest type freezers; lift chair; rocker/recliner; roll top desk; dropleaf table; 5 drawer chest; dresser with mirror; showcase; Oak dresser; Oak stand; small curio cabinet; Oak commode; plant stand; parlor lamp; sewing cabinet; display cabinet; 3 pc. bedroom suit; floor lamps; VHS player; hide-a-bed; lamps; card table and chairs; VHS/DVD player; Rocket rechargeable sweeper; pictures; carpet cleaner; red wagons; rinse tubs; wood Pepsi case; Western paperback books; crock bowls; cast iron wagon and horse hitch; cider press; coal hod; egg basket; milk boxes; canning jars; apple crates and hampers; 7 qt. dutch oven; OT Finch thermometer; stilliards; stainless milk pails; oil lamps; lanterns; flour sifters; meat saws; crocks; Green Fire King; Carnival pitcher, tumblers, and carrier; Strawberry and Cream dishes, service for 8; Lusterware canister; Carnival Glass; Pyrex 4 pc bowl set; Occupied Japan; Pfaltzgraff; Hull; USA; old dishes; figurines; pictures; bedding; kerosene heater; picnic basket; Corning; baking dishes; pie pans; wheelchair; walker; utensils; glass cannister set; Sunbeam microwave; Oster broiler oven;

#### TRACTOR - MOWER - TOOLS

cookware; pressure cooker; puzzles; crock pots; fan; and other items not listed.

Farmall Super M narrow front gas tractor with loader, # L512183; Country Clipper Wrangler 22 hp – 41" zero turn mower; MTD Gold 19 ½ hp – 36" zero turn mower; Troy Bilt 20 hp riding lawn mower with 46" deck; MTD 5 hp rear tine tiller; Stihl MS290 chain saw; Troy Bilt 5 hp Bronco tiller; old fuel oil furnace; fuel oil tank with approximately 100 gallons of fuel oil; Stihl FS56FC weed eater; 110V power washer; Coleman 5 hp air compressor; Central Machinery 12 speed drill press; Tool Shop 10" compound miter saw; Miller Madic 130 wire feed welder; Extreme 3500 watt electric start generator; Viper E43 gas hole auger; Reddy Heater 55,000 BTU; Dura Heat 80,000 BTU; Cornwell metal tool cabinet; Hobart Stick Mate LX welder; Garden cultivator; planter; live traps; wheelbarrow; portable cement mixer; pull type lawn sprayer; 2' lawn roller; shovels; rakes; overhead gas tank; vise; log chains; 15 amp battery charger; pipe wrenches; metal work bench; Craftsman ½" drill; air impacts; screwdrivers; wrenches; saws; angle grinder; furniture clamps; car raps; reamers; tap & die sets; C clamps; sockets; chisels; punches; blow torch; fans; router; wood planes; oil cans; Craftsman inline screwdriver; Craftsman ¾ hp grinder; aluminum ladder; ½ T chain pull; jacks; floor jack; and many other items not

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Weldon was 96 years old and recently passed away. This auction offers a nice variety of items and this is only a partial listing of the items to be sold. Please note that we will be running 2 rings.

#### WELDON HOOVER, Deceased

By Jon Hoover and Randy Hoover LOY AUCTION AC#31600027 **AUCTIONEERS** 

Gary Loy AU 01031608 Ben Lyons AU 10700085 Travis Theurer AU 11200131

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Woodlan

Winchester

Northeastern

Fort Recovery

New Castle

Yorktown

Concordia

Bluffton

Delta

South Adams

Muncie Central

Adams Central

**Pendleton Heights** 

**ACAC Tournament** 

Southern Wells

Richmond

Heritage

South Side (FW)

**Hamilton Heights** 



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### Phillips signs

Former Portland resident Hannah Phillips, who now lives in Hartford, Alabama, recently signed to play college softball at Enterprise State Community College. Phillips, a pitcher for Wiregrass High School in Dothan, Alabama, is pictured with her trainer Tray Lacey.

Continued from page 10 The rest of the Patriots' starting five projects to feature senior Gabi Bilbrey and juniors Sophie Saxman, Breanna Dirksen and Muhlenkamp. Molly Mabrey McIntire, who transferred from Winchester last year but missed most of the season with a knee injury, will be the first player off the bench. Junior Bella Denton is also expected to see varsity min-

That group will need to provide scoring support for Schwieterman after JCHS lost Dirksen (11.5 points per game) and Izzy Rodgers (9.2) to graduation. The next two best scorers last season were Bilbrey (5.9) and Saxman (5.1). No one else scored more than three points per game.

"I think on different nights it could be different people, but Gabi Bilbrey has really been doing well, said Comer. She is the top returning rebounder after grabbing 6.3 boards per game as a junior. "She had a great summer. She's carried it over into the fall here.

"She's so strong. And she's really matured ... She really finishes inside now. She's playing with a lot more confidence. From her freshman year to today, it's like night and day."

"I think consistently our top six players are going to be pretty balanced as far as scoring other than Renna. It could be any of them that's our second scorer."

Comer, who enters the season 15 wins away from becoming the 24th coach in Indiana history to reach 400, said his team will con-

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Home games in bold

Friday, Dec. 9

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Friday, Nov. 25

defense. "We are gonna look to run," he said. "We're gonna be at our best when we're running. But we're going to hopefully create that off our half-court defense, not our full-court."

The Patriots will get an almost immediate look at how they stack up against its top sectional rival as it hosts No. 5 Hamilton Heights on Nov. 12. The Huskies are the two-time defending sectional champions and have ended Jav County's season in three of the last five-years, including in overtime in the opening round in February.

The only other team on the JCHS schedule that is currently ranked in the top 10 is Class 2A No. 2 Winchester. It comes in the

tinue to use its Zorro midst of a run of four straight home games to close out November before the team plays seven of nine on the road heading into the Allen County Athletic Conference Tournament. (The Patriots are the

> defending champions.) Comer said he believes the team is prepped for another strong season after winning 39 games over the previous two years.

> "I really like this team," he said. "They work extremely hard. They're really fun to coach. The chemistry's really good. They get along really good on and off the floor. They're gonna be really exciting to watch. ... If I could pick the way I want a team to play, this is that team."

They're hopeful it will all lead to a sectional trophy.

## Crowded

Continued from page 5 foundation to ensure that children receive the best education possible. As a school board member, I want to connect with the community to ensure that we use available resources wisely, welcome feedback, and be consistent in our decisions. I would work to find the right balance to maintain a fiscally respon-

**Kloer:** The board's goals right places to ensure our have provided a strong children have a safe and effective learning environ-

Vormohr: We need to provide as many options as possible for our students. We live in a rural area where many of our kids will not be heading to college. We should encourage a wide variety of alternatives. It is the school board's task to listen to the sible budget while also proneeds of the parents and viding our students with the public and then and appealing to all stu-cessful no matter what

ble. We must invest in the those ideas into the curriculum. As a school board member, I would be willing to listen to and cooperate with parents and board members alike so that we able to maintain and/or improve our existing quality of education.

> Why should residents of Jay County vote for you?

**Bricker:** I would like for Jay County to vote for me so I can work hard to make

Foreman: I have six open and transparent and grandchildren that are attending or will attend school at Jay County. As a school board member, I will do my best to ensure that my grandchildren and all students at Jay County will receive the very best education and support we can provide.

**Kloer:** I am running for Jay County School board because I want to serve my community and help our Jay School safe, efficient students grow to be suc-

welcome feedback and advice from parents, students, and all community members. I understand the importance of the issues brought before the school board and the weight and impact of those decisions. I believe in fiscal responsibility and am willing to make the tough decisions to keep our schools properly funded and successful.

**Vormohr:** I am passionate about our youth and education. I graduated

past 30 years, I have had five of my own kids (one adopted from Cambodia, one with special needs) and two exchange students enrolled in our schools. I have worked as a teacher and coach. One thing I am certain of is that all kids are the same. They want to be loved, respected and included. Our teachers do a fantastic job of providing those needs. I wish to become involved with the school board in hopes that we, as a community, will

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TRACT 1 - 76.84 acres with 67.39 tillable acres, 9.1 acres of woods, and .35 acre of roadway. This tract is very level with Blount-Glynwood, Glynwood and Pewamo soils.

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TRACT 2 - 129.59 acres with 127.57 tillable acres, 1.50 acres of woods, and .52 acre of roadway. This tract is very level with Blount-Glynwood, Pewamo and Glynwood soils.

TRÁCT 3 - 206.43 ACRES (Tracts 1 and 2 combined). This farm can be farmed

in one field FOR MORE INFORMA-TION CONTACT: Loy Real Estate 260-726-2700 or Gary Loy Auctioneer 260-726-5160. JOHN RIGBY REVOCA-

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bow OWNER: BRENDA GIB-SON ESTATE **Shawver Auctioneering** and Real Estate AC31800004 **AUCTIONEERS** Pete D. Shawver AU19700040 260-726-5587

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Kirby sweeper, luggage rack. OWNERS: STROHL **ESTATE** Shawver Auctioneering and Real Estate

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**PUBLIC AUCTION** Located: 564 West 100 North Portland In, 47371 November 5, 2022

10 A.M. TRACTOR-EQUIPT-**MENT-SHOP TOOLS** Ford 5000 dsl tractor with 4687 hrs and hydraulic loader, 3 pt. 7 ft rotary mower, 3.6 chisel plow, 3 pt. post hole auger, Snap-on 2000 psi pressure washer. ANTIQUES-FURNI-**TURE-MISC** 

1,2, and 3 gal crocs and

jugs, ammo boxes,

metal and wood pullies,

#### 90 SALE CALENDAR

meat grinder, garden plow, 4 burner camping stove with oven, pots, pans, cooking utensils, canning jars, new wine bottles, several items not mentioned.

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# It's time

Patriots focused on taking the next step with sights on first sectional championship since 2006

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review It's been 17 seasons since the Patriots have won a sec-

tional title. They've had 14 winning seasons since then. But they haven't been able to come reclaim tournament

glory. Coach Kirk Comer's feeling? It's time.

The Jay County High School girls basketball team, ranked No. 4 in the Class 3A preseason poll, will open Tuesday with an Election Night trip to Fort Wayne to take on the South Side Archers, starting a campaign it hopes will end with a sectional trophy.

"Success for this team is the same as it's been for every season, and that is playing our best basketball at the end of the season. And saying that, it's time that we take the next step, said Comer, who was in his first stint leading the team when it defeated Elwood 54-43 at Mississinewa to claim its last sectional crown. 'We are a top-10 program, have been ...

"Unfortunately for us we've been in the same sectional with some really good teams over the years. But it's time for us to take the next step.'

Senior Renna Schwieterman returns to try to lead the Patriots to that next step having already established herself as one of the top players in school histo-

She became just the fourth player in the history of the JCHS girls program Dec. 27 against Yorktown.



Pictured is the 2022-23 Jay County High School girls basketball team. Pictured, front row from left, are Sophie Saxman, Mollie Muhlenkamp, Renna Schwieterman, Gabi Bilbrey and Breanna Dirksen. Back row are Cash Hollowell, Danielle May, Bella Denton, Meredith Dirksen, Cassie Petro and Mabrey McIntire. The Patriots are ranked fourth in the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association Class 3A preseason poll.

to hit the 1,000-point mark last season. With 1,222 points, she is 236 behind the school's all-time scoring record of 1,458. If she were to match her 2021-22 pace of 18.3 points per game, she would break the record

an IndyStar Indiana girls Junior All-Star this summer and has signed to play at Purdue-Fort Wayne in college, also led the Patriots with 4.5 assists and 2.4 steals per game last season. She also averaged 5.8 really well.

Schwieterman, who was rebounds per game last season and shot 42% from 3point range.

"I think she's matured every year as a player," said Comer. "She's become better off the dribble. She involves her teammates

to attract probably a lot of double teams. We're going to have to be able to find the open man. She's done a really good job of that this summer.

"She's just a great go.' leader. She can post up.

"This year she's going She can run the point. She can run the two guard for us. She's our best 3-point shooter. She's just an all-around athlete. A lot of times, the way Renna goes is the way we

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## lay stays in Sectional 24

Most of the Patriots' sectional rivals will remain the same.

Jay County High School's baseball and softball teams retained many of the same sectional opponents as the IHSAA announced sectional assignments Friday.

Sectional assignments in other sports were announced in the spring.

The Patriot baseball team will remain in Class 3A Sectional 24 along with Yorktown, New Castle and Delta. Centerville will be new to the group, replacing the departing Hamilton Heights and Guerin Catholic.

Group for baseball, softball still includes Yorktown, Delta and New Castle

Jay County's softball team returns of Guerin Catholic and Hamilton to Class 3A Sectional 24 along with

New Castle, Delta and Yortkwon. ville and Mississinewa, also in place spring.

Tournament host sites in both Joining the group will be Center- sports will be announced in the

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#### Local schedule

Fort Recovery — Cross country state finals at Fortress Obetz - 11 a.m.

Jay County — Girls basketball at Fort Wayne South Side - 6 p.m.

TV sports Today 11 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League -

Fulham at Manchester (USA) 11:30 a.m. — College football: Air Force at Army (CBS) Noon — College football: Ohio State

at Northwestern (ABC); Florida at Texas A&M (ESPN); Minnesota at Nebraska (ESPN2); Maryland at Wisconsin (BTN) Texas Tech at TCU (FOX); Iowa at Purdue

1:30 p.m. — Soccer: Premier League – Leicester City at Everton (NBC)

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nessee at Georgia (CBS); Oregon at Colorado (ESPN); Penn State at Indiana (ABC); Central Florida at Memphis (ESPN2); Michigan State at Illinois (BTN);

Oklahoma State at Kansas (FS1) 4 p.m. — Major League Soccer: MLS Cup 2022 — Philadelphia Union at Los Angeles FC (FOX)

6 p.m. — Autor racing: NASCAR Xfinity Series – Championship Race Phoenix (USA)

College football: Alabama at 7 p.m.

LSU (ESPN); Texas at Kansas State (FS1); Clemson at Notre Dame (NBC) 7:30 p.m. — College football: Clemson at Notre Dame (NBC); Auburn at Mis-

sissippi State (ESPN2); Florida State at Miami (ABC); Michigan at Rutgers (BTN) 8:03 p.m. — Major League Baseball: World Series – Philadelphia Phillies at Houston Astros (FOX)

9:30 p.m. — College football: UCLA at Arizona State (FS1)

*Left to Right:* 

10:30 p.m. — College football: Cali-

fornia at USC (ESPN) **Sunday** 7 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League

Arsenal at Chelsea (USA) 9 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League Crystal Palace at West Ham United (USA) 1 p.m. — NFL football: Indianapolis
Colts at New England Patriots (CBS); Green Bay Packers at Detroit Lions (FOX) 1 p.m. — Canadian Football League Montreal Alouettes at Hamilton Tiger-Cats

 Auto racing: NASCAR Cup Series - Championship (NBC)

(ESPN2)

4 p.m. — NFL football: Los Angeles Rams at Tampa Bay Buccaneers (CBS) 4:30 p.m. — Canadian Football League: BC Lions at Calgary Stampeders

(ESPN2) 5 p.m. — NHL hockey: Toronto Maple

Leafs at Carolina Hurricanes (ESPN)
7:30 p.m. — Soccer: USL League
One – Tormenta at Chattanooga (ESPN2) 8:03 p.m. — Major League Baseball: World Series – Philadelphia Phillies at

Houston Astros (FOX) 8:15 p.m. - NFL football: Tennessee Titans at Kansas City Chiefs (NBC) 8:30 p.m. — USL Championship: Col-

orado Springs at San Antonio (ESPN2)

#### Monday

7:45 p.m. — NBA basketball: New Orleans Pelicans at Indiana Pacers (Bally 8:15 p.m. — NFL football: Baltimore

Ravens at New Orleans Saints (ESPN)

#### Tuesday

2:30 p.m. — Soccer: Bundesliga -Werder Bremen at Bayern Munchen

(ESPN2) College football: Ohio at Miami (Ohio) (ESPN2)

7:30 p.m. — NHL hockey: Edomonton Oilers at Tampa Bay Lightning (TNT) College football: Ball State

at Toledo (ESPN)

10 p.m. — NHL hockey: Nashville
Predators at Seattle Kraken (TNT)

#### Local notes

Wrestling registration set A sign-up session is scheduled for kindergarten through second graders who would like to be part of Jay County

The club's Little Patriots Program is for those in kindergarten through second grade and focuses on wrestling basics.

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Danyelle Bland, Josh Dowlen

(center) and Destiny McManus.

Wrestling Club.

The registration fee is \$80.  $\bar{\text{Sign}}$  ups will be at 6 p.m. Nov. 22 and