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Spirit survives

Concert features music of World War II prisoners

By RAY COONEY
The Commercial Review

James Simon, Pavel Haas and Erwin Schulhoff were all imprisoned in the small Czech town of Terezin.

Szymon Laks was held in Auschwitz-Birkenau.

The oppression of World War II and the Holocaust could not silence their music.

Their spirit will be shared at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday when Galit Gertsenzon, George Wolfe and David Rezits perform "Forbidden Music: Compositions by Imprisoned or Banned Composers during the Holocaust" at Arts Place in Portland.

"It's a testimony, in part. It's a commemoration," said Gertsenzon, an adjunct instructor at Ball State University. "It brings us the music of people who, if they hadn't died in those circumstances, the sound of music in the 20th century could be different than what it is. ... For me, it's important to commemorate their lives through music and it's important for me to share this beauty.

"If there is a mission for me in this life, professionally, it's to have as many people know about this music and appreciate how beautiful it is."

Gertsenzon is a pianist who has performed all over the world, including in Israel, Italy, Germany and the Czech Republic. She holds a doctorate of musical arts in piano performance from the University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music.

Wolfe is a saxophonist and professor emeritus at BSU who was the former director of the college's Center for Peace and



Photo provided

Saxophonist George Wolfe, pianist Galit Gertsenzon and cellist David Rezits will perform "Forbidden Music: Compositions by Imprisoned or Banned Composers during the Holocaust" at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Hall-Moser Theatre at the Jay County Campus of Arts Place. Tickets are available at myartsplace.org, by calling (260) 726-4809 and at Arts Place, 131 E. Walnut St., Portland.

Conflict Studies. Rezits, a cellist, has performed with Fort Wayne Philharmonic since 1991.

Wednesday's concert serves as a way to connect to the past.

"The collaboration with George and David has been something that has been built over the years," said Gertsenzon, who has performed at Carnegie Hall. "And it just got to the point where we have accumulated so much music that we played together that we thought that would be a nice introduction of a time in history through those musical pieces."

The concert — tickets are available at Arts Place, 131 E. Walnut St., Portland, by phone at (260) 726-4809 or online at myartsplace.org. — will include Schulhoff's "Hot Sonata: I," Simon's "Ceremonial Order on February 3rd, 1940," Laks' "Allegro Energico" and Haas' "Suite for Oboe and Piano Op.17: Moderato."

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Driver faces a murder charge

Motorist struck, killed Indiana state police trooper

The Tribune-Star
(Terre Haute)
Tribune News Service

Charges including murder have been filed against the motorist accused of striking and killing an Indiana state trooper March 3 as the man fled from police.

Terry D. Sands II, 42, of Marion, is charged with murder, felony resisting law enforcement, felony operating with a controlled substance resulting in death, and misdemeanor resisting law enforcement. DeKalb County Prosecutor Neal Blythe announced the charges Thursday.

Killed was Indiana State Police Master Trooper James Bailey, 50, of Auburn.

The prosecutor said he will seek a sentence of life without parole for Sands.

A hospital blood draw from Sands showed the presence of marijuana, a probable cause affidavit said.

DeKalb Superior Court Judge Adam Squiller entered a preliminary plea of not guilty on Sands' behalf and ordered Sands held without bond.

Sands said he intends to hire an attorney to represent him in the case.

Bailey's funeral will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at Garrett High School with burial to follow at Calvary Cemetery in Garrett. Visitation will be held 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at County Line Church of God in Auburn.

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Shooting leaves 8 dead

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Tribune News Service

HAMBURG, Germany — The perpetrator of the deadly shooting at a Jehovah's Witnesses building in the north German city of Hamburg was a former member of the religious community, police revealed on Friday, adding that he had a valid gun permit for the murder weapon.

As police investigations at the crime scene continued, Hamburg's Senator of the Interior Andy Grote in a press conference described the killings as "the worst crime in the recent history of our city."

The attacker was named by police and prosecutors as a 35-year-old German citizen, Philipp F.

He had left the community voluntarily a year and a half ago, according to officials at a press conference on Friday.

Police said those killed by the shooter on Thursday evening were four men, two women and an unborn child. The mother, who survived but was severely injured, was 28 weeks pregnant. The victims were between 33 and 60 years old.

Attacker was a former member of community at Jehovah's Witnesses building

Another eight people were injured, four of them severely, police said.

The rampage took place on Thursday evening in a Jehovah's Witnesses community building in the northern Groß Borstel district of Hamburg.

The perpetrator shot himself after the police entered the building, according to the authorities. His motive remains unclear.

Grote said police had "very likely" saved lives with their "fast and decisive" action. "A crime of this dimension - we have never seen it before," he said.

The perpetrator was a sports shooter who had been in possession of a gun permit since December last year, police chief

Ralf Martin Meyer said during the press conference.

"Since December 12, he had thus been in legal possession of a semi-automatic pistol." This, he said, was the murder weapon.

The 35-year-old fired many shots on Thursday evening. "In total, he fired nine magazines of 15 bullets each," said top Hamburg security official Thomas Radszuweit.

More ammunition was found at his home, said chief prosecutor Ralf Peter Anders. A laptop and smartphones were seized during the raid overnight, just hours after shooting.

German Chancellor Olaf Scholz said he was "stunned in the face of this violence."

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Frozen finale

Junior Joscie LeFevre closed the Fort Recovery Local Schools choral department's Cabaret 2023 concert Sunday with a performance of "Let it Go" from "Frozen." She played Elsa in the school's production of "Frozen Jr." the previous weekend but was unable to sing for most of the performances because of a case of laryngitis.

Deaths

Robert Freemyer, 92, Fort Recovery
Carl Austin Jr., 33, Indianapolis
Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 50 degrees Thursday. The low was 30.

Tonight's forecast calls for a low of 23 with winds up to 20 miles per hour. Skies will be partly sunny Saturday with a high of 39. Highs will be in the 30s through Tuesday.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Jay County Solid Waste Management District will have recycling trailers available Saturday. Trailers will be open from 9 a.m. to noon in the shopping center at 220 Lincoln St., Portland, and Dunkirk City Park.

Coming up

Saturday — Results from tonight's junior high ACAC swim meet.

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



Obituaries

Robert Freemyer

July 5, 1930-March 7, 2023
Robert "Bob" L. Freemyer, 92, of Fort Recovery, Ohio, passed away on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at Persimmon Ridge Rehab Center in Portland, Indiana.

He was born on July 5, 1930, in Jay County, Indiana, to the late Floyd and Alta (Leonhard) Freemyer.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his siblings, Onnalea Berry and Glenn Freemyer.

Bob is survived by his niece, Jane (Richard) Wright of Sturgis, Michigan; and his nephews, Tom (Susan) Berry of Angola, Indiana, and Dennis (Dori) Freemyer of Terrell, North Carolina.

Bob was a 1948 graduate of Fort Recovery High School. He continued his education at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, where he received his bachelor's degree. Bob then received his master's degree from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Bob worked for Jay Schools as a math teacher for 36 years. He also served his country honorably in the United States Army.

Bob loved his community and was active throughout his life in many organizations, such as Fort Recovery Historical Society, Fort Recovery Chamber of Com-



Freemyer

merce, Portland Breakfast Opti-mist Club, where he was a life member, the Indiana Retired Teachers Association, Jay County Retired Teachers Association and National Teachers Association, where he was a life member. Bob was also a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Fort Recovery.

He was also a member of the Fort Recovery Masonic Lodge 539, the Jay County Masonic Lodge 87, Order of Eastern Star Chapter 81, the Scottish Rite, Valley of Fort Wayne and the Valley of Dayton, a 32nd Degree Mason and the Mizpah Shrine Temple of Fort Wayne.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 13, 2023, at Trinity Luther-

an Church, Fort Recovery, with Pastors Robin Owen, Paul Young, Doug Meyer and Don Pletcher officiating. Burial will follow in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Guests may visit with Bob's family on Sunday, March 12, 2023, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Brockman Boeckman Funeral Home, Fort Recovery, and again on Monday from 10 to 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, Fort Recovery. A Masonic Service will be held on Sunday at 5 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Trinity Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 603, Fort Recovery, OH 45846, or the Shriners Hospitals for Children, P.O. Box 947765, Atlanta, GA 30394.

Condolences may be shared with the family by visiting brockmanboeckmanfh.com.

Carl Austin Jr., aka Junior, Indianapolis, a relative of Portland residents, Sept. 25, 1989-March 2, 2023. Graveside services will be 2 p.m. today at Antioch Cemetery, Portland.

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.

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Saturday 3/11	Sunday 3/12	Monday 3/13	Tuesday 3/14	Wednesday 3/15
39/29	41/27	38/22	36/21	46/34
Saturday's forecast shows partly sunny skies with a 50% chance of snow showers late.	There's a 40% chance of snow Sunday. Skies will be cloudy with a high of 41.	Monday has a slight chance of snow. Otherwise, mostly cloudy with a low of 22.	Mostly sunny, with highs in the mid to upper 30s and lows in the lower 20s.	Wednesday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies with a chance of showers at night.

Lotteries

Powerball Estimated jackpot: \$45 million	11-13-21-22-24-36-38-39-54-59-61-62-66-76-77 Cash 5: 2-13-25-36-40 Estimated jackpot: \$120,000
Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$203 million	Ohio Midday Pick 3: 5-7-4 Pick 4: 2-0-2-8 Pick 5: 0-8-3-6-2 Evening Pick 3: 4-3-5 Pick 4: 0-2-5-1 Pick 5: 6-7-4-9-0 Rolling Cash: 2-3-22-29-36 Estimated jackpot: \$140,000
Hoosier Midday Daily Three: 9-9-3 Daily Four: 4-8-3-8 Quick Draw: 3-4-17-18-21-35-37-39-40-41-42-46-51-57-58-65-72-74-76-78 Evening Daily Three: 6-6-2 Daily Four: 4-4-2-5 Quick Draw: 4-5-8-9-10	

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery Corn.....6.26 April corn.....6.27 Wheat.....6.50	Wheat.....6.16 July wheat.....6.61
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The Andersons Richland Township Corn.....6.14 April corn.....6.14 Beans.....14.92 April beans.....14.92	Heartland St. Anthony Corn.....5.89 April corn.....5.89 Beans.....14.78 April beans.....14.78 Wheat.....6.20

Today in history

In 1845, Hallie Quinn Brown was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Brown became an elocutionist, educator, author and political activist, serving as one of the notable Black leaders during the period of Reconstruction.

In 1876, Alexander Graham Bell made the first telephone call to his assistant, Thomas A. Watson, saying the words, "Mr. Watson, come here — I want to see you."

In 1933, the first concentration camp opened in Dachau, Germany, shortly after Adolf Hitler's rise to chancellor. Over the course of its lifetime, more than 32,000 people died at the camp.

In 1987, the Vatican condemned surrogacy, in vitro fertilization and artificial insemination. —The CR

Citizen's calendar

Today
2:30 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners special meeting, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.

Monday
9 a.m. — Jay County Commissioners, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.
4 p.m. — Jay County Public Library Board, community room, 315 N. Ship St., Portland.
4 p.m. — Jay County Public Library Board, executive session, community room, 315 N. Meridian St., Portland.

Tuesday
5:30 p.m. — Portland Board of Zoning Appeals, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.

Wednesday
11 a.m. — Jay County Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St.

Thursday
7 p.m. — Dunkirk City Council executive session, city building, 131 S. Main St.

Friday
11 a.m. — Jay County Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St.

Saturday
10 a.m. — Jay County Board of Works, city building, 131 S. Main St.

Spirit ...

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Gertsenzon is also working on several solo pieces for the performance.

And Rezits and Gertsenzon will collaborate on Ernest Bloch's "Prayer," which they felt would be a benefit to the audience. Bloch wrote the piece "to capture the complex, ardent Jewish spirit and soul."

Terezin, where most of the composers featured crossed paths, was a ghetto and concentration camp. Like at many other such camps, prisoners created and performed a wide variety of music.

"Inside these walls, there was a lot of music making and art," said Gertsenzon. "They all tried experimenting with musical styles. ... It's just a combination of so many styles, like jazz, like Polish music, like Post-romantic music."

Of the World War II era composers whose music will be featured Wednesday, only Laks survived the war. He was on a death march in spring 1945 when American soldiers arrived.

He moved to France and lived there until his death in Paris in 1983.

Simon and Haas were both killed in the gas chambers at Auschwitz. Schulhoff died of tuberculosis in Wülzburg prison near Weisenburg, Germany.

Their music — "... it reflects a triumphant artistic spirit and firm resistant posture against ethnic hate and genocide," wrote Gertsenzon in a 2021 essay — lives on through performances like the concert scheduled for Wednesday.

"What it tells us is that people can ban the activities of other humans," said Gertsenzon, who

noted that those who enjoy the show can see an expanded version of the concert that will also include oboist Lisa Kozenko and vocalist Cynthia Smith scheduled for 7:30 p.m. March 29 at Ball State's Sursa Hall.

"Humans can create geographical borders. Music doesn't have borders. Human expression cannot be stopped. Music has this way to get out to people, even when others try to stop it."

She referenced the Soviet Union, modern-day North Korea and countries that tried to ban rap and hip-hop in addition to the Nazi regime.

"Music, when it's good and when it's sincere, it spreads throughout the world," she added. "No matter how governments or individual leaders try to ban, cancel, it finds its way."

Indiana's testing comes back clear

By CASEY SMITH
Indiana Capital Chronicle
indianacapitalchronicle.com

Gov. Eric Holcomb reported late Wednesday that results from third-party testing on the hazardous waste coming from East Palestine show no harmful levels of dioxins.

"Pace Labs has completed and shared the full results of their third-party dioxin testing I had ordered and expedited last week," Holcomb said in a statement.

Initial samples were taken on Saturday morning, March 4, and testing began that same day at their Minneapolis laboratory.

"These results indicate that the material tested does not contain any harmful levels of dioxins when compared to acceptable levels established by the EPA," the governor continued. "We have informed the EPA and the site operator of these testing results."

Dioxins form when chlorine-based chemicals like vinyl chloride are burned and can settle into soil.

Holcomb had hired the Indianapolis-based company to conduct testing after the EPA started sending truckloads last week to the landfill facility in Roachdale, located about 40 miles west of Indianapolis.

The contract announcement followed an earlier statement from the governor in which he pushed back on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to transport roughly 100 truckloads of contaminated soil from Ohio.

Results released by the governor's office also showed that the Roachdale site operator, Heritage Environmental Services, "is lawfully permitted to dispose of that material at its site."

The EPA will require any further materials shipped from East Palestine to undergo dioxin testing before leaving the site in Ohio.

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SERVICES

Friday
Shepherd, Richard: 1 p.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.
Austin, Carl: 2 p.m., Antioch Cemetery, Portland.

Sunday
Jullerat, Jon: 1 p.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.

Monday
Freemyer, Robert: 11 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 Wayne St., Fort Recovery.
Dunmoyer, Rachel: noon, Meeks Mortuary and Crematory, 415 E. Washington St., Muncie.
Gors, Anthony: 7 p.m., Williamson-Spencer and Penrod Funeral Home, 208 N. Commerce St., Portland.

May 13
Warrick, Clarice: 11 a.m., West Richmond Friends Meeting, 609 W. Main St., Richmond.

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Portland Evening Optimists donated \$2,500 to Jay Community Center to sponsor its Boomer Sports program. From left, Pat Gibson, Portland Evening Optimist president, presents a check to Kyle Cook, director of Jay Community Center.

Gym relationship is hard to leave

DEAR ABBY: I am a healthy, single, 76-year-old man. I spend lots of time at a local gym. I met a woman there two years ago, and we went out for coffee. She's a few years younger than I am. She told me she was married, but it was a "complex" marriage. What started as a friendship morphed into an intimate affair.

We have many common interests and spend as much time as we can together, given the circumstances. I know she will never get divorced. I've fallen in love with her, but I have never pressured her to divorce. She has grown children, and she doesn't want to upset them. I get it. There are also financial considerations and entanglements. Over the last six months, our relationship has become strained. It has turned into a push-pull type of situation. I know it's unhealthy for both of us, but I can't seem to let her go. We've come to the brink several times, but we always have talked through it, and we keep limping along. I don't know how to stop loving her. Even thinking about it causes me great mental distress. I'm looking for suggestions to ease the pain and figure out how to move on. — LOVING A MARRIED WOMAN IN MAINE

DEAR LOVING: Because thinking about it causes you great mental distress, go cold turkey. You deserve more than to be someone's side dish, but in order to find a more fulfilling relationship, you must let this woman go and allow her to focus on her "complex" marriage. Then, keep yourself busy, join another gym, avoid places where the two of you used to

Dear Abby



hang out and get back into the swing of life.

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my fiancé for six years. He is wonderful. His family has been nice to me, but on holidays, I dread bringing a dish or dessert because none of them touch whatever I bring. It's insulting and hurtful. I end up upset and toss it in the trash.

I come from a large family. We all cook, appreciate and enjoy each dish or dessert we bring. I don't know if my fiancé's family is afraid to try my cooking even though I make common, simple, American dishes. He doesn't see the big deal when I raise the subject with him. My sisters all say I should stop bringing anything. Am I too sensitive? Is it worth taking anything to these gatherings? — HURT COOK IN KENTUCKY

DEAR COOK: Ask the host what the problem may be. It may have nothing to do with your cooking, and more to do with the fact they are set in their ways when it comes to holiday celebrations. I have to say I agree with your sisters. Rather than waste the food, give it to a friend or relative who might enjoy it, keep it for yourself and your fiancé, or bring nothing more than a little "host" gift with you. Assorted nuts come to mind.

Birth announcements

Stant

Ivy Sue, a daughter, was born Feb. 24 to Kourtney Davis and Levi Stant of Dunkirk at St. Vincent Randolph in Winchester.

She weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

Grandparents are Kristy Davis and Thomas Emerick of Portland, Jama Stant and Greg

Hale of Redkey and Dennis and Kim Stant of Pennville. Great-grandparents are Diann and Larry Coby of Redkey, Jack and Kay Davis of Dunkirk and Cindy and Paul Weitzel of Portland.

Wienandt

Freya Elaine Jean Deanne, a daughter, was born Feb. 26 to

Brock and Skyla Wienandt of Portland at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie.

She weighed 3 pounds, 13 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Martha and David Walker of Portland. Paternal grandparents are Rachael Hager and Raney Wienandt Jr. of Wisconsin.

Community Calendar

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

Saturday

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

Sunday

A BETTER LIFE - BRANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Sunday at The Rock Church, 1605 N. Meridian St., Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2006.

Monday

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

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

EUCHRE — Will be

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

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP — Meets at 3 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at Mercer Health in Coldwater, Ohio.

JAY COUNTY DRUG PREVENTION COALITION — Will meet at 3:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Portland Fire Department, 1616 N. Franklin St. For more information, call (260) 251-3259.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 4:30 p.m., with the meeting at 5 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church, 323 S. Meridian St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5924.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appoint-

ment, call (260) 726-8636.

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

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 6:30 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.

REDISCOVERING JOY — The support group of widows and widowers meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at R & R Fabrications, 601 E. Washington St., St. Henry, Ohio. For more information, email rediscoveringjoy@yahoo.com.

Tuesday

JAY COUNTY PASTORS 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.

A BETTER LIFE - BRANNA'S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for

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

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

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

Wednesday

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

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

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

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP — New Beginnings, a support group for friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland.

Sudoku

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

Level: Advanced

Thursday's Solution

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

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

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A hearty thank you to Eli Lilly, one of the planet's top three producers of insulin, for slashing the price of its most widely prescribed form of insulin by 70% while capping related out-of-pocket costs at \$35 a month. That means diabetics with private insurance will now pay costs on par with the congressionally mandated rate for Medicare beneficiaries set at the start of the year.

Guest Editorial

More than 30 million Americans — that's one in 11 of us — have diabetes; upwards of 7 million of us require daily insulin. And according to researchers at Yale, among those who need it

every day, 14% are paying a whopping 40% or more of their post-subsistence income, meaning what's left after housing and food costs are taken care of, on the drug.

If that doesn't get your blood pressure up, this should: Though credible independent analysts have estimated that a vial of insulin costs between \$3 and \$7 to manufacture, as of 2018, the average price per vial of insulin in the U.S. was \$98.70, according to an analysis by the RAND

Corp. In Japan? \$14.40. In Canada? \$12. In Germany, France and the U.K.? \$11, \$9 and \$7.50, respectively. And no, Americans don't get supersized vials.

Fixing this ought not be partisan. In 2020, President Donald Trump unveiled a plan to cap insulin costs for seniors, but, probably because the right-wing of his party would've howled "socialism," it was a voluntary program with extremely limited reach. Upon assuming office in 2021, Joe Biden yanked the

Trump rule and started anew, winning a \$35-per-vial cap for seniors in the Inflation Reduction Act last year and now pushing in this year's State of the Union speech for a universal insulin price limit.

At least at the moment, Congress looks unlikely to budge — which is why Lilly's move is welcome. Other manufacturers have a choice: cling to their current price structure for as long as they can, or get with the program.

At least they are trying to be helpful

By NIKI KELLY
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I hadn't planned to write about health care today but as I sat at the keyboard, the strain of the last two weeks kicked in: the doctors, the tests, the waiting, the nurses, the hospital, the lack of sleep.

So, I hope you don't mind if I get a little personal. To start with, I am typing this while sitting in the emergency room with my Dad. He has been here a lot lately.

After a terrible fall in mid-February, he spent five days in the intensive care unit before finally coming home. In the past week he has steadily improved but recovery at age 76 takes time and patience — of which he doesn't have.

Everything was moving in the right direction and two routine checkups seemed positive until the bloodwork came back. Hence, a day-long trip to the ER, an EKG, an echocardiogram, an X-ray and a transfusion.

But at least they didn't keep him. That would have put us all over the top.

That's because he is worried, not only about his health, but about the medical bills that will soon start showing up in the mail.

"I think we are going to need a bigger mailbox for all the bills," he joked in the ER. But it's not a joke. It's a real fear.

You would think that with Medicare and a supplemental insurance plan, the financial burden would be eased. But that's not the health care system we have. He will likely still owe thousands — a retired man who worked hard his entire life to take care of his family and contribute to society.

The prices charged at hospitals, and what is and isn't covered by insurance, are eye-opening.

Which brings me back to the legislature. Republicans in the House and Senate are trying very hard to make an impact. Some might say they are throwing everything at the wall and seeing what sticks. And it's not a bad analogy.

They range from big ideas to small ones, but if each change helps a little, maybe by the end, Hoosiers will see a difference.

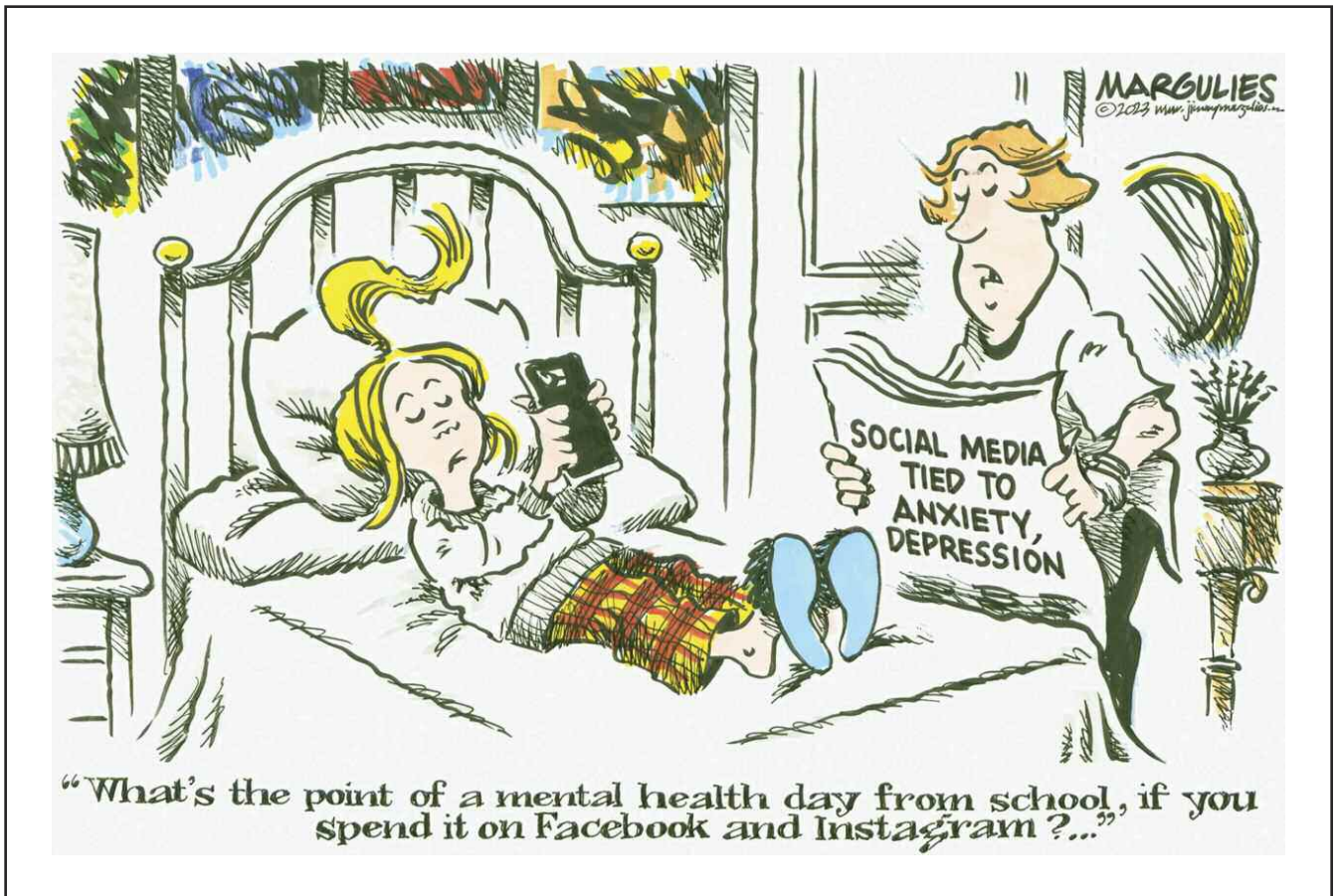
Much of the focus so far has been on hospital costs, but they also need to address prescription drugs.

At the beginning of the year — with their

Niki Kelly



The prices charged at hospitals, and what is and isn't covered by insurance, are eye-opening.



Bring end to patient abuse

By JOSHUA SKYDEL and RESHMA RAMACHANDRAN
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Joshua Skydel and Reshma Ramachandran



Drugmaker Eli Lilly on Wednesday said it will drop prices on some versions of insulin, and cap monthly out-of-pocket costs at \$35 per product for insured individuals not covered by Medicare's prescription drug program, which also maintains a \$35 cap. The welcome move comes as lawmakers in both major parties seek to control rising drug prices, but our patients and the rest of the country can't afford to rely on the good will of the pharmaceutical industry to stem the crisis. That will take legislation. In the meantime, there are actions that U.S. patent- and drug-regulators can take now.

As President Joe Biden noted in his recent State of the Union address, the inventor of insulin "didn't even patent it because he wanted it to be available for everyone." It is true that Frederick Banting and his co-inventors sold the patent for insulin to the University of Toronto for \$1 each in 1923, stating, "Insulin does not belong to me, it belongs to the world." It is also true that in the 100 years since that sale, the price of insulin has risen dramatically, as manufacturers have used the U.S. patent system to maintain exclusive rights over a variety of insulin products that account for billions of dollars in annual drug spending.

Current practices in the U.S. patent system incentivize companies to maximize the number of patents sought for drugs and biologics, creating "patent thickets" that enable aggressive litigation of patent infringement claims

against generic versions of their products. Too frequently, these new patents represent incremental changes of little novelty, such as an update on an insulin autoinjector that does not clearly improve safety or efficacy for patients. Such maneuvers are legal, and often extend exclusivity for brand-name products beyond the expiration of their original patents, while delaying for years sometimes the availability of lower-cost, generic versions of their drugs.

That leads to difficult decisions. As many as one in four Americans has difficulty affording their prescriptions, and one in 10 has rationed drugs because of their cost. These decisions are borne most heavily by older, sicker and lower-income Americans, who in some cases risk life-altering consequences by forgoing essential medications. Diabetic patients without insurance, for example, are more likely to be prescribed older versions of insulin, which are less expensive but can lead to poorer diabetes control and greater risk of side effects.

As practicing physicians, we have found ourselves strategizing over which medication option might be least costly to our patients or prescribing necessary, high-cost medications while knowing patients may struggle to afford them. These problems are compounded when we cannot count on generic drugs and biosimilars (generic

versions of biologics) to predictably become available after brand-name products have been marketed for years. When patients must choose between their physical and financial well-being, harm is unavoidable. Building on their commitment to collaborate to reduce anti-competitive practices in drug development, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the Food and Drug Administration can take several steps to reduce the unnecessary extension of patent regimes for approved drugs and biologics.

First, information sharing between USPTO and FDA should be formalized, to eliminate loopholes through which discrepant statements can be made separately to each agency. FDA already has the authority to publicly disclose full regulatory dossiers, and pathways could be developed to give USPTO access to information needed to evaluate claims of novelty while still protecting trade secrets.

FDA can also directly assist USPTO to assess pharmaceutical patent claims. Training on the use of publicly available FDA resources, supported by FDA's scientific and technical expertise, will help patent examiners to corroborate the reported quality of evidence and the timing of key claims arising from the development of new products, to ensure that patent applications are truly new, novel and non-obvious.

Finally, USPTO should seek proactive public input on applications for new patents over approved drugs and biologics. Similar to how FDA convenes independent experts to address issues related to drug development in their regulatory reviews, USPTO could bring together independent stakeholders — such as patient advocates, academic experts, health professionals, and other representatives without financial conflicts of interest — to provide commentary on the real-world novelty and utility of claimed "inventions." These expert panels could also assist USPTO and FDA to translate between aspects of claimed therapeutic benefit, such as "first-in-class" and "clinical benefit," and USPTO's standards for awarding new patents, such as "novelty," "usefulness" and "non-obviousness." A shared language among all stakeholders will be critical to identifying patent claims that represent true innovation.

Ultimately, new legislation will be required to limit the use of patents to indefinitely extend monopolies over drugs and biologics, toward which Congress has taken some initial steps. Until then, USPTO and FDA should seek every opportunity to ensure the U.S. patent system enables, rather than restricts, the development of truly effective and affordable medications.

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Police stand behind a cordon as the body of one of the victims is taken away at the site where several people were killed at a church in a shooting Thursday in Hamburg, Germany. A shooting at a Jehovah's Witness centre left eight dead, including the suspected gunman, police said.

Shooting ...

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"My thoughts are with the victims and their families in these difficult hours. We mourn those who were so brutally torn from life," he said on Friday.
It was a "brutal act of violence," Scholz said, adding: "It is to be feared that further victims will succumb to their severe injuries."
German Interior Minister Nancy Faeser plans to visit the scene of the fatal shooting later on Friday.

The minister wanted to personally thank the police officers and rescue workers for their efforts in this difficult situation, said spokesperson Maximilian Kall.
German President Frank-Walter Steinmeier reacted "with great horror."
"My thoughts are with the dead and their families. My deepest sympathy goes out to them on this day of pain," Steinmeier wrote on Twitter through his spokesperson.

The Jehovah's Witnesses group said they were "deeply saddened."
"Our deepest sympathy goes to the families of the victims as well as the traumatized eyewitnesses. The pastors of the local congregation are doing their best to assist them in this difficult hour," it said in a statement on the community's website.
French President Emmanuel Macron and EU Commissioner for Home Affairs Ylva Johansson also sent their condolences.

Budget would raise taxes, boost spending

By DAVID LERMAN
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WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden unveiled a \$6.9 trillion budget blueprint Thursday that promises to cut projected deficits and safeguard cherished entitlement programs for seniors as he confronts a new Republican-controlled House for the first time in his presidency.

The fiscal 2024 budget request proposes a slew of new spending designed to increase child care, build affordable housing, reduce home energy bills, make college more affordable and more. But it relies more heavily on tax increases for upper-income households to pay for those programs while trying to tame rising deficits.

The plan calls for imposing a 25% minimum tax on the wealthiest 0.01% of households, quadrupling a 1% surcharge on corporate stock buybacks, restoring the top marginal income tax rate to 39.6%, and raising the corporate income tax rate from 21% to 28%, among other things.

And it promises to extend the solvency of Medicare by a quarter-cen-

tury by raising Medicare taxes on those making more than \$400,000 a year and expanding the authority for Medicare to negotiate prices with drug manufacturers.

While spending would increase by \$1.9 trillion over a decade, revenue would increase by \$4.7 trillion, for over \$2.8 trillion in 10-year deficit reduction. But according to the Office of Management and Budget's numbers, the budget shortfall would still total more than \$17 trillion over the next decade even if Biden's plans were fully implemented, which seems unlikely.

The deficit would grow from nearly \$1.6 trillion this fiscal year to nearly \$1.85 trillion next year. It would then gradually decline to \$1.5 trillion in fiscal 2027 before inching back up, topping \$2 trillion fiscal 2033.

No more 'disinvestment'
The emphasis on fiscal discipline marks a shift in tone from his first budget proposal, issued two years ago, which offered up a spending spree designed to make up for what administration officials described at the time as a "decade of disinvestment" in domestic programs.

Murder ...

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Gov. Eric Holcomb has directed flags to be flown at half-staff in the state on Saturday.
About 4:35 p.m. March 3, Bailey was working traffic on I-69 when he became aware of a pursuit just south of him. He was setting stop sticks on Interstate 69 south of Auburn when he was struck, police said.

Sands is accused of knowingly or intentionally turning his car directly toward Bailey.
"Today's announcement is the first step toward seeking justice for Master Trooper Bailey, his family and friends, and the law enforcement community," the prosecutor said in a news release.
Bailey's funeral was set for 11 a.m. at Garrett High School

in DeKalb County, police have said, with burial to follow at Calvary Cemetery in Garrett. Visitation will be held 2-8 p.m. Friday at County Line Church of God in Auburn.
Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb on Tuesday directed flags be flown at half-staff in honor and remembrance of Bailey. Flags will be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sun-

set on Saturday. The governor also asks businesses and residents to lower their flags to half-staff.
An account to benefit Bailey's family has been established at ProFed Credit Union under the Indiana Fallen Heroes Foundation.
Direct cash or check contributions can be made at the credit union, by Venmo —

@Indiana-Fallen-Heroes — or by credit card on the Indiana Fallen Heroes website, which is at <https://indianafallen.org/fallen-heroes>. Also, checks can be mailed to 1710 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060.
If donating by check, make the check payable to the Indiana Fallen Heroes Foundation, and in the notes section reference Trooper James Bailey.

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By Bill Keane



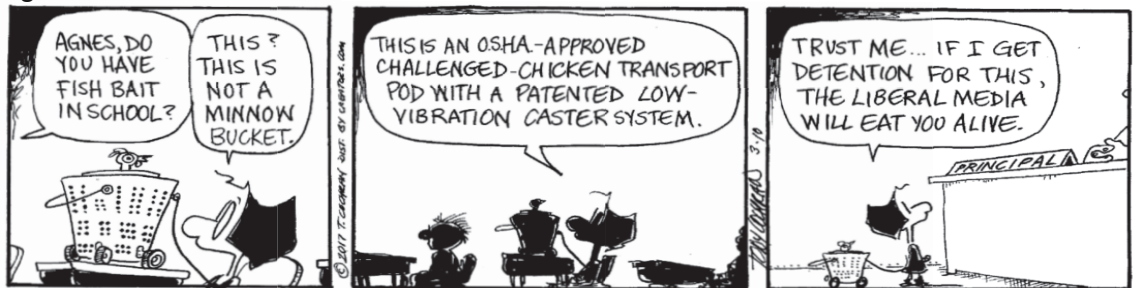
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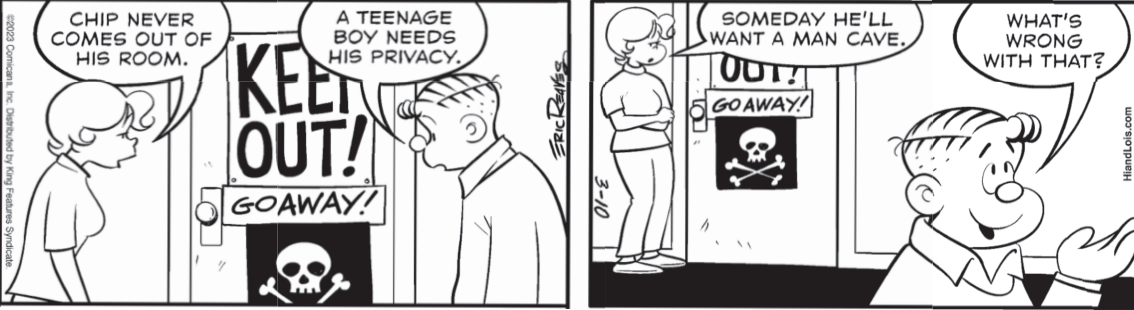
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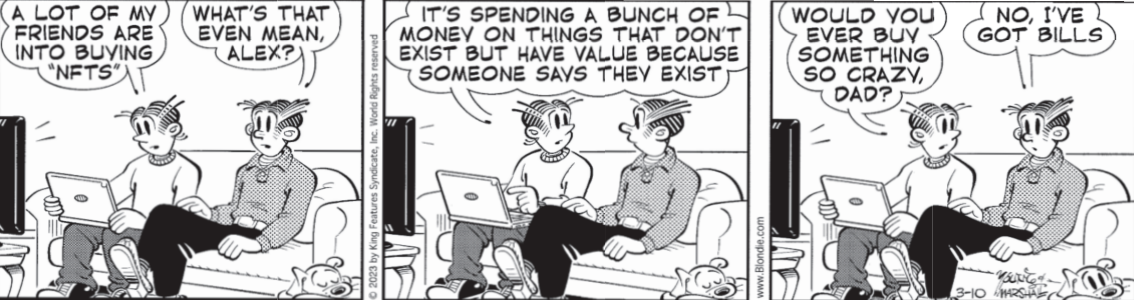
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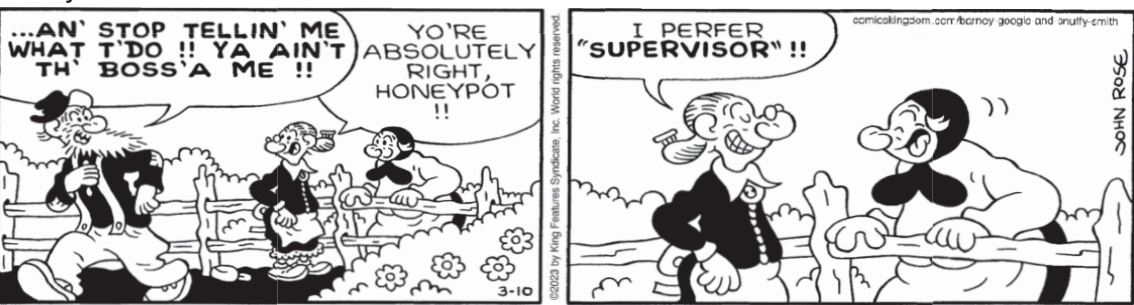
Between Friends



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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

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Indiana ...

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After Green's basket, Aaron Nesmith put in a 3 and Haliburton finished a drive. The Rockets missed their next three shots with a pair of turnovers.
Jae'Sean Tate drew Turner's sixth foul and

cut the Indiana lead to two with 1:39 remaining. Green stripped Haliburton and the Rockets looked for K.J. Martin on a break to tie the game, but he lost the ball.
Haliburton missed and again the Rockets looked to Martin on the run. He

missed but was fouled on the rebound. But like Tate moments earlier, he missed, making one of two shots to leave the Rockets down one with 48.9 seconds remaining.
The Rockets again had a chance to take a last-minute lead, but Green

lost the ball on his drive with Buddy Hield slapping it away as he gathered for the Pacers' 15th blocked shot — Turner had seven of them — matching their most this season.
That forced the Rockets to foul with 15 seconds

left, and Haliburton made both free throws. The Rockets, looking for a 3 to tie, could not get a clean look so they called time out with seven seconds left.
With that, Smith made the best shot of his best game. It was also the last

3 the Rockets would make as the Pacers pulled away in overtime.
Newsmith grabbed seven rebounds for Indiana while Hield and Jalen Smith added six apiece. McConnell followed Haliburton with six assists.

Murphy ...

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"I think it messes with the game too much," said Wheeler; one of several pitchers who have said they felt rushed.
But Wheeler and his brethren are going to have to make do. As uncomfortable as they may be with their leading roles in baseball's war against time, they are fighting the battle on their own behalf. They need this to work, or the sport itself will be on the clock. Television ratings are down. The last three World Series were the three least-watched in the last 50-plus years. During the 2022 regular season, attendance was down 6% from where it was pre-pandemic.
The problem isn't the pace of play itself as much as it is its second-order effects. The most exciting part of a baseball game is its last few innings. The longer a

It simply isn't good business to condition your audience to catch up on what they missed the morning after.

game goes, the fewer people manage to stay up to watch those innings. It simply isn't good business to condition your audience to catch up on what they missed the morning after.
There will be an adjustment period. Look at Aaron Nola, for instance. Last season, he was one of the slower pitchers in baseball, regardless of situation. But his tempo really dragged with runners on base. In those situations,

he ranked 371st out of 399 qualified pitchers, at 26.6 seconds per pitch. Even when you factor in the roughly 6 seconds that will elapse between a pitcher's release and the start of the next pitch clock, Nola still needs to shave about a second off that tempo.
Is that significant? Maybe not. But it's also not nothing. Anybody who thinks otherwise is drastically underestimating the muscle memory and biorhythms

that professional athletes develop over their lifetimes. Since breaking into the majors in 2015, Nola has thrown 19,280 pitches. Roughly a third of those pitches have come with men on base. On each one of those pitches — the ones measured by Statcast, at least — he has worked at roughly the same tempo: 26.6 seconds with men on base. Now, suddenly, he has 5% less time before each one of his pitches. He's like a 33-rpm record that needs to reprogram itself to a 45.
That said, athletes also know how to adapt in order to survive. Wheeler and Nola are the generation responsible for getting the sport back to a sustainable pace. Compared to the 27 games they played within 2 1/2 hours in 2011, last year they played six.
The bigger problem lies on the other end of the spectrum. In

2022, the Phillies played 16 games that lasted longer than 3:45, more than twice as many as in 2011. Granted, the pitching was especially good in 2011, but that was only part of the story. In 2008-10, they played a total of 17 games that lasted longer than 3:45.
Baseball is at a point where it needs to develop some new habits. That's true for its pitchers, but also for its audience. People need to be able to expect to watch a full game in the same block of time they'd devote to another form of entertainment. If you watched all 162 games in 2022, you would have spent 21 days, 12 hours and 17 minutes of your life watching baseball. That's nearly two full days longer than it would have taken you in 2008. In the end, this is one small step for pitchers and hitters, and one giant step for the rest of our productivity.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Today
Jay County — Junior high swimming hosts Allen County Athletic Conference Championships — 5 p.m.

Saturday
Jay County — Track in Golden Eagle Invitational at Anderson University — 1 p.m.

TV sports

Today
Noon — Men's college basketball: Big Ten Tournament — Rutgers vs. Purdue (BTN)
1 p.m. — Men's college basketball: American Conference Tournament (ESPN2); SEC Tournament (ESPN)
2:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Big East Tournament — Providence vs. Connecticut (FS1); Big Ten Tournament (BTN)
3 p.m. — Men's college basketball: SEC Tournament (ESPN); American Conference Tournament — Temple vs. Cincinnati (ESPN2)
6:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Big Ten Tournament (BTN)

9 p.m. — Men's college basketball: Big Ten Tournament (BTN)
11 p.m. — World Baseball Classic: Panama at Italy (FS1)

Saturday
5 a.m. — World Baseball Classic: Czech Republic vs. Japan (FS1)
7:30 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Liverpool at AFC Bournemouth (USA)
10 a.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Chelsea at Leicester City (USA)
11 a.m. — Men's college basketball: America East Tournament — UMass Lowell vs. Vermont (ESPN2)
Noon — Major League Soccer (FOX)
12:30 p.m. — Soccer: Premier League — Manchester City at Crystal Palace (USA)
1 p.m. — Men's college basketball (ESPN, CBS, ESPN2)
1 p.m. — Golf: PGA Tour — The Players Championship (NBC)
1 p.m. — NHL hockey: Detroit Red Wings at Boston Bruins (ABC)
2:30 p.m. — World Baseball Classic: Colombia vs. Mexico (FOX)

3 p.m. — Men's college basketball (ESPN, ESPN2)
3:30 p.m. — Men's college basketball (CBS)
3:30 p.m. — NHL hockey: Philadelphia Flyers at Pittsburgh Penguins (ABC)
4:30 p.m. — Auto racing: NASCAR Xfinity Series — United Rentals 200 (FS1)
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9 p.m. — NBA basketball: New York Knicks at Los Angeles Lakers (ESPN)
10 p.m. — World Baseball Classic: Mexico vs. United States (FS1)

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Local notes

PJL registration set
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Pitch clock is what baseball needs

By DAVID MURPHY
The Philadelphia Inquirer
Tribune News Service
PHILADELPHIA — Gather 'round, kids, and listen to a story about a year called 2011. It was a magical time. There was no TikTok. There was no inflation. There was barely even time itself. Roy Halladay and Cliff Lee were on the mound, and those two worked fast. The Phillies played 27 games in 2 1/2 hours or less that season. For a baseball beat writer, it was like being granted a life-and-a-half. Nobody is more acutely aware of the length of a game than someone who does not have the freedom to turn it off.

It wasn't until a few years later that I realized just how much of a slog baseball had become. After covering a few NBA games, I began to notice that I was walking out of the press box on the same day I walked in. I could take an actual train up Broad Street instead of a bus. I could get a drink if I wanted to. These were the Sixers, so I usually did.

Say what you will about regular-season basketball, but at least it's over fast. Adam Silver and the gang know what works. Play some commercials, play some Drake, spend the rest of the time playing basketball.

It's not exactly a novel concept, but baseball finally seems to be catching on. I was skeptical the sport would ever move beyond lip service in its quest to address its pace-of-play problems. Mound visits, three-batter rules, ghost runners — all suggested a hope that the issue could be solved simply by acknowledging it. The introduction of a pitch clock this season was just another gimmick. Except, after two weeks of spring training baseball, it looks like it could end up being a savior.

The early results are nothing short of staggering. On the opening weekend of spring training, the average game time was a mere 2 hours and 38 minutes, down from 3:01 a year earlier. That's a difference of 23 minutes, a reduction of 12.7%. In the context of a regular-season night game, it's going to bed at 9:45 versus 10:10.

The secret sauce is enforcement. Without consequences, there are no rules, and without rules there is no order. Two weeks of exhibition play suggest that Major League Baseball is doing what it needs to do to make this rule make a difference.

It probably isn't fair. Baseball players are creatures of habit, of routine. Telling a pitcher to speed up his routine is like telling Punxsutawney Phil he's going on a day early. At some point, nurture becomes nature. And things can go haywire when you mess with nature. Zack Wheeler has been among the more vocal pitchers in the Phillies clubhouse in expressing his uneasiness with the new time limit: 15 seconds with the bases empty, 20 seconds with men on, an automatic strike or ball for hitters or pitchers who do not abide.

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The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Freddie Lingo of Jay County Junior High School controls his opponent Jan. 3 during the Patriots' match against Coldwater. Lingo was dominant in Thursday's Allen County Athletic Conference Tournament at Adams Central, winning both of his matches with first-period pins to win the 175-pound championship.

Lingo, Ortega-Leos win titles

MONROE — Two Patriots won titles. Five more finished as runners-up.

With champions Freddie Lingo and Reynaldo Ortega-Leos leading the way, the Jay County Junior High School wrestling team placed second Thursday in the Allen County Athletic Conference Tournament hosted by Adams Central.

The Patriots finished with 235 points, 53 behind the first-place

Jets in the seven-team field. South Adams was third with 217.

Lingo and Ortega-Leos were both dominant on their way to their titles. After receiving a first-round bye in the 175-pound bracket, Lingo needed a grand total of just 1 minute, 12 seconds to finish his other two matches. He pinned Cale Craig of Southern Wells in 22 seconds in the semifinal round and put Adams Central's Ryan Beer's shoulders

to the mat in 50 seconds in the championship match.

Ortega-Leos also won both of his matches with pins after an opening-round forfeit at 275 pounds. He defeated Matthew Knight of Southern Wells in just 13 seconds and Henry Vannette of Adams Central in 2:15.

Leighton Brown narrowly missed giving Jay County a third championship as he went to overtime against Wes Summersett of South Adams in the 160-pound

title match. He lost 9-7 in sudden victory after having pinned Jaxson Litchfield of Heritage in 46 seconds in the semifinal round.

Also finishing in second place Thursday for the Patriots were Logan Wendel (90), Jason Landers (132), Wyatt Bihn (195) and Keegan Wittkamp (220). All of their championship losses came by way of pins.

Brenna Ruble (102), Cooper Glassford (110) and Caleb Sibray (140) all finished third.

Indiana tops Rockets in OT

By JONATHAN FEIGEN
Houston Chronicle
Tribune News Service

INDIANAPOLIS — Some spectacular 3-point shooting pushed the Pacers to overtime.

In the extra session, though, they were the ones who were unstoppable on offense.

The game ended the way it started, with the Houston Rockets unable to get stops. Tyrese Haliburton hit a 3-pointer and followed with a drive to an eight-point lead with 1:21 remaining in overtime, as the Indiana Pacers pulled away, 134-125, Thursday at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

Jabari Smith Jr. hit a 3-pointer on a tough, turn-around jumper with four seconds left. And when Haliburton lost the ball on a final drive, the Rockets went to overtime for just the second time this season.

Haliburton finished with 29 points and 19 assists for Indiana, who racked up 19 points in the extra session. Seven other Pacers reached double fig-

ures, with Myles Turner following him with 21 points. Jordan Nwora scored 18, Buddy Hield had 17 and Andrew Nembhard (14), T.J. McConnell (13), Aaron Nesmith (10) and Chris Duarte (10) also joined the party.

Smith led the Rockets with a career-high 30 points and 12 rebounds with Jalen Green adding 24 points as the Rockets scored 80 points in the paint.

Houston had come back from down as much as 17. With the Rockets attacking the paint and the glass, they kept the game tight until finally they mixed in a few 3s. They had made just three in the game before Green and Smith drained consecutive 3s. When Green put in a no-look, over-the-head flip through a Turner foul, the Rockets had their first lead of the game, going up 110-108, with 4:10 remaining.

The Pacers, however, had their starters out through much of the Rockets' 13-2 run.

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