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Creative Arts Council pitches building to Bluffton schools

By HOLLY GASKILL

A partnership is in the works between the Creative Arts Council of Wells County and Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan Schools for a new performing arts center on the BHMSD campus.

Janiece Lipsey, director of the CAC, told the BHMSD board of trustees that a basic proposal had formed after conversations with district administration began roughly one year ago. By partnering with the district for a building, the CAC can grow into a new space while offering unique classes and opportunities for BHMSD students.

A preliminary design from Elevatus Architecture of Fort Wayne, which the district has used for other recent projects, showed a two-story building with a 1,200-person auditorium, band and orchestra classrooms, art gallery and classrooms, several dance



Pictured above is a rendering of a possible performing arts center on the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan Schools' campus. At left, Elevatus Architecture includes an outdoor amphitheater in the proposal. (Photos provided)

studios, black box theater, private music studios, and administrative offices and storage.

Doug Routh from Elevatus

noted plans to include an outdoor amphitheater on the back exterior of the building as well. The designs presented Monday

showed the performing arts center positioned behind the central office building.

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Bluffton teen is identified in fatal S.R. 116 crash

By HOLLY GASKILL

A report from the Wells County Sheriff's Department has identified Aiden Nunley, a 19-year-old from Bluffton, as the deceased in a head-on crash early Friday morning.

The other driver, Colton Norris, 23, Markle, was in critical condition and transported by Wells County EMS to Lutheran Hospital.

According to the crash report, at approximately 5:35 a.m. Nunley was driving a 2016 Jeep Patriot eastbound on State Road 116 near County Road 200 West in Rockcreek Township when, for an unknown reason, the vehicle crossed the center line and into the southeast lane. Norris, driving southwest in a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado pick-up truck, swerved to avoid a collision, but the Jeep swerved back into the northwest lane, and the vehicles collided head-on.

The investigating officer noted

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Construction busy at Bluffton-Harrison schools

By HOLLY GASKILL

Construction is in full swing at Bluffton-Harrison schools, with nearly every district site experiencing some repairs or renovation this summer.

One of the larger projects is repairs to Bluffton High School, which includes roof and window replacement to resolve issues with moisture and leaks. During the district's board meeting on Monday, Superintendent Brad Yates said the project was moving along well but would continue through the bulk of the first semester of school.

The building's entrance is also being re-vamped with its logo and red paint, although part of the building is currently a bright blueish color from sealant.

Meanwhile, the high school's track is slated for replacement next week. Maintenance crews are also working to replace a water line in the stadium after it broke twice in six weeks, Yates said. The work has a target completion date of Aug. 2, restoring water access to the stadium. The football field turf was also replaced earlier this summer.

Alongside this, work has begun on Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School's "safety village," a miniature community to learn safety skills. Crews have begun the foundation work for the small structures and sidewalks of the village, and Yates hopes to have students engage with the site this fall.

At Bluffton-Harrison Middle School, the floors and equipment in the science rooms have been removed, and installation of new materials has begun. The school is also tackling some unexpected repairs after the pool flooded the basement and mechanical area during a campuswide power outage in June. Yates said the flooding fail-safe for the pool had calcified and was not triggered.

The district is working with insurance for the damages, but Yates said securing replacement equipment will take quite some time. He anticipated a completion time of late September or early October, and physical education classes will adjust plans accordingly.

Additionally, due to a planned power outage for electrical work at the high school on Wednesday, July 24, the district's offices will be closed. Summer camps, summer school and childcare are also canceled, but the lunch program will continue at Roush Park.

Outside of construction updates, Assistant Superintendent Julie Meitzler celebrated over \$1.1 million in grant funding secured by the district this last year. This funding allowed the construction of the safety village, as well as new equipment and educational opportunities for students and teachers.

"That's what makes Bluffton great," board member Julie Thompson said.

BHS Principal Steve Baker also shared spring Advanced Placement scores for chemistry and world history. AP classes are eligible for college credit if students pass a national exam on the curriculum. Baker said 100% of BHS students passed the chemistry exam, and 77% passed the

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'Kate in '88'

Wells County's Kathleen Tyson Heslop made a brief but notable run for the White House

By MARK MILLER

While it is difficult to definitively say how many Wells County natives or former residents have run for a national office since the county's birth in 1836, it is known that a 1963 Lancaster Central High School graduate was a candidate for the Republican nomination for U.S. President.

The significance of that is self-apparent in this, a presidential-election year, but also in what Kathleen Tyson Heslop chose as her key issue: the national debt.

"She was so smart," her sister, Bluffton resident Sylvia Wann shares. "And always was a good salesman — she could sell a fly its own wings."

The year was 1988 — "Kate in '88" was her campaign slogan, with a tag line of "Get the pork out of politics."

Ronald Reagan was completing his second term and a number of prominent Republicans were vying for the nomination: Pat Robertson, Jack Kemp, Bob Dole, Alexander Haig, Pierre S. "Pete" duPont IV and of course Vice President George H.W. Bush who would eventually be elected as the nation's 41st president.

Then News-Banner editor Jim Barbieri interviewed Heslop twice — once by phone when she announced her candidacy in early May 1987, and another later that month when she traveled



Kate Heslop spoke at a "GOP Picnic" event in East Andover, New Hampshire Aug. 21, 1987. This photo was taken from a screen capture of a video which can still be found on the C-Span network website. A video of her appearance at a Republican event in Iowa is also available. The New Hampshire appearance lasts about 10 minutes while her speech in Iowa lasts about 13 minutes (plus her introduction by the event host) and can be viewed via these links: New Hampshire: bit.ly/Kate_in_NH Iowa: bit.ly/Kate_in_Iowa

to Bluffton as part of an initial campaign swing through her home state.

"Kate comes across as neither blindly confident nor naive," Barbieri wrote. "Good natured but particularly earnest, she insists both that she recognizes great odds and that she is a most serious candidate."

Born in Allen County, she moved with her family to a small farm on the southeast corner of State Road 1 and County Road 400 North when she was 9-years-old. After graduation at nearby Lancaster, Heslop earned a degree in home economics at Ball State University in 1967 and then a masters degree in education at Iowa State University.

"For 17 years Kate lived in Charleston, South Carolina, where she taught art and home economics for seven years, worked as an interior designer and ran her own food brokerage business," wrote Doug Haberland, then a columnist for the Fort Wayne News-Sentinel after he interviewed Heslop during that Indiana visit.

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Mostly sunny with a chance of rain and storms

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CAC pitches building

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That said, the proposal is in its beginning stages. Lipsey said the CAC wanted to secure a partnership with BHMSD before moving forward with a more finalized proposal and figures. The CAC is currently housed in Life Community Church in Bluffton.

"We don't have land yet, so we have these lovely concept drawings, we've got the idea of programming of what's possible, but we're really in the infancy of what that looks like," Lipsey explained.

The possible programming includes the opportunity to begin a magnet school for the arts, which would allow students to engage in a more focused study of a particular art form. Lipsey noted that because there are no art magnet schools in the region, it could be a unique attraction to the district and the community. She said the CAC already has students traveling from neighboring counties, including as far as Kosciusko County.

The board expressed interest in the proposal, particularly in the possibility of

developing a magnet school curriculum.

"Bluffton is well-known for supporting its community," board member Julie Thompson. "I think this is big for the community." Board member Mike Murray called the proposal an "exciting opportunity" and said he knew students enjoy the center, including his own children.

Superintendent Brad Yates said he would consult with the district's legal team to determine the possible framework for a partnership of this nature — for

example, beyond the project's cost, how would the two entities would continue to maintain the facility and its costs.

"There'll be a lot of conversations going forward to be able to iron out all those questions before we would be moving significantly farther," Yates said. "The goal tonight was really just to allow the opportunity to share what the vision could look like, and then the opportunity for the board to hear that and then begin more dialogue if both parties find it to be a worthwhile endeavor."

Bluffton-Harrison schools construction

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world history exam, surpassing the state average by over 15% in either subject.

Also during the meeting, the board:

- Learned that a "Hidden in Plain Sight" trailer will be at the district's registration day, offering a way for parents to learn how drug use may be "hidden in plain sight" in their students' lives. The opportunity is possible through a partnership with the Wells County Drug Task Force. Online registration has also opened for the upcoming school year.

- Recognized resignations from former BHMS intense intervention teacher April Roberts, BHMS special education teacher Kami Salway, speech language pathologists Kami Salway and Danielle Macias, and special education bus aide Ariana Turner.

- Approved employment recommendations of Alaina Denny as a fourth grade teacher; Allyson Schwartz as the BHMS business and digital citizenship teacher; Breanna Miller as special education bus aide; Kole Meyer for summer camp and school, testing coordinator and student information specialist; Peggy Brooks as a summer school teacher; Alyssa Moser, Clarissa Tijerina and Tara Cocanower as high ability coordinators; Zella Walborn as dyslexia specialist; Felicia McElveen as preschool parent liaison; Schlaury Linderwell and Eric Mounsey as CPI trainers; Kemper Amstutz, Kim Mayer, Tyson Brooks, Liz Claghorn, Justin Uptgraft, Steve Abbett and Jeff Blair as team leaders; Laura Xayyachack as BHMS academic team head coach with Claghorn, Amy Gerber and Carla Alspaugh as assistant coaches; Baker to mentor Stacy Herrold; Stacy Morrison to mentor Chad Griesser; Gerber to mentor Alex Thomas; Blair to mentor Ashlee Xayyachack; Tijerina to mentor Madison Sid-



A number of repairs are coming to Bluffton High School this summer, in hopes of resolving some moisture issues and roof leaks in the building. Shown above is the main entrance of the building, where windows and the entrance canopy are being replaced. One exterior wall of the gym is also bright blue from sealant, but will be painted red. Construction has begun on Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School's "safety village," which will be a miniature mock-community for learning about various aspects of community and traffic safety. The site is located between the school's playground and sledding hill. Pictured below, crews work on the foundation of the site. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)



ers; Amstutz as BHMS student council representative, Ashlie Campbell as BHMS yearbook adviser; Brooks as BHMS technology liaison; and Tiffany Tonner as BHMS STEM/robotics sponsor with April Dunwidie as assistant sponsor; and Katlynn Snider and Colin Sackett as substitute teachers.

- Approved coaching recommendations for Adam King as baseball head coach, Ben Burman as boys' basketball assistant coach, Caylee Pyle as volleyball beach coach with Erin Kreigh as a volunteer assistant coach, and Jenny Tudor and Andrea Herrold as BHMS volleyball

coaches.

- Approved an 8% raise for Food Service Director Robin McCorkle to remain competitive with neighboring schools.

- Approved employee transfers for Branda McFadden to move from the special-purpose white bus to a full-time city bus driver and Angie Ifer from BHES library instructional aide to BHES adjunct teacher in library services.

- Announced their intent to employ a middle school adjunct teacher, special education clerical secretary and instructional assistant for general and special education.

- Approved a contracted rate for former payroll specialist Julee Frauhiger for consultation services at an hourly rate equivalent to the most experienced wage for consultation services.

- Approved enrollment capacities of 800 students for the elementary school, 640 for the middle school and 640 for the high school, the same as previous years.

- Approved an updated student handbook and policy updates regarding technology use, membership, legal settlement, homeless students, and data breach and protection as part of a standard review.

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Weather

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

(24-hour observations at 11:34 p.m. Monday at the Fort Wayne International Airport)

High: 82; Low: 63; Precipitation: None

Wabash River Level (at the Main Street bridge): 1.32 feet at 8:45 p.m. Monday

Wells County forecast

Today: Isolated showers and thunderstorms after 2 p.m. Patchy fog before 8 a.m. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 83. Calm wind becoming southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Tonight: Isolated showers and thunderstorms before 8 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. Southwest wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 10%.

Wednesday: A slight chance of showers before 11 a.m., then a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., then showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm after 2 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. West wind 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Wednesday Night: Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm before 8 p.m., then a chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly between 8 p.m. and 2 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. West wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Thursday: A 10% chance of showers and thunderstorms before 8 a.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 80.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 58.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 80.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 58.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 83.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 63.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 84.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

Monday: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 86.

Bluffton teen

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that the Jeep left a mark on the road traveling from the rumble strip in the east-bound lane across the lane to the point of impact in the other lane.

After impact, the pick-up truck pushed the Jeep into a utility pole and came to rest in the driveway of 2363 NW S.R. 116, Markle.

Nunley was pronounced dead at the scene.

Both vehicles were towed by Freeman's. Damages were estimated as exceeding \$50,000.

Norris submitted to a drug test at Lutheran Hospital, which is standard for fatal accidents, and results are pending.

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Israel orders evacuation of part of Gaza humanitarian zone as war's toll passes 39,000 Palestinians

DEIR AL-BALAH, Gaza Strip (AP) — The Israeli military ordered the evacuation Monday of part of a crowded area in the Gaza Strip it had designated a humanitarian zone, saying it is planning an operation against Hamas militants there. The order triggered a new flight of Palestinians, many of whom had taken refuge there just in the past weeks.

Thousands of Palestinians, many carrying backpacks and accompanied by children, walked down dusty roads under the scorching sun. Dilapidated cars with belongings tied on top maneuvered past buildings flattened by previous strikes. Many Palestinians have been uprooted multiple times in search of safety during Israel's air and ground campaign.

"We do not know where we are walking," said Kholoud Al Dadas, as she clutched her children. "This is our seventh or eighth time we have been displaced. While we were sleeping in our homes, they started shooting at us, bombing from everywhere." Moments later, she collapsed in exhaustion.

Reflecting the shrinking space for Palestinians, the new evacuation order reduces by some 4 square miles the 23 square mile "humanitarian zone" to which Israel has been telling Palestinians to flee to escape its offensives.

Most of the area covered by the new order comprises parts of the southern city of Khan Younis, which had filled up with people since early May as they fled Israel troops assaulting Rafah, further south. The number of people in the evacuation zone was

not immediately known, U.N. officials said.

On Monday, multiple Israeli airstrikes hit around Khan Younis, killing at least 70 people, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, citing figures from Nasser Hospital. Associated Press video showed a pall of smoke drifting over the city after one explosion. Another strike hit outside Al-Aqsa Hospital in the central town of Deir-Al-Balah, where many people were living in tents on the street, killing one person and wounding three.

The Israeli military said it is planning an operation against Hamas militants who have embedded themselves in the humanitarian zone and used it to launch rockets toward Israel.

Israel first declared the zone early in the war, centered on Muwasi, a largely rural area of dunes on the Mediterranean coast. At the time, in November, the military said it would only strike there with precision hits on individual Hamas leaders, saying it was "not a safe zone, but it is a safer place than any other" in Gaza. It expanded the zone in May to take in people fleeing Rafah, where more than half of Gaza's population at the time had crowded.

Earlier this month, Israel estimated at least 1.8 million Palestinians were in the expanded zone — the bulk of Gaza's pre-war population of 2.3 million people.

Despite its name, the area has few humanitarian provisions. The tent camps that fill the beaches, empty lots and streets lack sanitation and medical facilities and have limited access to aid, U.N. and humanitarian

groups say. Families live amid mountains of trash and streams contaminated by sewage.

Gaza's Health Ministry said the toll from Israel's nine-month war against Hamas in Gaza has surpassed 39,000 Palestinians killed and 89,800 wounded. The ministry's count does not distinguish between combatants and civilians.

The war began with an assault by Hamas militants on southern Israel on Oct. 7 that killed 1,200 people, most of them civilians, and took about 250 hostages. About 120 remain held, about a third of them believed to be dead, according to Israeli authorities.

Delicate negotiations continued for a cease-fire and hostage release, with U.S. and Israeli officials expressing hope that an agreement was closer than ever. A negotiating team will be sent to continue talks on Thursday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office said. Egypt, Qatar and the United States are pushing Israel and Hamas toward a phased cease-fire deal that would stop the fighting and free the hostages.

Netanyahu left Monday on a much-anticipated trip to the United States to meet with President Joe Biden, who on Sunday said he would not seek another term, and address Congress. Netanyahu said that regardless of who becomes the next U.S. president, "our enemies must know that Israel and the United States stand together tomorrow and always." He said he will thank Biden for more than 40 years of friendship, while pushing him for more support on certain issues.

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OBITUARIES

Aiden Nunley, 19

Aiden Andrew Nunley, 19, of Bluffton, passed away early Friday morning, July 19, 2024, as a result of an automotive accident. He was born on March 18, 2005, in Bluffton to Michael A. Nunley and Clarissa S. Haler. Aiden graduated from Bluffton High School with the Class of 2023. He was currently working in the construction trade in the Labor Internation Union # 213 of Fort Wayne, working for Vector.



Aiden had a great personality and was an avid knife collector, enjoyed playing D & D (Dungeons & Dragons) and could master any video game.

He is survived by his mother, Clarissa S. Haler of Bluffton, his father, Michael A. Nunley of Arcola, along with his siblings, Aurora Anderson of Bluffton and Rhett T. & Riley R. Nunley, both of Arcola.

He is also survived by his grandfathers, Carl Haler of Bluffton and Rory Nunley of Bluffton; and great-grandmothers, Treva Sue Douglas of Warren, and Dorothy Nunley of Poneto; along with his uncles & aunts, Douglas F. Haler of Marion, Scarlett A. Premo of Bluffton, Franklin J. Nunley of Gas City and Elizabeth Pamer of Bluffton.

He is preceded in death by his grandmothers; Bonnie Sue Haler and Donna Sue Nunley.

Family and friends are invited to gather and remember Aiden from 3-7 p.m. on Sunday, July 28, 2024, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home and Bluffton. Private family funeral services will take place at the funeral home.

Friends wishing to help Aiden's family at this difficult time can direct memorial donations to the funeral home.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Lemler family of Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can share memories and online condolences with the family at www.thomarich.com.

Elizabeth Ann Meyer, 98

Elizabeth Ann Meyer, 98, of Bluffton, passed away Monday morning, July 22, 2024, at Swiss Village in Berne. Funeral Arrangements are currently pending with the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

Police Notebook

INCIDENTS

County:
Thursday, 2:51 p.m., East River Road and South 450 East, Bluffton. Report of rocks on the road.

Thursday, 5:50 p.m., S.R. 116 and North 100W, Markle. Report of a man, woman and child arguing outside of vehicle. Unable to locate.

Thursday, 11:28 p.m., 2100S S.R. 1, Bluffton. Report of a domestic incident.

Friday, 5:36 a.m., 2300 Northwest S.R. 116, Markle. Officer assisted with fatal accident.

Friday, 10:55 a.m., S.R. 1 and East 400N, Bluffton. Car versus deer.

Friday, 12:46 p.m., Wells County Jail. Served warrant without issue.

Friday, 3:33 p.m., Wells County Courthouse. Report involving threatening.

Friday, 8:02 p.m., Sugar and Railroad streets, Uniondale. Report of a stolen bike.

Friday, 10:16 p.m., 700E and 1050S, Keystone. Car versus deer.

Saturday, 1:42 a.m., 7300S 400W, Poneto. Report of subject doing burnouts on callers property, ongoing issue. Officer advised subject he would be arrested for harassment if he was caught.

Saturday, 11:41 p.m., 4900 S.R. 116, Markle. Report of domestic incident. Jeremy Rudd arrested for domestic battery.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m., 3600S East S.R. 116, Bluffton. Report of threatening via phone call. Officer assisted caller with blocking the number.

Sunday, 1:56 p.m., Wells County Jail. Warrant served to Gregory Bailey.

Sunday, 6:32 p.m., 1600W 200N, Bluffton.

Caller requested documentation regarding delivery driver taking contact info from package and adding her on social media.

Monday, 12:56 a.m., S.R. 1 and 750S, Bluffton. Report of man on ground. Courtesy transport given.

Monday, 1:23 a.m., McDonalds. Driver with four children and their mother in the car failed BAC at .163%. Raymundo Sanchez arrested for operating while intoxicated.

Ossian:
Sunday, 1:02 p.m., Silo Farms. Report of a civil issue involving a dog.

ARRESTS
Joseph James Roth-Bradley, 28, Berne; obstruction of justice, and invasion of privacy, both Level 6 felonies. No bond set.

Courtney Monteze Haney, 34, Fort Wayne; theft and counterfeiting, both Level 6 felonies. No bond set.

John Ringo Eisaman III, 31, Bluffton; domestic battery — simple assault, a Class A misdemeanor, and strangulation, a Level 6 felony. Bond set at \$50,000.

Eleazar Velasco-Santis, 40, Uniondale; operating without ever obtaining license, a Class A misdemeanor, and leaving the scene of a crash, a Class B misdemeanor. Bond set \$2,500.

Courtney Monteze Haney, 34, Fort Wayne; failure to appear, a Level 6 felony. Bond set at \$5,000.

Mohamad Halim Abul Hashim, 42, Bluffton; driving while suspended - prior, a Class A misdemeanor. Booked and released.

Yeferson Erique Urdaneta Ruiz, 32; operating without ever obtaining license, a Class C misdemeanor.



Free swim at the community pool

Thanks to over a dozen businesses in the area, swimming was free on that many days at the Wells Community Pool this month. This group of swimmers were waiting in line to enter 1 p.m. on Monday as the first 60 guests were admitted free thanks to Wings Etc. Grill & Pub. Others who have donated free admissions include: Wells County Tusk Force, Bluffton Optimist Club, 55 Building Company, Pitties Properties & Mattress and Furniture Store, Ben Burman (State Farm), Nick Huffman (Steffen Group), Tanner Bowen (Hiday Motors), Bluffton Moose Lodge 242, PeopleLink Staffing Solutions, Ethan's Outdoor Services LLC, Indiana party Rental and an Anonymous donor. (Photo by Barbara Barbieri)

Hoosier business group and companies continue DEI work as efforts elsewhere falter

By **LESLIE BONILLA MUÑOZ**
Indiana Capital Chronicle

Among the Indiana Chamber of Commerce's 50-plus conferences and seminars is a diversity, equity and inclusion summit, now in its fourth year.

The event includes the crowning of a DEI "champion," sponsored by a national employer-focused law firm.

"I think that the chamber can play an important role as a convener," Chamber President and CEO Vanessa Green Sindors told the Capital Chronicle.

"This conference is another example of us trying to convene stakeholders ... around an issue that people care about, to try to move the state forward," she said. "And people can have different views on that, right? There's a diversity of views."

DEI efforts became widespread after the 2020 police killing of George Floyd and subsequent, nationwide protests.

The initiatives are intended to promote the fair treatment of all people, and, in particular, those who've previously faced discrimination or barriers. But backlash has grown, with opponents labeling the initiatives as ineffective or pejoratively "woke."

DEI efforts remain popular with some prominent members of the Hoosier business community even as companies elsewhere back away from what has become a culture war flashpoint.

Agricultural machinery firm John Deere, based in Illinois, announced last Tuesday that it would eliminate "socially motivated messages" from company-mandated materials and would no longer participate in "external social or cultural awareness parades, festivals, or events."

It also assured customers that "diversity quotas and pronoun identification have never been ... company policy," but said it would still "continue to track and advance" company diversity.

Washington-based technology giant Microsoft laid off a DEI team this month, Business Insider reported last week, with the team's ex-lead blasting the company in an internal email to thousands. Microsoft, however, maintained that its DEI commitments "remain unchanged."

Video communications platform Zoom, headquartered in California, also cut a DEI-focused team early in 2024 but similarly said it "remains committed" to DEI principles, Bloomberg reported.

Hoosier businesses, however, are still interested in the initiatives.

"We have a whole part of the chamber that's focused on business education for our members," Sindors noted. "And we are a membership organization, so we are responding to the needs and the desires of our members."

"Our members tell us (that) attracting, retaining, training (and) supporting our workforce is everything," Sindors said. "... I think that having a diverse workforce and thinking through these issues is something that they care a lot about."

Sindors said that, through the summit, the chamber provides "best practices and resources and speakers to help our members navigate through all of this."

She said such efforts align with the chamber's goals.

"Our mission is to cultivate and maintain that world-class environment for businesses to operate and contribute to that economic growth and prosperity for the state," Sindors said. "We stay focused as much as possible around economic policies that are helping cultivate and maintain that world-class environment. And we're going to continue to approach all issues with that lens."

Individual businesses continue to work on their commitments.

Homegrown pharmaceutical firm Eli Lilly & Co. runs numerous DEI initiatives, including a professional apprenticeship program to train qualified employees without four-year degrees.

The company also researches barriers and opportunities for female and disabled employees, runs company-wide training

sessions and offers a variety of employee resource groups, among other efforts.

Chief Diversity Equity & Inclusion Officer Julie Dunlap called DEI "essential for fulfilling our purpose of creating medicines that make life better for people around the world."

In a statement, Dunlap said the company's initiatives have helped it attract and retain "the best talent," and better serve customers.

"Therefore, it is not only the right thing to do but also a business imperative for Lilly," she said.

"We remain committed to embedding DEI across all levels and aspects of our organization, from our leadership and governance to our policies and practices, and our culture and behaviors," Dunlap concluded.

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My childhood neighborhood did not raise assassins

I grew up in Bethel Park, the middle-class suburb south of Pittsburgh where 20-year-old Thomas Matthew Crooks lived with his parents. Crooks' attempt to kill Donald Trump last weekend has filled my old neighborhood with shock and sadness. Bethel Park is populated by decent, salt-of-the-earth people — people such as my mom and dad who moved there in 1964 to raise their six children in a safe, friendly community with big yards and good schools.



Tom Purcell

Like many kids in my neighborhood in the 70s, I attended St. Germaine Catholic Elementary School. The nuns there taught us to embrace the virtues: prudence, temperance and courage. They demanded we fend off the seven deadly sins: pride, envy, gluttony, lust, anger, greed and sloth. They also made us sit up straight and keep our shirts tucked in. I didn't know it then, but the good sisters gave us the gift of moral clarity — and what they taught us worked. The vast majority of my St. Germaine classmates went on to live healthy, productive and happy lives. So did most of the kids who graduated with me in 1980 at Bethel Park High School — where Crooks would have a troubled and unhappy time four decades later.

At 20, Crooks was a member of Generation Z. We don't know yet what his unique inner demons were. But we do know that many in the Zoomer generation are struggling.

Social psychologist Jonathan Haidt explains their troubles in his book, "The Anxious Generation." Haidt says the combination of helicopter parents and social media have rewired childhood for kids born after 1995, creating an epidemic of anxiety, depression and suicidality.

As it goes, parents have over-protected post-1995 children in their home lives, but under-protected them in their digital lives, where powerful, negative online forces overwhelm the positive influence of parents, churches and teachers.

To be sure, the mindset of America's first smartphone generation doesn't echo my generation's in any way: — Only 26% of Zoomers have faith in God/religion vs. 65% of Boomers, according to a Public Opinion Strategies/NBC News poll.

— About 2 percent of Boomers identify as LGBTQ, but 16 percent of Zoomers do, according to a Gallup survey.

— Zoomers are less than half as likely to be proud to be American, according to a 2023 Gallup poll.

— Four in 10 Zoomers say the Founding Fathers are better described as villains than heroes, and 75% think the nation demands dramatic change, according to a Democracy Fund survey.

Generationally speaking, we tail-end Boomers had it made. The basic values that were infused in us by our parents, neighbors, churches and teachers gave us the tools that helped us flourish as adults.

It is heartbreaking to see that the simple values we were taught — the tried-and-tested values that have been passed down for many generations — are not being transferred fully to younger generations, such as the Zoomers.

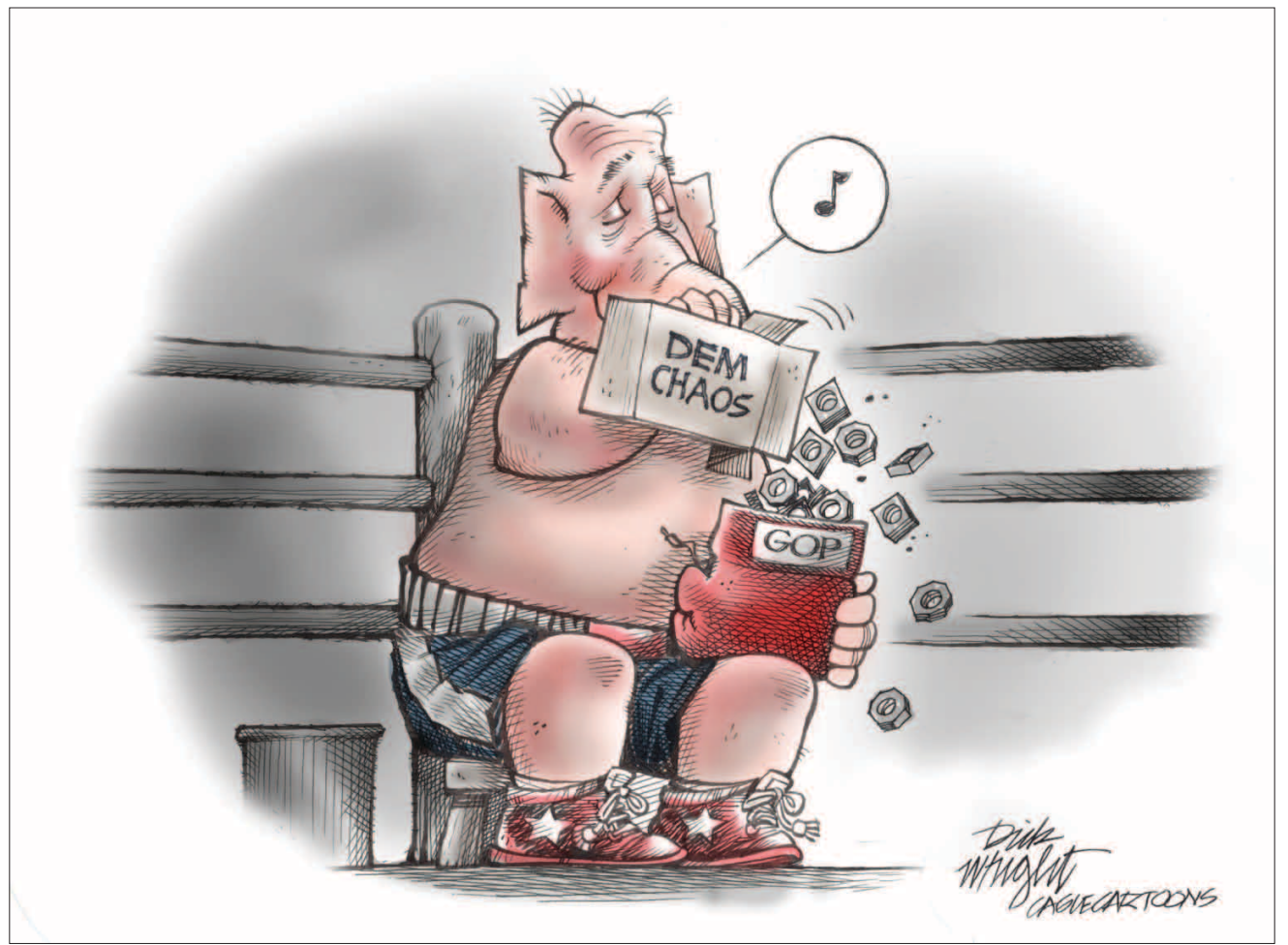
My heart aches for the Comperatore family that lost its brave and good father Corey at Trump's rally, and also two other shooting victims, who are still in critical condition.

My heart also aches for the very confused young man from my old neighborhood who threw his life away and caused so many people so much unnecessary pain.

Whatever his motives were, his horrific act is a reflection of the political hatred that divides us.

Sadly, in our modern confusion, any community — even salt-of-the-earth communities, such as Bethel Park — can give birth to a troubled, would-be assassin.

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Echoes of history in this year's campaign

For those of a certain age, or with more than a woke education, the attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump brings back echoes of history.

Not exactly the history of the abysmal political year of 1968, which saw the murders of Martin Luther King Jr., 39, and Robert F. Kennedy, 42, riots in major cities across the nation — especially violent in Washington D.C. — and violent demonstrations and a pitched battle during the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. But just as Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York noted as Ronald Reagan was recovering from his gunshot wound, this time, the nation could take heart because the assassin's target survived.

The year 1968 saw an exhausted 59-year-old president, Lyndon Johnson, withdraw his candidacy for reelection, and conventional and (then) not widely disliked 55-year-old Richard Nixon win the election. Neither President Joe Biden, 81, nor Trump, 78, fits into this script.

The more illuminating analogy to the two transcendental events of recent weeks — Biden's debate performance on June 27 and the attempted assassination of Trump on July 13 — are things that happened some 104 years ago, in the presidential campaign cycle of 1920.

That's not a campaign cycle much remembered because of its politically incorrect result — the repudiation of Democratic President Woodrow Wilson, a sentimental hero of liberals who applaud his scorn of constitutional limitations and conveniently forget his record as chief presidential enforcer of racial segregation in government.

Those were tumultuous times. Some 116,000 Americans died in 18 months during World War I, and even after the Nov. 1918 armistice, fighting continued in the former Czarist and Ottoman empires, including a temporarily independent Ukraine. There were Communist coups in Munich, Berlin and Budapest, and many feared that the totalitarians who turned out to tyrannize Russia for 70 years would do so elsewhere.

Including here. Revolutionaries in June 1919 bombed the Washington townhouse of Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer, threatening his neighbors Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt. Unknown radicals in Sept. 1920 set off a bomb on Wall Street across from the J.P. Morgan & Co. building, killing dozens.

Wilson's administration had jailed former Socialist presidential candidate Eugene Debs in 1918 merely for speaking out against the draft, but other targets of the raids organized by the young Justice Department lawyer J. Edgar Hoover were bent on violent overthrow of a system, much as violent pro-Palestinian demonstrators threaten on campuses and in downtowns today.

Other menacing events resemble those of recent years. There were numerous race riots in 1918 and '19, mostly with whites attacking Blacks, just as there were numerous "mostly peaceful" riots, mostly of Blacks destroying billions of dollars of property, in 2020 and '21. There was a worldwide influenza epidemic, first experienced in U.S. Army camps, which

killed millions here and around the world and resulted in varied restrictive measures: echoes of COVID-19, quite possibly likely incubated in a U.S.-financed Chinese laboratory.

The post-WWI economy oscillated between sharp recession and strong inflation, which Americans had not experienced for decades. Meanwhile, the vast Ellis Island immigration in the quarter-century before world war broke out led to demands for barring most newcomers from historically unfamiliar cultures.

Amid this turbulence, the American president was mostly absent. Wilson collapsed in Oct. 1919 on a cross-country train trip to rally support for the Treaty of Versailles he had negotiated, and for months was incapacitated by a stroke. His wife and doctor barred access to Cabinet members, congressional leaders and the press. The required two-thirds majority of the Senate was willing to ratify the treaty only with reservations preserving Congress's constitutional power to declare war. Edith Wilson told them the president refused.

Wilson had won a second term by only a narrow margin in 1916, and opposition Republicans regained majorities in both houses of Congress in 1918. Theodore Roosevelt, defeated for a comeback third presidential term in 1912 (in a campaign in which he once insisted on delivering a speech after he had been shot in the chest) was back in the Republican fold and, at 60 in 1918, wanted to run again.

Astonishingly, so did the incapacitated Wilson, 62. Had there been polling then — Dr. George Gallup didn't conduct his first random sample survey until 1935 — Roosevelt would probably have been running far ahead, but he died suddenly in Jan. 1919. Wilson, in shattered health, was persuaded to retire.

Foreign military involvement, antidemocratic demonstrations, bitter memories of the recent riots and pandemic, dismay with inflation, concern about immigration — even in the jerky film clips of that era, you can see echoes of the issues concerning American voters today.

How did the 1920 election cycle turn out? The Democrats nominated a formidable ticket: Ohio Gov. James Cox, a Dayton newspaper owner whose media conglomerate would make his heirs billionaires, and the 38-year-old FDR. But disgust with the Wilson administration weighed them down and helped elect the Republicans — Ohio Sen. Warren Harding, chosen in that smoke-filled room in Chicago's Blackstone Hotel, and the taciturn Massachusetts Gov. Calvin Coolidge — who won by a 60% to 34% margin, the widest such margin in American history.

Such an outcome seems improbable in our current closely divided partisan politics. But voters' concerns, echoing those in 1920, combined with Biden's debate performance and Trump's gallant recovery, make the Republican ticket the favorite this year, which leads to the question of what lessons the mostly successful Harding and Coolidge administrations of the 1920s have to teach today.

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Michael Barone

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, July 23, the 205th day of 2024. There are 161 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 23, 1967, the first of five days of deadly rioting erupted in Detroit as an early morning police raid on an unlicensed bar resulted in a confrontation with local residents, escalating into violence that spread into other parts of the city and resulting in 43 deaths.

Also on this date:

In 1903, the Ford Motor Company sold its first car, a Model A, for \$850.

In 1958, Britain's Queen Elizabeth II named the first four women to peerage in the House of Lords.

In 1982, actor Vic Morrow and two child actors, 7-year-old Myca Dinh Le and 6-year-old Renee Shin-Yi Chen, were killed when

a helicopter crashed on top of them during filming of a Vietnam War scene for "Twilight Zone: The Movie." (Director John Landis and four associates were later acquitted of manslaughter charges.)

In 1983, an Air Canada Boeing 767 ran out of fuel while flying from Montreal to Edmonton; the pilots were able to glide the jetliner to a safe emergency landing in Gimli, Manitoba. (The near-disaster occurred because the fuel had been erroneously measured in pounds instead of kilograms at a time when Canada was converting to the metric system.)

In 1990, President George H.W. Bush announced his choice of Judge David Souter of New Hampshire to succeed the retiring Justice William J. Brennan on the U.S. Supreme Court.

What we must learn from Trump shooting

We now have, as we would expect, a tsunami of commentary regarding the horrible assassination attempt on Donald Trump. It is not trivial to observe that at least the good news is that just about everyone agrees what happened is very bad and not an encouraging sign about the state of our nation.



Star Parker

After that point of agreement, we have many different and diverging opinions about who or what is to blame. Republicans, Democrats, Donald Trump, Joe Biden, etc., etc.

This act of violence against Donald Trump is, unfortunately, not a one-off in our nation today.

Rarely do we open the news and not read about murders, too often mass murders, to which we cannot even clearly ascribe a motive except that of a deranged individual looking for the supreme venting of his or her frustrations.

What strikes home about an assassination attempt of a political leader is not just the public position of the individual, but that we know who the victim is. We may be moved by news and statistics. But once a human face is put on a tragedy, once it is no longer just a dry statistic, it takes on a different dimension.

Once the human condition is

before us, we start asking serious questions. I believe Donald Trump was honest and sincere in his Truth Social post saying that "it was God alone who prevented the unthinkable from happening."

The late Claremont Institute scholar Harry V. Jaffa noted the importance of understanding the words in the Constitution's preamble, that its purpose is to "secure the blessings of liberty."

"A blessing," writes Jaffa, is "what is good in the eyes of God. It is a good whose possession — by the common understanding of mankind — belongs properly only to those who deserve it."

And Jaffa continues to remind us that the founders concluded the Declaration of Independence saying, "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

I regularly reference Gallup polling that points to the percentage of Americans satisfied with the way things are going in the country. Today it is barely more than 20%. Most Americans feel there is something very wrong in our nation.

It is my great hope that what will come out of all this is a renewed sense

that human freedom, the ideal on which our nation is founded, is rooted in the sacred. Each human life is unique so each must be free to live and express and do what no one else can.

And it is my hope that a renewed sense of the sacred will inspire personal humility that comes from appreciation that each of us is part of something greater than ourselves. And that this will inspire respect for others, knowing that each one is created in the image of God.

This, I hope, will stop the blame game and inspire everyone to double down in taking personal responsibility for a better world. And that our sense of the sacred will extend to and include that magical moment when life is first conceived in the womb.

Abraham Lincoln gave his second inaugural address just 41 days before he was assassinated. He spoke to a nation that could not have been more divided. Let's learn from Lincoln's great closing words that day.

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

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A guided tour of downtown Bluffton



Bluffton's downtown area was the site for the two Thursday afternoon Walking Tours, sponsored by the Wells County Public Library and the Wells County Historical Society. The Historical Society's President Jim Sturgeon, at left was the tour guide. (Photo by Barbara Barbieri)

The downtown Bluffton Tour, led by Jim Sturgeon, started at the Wells County Courthouse's Parlor City Plaza.

Stops on the tour included: Centennial Block (118 W. Market)

Ashbacher-Quick Block (128-130 W. Market)

Morrow Block: (202 W. Market)

L.S Kapp Block: 208-210 W. Market)

Stewart-Studabaker House: 420 W. Market), now the Wells County Historical Society

Former Star Theater: (217 W. Market St.)

Weicking Block: (209-213 W. Market)

J.L. Humphrey Block (201 W. Market)

Odd Fellows Block: 127-129 W. Market)

The Morris Store (123 W. Market)

Peter Studabaker Block: (121 W. Market), the oldest building downtown now.

Studebaker Bank: (113 W. Market)

McFarren Building: (101-105 N. Main)

Marion, Bluffton & Eastern Traction Line offices (111-113 N. Main)

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John Studabaker Block: 112-114 N. Main

Thoma's Furniture & Funeral Home and John Painter Grocery (116 S. Main)

Bliss Hotel: Corner of Main & Washington)

Former City Building: Corner of W. Washington & S. Johnson)

Old Public Library: (223 W. Washington)

The information was secured from the "Architectural Atlas of Wells County, Indiana" by Craig Leonard.

Programs at the 4-H cabin



Pioneer games with 'Erleen'

On Tuesday evening at the 4-H Fair the Cabin visitors could learn about games or activities that kept pioneer children amused with Pioneer Lady Erleen (Jody Heaston). With the help of Heaston's neighbors Emma, Kaitlyn and Ginny Wingau the game of Circle and Rocks was demonstrated. (Photos by Barbara Barbieri)



In the above photo the game of "Graces" or "Sticks & Hoops" was played using two sticks to send a hoop sailing to another player. Object of the game was to teach a young lady how to be graceful in her movements. Another popular game was dropping clothes pins into a bottle.

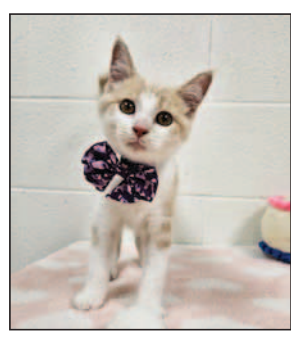


Above, Erleen demonstrates a "Button Spinner" that could be easily pulled out of a youngster's pocket for a quick spin.

A Talk with Tego



Pixie is a three-month-old, orange/white male.



Dixie is a three-month-old, buff/white female.



Abby is a four-month-old, dilute calico female.



Tego

Tego's Tips: The Wells County Animal Shelter has many kittens to choose from.

These are just a few pets available for adoption at the Wells County Animal Shelter, 1613 W. Cherry St., Bluffton. For more information call 824-6063.

Botanical Conservatory hosts Music Festival

Fort Wayne's Botanical Conservatory will be hosting a "Botanical Roots Music Fest" on Aug. 2-3, at their outdoor venue.

Friday, Aug. 2, 5-11 p.m.

Entertainment will include Zydeco and Reggae Music, \$15. The groups will include Buckwheat Zydeco Jr. and the Legendary IIs Sont Partis Band, Zion

Lion, Unlikely Alibi and Sankofa with DJ MSG

Saturday, Aug. 3, 5-11

Blues and R&B, \$15.

Groups to include: John Primer & the Real Deal Blues Band, Aliah Sheffield and featuring Phil Schurger's Sungate and Swell Time.

Railroad Heritage Weekend in Van Wert County

VanWert County's Historical Society will be sponsoring the 231st Annual Van Wert Railroad Heritage Weekend July 27-28, at the Van Wert, Ohio County Fairgrounds, 1055 S. Washington St. (US 27).

Hours on Saturday are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$6 adults and free to those 12 and younger.

Four buildings will contain vendors, operating layouts and food. The event is a

fund raiser for the historical society. More information at <https://www.vwrhw.com>.

'Pirates of Penzance' next at Warren's Pulse

Gilbert & Sullivan's musical "Pirates of Penzance" will be on stage at Warren's Pulse Opera House the weekends of July 26-28 and August 2-4.

Members of the cast are Brendan Caffee (Pirate King), Carson Cunningham, Jessica Barker, Ralph Tuttle, Steve Bricker, Jacob Elwell, Jacen Rasner, Cayden Strong, Aiden Tepper, Kaleb Weatherman, Travis Fisher, Lina Willard, Emily Good, Susannah Jane, Morgan Blair, Abigail Drummond, Makayla Fulton, Izzy Harlan, Julia Redner, John Cole, Trinity Cain, Addison Fagan, George Michael Fisher, Jana Henly, Izzy Irelan, Brianna Sorenson and Linda Willard.

Friday and Saturday shows begin at 8 p.m. and Sunday's at 4 p.m. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$5 for those 12 and younger. Reservations to pulseopera-house.org or 260-375-7017.

Gavin Drew added to Civic Theatre staff

Fort Wayne's Civic Theatre has named Gavin Thomas Drew their director of education and administration, while he continues to serve as artistic director for Summit City Music Theatre.

He attended Oklahoma City University for musi-

cal theater and directing, which led him to a regional theater career as a performer and director. As a profoundly deaf theater artist with a cochlear implant, Drew takes pride in mentoring disabled and differently abled casts and hold-

ing seminars on inclusion and accommodation for all talents.

Drew has participated in Wells Community Theatre productions and also presented a one person show for the Wells County Creative Arts Council.

Al-Anon support group meetings in Bluffton

Support for friends and family who have a problem drinker in their lives. The support group meets every Monday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Caylor-Nickel Foundation Family YMCA, located at 550 W. Dustman Rd in Bluffton.

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James scores final 11 points for U.S. in win over Germany as pre-Olympic tour ends

By **TIM REYNOLDS**
AP Basketball Writer

On Friday, LeBron James will carry the U.S. flag. But first, he carried the U.S. men's basketball team.

Again. James scored the final 11 points for the Americans down the stretch, and the four-time reigning Olympic gold medalists held off World Cup champion Germany 92-88 in London on Monday night in their final tune-up before the Paris Games start later this week.

Announced earlier in the day as the male flagbearer for the Americans in Friday night's opening ceremony down the River Seine — the female flagbearer will be revealed Tuesday — James came through time and time again down the stretch, just as he did over the weekend when his layup with 8 seconds left gave the U.S. a 101-100 win over upstart South Sudan.

James had 20 points for the U.S., while Joel Embiid scored 15, Stephen Curry had 13 and Anthony Edwards finished with 11.

"It was a good test for us. And I'm glad we were able to once again, you know, keep our composure, persevere like we did the other day versus South Sudan," James said. "It was a good win for us."

Franz Wagner led Germany with 18 points. Andreas Obst — the hero of last year's German win over the U.S. in the World Cup semifinals — had 14, while Dennis Schroder had a 13-point, 10-assist night. Daniel Theis added 13 for Germany and Moritz Wagner scored 12.

The Americans finished their exhibition slate 5-0, but there was only one game that was a true cakewalk. That was against Serbia, the team that'll face the U.S. on Sunday in the first Olympic game this summer for both teams.

Canada gave the U.S. issues at times, Australia came from way back to make things interesting at the end, South Sudan nearly pulled off an upset as a 43.5-point underdog and the Germans had the lead over the U.S. with 4 minutes left on Monday.

Columbus Blue Jackets hire Dean Evason as their next coach

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**
AP Hockey Writer

The Columbus Blue Jackets hired Dean Evason as coach on Monday, filling the NHL's final vacancy two months before training camps open.

Evason, 59, will be Columbus' third coach in as many seasons — not counting Mike Babcock being hired and resigning on the eve of training camp last September. The team said Evason agreed to a multiyear contract.

New Blue Jackets general manager Don Waddell fired Pascal Vincent not long after taking over control of the organization's hockey operations department. Evason ultimately emerged as the top candidate in the coaching

search to replace Vincent.

"(Evason) has spent well over two decades in this league as a player, assistant coach and head coach and I believe that experience, combined with the outstanding person he is, will allow Dean to get the best out of our players and put us in a position to succeed as a team," Waddell said in a statement.

Evason coached the Minnesota Wild for parts of the past five seasons before being fired and replaced by John Hynes in November. This is his second head-coaching job in the league, a career that also included a stint as an assistant with Washington and then Minnesota, for which he was a midseason replacement of Bruce Boudreau in 2020.

Then it was James' time. He outscored Germany 11-6 by himself in the final 3:57.

And now, Paris awaits. The games start for real this weekend.

"We've had every experience," Curry said. "Now it's obviously a matter of showing up when the lights are bright next week. I think we're ready. I think we're prepared. Now we have to perform."

3-point troubles

For the second consecutive game, the U.S. got outscored by 21 points from 3-point range. And it nearly burned the Americans again.

Germany was 13 for 45 from beyond the arc, the U.S. was 6 for 17, and that's a 39-18 difference in points from deep.

South Sudan outscored the U.S. 42-21 from deep on Saturday.

Also not helping the U.S. cause on Monday: it had 14 turnovers to Germany's seven. "I don't think we've played our best offensive game yet," Curry said.

Looking back

Theis had 26 points, while Schroder and Obst had 24 apiece in Germany's 113-111 win over the U.S. in the World Cup at Manila a year ago.

That trio was fantastic again Monday, combining for 40 points.

It should be noted that the loss to Germany last year was about when some players — James, for example — started seriously thinking about joining the U.S. program for this run to the Paris Games.

No Durant

Kevin Durant got some pregame shots up again, just as he did Saturday in London. And, again, that was the extent of his game-night action.

The three-time gold medalist did not play while he continues to recover from the calf strain he suffered a few days before the U.S. convened for training camp in Las Vegas.

Durant missed all five pre-Olympic games exhibitions, though he did practice this past weekend. He has not appeared in a real game since late April, when Phoenix was swept in a first-round NBA playoff series by Minnesota.

NASCAR's rules questioned after Larson's unusual finish

By **MICHAEL MAROT**
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Ryan Blaney thought he was perfectly positioned to win the Brickyard 400 on Sunday.

He drove down Indianapolis Motor Speedway's front straightaway leading the outside lane of cars to the second-to-last restart, fully expecting to inherit the lead when race leader Brad Keselowski ran out of fuel.

Instead, as Keselowski's slowing car pulled off the track, Kyle Larson, who was running third directly behind Keselowski, pulled next to Blaney on the preferred inside line, made the pass for the lead and did it again on the final restart to seal his first Brickyard victory.

While Larson celebrated by kissing Indy's famed yard of bricks, Blaney was lamenting what just happened and whether NASCAR officials should have done something different.

Yeah, call it off and rechoose (the lanes) because now you promote the third-place guy before the second-place guy if the leader has problems," Blaney said. "That isn't right. It is just dumb luck at this racetrack where the bottom (line) is preferred. I am just upset. That is a heartbreaker. We did

everything right today."

Larson played it by the book.

The cars were already near or in the restart zone when Keselowski pulled off and Cup rules don't allow for changing the restart order, even if the leader drops out late. In fact, had the same situation occurred further back in the running order, another driver likely would have done exactly the same thing as Larson.

Blaney responded on his radio with an angry, profane rant, saying Cup officials "gave" Larson the victory.

But Blaney and Larson both chose their place in line for the same reason — each knew Keselowski was low on fuel and each wanted to take advantage when he ran out.

"I was going to choose behind him no matter what lane he took just because we hoped he would run out before the restart zone," Larson said. "I was trying to pay attention to him, and he was cycling his engine, trying to clean and warm up his tires, and then, yeah, he just dumped off onto pit road and I was like, 'Wow, I can't believe this is going exactly how we kind of hoped.'"

Larson acknowledged the ensuing situation was confusing.



The Bluffton Tigers' 10U team won the CC Brown Memorial Tournament in Sherwood, Ohio, on Sunday. The team completed a five-game sweep over teams in Indiana and Ohio to win the championship. Pictured above are members of the team from left to right: front row, Kreighton Kolkman, Reid Renner, Harry Kunkel, Ryder Grandlienard and Greyson Pearson; second row, Lucas Stewart, Mason White, William Platt, Eli Bryant and Trace Donahoe; back row coaches Mack Stewart, Jeff Blair and Easton Blair. (Photo provided)

Bluffton's 10U Tigers win five straight to top CC Brown Memorial Tournament in Ohio

The Bluffton Farm baseball League wrapped up its season a few weeks ago with an end-of-the-year tournament, but the summer fun at the park didn't stop there.

Coaches Jeff and Easton Blair along with Mack Stewart rallied together 10 players from the league and put them into a week-end tournament in the CC Brown Memorial Tournament in Sherwood, Ohio.

The bunch took home first place with an unbeaten five-game win streak to capture the title.

The tournament began with a three-game pool play. The Tigers won 12-8 on Friday against Fairview, totaling eight hits in the contest. Mason White led the sticks with a triple and a double. Reid Renner added two hits, while Trace Donahoe had a double. William Platt and Renner pitched the six innings.

In game's 2 and 3, Bluffton defeated Antwerp 7-6 and New Haven 13-5 to finish pool play. The 3-0 record catapulted them to the No. 1 seed for bracket play later that night.

In the first game, Lucas Stewart swiped second after a base hit to set up Donahoe's

walk-off single. White again had two extra-base knocks, this time both via the triple. Platt hit a triple as well. Stewart started the game, and Ryder Grandlienard, Eli Bryant and White tossed an inning.

In Game 3, Bluffton's offensive slugfest was led by White, Donahoe, Stewart, Renner, Platt and Bryant, who all tripled. Kunkel doubled and had a multi-hit game as did White and Donahoe. Platt and Renner threw in the game.

Saturday night was the Game 4 bracket play for the semi-final. White again had a solid game at the plate, tallying three hits that included a home run. Grandlienard and Stewart had two hits. White and Platt threw three innings each, striking out 12.

Finally, in the championship game at Moats Park, the Tigers won it all over Paulding in a 12-3 rout. Donahoe hit two solo home runs in the game, and Bryant had a solo shot as well. Kunkel went 2-3, and the combination of Kreighton Kolkman, White, Stewart and Greyson Pearson had multi-hit games. White threw three innings and Platt relieved him. The two of them allowed only three hits in the championship game.

Wisconsin becomes 16th Big Ten team to sell alcohol at football games

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Wisconsin will begin selling alcohol in general seating areas at Camp Randall Stadium this season.

The university's decision, announced on Monday, leaves Nebraska and Northwestern as the only two schools who aren't allowing general seating alcohol sales in the now 18-team Big Ten. Alcohol sales are also set to begin this season at Michigan Stadium.

Wisconsin will also allow alcohol to be

sold at UW Field House, home to the women's volleyball and men's wrestling teams. It was already available at Kohl Center for men's and women's basketball games and LaBahn Arena, home to women's hockey.

"The option to purchase alcohol is common at collegiate athletic venues all over the country and we're glad that we can now offer it as part of the fan experience at Camp Randall," Wisconsin Chancellor Jennifer L. Mnookin said in a statement.

about," Blaney said after finishing third. "I am mad about losing this race because I thought we were in the perfect position. Once I lost control of the race, obviously I would have been on the bottom, but I thought (Keselowski) would run out in the restart zone or on the back. It stinks to lose it that way."

While Larson understood why Blaney was upset, he also knew the rule.

"If I was in his position, maybe," he said when asked about turning another lap under yellow to reorder the cars. "The way the rule is written, it's not (possible)."

And now the defending Cup champion, who was seeking his first Brickyard win and wanted to give team owner Roger Penske a sweep of the season's two biggest races on the revered track he owns in Indianapolis, is left to contemplate what could have been.

"We came to the restart, and I couldn't believe they stayed out, there was no way they were going to make it," Blaney said, referring to Keselowski. "I, obviously, chose the top because he might run out in the restart zone and he winds up coming to the green, so he gets to go to pit road and (Larson) gets promoted. Luck of the day right there, I guess."

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BASKETBALL

WNBA				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	21	4	.840	—
Connecticut	18	6	.750	2½
Indiana	11	15	.423	10½
Chicago	10	14	.417	10½
Atlanta	7	17	.292	13½
Washington	6	19	.240	15
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	17	8	.680	—
Seattle	17	8	.680	—
Las Vegas	16	8	.667	½
Phoenix	13	12	.520	4
Los Angeles	6	18	.250	10½
Dallas	6	19	.240	11

BASEBALL

MLB				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	60	39	.606	—
New York	60	42	.588	1½
Boston	53	45	.541	6½
Tampa Bay	50	50	.500	10½
Toronto	45	54	.455	15
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	59	40	.596	—
Kansas City	56	45	.554	4
Minnesota	54	44	.551	4½
Detroit	50	51	.495	10
Chicago	27	75	.265	33½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	53	48	.525	—
Houston	52	47	.525	—
Texas	48	52	.480	4½
Los Angeles	42	57	.424	10
Oakland	39	62	.386	14
Sunday's Games				
Toronto 5, Detroit 4				
Milwaukee 8, Minnesota 7				
San Diego 2, Cleveland 1				
Kansas City 4, Chicago White Sox 1				
Tampa Bay 6, N.Y. Yankees 4				
Texas 3, Baltimore 2				
Seattle 6, Houston 4				
L.A. Angels 8, Oakland 5				
L.A. Dodgers 9, Boston 6				

Monday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees 9, Tampa Bay 1				
Detroit 8, Cleveland 2				
Texas 4, Chicago White Sox 3, 10				
innings				
Kansas City 10, Arizona 4				
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 7:40				
p.m.				
Boston at Colorado, late				
Houston at Oakland, late				
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late				
Tuesday's Games				
Baltimore (Suárez 5-3) at Miami				
(TBD), 6:40 p.m.				
Detroit (TBD) at Cleveland (Curry				
0-2), 6:40 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Quintana 4-6) at N.Y.				
Yankees (Gil 10-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Tampa Bay (TBD) at Toronto (Ber-				
rios 8-7), 7:07 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Wheeler 10-4) at				
Minnesota (Woods Richardson 3-1),				
7:40 p.m.				
Chicago White Sox (Crochet 6-6) at				
Texas (Gray 4-4), 8:05 p.m.				
Arizona (Montgomery 6-5) at Kan-				
sas City (Marsh 7-6), 8:10 p.m.				
Boston (TBD) at Colorado (TBD),				
8:40 p.m.				
Houston (Bloss 0-0) at Oakland				
(Bido 1-1), 9:40 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Soriano 5-7) at Seattle				
(Gilbert 6-5), 9:40 p.m.				

Wednesday's Games				
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.				
Boston at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.				
Houston at Oakland, 3:37 p.m.				
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 3:40 p.m.				
Baltimore at Miami, 6:40 p.m.				
Detroit at Cleveland, 6:40 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05				
p.m.				
Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.				
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 8:05				
p.m.				
Arizona at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.				
National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	63	36	.636	—
Atlanta	54	45	.545	9
New York	51	48	.515	12
Washington	47	53	.470	16½
Miami	35	65	.350	28½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	57	43	.570	—
St. Louis	52	48	.520	5
Pittsburgh	51	49	.510	6
Chicago	49	53	.480	9
Cincinnati	48	53	.475	9½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	59	41	.590	—
San Diego	52	50	.510	8
Arizona	51	50	.505	8½
San Francisco	48	52	.480	11
Colorado	36	64	.360	23

Sunday's Games				
St. Louis 6, Atlanta 2				
Washington 5, Cincinnati 2				
Milwaukee 8, Minnesota 7				
San Diego 2, Cleveland 1				
Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 0				
Miami 4, N.Y. Mets 2				
Chicago Cubs 2, Arizona 1, 10				
innings				
San Francisco 3, Colorado 2				
L.A. Dodgers 9, Boston 6				
Monday's Games				
Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 1				
N.Y. Mets 6, Miami 4				
Cincinnati 4, Atlanta 1				
Chicago Cubs 3, Milwaukee 1				
Kansas City 10, Arizona 4				
Philadelphia at Minnesota, late.				
Boston at Colorado, late				
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers,				
late				
Tuesday's Games				
Baltimore (Suárez 5-3) at Miami				
(TBD), 6:40 p.m.				
St. Louis (Lynn 5-4) at Pittsburgh				
(Skenes 6-0), 6:40 p.m.				
San Diego (Vasquez 2-5) at Wash-				
ington (TBD), 6:45 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Quintana 4-6) at N.Y.				
Yankees (Gil 10-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (TBD) at Atlanta (Sale				
13-3), 7:20 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Wheeler 10-4) at Min-				
nesota (Woods Richardson 3-1), 7:40				
p.m.				
Milwaukee (Rea 9-3) at Chicago				
Cubs (Taillon 7-4), 8:05 p.m.				
Arizona (Montgomery 6-5) at Kansas				
City (Marsh 7-6), 8:10 p.m.				
Boston (TBD) at Colorado (TBD),				
8:40 p.m.				
San Francisco (Hicks 4-6) at L.A.				
Dodgers (Knack 1-2), 10:10 p.m.				
Wednesday's Games				
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 12:20 p.m.				
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 12:35 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.				
Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs, 2:20				
p.m.				
Boston at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.				
Baltimore at Miami, 6:40 p.m.				
San Diego at Washington, 6:45 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.				
Arizona at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.				
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers,				
10:10 p.m.				

Midwest League				
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Saturday, July 20				
Lake County 10, Fort Wayne 4				
Sunday, July 21				
Lake County 6, Fort Wayne 3				
Monday, July 22				
No games scheduled				
Tuesday, July 23				
Fort Wayne at Dayton, 7:05 p.m.				

Connor Stalions, Michigan's accused sign-stealing ex-staffer, is the subject of upcoming show on Netflix

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Connor Stalions is set to share his side of the story from an alleged sign-stealing scheme within Michigan's football team before the Wolverines went on to win the national championship.

Netflix announced Monday that the fourth season of "Untold" will include "Sign Stealer," on Aug. 27, when Stalions breaks his silence on the scandal that shook college football.

Stalions was on coach Jim Harbaugh's staff until resigning in November, accused of purchasing tickets to scout future opponents and sending people to those games to digitally record teams signaling in their plays.

In-person scouting is banned by the NCAA, which has been investigating Mich-

igan's system to determine how organized it was and who knew about it. Records from other Big Ten schools show Stalions bought tickets to numerous games involving future opponents. He was initially placed on leave by the school and later resigned.

NCAA President Charlie Baker has said the Wolverines won the national championship "fair and square" earlier this year.

The Big Ten Conference banned Harbaugh from coaching the final three games of the regular season for leading a program that violated the conference's sportsmanship policy.

Harbaugh, who left the school to lead the Los Angeles Chargers, has denied any knowledge of an improper scouting scheme in his program.

Bengals say Burrow has been cleared for contact, training camp

By MITCH STACY
AP Sports Writer

CINCINNATI (AP) — Joe Burrow and his surgically repaired wrist have been cleared for contact, and the Cincinnati Bengals star quarterback is ready to go for the opening of training camp on Wednesday.

Burrow was sidelined last season when he suffered a torn ligament in his right wrist in the 10th game, a loss to Baltimore on Nov. 16. He had surgery Nov. 27.

"We just we need Joe to be out there," new offensive coordinator Dan Pitcher said. "He's going to be out there. He's worked himself in a really good place physically and mentally."

Coach Zac Taylor doesn't know yet if any kind of accommodations will be made for Burrow in training camp and doesn't know yet if the quarterback — or any of the regulars — will play in the preseason games.

But Taylor said he is feeling optimistic about Burrow.

"My impression of him, just seen him over the last several months, has been very positive, and he's ready to go," Taylor said.

Burrow knows the drill when it comes to rehab. In his rookie year in 2020, he injured his knee while being sacked in Week 11 against Washington. He finished rehab just in time for the start of the 2021 season.

Appendicitis caused him to miss all of training camp in 2022. On the second day of camp in 2023, Burrow strained a calf muscle. He didn't miss any games, but the injury limited his mobility in the early part of the season.

Pitcher said having Burrow at 100% or close to it for training camp is critical to the ramping up of the Bengals offense, which will be operating with a new No. 1 running back, likely Zack Moss

Agriculture

Study: Lice causing significant harm to cage-free poultry

By AGDAILY

Lice have been found feeding on the skin and blood of free-range chickens, which are infected at much higher rates than caged flocks. This finding could have implications for states like California, where all egg production is cage-free.

Previously, lice were not known to be significant poultry pests. However, a UC Riverside study published in the journal Parasites & Vectors shows for the first time that they are.

"We didn't expect to find skin lesions associated with chicken body lice, but we did. This has not, to my knowledge, been documented before," said UCR entomologist and lead study author Amy Murillo.

Murillo studies poultry and other livestock pests. To help detect mite infestations in chickens, Murillo previously led a team of entomologists, computer scientists, and poultry scientists in creating a new insect detection sensor. These sensors, worn on the birds' backs, have been dubbed "Fitbits for chickens."

The Fitbits translate the birds' behaviors into algo-

rihms that can be recognized by computers. For this study, the sensors were used to monitor activity at three points in time — during a period where cage-free chickens were not infested with lice, during a growing infestation, and during a full-blown infestation.

The clearest signal of a lice infestation was an increase in preening behaviors, as the birds clean their feathers with their beaks. While preening is generally considered positive, too much of it could disrupt other healthy chicken behaviors.

"We found such a significant increase in infested flocks it makes us think they're spending time preening when they might have been doing other things, like resting, eating, sleeping, or laying eggs," Murillo said.

A major increase in preening was detected even when the lice infestation was relatively small. "Just a few lice and you see a dramatic change in what the chicken is doing," Murillo said. "I don't know if you can measure itchiness or irritation, but they're spending significant amounts of

time trying to get the lice off."

Lice tend to live in places on the body, both in humans and in chickens, that make it harder for hosts to remove them. Chicken body lice tend to go under the wings, a place with a warmer than average skin temperature that is harder for birds to reach. The lesions the researchers found there were actively bleeding.

At this time, there are not many strategies for mitigating chicken lice. Few insecticides are allowed to be used on poultry, and it is difficult to apply pesticides to cage-free birds. However, Murillo and her colleagues have gotten promising results with food-grade diatomaceous earth, a powdery substance made from the fossilized remains of aquatic organisms.

"When chickens get it into their feathers, it disrupts the waxy exoskeleton of the lice," Murillo said. "In other words, the diatomaceous earth makes it so the insects can't prevent water loss. Then they dry out and die."

Given the possibility that excessive preening may interfere with egg lay-

ing, Murillo would like to conduct a follow-up study. "Lice were not previously looked at as serious pests. Now that there's evidence the lice impact the birds, I'd like to measure the economic impact of infestations," she said.

California's Proposition 12, passed by voters in 2018, bans the sale of eggs from hens kept in cages. The law aims to reduce animal suffering by setting minimum space requirements for farm animals. However, the absence of cages alone does not guarantee chicken health and happiness.

Murillo is not sure why birds with open air access are infested with lice at higher rates than caged chickens. As there is a gap in the literature regarding the origins of chicken lice infestations, she would also like to make this the focus of future research.

"From an animal behavior and wholistic standpoint, the birds definitely benefit from being cage-free. They have more space and get to perform more natural behaviors," Murillo said. "But from a disease standpoint, it is worse."

Ag groups call on EPA to reform endangered species act processes

By HOOSIER
AG TODAY

More than 300 agricultural groups, including the American Soybean Association and American Sugarbeet Growers Association, have called on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to work with stakeholders to reform its Endangered Species Act processes for pesticides. In a letter signed by 318 organizations representing hundreds of thousands of farmers, the groups contend farmers and other pesticide users will face significant and costly restrictions without reforms. Further, EPA may not be meeting its own legal obligations in determining credible risks to those endangered species.

Josh Gackle, American Soybean Association president and North Dakota soybean farmer, explained the groups support EPA efforts to meet its legal requirements, but there is more to it than simply making a passing grade:

"The courts have been clear they will continue to strike down pesticide registrations if EPA does not comply. However, EPA cannot do perfunctory work on the Endangered Species Act

and pass the test. Rather, it needs to aim for an "A" by doing so in a way that is consistent with the law. EPA often makes conservative assumptions instead of using 'the best scientific and commercial data available' as required by ESA. By doing so, the result is often unnecessary restrictions for farmers and legal vulnerabilities for pesticide registrations."

Federal courts repeatedly found EPA had not fulfilled its legally required ESA work and would strike down pesticide registrations, causing farmers and other pesticide users to lose invaluable and safe pesticide tools. As a result, EPA has tried the last couple of years to bring its pesticide program into compliance, including through proposals such as the draft Herbicide Strategy.

In its efforts to become compliant, the agency's regulatory pendulum has now swung too far, and EPA risks overregulating tools by predicting worst-case scenarios that overstate pesticide impacts to endangered species. These unduly conservative predictions impose increased and often unnecessary restrictions on farmers versus when quality data

and more refined assumptions are used.

"It is imperative that EPA engage with growers to understand our actual agronomic practices. Instead, EPA seems to be focusing on imaginary risks to endangered species based on unrealistic assumptions and ignoring the way we actually use pesticides in the real world. EPA assumptions will ultimately impose unnecessary restrictions on growers, making it harder for American farmers to feed the world, all while doing nothing to protect species. EPA must commit to using the best available science," said Neil Rockstad, president of the American Sugarbeet Growers Association.

The groups point to available data EPA does not typically use — data that would provide a more accurate picture of how pesticides affect species. This includes real-world pesticide usage, percent of crop area treated, existing conservation practices and other data sets. Further, if EPA were to use more refined models as it has done on occasion in the past, it could also yield more precise results, the letter suggests. These

improvements would result in more accurate assessments requiring farmers to adopt restrictions only when genuinely needed to protect endangered species or critical habitat.



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Neighbor threatens a 40-year marriage

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married for over 40 years. He is 75, and I'm 70. I'd always felt secure in my husband's love and devotion and had not had an issue with trust until a younger, single woman in her 50s moved near us about four years ago. He told me he had stopped by to introduce himself, that she's really nice and that he enjoyed chatting with her. Since then, certain behaviors he's displayed — and my intuition — lead me to believe he has a strong attraction to her.

I've tried to have a friendly chat with her a few times, but she seems to shun me.

Eventually, I knew I had to talk to my husband. I calmly told him what I'd observed. I said he didn't need to confirm or deny an attraction, and he didn't. I also said I believe an occasional attraction outside of a marriage is normal and not threatening to a stable marriage. As expected, he assured me of his love, commitment and fidelity.

Since then, I've caught him in a few white lies and seen her contact info on his phone when I used it. Her backyard is visible from ours, and I see him staring in her yard several times a day. When we drive by her house, he gawks. This situation is cliché and kind of pathetic. Sometimes I think I should offer him a divorce so he's free to do what he wants, and I wouldn't have to suffer

the indignities of him having an affair. I'm not sure where to go from here. Please, advise me. — Trust

Dear Trust: Until there is concrete evidence that your husband is having an affair, I would try to let this go. Forty years is a long time to be married, so just trust in that fact, knowing that your husband has been faithful for a long time. The part that bothers me most is that you have tried to be friendly and she shuns you. Tell your husband about that and that he needs to take your side here. If they want to be friends, then she has to be friendly to you, and if she refuses to be kind to you, then you can insist that your husband back you up and start ignoring your nasty neighbor.

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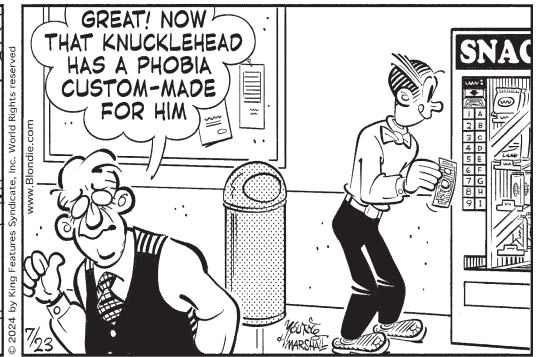
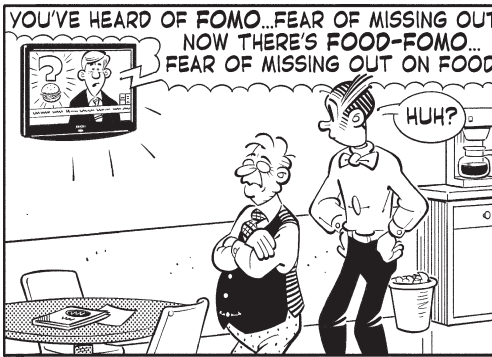


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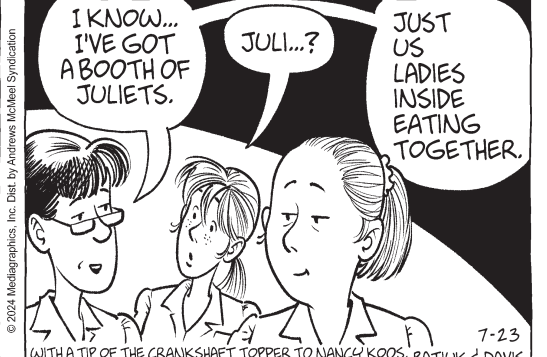
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My Answer

By Dr. Billy Graham



The more knowledge we acquire, the less wisdom we seem to have

Question: My family spent a week out in the California desert and saw the Fountain of Life in Cathedral City. There was a small group there and the leader said he brings his patients to this place in search of peace and clarity to life. I'm not sure a fountain has that kind of power. The people there looked dismayed and weary. I shared with him that the Bible speaks of a fountain also, but couldn't recall the reference. — FL.

Answer: The more knowledge we acquire, the less wisdom we seem to have. The more economic security we gain, the more boredom we generate. The more worldly pleasure we enjoy, the less satis-

fied and content we are with life. We are like a restless sea, finding a little peace here and a little pleasure there, but nothing permanent and satisfying. So the search continues!

People are on a quest for power, pleasure, and wealth, thinking thereby to gain for themselves and their particular group peace, security, contentment, and happiness.

We have a mysterious feeling that there is a fountain somewhere that contains the happiness that makes life worthwhile. We keep saying to ourselves that somewhere, sometime, we will stumble onto the secret. Sometimes we feel that we have obtained it — only to find it elusive, leaving

us disillusioned, bewildered, and unhappy.

The happiness that brings enduring worth to life is not the superficial happiness that is dependent on circumstances. It is the happiness and contentment that God gives that fills the soul even in the midst of the most distressing of circumstances and the most adverse environment.

"How precious is Your loving kindness, O God! ... For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we see light" (Psalm 36:7, 9, NKJV).

(This column is based on the words and writings of the late Rev. Billy Graham.)

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



"Spelling is easy as long as you guess the right letters."

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WINM (12)	11	26	63		Washington Watch With Tony Perkins	News-at-6	Creflo Dollar	Joseph Prince (N)	Turning Point	TCT Today	Joyce Meyer	Vindication	James Robison	Dr. Robert Jeffrey	Jewish Jesus	Andrew Womack	Ask the Pastor	Mysteries			
CBS WANE (15)	2	15	15		News (N)	Inside Edition (N)	News at 6 (N)	CBS News (N)	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	FBI: "Best Laid Plans"	FBI: International	FBI: "Radio Silence"	FBI: Most Wanted	Nightcast (N)	(35) Late Show-Colbert	(35) After Mid. (N)				
WANE-2 (152)	106	20			Chicago Fire "Not Like This"	Chicago Fire "Shoved in My Face"	Chicago Fire "Out With a Bang"	Chicago Fire "Tonight's the Night"	Chicago Fire "Virgin Live!"	Chicago Fire "Keep Your Mouth Shut"	Chicago Fire "A Rocket Blasting Off"	Chicago Fire "When Things Got Rough"									
ABC WPTA (21)	4	3	21	21	ABC21 News at 5 (N)	ABC21 (N)	ABC World News (N)	ABC21 (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	Celebrity Family Feud	Judge Steve Harvey "Divine Vine" (N)	To Be Announced	ABC21 (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)	(35) Nightline						
NBC WPTA-2 (212)	7	8	14		Family Feud	25 Words or Less	News (N)	NBC News (N)	Family Feud	Family Feud	Got Talent Variety acts featuring contestants of all ages audition for the chance to win \$1 million. (N)	Password (N)	News (N)	(35) Tonight Show (N)	(35) Seth Meyers (N)						
MNT WPTA-3 (213)	10	9	56	34	The King of Queens	The King of Queens	Modern Family	News (N)	Last Man Standing	Independent League Baseball AABP All-Star Game From Legends Field in Kansas City, Kan. (N)			Chicago Fire	Chicago Fire							
CW WISE (33)	8	4	33	33	The Steve Wilkos Show	TMZ Live (N)			Dish Nation (N)	TMZ (N)	The Conners	The Conners	The Conners	The Conners	Dish Nation (N)	TMZ (N)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	
PBS WFWA (39)	13	5	39	39	Breakthrough "The Airplane"	PBS News Hour (N)			BBC News America	Healthline (N)	Finding Your Roots "Far From Home"	Gods of Billie Jean King and Arthur Ashe (P) (N)	Gods of Billie Jean King and Arthur Ashe (P) (N)	Frontline Filled over 34 years, two families struggle to survive in a changing American economy.	Frontline Filled over 34 years, two families struggle to survive in a changing American economy.	Frontline Filled over 34 years, two families struggle to survive in a changing American economy.	FOX 55 News First at 10 (N)	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Neighbor	Neighbor
PBS WFPB (49)	3				Breakthrough "The Airplane"	Context	The Day	PBS News Hour (N)	Finding Your Roots "Far From Home"	Gods of Billie Jean King and Arthur Ashe (P) (N)	Gods of Billie Jean King and Arthur Ashe (P) (N)	Frontline Filled over 34 years, two families struggle to survive in a changing American economy.	Frontline Filled over 34 years, two families struggle to survive in a changing American economy.	Frontline Filled over 34 years, two families struggle to survive in a changing American economy.	FOX 55 News First at 10 (N)	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Neighbor	Neighbor		
FOX WFTT (55)	6	5	55	55	WFFT Fox News at 5 (N)	WFFT Fox News at 6 (N)	Big Bang	Big Bang	Beat Shazam	The Quiz With Balls (N)											
CABLE CHANNELS																					
LIFE	23	113	108	252	Castle "Heartbreak Hotel"	Castle "Kill Shot"	Castle "Cuffed"	Castle "Till Death Do Us Part"	Castle "Dial M for Murder"	(05) Castle	(05) Castle "The Blue Butterfly"	Castle "Till Death Do Us Part"									
FX	24	132	136	148	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	*** Logan (2017, Action) Patrick Stewart, Dafne Keen, Hugh Jackman.	
TVLAND	25		106	304	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith
E!	26	142	114	236	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
PARMT	30		241	241	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men
ESPN	31	50	140	206	Around (N)	Pardon (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	World of X Games Presents: Real MTB	In the Arena: Serena Williams	In the Arena: Serena Williams	The Ultimate Fighter (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)	SportsCenter (L) (N)
ESPN2	32	54	143	209	NFL Live (N)	ESPN BET Live (L) (N)	Pardon (N)	Soccer (L) (N)	NFL Live	In the Arena: Serena Williams	Arena (N)	Good Guy									
FSMW	33		418	671	(4:00) MLB Baseball	Cardinals! Pittsburgh (L) (N)	MLB Baseball St. Louis Cardinals at Pittsburgh Pirates From PNC Park in Pittsburgh (L) (N)	Cardinals Post (L) (N)	Warehouse Games	Warehouse Games	Warehouse Games	United Fight Alliance									
USA	34	133	105	242	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"	Law & Order: SVU "Monster's Legacy"	Law & Order: SVU "Criminal Hatred"
DISC	35	72	182	278	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"	Deadliest Catch "Lights Out!"	Deadliest Catch "A Titan Among Men"
TLC	36	73	183	280	(4:00) 90 Day Fiancé	Welcome to Plathville	Skinwalker Ranch "What the Hell?"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad to the Bone"
HST	38	77	120	269	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.
A&E	39	134	118	265	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.	Neighbor. Neighbor.
HALL	40	117	185	312	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.	Take Me Back for Christmas (2023, Romance) Corey Sevey, Paula Boudreau, Vanessa Lengies.
SYFY	41	135	122	244	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.	*** The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (2022, Comedy) Pedro Pascal, Tiffany Haddish, Nicolas Cage.
TBS	43	130	139	247	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang
TVNT	44	131	138	245	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.	*** Aquaman (2018, Action) Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe, Jason Momoa.
AMC	45	131	134	254	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.	*** Rocky II (1979, Drama) Talia Shire, Burgess Meredith, Sylvester Stallone.
COM	47	107	249	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office
FS1	48	64	150	219	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.	Speak Emmanuella Aho, Joy Taylor, and LeSean McCoy discuss the biggest sports topics of the day.
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FOOD	59	153	110	231	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC
BRAVO	60	140	129	237	SpongeBob	Rock Paper Scissors	Fairly Odd	SpongeBob													

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Cash 5 — 03-32-34-36-44

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Daily Three-Midday — 08-09-01, SB: 09

Daily Three-Evening — 00-04-06, SB: 06

Daily Four-Midday — 05-07-08-09, SB: 09

Daily Four-Evening — 09-01-00-06, SB: 06

Quick Draw Evening — 03-16-25-28-29-33-36-37-40-48-50-53-55-56-59-63-65-71-74-80, BE: 59

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BIDDING NOW OPEN & STARTS CLOSING AUGUST 18 - 6 p.m. EST - Kathy Stark, owner. Real estate 6 p.m.: Four bedroom, 1 full bath w/ heated flooring, 2,328 sq. feet, basement, screened in back porch, 28'x30' heated detached garage, beautiful 36'x66' bank barn, famous Minion silo, all sitting on 2.41+/- acres! Personal property 6:30: Vintage outdoor Christmas decorations, extension cords, violin, saxophone, guitars, music, books, power tools, fishing tackle, household items, dog pool, Kobalt air compressor, table saw, sectional sofa/bed/recliner, firetruck bed, dining table & chairs, microwave, Seven Dwarfs cement statues, Brother sewing machine, & much more! Preview Aug. 5, 5-6 p.m., 9841 N 750 E, Ossian, IN. Pick up Aug. 19, 2-6 p.m. [Krueckeburg Auction & Realty LLC](http://KrueckeburgAuction&RealtyLLC.com), 260-724-7402, kjauction.com.

Public Notices

NOTICE
The Town Council of Uniondale is holding a special meeting open to the Public on Thursday, July 25th at 6 PM to discuss Fire Contracts. Meeting location: 5980 N Main Street, Uniondale IN.
nb 7/23 hspaxlp

NOTICE
In accordance with Indiana Code 5-15-6-3 requiring prior notification to individuals when records will be destroyed:
Notice to any individuals born in the year 2002, who received special education services in Adams and/or Wells Counties. Please contact Adams Wells Special Services no later than August 9, 2024 if you wish to receive copies of your special education records. All records requested for pick-up and not picked up and non-requested records for persons born in the year 2002 will be permanently destroyed after August 16, 2024. If you wish to request records, you must call (260)824-5880 to do so. Records must be picked up by the person who received services unless otherwise legally designated.
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Heslop's run for the White House

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She also owned and operated a dance studio there along with her second husband, Duke Roberts. High school friend Jeanne (Gerber) Rinkenberger recalls visiting her there and being impressed by her studio. It was in 1980, according to her diary.



Kate Heslop used this photo for her campaign literature.

"They had this beautiful garden behind their home and Kathy had become quite the Southern Belle," Rinkenberger says. "She had adapted to the community and seemed quite happy."

"They had a big, older house, there," Linda (Decker) Isch, another high school classmate recalls, "and she once told me that it had been haunted but they had an exorcist come in."

That food brokerage business reportedly went from zero to more than \$4 million in annual revenue in just three years, a result, her sister says, of her sales skills.

Wann recalls that while she was earning her masters degree in Iowa, her sister worked part-time at a Sears store in Ames. "She outsold her sales manager," Wann says. "She was just so talented in so many ways," adding that she was

Jeanne Kirkpatrick "formulated her decision to run for president." While his interview discussed education and foreign affairs, she "made it plain that her largest campaign emphasis is on the American economy."

Heslop told Barbieri she was running because someone needed to come in from the outside, without obligations to anyone and halt the deficits and the necessary "even to good-sounding programs."

"We cannot continue to borrow \$500 million per day — that's \$144 billion a year — it's one fifth of our revenue," Barbieri quoted her as saying in The News-Banner article dated May 27, 1987.

After their Indiana visit, the Heslops apparently traveled to New Hampshire. A United Press International article with a dateline of Concord, New Hampshire, and dated June 26, 1987, reported on her campaign mascot — a piglet named "Sweet and Sour."

"Kate Heslop, 42, a small business owner from Mississippi, plans to campaign with her 4-week-old piglet, which she walks on a leash around the country when she leaves the state that holds the nation's first

paign and I agree," she told the crowd. "But I would ask 'what kind of experience?' Some say I have no experience in government. It is true I have no experience in creating a \$200 billion deficit."

"I do believe that any group of 535 motorists selected at random from Interstate 93," she continued, referring to the total number of members of the U.S. Congress and the interstate highway that passes near East Andover, "could have done a better job than Congress has this past decade of managing our economy."

The remark brought some laughter and a hearty round of applause from her audience.

She saved her most pointed remarks for the "Cavalcade of the Stars" event organized by Iowa's state Republican Party held in mid-September in Ames, Iowa. Heslop shared the stage at the Hilton Coliseum with Bush, Dole, Robertson, Kemp, DuPont and what was described as "another lesser candidate," Ben Fernandez, reported to be the first presidential candidate of Hispanic heritage.

In her portion of the program, approximately 13 minutes in length, Heslop did not pull any punches.

"What I have to say today, you may not want to hear," she began her remarks.

"I may be alone in this notion but I believe the American public deserves to hear it like it is. And the way it is, is that the professional politicians in Washington are financing their own political popularity on the backs of our children and grandchildren, borrowing another \$500 million every day to keep the government afloat."

This resulted in polite applause from the crowd, estimated at 5,700 who had paid \$25 each to attend.

She referred to the national debt as "an economic time bomb," which resulted in a more hearty round of applause. But that would soon change.

"Ronald Reagan, George Bush, Bob Dole and Jack Kemp are stealing the future of my children and your children." No applause; a few scattered boos.

"It is sad to say but I believe that the Reagan administration has been the most irresponsible in the nation's long history." More audible boos were heard.

Heslop continued to harangue the party establishment about the debt; the video cuts to members of the crowd with sober faces. She had suggestions on how to cut the deficit, including welfare reform (applause) and opined that increasing taxes may be necessary (silence).

"The real question is not whether you want to increase taxes but instead, whether you think we could pay for our spending ourselves or force our children to pay for our shortage." This brought a spattering of applause but no boos.

Heslop moved on to her version of the American Dream, trade issues (Japan was seen then as the nation's biggest threat),



Above left, Jeanne Rinkenberger displays two entries made by Kathy Tyson in her high school autograph books. "They really show her creativity and sense of humor," she says. In right photo, Tyson and classmate Bill McBride, who still resides in Bluffton, were honored on graduation day for their activities.

Lancaster classmates recall an 'outgoing, very intelligent' Tyson

Several of Kathleen Tyson Heslop's high school classmates were surprised at her decision to run for president.

"I was just amazed when I first heard about it," Linda (Decker) Isch says now. "I had known she had a successful business and she was always outgoing. But president — that's a whole different matter."

Jeanne (Gerber) Rinkenberger remembers that at first she had thought it was "out of character for Kathy — that's what we called her. But I then remembered that she was not afraid of trying something new."

Rinkenberger had kept in touch with her friend, once visiting her when she lived in South Carolina. She remembers their circle of friends having overnight parties at each other's homes, and describes her classmate as "vivacious, always with a ready smile."

"And smart. Very intelligent," she continued. "And what an artist. She had created this cartoon figure. It was a little sailor. That and a dachshund."

Isch also mentioned her intelligence, and Wann says she often got mad at her younger sister — whom she called "Shorty" — because she never had to study.

"She'd get on the bus in the morning and quiz her classmates about a test they had that day, and then she'd go in and ace it," Wann says. "I could never keep up with her."

Bill McBride and Kathleen Tyson are pictured together in the 1963 yearbook under a heading of "Active Students."

"Well, I was in about everything — basketball and baseball, and band,"

McBride says. "I don't remember what all she was into, we weren't that good of friends. I just remember how smart she was."

"Oh yes, we were in band and choir together," Isch recalls. She and Rinkenberger both believe she was on either the newspaper or yearbook staff. A perusal through that yearbook finds her in several groups, including the "Quill and Scroll," a national honor for high school journalism students, the National Honor Society, the yearbook staff and several musical groups.

Heslop had also written a letter to classmate Gerald Dennis, who is now deceased. Dated July 18, 1987, and written on her campaign stationery, Dennis was

helping her organize a fundraising dinner at the Dutch Mill, scheduled for Aug. 3, 1987. The effort, however, apparently never came to fruition, as none of her former classmates contacted for this story nor her sister has any recollection of it. A search through News-Banner archives around that date also found no mention.

Rinkenberger was grateful for The News-Banner's inquiry about her high school friend. It caused her to find her diary and two entries by Tyson in her high school autograph books.

"If Kenny H. lived across the sea, what a good swimmer Jeanne would be," is written in one corner, a reference to a Kenn Honegger, whom Rinkenberger admits she "had a crush on" during their school years, which brought a hearty chuckle from her.

"That's a good example of her wit," she said. "Kathy was such a good friend."

— Mark Miller



Bluffton resident Sylvia Wann holds a bumper sticker and a campaign button from her sister Kathleen's run for president in 1988. "She was always outspoken," Wann recalls. "She didn't mince words and didn't hesitate if she had something to say." Also on display is a News-Banner article written by Jim Barbieri from May 1987. (Photo by Mark Miller)

also known for her artistic talents, her sewing abilities and ballroom dancing.

In 1986, Heslop moved to Hattiesburg, Mississippi, with her two sons from her first marriage (to Elwin "Ray" McAfee of Rockcreek Township) and her then husband Gordon Heslop, where Gordon was a professor at the University of Southern Mississippi. His career would cause several moves, Wann says. When she was introduced at a campaign event in September 1987 in Iowa, the speaker said she hailed from Minnesota since Gordon Heslop was then teaching at Mankato State University.

'Get the pork out of politics'

Heslop's sister is not sure what spawned her candidacy. "I always thought maybe Gordon influenced that," Wann says.

Barbieri reported that her attendance at the 1986 Conservative Congress and hearing former United Nations ambassador

presidential primary," the story reported.

The short article continued: "'Sweet and Sour is kind of like the deficit,' Heslop said. 'The spending is sweet, but the sour part is that you have to pay later. It comes time when you have to stand up for what you believe. I plan to get the pork out of politics.'"

"Yes, she got a lot of attention with that pig," Wann recalls. She remembers asking her sister how she could travel with it "but she told me that motels didn't have a problem with it, and that it actually behaved better than a dog."

The peak of Heslop's campaign visibility likely occurred in August and September of 1987. She spoke for 10 minutes at what was labeled simply as a "GOP Picnic" in East Andover, New Hampshire, Aug. 21, where she took the podium between Elizabeth Dole and Jack Kemp.

"Experience is said to be an issue in this cam-

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