

Rain moved the Bluffton Parks Department's final summer concert inside, but that didn't stop Woomblies Rock Orchestra from bringing the heat to Life Community Church's stage Friday night. (Photos by Holly Gaskill)







Unemployment rise spurs slowdown fears; Recession signals wrong – so far

County drug task force makes strides in first year

By SYDNEY KENT

Almost a year after its inception, the Well's County Drug Task Force continues to confront the issue of substance abuse in the community.

The task force was established last fall through a partnership between Citizens Against Drug Abuse and the advocacy committee for the Wells County Chamber of Commerce.

Erin Prible, executive director of the Wells County Chamber of Commerce, said the group officially began after U.S. Rep. Jim Banks visited with local leaders and concerned citizens to talk about drugs at the global, national and local level.

"We're no different than the next county over," Prible said. "The problem is global. But we as concerned citizens need to walk alongside those that are struggling, or supporting those that are helping individuals in recovery.'

The task force has noticeably changed the language around

recovery, reaching beyond the regularly scheduled monthly meetings.

Ten members of the task force completed a training program late last month to provide NARCAN administration training to groups and individuals.

Along with Prible, members Hattie Wondercheck, Rachel Reinhard, Andy Yergler, Joe Dickson, Trudy Dickson, Wendy Bailey, Bethanie Burns, Molly Hoag, Anna Murphy and Kim Conner also completed the program.

They all represent different areas," Prible explained. "The goal is to figure out how to train and educate others now. Everyone comes from different sectors. I hope to talk to employers, talk about the stats and what to do with an employee going through an overdose situation."

Prible said the Chamber will soon be a distributing site in Bluffton to obtain Narcan, a treatment for overdoses, for free. Narcan is (Continued on Page 2)

APC grants Meyer Renovation a do-pass recommendation

Discusses junk violation, other rezoning issues

By JONATHAN SNYDER Meyer Renovation's development plan was given a do-pass recommendation by the Wells County Area Plan Commission Thursday.

back from the front yard was 30 ft. instead of the 60 ft. setback requirements as part of the specific subdivision at 10350 North State Road 1. The board also had issues with the gravel driveway entering the property. Meyer mentioned plans to pave it. The board gave five conditions for their recommendation. Meyer must lay fencing along the south side of the property through Ossian's utility easement, with the north and part of the west side being free from fencing due to the ditch. Meyer must also: have the Indiana Department of Transportation approve the driveway construction, acquire an exemption for the 30 ft. building setback, either remove or turn all exterior lighting so it's downward facing. and an additional exemption for the planned residential unit on the back side of the proposed build-"This is the most complicated one I think I have seen in my tenure," APC member John Schuhm-(Continued on Page 2)

By CHRISTOPHER RUGABER and PAUL WISEMAN **AP Economics Writers**

WASHINGTON (AP) – A surprising rise in the U.S. unemployment rate last month has rattled financial markets and set off new worries about the threat of a recession — but it could also prove to be a false alarm.

Friday's jobs report, which also showed hiring slowed last month, coincides with other signs the economy is cooling amid high prices and elevated interest rates. A survey of manufacturing firms showed activity weakened noticeably in July. Hurricane Beryl, however, hit Texas during the same week the government compiles its job data and could have held back job gains.

The U.S. economy used to flash reliable signals when it was in or near a recession. But those red lights have gone haywire since the COVID-19 pandemic struck and upended normal business activity. Over the past two or three years, they've signaled downturns that never arrived as the economy just kept rolling along.

Worries about a recession are also quickly politicized, even more so as the presidential election intensifies. Former President Donald Trump's campaign on Friday said the jobs report is "more evidence that the Biden-Harris economy is failing Americans.'

For his part, President Joe Biden said that since he and Vice President Kamala Harris took office, the economy has added

nearly 16 million jobs, while the unemployment rate fell to halfcentury lows. Some of those job gains reflect a bounce-back from the pandemic, but the U.S. now has 6.4 million more jobs than it did before COVID-19.

Even so, Friday's report from the U.S. Labor Department is raising recession fears again. The Dow Jones average tumbled more than 600 points, or 1.5%, Friday and the broader S&P 500 fell almost 2%.

Markets likely panicked in part because when the unemployment ticked up to 4.3% last month the highest since October 2021 it set off the so-called Sahm Rule.

Named for former Fed economist Claudia Sahm, the rule holds (Continued on Page 2)

The recommendation comes after months of discussion between Jason Meyer of Meyer Renovation and the Area Plan Commission, which included lighting issues, stormwater detention, fencing concerns and state design variance troubles.

APC member Jarrod Hahn looked over the two-stage ditch on the north and west sides of the property and signed off on it. Meyer also reported that the power supply and switch for the outwardfacing lighting is gone, and Ossian approved a fence next to Meyer's planned sewer line construction with a one and one-half inch minimum gap between the bottom of the fence and the ground for stormwater runoff.

The state design variance was filed on July 23, but the board still had problems with Meyer's proposal. One issue was the set-

Mourners bury Hamas chief Haniyeh in Qatar as escalation looms

By ISABEL DEBRE and JULIA FRANKEL **Associated Press**

JERUSALEM (AP) - Thousands of mourners converged around the flag-draped coffin of Hamas' slain political chief, Ismail Haniyeh, in the emirate of Qatar on Friday as the fallout surged from his death in an alleged Israeli attack.

The funeral ceremony in Doha, Qatar's capital, attended by members of Gaza's militant Hamas and

Islamic Jihad groups as well as Qatari and Iranian officials, was subdued. But across the Muslim world - from Jordan and Morocco to Yemen and Somalia – angry crowds waving Palestinian flags rushed out of mosques after midday Friday prayers, chanting for revenge.

"Let Friday be a day of rage to denounce the assassination," said Izzat al-Risheq, a senior Hamas official. Haniyeh had lived in Qatar, along with other senior

members of Hamas's political leadership.

Following the back-to-back assassinations of Haniyeh in Tehran early Wednesday and top Hezbollah commander Fuad Shukr in Beirut the evening before, international diplomats have scrambled to head off a full-fledged regional war. Iran and its proxies vowed to retaliate. Major airlines canceled flights to Tel Aviv, Israel, and Beirut, Lebanon.

Cyprus said Friday it was pre-

ations of foreign citizens via the island nation, in case of a wider war. France beefed up security for Jewish communities nationwide. Poland warned its citizens against traveling to the Mideast. Pakistan and Turkey lowered

paring for possible mass evacu-

their flags to half-staff, prompting Israel to summon Turkey's deputy ambassador for a "stern reprimand."

Turkey's foreign ministry spokesperson, Oncu Keceli, shot back that Israel "cannot achieve peace by killing the negotiators" - a reference to Haniyeh's role in cease-fire talks - while hundreds of Turks gathered at the historic Hagia Sophia to pay tribute to the slain Hamas leader as his funeral service got underway in Doha.

"We are sure that his blood will bring out victory, dignity and liberation," senior Hamas official Khalil al-Hayya, seen as a possible successor to Haniyeh, said (Continued on Page 2)



LOCAL/NATION

Weather

Saturday, August 3, 2024

(24-hour observations at 10:35 p.m. Friday)

High: 82; Low: 69; Precipitation: 0.60 inches of rain

Wells County forecast

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85. North wind

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 64. North wind

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 85. Calm wind becom-

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 67.

Tuesday: A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also

Tuesday Night: A 30% chance of showers and thun-

possible after 2 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 85.

derstorms, mainly before 8 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a low

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 77. **Wednesday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 77.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 78.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 69.

around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 86.

Wabash River Level (at the Main Street bridge): 1.34

County drug task force

(Continued from Page 1) currently available, also for free, in a box at the back of the Community Thrift store, located at 117 South Main St. in Bluffton.

Prible explained that the force consists of several sub committees, each working to provide resources to a different population, such as parents and youth or employers.

"One sub committee is working on doing a big community event next year," Prible said. "Our parents and youth sub-committee worked to bring a 'Hidden In Plain Sight' trailer at all registrations for each school system this year."

Prible explained that the trailer is set up to look like a bedroom of a high school student. An individual walks parents through and shows them places where drugs may be hidden. The Wells County Foundation funded the trailer.

"If we can reach parents," Prible said. "Maybe that will impact students."

Though only operating for one year, the task force has raised over \$17,000 and hosted its first event less than a month after forming. Last September, an anti-drug speaking group presented to all three schools in the area. Speakers Cody Knuckles and John Humphries, also known as Cody and John Speak, also spoke at a free community event to discuss drug abuse and mental health.

Prible called the stories "raw, real and relevant" to students dealing with addiction. Of the intangible

accomplishments, the task force hopes to continue to bring awareness to the reality of addiction and remove the stigma.

"Nobody wakes up in the morning and decides to do drugs today," Prible said. "It's often a way to escape trauma. In Cody's case, it is as simple as having an injury that led to an addiction to Percocet. Whatever the reason, we want to provide better service to our community. They're all sons and daughters and citizens of our community."

The Indiana Chamber Executive Association recognized the group with an award for developing the task force. Prible recognized the Wells County Foundation for a large portion of the raised funds. In August 2023, the Wells County Commissioners gave \$2,000 to support the speaking series.

The group consists of representatives from nonprofits, law enforcement, counseling, all three schools, recovery centers, City Council, the town of Ossian, the Wells County Prosecutor's Office and Probation, local churches, and more. Anyone interested in joining should contact Prible at eprible@ wellscoc.com.

The SAMHSA's National Helpline is a free, confidential, 24/7, 365-day-a-year treatment referral and information service for individuals and families facing mental and/or substance use disorders. Call 1-800-662-HELP (4357) for help.

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Do-pass recommendation

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Additionally a do-not pass recommendation was given to Gratus Development LLC for their plans to rezone 2.097 acres north of 1644 North Main St, behind ProFed Credit Union. Gratus' plan was to purchase the land — following approval rezone it as residential, and build a senior affordable housing development with 47 units.

While the APC addressed that housing is a need in Bluffton, member Chandler Gerber cited two projects already in the approval pipeline that are in residential areas as a reason for caution. Jonathan Ehlke of Gratus Development admitted that official support for the development came really late in the process and understood the hesitancy from the board, but since the land was not purchased yet and time was spent drawing the plans, there was no harm in submitting it.

"We completely respect the Gratus organization," Gerber said. "(But) for a number of reasons this project specifically, the location and a few of those other things are an issue and we (Bluffton Common Council) feel that we've got some other projects that have been submitted already that check a lot of boxes that we need and are in areas designed for residential real estate."

Jeff Miller, representing a group of home owners from Stoney Creek Estates, said the the Wells County Comprehensive Plan has the ideal use for the land as business developments, and traffic patterns are best suited as business in that area. Miller also stated that 47 units and 57 cars in a two acre plot of land would create a very congested area.

"I didn't hear a lot of fight coming from the representative here," APC member Geoff Lance said, "If you look at the comprehensive plan, that's not in the plan. It should, in my opinion, stay business."

Additionally, a do-pass recommendation was given to Felger Investments to rezone 3.2 acres of land at 5049 North S.R. 1 in Ossian for a planned parking lot addition. Matt Bersch stated that there would be no buildings or utilities in the area, it would simply be 14,000 square feet of parking to the north side of the existing building while removing the gravel driveway to the south. Hahn stated that he looked over any potential drainage issues to the south and found that it is accounted for.

Furthermore, the APC approved a 90-day continuation for Rodger Watson's junk violation. APC Executive Director Mike Lautzenheiser stated that significant improvements have been made to clean up the scrap surrounding the property.

"We just have to understand that there are an uncountable number of items that need to be moved," Lautzenheiser said. "But they are moving the needle faster than I could have imagined possible."

The APC also approved the new budget for the APC and GIS Program for 2025, with the standard 5% pay increase for all full and part-time employees. This budget will move onto review by the Wells County Council.

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Hamas chief

Chance of precipitation is 30%.

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feet at 8:45 p.m. Friday

ing west around 5 mph.

around 5 mph.

Calm wind.

around 61.

from the Doha mosque where Haniyeh's coffin was displayed beside that of his bodyguard who was also killed in the attack in Tehran.

Israel has not confirmed or denied its role in the targeted killing of Haniyeh.

Hamas said Haniyeh was killed in a strike on a guesthouse in Tehran where he was staying after the swearing-in ceremony of the new Iranian president.

Khaled Kaddoumi, Hamas' representative in Iran, was staying on a lower floor. Kaddoumi said he woke up shortly before 2 a.m. when his room was shaken and he saw a flash out the window.

At first, Kaddoumi said he thought it was thunder and lightning or an earthquake. By the time he got out of his room, smoke was everywhere and his colleagues told him Haniyeh was killed. Kaddoumi saw Haniyeh face down, on the floor. He spotted the body of Haniyeh's bodyguard, holding a bloody Quran. No one else was injured, he said.

There was so much dust and smoke in the room, Kaddoumi had to wear a mask. The roof and the walls overlooking the exteclaimed Deif survived last month's targeted airstrike in the besieged Gaza Strip, and did not comment on Israel's more recent claim.

The deadly pattern of Israeli airstrikes and skirmishes continued in Gaza, where Palestinian Civil Defense rescuers said a barrage of airstrikes Friday in southern Gaza City killed five Palestinians, including three children. The Israeli military said it had destroyed rocket launchers used by Hamas hours earlier.

There were no services held for Haniyeh in the enclave, where the extent of loss has become so overwhelming that Palestinians are forced to inter their dead family members hurriedly and without last rites.

"We can't memorialize any of our loved ones anymore, funerals are too risky for fear of being killed in bombing ourselves," said Ahmed Qamar, 35, displaced in a shelter in northern Gaza.

At least 39,480 Palestinians have been killed in Gaza in the nearly 10 months since Hamas' brutal Oct. 7 attack on Israel triggered the latest Israel-Hamas war. Palestinian health authorities providing the casualty tolls do not differentiate between civilians and combatants. Tensions also ran high on Israel's northern border days after Israel claimed responsibility for killing Shukr, the Hezbollah commander. On Friday, Hezbollah claimed a series of rocket and artillery attacks on Israel, causing a fire but no casualties in an evacuated Israeli town. Israel claimed its warplanes struck two Hezbollah militants in southern Lebanon who it said had fired the volley of rockets. The exchange was more of the same tit-for-tat that has flared along the Lebanese-Israeli border throughout the Israel-Hamas war. But Israelis and Lebanese braced for more after Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah on Thursday declared that Shukr's killing had pushed the conflict into a "new phase."

Unemployment rise

(Continued from Page 1) that a recession is almost always underway already if the three-month average unemployment rate rises by half a percentage point from its low of the past year. It's been triggered in every U.S. recession since 1970.

But Sahm herself doubts that a recession is "imminent." Speaking before the numbers came out Friday, she said: "If the Sahm Rule were to trigger, it would join the ever-growing group of indicators, rules of thumb, that weren't up to the task." apparent rules have been flouted," Powell said at a news conference. "Many received pieces of received wisdom just haven't worked, and it's because the situation really is unusual or unique."

Powell spoke after Fed officials kept their key interest rate unchanged but signaled that they could reduce the rate as soon as their next meeting in September. ily sapped the Sahm Rule of its potency.

Unemployment has been rising steadily not so much because companies are slashing jobs but because so many people have poured into the job market. Not all of them have found work right away. The new arrivals have been dominated by immigrants many of whom entered the country illegally. They are less likely to respond to Labor Department jobs surveys and therefore can go uncounted as employed. The inverted yield curve, meanwhile, is also seen as a recession signal because of the expectation that a recession occurs when the Fed rapidly boosts its benchmark interest rate, which it raised 11 times in 2022 and 2023. An inverted yield curve occurs when the interest rate on shorter-term Treasury bonds, such two-year notes, rises above the rate on a longer-term bond, such as the 10-year Treasury. The switch happened in July 2022 and yields have been inverted ever since, the longest inversion on record. Typically, longer-term bonds have higher yields to compensate investors for locking up their money for an extended period of time.

When shorter-term bonds start paying out higher yields instead, it usually occurs because markets expect the Fed to crank up its shortterm rate to quell inflation or cool the economy. Such steps often lead to a recession.

An inverted yield curve has preceded each of the last 10 recessions, according to Deutsche Bank, usually by about one to two years. It did provide one false signal in 1967, when an inversion occurred but no downturn followed.

Other previously trustworthy recession indicators that have flopped in the post-pandemic era include:

• A bond market measure with a dry-as-dust label: The "inverted yield curve."

• The rule of thumb that two consecutive quarters of falling economic output amounts to a "technical recession."

On Wednesday, Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell said he is aware of the Sahm Rule and its implications, but noted that other recession signals, such as changes in bond yields, haven't been borne out in recent years.

"This pandemic era has been one in which so many Powell also downplayed the impact of the Sahm Rule, calling it a "statistical regularity."

"It's not like an economic rule where it's telling you something must happen," he said.

For four years, economists have struggled to make sense of an economy that was first shut down by the COVID-19 pandemic, then roared back with such strength that it revived inflationary pressures that had lain dormant for four decades. When the Federal Reserve moved to tame price increases by aggressively raising interest rates starting in March 2022, economists almost uniformly predicted that the higher borrowing costs would cause a recession. It never came.

Post-pandemic trends in the American jobs market may have at least temporarWhy hasn't it been right, so far, this time?

David Kelly, chief global strategist at J.P. Morgan Asset Management, says that historically the yield curve inverts in part because longer-term yields fall on the expectation that the Fed will cut rates once the economy falls into recession.

Yet investors have been expecting the Fed to cut rates because inflation is falling, Kelly said, not in anticipation of a downturn.

"The perception of why the Federal Reserve might cut short rates right now is quite different to the past, and that's why the yield curve is not nearly as ominous as it has been in previous episodes," Kelly said. rior were destroyed, he said.

Kaddoumi said it looked like the room was hit by a missile. A photo that he said was of the building after the attack appeared to show less structural damage than would typically be seen from a large airstrike. The damage appeared more consistent with a smaller explosive, potentially delivered by a drone or planted at the site.

Kaddoumi said Haniyeh had stayed in the same guesthouse in May, when he attended the funeral of Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi, killed in a plane crash.

Haniyeh's killing was another blow to the Hamas leadership.

On Thursday, Israel announced that it killed the shadowy leader of Hamas' military wing, Mohammed Deif, in a July airstrike. Hamas had previously



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Pictured in the photo from left are FCS chief operations officer Lisa Antrim, F&M Bank business development officer Sara Jones and FCS administrative assistant Emily Wyatt. (Photo submitted)

F&M Bank sponsors 19th Annual Duck **Race to benefit Family Centered Services**

F&M Bank provided a \$1,000 sponsorship for the 19th Annual Duck Race to benefit Family Centered Services, Inc.

The event itself is free and set for Saturday, August 10. The festivities will begin at 11:00 a.m. and the race will start at 12:15 p.m. The event will take place at Pickett's Run Park in Bluffton and will include the

duck race, music, games, face painting, a foam party, bounce houses, food, and more.

Family Centered Services' mission is to strengthen the community by empowering families and youth through services that educate and inspire. For more information on FCS, visit fcs-inc.net or call 260-824-8574.

Police Notebook

INCIDENTS

City: Thursday, 3:45 p.m., Stefan Oil. Report of theft of \$45.04 worth of fuel.

Thursday, 5:42 p.m., All American. Report of an unwanted subject making concerning comments to female employees.

Jefferson Park. Caller meeting was being conductreports their child found ed, no issues.

credit card and charger in dugout. Placed in Bluffton Family Farm and Home. Police Department lost and found.

Thursday, 9:32 p.m., North Main Street and S.R. 124. Report of power lines arcing over roadway.

Thursday, 10:52 p.m., Wells County Annex. Offi-Thursday, 6:30 p.m., cer checked on alarm, late

Thursday, 10:54 p.m., Report of someone exposing themselves in parking lot

Friday, 1:03 a.m., Western Avenue and South Decker Drive. Woman arrested for driving with no license.

Friday, 7:08 a.m., Walmart. Report of semis parked in lot. Both driving moved.

Bluffton Parks Rec News Notes

Destination Recreation

I can't believe that school is about to start again. Make sure you squeeze in the last days of the pool this weekend before we close on Aug. 4 when our staff returns to work/school. If your family is still looking for places to cool off, the Splash Pads at Roush Park and Pickett's Run will remain open through Labor Day.

We still have lots of FREE Workshops for all ages at ABC Studio and Activity Center, located at 1169 N. Main St., Suite 1. Join us from 5:30-6 p.m. on the following dates:

• FREE Musical Theater Workshop— Aug.7

• FREE Tap Workshop—Aug. 14

• FREE Hip Hop Workshop—Aug. 21 Questions, call ABC Studio and Activity Center at (260) 433-3417

We got some great news earlier this week when we learned that we had been awarded a grant from the Wells County Foundation to replace the canvas on two of our giant Funbrellas from the Community Enhancement Endowment Fund. The company we are purchasing them from was surprised to learn that they are over 16-years-old since they don't usually have a lifespan that long. Fortunately, Kathy Gehrett has dedicated time each year to sew them back up, extending their usefulness. We are so thankful for the Wells County Foundation's continued support and the shade these 20' umbrellas provide to keep families safe during the hot summer days.

While we are being thankful, we want to be sure and thank the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan School District, which served 1,641 meals this summer! We love hosting this program at Roush Park, knowing that the kids who stop by get a



nutritious meal while they enjoy our events. This has been an excel-

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By Brandy

lent partnership, and we appreciate all their hard work

Mark your calendars for the next FREE Theater Thursday on Aug. 15; The Bluffton Parks and Recreation Department and Wells County Public Library have partnered to offer adults a free monthly movie. The Little Mermaid, Rated PG, will be shown at 10 a.m. at the Wells County Public Library. This yearround drop-in event is on the third Thursday of every month.

Touch a Truck – We're excited to offer your child the chance to experience what big trucks are like from 9-noon on Saturday, Aug. 24, in the Washington Main Commons parking lot. We have so many vehicles planned this year that we will close Elm Street between Main and Johnson to get them all in. This year, we are trying something new by offering a sensory-sensitive hour from 9-10 a.m., where we ask participants to refrain from blowing the horns on the trucks. If your child enjoys the opportunity to toot the horn, plan to stop by after 10 am. This drop-in event is free and open to the public. An adult must accompany the children.

The Parks Department could use your help! If you are like me and you save your plastic grocery bags, please consider dropping them off in the white PVC tubes located in the parks and on the trails so pet owners can access empty bags to clean up after their dogs. As a reminder, these tubes are for clean, empty bags only. Pet owners who clean up after their dogs will need to properly dispose of those items in the nearest trash bins.

Have a great week!

Officials celebrate as public pension system completes Chinese divestment

By LESLIE BONILLA MUÑIZ Indiana Capital Chronicle

The Indiana Public Retirement System finished shedding its \$1.2 billion worth of investments in Chinese entities this month - four years ahead of schedule - state officials said Wednesday.

Comptroller Elise Nieshalla and Treasurer Daniel Elliott, both Republicans, celebrated the pension system's "speedy action" following 2023 legislation requiring divestment.

"China is one of the foremost threats against our country's national security, and INPRS has nobly exceeding the parameters set forth in the law by divesting Hoosier's pension dollars from China ASAP," Nieshalla said

The legislation required the pension system to divest from any entities on a variety of federal lists of Chinese companies that do military or intelligence work, or that are controlled by the Chinese government and its ruling political party.

The legislation additionally set out a timeline: divest from 50% of any holding within three years of discovering a banned connection to China, 75% within four years, and 100% by five years.

INPRS did the work in about a year.

The law went into effect upon passage -May 1, 2023 - and divestment was done

by July 1, 2024, per the news release. INPRS spokesman Dimitri Kyser said the agency has fully divested from the

Local Roundup

County Drainage Board will meet Monday afternoon

The Wells County Drainage Board will meet at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5, in Room 105, the multi-purpose room on the lower level of the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St.

Topics on the agenda include:

 Discussion regarding the replacement of the Gaskill Tile Drain in Liberty Township.

• Approval of INDOT plans.

• Project updates and miscellaneous drainage matters.

County Commissioners will meet Monday evening

Safety will meet at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 128 E. Market St.

Bluffton Common Council will meet Tuesday evening

The Bluffton Common Council will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 128 E. Market St.

Wells County Council will meet Tuesday evening

The Wells County Council will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, in Room 105, the multi-purpose room on the lower level of the Wells Carnegie Government Annex. 223

"By divesting from China and focusing on investments in countries that value the principles of democracy, capitalism and freedom, we are safeguarding the best financial interest of Hoosiers and our nation," Elliott said.

They commended Senate Enrolled Act 268's authors – GOP Sens. Chris Garten of Charlestown, Aaron Freeman of Indianapolis and Travis Holdman of Markle - for "passing this necessary, common-sense legislation.

Garten also commended INPRS in a statement Wednesday for "making quick work of this divestment."

"As tensions continue to rise between the U.S. and China, removing the possibility of China freezing U.S. assets and harming public employees is simply good policy,' Garten said. "It is extremely important for us to continue to protect Indiana's economic stability and keep Hoosier money out of the hands of adversarial states."

Pulling out of China

INPRS has nearly 530,000 members from more than 13,000 public employers across the state. It manages more than \$46.6 billion on their behalf.

investments in China "required in the statute," and for investments that didn't require divestment, "we continually evaluate the appropriate time to liquidate investments."

He said the pension system didn't lose money offloading the investments so quickly.

"The investments that required divestment were in public markets and therefore were generally more liquid, so INPRS was able to execute sales in the ordinary course of business," Kyser explained.

And the system has reinvested the money, in accordance with its boardapproved strategic asset allocation guidelines, which Kyser said "are designed to maintain an appropriate level of geographic diversity to meet the System's risk and return objectives."

Garten noted several other states have modeled legislation after Indiana's effort in the last year, including Florida, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.

"It is great to see Indiana lead the charge on an issue that impacts not only Hoosiers, but all Americans," he said.

International affairs prominent in INPRS legislation

China is not the only country from which INPRS has divested.

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In the 1882 Building at Main & Market with the mural on the outside wall • 260-824-1618

The Wells County Commissioners will meet at 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5, in Room 105, the multi-purpose room on the lower level of the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St.

Topics on the agenda include:

• Department updates from Highway Supervisor Shawn Bonar and County Engineer Nate Whitacre.

• An appointment with the Wells County Council on Aging.

• Monthly reports and other business.

• 2024 opioid settlement reporting.

Bluffton Board of Works to meet Tuesday afternoon

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 Consideration of additional appropriations and transfer requests.

• Review of the estimated property tax levy limits and circuit breakers for each taxing unit.

• Innkeepers tax quarterly report from Tourism Coordinator Audry Dudley.

• Miscellaneous business.

Bluffton parks board will meet Thursday evening

The Bluffton parks board will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 128 E. Market St.

SATURDAY AUGUST 3 You are a chosen people . . . that you may declare [his] praises. [1 PETER 2:9]

BEING FINISHERS IN CHRIST

arbara passed away before she could finish a sweater she was knitting for her great-grandson, Ethan. The sweater was entrusted to the hands of another avid knitter to be completed thanks to an organization that connects volunteer crafters-"finishers"—with those whose loved ones have departed this life before finishing their projects. The "finishers" lovingly invest their time and skill to bring closure to a task that provides comfort to those who are grieving.

God appointed a "finisher" for Elijah's work too. The prophet was lonely and discouraged at how the Israelites were rejecting God's covenant and killing prophets. In response, God instructed Elijah to "anoint Elisha . . . to succeed [him] as prophet" (1 KINGS 19:16). This ensured that the labor of proclaiming God's truth would continue long past Elijah's death.

To show Elisha that God had called him to succeed Elijah as God's prophet, Elijah "threw his cloak around [Elisha]" (V. 19). Since a prophet's cloak was used to indicate one's authority as God's chosen spokesman (SEE 2 KINGS 2:8), this act made Elisha's prophetic call clear.

As believers in Jesus, we've been called to share God's love with others and "declare [his] praises" (1 PETER 2:9). Though the task may outlive us too, we can be assured that He'll sustain the work and will continue to call other "finishers" to the sacred work of making KIRSTEN HOLMBERG

Who proclaimed God's truth to you? How can you be part of making Him known to the world?

Father, please use me to accomplish Your work in the world.

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A cursed prognosticator takes a swing

A number of years ago, a good friend and

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I were commiserating, perhaps over a brew or two, about how to advance our fortunes. Recent graduates of the University of Ball State, we were sure we had more answers than questions.

He had read something or received a tip about a low-priced stock that was hot, so we pooled a few hundred dollars and began investing in what was then called penny stocks - certainly

an essential element in any portfolio. Actually we did OK for a while, but it all eventually disappeared. This is where I honed my stock-picking talents.

Our local Rotary Club has an annual fundraiser utilizing the NCAA Tournament. My March Madness picks had consistently scored at the bottom or very near, until this past year when I totally copied a supposed expert on the CBS Sports website. I came in second or third.

I once offered our financial advisers my services for a fee — as a stock picker with the understanding that whatever stock I say "buy," they sell and whatever "sell" recommendation I make, they promptly buy. After monitoring a few of my choices, they actually considered it. Sorta. I know they were just humoring me.

The point being: I am a cursed prognosticator. Online sports betting looks like a fun little hobby but I have no doubt how I would do. And I would surely put a curse on my favorite teams. So I thought I would put that to work on the 2024 election that cometh by saying: Trump is toast.

Seriously. If he continues his current strategy of opening his mouth and saying stupid things, the undemocratically selected nominee-to-be from the Orwellian Democratic Party will win it in a walk and then, of course, save democracy. Trump has shown that, just as he did in 2020, he will manage to defeat himself because he cannot help being Trump.

He had two chances, from this perspective, to sew this race up: He could have picked Nikki Halley as his running mate, who would have appeased the swing voters and united the Republican Party as much as possible. I'm pretty sure she never uttered the phrase "childless cat ladies," and she would have brought some true, conservative principles with her, something Trump's actual pick, J.D. Vance, sorely lacks.

While I like his humble beginnings and enjoyed his book, he is on record, according to the Wall Street Journal, of supporting a \$20 per hour national minimum wage. He is pro-union: "Great to visit the auto workers striking at Toledo this morning." Biden? Kamala? Nope, that was J.D. in October 2023 after showing his support at the UAW picket line. Just this past February, he said Federal Trade Commission Chairman Lisa Kahn is "doing a pretty good job." At, apparently J.D. believes, creating a host of new regulations and hoops for businesses to jump through and losing anti-trust suits to regulate prices on such staples as luxury purses.

And then Trump could have had a statesman-like acceptance speech. Instead, feeling knighted and approved by the Almighty Himself by sparing his life, he doubled down on being Trump for 93 minutes. Best line I've heard: "If God was really looking out for Trump he would have interrupted his acceptance speech about half-way through."

The election will be decided by swing voters in six or seven states. That's who he needs to appeal to, not his base. But he's not smart enough to understand that.



The mediators struggle to keep a lid on a blood feud

The United States is a superpower. Yet for nine months it has been unable to broker a cease-fire between Israel and Hamas. Now, with the assassination of Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh on Wednesday, the blood feud between the two appeared to deepen, with American peacemakers standing on the sidelines.

Israel didn't comment on the death of Haniyeh in Tehran, but it didn't need to. Since the Israel-Gaza war began, it's been clear that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu would take unilateral measures, regardless of American advice, to repay Hamas for its ghastly Oct. 7 attack on Israel. His goal isn't making peace with Hamas, but destroying it. And most Israelis probably agree with him.

That left Biden administration officials scrambling once again Wednesday to keep the lid on a dangerous situation, stressing that nobody wants a regional cataclysm and that hopes for a durable cease-fire remain alive. White House officials believe the key channels to Hamas leadership were inside Gaza, not Haniyeh from his outside base in Qatar. And perhaps, they hope, the death of the nominal Hamas leader will give Netanyahu more space to negotiate.

"Even today, everyone is still talking," said one U.S. official.

Optimism is essential for mediators, especially when the negotiating table seems to have been overturned. So it's reassuring that CIA Director William J. Burns and Middle East adviser Brett McGurk are still in the game. The moment U.S. diplomats actually walk off the stage, Israel and the moderate Arabs are sunk.

The American-Israeli alliance has often been strained over peace issues, but rarely more than now. The day before the Haniyeh killing, Hezbollah military commander Fuad Shukr was slain in an Israeli airstrike in Beirut carried out in response to the attack Saturday that killed 12 children on a soccer field in the Israelioccupied Golan Heights. The message was that Israel can strike anyone, anywhere - but will this show of force intimidate Israel's allies into quiescence? I doubt

tory," as he repeated last week in a speech to Congress. He's not alone in taking a hard-line view. Hamas and its Iranian patrons remain committed to the destruction of Israel.

Since the war began, American peacemaking has been like Zeno's paradoxes, where each step takes you halfway closer to the goal, but you never reach it. Hamas refuses to capitulate. And Israel, with each new reprisal attack in Gaza, Damascus, Beirut or Tehran, diminishes the momentum toward a settlement.

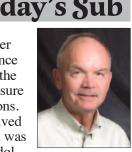
David Ignatius

When I've pressed Israeli friends over the years how they can get off this perpetual-motion machine of violence, they often answer with resignation: "It's the Middle East." Meaning that violence and hatred are facts of life, military power is the only path to security and "peace" is an illusion.

There was a moment a generation ago, at the time of the 1993 Oslo accords, when Palestinian compromises encouraged a genuine peace movement in Israel, this argument goes. But after the bloodshed of the Palestinian intifadas and Hamas's vicious attacks on Israel, that moment is long gone.

It's hard to argue with such cynicism when it comes to the Middle East. But Israelis should ask themselves how well the hard-nosed, forever-war approach has worked in practice. The Israelis are still stuck in a zerosum game, while many Arab states have moved toward accommodation. Most Arab nations have quiet diplomatic contacts with Iran; so does the United States. The United Arab Emirates seems more concerned these days about protecting its future-facing artificial intelligence-driven economy than sustaining the ancient Arab-Palestinian feud. The camel train is moving on, so to speak. But Israel is stuck.

Perhaps Hamas can be crushed into the total submission that Netanyahu seeks. Maybe Iran will tolerate the killing of an ally who came to Tehran to attend the inauguration of its new president. Possibly this latest round of escalation will remain teetering on the brink, rather than tumbling into all-out war. But at some point, the mediators' luck runs out.



Mark Miller

If he agrees to a debate, he will find that he will not be able to bluster this opponent with BS. He could kill her on policy but that would require him to understand it. Or, as Mark Franke put it in a somewhat related essay on this page Wednesday regarding "disarming rhetorical violence," "Agitation allows us to avoid talking about the issues themselves, which can be hard work.'

Meanwhile, Kamala Harris will utilize her relative youth and the perception of a fresh approach. Her "We can't go back" line has a nice forward-sounding ring to it that will appeal to those swing voters ... unless of course, they actually think about what they might be able to go back to. Like a controlled border, low inflation, energy independence, coercion on what kind of car or stove to buy and a world in less turmoil. But I'm betting they won't.

Unless something miraculous happens — like Trump not being Trump - we're looking at four more years of however you want to describe the past three and a half. Or worse. Honestly, I don't know which of our two choices is worse; it is so hard to tell. But it doesn't matter, Trump is toast.

That's my on-record prediction. Kind of like picking a stock or filling out a bracket.

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By The Associated Press Today is Saturday, Aug. 3, the 216th day of 2024. There are 150 days left in the year.

Today in history: On August 3, 2019, a gunman opened fire at a Walmart store in El Paso, Texas, resulting in the deaths of 23 people; after surrendering, the gunman told detectives he targeted "Mexicans" and had outlined the plot in a screed published online shortly before the attack.

Also on this date:

In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos, Spain, on his first voyage that took him to the present-day Americas.

In 1852, in America's

first intercollegiate sporting event, Harvard rowed past Yale to win the first Harvard-Yale Regatta.

In 1916, Irish-born British diplomat Roger Casement, a strong advocate of independence for Ireland, was hanged for treason.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the first of his four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics as he took the 100-meter sprint.

In 1977, the Tandy Corporation introduced the TRS-80, one of the first widely-available home computers.

In 2004, the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty opened to visitors for the first time since the 9/11 attacks.

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it. Will it draw the United States into a catastrophic war? Maybe. But for diplomats engaged in shuttle diplomacy, the only gear is "forward."

The conflict between allies is obvious: The Biden team's goal is de-escalation. Netanyahu's is "total vic-

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The 'White Dudes for Harris' Zoom call was ... weird

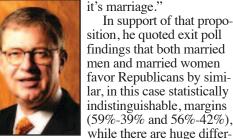
Monday night's "White Dudes for Harris" Zoom call, with some 90,000 registered to participate, was surely a landmark in political history. Nearly 200 years ago, when the Democratic Party was being formed to elect and reelect Andrew Jackson, the entire American electorate, with exceptions, such as Black New Englanders, property-owning Black New Yorkers, and New Jersey widows, was made up of "white dudes."

Unlike most organizers of ethnic and demographic groups backing a party's candidate, White Dudes for Harris founder Mark Greene has dim regard for his target group. "Man Box culture has positioned white men at the top of a bullying and rigid dominance-based culture of masculinity which teaches us that the only power that matters is the power we create over others," he writes in an X post.

The result," he goes on, "has been an economic, political and environmental disaster." That's a bit myopic, overlooking the outsize role American "white dudes" have played in ending slavery, inventing labor-reducing machinery, producing widespread prosperity, liberating millions from racist and communist totalitarianism, and opening political participation to others.

Once upon a time, politicians appealed to "whites" as members of dozens of different ethnic groups. Blogger Matthew Yglesias unearthed a collage of 1972 campaign buttons for groups "for President Nixon" from, in alphabetical order, Armenians to WASPs, or white Anglo-Saxon Protestants. No mention of "dudes."

Today, gender is more relevant. "Gender polarization," The Atlantic's Derek Thompson wrote, "is the skeleton key of the 2024 election." To which the Washington Examiner's Conn Carroll replied, it "isn't gender,



Michael Barone

ences between unmarried men (52%-45% Republican) and unmarried women (68%-31% Democratic). Thompson noted a similarly wide divide in this year's polling between divorced

men (56% Trump) and single women (29% Trump). Those results are not atypical. The good news for Republicans is that three out of four groups favor their side. The good news for Democrats is that, in a society in which, contrary to the midcentury model, marriage is not universal, unmarried women are numerous and overwhelmingly on their side.

That's obviously the target for Democrats' attacks on vice presidential nominee J.D. Vance's 2021 accusation that "a bunch of childless cat ladies who are miserable at their own lives and the choices that they've made" are leading Democrats to "profoundly anti-child" policies. It's bad campaign tactics to slap derogatory labels on large demographic groups -- remember former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's "deplorables"? -- and, of course, has dismayed many who did not choose to be childless. The personal may be political, but it can also be tender.

In any case, childlessness has legitimately been in the news with the plunging fertility rate, down to 1.62 in 2023, well below the 2.1 replacement rate. This mirrors an increasing separation of the sexes, evident in less premarital sex and in political differences. "America's new political war," the Wall Street Journal reported, is between young men and young

women. Under-30s of both sexes favored President Joe Biden in 2020. But this year, Wall Street Journal polls find young women favoring congressional Democrats 60% to 26%, while young men favor Republicans 49% to 37%.

It's also noteworthy, as the Manhattan Institute's Kay Hymowitz and Heather Mac Donald wrote, that pro-Palestinian, anti-Israel demonstrations are led and peopled largely by young women, in contrast to male-heavy demonstrations in the Vietnam era.

This correlates with free-speech advocate Greg Lukianoff's conclusion that left-wing students report poorer mental health than centrists or conservatives and that liberal young women report the most negative mental health. Why this should be the case when women are a large majority on campus is unclear, at least to me.

Traditionally, women personally and politically have been more riskaverse than men, and that showed up in their slightly greater-than-average voting for incumbent parties: In the close elections of 1960 and '68, polls showed them narrowly supporting incumbent Vice Presidents Richard Nixon and Hubert Humphrey. Ronald Reagan's upset victory in 1980 resulted in a wider gender gap, with women significantly more Democratic than men, apparently more averse to the risk of welfare spending cuts or a more assertive foreign policy.

Today's politics seems to have produced a different and wider gap -- a vast gulf between unmarried women and other adults. Among young adults, there's a wide and even geographical separation -- women on campus or in malls, men off working or playing video games -- which results in lower birth rates and polarized politics. In this environment, liberal politicians are suddenly comfortable participating in an all-white conclave like the "White Dudes for Harris" Zoom call. Weird.

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APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COUNTRY 1970 S.-800E., Bluffton 9:45 & 11:45 a.m. - Worship.

APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH - NORTH 630 E. Dustman Rd. 9:45 & 11:45 a.m. - Wor-

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Montpelier 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School. 10:30 - Worship.

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BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST 3467 S 600 W, Liberty Center boehmerumc.org 9:30 a.m. - Worship. 10:45 - Sunday School.

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CHESTER CENTER

900S-300W, Poneto 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School. 10:30 - Worship.

CHURCH OF CHRIST 735 S. Marion St. 10 a.m. - Bible Study. 10:45 - Worship.

COVENANT CHAPEL

3550 S. SR 1 mycovenantchapel.org 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School. 10:15 - Worship. (Children's Church for ages 6-12).

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9 a.m. - Sunday school. 10 a.m. - Church service.

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This page is dedicated to the building of a more spiritual and greater church-going people and is made possible

MANY MEMORIES I remember the night Lydia officially disgusted me. In her defense, my niece,

by the Advertisers on this page who want as their return to see more people go to church.

presumably no more than 2 at the time, had not yet developed the fine art of eating.

Also, when six cousins congregate at Grandma and Grandpa's supper table for fun and food, chaos inevitably erupts.

And chaos generally exhausts me. Finally, had I ate

beside Lydia's cousin, Juniper, I would no doubt most vividly remember her and her tiny bare hands that didn't hesitate to plunder a nearby bowl of fruit.

But I sat beside Lydia that night, and in the picture forever memorializing it. I'm staring at her — and her food-smothered mouth and nose.

Today, I can thankfully report that Lydia can eat with little to no collateral mess (though I cannot say that about her father's cooking).

And in case Southern Wells requires Lydia, now starting her senior year, to keep at least 50 percent of her food in her mouth to graduate, she will walk across the stage with pride.

But this soon-to-appear memory and its subsequent pictures won't replace the picture of that dining adventure — or the picture of Lydia with a goatee of chocolate frosting.

These pictures, and many more, will combine into a mosaic, one picture that tells a story of growth and grace.

And perhaps on the new earth, Jesus will one day pull down a photo album, gilded in gold and silver, from a shelf with no dust ever and flip through its pages and its lifetime of pictures that tell the same story for all the faithful.

Jesus might laugh; Jesus might even cry.

But none of those photos will surprise Him. He'll remember each event, and how He and His Father created them or allowed them for each saint's good.

And perhaps He'll smile most tenderly at those pictures of suffering, not because He delighted in the suffering, or callously expected His children to delight in it, but because that suffering refined and purified His children's faith more than any pleasant moment As the Apostle Peter said, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begot-

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201 W. Mill St. ossianumc.org 9 a.m. - Worship, Worship child care nurse. 10 a.m. - Fellowship. 10:15 - Adult Sunday School.

PARK COMMUNITY

617 S. Bennett St. parkccbluffton.org 10 a.m. - Connection. 11 a.m. - Worship.

PETROLEUM **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

3625 E. 2nd St. 9 a.m. - Worship. 10:30 -Sunday School.

PONETO BAPTIST Grape Street

8:30 a.m. - Sunday School. 9 a.m. - Worship.

PONETO FAITH **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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RIVER OF LIFE 122 Lamar St. Suite 108, 110 riveroflifebluffton.com 10:30 a.m. - Worship.

SIX MILE 4790 SE SR 116 9 a.m. - Sunday School. 10 a.m. - Worship.

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TOWER LIFE CENTER 11811 N. Wayne St., Zanesville towerlifecenter.com 9:30 a.m. - TLC Groups.

10:30 - Worship.

TURNPOINTE **COMMUNITY CHURCH** OF THE BRETHREN 500 W. Logan, Markle turnpointechurch.com 9:30 a.m. - Fellowship. 10 a.m. - Adult & Children's Worship.

UNIONDALE **COMMUNITY CHURCH** 5867 N. Main St. 9 a.m. - Worship.

UNIONTOWN **CHURCH OF CHRIST** 11419 N-200W, Ossian 9 a.m. - Sunday School. 10 a.m. - Worship.

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ous trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found

to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ."

And perhaps those who sit or swing next to Jesus, who now see their lives in the light of the Lamb who was slain, will see that their God never deserted them in those moments

through the resurrection of

Jesus Christ from the dead ...

"In this you greatly

rejoice, though now

for a little while, if

need be, you have

been grieved by vari-

Of course, they can still cry during those moments on this earth; they can lament; they can plead; they can ask.

And they can pray; they can remember His grace, mercy, and power. They can sing; they can

praise; they can hope. They can ask for help

from their Father, just like Jesus did

And they can ask for help from their brothers and sisters. As Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes, "Two are better than one ... For if they fall, one will lift up his compan-

"A threefold cord is not quickly broken," the preacher concludes.

Finally, they can read

in God's revelation of His

vision for earth — and of

mankind's pure purpose as

His image bearers in a world

world, and it ends with it.

His Word begins with this

"And God will wipe

away every tear from their

eyes; there shall be no more

death, nor sorrow, nor crying.

There shall be no more pain,

for the former things have

passed away," the Apostle

John writes, perhaps as he

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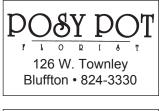
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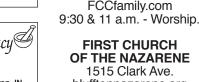












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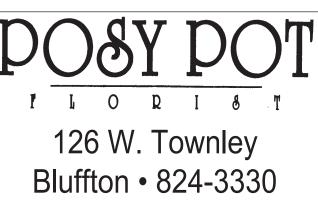
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KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES 2803 N. Main St. jw.org 10 a.m. - Worship.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST 3071 W. Cherry St. 8:30 a.m. - Pastor/Dea-

con's Prayer. 9 - Sunday School. 9:55 - Fellowship. 10:15 - Worship.

LIBERTY CENTER **COMMUNITY CHURCH** 8:45 a.m. - Choir practice. 9 a.m. - Coffee, donuts, conversation. 9:30 - Worship w/infant nursery & children's church. 10:45 -Sunday School.

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That's hardly true.

Cubs spoil Fedde's debut with Cardinals 6-3

By SCOTT HELD Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) Christian Bethancourt and Michael Busch homered in a five-run second inning and the Cubs spoiled the Cardinals' debut of new acquisition Erick Fedde as Chicago stretched its winning streak to three games with a 6-3 victory over St. Louis on Friday.

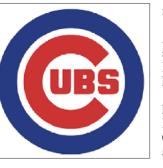
Tyson Miller (3-1), the first of four relievers, earned the victory and Héctor Neris picked up his 15th save as Chicago won its third straight game against its NL Central rivals.

The Cubs' big inning came against Fedde (7-5), who was acquired earlier in the week from the White Sox in a three-team trade.

"I had terrible command," Fedde said of the second inning. "It brought me to long atbats where I couldn't put people away."

The 31-year-old right-hander gave up the first five runs and six hits and finished with four strikeouts in five innings.

"We had a really good second inning and put pressure on them right away," said Cubs manager Craig Counsell, whose team needed a three-run ninth to top the Cardinals a



night earlier.

Rookie Pete Crow-Armstrong added an RBI single in the second before Bethancourt hit a three-run homer to right-center field.

"I was just trying to hit the ball in the gap," Bethancourt said. "Thank God I got that one very well and hit it out of the park."

Busch followed a batter later with a solo shot.

Seiya Suzuki scored from second in the eighth inning after Kyle Leahy's errant pickoff throw dribbled into center field.

The Cardinals got all three runs by drawing bases-loaded walks. Paul Goldschmidt earned the first off Assad in the third, and Tommy Pham and Brendan Donovan got two-out passes in the eighth from Julian Merryweather and Neris, respectively. Neris struck out pinch-hitter Brandon Crawford to end the threat.

Masyn Winn added two hits for St. Louis, which has dropped five of its last eight games.

Cubs starter Javier Assad allowed four hits, walked three and struck out three in the opening four innings.

Analysis: Biles' greatest power might be the toughness that's been there all along

By WILL GRAVES AP Sports Writer

PARIS (AP) — In the early days after she was adopted by her grandparents, Simone Biles, a preschooler at the time, put herself in charge of younger sister Adria.

Part of it was Biles doing what big sisters do. Part of it was trying to give Adria something familiar to hold onto as they adjusted to life in Texas.

All of it hinted at an inher-

ent toughness, the kind Biles has relied on time and again over the last quarter century. Through dozens of medals and bouts of crippling self-doubt. Through triumph and trauma. Through it all.

So maybe it's fitting that in the middle of the second Olympic all-around title the 27-year-old earned on Thursday night in a taut final against Brazilian star Rebeca Andrade, Biles turned inward and leaned on a resolve that often gets lost amid her unparalleled greatness.

It had been a long time since Biles had found herself in second place, let alone third. So when she glanced at the scoreboard and found her name under Andrade and Algeria's Kaylia Nemour through



Simone Biles

fire.

She wore a leotard while winning the 2018 U.S. Championships that honored fellow survivors and repeatedly called out the national governing body's leadership as it struggled to find a way forward.

It's hardly a coincidence that Kerry Perry and then Mary Bono exited as USA Gymnastics president — Bono after just four days — not long after Biles very publicly questioned their competence. Through tears in 2019 she admitted "it's hard coming here for an organization having had them failed us so many times."

Two days later, she won the sixth of her record nine national titles.

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U.S. women beat Canada for 3rd straight win in 3x3 basketball pool play

By KRISTIE RIEKEN AP Sports Writer

PARIS(AP) - HaileyVan Lith delivered a message after the defending champion U.S. posted its third straight win with an overtime victory against Canada in women's 3x3 basketball pool play at the Paris Olympics following three straight losses to start the tournament.

"We have a lot of tweets bookmarked on how we shouldn't come back to the States," she said. "So we haven't forgotten."

Rhyne Howard's 2-point shot in overtime lifted the U.S. to an 18-17 win over Canada after the Americans beat France 14-13 earlier Friday.

Van Lith made a 2-point shot with 22 seconds left to tie it at 16 and force overtime, where the first team to score two points wins.

Canada scored first in OT on a short shot by Katherine Plouffe. Howard, who was 0 for 5 from long range in regulation, then drained the winning basket.

"After that third loss we had a heart-to-heart as a team and we were like 'we didn't come this far to lose," Dearica Hamby said. "We weren't the favorites so to say but we're still USA basketball and gold is the standard."

Hamby made a layup with four seconds remaining in the victory over France.

The U.S. was up by three after a basket by Howard with just more than a minute to go. France got a layup from Myriam Djekoundade before Marie Eve Paget's 2-pointer tied it with 20 seconds remaining.

Van Lith then missed a shot, but the team got the ball back to set up the game-winner.

Laetitia Guapo had a chance to give France the win at the buzzer, but her 2-pointer was short.

Hamby, Cierra Burdick

and Van Lith had four points each. Burdick also grabbed seven rebounds.

France got five points from Guapo.

Spain 22, Canada 20, OT

Sandra Ygueravide scored 10 points and made a 2-pointer in overtime to push Spain past Canada.

Michelle Plouffe made a basket followed by a free throw to put Canada up 19-18 with 31 seconds remaining in regulation.

But Ygueravide made a 2-pointer seconds later Plouffe forced overtime 15 seconds left.

Ygueravide made four 2-pointers, in a game where Spain made 6 of 12 attempts.

Spain improved to 4-2 to 3-3.

Sonja Greinacher scored seven points, capped by a basket with six seconds left that gave Germany a win over France and its fifth win in pool play.

Guapo made a basket before a free throw by Hortense Limouzin tied it at 13-13 with 23 seconds to

Greinacher then swished a jump shot to put Germany on top. Paget had a chance to give France the win at the buzzer, but her 2-pointer bounced off the rim.

Guapo had four points and five rebounds for France, which dropped to 1-5 with its second loss of the day.

Azerbaijan 21, China 19, OT

Tiffany Hayes had 11 points and Alexandra Mollenhauer's 2-pointer in overtime led Azerbaijan over China.

China led by four with 35 seconds left in regulation. Mollenhauer made a 2-pointer with 25 seconds

to go before Hayes hit one with 2 seconds left to send it to overtime.

Mollenhauer had nine points. Her big shot in overtime was her third 2-pointer of the game.

Mingling Chen had eight points for China, which fell to 2-4 with its second loss of the day.

Azerbaijan is also 2-4 in pool play.

Germany 18, China 15

Marie Reichert had seven points as Germany topped China.

Chen made a basket for China with about three minutes left, tying it at 13. Germany then put together a 5-0 run that included three points from Reichert. Chen had six points and

five assists for China.

Australia 21, Azerbaijan 12

Marena Whittle had eight points and Alex Wilson added seven for Australia.

Australia raced out to a 7-1 lead thanks to two early

2-pointers from Whittle. A 4-2 run by Azerbaijan cut the lead to 12-8 with about four minutes to go.

But Australia scored the next three points to pad the lead, and a free throw by Wilson ended it with two minutes remaining.

Azerbaijan got six points and five rebounds from Hayes.

Spain 21, Australia 17

Ygueravide and Vega Gimeno had nine points each as Spain downed Australia.

Australia led by four early before Spain scored the next seven points, including two 2-pointers from Gimeno, to take an 8-5 lead with $6\frac{1}{2}$ minutes left.

Australia used a 5-0 run to tie it at 16 with three minutes remaining. Spain outscored Australia 5-1 after that, capped by a free throw from Gimeno, to end it with 1:50 remaining.

Australia is 4-2 after a win and a loss Friday.

Heartbroken U.S. star

Richardson wins

to give Canada the lead. when she drove for a layup with to tie it at 20-20 with

with the win and Canada, which got 11 points and six rebounds from Plouffe, fell

Germany 14, France 13

first-ever race, Marchand remains perfect in Paris

PARIS (AP) – Sha'Carri Richardson won her first-ever race at the Olympics and Australia's swimmers and Léon Marchand continued their dominance in the pool on Day 7 of the Paris Games.

Richardson ran a blazing opening round in the 100 meters Friday in 10.94 seconds to easily qualify for the semifinals.

Wearing neon green shoes, which contrasted well against the bright purple track, the American captured the first of eight first-round races on the opening day of track action at a jam-packed Stade de France.

Richardson's American training partners, Melissa Jefferson and Twanisha Terry, also made it through.

Meanwhile, the U.S. mixed 4x400meter relay team set a world record when Vernon Norwood, Shamier Little, Bryce Deadmon and Kaylyn Brown finished the four laps in 3 minutes, 7.41 seconds to break the mark of 3:08.80 set at world championships last year.

All the record did was place the Americans in Saturday's final, where the record - in an event that is only 5 years old — will be in jeopardy once again.

Pool dominance

Marchand cemented his status as one of the biggest stars of the Summer Games by dominating his swimming competition once again. He captured his fourth gold with another runaway victory, this time in the 200meter individual medley.

The 22-year-old French star set an Olympic record and just missed breaking Ryan Lochte's 13-year-old world mark. Marchand previously in Paris won the 400-meter individual medley, 200-meter butterfly and 200meter backstroke.

Meanwhile, Australia continued its rout of the United States in the pool.

Cameron McEvoy became the first Australian man to win swimming gold at these Games by dethroning Caleb Dressel in the 50-meter freestyle.

Kaylee McKeown followed by winning the 200-meter backstroke –

becoming the first woman to sweep the Olympic backstroke events at two straight Games - and Australia now has a leading seven swimming golds overall.

McKeown became the first Australian in history to win four individual Olympic golds.

Belarusian athletes medal

Trampoline gymnasts Ivan Litvinovich and Viyaleta Bardzilouskaya of Belarus became the first two neutral athletes to win medals at this Olympics.

Litvinovich defended his men's title from Tokyo to win gold, while Bardzilouskaya took home silver in the women's competition won by Britain's Bryony Page.

They are two of the 17 Belarusians competing as individual athletes for Team AIN at the Paris Games, along with 15 Russians. The countries are barred from team sports because of the war in Ukraine.

Djokovic, Alcaraz in men's tennis final

Novak Djokovic is in the men's singles final at the Olympics for the first time after the 37-year-old from Serbia defeated Lorenzo Musetti of Italy 6-4, 6-2. Djokovic next faces Spain's Carlos Alcarez for gold. Djokovic is the oldest men's player in the Olympic final. Alcaraz advanced by beating Felix Auger-Aliassime of Canada 6-1, 6-1.

US men's soccer eliminated

The United States is out of men's soccer after getting routed 4-0 by Morocco in the quarterfinals. The Americans — in the Games for the first time since Beijing 2008 were outclassed by Morocco, which reached the semifinals at the Olympics for the first time.

"It's sad because I think it's a group that has a lot of belief in each other and a lot of character and I don't think it showed through," defender Walker Zimmerman said. "That's what's hard is knowing how much everyone did care (and) had each other's back.'

American archers win bronze American archers Brady Ellison



and Casey Kaufhold - mentor and student - defeated Ankita Bhakat and Dhiraj Bommadevara of India 6-2 to claim Olympic bronze in the mixed team category.

Kaufhold was just 15 when she teamed up with the veteran Ellison in 2019 to earn silver at a World Cup event and gold at the Pan-American Games. Five years later, the pairing has proved to be strong.

Men's golf through two rounds

Tommy Fleetwood is chasing more gold outside Paris, this time an Olympic medal and not the Ryder Cup trophy.

The British golfer shot a 64 in the men's competition and shares the lead with two-time major winner Xander Schauffele and Japanese star Hideki Matsuyama. They are at 11-under 131 and that ties the 36-hole Olympic record Schauffele set in the Tokyo Games.

Schauffele is the defending champion and a two-time major champion this year. Fleetwood has the experience at Le Golf National – along with his Ryder Cup memories, he won the 2017 French Open.

Jon Rahm was two shots back.

French judo icon wins

French icon Teddy Riner became the second three-time individual Olympic gold medalist in judo history in one of the most electrifying events of the Games so far.

The 35-year-old heavyweight defeated South Korea's Kim Minjong for the gold in his fifth Olympics.

An 11-time world champion and four-time Olympic gold medalist, Riner is one of the most popular and beloved figures in any sport from France. Riner was France's flag bearer during the opening ceremony and joined retired French track and field sprinter Marie-José Pérec in lighting the cauldron at the end of the night.

Riner is widely considered the greatest judoka the sport has ever seen. He had a 10-year unbeaten streak in which he dominated opponents with his imposing size and athleticism.

Caeleb Dressel misses chance to defend titles

By JANIE McCAULEY AP Sports Writer

NANTERRE, France (AP) - Caeleb Dressel finally let it all out, his individual events in the pool complete and not even close to the results he had wanted. The decorated American missed chances to defend two of his Olympic titles from three years ago in Tokyo, and he broke down.

Dressel sobbed, and he sobbed some more. For several minutes, he cried Friday night.

Shortly after a sixthplace showing in the 50-meter freestyle, he failed to reach the final in the 100 butterfly.

"Obviously it's not my best work," Dressel said. "I had a lot of fun though, I can honestly say that. It hasn't been my best week, I don't think I need to shy away from that, but the racing's been really fun here."

Bouncing along moments before his freestyle race, Dressel made his way onto the pool deck when his name was introduced looking confident as ever. He raised his arms and sideshuffled to reach his spot in Lane 2.

Dressel set Olympic records while winning both the 50 free and 100 fly the latter also a world record among his five golds at the Tokyo Games, but touched the wall in 21.61 for sixth in the free Thursday. His fly semifinal was a shocking 13th-fastest.

Dressel hung over the lane rope after the free, taking his time leaving the water. He insists he won't let these disappointing races ruin his stay in France.

"Just seeing the moment for what it is instead of relying on just the times," Dressel said. "I'm at the Olympic Games. I won't forget that. I'd like to be performing better. I'm not. I train to go faster than the times I'm going, I know that. It's tough. It's a little heartbreaking, a little heartbreaking for sure."

The 27-year-old Dressel has been cheered on by wife Meghan and their five-month-old son, August, sporting oversized protective headphones in the deafening noise of La Defense Arena.

The baby did get to witness Dad bring home one gold medal. Dressel anchored the winning 4x100-meter freestyle foursome as the Americans beat out the rival Australians and Chinese on Saturday night in Day 1 of Olympic swimming competition.

That marked his eighth career gold. In Tokyo, he also won the 100 free and 4x100 medley relay after capturing golds in the two relays at the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Games, too.

Now, Dressel is going to enjoy this last stretch in Paris as best he can. After all, Dressel might not have been here at all if he hadn't taken a prolonged break from swimming in 2022 to work on his mental health and regain his love for the sport.

He turns 28 on Aug. 16, and now there's plenty more work and self-care to be done. It has made such a difference for Dressel.

"Nope, I wouldn't be at this meet, I probably would have been done swimming a long time ago, to be honest," he said. "It's still a work in progress, so I have years ahead of me I'm looking to, but a lot went into this just to be here."

SPORTS **Biles' greatest power**

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Then came Tokyo 2020, where trauma that she's still struggling to properly define manifested itself in "the twisties." After one wayward vault during the team final, she retreated to the back of the Ariake Gymnastics Centre and told mom Nellie Biles on the phone back in Texas " I can't do it."

There was a lot on the line in the moment. She was the face of the U.S. Olympic movement heading into the Games and leaned heavily - if at times with a wink - into the "Greatest of All Time" moniker. She was well aware of the social media attacks that might come - to be honest, the attacks that still come - and she did her best to ignore them. To a point anyway.

Yet rather than hide from her decision, she exposed her vulnerability for all to see.

There is power in that level of realness. That's the thing with Biles. For all of her unmatched talent, she doesn't exist in a bubble. She has long been unafraid

to be exactly who she is: 'Simone Biles from Spring, Texas, who flips" as she put it late Thursday night after becoming just the third woman in Olympic history to win multiple all-around titles.

Only she has become much more than that. She made the mistake of halting therapy sessions ahead of Tokyo, a mistake she has not made this time around. She meets weekly with her counselor, sometimes more when she's competing. They talked virtually before the team final on Tuesday. Then again before the allaround final 48 hours later.

She told The AP in February she felt she was better prepared to meet the moment and all the pressure that comes along with it.

And there she was halfway through the final, sitting in a chair with her legs crossed underneath her and her eyes closed trying to re-center herself, literally practicing what she has long preached in front of the U.S. men's basketball team, Kendall Jenner, plus all the people she knows are only tuning in to see if she will fail.

Biles joked afterward she was "praying to every God out there," her way of deflecting. Yet it's telling that on Friday morning, after an adrenaline-filled night that featured little sleep, she shared a picture of herself in that position on social media with the caption "mental health matters."

While Biles responded with a typically steely beam routine that put her back in the lead, she also stood just off the mat encouraging Andrade during her set with the final result still very much in doubt.

Across the floor, Luisa Blanco of Colombia – a Dallas native and Alabama graduate competing for her parent's homeland watched transfixed. The 22-year-old knows only too well what this sport can do to you. The mental toll it takes. The way it makes you question everything, maybe your self-worth most of all.

"I don't give myself credit, I really don't," a tearful Blanco said after becoming the first gymnast representing Colombia to make the final. "I think that's what gymnastics does to you."

It's only in recent years that Blanco made peace with all of it. It makes Blanco shake her head wondering how Biles has shouldered so much attention and the inherent scrutiny that comes along with it so authentically.

"She is a trailblazer and rewriting the script entirely and getting better as years come," Blanco said. "And all these girls that I met just in these last two weeks, you know, show me that you can do it your own way.'

The little girl who tried to create a protective cocoon for her sister has become a powerful Black woman and Olympic icon unafraid to be who she is at all times.

Sitting next to Lee and Andrade in a packed press conference with her ninth Olympic medal around her neck, Biles talked openly about "the fight that I've had for the last three years, mentally and physically" to get back to this point.

A fight that's been there all along. You just needed to know where to look.

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New kickoff rules mean abandoning
old habits, but also new opportunities

IRVINE, Calif. (AP) – New Orleans Saints special teams coach Darren Rizzi said he felt like a real estate agent during the early days of training camp, urging kickers to scrap their longheld, deep-ball approach to kickoffs and focus instead on "location, location, location."

"You've got to get the old mentality out of your heads," Rizzi said. "The No. 1 aspect is going to be where that kickoff lands."

Rams special teams coordinator Chase Blackburn put it this way: "In a kickoff perspective, all of the kickers are rookies."

Most U.S. kickers have spent their previous playing days - from youth football through college and into the pros - booming the ball as deep as they can. Newly introduced "dynamic" kickoff rules have forced them to quickly change their approach. And the parafocus on contact, because you don't want to kick it in the end zone.'

That's because touchbacks now come out to the 30-yard line, as opposed to the 25 in recent seasons. Meanwhile, kickoffs that land short of the 20, or out of bounds short of the goal line, give the receiving team the ball at the 40.

"You've got to work that rectangle" between the 20, the goal line and the sidelines, Raiders special teams coach Tom McMahon emphasized. "You can't, 'Hey, I'm just going to hit a ball on the ground,'" like a squib kick.

The kickers kick from their own 35, as before. Coverage players have been moved to the opponent's 40, but may not advance until the ball lands. The goal is to increase the number of returns without making it more dangerous.

Grupe, an avid compares the new kickoff to "one of those tee shots where you can't hit driver because the water cuts in. You've got to lay it up."

was the receiving team's 26. Last season, just 21.8% of all kickoffs were returned.

The rule change could be most significant for kickers like the Giants' Graham Gano, who is 37 and entering his 15th NFL season. But he expressed confidence he could tap into soccer skills from his youth, now that there's a premium on landing the ball in specific spots.

Whatever they call, I'll be able to do," Gano said.

Like Gano, Seattle kicker Jason Myers mentioned tapping into his soccer background, which begs the question about whether athletes from other foot sports - in the U.S. or abroad might get more serious consideration from NFL special teams coaches.

"Anybody that has a variety of types of kicks is going to be able to benefit from this new rule," said

Smythe suspects the new rule is "definitely something that will help me in the long run."

"I feel like it's helped me already," he continued. "I've got a lot of different ways I can kick the ball and hopefully I'll be able to show that."

There could also be opportunities for other position players who happen to kick well, such as Kansas City safety Justin Reid, who was already the Chiefs? emergency kicker. That's because special teams coaches figure a rule that creates more returns raises the probability of kickers having to tackle.

So, the Chiefs are considering Reid for at least some kickoffs.

"As long as the ball is in play and we have the extra guy running down there like a heat-seeking missile, good things are going to happen," Reid said

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AEP	3.52	101.79	+5.34	+5.5	+25.3	Lowes	4.60	240.42	+1.55	+0.6	+8.0
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BP PLC	1.74	34.08	-1.17	-3.3	-3.7	McDnlds	6.68	276.69	+24.69	+9.8	-6.7
BkofAm	1.04	37.58	-4.09	-9.8	+11.6	Microsoft	3.00	408.49	-16.78	-3.9	+8.6
BrMySq	2.40	48.77	-1.68	-3.3	-5.0	NL Inds	.32	5.84	54	-8.5	+4.1
CampSp	1.48	49.10	+2.35	+5.0	+13.6	NiSource	1.06	31.81	+.75	+2.4	+19.8
Caterpillar	5.64	320.87	-29.61	-8.4	+8.5	NorflkSo	5.40	243.41	-2.46	-1.0	+3.0
Chevron	6.52	148.55	-9.29	-5.9	4	Nucor	2.16	151.05	-9.84	-6.1	-13.2
Cisco	1.60	46.66	-1.22	-2.5	-7.6	Nvidia s		107.27	-5.79	-5.1	+116.6
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DxSCBer		16.51	+3.00	+22.2	-17.2	PrestoAut		.03	04	-54.4	-94.2
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FuelCell		.47	06	-12.0	-70.8	StlDynam		121.28	-9.26	-7.1	+2.7
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GinkgoBi		.32		-14.9	-81.4	Tesla		207.67		-5.5	-16.4
HP Inc	1.02	33.72	-2.62	-7.2	+12.1	VerizonCm	2.66	40.97	+.88	+2.2	+8.7
HomeDp		355.43	-4.08	-1.1	+2.6	WalMart s	.83	68.46	-1.32	-1.9	+30.3
iSh20 yrT	3.05	98.28	+5.29	+5.7	6	WalgBoots	1.00	11.48	34	-2.9	-56.0
iShiBxHYB	5.09	77.70	59	-0.8	+.4	WsteMInc		207.76		+5.5	+16.0
iShR2K		208.92		-6.8	+4.1	WellsFargo	1.60		-7.13	-11.8	+8.2

digm shift could potentially create more opportunities for foreign foot-sport athletes who want to see how their skills jibe with today's NFL.

"It's a little more finesse, I guess, than it is just going 10 yards back and a couple steps over and just trying to hit it off the cross bar,' Saints kicker Blake Grupe said.

Grupe will miss "getting a little juiced up, building up into that kickoff," he said. "Now, you don't want that extra juice, that extra power you might get from being a little more amped up. You've kind of got to slow it all down and really

But kickers don't want to simply land the ball in the middle of the rectangle, where a returner could catch it with forward momentum.

"You've got to get these returners moving sideways," McMahon said.

The new rule debuted in the Hall of Fame game between Chicago and Houston in Canton, Ohio. Out of eight kickoffs, only one was a touchback. The seven returns ranged from 15 to 31 yards. Average starting field position after kickoffs

Rizzi, who encouraged the Saints to sign Irishman Charlie Smythe – a Gaelic football player - this offseason to compete with Grupe in camp.

Smythe is part of the NFL's International Player Pathway Program that launched in 2017. This year's IPP class also includes rugby and Australian football players.

Rizzi said the new rules "did factor in" when the Saints signed Smythe.

"It's more similar to what he was doing (in Ireland) than what the NFL used to be doing," Rizzi said. "He's kicked a number of different kicks."

Coaches said touchbacks will now be more situational plays, such as at the end of a half or game, when teams try to reduce the chance of a big return that could lead to a quick scoring opportunity. Teams protecting leads might also

opt more for touchbacks. "If we do move on from trying to hit touchbacks, it'd be a little sad," Rams kicker Joshua Karty said. "It was fun trying to just go out there and boom the ball every single time."

Then again, he said, "it could be exciting if the new kickoff rule creates some sort of value in a different way for kickers."

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1-year	4.33	4.62	
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American Funds AmrcnBalA m	MA	107,513	34.53	-0.4	+14.9/A	+8.4/B	5.75
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	FG	20,448	55.36	-3.8	+6.9/C	+5.5/C	5.75
American Funds FdmtllnvsA m	LB	73,582	78.95	-3.4	+20.5/B	+13.0/C	5.75
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	LG	141,388	70.59	-5.2	+22.4/C	+14.0/C	5.75
American Funds IncAmrcA m	AL	77,557	24.71	+2.4	+11.6/D	+7.4/D	5.75
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	LB	89,858	56.43	-2.0	+23.0/A	+14.2/B	5.75
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	WG	60,546	60.53	-3.7	+14.4/C	+11.7/B	5.75
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	LB	86,521	60.48	-0.3	+18.8/C	+12.7/D	5.75
Davis NYVentureA m	LB	4,748	26.80	-4.6	+15.7/D	+10.3/E	4.75
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrm	LB	568,285	185.79	-2.9	+20.2/B	+14.6/A	NL
Fidelity Contrafund	LG	129,321	19.25	-5.5	+30.1/A	+16.4/A	NL
Fidelity TtlMktIdxInsPrm	LB	96,750	146.82	-2.4	+18.9/C	+13.7/C	NL
Fidelity Advisor EquityGrowthA m	I LG	2,413	19.88	-6.4	+27.1/A	+18.3/A	5.75
Fidelity Advisor GrowthOppsA m	LG	4,337	147.07	-8.6	+24.1/B	+16.5/A	5.75
George Putnam BalA m	MA	1,405	25.13	-0.9	+17.6/A	+9.5/A	5.75
INVESCO MnStrA m	LB	9,287	56.55	-3.1	+19.4/C	+12.1/D	5.50
PIMCO Inclnstl	MU	91,915	10.73	+2.9	+9.1	+3.1	NL
Putnam DiversIncA m	NT	524	5.59	+3.2	+9.4/B	+0.4/D	4.00
Putnam SustLeadersA m	LG	5,937	124.51	-4.4	+25.4/B	+14.1/C	5.75
Putnam TEIncA m	ML	530	7.96	+2.1	+7.6/B	+1.4/B	4.00
Schwab SP500ldx	LB	98,641	82.58	-0.4	+20.8	+14.9	NL
Thornburg IntermMnA m	MI	256	13.36	+1.7	+5.8/C	+1.2/C	2.00
Thornburg LtdTrmUSGvtA m	GS	38	12.09	+3.2	+6.4/B	+0.2/E	2.25
Vanguard 500ldxAdmrl	LB	524,893	493.68	-2.9	+20.2/B	+14.6/A	NL
Vanguard GrldxAdmrl	LG	82,076	182.08	-6.9	+24.6/B	+17.3/A	NL
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	MI	70,550	13.74	+1.8	+5.5/C	+1.5/A	NL
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	LB	73,677	168.54	-6.9	+16.7/D	+13.6/C	NL
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Fd	ΤG	76,516	19.47	+1.5	+11.0	+6.4	NL
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Fd	ΤH	93,950	37.78	+1.3	+11.8	+7.2	NL
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Fd	ΤI	98,178	23.66	+1.1	+12.5	+8.1	NL
Vanguard TrgtRtr2040Fd	ΤJ	87,254	42.19	+0.9	+13.2	+8.9	NL
Vanguard TrgtRtr2045Fd	ΤK	85,117	28.73	+0.7	+13.8	+9.7	NL
Vanguard TrgtRtr2050Fd	ΤN	71,845	47.99	+0.5	+14.3	+9.9	NL
Vanguard TtBMIdxAdmrl	CI	97,876	9.81	+4.1	+7.6/D	+0.3/C	NL
Vanguard TtInSIdxAdmrl	FB	74,634	31.98	-1.7	+8.8/C	+6.2/C	NL
Vanguard TtInSIdxInv	FB	197,190	19.12	-1.7	+8.8/C	+6.2/C	NL
Vanguard TtISMIdxAdmrI	LB	382,221	128.02	-2.4	+18.9/C	+13.7/C	NL
Vanguard WingtnAdmrl	MA	99,478	76.33	-0.7	+14.3/B	+8.6/B	NL
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Royals rout and Tigers 9-2

By DAVE HOGG Associated Press

DETROIT (AP) — Salvador Perez had three hits, including a home run, and the Kansas City Royals won their fifth straight by routing Tarik Skubal and the Detroit Tigers 9-2 on Friday night.

Cole Ragans (8-7) held the Tigers to two runs on two hits in 5 2/3 innings. He walked four and struck out six

Skubal (12-4) allowed a season-worst five runs on seven hits in 6 1/3 innings. Skubal, who struck out eight, is 2-9 against the Royals with a 5.05 ERA in 14 games, 12 of them

The Royals chased Skubal in a six-run seventh inning that included nine straight hits, two stolen bases and a wild pitch.

The Tigers, who have been outscored 34-7 during a fivegame losing streak, took a 2-0 lead on Justyn-Henry Malloy's first-inning homer, but Perez led off the second with a homer off the bricks behind the stands in left-center field to make it 2-1.

Perez scored from first on Hunter Renfroe's double in the fourth, and Paul DeJong made it 3-2 with a sacrifice fly on his 31st birthday to score Renfroe.

The Royals blew the game open in the seventh. Dairon Blanco and Maikel Garcia singled with one out to end Skubal's night. Bobby Witt Jr. greeted Shelby Miller with an infield single to load the bases.

Vinnie Pasquantino hit a two-run single, making it 5-2, followed by a double steal and a run-scoring wild pitch. Perez hit an RBI double for his third hit.

Renfroe and Freddy Fermin singled to make it seven straight hits and an 8-2 lead. Beau Brieske gave up singles to Garrett Hampson and DeJong before getting the last two outs

Wenceel Pérez made a spectacular running catch in the eighth inning to rob Perez of a fourth hit and a possible triple that would have given him a cycle.

Orioles prospect Mayo to make MLB debut

CLEVELAND (AP) - Coby Mayo, one of the topprospects in baseball, was recalled by the Baltimore Orioles on Friday to make his major league debut against the Cleveland Guardians.

Mayo batted .301 with 20 homers and 61 RBIs in 77 games with Triple-A Norfolk, leading the International League with a .586 slugging percentage. The 22-year-old was in the lineup against the Guardians, playing third base and batting eighth.

"I remember being in first grade and writing that I wanted to play in the big leagues," Mayo said after arriving at Progressive Field. "When the game starts is when the dream comes true.'

A fourth-round selection in the 2020 draft, Mayo was promoted to fill in for All-Star third baseman Jordan Westburg, who was placed on the 10-day injured list Thursday with a broken right hand.

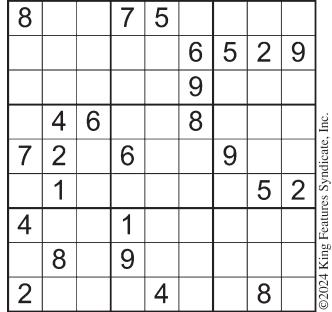
Manager Brandon Hyde said he didn't want Mayo to put additional pressure on himself because of the situation. He said Mayo would be the primary third baseman.

"I'm not looking for him to replace Jordan Westburg. I just want Coby to be himself," Hyde said. "Not to try too hard to contribute too much, but to be part of a winning team."

The 6-foot-5, 230-pound Mayo is a career .286 hitter in 378 games over four minor league seasons, seeing action at all five levels of Baltimore's organization.

The Orioles entered Friday in a first-place tie with the New York Yankees in the AL East, two games behind the AL-best Guardians. Infielder Livan Soto was optioned to Norfolk in a corresponding move.





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AUGUST 8 - BIDDING OPEN FROM 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M. Online only - Estate of Richard W. Stultz. 1,920 SF tri-level home in desirable Old Creek Neighborhood. Featuring 2 possible 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, oversized 4-car attached garage, 60'x23', large lot, close to Bluffton schools. Property offers prime location and offer "Renovation Opportunity". Explore the possibilities. Open house: Aug. 6 from 5-6 p.m., 1420 Brookhaven, Bluffton, IN. Sale managers Brandon Steffen, 260-710-5684, Rod Fet-ters, 260-557-8451, *The Stef*fen Group Inc., 260-824-3006,

www.steffengrp.com. BIDDING STARTS CLOSING AUGUST 11 - 6 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. EST - Jeanette Furhman & Robert Furhman estate, owner. 6 p.m.: Cape Cod style, 3 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, 3,093 sf. full basement w/Hitzer stove, Geothermal w/backup LP furnace, Generac 11 kw whole house generator, pole barns, 2-car attached garage, sitting on 10+/- wooded acres! 6:30: John Deere Gator, Gehl Track Ioade, John Deere mower, Chevy Silverado, 51k miles, Massey Ferguson tractor, 3 point attachments, tilt bed trailer, outdoor items, large selection of hand & power tools, long & hand guns, antiques, primitives, furniture, household, more! Pick up Aug. 12, 2-6 p.m., 4182 W 900 N, Decatur. *Krueckeberg Auction* & Realty LLC, kjauction.com, 260-724-7402

BIDDING ENDS AUGUST 18 AT 2 P.M. - Online only Various Consignors, sellers. Huge 900+ lot. 2003 Polaris 4 four wheeler, Honda motorcycle, 2008 Lazer EXmark zero turn riding lawn mower, antiques, collectibles, primitives, modern furniture, fishing equipment, vintage toys, farm toys, musical instruments, very early wood canoe, early high school score board, complete in working condition, more. Preview: Aug. 13, Aug. 15, 3-6 p.m., 102 S. Jefferson St. Ossian. Sale managers Rod Fetters, 260-557-8451, Patrick Carter, 260-273-8294. The Steffen Group Inc., 260-824-

3006, steffengrp.com. 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. *Krueckeberg Auction* & *Realty LLC*, 260-724-7402,

kjauction.com. AUGUST 22-23 - 9 a.m. Secured creditors & various consignors, owners. 815 Adams St., Decatur. Two day truck & equipment auction. Dav

Public Notices

STATE OF INDIANA

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90C01-2407-MI-000016 IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF: Hannah Sexton Petitioner

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Hannah Sexton, whose mailing

address is: 527 W Wiley Ave, and if different, my residence address is: in the Wells Co County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Hannah Sexton has filed a petition in the Court requesting that her name be changed to Hannah L Humphrey. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Peti-

tion on SEPTEMBER 17, 2024, at 10:30 A.M.

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1, online bidding only: 250+ various skid loader attachments, mini excavators, mini skid steers, tool boxes, workbenches, iron gates, chains & binders, 40' high side shipping containers, dome shelters, various truck take off parts & much more! Day 2, onsite and online bidding offering 700+ lots! 2024 Holiday Rambler, large group of off lease day cabs and sleepers, Freightliner day cabs, box, dump, utility & bucket trucks, lots of trailers, shipping containers, skid loader attachments, cars, SUV, pickup trucks, cargo & passenger vans! Accepting consignments! Krueckeberg Auction & Realty LLC, 260-724-7402, kjauction.com.

NOTICE

In accordance with Indiana Code 5-15-6-3 requiring prior notification to individuals when

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 2024 if you wish to receive copies of your special education records. All records requested for pick-up and not picked up and nonrequested 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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Dating my ex-husband

Dear Annie: I've been in a relationship with my boyfriend for about two years. He's actually my ex-husband from 25 years ago, and we reunited about 16 months ago. We do not live together, but he's made it clear that he wants to move in that direction and even hints that we should remarry. However, last March, we had a serious falling out and were broken up for about three weeks. During our break, he met a woman, "Rachel," on a dating app, and they went to lunch a few times. After my boyfriend and I reunited, he continued to meet with Rachel on coffee dates and walks along the beach near her home. I expressed to him that I did not like the situation because they met on a dating app, even though he claims there is no sexual or romantic interest between them. He says he just enjoys her company, that she's a really "cool person" and that they both have grown kids and things in common.

We've now had a few arguments about the subject, and it's causing tension. He says I "can't have it both ways" because I have a couple of male friends, too, and he has no problem with my relationships with them. But my male friends have been in my life for decades, and there has never been anything sexual or romantic with either of these men. Also, he talks with Rachel every week, and I only ever see my male friends about once or twice a year. This just doesn't feel good, and I don't know how to handle it. I'm afraid to even broach the subject again because he gets very upset. I love reading your column and could really use some advice. I'm not an insecure person by nature, but I feel really uncomfortable with this. Am I just being petty and possessive? – Am I Petty

Dear AIP: It's entirely reasonable for you to feel uncomfortable with your boyfriend taking walks on the beach with a woman he met on a dating app. It's noteworthy that he was on dating apps at all, when you were only broken up for three weeks. And it's concerning that he's brushed away your feelings about the matter so flippantly.

You and your ex have a lot of history together, which can be a liability when it comes to clearly assessing a situation. I'd encourage you to take a step back from this relationship and evaluate how you're feeling, in your gut and in your heart.

Dear Annie:

About a year and a half ago, I changed jobs and got new insurance and had to find a new doctor. The doctor I found ended up being young, handsome and charming, and I've slowly developed a pretty massive crush on him. I have a condition that requires in-person office visits every three months, so I see him fairly often. I have another appointment coming up, and I've found myself already planning my outfit and hairstyle. He's married, and besides, I'd never make a pass at someone at their place of work. But I can't help fantasizing. Is this normal? Should I stop seeing him? -Hot for Doctor

Dear HFD: Though it might make you more diligent about keeping your appointments, there's a downside to having a doctor whose stethoscope sets your heart aflutter. Namely, you're less likely to be transparent with someone to whom you'd like to be attractive. Think about it: If a potentially embarrassing health issue cropped up, would you really disclose all the gritty details to Dr. McDreamy? If the answer is no, I suggest looking for a new doctor, one with whom you can be totally honest.

'How Can I Forgive My Cheating Partner?" is out now! Annie Lane's second anthology - featuring favorite columns on marriage, infidelity, communication and reconciliation - is available as a paperback and e-book. Visit http:// www.creatorspublishing.com for more information. Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com. © 2024 CREATORS.COM

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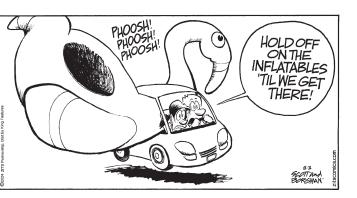






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THIS SAUCE ISN'T HALF BAD IF YOU PUT KETCHUP ON IT."

Му **Answer** By Dr. Billy Graham

Ouestion: Why is the Bible called holy when it contains so much greed, lust, and violence? And why does the Bible call for people to be holy when God allows so much evil in the world? – H.B.

Answer: The Bible tells the truth about mankind, the devil, and sin that prevails. The Bible also tells the truth about God, who is holy. The Bible teaches that we exchange the truth of God for the devil's lies. The Bible also tells about salvation from sin - the redemption of the human heart - provided by the Savior of the world. Jesus Christ came to show us the

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from sin to receive Christ as Savior and Lord. He gives us new life. He frees us from the chains that bind us. Christians are not to be conformed to the world physically. These bodies of ours are intended to be temples of the Spirit

of God. Our dress, our posture

12:2, NKJV). The Bible also tells us, "Joyful are those who obey [God's] laws and search for him with all their hearts. They do not compromise with evil, and they walk only in his paths" (Psalm 119:2-3 NLT).

The devil is a master at making us question God and His Word, but Christ strengthens us to be obedient to Him in all things and imparts to us His great and everlasting love.



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our actions, should all be for the honor and glory of Christ. We are to be "holy" in the deepest sense of the word. God's purpose for us is that we ought to be conformed to the image of His Son. The world may exert its pressure to deform us, but we are told, "Be transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Romans

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

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Justice Department sues TikTok, accusing company of illegally collecting children's data

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The Justice Department sued Tik-Tok on Friday, accusing the company of violating children's online privacy law and running afoul of a settlement it had reached with another federal agency.

The complaint, filed together with the Federal Trade Commission in a California federal court, comes as the U.S. and the prominent social media company are embroiled in yet another legal battle that will determine if - or how - TikTok will continue to operate in the country.

The latest lawsuit focuses on allegations that TikTok, a trend-setting platform popular among young users, and its China-based parent company ByteDance violated a federal law that requires kid-oriented apps and websites to get parental consent before collecting personal information of children under 13. It also says the companies failed to honor requests from parents who wanted their children's accounts deleted, and chose not to delete accounts even when the firms knew they belonged to kids under 13.

"This action is necessary to prevent the defendants, who are repeat offenders and operate on a massive scale, from collecting and using young children's private information without any parental consent or control," Brian M. Boynton, head of the Justice Department's Civil Division, said in a statement.

TikTok said it disagreed with the allegations, "many of which relate to past events and practices that are factually inaccurate or have been addressed."

"We offer age-appropriate experiences with stringent safeguards, proactively remove suspected underage users and have voluntarily launched features such as default screentime limits, Family Pairing, and additional privacy protections for minors," the company said in a statement.

The U.S. decided to file the lawsuit following an investigation by the FTC that looked into whether the companies were complying with a previous settlement involving TikTok's predecessor, Musical.ly.

In 2019, the federal government sued Musical.ly, alleging it violated the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act, or COPPA, by failing to notify parents about its collection and use of personal information for kids under 13.

That same year, Musical.ly – acquired by ByteDance in 2017 and merged with TikTok – agreed to pay \$5.7 million to resolve those allega-

tions. The two companies were also subject to a court order requiring them to comply with COPPA, which the government says hasn't happened.

In the complaint, the Justice Department and the FTC allege TikTok has knowingly allowed children to create accounts and retained their personal information without notifying their parents. This practice extends to accounts created in "Kids Mode," a version of TikTok for children under 13. The feature allows users to view videos but bars them from uploading content.

The two agencies allege the information collected included activities on the app and other identifiers used to build user profiles. They also accuse TikTok of sharing the data with other companies – such as Meta's Facebook and an analytics company called Apps-Flyer – to persuade "Kids Mode" users to be on the platform more, a practice TikTok called "re-targeting less active users."

The complaint says TikTok also allowed children to create accounts without having to provide their age, or obtain parental approval, by using credentials from third-party services. It classified these as "age unknown" accounts, which the agencies say have grown into millions.

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temporarily stopped it from taking

effect, ruling that it "likely exceeds" the

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Dow drops 600 on weak jobs data as global sell-off whips back to Wall Street

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks tumbled Friday on worries the U.S. economy could be cracking under the weight of high interest rates meant to whip inflation.

The S&P 500 sank 1.8% for its first back-to-back losses of at least 1% since April. The Dow Jones Industrial Average dropped 610 points, or 1.5%, and the Nasdaq composite fell 2.4% as a sell-off for stocks whipped all the way around the world back to Wall Street.

A report showing hiring by U.S. employers slowed last month by much more than economists expected sent fear through markets, with both stocks and bond yields dropping sharply. It followed a batch of weaker-thanexpected reports on the economy from a day earlier, including a worsening for U.S. manufacturing activity, which has been one of the areas hurt most by high rates.

It was just a couple days ago that U.S. stock indexes jumped to their best day in months after Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell gave the clearest indication yet that inflation has slowed enough for cuts to rates to begin in September.

Now, worries are rising the Fed may have kept its main interest rate at a two-decade high for too long. A rate cut would make it easier for U.S. households and companies to borrow money and boost the economy, but it could take months to a year for the full effects to filter through.

Traders are now betting on a 70% probability that the Fed will cut its main interest rate by half a percentage point in September, according to data from CME Group. That's even though Powell said Wednesday that such a deep reduction is "not something we're thinking about right now."

Of course, the U.S. economy is still growing, and a recession is far from a certainty. The Fed has been clear about the tightrope it's walking since it started hiking rates sharply in March 2022: Being too aggressive would choke the economy, but going too soft would give inflation more oxygen.

While refusing to claim victory on either the jobs or the inflation fronts on Wednesday, before the discouraging economic reports hit, Powell said Fed officials "have a lot of room to respond if we were to see weakness" in the job market after hiking its main rate so high.

Several big technology companies turned in underwhelming profit reports, which continued a mostly dispiriting run that began last week with results from Tesla and Alphabet.

Amazon fell 8.8% after reporting weaker revenue for the latest quarter than expected. The retail and tech giant also gave a forecast for operating profit for the summer that fell short of analysts' expectations.

Intel dropped even more, 26.1%, for its worst day in 50 years, after the chip company's profit for the latest quarter fell well short of forecasts. It also suspended its dividend payment and forecast a loss for the third quarter, when analysts were expecting a profit.

Apple held steadier, up 0.7%, after reporting better profit and revenue than expected.

Friday's losses for tech stocks dragged the Nasdaq composite 10% below its record set last month. That level of drop is what traders call a "correction."

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Proposed U.S. rule would ban airlines from charging parents additional fees to sit with their children

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The U.S. Department of Transportation is proposing a new rule that would ban airlines from charging parents more to sit with their young children.

Under the proposal, released Thursday, U.S. and foreign carriers would be required to seat children ages 13 or younger next to a parent or accompanying adult for free.

If adjacent seats aren't available when a parent books a flight, airlines would be required to let families choose between a full refund or waiting to see if a seat opens up. If seats don't become available before other passengers begin boarding, airlines must give families the option to rebook for free on the next flight with available adjacent seating.

The Biden administration estimates the rule could save a family of four as much as \$200 in seat fees for a round trip. "Flying with children is already complicated enough without having to worry about that," U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg said.

Airlines for America, a trade association representing the industry, said in a statement that airlines already make an effort to accommodate families.

"Each carrier has established individual policies, and all make every effort to ensure families sit together," the group said in a statement.

But Buttigieg said only four airlines – Alaska, American, Frontier and Jet-Blue – already guarantee that children ages 13 and under can sit next to an accompanying adult for free.

Congress authorized the Department of Transportation to propose a rule banning family seating fees as part of the Federal Aviation Administration Reauthorization Act, which President Joe Biden signed in May.

The legislation also raises penalties for airlines that violate consumer

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