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A gem of an airport

Columbus airport sees growth, opportunities for visitors.

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month." — Theodore Roosevelt

WHAT'S UP?

Animal wellness clinic

The Humane Society of Johnson County will conduct an animal wellness clinic March 4, 9 a.m. to noon, in the old transportation garage.

The clinics, which are offered four times a year throughout Johnson County, include free rabies and yearly vaccinations, microchipping and take-home flea medication.

Call HSJC at 317-535-6626 to make an appointment.

Vera Bradley bingo

The Edinburgh Delta Sigma Chapter of Tri Kappa is hosting its annual Vera Bradley Bingo on April 11 at 6 p.m. in the Edinburgh Community High School cafeteria.

They have changed the ticket sales process to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to join in the fun.

Tickets are \$25 and will be sold during a one-day, in-person sale at the John Drybread Community Center on March 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a maximum of eight tickets per person (one table).

Checks payable to Tri Kappa or cash will be accepted. No online payments are permitted per the gaming license.

They will not be taking any reservations through Tri Kappa members or messenger until March 6. Tickets are limited to eight per person through members, as well.

Additional games, intermission games, raffle basket tickets and refreshments can be purchased at the event.

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RISING COSTS

Homeowners can expect high property tax bills this year

By Emily Ketterer

DAILY JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

Assessed values of homes skyrocketed in Johnson County last year, and that likely means residents can expect a high property tax bill this spring.

This trend of high AV growth has been seen statewide, largely because of the state of the hot housing market between 2020 and 2022 and general economic trends as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a recent study by Policy Analytics LLC for the Association of Indiana Counties, or AIC.

Total gross assessed value, or GAV, of all properties as of Jan. 1, 2022 — which is the assessed value date used for taxes paid in 2023 — increased by 13.2% statewide. In Johnson County, it was higher between 15 and 20%, according to the study.

Homestead assessed values in Johnson County grew exponentially by over 20% between pay 2022 and pay 2023 tax years. Johnson County was one of seven counties in the state to see the highest homestead GAV growth, according to the AIC study.

What's in a tax bill?

The assessed value of all properties is calculated by the county assessor in each county. Increases and decreases in assessed values of residential real property, when factoring out new construction, are largely due to home sales and prices, said Mike Watkins, Johnson County assessor. Changes in cost of construction materials for new homes are also factored into formulas for calculating assessed value, he said.

The tax bills paid each year are two years behind the housing market. The 2022 assessed values, which reflect taxes to be paid in 2023, are calculated by the asses-

INDIANA ASSESSED VALUE CHANGE 2022-2023

Homestead GAV Change by County

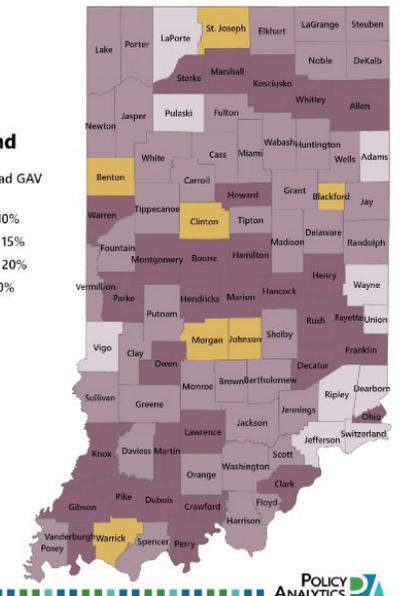
Percent Change pay 2022 to pay 2023

- A "Homestead" is an owner occupied residential property.
- On average, Homestead gross assessed values increased by 15.5% between Pay 2022 and Pay 2023.
- Seven counties experienced Homestead GAV growth in excess of 20%.
- In total, 83 counties experienced Homestead GAV growth in excess of 10%.

Legend

Homestead GAV Change

- 0 - 10%
- 10 - 15%
- 15 - 20%
- > 20%



A map from a study done by Policy Analytics LLC for the Association of Indiana Counties shows the homestead gross assessed value changes in each county.

sor's office from 2021 house sale price data. The hot housing market between 2020 and 2022 is having a direct effect on property taxes being paid this year.

The median home price in Johnson County in January 2021 was \$229,000, and it was up to \$290,000 by December 2021, according to data from the MIBOR Realtor Association, the professional organization representing Central Indiana realtors. Homes also stayed on the market on average for less than 20 days in 2021.

Other tax bill factors

How much a residential property tax bill is each year is closely related to changes in the assessed value of the home, Watkins said. Other factors that may affect a tax

bill include a property owner signing up for deductions they may qualify for and changes in the levy set by the various governing bodies in Johnson County.

Governments set a property tax levy as part of its budget process, and the levy is the revenue they intend to collect to pay for their government services, such as public safety and schools. The state also imposes a maximum levy local governments can collect to.

According to the AIC study, a local government's tax rate is set by dividing its levy by its total net assessed value — which is the assessed value after deductions are accounted for on properties. That

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OBITUARIES

HANOVER

Paul Ford

Paul E. Ford, 98, of Hanover, Indiana, passed from this life at 3:27 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 19, 2023 at Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover.

Paul was born in Franklin Sept. 17, 1924, the son of the late Charles and Chloe Allendar Ford. On Sept. 11, 1943, Paul married Betty Jean King; she preceded him in death July 16, 1983. Paul later married Carolyn P. Pope Chatlos March 23, 1984; she died July 17, 2001.

Early in life, Paul was employed by Hamilton-Cosco and Dunlap in Columbus. He then became an entrepreneur owning and operating the Hilltop Motel in Edinburgh, Jefferson Lounge in Martinsville, the President of Madison Motel in Madison, and then, The Shady Oaks Apartments in Winter Haven, Florida.

Paul had a passion for having garage sales, going to the horse races and shooting pool.

Survivors include his children, James P. (Lygia) Ford of Elizabethtown and Phyllis E. (Larry) Grindstaff of Madison; grandchildren, Dawn Ford, Kevin Ford, Allen Ford, Rhonda Grindstaff, Kerry Compton, Lisa Aldridge, Nicholas Ford and Jennifer Ford; many great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; a brother, Robert (Anita) Ford of Edinburgh; a sister, Betty Sears of Edinburgh; and many nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Chloe Ford; both wives, Betty and Carolyn; sons, Donald E. Ford and Michael R. Ford; brothers, Chester, Wayne, and Carl Ford; and sisters, Virginia Bailey and Rosemary Williamson.



FORD

The funeral service was held at Barkes, Weaver & Glick Funeral Home in Columbus with Virgil Clotfelter officiating. Paul was laid to rest at the Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh.

Memorial contributions may be made to Our Hospice of South Central Indiana or the donor's choice of charities.

Condolences and special memories may be shared with the Ford family and a video tribute can be seen at barkesweaverglick.com

EDINBURGH

Shara Turnbloom

Shara Michele Turnbloom, 31, of Edinburgh passed away Feb. 6, 2023 in Indianapolis. She was born June 24, 1991 in Greensburg. She was the daughter of Mark A. Turnbloom and Tammy Jo (Streeval) Money.

She is survived by her mother of Edinburgh; sons, Jamison Michael Turnbloom of Rushville and Mark William Antony Turnbloom of Shelbyville; brothers, Andrew Turnbloom of Edinburgh and Rhythm Axl Turnbloom of Greensburg; grandparents, Sharon Fultz of Columbus, Ralph and Donna Lane of Greensburg, and James Turnbloom (Pat) of Shelbyville; aunt, Denise Shake of Greensburg; and several cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father and sister, Christina Turnbloom.

Shara was of the Christian faith. She enjoyed spending time with her children, helping others and pampering herself.

A Celebration of Life was held at The Salvation Army in Columbus.

She was laid to rest next to her sister at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh.

Arrangements were made by Eskew-Eaton Funeral Home in Edinburgh.



TURNBLOOM

GOOD OLD DAYS

75 years ago: The Lind-Hill Veterans of Foreign Wars elect Raymond Smith as post Commander and Arthur Riddle as Senior Vice Commander at their regular meeting.

70 years ago: The Edinburg Town Board announces that they have hired Ellis McKee as caretaker of Edinburg's Rest Haven Cemetery, replacing retiring Otto Rogers.

65 years ago: Tom Schaffer with his Butler fraternity brothers from Butler University will be on channel 6 WFBS to present campus activity "Geneva Stunts."

60 years ago: Edinburg freshman

Rosemary Cain wins the annual Regional Scholastic Art Award Exhibition of Central Indiana, which will be awarded in Indianapolis.

55 years ago: Edinburg fifth grader Sheila McGaha wins the Edinburg East Side Elementary's spelling contest and will represent Edinburg in the county contest.

50 years ago: Rick Finley, Allen Pendleton, Roger Rowe and Eddie King score in double figures as Edinburg beats Southwestern, 67-38, to win the Columbus Sectional.



Cosmetology professionals Tori Anderson and Tyler Thompson participate in a question-and-answer session with C4 cosmetology students during C4 Career Week at Columbus East High School.

PHOTO BY MIKE WOLANIN | THE REPUBLIC

C4 invited students to explore opportunities in second annual Career Week

By Jana Wiersema
THE REPUBLIC STAFF WRITER

Local high school students recently had the chance to get a glimpse of the opportunities and expectations that come with entering the workplace.

C4 held its second annual Career Week from Feb. 13 to 17, with 26 different businesses of various industries and sizes participating in the event, according to C4 team leader Autumnne Streeval.

"We're trying to give students the tools that they'll need to prepare for that first job, that first career," she said.

Students in every C4 class participated in the week by working on employment skills such as resume writing, interviewing, communication, conflict resolution, professional dress and demeanor.

The week also included workshops on "Getting Into the Workforce," "Workforce Expectations" and "Financial Literacy."

"We also, in addition to the workshops, had guest speakers and panelists come into specific classes to talk about jobs that are specific for that industry," said Streeval. "We also had companies that did industry presentations — so, for example, Columbus Regional Health had several different booths that students could visit that

highlighted the different careers within health science. Cummins also had a large event brought in several people to also showcase the different career pathways within their business as well."

Additionally, health science and dental students took field trips to visit Ivy Tech Community College - Columbus.

A new feature from this year's Career Week was the "Mad City Money" simulation, which Streeval described as an exercise in budgeting monthly costs that several students found to be "eye-opening."

Another change from last year is that C4 plans to hold mock interviews with industry partners from May 1 to May 5. Last year, these were part of Career Week, which took place in April. According to Streeval, school officials decided to hold Career Week in February this year because it is national Career and Technical Education Month, and the week-long event is focused on career prep.

When asked what sets the week apart from C4's other career awareness, exploration and preparation activities, Streeval replied, "What's unique to this week for our students is the opportunities that they have to interact with so many members of our community and so many of our business partners. With that many volunteers coming into our classrooms, the students are able to make those connections and talk to them about potential careers."

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Middle school girls, boys varsity win as seasons wind down

The middle school girls teams each carded a win this past week and the boys varsity and reserve had a strong showing in their final tune-up before the sectional.

Starting off the week Feb. 20, the seventh- and eighth-grade girls played host to South Decatur.

The seventh grade kept it close versus the Cougars but ended up losing, 19-14. Chloe Hancock scored 10 to lead the young Lancers, Faith Smith had two and Elliot Smith also added two.

The eighth grade fell behind early and never quite got their offense rolling as they fell to the Cougars as well, 25-8 with Mya Denton scoring all eight Edinburgh points.

But Wednesday evening was a very good one for the girls as they faced Southwestern at home.

In the lid-lifter the seventh graders cruised past the Spartans, 36-15 with Chloe Hancock with 12 points and faith Smith with 10 each posting double digits. Shyla Watt scored six, Elliot Smith six and Lilly Davis put in two.

Not to be outdone in the night cap, the eighth grade also notched an easy win, defeating the Spartans, 23-6. On the night, the seventh grade improved to 5-8 while the eighth grade bettered their season mark to 2-10.

The reserve boys played their final game of the season Thursday night at home versus the Brown County Eagles. On this evening, the Lancers proved to be 11 points better than the visitors, coming away with a 33-22 win.

Rylan Londeree led the way with 19 points, Bailey Totten added five, Milas Burkman four, Caleb Murphy three and Lucas Seegers two.

The Edinburgh varsity had no trouble at all with the visiting Eagles. They led by 15 at the halftime break and then poured it on in the third quarter, scoring 34 points as



Brian Ingels

Lancer Notebook

they routed Brown County, 95-57.

Caleb Dewey led all scorers with 30 points, Connor Ramey had 15, Jarrett Turner 13, Austin Brockman 13, Braylon Bryant seven, Tanner Kohr six, Jackson Hartwell five, Keegan Smith four and Blaze Jensen two.

Wrapping up the week, the middle school girls played at home again, this time taking on Hauser. The seventh graders suffered a 9-point loss to the Jets, 32-23.

Chloe Hancock was Edinburgh's top scorer with 10 points, Faith Smith had seven, Shyla Watt two, Gracelyn Adcock two, and Lilly Davis two.

In the eighth grade game, the Lancers fell to Hauser, 30-13. For the second time in the week, Mya Denton had all of her team's scoring, this time with 13 points.

Sectional semifinals

Coming this week, the semi-finals of the Edinburgh Sectional will be on Friday with the night's first game at 6 p.m. The tourney will wrap up with the championship game at 7 p.m. Saturday.

The middle school Lancer girls will play in the semi-finals of the MHC tourney on Saturday morning at Waldron. The first games kick-off at 9 a.m.

Brian Ingels is a retired Edinburgh Community High School teacher. Send comments to Edinburgh Courier, P.O. Box 699, Franklin IN, 46131, courier@dailyjournal.net

SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Dollars for Scholars

Edinburgh Dollars for Scholars website is open through April 15 for students to apply for a college scholarship for the 2023-2024 school year. Students must be a graduate of Edinburgh Community High School or an Edinburgh Community High School senior graduating in 2023.

To apply go to www.edinburgh.dollarsforscholars.org.

Athlete honored

Gracie Crawhorn was named to the 2022-23 Republic All-Area Girls Basketball team. The senior led the Lancers with 12.0 points, 7.7 rebounds and 2.3 assists and added 2.1 steals. Kenna Streeval received honorable mention.

Lancer cards

The Edinburgh Athletic Department is selling Lancer Discount Cards to raise money for athletics at Edinburgh Community Schools. The cost is \$10 and includes discounts for restaurants, services and retail items, along with one high school varsity regular season game (value \$6). The Lancer Cards can be purchased at the John R. Drybread Community Center, the Edinburgh Utility Office, the Edinburgh Community School District Office and the high school office.

Past yearbooks now online

You can view yearbooks from 1920 and up on ECSC's website. Go to the alumni page at https://www.ecsc.k12.in.us/about_us/alumni.

The alumni plan to continue to add more yearbooks as they get them. If you have a yearbook that is not on the site, please send an email to bstrauh@ecsc.k12.in.us.

GED classes

High School Equivalency (GED) classes meet twice a week at Edinburgh Community High School. Contact Julie Redd, 317-392-2197, to learn more.

Before- and after-school program

Edinburgh Parks & Rec offers a Before & After School Enrichment Program at its Rec Center for East Side Elementary School students. Activities start at 6 a.m. before school and run until 5:30 p.m. after school. Transportation to and from school is provided. Activities include homework time and help, snacks and fun.

Info: Elissa Day, B.A.S.E. coordinator, 812-526-3535, ext. 4, or eday@edinburgh.in.us

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Taxes

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tax rate is multiplied by the net assessed value of each property, and the sum for all of them adds up to the levy each government needs for its budget.

Indiana also has a 1% property tax cap on homesteads, meaning a property owner does not pay more than 1% of their homestead's gross assessed value each year, unless a tax referendum is passed locally.

Tax liability increasing

Total tax liability for all properties is also expected to rise significantly in Johnson County between pay 2022 and pay 2023, by over 12%, according to the AIC study. Homestead tax liability change is expected to increase by over 20% in Johnson County and in 24 other counties in Indiana.

Property tax burdens are also shifting, adding more burden on residential properties, according to data in the AIC study. Residential properties made up 47% of the tax total liability in 2022, and are set to make up 50.3% this year.

Residents can calculate an estimation of how much their property tax bill will be this year through a property tax calculator in Indiana Gateway's website. Bills can be calculated by entering a home's assessed value and the resident's taxing district, along with the deductions they receive. State legislation to try to relieve high property taxes on homesteads is making its way through the Statehouse now, but it likely will have no effect on property taxes to be paid this year.

Relief on the way?

House Bill 1499, authored by House Ways and Means chair Rep. Jeff Thompson, R-Lizton, would make changes to homestead property tax caps and local government tax levies.

The bill, as it stands now after it passed committee this month, lowers tax caps at 0.95% for property taxes payable in 2024, and 0.975% in 2025. It also would increase the homeowner and renters deductions to \$3,500 for residential property owners and \$4,000 for renters.

The bill would also establish a process to decrease the rate of levy growth in 2024 and 2025. The proposal includes either a 50% decrease to the maximum levy growth quotient in 2024 and 25% in 2025, or a drop to 3% each year, according to a story from the Indiana Capital Chronicle.

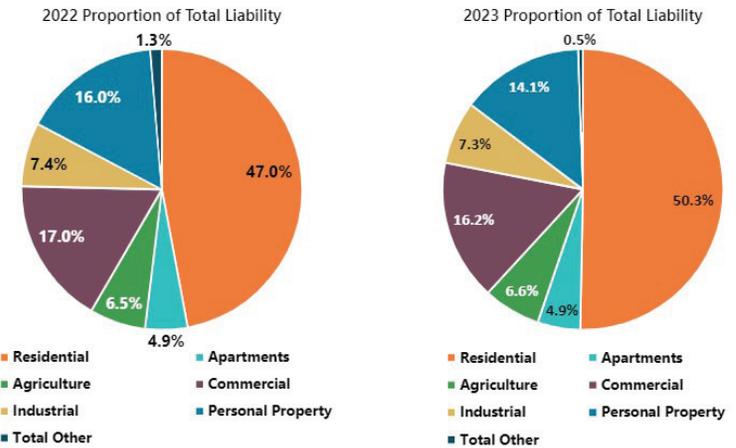
Local levies statewide are expected to increase by about \$779 million in the next year, according to the AIC study. Schools make up the biggest junk of that change, about 52.6%. Assessed value growth is also outpacing property tax revenue because tax base growth results in lower property tax rates, the study observes. Property tax rates fell in the last year in 95% of all taxing units in the state.

If the bill does pass the House, it would still have to make its way through the Senate to become law. It has been met with opposition from local governments because of the potential local financial impact. Property taxes fund local governments and public schools, but not the state.

Local governments and schools could lose millions in revenue between fiscal years 2024 and 2026 under HB 1499, accord-

IMPLICATIONS FOR TAXPAYERS

Proportional Tax Burden Change by Property Class



Graphs from a study done by Policy Analytics LLC for the Association of Indiana Counties show the property tax burden changes between 2022 and 2023.

ing to the latest fiscal analysis of the bill. Counties are projected lose over \$141 million from 2024 to 2026, cities and towns \$115 million and schools \$180 million.

Watkins, though, said he is happy to see lawmakers trying to find relief for homeowners.

"I applaud Indiana lawmakers' efforts to help Hoosiers negatively impacted by the changes we've seen in the economy for the last several years," Watkins said.

As for the future of assessed value

increases, that is largely unknown, Watkins said.

"Assessments may go up, down, or stay the same in coming years," Watkins said. "In the last year, the overall volume of property sales in Johnson County has decreased in comparison to the years prior, but sale prices are still trending higher than what they were pre-2020, and the assessments we're seeing now are following the changes in the market."



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NINEVEH SENIOR CENTER

The Nineveh Senior Center, 3208 Rodeo Drive, Johnson County Park (next to horse park), for people 50 and older.

March 7: Computer class, 6-7 p.m.

March 10: Monthly pitch-in luncheon and business meeting, noon-1:30 p.m.

March 17: Food box distribution, 9-11 a.m. Low-income Johnson County residents over 60 can call 317-739-9999 to get qualified for the food box program.

March 20: Pizza party, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

March 20: Bingo with prizes, 1-3 p.m.

March 22: Craft class, 3-4 p.m.

March 22: Dinner, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

March 24-25: Annual spring rummage sale, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. There will also be chili, hot dogs, pop, water, coffee and tea for sale.

Items for sale will be clothing, dishes, some furniture, pictures, flowers and much more. The rummage sale is one of the center's biggest fundraising events. Members interested in helping to set up or provide baked goods to sell, see Janet Bartram or if interested in providing baked goods for the sale.

Regular activities:

- Mondays: Shanghai, 9 a.m. to noon; ping pong, 9:30-11:30 a.m. (See John if interested)

- Wednesdays, euchre, 5:30 p.m.

- Thursdays, bid euchre, 6 p.m.

New members are welcome. Membership is \$25 per year. Call Janet Wolfe, 812-376-3671, to join.

Information: Jon Myers, 812-343-4229, www.ninevehseniorcenter.org

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OPINION



PHOTO BY JANA WIERSEMA | THE REPUBLIC

The restored Charlie 119 aircraft is shown at its display site at the Columbus Municipal Airport Sept. 9, 2022.

After its best year, Columbus airport thinks even bigger

Folks who don't get over to Columbus Municipal Airport too often might not fully appreciate how busy it is and how important it is to the local economy. That was never truer than it was last year, and from the looks of things, there is plenty of blue sky ahead.

Jana Wiersema reported in The Republic a few days ago that the airport's annual report for 2022 came out recently, and airport Director Brian Payne said it was "the most successful year we've ever had."

In fact, Payne's report says the airport "increased based aircraft which has led to more operations than ANY other year in the history of this facility by nearly 10%." By any measure, that's a remarkable statistic.

Here are a few facts about Columbus Municipal Airport from its 2022 annual report: There were a record 55,303 operations last year, making it the fourth busiest towered airport in Indiana.

The airport has an estimated annual economic impact of \$650 million.

There are 80 aircraft based at the airport, which covers more than 2,700 acres of ground on the city's east side. And the airport is poised for the number of aircraft based there to grow significantly.

Last year was a year of significant improvements in and around the airport, including four new hangar developments. Payne reported that more than \$4 million in Federal Aviation Administration funding also paid for fence, road and apron paving improvements, among other things.

With the airport's proximity to the Columbus Learning Center, IUPUC and Ivy Tech, the opportunities for aviation-related education are outstanding — and growing. As Wiersema reported, Ivy Tech

Community College-Columbus has partnered with Leadership in Flight Training (LIFT) Academy, owned by Republic Airways, to offer a professional flight associate of applied science degree program. Payne expects LIFT to move into the airport and begin flight training during the next couple of months.

The developing Propeller makerspace at the AirPark also is bringing more activity to the area, as does the Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum. Last year, the museum dedicated the refurbished "Charlie" C-119 "flying boxcar" as part of its collection, which recalls the airport's origins as the military airfield affiliated with Camp Atterbury.

There are many more highlights from the past year in the annual report, available online at columbus.in.gov/airport.

But in addition to looking at the year that was, the report also makes clear that the airport is only now really taking flight.

This year, new EV charging stations are proposed to be installed for electric planes and cars. The airport's oldest hangar, a 1942 "roundtop", will undergo restoration this year to accommodate the LIFT program. In the coming weeks, the Hangar 5 restaurant at the airport will reopen with a totally refurbished kitchen. The airport also hopes to start a Women in Aviation International chapter this year.

"The Airport Master Plan, a 20 year document outlining future projects with the FAA, will be completed in late 2023 as well. It is clear that growth is always on the mindset at Columbus," the report says.

Looks like Columbus is clear for takeoff.

This editorial originally ran in The Republic of Columbus on Feb. 26.

TAYLORSVILLE ELEMENTARY



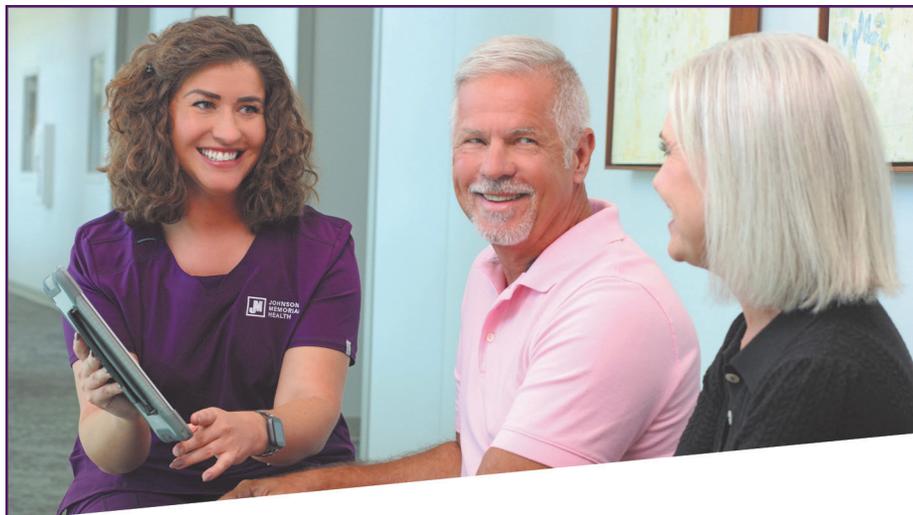
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The Taylorsville Bears take the floor during Cheer Day at Columbus East on Feb. 18.

Above and Beyond

Above and Beyond winners from each Bartholomew COUNTY school were recognized at last Saturday's Elementary Basketball League finals on SOUPer Saturday. boys, girls and cheerleading winners from each school were selected.

Taylorsville Elementary honorees were Carson Lister, Annabell Woodhouse and Rachel Hernandez-Moreno.



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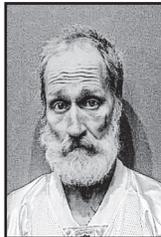
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Man arrested after chase through town

A Columbus man was arrested after leading sheriff's deputies on a high-speed chase through Edinburgh, crashing into a fence and being apprehended by a K-9.

Richard D. Corbin, 54, was arrested on felony charges of resisting law enforcement with a vehicle, resisting law enforcement and habitual traffic violator, and misdemeanor charges of leaving the scene of an injury crash and reckless driving. Formal charges are pending.

Johnson County Sheriff's Office deputies were on patrol in the median of Interstate 65 near the Franklin exit, around 2:30 p.m. Feb. 18 when they observed a small black pick-up truck going southbound with no plate displayed. Deputies then began to follow the vehicle, which was allegedly driven by Corbin, and caught up to it at near Edinburgh, according to a sheriff's office report.



CORBIN

Once deputies caught up to the truck, they saw it had an expired license plate in its back window. A subsequent records search showed the plate belonged to a sedan — not a truck, the report says. As deputies were preparing to do a traffic stop, the truck abruptly went from the right lane to the left lane and back without signaling. They then tried to pull Corbin over on the Edinburgh exit ramp, but he allegedly sped up and drove on the shoulder to bypass another car. Deputies then began pursuing him, according to the report.

Corbin allegedly passed another car and tried to turn on State Road 252, blowing past a stop sign. However, his vehicle spun around by almost 360 degrees in the intersection. He then went off the road briefly before getting back on and heading westbound on State Road 252, the report says.

Deputies continued to pursue Corbin as he allegedly reached speeds of more than 80 mph. As he continued, he ignored stop signs at Main Cross Street, Thompson Street and Campbell Street, according to the report.

Eventually, the truck went through the intersection of Campbell Street and Kyle Street, going over a curb and into a privately owned fence. Corbin then exited the vehicle and fled by foot, the report says.

Deputies deployed a K-9 to help apprehend Corbin. Eventually, the K-9 caught up to him and stopped him. Corbin was then taken into custody with minimal injuries, according to the report.

Deputies looked up Corbin's driving record, which showed that he had a status of habitual traffic violator for life, the report says.

Corbin told deputies he ran from them because of his license status and apologized for doing so, according to the report.

He was then taken to the Johnson County jail, where his bond was set at \$57,500 as of Monday morning.

Bartholomew to consider changing zoning

The Bartholomew County Plan Commission will consider extending its land use planning and regulatory tools to areas where the city of Columbus is relinquishing zoning jurisdiction at a March 8 meeting. The Columbus/Bartholomew County Planning Department said proposed planning and zoning maps are expected to be posted online next week, days ahead of the meeting.

The changes were necessitated after the Columbus Plan Commission adopted amendments to its jurisdictional bound-

ary this month, removing from its jurisdiction certain areas to the east and north of the city, including the areas in and around Otter Creek Golf Course to the east and around Taylorsville to the north.

Accordingly, the County Plan Commission will consider amendments to its comprehensive plan future land use map and its official zoning map for a portion of the Taylorsville area. In this area:

The US 31/I-65 corridor is proposed to be indicated as a development district.

The Driftwood River floodplain is proposed as a natural resource/recreation area. The Oakcrest neighborhood area is to be agricultural preferred.

The official zoning map is a component of the zoning ordinance. With the comprehensive plan as a guide, the zoning ordinance establishes regulations for land use and development, typically based on identified sub-areas or "zoning districts" based on their intended primary use — such as residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, etc. The official zoning map applies these zoning districts to properties in the community.

The proposed Bartholomew County zoning districts for the Taylorsville area include RMH (Residential: Manufactured Home Park), RS3 (Residential: Single-Family 3), and CC (Commercial: Community) zoning is proposed along the US 31 corridor. Properties beyond that corridor are proposed for either AP (Agriculture: Preferred) or AG (Agriculture: General Rural) zoning.

The March 8 Bartholomew County Plan Commission meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Columbus City Hall. There will be a time for public comment.

State sets election deadlines

Here's a look at the upcoming key election dates for voters to know. Election Day is May 2.

April 3: Voter registration deadline

Unregistered voters interested in voting in the primary elections have until 4:30 p.m. April 3 to apply to register or transfer their registration in person at their County Voter Registration Office. People can also apply online to register or transfer registration by going to IndianaVoters.in.gov before midnight.

April 17: Early voting opens

The first day of early voting will begin on April 17 at the Johnson County Courthouse. The courthouse will be open as an early voting site from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on April 17-21 and April 24-28. On April 22 and April 29, which are both Saturdays, voters can vote from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Four additional early voting sites will be open on April 22, April 26-28 and April 29 including the John R. Drybread Community Center in Edinburgh.

Voting will be open on April 22 and 29 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. From April 26-28, voting will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The last day of early voting will be on May 1. Voters can vote from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the courthouse.

April 20: Absentee ballot application deadline

Applicants requesting delivery of an absentee ballot by mail must deliver an absentee ballot application to their County Clerk's office by 11:59 p.m. April 20, per Indiana law.

Johnson County voters may submit applications in person at the courthouse from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Applications may also be obtained by phone at 317-346-4467, fax at 317-736-3798 or by going to IndianaVoters.in.gov.

For more information on these stories, go to www.dailyjournal.net or www.therepublic.com.

JAIL BOOKINGS

The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Johnson County jail:

Bobby Joe Bryant, 59, Edinburgh; arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated; released on \$2,000 bond.

Patrick Andrew Gentry, 35, Edinburgh; arrested on an out of county warrant; held without bond.

Tyler Scott Golden, 30, Edinburgh; arrested on charges of possession of methamphetamine, visiting a common nuisance-alcohol, possession of hypodermic syringe or needle, possession of marijuana/hash oil/hashish/salvia and possession of paraphernalia; \$5,600 bond.

Cassandra Maria Kay Wilkins, 30, Edinburgh; arrested on charges of possession of hypodermic syringe or needle, possession of paraphernalia, possession of marijuana/hash oil/hashish/salvia, visiting a common nuisance-alcohol and possession of methamphetamine; \$4,600 bond.

Nathan O. Garrett, 49, Edinburgh; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; \$350 bond.

Zachary Nicholas Koresell, 31, Edinburgh; arrested on charges of domestic battery; \$4,500 bond.

Olivia Dawn Estes, 46, Edinburgh, arrested on charges of possession of marijuana/hash oil/hashish/salvia, possession of paraphernalia, possession of methamphetamine, possession of controlled substance-schedule V and trafficking with an inmate; \$7,500 bond.

Debra Sue Ann Streeval, 42, Edinburgh, arrested on a charge of probation violation; held without bond.

Kevin Patrick Griggs, 49, Edinburgh, arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated; released on \$3,000 bond. Kevin Howard Johnson, 26, Edinburgh, arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated; released on \$2,000 bond.

The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Bartholomew County jail:

Chance H. Anderson, 30, Edinburgh, arrested on a charge of domestic battery and an out-of-county warrant; \$5,000 bond.

RESTAURANT INSPECTIONS

The information below was compiled from reports of the health departments of Bartholomew and Johnson counties. Critical violations may expose customers to illnesses and typically must be corrected immediately or within days. Noncritical violations, if not corrected, could lead to critical violations or make critical violations more likely to occur.

Taco Bell

11740 N. US 31, Edinburgh

Feb. 6

Critical violations: None

Noncritical violations: 4

Jay C

15801 N. US 31, Edinburgh

Feb. 7

Critical violations: None

Noncritical violations: 11

Taylorsville Elementary School

9711 Walnut St., Taylorsville

Feb. 8

Critical violations: None

Noncritical violations: 2

Casey's General Store No. 2582

210 W. Center Cross St., Edinburgh

Critical: 0

Non-critical: 3

Circle K No. 4700066

200 W. Main Cross St., Edinburgh

Critical: 0

Non-critical: 8

COMMUNITY CHATTER

Family game night

Family Game Night is set for March 28 at 6 p.m. in the Community Room at the Edinburgh Wright-Hageman Public Library, 119 W. Main Cross St.

Board games like Monopoly, Yahtzee and Scrabble along with several jigsaw puzzles, will be available. No sign-ups are required for this event.

Ag day breakfast

The Johnson County Agriculture Day Breakfast is set for March 15, 7:30 a.m. at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, Scott Hall. All are invited to celebrate agriculture's importance to our county and world. RSVP by March 7 via johnsonCES@purdue.edu or 317-736-3724. The cost is \$1 per person. The speaker will be Dawn Slack, a Nashville-based botanist and biologist who works to share biological science research and build collaboration for healthy lands, water and wildlife and people.

Library boards

The Johnson County Council is seeking individuals to serve on the Johnson County Public Library Board and the Edinburgh Wright-Hageman Public Library Board.

Interested individuals for either board must have resided in the library's district for at least two years immediately preced-

ing the appointee's appointment and must continue to reside in the district during the term of the appointment.

Visit the county website at co.johnson.in.us and click on "How do I..." and then click on "Be on a Board" to find the application form. Email it to council@co.johnson.in.us. March 1 is the deadline to apply.

Zumba

Edinburgh Parks and Recreation offers Zumba classes on Wednesdays through March 29. Classes start at 6:10 p.m. Participants are asked to arrive early to pay and sign a waiver. Cost is \$5 per class.

Yoga

Yoga classes are held twice a week in Edinburgh. Classes are \$5 and instructor is Sonia Aponte of Yahara Studio.

Beginner Yoga for ages 12 and older are Wednesdays at 7:10 p.m. at Edinburgh Parks & Rec, 722 S. Eisenhower Drive.

Chair Yoga for 55 and older are Thursdays at 11 a.m. at John Drybread Community Center, 100 E. Main Cross St.

The Edinburgh Pixy Theatre

111 S. Walnut St. Unless noted, shows are at 7 p.m. and admission is \$10. Information/purchase tickets: 812-526-6513, www.TheEdinburghPixy.com or advance

tickets for some shows at www.brownpapertickets.com

Wednesdays: Happy Place Comedy Open Mic Comedy Night, 6 p.m. Win prizes or earn paid spots, meet new comics.

March 4: Griffin Sciarra Comedy Show
March 18: Allie Jean's album release show (sing and play for kids, all day) 2, p.m. Free, donations accepted

March 25: Night Owl Country Band
April 1: Bomar & Ritter (folk and pop)
April 22: Rye Davis and Branden Martin (country)

May 13: Mike Milligan and Steam Shovel (blues, soul, rock)

June 10: Lloyd Wood and Friends (country and comedy)

June 15: Fairy Tale Musical Theatre auditions begin and will be held weekly, on Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., on third floor. Info: 812-988-6854 or 812-379-9200

Free fishing days

Indiana's four Free Fishing Days for 2023 are May 7, June 3-4 and Sept. 23.

On Free Fishing Days, Indiana residents do not need a fishing license or a trout/salmon stamp to fish the state's public waters. All other rules such as seasons, bag and size limits apply.

Visit <https://www.in.gov/dnr/fish-and-wildlife/fishing/where-to-fish-interactive-map/> to find public waters sites.

AT THE PARKS

Edinburgh Parks & Recreation

722 Eisenhower Drive
Hours: Monday through Saturday, noon-8 p.m.

Info/to register: 812-526-3535, ext. 3, or parks.recreation@edinburgh.in.us

- Signups are being taken for youth baseball, softball and T-ball until March 4 at Parks and Rec.

Practices will begin the week of April 3 and games will begin the week of April 24; tournament week is June 19-26.

All players will be drafted to teams by the coaches.

Cost is \$35 for T-ball and midgets; \$45 for 8-12U baseball and softball; and \$75 for Babe Ruth and middle school.

Johnson County Park

2949 E. North St., Nineveh
Hours: Monday through Friday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturdays (April-October), 8 a.m. to noon

Info/register for programs: 812-526-6809 or jocopark@co.johnson.in.us

April 15: Scrambled Eggs adult Easter egg hunt, 10 a.m., at the Scout Building, 6600 S. Nature Trail Drive. Participants will hunt numbered eggs and win prizes. Event is for 18 and older only. \$10 per person.

Registration is required between March 6 and April 7 at office or by calling.

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