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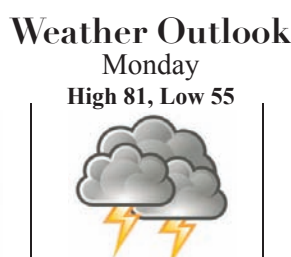
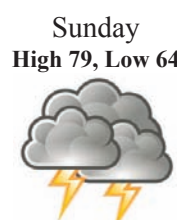
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**Happy Father's Day**

Local childrens' drawings of their dads

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## New law could expand job opportunities

By **BRETT MYERS**  
The Post & Mail

COLUMBIA CITY — In a down economy, many individuals, surprised at finding themselves jobless, have great difficulty securing a new place of employment.

For those who have a criminal conviction, it is even more difficult.

It was with this in mind that Indiana House Enrolled Act 1482, effective July 1 of this year, was signed into law.

Under this code, individuals may now have criminal convictions removed from their record.

This provision is possible for all misdemeanor convictions and most felonies, with violent and sexual offenses excluded.

For years, Indiana has allowed certain arrests and juvenile records to be expunged. This expansion to convictions is expected to help those searching for a new life after incarceration.

"Indiana should be the worst place in America to commit a serious crime and the best place, once you've done your time, to get a second chance," Ind. Governor

Mike Pence said in a statement at the time of the bill's signing.

Applications for employment and licenses will also be changed. It will only ask if a person has a conviction that has not been expunged, rather than asking if they have one at all.

After five years of good behavior for a misdemeanor, and eight for a felony, a person may file a re-

quest to the original court of conviction. If the prosecutor's office does not respond, expungement could be automatically granted in some situations.

Judicial discretion is one key difference between this and the arrest expungement.

"With the current law, if the pse-

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Post & Mail photo / Nicole Ott

Adam Neely, one of Columbia City High School's newest alumni, cheers to his class before receiving his diploma Friday night at the commencement ceremony in the CCHS gymnasium.

## A new beginning

### CCHS holds commencement ceremony

By **NICOLE OTT**  
The Post & Mail

COLUMBIA CITY — Tassels were turned, caps were thrown, and Columbia City High School recognized its newest graduating class Friday night in the gymnasium.

"Today is a profound passage in your life," said Dr. Pat O'Connor, superintendent of Whitley County Consolidated Schools. "Each of you will now be on a unique journey."

"High school graduation marks an ending and a new beginning."

After a few words of encouragement from O'Connor, the Class of 2013, along with family, friends and loved ones, were addressed by Salutatorian Tiffany Harber, followed by a musical performance by graduates Kirstie Crisp, Miranda Johnson and Corrine Kauffman.

The CCHS band and choirs also performed.

Teacher Missy Gregg was chosen as the guest speaker, and before each student was presented with their diplomas, Valedictorian Aakash Patel spoke to his class.

"I remember coming to school freshman year and thinking the next four years were going to be the longest four years ever," Patel said. "Then, freshman year was over — and before I even realized it, it was our



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As Columbia City High School Principal Jennifer Reiff presented Jared Murphy (right) with his diploma, he surprised her with a flower.

senior year.

"Don't wish your time to end faster. You're going to miss it when it's gone."

After all 273 graduates crossed the stage and received their diplomas, tassels were turned and the class was dismissed to the tune of "Hall of Fame," by The Script — the class song.

The class motto concludes the night well — "Our lives are before us, our past behind us, but our memories are forever with us."

## Banks balances bills, budgets and babies



Photo contributed

Indiana Senator Jim Banks (center) spends some time at home cuddled up with his three daughters, (from left) Lilly, 3, Joann, newborn and Betsy, 1.

### Being dad brings special challenges

By **CHRISTIE BARKLEY**  
The Post & Mail

COLUMBIA CITY — Father's Day is tomorrow, and in the midst of neck ties, homemade cards and Sunday dinners, dads will be applauded for the role they play as a parent.

Although fathers come in all shapes and sizes and hold various jobs and responsibilities, few can say they also shoulder state government.

#### Senator by day

Indiana Senator Jim Banks is publicly seen as a lawmaker at the Statehouse. His day-to-day role encompasses senate committees, bill review and legislation proposals.

But when Banks crosses the threshold of his home in Columbia City, the title of Senator pales in comparison to his job as a father to his three daughters.

"They don't really understand what I do," Banks said. "They know that I am gone for extended periods of time, but they are still too young to grasp the political side of it. My daughter, Lilly thinks the Courthouse is the same thing as the Statehouse."

Banks' daughters are Lilly, 3, Betsy, 1 and his newborn baby Joann, born May 9. He and his wife, Amanda, have been married for eight years.

"The role of the father is important," Banks said. "It's hard being away from the family, but at the same time, I am getting the opportunity to impact families across our state."

Banks said its those phone conversations during the day that tug on his heartstrings when he hears Lilly's voice.

"She knows how to dial my cell from my wife's phone," Banks said. "Every now and then I'll get a voicemail message from her and I know my wife doesn't know she's called me. I don't mind. I love hearing her voice."

#### Balancing act

Juggling responsibilities more than 100 miles away from home means that Banks has to make a conscious decision to stay connected to his wife and kids.

"I will be the first to tell you that I am not perfect, nor am I an expert," said Banks. "Honestly, I am not the one that really makes this work. My wife

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# Caution ahead

## Col. City trail section needs repair

By **BRETT MYERS**  
The Post & Mail

COLUMBIA CITY — A section of the Blue River Trail was washed away during recent rainfall.

Park Director Mark Green said repairs will be done this year, but until then he urges residents to use caution.

"It's dangerous," he said. The portion of the trail is between the YMCA and

Whitley Street. It is located just past the lookout point over the river traveling toward Whitley Street from Morsches Park.

"It's fallen in at least a foot," Green said.

While Green said the trail would get fixed soon, he is currently waiting on estimates for the project.

He said he is seeking quotes from local firms regarding the cost. Once this

information is acquired, he will move forward.

Caution cones are currently set up to warn trail travelers of the potential hazard.

"It's very dangerous," Green said.

Post & Mail photo / Brett Myers

**A section of the Blue River Trail in Columbia City, between the YMCA and Whitley Street, was washed out due to recent rainfall.**



## Nazi unit leader's life prompts shock

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The revelation Friday that a former commander of a Nazi SS-led military unit has lived quietly in Minneapolis for the past six decades came as a shock to people who knew him, prompted harsh condemnations from World War II survivors in the U.S. and Europe, and led prosecutors in Poland to say they would investigate.

An Associated Press investigation found that 94-year-old Michael Karkoc served as a top commander in the Ukrainian Self-Defense Legion during World War II. The unit is accused of wartime atrocities, including the burning of villages filled with women and children. War-time records don't show that Karkoc had a direct hand in war crimes, though records indicate he lied about his military past when immigrating to the U.S.

"I know him personally. We talk, laugh. He takes care of his yard and walks with his wife," his next-door neighbor, Gordon Gnasdoskey, said Friday. Gnasdoskey, the grandson of a Ukrainian immigrant himself, said he was disturbed by the revelations about his longtime neighbor.

No one answered the door Friday morning at Karkoc's house on a residential street in northeast Minneapolis, where several television news trucks were parked outside. Karkoc had earlier declined to comment on his wartime service when approached by the AP, and repeated efforts to arrange an interview through his son — including again Friday — were unsuccessful.

## Blue River Trail ribbon cutting



Post & Mail photo / Nicole Ott

**A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held Friday afternoon at the new bridge on the Blue River Trail in Columbia City. The new trail links the north side of U.S. 30 to the rest of the park. Pictured above, Columbia City Mayor Ryan Daniel (left) holds the ribbon while Rex Schrader (center) and Bob Smith cut it. Schrader, Smith and John Whiteleather donated the land from Schrader Real Estate Equities Inc. for the trail.**

## Ideas for keeping your data safe from spying

LONDON (AP) — Phone call logs, credit card records, emails, Skype chats, Facebook message, and more: The precise nature of the NSA's sweeping surveillance apparatus has yet to be confirmed.

But given the revelations spilling out into the media recently, there hardly seems a single aspect of daily life that isn't somehow subject to spying or surveillance by someone.

Experts say there are steps anyone can take to improve privacy, but they only go so far.

Using anonymity services and encryption "simply make it harder, but not impossible," said Ashkan Soltani, an independent privacy and security researcher. "Someone can always find you — just depends

on how motivated they are."

With that caveat, here are some basic tips to enhance your privacy:

### ENCRYPT YOUR EMAILS

Emails sent across the Web are like postcards. In some cases, they're readable by anyone standing between you and its recipient. That can include your webmail company, your Internet service provider and whoever is tapped into the fiber optic cable passing your message around the globe — not to mention a parallel set of observers on the recipient's side of the world.

Experts recommend encryption, which scrambles messages in transit, so they're unreadable to any-

one trying to intercept them. Techniques vary, but a popular one is called PGP, short for "Pretty Good Privacy." PGP is effective enough that the U.S. government tried to block its export in the mid-1990s, arguing that it was so powerful it should be classed as a weapon.

Disadvantages: Encryption can be clunky. And to work, both parties have to be using it.

### USE TOR

Like emails, your travels around the Internet can easily be tracked by anyone standing between you and the site you're trying to reach. TOR, short for "The Onion Router," helps make your traffic anonymous by bouncing it through a network

of routers before spitting it back out on the other side. Each trip through a router provides another layer of protection, thus the onion reference.

Originally developed by the U.S. military, TOR is believed to work pretty well if you want to hide your traffic from, let's say, eavesdropping by your local Internet service provider. And criminals' use of TOR has so frustrated Japanese police that experts there recently recommended restricting its use. But it's worth noting that TOR may be ineffective against governments equipped with the powers of global surveillance.

Disadvantages: Browsing the web

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## Law, from A1

ron met the qualification, I had to grant (expungement) to them, regardless of other circumstances," said Whitley County Superior Court Judge Doug Fahl.

"With some of these new expungements there is judicial discretion."

Obtaining employment after a conviction is not an imagined problem for many people.

"It's a real problem for some people to seek gainful employment with any kind

of criminal history," said Whitley County Circuit Court Judge James Heuer.

"This is designed to eliminate that issue."

Gaining employment is perhaps the largest goal of this revision to Indiana's Criminal Code.

"One of the effects of this new law is to allow more employment opportunities to those with prior convictions," said Jeffrey T. Jones, a Columbia City attorney.

Heuer added that in the case of some convictions,

this new law is logical.

"For nonviolent Class D felony offenders and non-violent misdemeanors it makes sense," Heuer said.

"For those individuals who made one significant mistake in their life, but want to move forward, this gives them that opportuni-

ty, and that's good."

A risk is always present that a person commit another crime after their first conviction.

Heuer said a trend is generally recognizable in a person's post-incarceration conduct.

"Normally, over time, if

you have a pattern of good behavior then that's a good indication (they've improved)," he said.

Heuer said the new law seemed similar to the provision for expungement of juvenile records.

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# Missionary to speak at Blue River Church

COLUMBIA CITY — Missionary Fred Beam will speak during the Sunday morning worship service at Blue River Church of the Brethren, 3040 E. 700 North, Columbia City Sunday.

His sermon topic will be "A Lot about a Liddell... and a Little about Lot." It will be a Father's day message oriented towards missions. Fred and his wife Janet will also share the children's story for the morning.

Fred and Janet will also be helping lead the Blue River Vacation Bible School, June 17 through 21 from 9 a.m. to noon each day. They will be sharing with each class and will hold closing devotions for each session.

The theme this year is "BugZone: Transformed by our Big God!" which suits the Beams since Fred is a Ph.D. entomologist. He and Janet served for many years as missionaries with Africa Inland Mission in Kenya, and then as International director of AIM in Britain.

Now semi-retired, they share their extensive collection of insects and other creatures in VBS's, Christian schools, and other interactions with children.

The week will be full of games, crafts, music, snacks, signing, BUGS, and most



Photo contributed

**Fred (left) and Janet Beams will be guest teachers at Blue River Church of the Brethren's vacation Bible school event. Fred will be sharing with the congregation Sunday morning during the worship service.**

importantly, learning about Jesus and the Bible. It is for children up to the eighth grade.

For more information or to register, call the church at 691-2605. Amy Targgart and Jackie Zumbun are co-directors.

Blue River Church of the Brethren is located on the Noble-Whitley County Line Road, 1.5 miles east of Ind. 9, 2 miles west of U.S. 33, 1.5 miles south of Merriam.



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## Awarding leadership

As part of the celebration festivities for Leadership Whitley County (LWC) Class 12 in April, one of the project groups took on was Excellence in Servant Leadership Week. The week started with a proclamation by Columbia City Mayor Ryan Daniel, followed by sponsor visits, including a stop at the Merritt L. Norris Insurance Agency in South Whitley to recognize LWC alum and program sponsor Dennis Norris for his support of the 2012-13 program. Class members presented Norris with a certificate of appreciation and a tin of popcorn from Whitley County's own Kernel Colada's Gourmet Popcorn. Pictured (from left) are Keith Nickolson, Tony Hively, Angela Miller, Dennis Norris, Brandon Ferrell, Lindsey Hively and Shawn Beard.

## Sexton takes the stage

Ann Arbor, Michigan – Roy Sexton, originally from Columbia City, will take the stage in a unique musical role for Penny Seats Theatre Company, Ann Arbor, Mich.

This year the group will present the musical Little Me, a Broadway musical written by Neil Simon, Cy Coleman, and Carolyn Leigh, and originally choreographed by Bob Fosse.

Penny Seats company member Roy Sexton will undertake this creative challenge.

"It is a unique thrill and challenge to try to

fill the inimitable shoes of Sid Caesar. It is also special because my mom adored the TV program Your Show of Shows with Caesar. Caesar is the preeminent master of warm, fun, funny, extreme characterizations." Sexton observed. "I hope I can bottle at least an ounce of his manic energy in this production."

The Penny Seats show will perform July 11-13, 18-20 & 25-27, with performances at 7 p.m. Dinner packages will be available. Tickets can be purchased at [www.pennyseats.org](http://www.pennyseats.org)

## Banks, from A1

deserves the applause for that. She is the one that has to make most of sacrifices. A lot of things fall on her shoulders, but she is such an amazing mom and wife."

Prior to becoming a Senator, Banks spent sometime in Colorado working at Focus on the Family, a Christian organization encouraging families to allow Christian values and principles to navigate relationships, parenthood and marriages.

"I had the chance to share in the knowledge of one of the great speakers on families and marriages — Dr. James Dobson," Banks said. "I walked away with a healthy respect for what the responsibility was going to require of me when I became a dad. I still don't get it right all the time, but I want to."

It wasn't just the example of Dr. Dobson that has helped shape Banks as a father. Even now, the support of his parents plays a key part in keeping the family connected.

"My parents went above and beyond to provide for us," Banks said. "They are still there supporting me. I learned the meaning of work from them. The one nice thing about them being close is that they have the

chance to impact my daughters too."

### Man with a mission

As a Senator, Banks has a legislative agenda that evolves as government lives and breathes in Indianapolis. However, at home, the mission is concrete.

"Amanda and I want to raise our daughters in a Godly home. We want them to know they are loved," he said. "We want them to know the love of a heavenly father. I fall short. I can't be perfect, but I want them to know that their heavenly father will never let them down."

For fathers who might be just a few steps behind Banks on the path of life, he offers this advice —

"I think you have to recognize how hard being a father really is. You can get better, but there are times that it is difficult," he said.

"Spend time, quality time, with your family. When I get to take Lilly out, just her and I, it makes her day. I love spending time with my girls."

Keeping communication flowing between he and his wife, Banks said the distance and demanding schedule

sometimes becomes challenging.

But it is the decision to make their marriage a priority that keeps the relationship strong.

"We just do what we have to do to make it work," said Banks. "We knew our lives would be for a purpose and although it is hard at times, we recognize that this is a path we have chosen, we have been blessed to be given and we will do our best to honor each other, our daughters and our community in what we've been given to do."

### Loving words

As Father's Day approaches, Banks evaluated his role as dad and took time to think about the influence he holds in his daughter's lives.

"I love them. I know it sounds cliché, but I really love them. I didn't know



Photo contributed

**Indiana Senator Jim Banks shares some father-daughter time with his three-year-old daughter Lilly at the Statehouse.**

what it meant to love like that until we had our first daughter. That unconditional love is overwhelming," he

said. "I hope the girls someday grasp how much we love them. I hope they know how

extraordinary their mother is. And I hope they grow up to be all that she is and more."

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## Limb pickup – and what happens during a deluge

It has been a while since I last wrote, so I have to thank *The Post & Mail* for not giving up my spot to another writer . . . probably one who is much more talented.

Summer is now in full swing and before you know it, Fourth of July fireworks will be exploding over our skies.

Limb pickup has been occurring for a couple of months, so I thought it would be a good time to discuss the regulations regarding what we will and won't pick up. We will pick up limbs and branches that are less than or equal to four inches in diameter. We will also pick up bushes without roots. Piles, no larger than a pickup truck-size load, will be accepted. We will not pick up whole trees or logs cut by private contractors or the homeowner, branches left from a contracted service, or bushes with roots attached. In the past couple of months, calls have been coming into the office asking about these specific regulations. If you need more information, I invite you to visit our website for more information: [www.columbiacity.net](http://www.columbiacity.net)

### Mayor's Memo

Ryan Daniel



Stormwater has been another issue we've dealt with multiple times this spring and summer. So, I thought it would be prudent to talk about how the system is set up and the problems with five inches of rain in four hours. As many of you know, we have two different types of systems installed in the City.

Some portions of our community have a separated system, meaning there are sewer lines and stormwater lines that are not connected to one another. The storm lines drain to a ditch or river, while the sewer lines head towards our Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF).

In other sections of our community, we have a combined system that takes in both sewer and storm waters, ultimately draining into the WPCF. When we receive a large amount of rain in a very short amount of time, the combined system and sewer system waters rush towards the WPCF. Once the plant cannot handle any additional flows of water, it starts to back up into the large retention basin that is near the corner of Line Street and Ind. 205 and Radio Road. When the retention basin is filled and our system can handle no additional water, we discharge into the Blue River. This is not something that we like to do, but sometimes we have no other choice. Concurrently, as these waters are flooding our system through these different drains, sometimes the pipes themselves become full. When this occurs, basement backups happen. Unfortunately, the City can't really stop this from occurring.

As a side note, the City has the mandated responsibility to take care of the mains that direct the water towards the plant and the shared public infrastructure, while the pipes that go from the home to the sewer main are the homeowner's responsibility. Some have asked about the City installing backflow valves on residential lines. Well, the dollars it would take to install backflow valves onto every home's pipes could double sewer rates (which no one wants), plus these pipes are, again, the homeowner's responsibility. I know this topic is frustrating and can leave people feeling angry or depressed. However, not all hope is lost. We continue to make improvements to the system and will be installing additional storm water sewers in the near future. The Long Term Control Plan, although costing a lot of money, will also help with the overflowing and back flowing situations. I'm saying all of this to help our citizens understand the tough position we are in due to years of population and housing growth (which is good), and a lack of keeping up with system expansions (which isn't so good).

The bottom line is that the City is working toward fixing the problems, but at the end of the day, large rains will always cause headaches. Thank you for helping your neighbors, friends and families in these situations and continuing to be the welcoming, friendly City that continues to grow and thrive.

Until next time...

Ryan Daniel is mayor of Columbia City.

## Today in History

Today is Saturday, June 15, the 166th day of 2013. There are 199 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On June 15, 1775, the Second Continental Congress voted unanimously to appoint George Washington head of the Continental Army.

### On this date:

In 1215, England's King John put his seal to Magna Carta ("the Great Charter") at Runnymede.

In 1219, forces led by King Valdemar II of Denmark defeated the Estonians in the Battle of Lyndanisse.

In 1836, Arkansas became the 25th state.

In 1849, James Polk, the 11th president of the United States, died in Nashville, Tenn.

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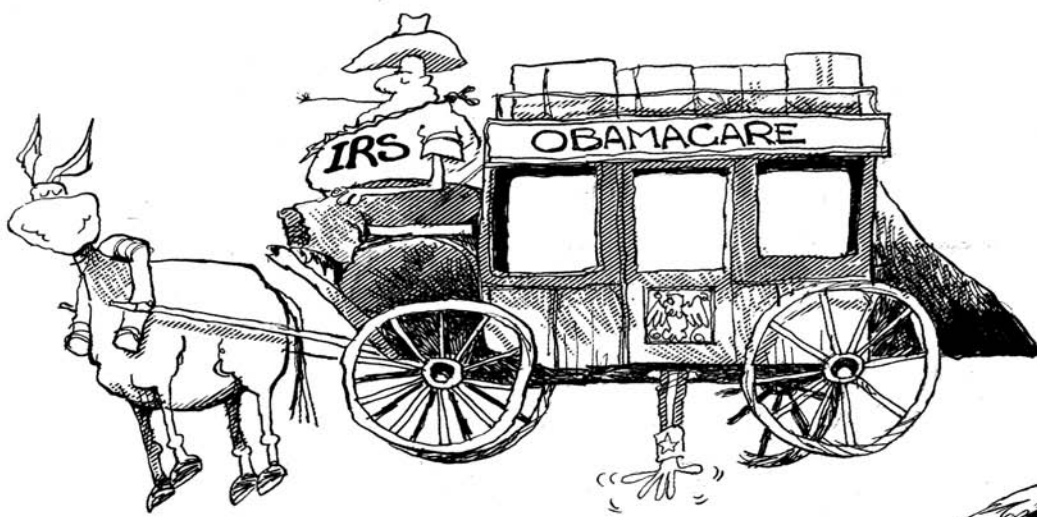
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The Final Stage

## Who's caring for kids outside womb?

NASHVILLE, Ind. – Let's talk about Hoosier children.

Five readings this past week really popped out.

The first was a Feed America study in 21 counties in Central Indiana that revealed that on a daily basis, 320,000 Hoosiers – including 100,000 kids – don't know where their next meal will come from. Or as Gleaners Food Bank observes, 15.2 percent of this population "struggles with hunger."

The second was my colleague Maureen Hayden's report for Community Newspapers, which revealed that while 17 percent of Hoosier kids live in poverty, 49 percent are on the school free lunch program. She reported that there is "no proof of income required."

Two things are going on here. Some parents are gaming the system, and school corporations get extra money based on how many kids are in the lunch program. There are \$6 billion state dollars that go into K-12 schools and about \$1 billion is tied directly to this "complexity index" which includes the free lunches.

Three, a Harvard and City University of New York study of Indiana reveals that 232,000 Hoosiers won't get health care coverage that will be available in other states because Indiana has rejected expanding its Medicaid program. Gov. Pence is seeking a federal waiver to do this through the Healthy Indiana Plan, which covers about 40,000 Hoosiers, with a similar amount on a waiting list. The Indianapolis Business Journal reported that there were 764,000 uninsured Hoosiers (12 percent) before the implementation of the Affordable Care Act or "Obamacare." Expansion of Medicaid would cut that number to about 6 percent of the population. But if Indiana does not expand Medicaid coverage, the IBJ reports, its uninsured population will remain at nearly 10 percent. It's that difference of 4 percent that could impact 232,000 people.

Then there was the RAND Corporation study of 14 states (not including Indiana) which have opted not to ex-

### Hoosier Politics

Brian Howey



pand Medicaid. It reported: Those state governments collectively will spend \$1 billion more on uncompensated care in 2016 than they would if Medicaid is expanded. In addition, those 14 state governments would forgo \$8.4 billion annually in federal payments and an additional 3.6 million people will be left uninsured.

"Our analysis shows it's in the best economic interests of states to expand Medicaid under the terms of the federal Affordable Care Act," said Carter Price, the study's lead author and a mathematician at RAND. "States that do not expand Medicaid will not receive the full benefit of the savings that will result from providing less uncompensated care," Price said. "These states will still be subject to the taxes, fees and other revenue provisions of the ACA, without reaping the benefit of the additional federal spending which will cost those states economically."

The increased coverage is expected to reduce uncompensated medical care by \$18.1 billion. "State policymakers should be aware that if they do not expand Medicaid, fewer people will have health insurance, and that will trigger higher state and local spending for uncompensated medical care," Price said. "Choosing to not expand Medicaid may turn out to be the more-costly path for state and local governments."

Finally, there was a Howey Politics Indiana column by Craig Dunn, who chairs the Howard County Republican Party. He writes: "This column is directed at pro-life advocates in our government who are under the lamentable belief that the issue stops at the point of birth. They seem to labor under a thought process that says, 'If you

have an unwanted pregnancy, have the baby."

"If you have been told that you will have a baby with congenital birth defects, have the baby. If you've been raped and are pregnant, have the baby." Then, when the baby arrives, their attitude transforms to, "It's your problem, deal with it!"

Dunn, who is a conservative and an ardent Obamacare opponent, continued: "Politicians postulate all of the time about creating environments for success. They talk about creating a tax structure that will make our state more attractive for business development and expansion. They build sports stadiums and induce professional teams to locate in them in an effort to make their community 'world class.' They spend to build jogging paths, bike trails, swimming pools, concert halls and parks to improve the 'quality of life' for their citizens."

Dunn lives in a state that just cut corporate and financial institution taxes, spent \$26 million on casinos, but then cut infant and toddler programs.

"What about the 'quality of life' for the newly born child with a birth defect or disability, the mother struggling to find childcare so she can work, the mentally or physically impaired adult who has lost their support system or the couple struggling through the expensive morass of the adoption process?" Dunn asks. "I believe that many well-meaning politicians care more about the quality of life in the womb than the quality of life after birth. It is a problem that must be addressed."

Folks, there are great complexities in all of these issues. It takes a pragmatic approach, whereas the ideologues in power cling to the black and white and ignore the gathering and festering gray areas.

Who will be the guardians of our Hoosier children?

The columnist publishes at [www.howey-politics.com](http://www.howey-politics.com). Find him on Twitter @hwypol.

## Today's Birthdays

**Today's Birthdays:** Former New York Governor Mario Cuomo is 81. Rock singer-actor Johnny Hallyday is 70. Actor Simon Callow is 64. Singer Russell Hitchcock (Air Supply) is 64. Rock singer Steve Walsh (Kansas) is 62. Comedian-actor Jim Belushi is 59. Country singer Terri Gibbs is 59. Actress Julie Hagerty is 58. Rock musician Brad Gillis (Night Ranger) is 56. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Wade Boggs is 55. Actress Eileen Davidson is 54. Bluegrass musician Terry Smith is 53. Actress Helen Hunt is 50. Rock musician Scott Rockenfield (Queensryche) is 50. Actress Courteney Cox is 49. Country musician Tony Ardo is 49. Country musician Michael Britt (Lonestar) is 47. Contemporary Christian musician Rob Mitchell is 47. Rock musician Jimmy McD is 45. Actor-rapper Ice Cube is 44. Actress Leah Remini is 43. Actor Jake Busey is 42. Bluegrass singer-musician Jamie Johnson is 41. Rock musician T-Bone Willy (Save Ferris) is 41. Actor Neil Patrick Harris is 40. Actor Greg Vaughan is 40. Actress Elizabeth Reaser is 38. Rock singer Dryden Mitchell (Alien Ant Farm) is 37. Rock musician Billy Martin (Good Charlotte) is 32. Actor Denzel Whitaker is 23.

**Thought for Today:** "Inject a few raisins of conversation into the tasteless dough of existence."

— O. Henry (William Sydney Porter), American author (1862-1910).

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## Talkers, fireworks & dough

### Schindler Sez

Why do those who understand not what they say . . . say so much?

### On a Roll

Did you read about the team of students at Purdue University who won a \$20,000 prize for creating a biodegradable fireworks casing out of corn that is lighter and less expensive than the products now on the market? Heck, in the 1940s and '50s, back on the farm, we had a unique use for corn cobs and never won a darn thing. Of course we saved a lot of money on toilet paper.

### Schindler Sez



Jim Schindler

### Arizona

June the 21st was the, First day of Summer. If I knew it'd be this hot, I wouldn't have come here.

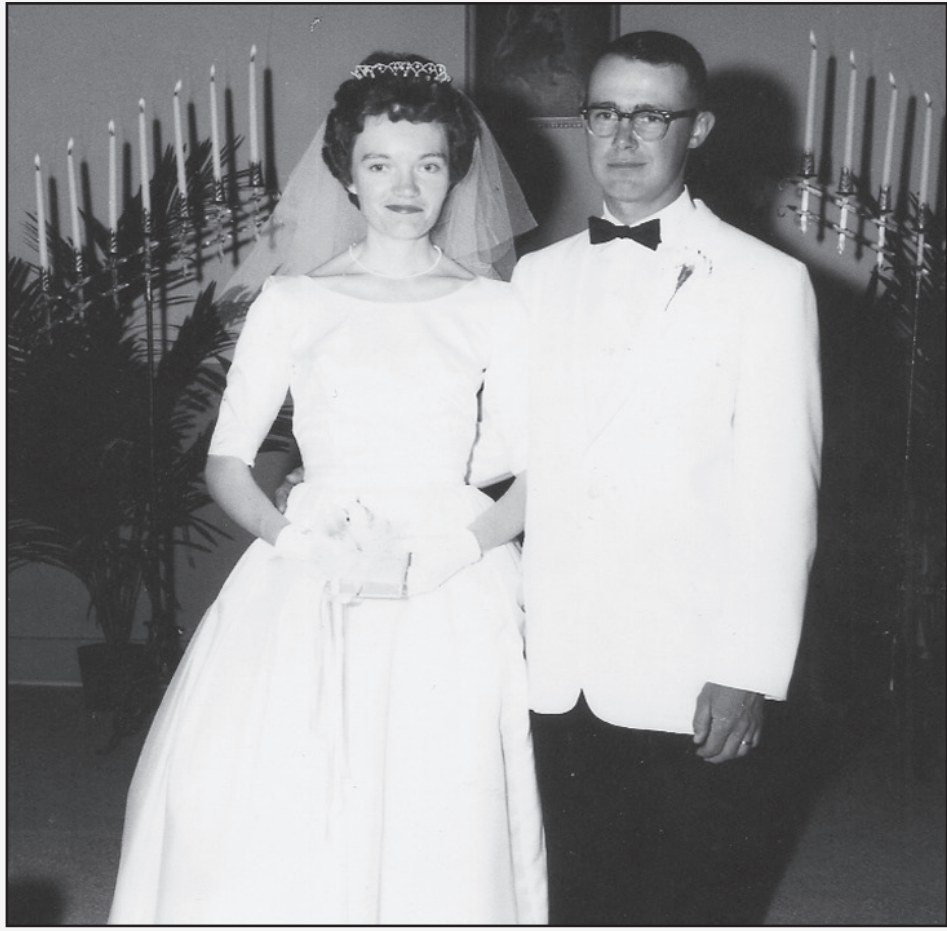
### The Dough

The former Indiana Lake County Corner and Clerk, was convicted of taking more than \$24,000 from the child support funds. His request to be released on bond was rejected by a federal judge. Could it be the judge is waiting for him to dig up the evidence?

Jim Schindler is a long-time Fort Wayne restaurateur and published author. Find him at [www.jamesaschindler.com](http://www.jamesaschindler.com)



# 50th anniversary

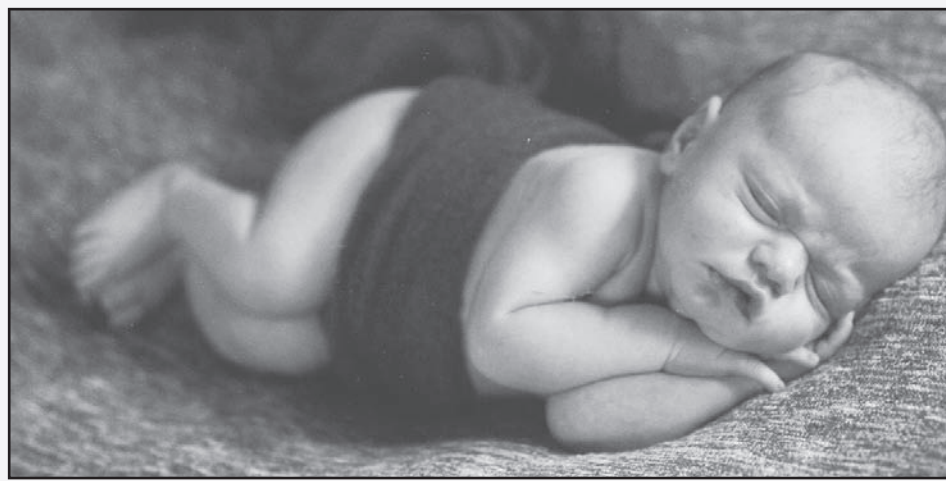


**Richard & Carol Kyler**

Richard and Carol Kyler, of Columbia City, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 23. The couple was married in 1963 at Oak Grove Methodist Church with Reverend Russell Gotz officiating. The bride is the daughter of Paul and Dorothy Kelsey. The groom is the son of Merle and Mary Kyler. At the wedding, Joyce Gross acted as the maid of honor and Gene Platter was the best man. The couple has three children, Scott (Wendy) Kyler, Todd (Tina) Kyler and Pam (Kevin) Ousley; five grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. Richard graduated from Coesse High School and served in the U.S. Army Reserves. He retired from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division

of Soils and the Whitley County SWCD. He had farmed since 1959 and still farms with his son, Todd. Richard is a past member of the Union Township Fire Department and a past director of 4-H Clubs, Inc. Presently, Richard is president of the Whitley County Drainage Board and a member of the Whitley County LEPC. Carol graduated from South Whitley High School and retired from Raber branch of AgPlus. She is a member of the I'ne-a-bi Homemakers Club. The couple attends Columbia City United Methodist Church. The couple will commemorate their anniversary with an open house at Dick and Carol's home, 4200 S. Raber Rd., Columbia City, June 23 from 4 to 7 p.m.

# New citizen



**Caleb Wayne Blaugh**

Caleb Wayne Blaugh was born at 10:12 p.m. May 15, 2013, at Parkview Whitley Hospital, Columbia City. At birth he weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. He is the son of Jeremiah and Lisa (Op-liger) Blaugh, of Columbia City.

Grandparents are Kent and Vallyory Opliger of Columbia City and Gail and Bonnie Blaugh of Columbia City. Great-grandparents are Kenny and Marilyn Kerch, DeWitt and Ginger Kyler and Mary Blaugh, all of Columbia City as well as Karen Jefferson of Warsaw.

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY...**

Why not go out on a limb? Isn't that where the fruit is? ~ Frank Scully

**Young man feels shamed by entire family**

**Dear Annie:** I recently had to move back into my parents' house due to financial hardship. I'm 23 years old and have rarely asked them for any sort of help. But I receive a lot of grief, sarcasm and jokes about my current position, and this is from my entire family.



Annie's Mailbag

Meanwhile, I have two older brothers who rely and depend on my parents for everything. One lives at home, and the other is struggling with a drug problem and divorce. Yet in my parents' eyes, they are complete angels, and I am the "troubled child" because I asked for help when I absolutely needed it.

I don't want to feel like a dog with his tail between his legs anymore. What can I do? — **The Boy Who Cried Help**

**Dear Boy:** It's likely that you are being picked on because it makes those on the lowest part of the totem pole feel superior. It's the only way your brothers have of feeling better about themselves, and your parents back

them up because they fully expect you to move out, and they still have to deal with their other sons. We know it's not fair or justified, but this is what happens when people think they must drag you down to their level. Ignore your brothers, and ask your parents to stop treating you so poorly. Do your best to get back on your feet, and find other living arrangements as soon as possible. We'll be rooting for you.

**Dear Annie:** I recently attended a volunteer appreciation lunch for my local Meals on Wheels. This is a great organization, and once a year they invite the volunteers to lunch. We buy raffle tickets, and there are generous door prizes given.

This year, several members of our city council were invited. I was shocked when several of them won raffle prizes. One council member had his name called three times. I realize anyone can buy a raffle ticket, but this luncheon was for those of us who donate our time and

money to deliver meals to those in need. I think they should have returned their prizes to be awarded to a volunteer. Most of my co-volunteers agree with me. What do you think? — **Shocked Volunteer**

**Dear Volunteer:** We agree that giving the prizes to people other than volunteers was tacky, but we assume the organization was trying to raise money through the sale of raffle tickets, in which case, whoever bought them can win, and what they choose to do with those prizes is up to them. Yes, it would have been gracious to donate the gifts back to the organization (or to the volunteers), but they are not obligated to do so. The problem is, this sort of thing leaves a sour taste for the others and can have a negative impact on future volunteer work. Please talk to the organizers of the event and let them know how poorly this went over.

**Dear Annie:** I read the letter from "RLS," who doesn't like to ask for separate checks when out with friends at a restaurant.

When we go out with really good friends, we get one bill and divide the cost by the number of people. If one person buys a much more expensive meal or drink, that person pays a little more.

However, sometimes one person will order an expensive bottle of wine and still want to split the tab evenly. I think this is rude. I get the impression that these people purposefully order more expensive items so they don't have to pay the entire cost.

RLS should not be so quick to judge friends because they want separate checks. I know that I do not like to pay for other people's extravagances, nor do I expect others to pay for mine. — **Paid My Fair Share**

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**Protecting your home while you're away**

**Dear Readers:** Summer is almost here, and it's vacation time! There are a lot of things to consider before leaving on vacation. Here are some hints to help protect your home and valuables while away:

- do not post upcoming vacation information on social-media sites! Daily photos of you on vacation also can let thieves know that your home is sitting empty. Post them when you are home.
- Set one or two lights on a timer inside the house while you are gone.
- Stop newspaper and mail delivery (if it's going to be more than a few days), or ask a neighbor to collect them.
- Park a car in the driveway. It makes it look like someone is home. Be sure the car is locked, with no valuables in it. If you are going for a while, consider having a neighbor or family member move the car from one side of the driveway to the other occasionally, or park their car there.
- Make sure all doors, windows and pet doors are locked! Also, disconnect the automatic garage-door opener.
- Tell a trusted neighbor or relative that you will be gone, and leave emergency contact information with him or her. A neighbor that can keep an eye on your home will be the first to notice suspicious activity while you are gone and call police.

— Heloise

**PET PAL**

**Dear Readers:** Linda Brock of Canton, Ohio, sent a pet photo of her year-old calico cat, Misty, watching the water run



Ask Heloise

from the faucet into the sink. Linda says: "Misty is fascinated by the running water from the faucet. She sits on the bathroom sink and watches the bubbles as they disappear in the drain."

To see Misty and the disappearing bubbles, visit my website, [www.Heloise.com](http://www.Heloise.com), and click on "Pets." — **Heloise FLUFFY PILLOWS**

**Dear Heloise:** I read your

column in the Ventura County (Calif.) Star regarding the difficulty putting pillowcases on pillows that are a lot thicker these days.

I always turn the pillowcases inside out, put my arms inside to the far corners and then grab the pillow and pull the case over the pillow. It is much easier that way. — **Betty, via email**

**SICK CAT**

**Dear Heloise:** A reader wrote that her cat barfs a lot. Mine did, too, usually immediately after eating, but I think I have found the solution. I spread her daily ration of food into many small servings throughout the day. After feeding her, I close her in the room for about 15 minutes (to protect my gold carpet in case she gets sick). After following this plan for about three months, I find her upchucks to be rare. — **Anne, via email**

**RECYCLE**

**Dear Heloise:** I have read the column for many years! Another use for tissue and similar boxes: I rescue domestic rats, and they love these boxes for hide houses. — **Bonnie from Karni Mata Rat Rescue, via email**

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ANSWER:

**Recipe of the Day**

**HAWAIIAN SALAD**

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 jar Maraschino Cherries
- 1 can Pineapple Chunks
- 1 can Mandarin Oranges
- 10 oz Mini-marshmallows
- ½ cup Chopped Walnuts
- 6-7 oz Sour Cream

**DIRECTIONS:**

Drain the fruits and chop them all in half. Pour them into a large bowl and mix together. Stir in marshmallows. Then mix in the sour cream and walnuts. Serve chilled.

**The Family Circus**

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**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Whitley Circuit Court of Whitley County, Indiana, in Cause No. 92C01-1207-MF-456 wherein Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP was Plaintiff, and Ronald G. Bechtold was a Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Notice is hereby given, that the Columbia City Board Of Zoning Appeals shall hold a public hearing on Petition 13-C-VAR-1 filed by the City of Columbia City requesting a Side Yard Variance to allow for the construction of a storage building at 920 East Van Buren Street for the following described real estate, to-wit:

Part of Outlots Numbered 19 and 22 in the Plat of the First Addition to the Town of Columbia, now called City of Columbia City Section 11, Township 31 N. Range 9 E. Contains 4.68 acres

Located on the south side of East Van Buren Street, approximately a 1/2 mile west of US 30, in Section 11 of Columbia Township.

This hearing will be held at 220 W. Van Buren Street, Whitley County Government Center, Columbia City, Indiana on Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. Written comments will be considered if they are received in the office of the Columbia City/Whitley County Plan Commission located at 220 West Van Buren Street, Suite 204, Columbia City, Indiana no later than 12:00 Noon on the day of the hearing. A copy of the proposal is on file in the office of the Columbia City/Whitley County Plan Commission for examination before the hearing. The Board may continue the hearing from time to time as may be found necessary.

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# Class of 2013



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Columbia City High School held its graduation ceremony Friday night at the school. Above, students toss their caps at the end of the commencement in celebration. Below, a group of friends pose for a photo. From left, Jared Murphy, Austin Paul, Daniel Woll and Derek Hinen.



# Wedding



## Ryan & Carrie Crawford

Michael and Cathy Schrader, of Columbia City, announce the marriage of their daughter Carrie Schrader to Mr. Ryan Crawford of Wolcottville.

The couple was married May 24, 2013, at the Waynesville Municipal Courthouse in Waynesville, Mo. in a private ceremony.

The bride graduated from Columbia City High School in 2001 and the University of St. Francis in 2007, with a major in nursing. She is currently employed by American Mobile Healthcare.

Ryan is the son of Douglas and Sue Crawford of Wolcottville. He graduated from Huntington North High School in 2001. He is currently employed by the U.S. Army.

Grandparents of the bride are Dean and Ann Lemmon of Columbia City and the late Russell and Mary Schrader. Grandparents of the groom are Phyllis Fischer and Brad Crawford, both of Huntington and the late Sam and Maxine Schlichter.

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## DITCH THE PHONE

Your everyday cellphone has all kinds of privacy problems. In Britain, cellphone safety was so poor that crooked journalists made a cottage industry out of eavesdropping on their victims' voicemails. In general, proprietary software, lousy encryption, hard-to-delete data and other security issues make a cellphone a bad bet for storing information you'd rather not share.

An even bigger issue is that cellphones almost always follow their owners around, carefully logging the location of every call, something which could effectively give governments a daily digest of your everyday life. Security researcher Jacob Appelbaum has described cellphones as tracking devices that also happen to make phone calls. If you're not happy with the idea of an intelligence agency following your footsteps across town, leave the phone at home.

Disadvantages: Not having a cellphone handy when you really need it. Other alternatives, like using "burner" phones paid for anonymously and discarded after use, rapidly become expensive.

## CUT UP YOUR CREDIT CARDS

The Wall Street Journal says the NSA is monitoring American credit card records in addition to phone calls. Some cybercriminals can use the same methods. So stick to cash, or, if you're

more adventurous, use electronic currencies to move your money around if you want total privacy.

Disadvantages: Credit cards are a mainstay of the world payment system, so washing your hands of plastic money is among the most difficult moves you can make. In any case, some cybocurrency systems offer only limited protection from government snooping and many carry significant risks. The value of Bitcoin, one of the better-known forms of electronic cash, has oscillated wildly, while users of another popular online currency, Liberty Reserve, were left out of pocket after the company behind it was busted by international law enforcement.

## DON'T KEEP YOUR DATA IN AMERICA OR WITH AMERICAN COMPANIES

U.S. companies are subject to U.S. law, including the Patriot Act, whose interpretations are classified. Although the exact parameters of the PRISM data mining program revealed by the Guardian and The Washington Post remain up for debate, what we do know is that a variety of law enforcement officials — not just at the NSA — can secretly demand your electronic records without a warrant through an instrument known as a National Security Letter. Such silent requests are made by the thousands every year.

If you don't like the sound of that, your best bet is to park your data in a European country, where privacy protections tend to be stronger.

Disadvantages: Silicon Valley's Internet service

providers tend to be better and cheaper than their foreign counterparts. What's more, there's no guarantee that European spy agencies don't have NSA-like surveillance arrangements with their own companies. When hunting for a safe place to stash your data, look for smaller countries with robust human rights records. Iceland, long a hangout for WikiLeaks activists, might be a good bet.

## STEER CLEAR OF MALICIOUS SOFTWARE

If they can't track it, record it, or intercept it, an increasing number of spies aren't shy about hacking their way in to steal your data outright. Edward Snowden, the NSA leaker, warned the Guardian that his agency had been on a worldwide binge of cyberattacks.

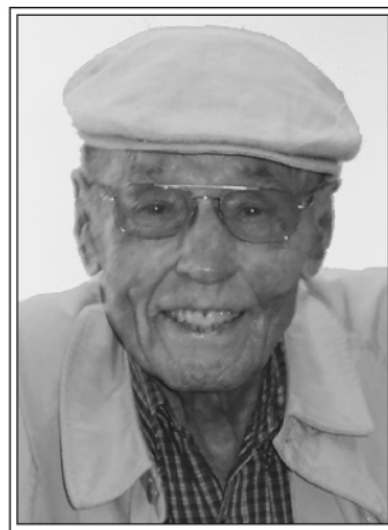
"We hack everyone everywhere," he said.

Former officials don't appear to contradict him. Ex-NSA chief Michael Hayden described it as "commuting to where the information is stored and extracting the information from the adversaries' network." In a recent interview with Bloomberg Businessweek, he boasted that "we are the best at doing it. Period."

Malicious software used by hackers can be extremely hard to spot. But installing an antivirus program, avoiding attachments, frequently changing passwords, dodging suspicious websites, creating a firewall, and always making sure your software is up to date is a good start.

Disadvantages: Keeping abreast of all the latest updates and warily scanning emails for viruses can be exhausting.

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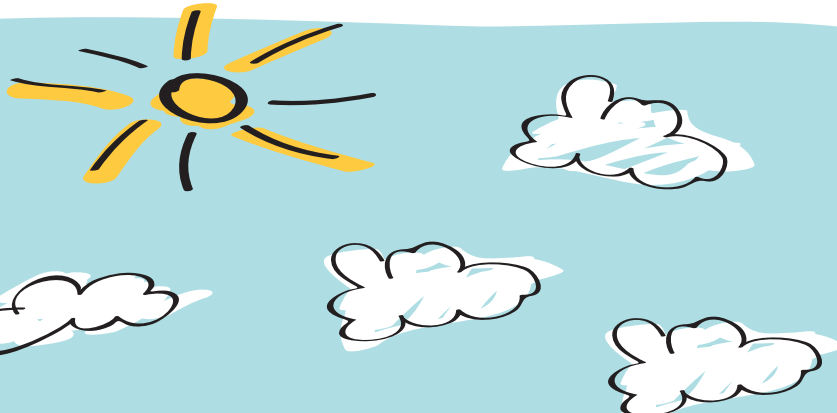
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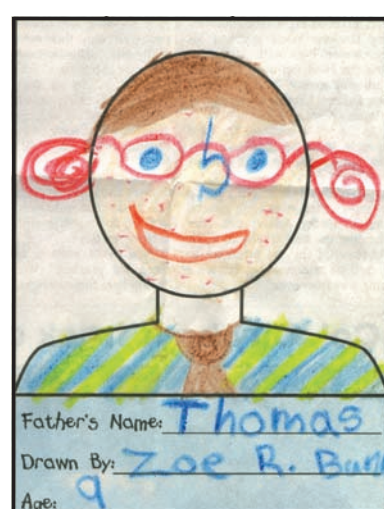
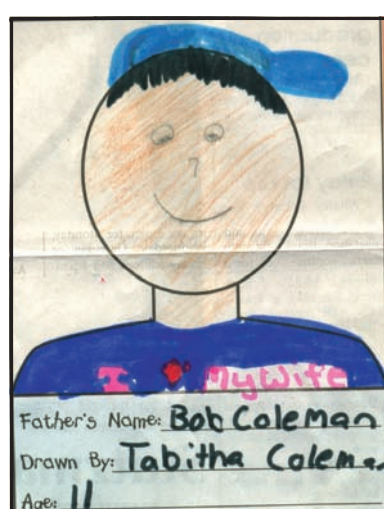
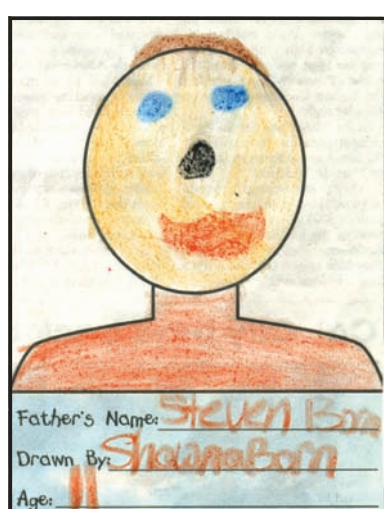
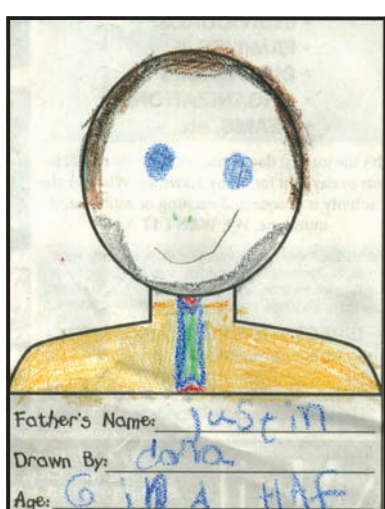
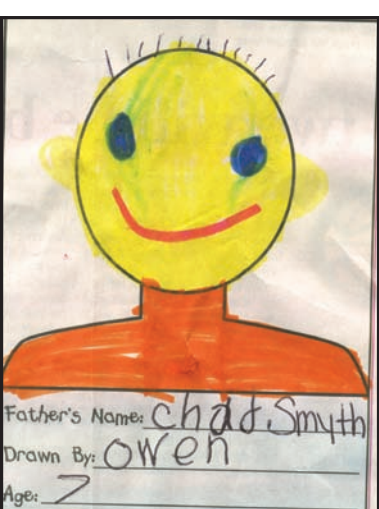
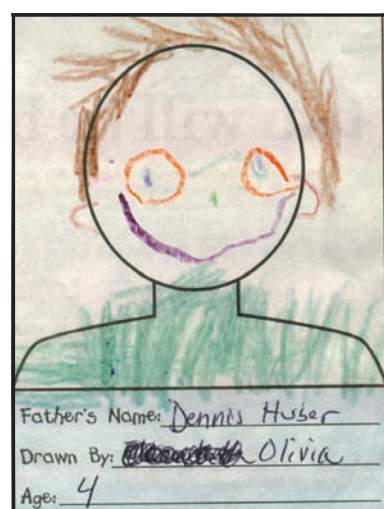
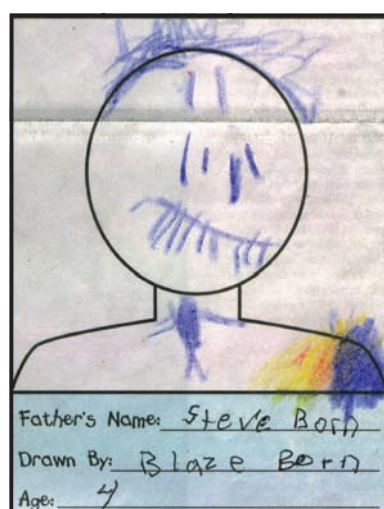
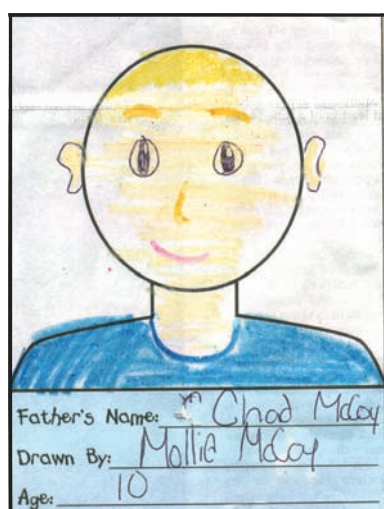
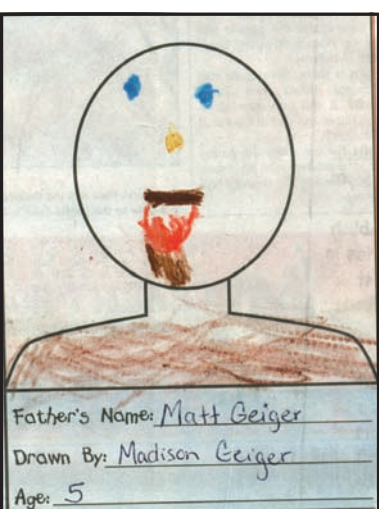
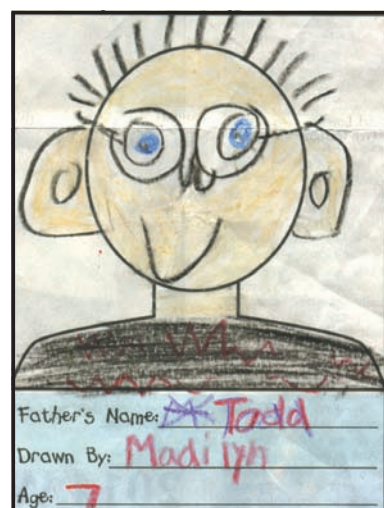
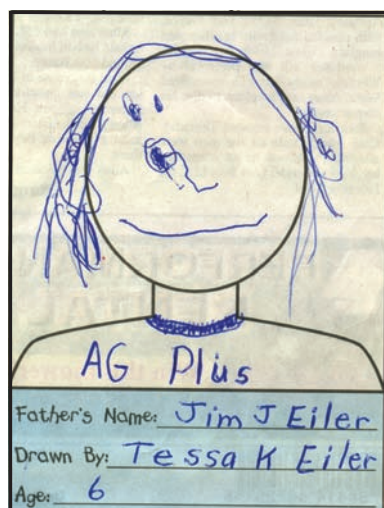
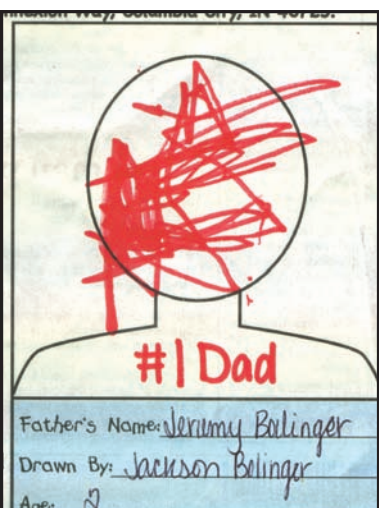
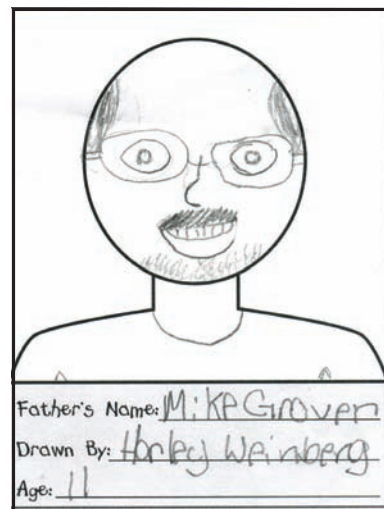
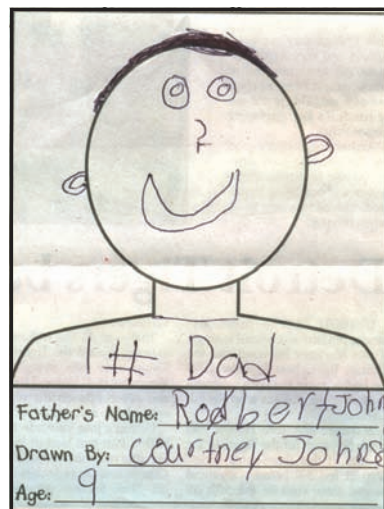
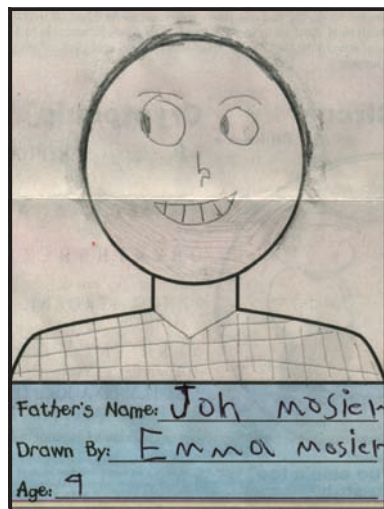
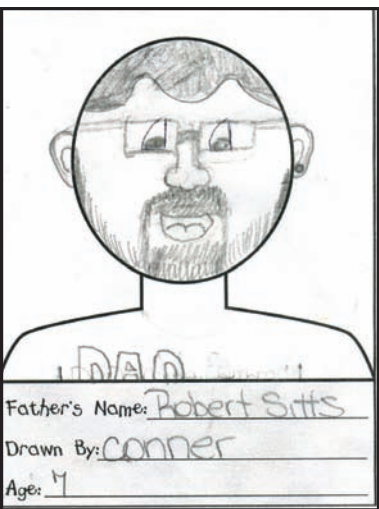
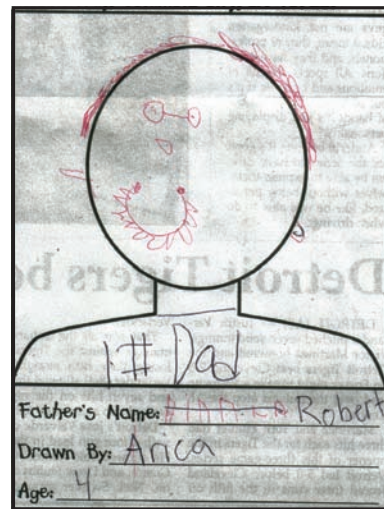
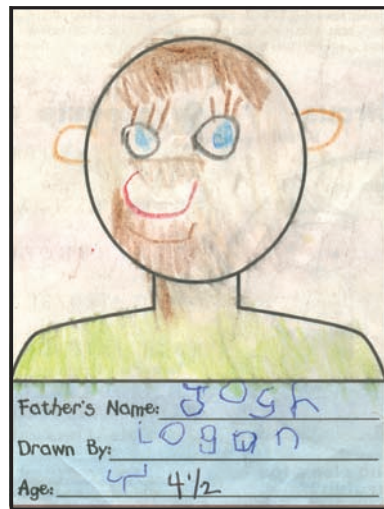
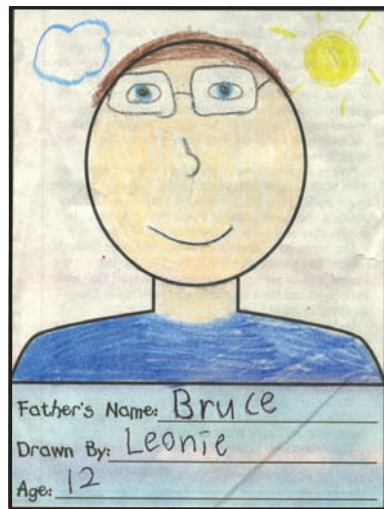
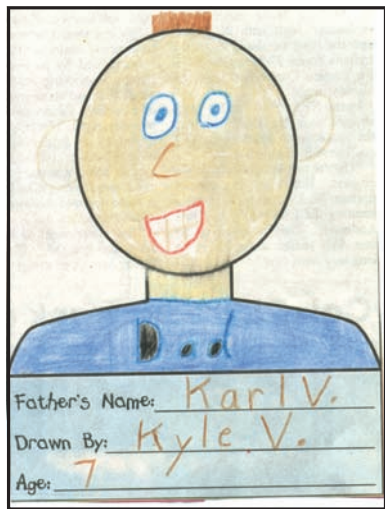
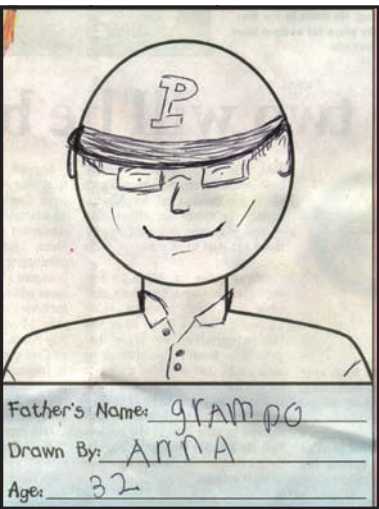
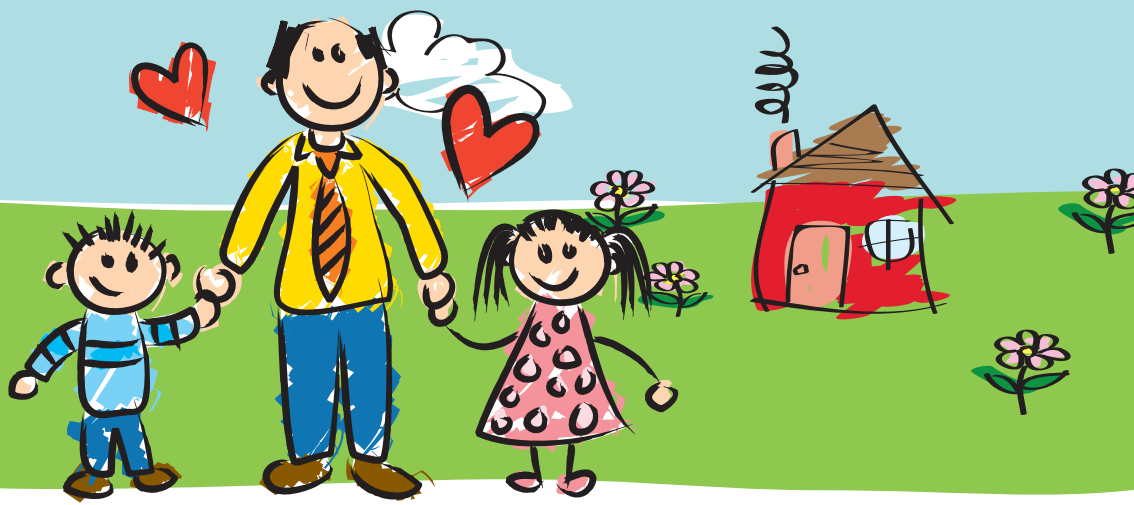
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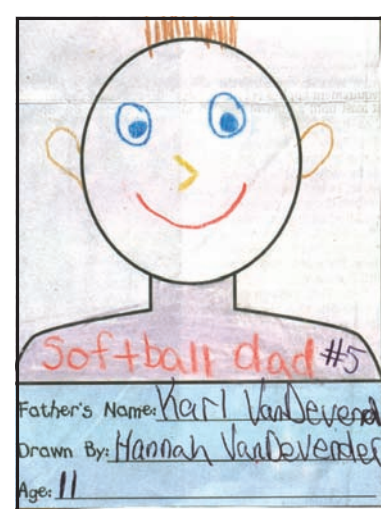
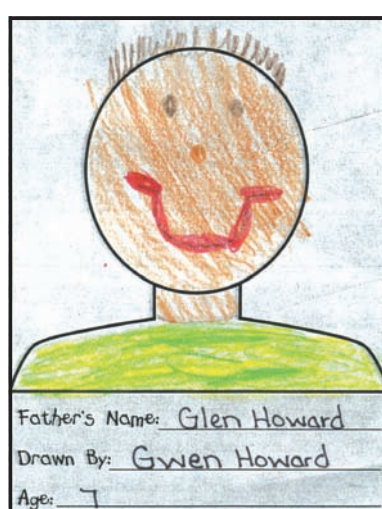
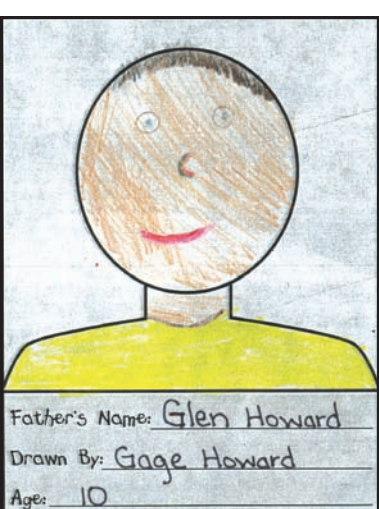
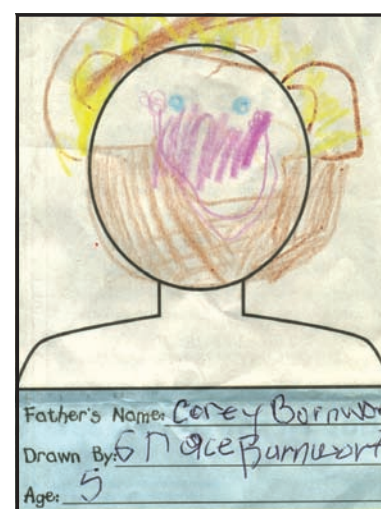
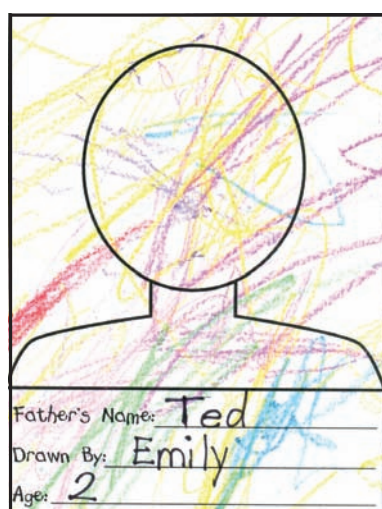
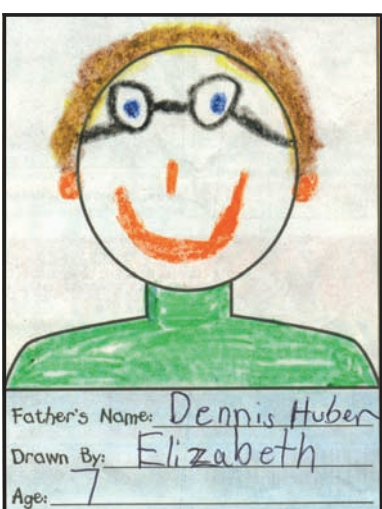
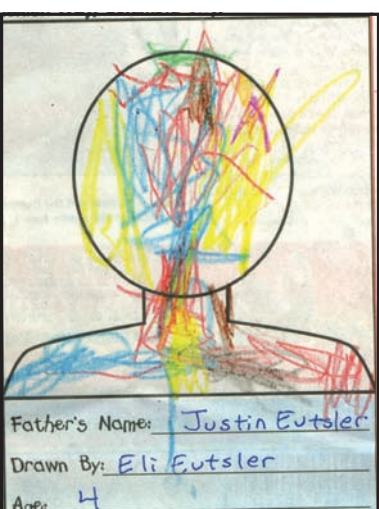
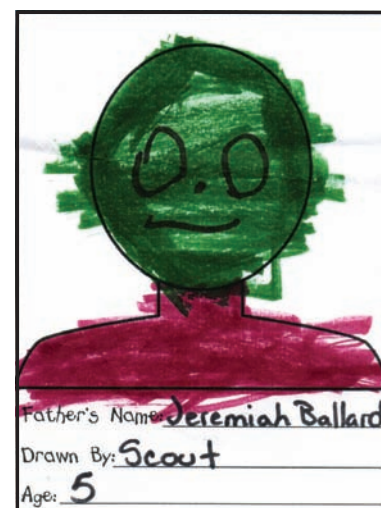
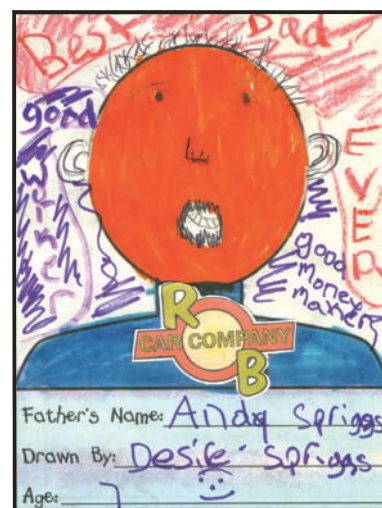
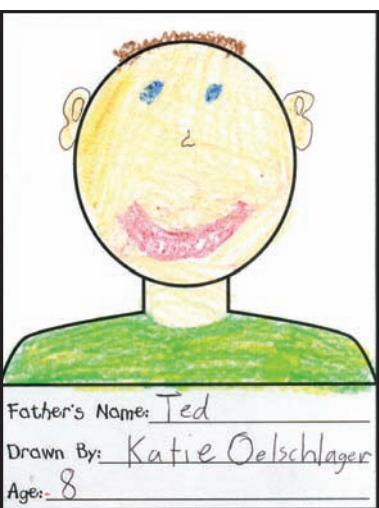
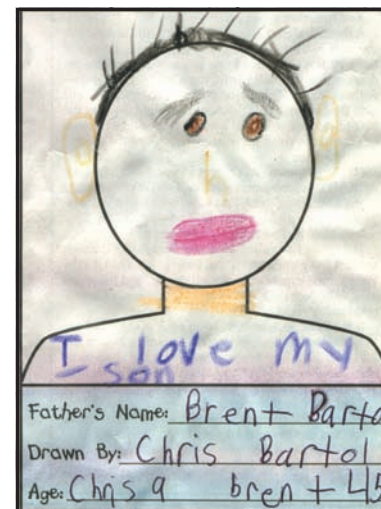
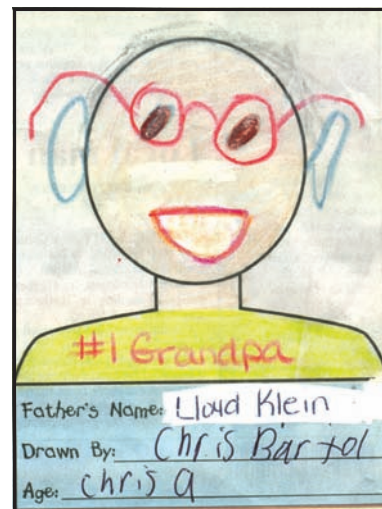
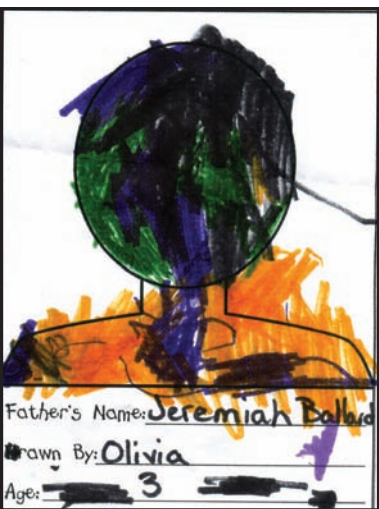
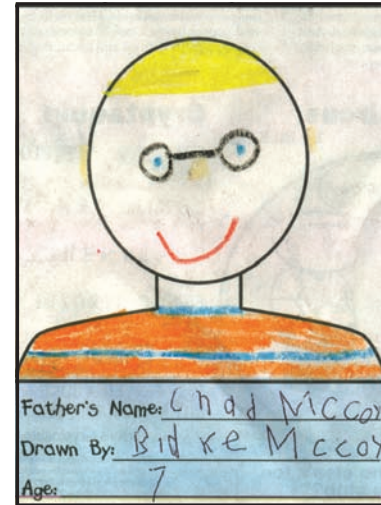
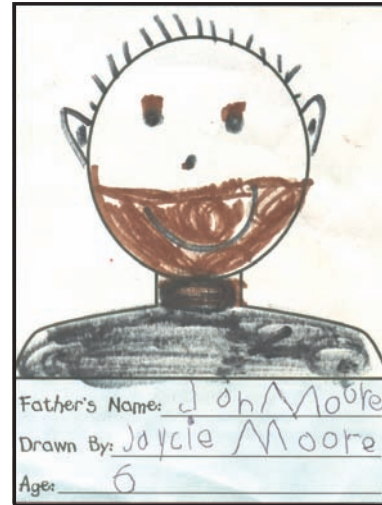
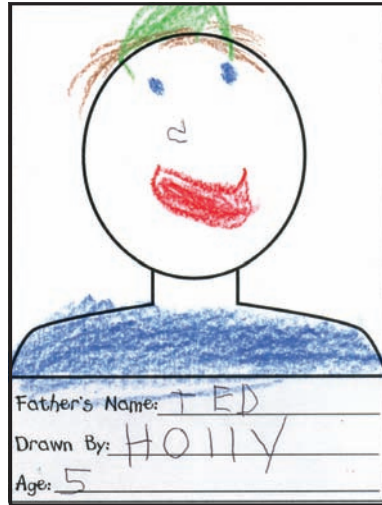
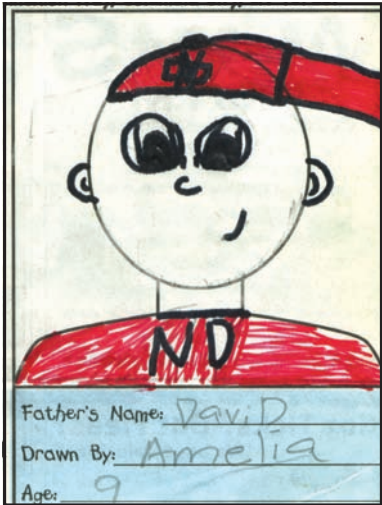
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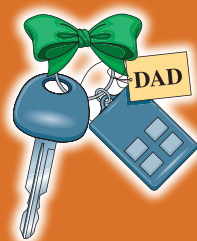
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# Woods likes his chances at Open

ARDMORE, Pa. (AP) — History says Tiger Woods has little chance to win this U.S. Open. Not from behind, and certainly not with an elbow inflammation that seems to bother him most on his worst shots.

Woods says otherwise, and after a marathon stretch of play Friday that helped him creep into contention at Merion Golf Club it's still possible he could be the one having the last say.

Trying to break a winless streak in major championships that now spans five full years, Woods played

25-plus holes in a respectable 1-over-par to move up the leaderboard on a day when many other players were going the other way.

It wasn't good enough to get under par, or even crack the top 10. But he was just four shots back and in prime position to make a move on the weekend on an Open course that is playing much tougher than a lot of people expected.

Asked if he liked his chances, Woods didn't hesitate to answer, "Yes."

Woods had some issues on a

day that began for him in the early morning and didn't finish until mid-afternoon. He missed some putts he might ordinarily expect to make, barely moved a chip a few inches forward, and guessed wrong on a couple of shots.

But that's U.S. Open golf, and the best player in the world stood at 3-over 143 after two rounds — the same as playing partner and budding buddy Rory McIlroy.

"I just made a couple of mistakes out there today, but I really played well," Woods said. "Maybe I could

have gotten one or two more out of it, but it was a pretty good day."

The night before, Woods underwent some treatment on his left elbow, which he shook several times after hitting bad shots in the first 11 holes of a rain-delayed round. He said he hurt the elbow at the Players Championship and that it was painful at times, though on his good shots it didn't seem to bother him at all.

"It is what it is," Woods said.

McIlroy said he didn't even notice Woods was having difficulty

with the elbow.

"I haven't seen anything wrong with him," McIlroy said after finishing with his own 73-70.

More worrisome than the elbow for Woods might be the fact he's never won a tournament after playing over par for the first two rounds. He's also never won a major championship coming from behind in the final round.

And then there's that winless streak in major championships that now stretches back to the 2008 U.S. Open at Torrey Pines.

## Bruce's HR in 10th sends Reds over Brewers

CINCINNATI (AP) — Jay Bruce homered off Burke Badenhop with one out in the 10th inning on Friday night, rallying the Cincinnati Reds to a 4-3 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers in a game full of errors and wasted chances.

It was Cincinnati's second straight extra-inning game. The Reds fell 6-5 in 14 innings at Wrigley Field on Thursday, leaving their bullpen depleted.

Bruce connected on a 1-2 pitch from Badenhop (0-3) for his fifth game-ending homer. Alfredo Simon (5-2) retired the side in the 10th.

The teams combined for five errors — including a season-high three by Cincinnati. Bronson Arroyo hit Martin Maldonado with the bases loaded to force in a run, and Maldonado homered off him to tie it in the eighth.

## Kennedy, Mattingly, Gibson among eight suspended

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Major League Baseball came down hard on the Los Angeles Dodgers and Arizona Diamondbacks on Friday, handing out eight suspensions and a dozen fines as punishment for a bench-clearing brawl.

Yet even with Arizona pitcher Ian Kennedy getting 10 games and infielder Eric Hinske five for their roles in Tuesday's fight, it might not be enough to quell the lingering hostility between the NL West rivals.

"No, it's not over yet, not at all," said Dodgers reliever Ronald Belisario, given a one-game ban. "I don't think anybody thinks it's over."

Kennedy's suspension is the longest handled out by the league for on-field conduct since Chicago Cubs catcher Michael Barrett was handed a 10-game suspension for an incident with White Sox catcher A.J. Pierzynski on May 20, 2006.

Kennedy is appealing the decision, pointing to his track record as proof he's not a troublemaker.

"Ten games, I think they're trying to set an example," he said before Arizona's game in San Diego on Friday night.

Hinske is also appealing and put most of the blame on Dodger rookie Yaisel Puig, who was right in the middle of things but only received a fine.

"I've been a model citizen in this league for 12 years," Hinske said. "And then there's Puig, who's been in the league for 12 days and he gets no games. So you tell me what's right."

## Wing class winner



Blane Culp, Columbia City High School wrestling coach, won the wing class at Miami County Speedway in Peru last weekend.

Photo contributed

## Parker looking forward to 2 days rest

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tony Parker pushed his tender right hamstring as much as he possibly could in Game 4 of the NBA Finals, and it will be hard to find a player in this series that needs the two days of rest before Game 5 more.

Parker had 15 points and nine assists in San Antonio's 109-93 loss to the Miami Heat that evened the series at 2-2. But he was held scoreless in the second half as the Heat pulled away. Now he gets two full days for rest and treatment before the two teams play again on Sunday.

"It's going to be huge for me," Parker said after the game. "Obviously, definitely got fatigued in the second half. Those two days I'm

going to make sure I do a lot of treatment and get to 100 percent. Tonight I was not 100 percent. By Sunday, that's my goal, to be good to go."

Parker said after the game that Spurs coach Gregg Popovich was hesitant to let him play after his star point guard tested it out in the morning shootaround and deemed himself ready to play. But Parker convinced his coach to let him start, and his strong play early sparked the Spurs before LeBron James and Dwyane Wade took over.

"Pop was not really happy, meaning I wanted to play and took a little risk," Parker said. "So I'm happy I'm not worse."

Popovich said on Friday that Parker "is fine." But the Spurs will need him to be more than just "fine" if they are going to bounce back from a difficult loss. If the Spurs lose again at home on Sunday and fall behind 3-2 heading back to Miami, they're in big trouble.

"If he can't play at full speed, others will have to pick up the slack," Popovich said. "And they will or they won't."

Parker played with a heavy wrap on this leg to try to stabilize his hamstring, and he had to briefly go back to the locker room in the second half to get it wrapped even tighter. Playing against an aggressive Heat perimeter defense that

pressed him hard on pick-and-rolls, Parker can't afford to have anything holding him back.

"Give credit to Miami in the second half," Spurs forward Tim Duncan said. "They did a much better job. All in all, I thought he played pretty well."

**SPOELSTRA'S GAMBLE:** Heat coach Erik Spoelstra made a big gamble when he decided to shuffle his starting lineup in the middle of the finals. With the Spurs' big men — Duncan and Tiago Splitter — clogging the lane and refusing to let James or Wade get anywhere near the rim, Spoelstra elected to bench Udonis Haslem in favor of sharpshooter Mike Miller.

## Blackhawks' Keith welcomes heavy workload

CHICAGO (AP) — If Chicago's Duncan Keith was winded after playing nearly 50 minutes in Game 1 of the Stanley Cup finals, well, he had time to catch his breath by Friday.

The defenseman shrugged off the heavy load he logged Wednesday night in the triple-overtime thriller that the Blackhawks won 4-3.

"It's obviously a long game, but I feel comfortable," Keith said. "I take good care of myself and we have good trainers and everyone who steers us in the right direction. I'll be ready

to go." Keith was on the ice for 48 minutes, 40 seconds.

Then again, he's used to playing big minutes. He led the Blackhawks in time on ice per game during the regular season at 24:06 and is tops on the team in the playoffs at 27:03.

"It's almost expected out of him," captain Jonathan Toews said. "You know he's going to log a lot of minutes and he's going to be out there in every situation and he never fails. He always comes up with something. He's always leading us in some category. People don't

appreciate it because it's expected of him. But he's as consistent as it gets. He's a heck of a competitor, too, a great leader."

Coach Joel Quenneville called Keith a "thoroughbred."

"His conditioning level is at a different level than most players," he said. "He's able to absorb big minutes. This year is one year we conscientiously tried to cut down his minutes because the scheduling is so tight. As the season has progressed and in the playoffs, he's picked up more minutes. He relishes ice time. He

loves to play more. I think the more you play defense, it's easier to play better."

He was the only Blackhawk to play 40 minutes. Boston's Dennis Seidenberg (48:36), Andrew Ference (45:19), Zdeno Chara (45:05) and Johnny Boychuk (41:37) all logged more than 40.

**QUENNEVILLE'S PLACE:** From George Hallas to Mike Ditka and Phil Jackson, Chicago has had its share of larger-than-life coaches.

Now, Quenneville is three wins away from his second championship after leading the Blackhawks to

one in 2010.

"It's a special place, Chicago," Quenneville said. "It's a great sports city. It's a great environment. People are very passionate about their teams, their sports as well. We love all that aspect of being a part of the Chicago sports scene, how fortunate we are to be a part of this place here in Chicago, be a part of the Blackhawks family, as well."

Quenneville said he's received congratulatory texts from former Bears offensive coordinator Mike Tice as well as Bulls coach Tom Thibodeau.