

**Public Notices**

**NOTICE**  
**The Board of Supervisors of South Mahoning Township are accepting sealed bids for 2007 Hyundai Wheel Loader Model Number HL740-7A, Operating Weight 25465, Cummins QSB 6.7, 145 HP, Operation hours less than 1500, 3-yard bucket, 4WD or AWD. Bid should include equipment, delivered to 244 Rossmoyne Road, Home, PA 15747. Similar or Equivalent Equipment will be considered. Sealed bids will be received at 244 Rossmoyne Road, Home, Pa 15747 until Tuesday May 5, 2026, at 4:00PM. Bids will be opened at 4:05 PM.**  
 4/21, 4/25

**NOTICE**  
**Punxsutawney Area School District** is accepting bids for **Procurement of Weapons Detection System with AI**. Request for bid specifications and proposal forms may be obtained online at [www.punxsy.k12.pa.us](http://www.punxsy.k12.pa.us) under the Business Office section or at the PASD Administrative Offices, 300 Center Street, Punxsutawney, PA 15767. Sealed proposals will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., May 1, 2026, and should be clearly marked "Procurement of Weapons Detection System with AI". The School Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to award the proposals in the best interest of the School District.  
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**Punxsutawney Area School District** is accepting bids for the following: **Procurement of Bread** for the Punxsutawney Area High School and Elementary School and **Procurement of Milk** at the Punxsutawney Area High School and Elementary School. Request for bid specifications and proposal forms may be obtained online at [www.punxsy.k12.pa.us](http://www.punxsy.k12.pa.us) under the Business Office section or at the PASD Administrative Offices, 300 Center Street, Punxsutawney, PA 15767. Sealed proposals will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. (Milk bid) and 10:15 a.m. (Bread bid), May 4, 2026, and should be clearly marked indicating the service the proposal is for. The School Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to award the proposals in the best interest of the School District.  
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**NOTICE**  
**Punxsutawney Area School District** is accepting bids for **Procurement of Speech and Language Services**. Request for bid specifications and proposal forms may be obtained online at [www.punxsy.k12.pa.us](http://www.punxsy.k12.pa.us) under the Business Office section or at the PASD Administrative Offices, 300 Center Street, Punxsutawney, PA 15767. Sealed proposals will be accepted until 11:00 a.m., May 4, 2026, and should be clearly marked "Procurement of Speech and Language Services". The School Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to award the proposals in the best interest of the School District.  
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**NOTICE**  
 Sealed proposals will be received by the South Mahoning Township of Indiana County at 244 Rossmoyne Road, Home, PA 15747, until 4:00 PM, on May 5, 2026, for the following:  
 ITEM 1 - 21,627 S.Y. SINGLE ASPHALT SEAL COAT, IN PLACE  
**See bid package for additional details. Project must be completed by 9/15/2026.**  
 Liquidated damages apply at the rate of \$975.00 per calendar day.  
 Proposals must be upon the forms furnished by the Municipality.  
 For third class cities the bid must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid, made payable to the municipality. For other municipal types it is the discretion of the municipality.  
 A performance bond or certified check in the amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 20 days after the contract is awarded.  
 The Municipality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.  
 South Mahoning Township  
 BY: Stacy L. Hoffman  
 Secretary  
 4/21, 4/25

**ASTROGRAPH**

**Your Birthday**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026**  
 By Eugenia Last

Change what's necessary. Learn to work with what you have, and recognize how good your life currently is. Let go of excessive behavior, and live within your means. Your joy will come from gratitude and using what you have to your advantage. Interesting choices and opportunities are heading your way.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Keep tabs on how you look, feel and present yourself to the world. Running a tight ship will go part and parcel with the outcome you achieve. Stick to basics, and choose your allies with care.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Do what you can to help those who need it. Share your expertise and your wisdom. A kind word will do wonders for others and make you feel good.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Keep your life simple, your plans doable and your eye on the ball. Too much of anything will lead to regret. Say no to temptation or anyone trying to outmaneuver you using emotional manipulation.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Situations will get out of control if you overreact. Indulgent behavior on your part or that of someone close to you will result in emotional distance. Choose love over discord.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Live and learn. Review the past and let it go. Your present and future require your attention to excel. A social encounter will lead to friendship or romance.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — You'll be pulled in different directions. Ask a question, but don't overreact or offer too much insight into your intentions. Physical activities will help alleviate stress.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — Don't worry about things you have no control over. Nourish your relationships, keep lines of communication open and do your best to meet your personal and professional demands.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — Pay attention to your surroundings and what you can do to bring down your cost of living. Choose wisdom over exaggeration or excessive behavior. Work for peace instead of instigating chaos.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Look inward, and consider what you can do to enhance your life, looks and home to suit your needs. Efficiency is the goal, so start streamlining.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** — You'll be torn between your responsibilities and what you want to do. Clear your head, look at your schedule and do whatever it takes to ensure you meet your demands.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** — You can't connect with people if you don't participate. Stop procrastinating and start turning your desires into a reality. Love, personal growth and gains are on the rise.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Lie low, assess situations and calculate what's necessary to get to where you want to go. Timing is everything, and sticking to a schedule will be crucial in reaching your objective.

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**NOTICE**  
 Notice is hereby given that the Punxsutawney Area School Board at their meeting on April 7, 2026, adopted the proposed 2026-2027 School District Budget which will be on display at the Business Office. The School Board by virtue of authority vested in Directors of the School District by Act 511 of 1965 and the School Laws of Pennsylvania will reenact the following taxes previously adopted: Per Capita Act 511 \$5.00, Per Capita School Laws Section 679 \$5.00, 1% Earned Income Tax, 600 mills Occupation Assessment Tax, and Real Estate Transfer Tax of 1%. The proposed Real Estate millage rates, prior to the Homestead/Farmstead adjustments are 25.262 for Jefferson County and 8.026 for Indiana County. The final Budget will be officially adopted at the regular Board meeting scheduled for June 9, 2026.  
 Susan H. Robertson  
 Board Secretary  
 4/16,4/21,4/28

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**NOTICE**  
**CHRISWELL LAW OFFICES EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**  
 The Estate of Helen Oterson, late, of the Township of Green, Indiana County, PA, deceased.  
 Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to the undersigned or their attorney.  
 Barbara McCullough  
 2311 Hemlock Lake Rd.  
 Rossiter, PA 15772  
 Chriswell Law Offices  
 Marshall D. Chriswell, Esq.  
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 Indiana, PA 15701  
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**BRIDGE**

North 04-21-26  
 ♠ 6 3  
 ♥ A 10 7  
 ♦ Q 5 4 2  
 ♣ A 6 3 2

West  
 ♠ 8 5 2  
 ♥ 9 8 4 2  
 ♦ J 10 9  
 ♣ 10 9 5

East  
 ♠ K J 10 9 4  
 ♥ 6 5 3  
 ♦ A 7  
 ♣ K Q 8

South  
 ♠ A Q 7  
 ♥ K Q J  
 ♦ K 8 6 3  
 ♣ J 7 4

Dealer: East  
 Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	1 ♠ All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 2

**TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026**  
 By Phillip Alder

**THE BIDDING TELLS YOU WHAT TO DO**

Khalil Gibran, a Lebanese artist, poet and writer who died in 1931, said, "The teacher who is indeed wise does not bid you to enter the house of his wisdom, but rather leads you to the threshold of your mind." I must remember that.

Look at the North and South hands. After East opens one spade, South ends in three no-trump. West leads a low spade. What should declarer do?

A one-no-trump overall shows about 15.5-17.5 points — a tad stronger than a one-no-trump opening — because it is a dangerous bid to make. If the responder has a good hand, he will double for penalty, and unless the overcaller's partner has a long suit in which to seek refuge, the penalty could be sizable. Note West's lead. When a defender has not supported part-

ner's suit, giving length information is more important than strength information. Leading a low card is a singleton or from at least three. (If West has raised, so is known to have length, he applies BoSToN: Bottom of Something, Top of Nothing.) South starts with six top tricks: two spades (given the lead), three hearts and one club. He needs to establish three diamond winners.

Next, he should check the high-card points. Dummy has 10 and declarer holds 16. That leaves 14 for the opponents. Since East opened the bidding, he clearly has the diamond ace.

South should take the first trick, play a heart to dummy's ace, lead a diamond to his king, return a diamond, and play low from the dummy. When East's ace appears, declarer has his nine tricks.

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**CELEBRITY CIPHER**

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ T G S C S R L Q Q - I Q M G H F M X I M B ,  
T G S C K D Y B X T C P U T D K M L C S H J  
N M F T H F M S Q M F M R F Y M L I Q D . . .  
X B R Y T D H J C L C D J F M P S Q Q X D  
U L P W Q D I D Y Y B F T N . ” — F T N H M F S Y M

Previous Solution: “America did not invent human rights. In a very real sense, it's the other way around. Human rights invented America.” — Jimmy Carter

TODAY'S CLUE: *H sjenbe A*

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**CROSSWORD**



Answer to Previous Puzzle

L	E	N	D	Y	I	P	A	L	M	A
A	V	E	R	A	G	E	L	I	O	N
V	I	S	E	K	N	E	E	B	E	N
E	L	S	A	I	R	A	S	O	Y	
				M	A	S	T	E	R	Y
A	C	E	N	E	E	D	O	S	T	E
C	A	R	P	E	T	F	L	A	I	R
A	R	R	O	W	Y	A	K	I	M	A
D	E	S	K	B	E	E	T	D	E	S
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S	U	P	E	R	I	O	R	V	I	V
P	L	A	Y	D	E	E	E	M	I	T
S	E	R	E	E	S	S	R	E	D	S

- ACROSS**
- 1 Caught in the —
  - 4 Pedestal part
  - 8 Old Peruvian
  - 12 Bovine
  - 13 At any time
  - 14 Approach
  - 15 “— Got a Secret”
  - 16 Shoe fillers
  - 17 Expansive
  - 18 Colorado capital
  - 20 Eccentric
  - 21 Container for sardines
  - 22 Marsh bird
  - 24 Howled
  - 26 Lured
  - 30 “A long, long time — ...”
  - 31 Story
  - 33 Hemi-spherical roof
  - 34 Terra firma
  - 36 Sch. subject
  - 38 Coq au —
  - 39 Wishful thinker
- DOWN**
- 1 Sour
  - 2 Inlet
  - 3 Blackjack (Hyph.)
  - 4 Protects
  - 5 Affirm
  - 6 Actor Billy — Williams
  - 7 Scrap
  - 8 Null and void
  - 9 Tidy

- 10 Broken bone support
- 11 Dilettantish
- 19 Contend
- 20 Data storage unit
- 22 Concern
- 23 Bodily structure (Abbr.)
- 24 Hairless
- 25 Culture medium
- 27 Makeup brand
- 28 Arab VIP
- 29 Gainsay
- 32 From the U.S.
- 35 Waking hours
- 37 Element in some lamps
- 40 Spring month
- 42 — excellence
- 45 Go by
- 46 “— Enchanted”
- 47 Caudal appendage
- 48 Melt together
- 49 Actress — Falco
- 50 Noble-woman
- 52 B'way sellout sign
- 53 Back talk

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11
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15				16					17			
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**NOTICE**  
**Tri-County Workforce Investment Board, Inc. (TCWIB)** is accepting petitions to add occupations to the High Priority Occupation Demand (HPO) List for Program Year 2026-27 (July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027)

Draft HPOs, petition form and process to submit a petition to add occupations to the list can be downloaded from the Commonwealth of PA website: <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dli/resources/statistic-materials/products/high-priority-occupations>

For additional information, please contact Melinda C. Schultheis, at TCWIB, Inc., 112 Hollywood Drive, Suite #201, Butler, PA 16001 724-282-9341 Ext.102 or email: [mschultheis@tricitywib.org](mailto:mschultheis@tricitywib.org)

All petitions must be received at the TCWIB Office on or before May 1, 2026 by 4:30 pm EST.

Tri-County Workforce Investment Board, Inc. is an EEO Employer/Program 4/20, 4/21, 4/22

**SUDOKU**

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

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

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**PREVIOUS SOLUTION**

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

**HOW TO PLAY:** Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

**Sunshine Notices**

**NOTICE**  
The Board of Directors of the River Valley School District will hold their Regular Voting Meeting at the River Valley High School Auditorium, **Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.**

Alice K. Santoro, Board Secretary

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**INDIANA:** 1005 East Pike Rd. April 24 & 25. 8-4.

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**NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
The Indiana County Commissioners will receive sealed bids for the **Airport Farmhouse Masonry Repair Project** until **11:00 a.m. on May 6, 2026** at the Commissioners Hearing Room, Second Floor Court-house, 825 Philadelphia St., Indiana, PA 15701 at which time and place bids will be opened and recorded. The project consists of masonry repair work at the airport farmhouse located at **398 Airport Road, Indiana, PA 15701**, including but not limited to grinding mortar joints, repointing, and related work. Specifications and required bid forms may be obtained by contacting: **Kerry Olp, Fiscal Assistant**, Indiana County Commissioners. Email: [kolp@indianacountypa.gov](mailto:kolp@indianacountypa.gov) Phone: 724-465-3802.

A \$10.00 fee for postage and handling will be required for Contract Documents that are mailed to bidders. All checks shall be made payable to the County of Indiana. There will be no charge for electronic copies. The work on this project will be performed under the provisions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Labor and Industry, Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act as set forth in the Contract Documents. Each bid must be accompanied by cash, bid bond, cashier's check, or certified check in the amount of 10% of the bid and submitted in a sealed envelope marked Airport Farmhouse Masonry Repair Project. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after bid opening. The Indiana County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. **AWARD CRITERIA AND BASIS FOR REJECTION** will be in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders of the contract and technical documents. **INDIANA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
R. Michael Keith  
Bonni Dunlap  
Shereen Hess  
Attest:  
Robin Maryai, Chief Clerk

4/21, 4/27

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