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YOUNG PUSHES FOR DEBATE WITH BAYH: A news release from the Todd Young for U.S. Senate campaign calls for his Democratic opponent to agree to debate (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The campaign also noted that Bayh has not invited local media to recent events, and was critical of Bayh for not releasing details about his personal finances. "Seven weeks after returning to Indiana to run for U.S. Senate, Evan Bayh has yet to agree to debate Todd Young," the release stated. "According to the Indiana Debate Commission, Bayh's campaign has not sent any letter of intent to participate in public debates. Todd Young agreed to two public debates against Baron Hill when Bayh was still working full time as a lobbyist. On July 14, the Young Campaign notified the Indiana Debate Commission of its intentions to participate in debates with Bayh. The campaign signed an official letter of intent the day it was received from the Debate Commission."

DEARBORN COUNTY LEADS NATION IN JAIL SENTENCES: Donnie Gaddis picked the wrong county to sell 15 oxycodone pills to an undercover officer (*New York Times*). If Mr. Gaddis had been caught 20 miles to the east, in Cincinnati, he would have received a maximum of six months in prison, court records show. In San Francisco or Brooklyn, he would probably have received drug treatment or probation, lawyers say. But Mr. Gaddis lived in Dearborn County, Ind., which sends more people to prison per capita than nearly any other county in the United States. After agreeing to a plea deal, he was sentenced to 12 years in prison. "Years? Holy Toledo — I've settled murders for a lot less than that," said Philip Stephens, a public defender in Cincinnati. Dearborn County represents the new boom in American prisons: mostly white, rural and politically conservative. A bipartisan campaign to reduce mass incarceration has led to enormous declines in new inmates from big cities, cutting America's prison population for the first time since the 1970s. From 2006 to 2014, annual prison admissions dropped 36 percent in Indianapolis; 37 percent in Brooklyn; 69 percent in Los Angeles County; and 93 percent in San Francisco. But large parts of rural and suburban America — overwhelmed by the heroin epidemic and concerned about the safety of diverting people from prison — have gone the opposite direction. Prison admissions in counties with fewer than 100,000 people have risen even as crime has fallen, according to a New York Times analysis, which offers a newly detailed look at the geography of American incarceration. Just a decade ago, people in rural, suburban and urban areas were all about equally likely to go to prison. But now people in small counties are about 50 percent more likely to go to prison than people in populous counties. The stark disparities in how counties punish crime show the limits of recent state and federal changes to reduce the number of inmates. Far from Washington and state capitals, county prosecutors and judges continue to wield great power over who goes to prison and for how long. And many of them have no interest in reducing the prison population. "I am proud of the fact that we send more people to jail than other counties," Aaron Negangard, the elected prosecutor in Dearborn County, said last year. "That's how we keep it safe here." He added in an interview: "My constituents are the people who decide whether I keep doing my job. The governor can't make me. The legislature can't make me."

MEAGHAN LANANE REMEMBERED FOR HER PASSION: Meaghan Lanane is being remembered by activists around Indiana for her passion when it came to securing civil rights for all Hoosiers (*de la Bastide, Anderson Herald-Bulletin*). Lanane, 26, daughter of Sen. Tim and Cindy Lanane, died Wednesday at Community Hospital Anderson. She was active with Freedom Indiana, worked for the Hillary Clinton presidential campaign in Indiana and was a regional field director with John Gregg for governor

campaign. "Our family is, of course, devastated by the loss of our wonderful Meaghan," the Lanane family said in a statement. "At the same time, we are immensely proud of her unwavering commitment to social justice and equality through the political system." Ludy Watkins, chairman of the Madison County Democrat Party, said Lanane was a bright and shining star of the party. "You could count on her for anything," she said. "She was in Young Democrats and active with the party. She had a passion for politics and was very smart. She is going to be missed." Lanane was a regional field organizer for Freedom Indiana during the 2015 session of the Indiana General Assembly. Katie Bair said Lanane worked for Freedom Indiana for about nine months working to extend civil rights protections to the LGBT community through the legislative process. "She was very bright and passionate about LGBT rights," Bair said. "Her passion was infectious." Bair said Lanane was recommended by someone who worked with her on a political campaign. "Her resume is off the charts," she said. "I told her I hired her because of her resume and not her last name. That seemed to mean a lot to her." Bair said Lanane's sense of humor was unlike anyone else and she was able to laugh about anything. "She never complained about her illness," Bair said. "I talked to her almost weekly and I didn't know she was sick. The John Gregg/Christina Hale campaign expressed their condolences to the Lanane family on a Facebook posting by Gregg. "As an invaluable member of our campaign, we knew her as a smart, capable, thoughtful, hard worker who cared deeply for people, her community, and her state," the statement read. "Meaghan's passion for making Indiana a better place for all Hoosiers was evident in everything she did."

TRUMP'S BLACK CHURCH VISIT TO BE SCRIPTED: Donald J. Trump's visit to a black church here on Saturday will be a major moment for a candidate with a history of offending the sensibilities of black Americans (*New York Times*). His team was leaving nothing to chance. Instead of speaking to the congregation at Great Faith Ministries International, Mr. Trump had planned to be interviewed by its pastor in a session that would be closed to the public and the news media, with questions submitted in advance. And instead of letting Mr. Trump be his freewheeling self, his campaign prepared lengthy answers for the submitted questions, consulting black Republicans to make sure he says the right things. An eight-page draft script obtained by The New York Times shows 12 questions that Bishop Wayne T. Jackson, the pastor, intends to ask Mr. Trump in the taped question-and-answer session, as well as the responses Mr. Trump is being advised to give. The proposed answers were devised by aides working for the Trump campaign and the Republican National Committee, according to an official who has been involved in the planning but declined to be identified while speaking about confidential strategy. Given the importance of Donald J. Trump's visit to a black church, the Trump campaign went so far as to script Mr. Trump's answers to the church's pastor's questions, which were submitted in advance. A draft of the script was obtained by The New York Times. The document includes the exact wording of answers the aides are proposing for Mr. Trump to give to questions about police killings, racial tension and the perception among many black voters that he and the Republican Party are racist, among other topics.

TRUMP ALTERED PHOENIX SPEECH AFTER NIETO TWEET: As Donald Trump arrived in Phoenix late Wednesday, fresh from a visit to Mexico City's presidential palace, he had in his hands a big immigration speech that omitted the usual line that Mexico would have to pay for his proposed wall along the U.S. southern border (*Fox News*). Just after landing, though, Mr. Trump discovered that Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto had tweeted that he had told the Republican presidential nominee during their private meeting earlier that day that his country would refuse to pay for the wall. Mr. Trump was peeved that Mr. Peña Nieto had gone public with the fact that the Mexican president had broken what Mr. Trump considered a deal to keep the question of paying for the wall off the table at their initial meeting. So Mr. Trump hurriedly inserted a new sentence in his immigration speech, and he soon boomed out from the podium his traditional declaration that the wall would be paid for by Mexico—adding, "They don't know it yet but they're going to pay for the wall." "I had no choice," Mr. Trump said in an interview on Thursday. But he also said of the Mexican president, "I liked him very much." All told,

Wednesday was a day of exceptional twists and turns, spanning multiple time zones and two countries, on the trade and immigration issues that have become signatures of the Trump presidential campaign.

HALF OF TRUMP'S HISPANIC ADVISORY BOARD TO RESIGN: Half the members of Donald Trump's Hispanic advisory board are readying their resignations Thursday, following the Republican nominee's hardline speech on immigration policy in Phoenix, Arizona the previous night (*CBS News*). That's according to another Hispanic Trump adviser, who told CBSN contributor Leslie Sanchez that 15 of the 30 board members were ready to yank their support for the billionaire. While some are formally considering leaving the campaign, others who are not publicly renouncing their support told Sanchez that they no longer want to be associated with the GOP nominee. Sanchez pointed to the flip in tone from Trump's immigration-centric events on Wednesday as one reason the Hispanic leaders are dissatisfied with the campaign. "They were doing high-fives" with Trump's visit to Mexico, Sanchez reported on CBSN, noting that his meeting with Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto seemed respectful and presidential. "But the speech in Phoenix was an ender for them." "It sounded angry," Sanchez said. "It was this dark approach... [Trump] doesn't have compassion or a real solution and they just won't tolerate it."

HOLCOMB TRIES TO IGNORE RFRA: A year after Gov. Mike Pence (R) signed it into law, Indiana's Religious Freedom Restoration Act is still causing problems in the state (Terkel, *Huffington Post*). Lt. Gov. Eric Holcomb (R), who is running to replace Pence this fall, struggled to defend the measure in an interview with the Indianapolis Star published Monday. He admitted that there was a "rough patch" last year but repeatedly tried to turn the conversation away from the law. "I'm not going to focus on that issue," Holcomb said. Pence, who is now Donald Trump's running mate, made RFRA the law on March 26, 2015, in a quiet, closed-door signing ceremony with conservative and religious leaders. The law quickly sparked intense backlash against Pence and the state of Indiana. Opponents of the bill argued that it would open the door to widespread discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals. Business owners who didn't want to serve same-sex couples, for example, could now have legal protections to discriminate. The Indianapolis Star tried to ask Holcomb this week whether he supports expanding civil rights law to include LGBT protections. "We'll see what the committee comes up with and the recommendations that they come up with. I mean, it went nowhere last session," he replied. The Star continued to press him, asking whether he supported the idea in principle. Holcomb insisted that he wouldn't discriminate against anyone — but wouldn't say he supported making that the law of the state either. "I support the idea of not — everyone that knows me or will work for me, my criteria will be do you have the best interest of the state in mind and your work ethic. And we will discriminate against no one, for any reason," he said. "And I ought to just put that plainly — no one for any reason and not start continuing to single out and getting involved in a legislative process that may go nowhere."

CLINTON RAISES \$142M IN AUGUST: Hillary Clinton raised \$143 million in August, a total that includes her own campaign's collections as well as money for joint fundraising committees with the national and state parties (*Politico*). Her campaign hailed the monthly fundraising haul Thursday as its best of the campaign cycle. The Democratic nominee has more than \$68 million on hand, and its average donation last month was about \$50. "Thanks to the 2.3 million people who have contributed to our campaign, we are heading into the final two months of the race with the resources we need to organize and mobilize millions of voters across the country," Clinton campaign manager Robby Mook said in a

statement. The campaign said about \$62 million of its total went directly to the campaign, while about \$81 million was raised for the Democratic National Committee and state parties.

BICENTENNIAL TORCH RELAY BEGINS SEPT. 9 IN CORYDON: The start of a 92-county torch relay will kick off in Southern Indiana next week to celebrate the state's bicentennial (Winer, *Louisville Courier-Journal*). Corydon, Indiana's first capital, will begin the Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay, Sept. 9. Larry Bennett, Harrison County coordinator for the relay, said the town will host a ceremony where Indiana Gov. Mike Pence will speak in the town square. The torch will be lit around 10:45 a.m. Bennett said over 3,000 people are expected to attend the celebration, which will also have reenactments, music and a mobile Indiana history museum. He said all fourth graders in Corydon will be in attendance since Indiana state history is taught in fourth grade. The relay is 3,200 mile with nearly 2,000 torchbearers from each of Indiana's counties. Bennett said each town in Harrison County would be represented on the route through the county. It will end in Marion County at the state capitol Oct. 15.

HPI DAILY ANALYSIS: Sen. Travis Holdman is puzzled over the "bathroom issue" surrounding the LGBT civil rights expansion. And he said something we've been saying, that those alarmed that transgender Hoosier citizens will use the wrong bathroom, well, they already are. We just don't know who they are because we don't have bathroom police. And they don't harm anyone. This is a contrived argument raised by the family lobby groups to muddle the issue, bog it down, and raise money. When we talk to mayors in cities with LGBT civil rights ordinances, they tell me the bathroom issue never comes up in the reality we know as every day life. The fact that the General Assembly continues to fall for this ruse reveals the caliber of common sense that prevails in a political body that is often a decade or so behind the population when it comes to social issues. Or as State Sen. Homer Simpson, who is now prohibited by leadership from dealing with Eric Miller on official Indiana Senate business, might say, "Duoh!" - *Brian A. Howey*



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McCORMICK CALLS FOR INVESTIGATION IN SBOE APP DEAL: The Republican challenger of Indiana schools superintendent Glenda Ritz wants authorities to investigate a contract benefiting a company that later hired a Ritz aide in an executive position (Balonon-Rosen, *Indiana Public Media*). Candidate Jennifer McCormick is calling on the inspector general to investigate a series of 2015 contracts to develop a mobile app for the education department. The contracts, which totaled \$573,000, weren't

put up for a competitive process. Instead they were awarded directly to AT&T and its Georgia-based software developer N2N. Former Ritz aide David Galvin helped orchestrate the deal and later took a job with N2N Services. Tim Phelps, spokesperson for Jennifer McCormick, says the inspector general should investigate the fact that N2N stood to profit and later hired an education department official involved in the deal. "It's very important that all state contracts go through this transparent process and that no department should be able to go around the rules," Phelps said. "They exist for a good reason." Ritz's office denies wrongdoing maintains there was no wrongdoing, saying their contract is with AT&T, not the software developer. The deal was approved by the Indiana Office of Technology, Indiana Department of Administration and the State Budget agency, all of which report to Republican Gov. Pence.

SABATO SAYS SENATE RACE 'LEANS DEMOCRATIC': The race for Indiana's open Senate seat now leans Democratic, according to the University of Virginia's Sabato's Crystal Ball at the Center for Politics (*Statehouse File*). The widely respected projection website moved the race out of the toss-up category Thursday. With Democrat Evan Bayh's name recognition and reputation as a moderate, Sabato and his Crystal Ball team put Bayh in the lead. However, the team argues Republican Rep. Todd Young still has a chance if he has the right attacks and a significant amount of money. They report "Bayh has shown some rust" by fumbling some questions from reporters about his residency. Additionally, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce has endorsed Young, despite the fact that Bayh used to work for the organization. Sabato's Crystal Ball also predicts Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump should be able to keep his electoral college votes in Indiana thanks in part to his running mate Gov. Mike Pence.

DEMOCRATS HIT HOLLINGSWORTH ON TAX RETURNS: The Indiana Democratic Party distributed an email highlighting criticism of Republican Trey Hollingsworth over his refusal to release his tax returns while running to represent the 9th CD (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The email pointed to several snippets from an article in the News & Tribune, which noted Democratic candidate Shelli Yoder released the past five years of her returns. "Hollingsworth won't release his tax returns, but he believes a 'detailed' report of his financial assets and liabilities that all Congressional candidates must file shows his 'genuine business experience' in Indiana for the last 11 years," the article stated. "Hollingsworth, a business owner from Tennessee, moved to Jeffersonville sometime last fall. His business, a manufacturing site rehabilitation company called Hollingsworth Capital Partners, has Indiana ties, and his wife's family is from Louisville. Tax returns, Yoder said, could reveal things like Hollingsworth's last place of residence, which he won't disclose, and more information about his interest in Indiana's Ninth Congressional District... Yoder characterized Hollingsworth's run for Congress as 'district-hopping' and 'taking advantage of [Indiana] hospitality.'"

YODER TO ANNOUNCE FOP ENDORSEMENT SEPT. 16: At 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 16th, Shelli Yoder, Democratic candidate for Congress in Indiana's 9th District, will announce she has received the endorsement of the Indiana State Fraternal Order of Police (*Howey Politics Indiana*). A news release stated that Fraternal Order of Police President Bill Owensby will also be in attendance. The event is slated at the FOP Lodge in Indianapolis.

GREGG TOURS LEAD-CONTAMINATED E. CHICAGO COMPLEX: Democratic gubernatorial candidate John Gregg visited the East Chicago's First Baptist Church, located across the street from the West Calumet Housing Project, where the 1,200 residents are being forced to move because of

contaminated lead (Puente, *WBAA*). "I'm here today because I care. I'm here today because I want to listen and I want to learn," Gregg told a small group gathered at the First Baptist Church in East Chicago. The move is causing major hardship for the residents - and anxiety since dozens of children have been tested for high levels of lead. Pastor Tavis Grant invited Gregg to the city to get a first hand look at the crisis. Grant has taken aim at Indiana Gov. Mike Pence for not visiting the city, even though the Republican candidate for vice president has toured parts of flooded Louisiana with Donald Trump. Pence even visited areas of Indiana hit hard by a tornado last week. Pence's replacement on the November ballot, Lt. Gov. Eric Holcomb, also has not visited. But Gregg himself did not criticize Pence or Holcomb for not visiting the city. "This is about problems, this isn't about politics. This is about problems. I'm up here to discuss policy and problems. Not politics," Gregg told WBEZ. "This is life. This is a sad thing of life. That's what it's about. I don't want to drag this into a political issue."

GREGG, HALE WEEKEND SCHEDULE: Democratic candidates for governor and lieutenant governor, John Gregg and Christina Hale, will make campaign appearances today and over the weekend, a news release stated (*Howey Politics Indiana*). This afternoon Gregg will visit Coney Island in Fort Wayne, and this evening Hal will march in the Little Italy Festival Parade in Clinton. Saturday the duo will attend the Indianapolis Labor Festival in downtown Indianapolis, and Sunday Hal will give remarks at the Howard/Tipton County UAW, CAP Council Rally in Kokomo.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE URGES GOV. CANDIDATES TO PRIORITIZE: The Indiana Chamber of Commerce is urging the gubernatorial candidates to prioritize its policy positions going into November's election and beyond (Smith, *Indiana Public Media*). The first policies relate to education and the workforce... where Chamber officials describe the current situation as "bleak." In a recent Chamber survey of employers, 45 percent of respondents report having unfilled positions due to a lack of qualified applicants. And WGU Indiana chancellor Allison Barber - also a Chamber board member - says candidates for governor need to prioritize increasing the percentage of Hoosiers with post-secondary credentials. Another high priority is increasing access to pre-kindergarten education. Democratic gubernatorial candidate John Gregg calls for universal pre-k. Chamber Vice President Caryl Auslander says the state shouldn't go that far yet. The Chamber suggests expanding the current five-county pre-k pilot program.

TUMULTUOUS ELECTION OPENS ADVERTISING FLOODGATES: Amid a tumultuous election cycle, campaign advertising started earlier and with a greater intensity than usual this year - and is only expected to become more negative (Hoffmeyer, *Statehouse File*). Traditionally, campaigns worked off this theory: voters wouldn't tune into races until September, said Paul Helmke, professor of practice with the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University. But this year with tight races for governor and U.S. Senate, coupled with a contested May presidential primary, ads hit the airwaves months ago. "And we're already talking advertising fatigue," Helmke said. Viewers in Indiana are already seeing the second most ads for a governor's race and the fourth most for a Senate race this year, according to the Wesleyan Media Project. They made those calculations with data from Kantar Media/CMAG tracking broadcast television, national network and national cable buys. The high volume of campaign ads can be traced back to Indiana's unusual year in politics. "To have an open presidential seat and an open Senate and an open gubernatorial seat all in the same year is very unique for Indiana," Helmke said.

RITZ PROMOTES 'IMAGINE 2020' IN MADISON: Indiana's superintendent of schools Glenda Ritz was in Madison on Wednesday to talk about the positive things happening in the state's public school system (McLaughlin, *Madison Courier*). The incumbent, who will face Republican candidate Jennifer McCormick, superintendent of Yorktown Community Schools, in the fall, talked with teachers, principals and educators from a three-county area about her "Imagine 2020" initiative. Though Ritz is running as a Democrat, "education is really not a partisan issue, it's a nonpartisan issue," she said. "I really feel strongly that people go to the polls and vote for people that they really can identify with - values and issues. And there's really nothing more important than our public education system." One of the foundations of her tenure so far has been spending two or three days a week traveling to communities throughout the state to meet with teachers, students and residents to discuss what her office can do to help at the local level.



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CLINTON UP 7% IN SUFFOLK/USA TODAY POLL: Hillary Clinton holds a 7 percentage-point head-to-head advantage over Donald Trump in the latest national *Suffolk University/USA Today* poll out Thursday, leading by the same margin in a four-way matchup as well. The Democratic nominee earned the support of 48 percent of the 1,000 likely voters surveyed by landlines and cellphones from Aug. 24 to Aug. 29, with an overall margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points. Trump, meanwhile, earned 41 percent, nearly the same share both candidates earned in a Fox News poll released Wednesday evening but conducted over a shorter time period of Sunday through Tuesday.

TRUMP VOWS TO REBUILD MILITARY: Donald Trump vowed Thursday to "rebuild our depleted military" and ensure America's soldiers are the best-equipped in the world as he addressed the American Legion's annual convention – and sought to rebut Hillary Clinton's suggestion to the same crowd a day earlier that he doesn't believe America is "exceptional" (*Fox News*). Kicking off the address in Cincinnati, Ohio, by invoking his campaign slogan, "America First," Trump tried to settle any doubts about his support for the Armed Forces. He called for a state-of-the-art missile defense, a "total reform" of the Veterans Affairs Department and a policy of "peace through strength." "Nobody will be able to compete with us," Trump said. His Democratic opponent a day earlier sought to deliver a hawkish message, calling the U.S. an "exceptional nation" and accusing Trump of thinking that approach is "insulting to the rest of the world." In his address, Trump renewed his call for an end to the "era of nation-building." But he made clear that this approach does not mean letting down the country's guard. "These next four years, I will be uncompromising in the defense of the United States and our friends and our good allies. We are going to end the era of nation-building, and create a new foreign policy – joined by our partners in the Middle East – that is focused on destroying ISIS and radical Islamic terrorism," he said, to applause from an audience that gave Clinton a respectful, if measured, reception a day earlier.

EARLY LAUDS TRUMP LEGION SPEECH: Trump-Pence Indiana Campaign Chairman, Rex Early reacted to Donald Trump's American Legion speech on Thursday, saying, "As a Marine Corps Vet and an American Legion member, there is nothing I appreciate more in a President than one who shows strength and bold leadership and demands that we have a strong military. Donald Trump is that leader. From day one of his campaign, he has said that we need to rebuild our military and lead the world to peace through strength, just like Reagan did. He also has time and again called on first class care for our Vets and to treat them with the dignity that they deserve. He will fulfill these promises and should be our next President."

PENCE CALLS CLINTON FOREIGN POLICY 'AMATEURISH': Republican vice presidential nominee Mike Pence waved off his Democratic counterpart's mockery of Donald Trump's "amateur hour" in Mexico, suggesting Thursday that Tim Kaine need only look at his running mate and the current president to find the true amateurs (*Politico*). Kaine poked fun at Trump in multiple television interviews earlier in the morning for the dissonance between his blustery immigration talk and his apparent failure to talk with the Mexican president about who will pay for the wall. Even if the subject did not come up, Kaine told NBC's "Today" that Trump "choked" after months of declaring that he would make Mexico pay for the wall. Pence, speaking to CNN's Wolf Blitzer by telephone from Salt Lake City, said that Kaine is "entitled to his opinion" but reiterated the campaign's official line that both Trump and Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto "fully understood before the meeting that they disagreed on who would pay for the wall" and that there was "really no need" to discuss it. "But again, you look at the foreign policy of Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama and the word amateurish comes to mind. You look at moving red lines, of feigning resets with Russia. You look at the rise and rule of ISIS and a wider Middle East that appears to be spinning apart," Pence said, adding, "I'll take the broad-shouldered leadership of Donald Trump who demonstrated yesterday his ability to sit down, even with a president that he has had strong disagreements with, and have a conversation about what they agree on and begin the kind of relationship that will advance the interests of the United States."

PENCE SAYS TRUMP WILL REVIEW ANCHOR BABIES: Republican Vice presidential nominee Mike Pence on Thursday said the law is settled on birthright citizenship but that Donald Trump's proposed immigration commission would take a closer look at the issue along with other policies (*The Hill*). "I think the law is very settled on that question for generations of natural-born American citizens," the Indiana governor said Thursday on CNN. "But I think what Donald Trump has talked about is the establishment of a new commission that will look at all of our immigration laws, including the whole question of 'anchor babies.'" The Republican presidential nominee in a speech Wednesday night proposed the creation of an "immigration commission to develop a new set of reforms to our legal immigration system."

INDY IMMIGRATION AGENCIES WEIGH TRUMP PLAN: Local immigration agencies in Indianapolis are still working through what Republican Donald Trump's 10-point plan could mean for current and future families in the area (Fechner, *WRTV*). Less than a month ago, the Indy Chamber, the Indiana Restaurant and Lodging Association and the Indiana Latino Institute made a joint call for immigration reform. "Let's get back to what makes America America: it attracts the poorest, the people who want to work the hardest, that want to work for their family," said the restaurant association's Patrick Tamm. Indianapolis' Immigrant Welcome Center expects that by 2025, minorities will make up the majority of Marion County, with immigrants making up roughly 13 percent. So, they're keeping a close eye on

Trump, who has made a hardline immigration policy central to his presidential platform. On Wednesday, Trump promised to create a "new special deportation task force" and repeated his call to build a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico.

NEW TRUMP DEPUTY CAMPAIGN MANAGER: Donald Trump has a new deputy campaign manager, effective immediately. It's David Bossie, the longtime president of Citizens United, a conservative group best known for the Supreme Court case that overturned campaign financing laws (*CBS News*). Bossie and Trump have a longstanding personal and political relationship, dating back to the *Citizens United v. the FEC*, a case that piqued Trump's interest. It was forged in the same year as the decision, 2010, through Las Vegas Casino magnate Steve Wynn, who told Trump he was impressed with Bossie's political skills. At the time, Trump was toying with the idea of running for president in 2012.

CLINTON HAS MEDICAL COST PLAN: Following the public outcry over steep increases in price for an emergency allergy treatment, Hillary Clinton is pledging to better protect patients from such costs (*Associated Press*). Clinton is rolling out a plan Friday designed to give the federal government more power to push back against what she calls "excessive unjustified costs" for medications that have long been on the market. In a statement, Clinton said that "all Americans deserve full access to the medications they need," adding that she is "ready to hold drug companies accountable when they try to put profits ahead of patients, instead of back into research and innovation."

IU COLLEGE DEMOCRATS ENDORSE HILLARY: Wearing a blue "H" sticker and calling Donald Trump the most "unfit and underqualified candidate to ever run" for president, junior and IU Democrats President Terry Tossman made it clear who the organization would be supporting from the very start of last night's callout meeting (Gerike, *Indiana Daily Student*). College Democrats at IU adopts the Democratic party's platform and endorses its official candidates, Tossman said. This means the organization will support Hillary Clinton in the general election. Despite this official stance, its members have mixed views on the candidate. Tossman, who is voting for Clinton, was a Bernie Sanders supporter during the primaries. He said the candidates' similar stances, paired with Clinton's experience, has now made him an eager voter for the current Democratic nominee. He said he would not be personally endorsing her if he did not truly believe his organization had made the right choice.



NIH DIRECTOR VIEWS PURDUE ZIKA RESEARCH: U.S. Senator Joe Donnelly (D-IN) joined Purdue University President Mitch Daniels in welcoming National Institutes of Health (NIH) Director Francis S. Collins, M.D., Ph.D., to West Lafayette, a news release stated (*Howey Politics Indiana*). Donnelly, Daniels, and Collins toured Purdue research laboratories and received an update on Zika virus research happening on campus. Collins visited Purdue following Donnelly's invitation. Earlier this year, researchers in a Purdue lab discovered the structure of Zika, marking a significant step forward in understanding the virus. Purdue University received federal grant funding this year to step up research efforts on the Zika virus. Donnelly voted in favor of moving forward with legislation to fund more research to combat the Zika virus earlier this summer.

COATS ECONOMIC COMMITTEE HEARING ON FEDERAL DEBT: Chairman Dan Coats (R-IN) yesterday announced that the Joint Economic Committee will hold a hearing on Thursday, September 8, with Purdue President Mitch Daniels among the witnesses, a news release stated (*Howey Politics Indiana*). Others scheduled to appear include Judd Gregg, co-chair of the Campaign to Fix the Debt and a former chairman of the Senate Budget Committee; and, Alice M. Rivlin, senior fellow, Brookings Institution.

COMMITTEE CALLS ON OBAMA TO ADDRESS CHINESE STEEL: Congressional Steel Caucus Chairman Tim Murphy (R-PA) and Vice Chairman Peter J. Visclosky (D-IN) have called on President Obama to address the illegal trading practices of China and the growing global steel overcapacity crisis at the upcoming Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Forum in Paris and the G20 Summit in China. According to a news item published to Visclosky's official website, Murphy and Visclosky stated that China's illegal trade practices have resulted in mill closures, idling, and the laying off thousands of hard-working Americans throughout the nation. The letter highlighted the need to address issues related to currency manipulation, illegal government subsidies, state-owned enterprises, China's non-market economy status, and cyber warfare. The letter further stated that China's broken promises and continued strategy of undercutting American workers must be met with a multi-pronged strategy to ensure the future prosperity of the domestic steel sector.

BROOKS HEARS POLICE CONCERNS FOR DISTRICT: U.S. Rep. Susan Brooks (R-IN), representing the fifth district of Indiana, listened to the concerns of more than a dozen police departments from the eight counties she represents recently, including Marion and Fairmount police departments (Watson, *Marion Chronicle-Tribune*). Representatives from each department touched on major issues regarding all areas of law enforcement, from police and community safety to policing strategies and the struggle to afford body cameras. Brooks said she was impressed by the departments' relationships with their communities. She said she also learned that most of the departments in her district are in the process of acquiring or considering body cameras. Brooks is a new member of a bipartisan policing strategies group in Congress, made up of about 12 other representatives that are analyzing Congress's role in helping the country's police departments. This includes whether the federal government should play a role in creating certain policies for body cameras or providing funding to achieve them. Brooks said the meeting was really a chance for her to listen to the concerns of local police officers and share the information with her colleagues. Other representatives on the policing strategies group are having conversations with their local police too, she said, and soon they'll all meet to discuss what the federal role should be in addressing these concerns.

BROOKS VISITS PURDUE ZIKA SCIENTISTS: U.S. Rep. Susan Brooks (R-IN) came to Purdue to meet with some of the University's leading scientists in the battle to end the Zika virus' threat to the world (Conrad, *Purdue Exponent*). Brooks represents Indiana's 5th Congressional District in the House of Representatives. "The nation has not moved ahead nearly to the extent that we should have moved ahead after the anthrax attacks and after 9/11," Brooks said. This lack of progress is precisely the reason Brooks visited Purdue University, which has recently made a series of major developments in the fight against dangerous diseases, such as the Zika virus. "Purdue researchers, lead by Professor Richard Kuhn, director of the Purdue Institute for Infectious Disease, Immunology and Inflammation at Discovery Park, recently uncovered the structure of the Zika virus, a critical first step in the development of vaccines and other therapeutics to fight this disease," said Tomás Díaz de la Rubia, chief scientist and executive director of Discovery Park.

General Assembly

ALTING SAYS E-LIQUID LAW A MISTAKE, APOLOGIZES: One of the sponsors of the state's new e-cigarette law now says it was a mistake (Heinz, *WRTV*). Sen. Ron Alting apologized this week for the legislation, which has the makers of e-liquids fuming. Alting says the entire law needs to be redone, and he's vowing to work with Republican leadership to correct it early in the 2017 session. But that won't be soon enough for the business owners who say they've been forced to shut their doors since the law took effect July 1. "It's kind of sad when you walk into a business you put your heart and soul into and the lights are off," said Evan McMahon, owner of Liberation Vape. The state's new law requires e-liquid manufacturers to show a contract with a security firm in an initial application for a permit from the state. The firm must employ at least one worker with specific certifications, including a licensed rolling steel fire door technician. Only one company in the state meets the requirements: Lafayette-based Mulhaupt's. Alting says the law was never intended to have the effect it's had. "The intent was never, ever to form a monopoly on the inspection company, nor was it to put anybody out of business," Alting said. "It's about public safety. It's an industry that needs to be regulated, as in other states, and that's exactly what the intent of the bill was." But Alting says he will work to fix the law when the legislative session resumes.



State

TORNADOES: KOKOMO, HOWARD COUNTY ANNOUNCE CLEANUP - City of Kokomo and Howard County officials are coordinating with United Way of Howard County to assist residents with ongoing cleanup efforts and have developed a seven-day plan to coordinate volunteers, equipment, resources and

work crews from other Indiana cities (*Kokomo Herald*). "Since last Wednesday, there has been a tremendous level of volunteer engagement from local residents, individuals from other counties and states and mayors from Indiana cities. Many Hoosier cities have donated their work crews and heavy equipment to help clean up tons of debris," said Kokomo Mayor Greg Goodnight. "We would not be as far in the cleanup process without them." Saturday is the key day for volunteers, according to Howard County Commissioner Paul Wyman. "As a community we couldn't be more grateful for the thousands of volunteers who have worked so hard," said Wyman. "But I want to stress how important this Saturday is as we move forward. It will be the biggest day yet and keeps us on track for a successful recovery." The United Way of Howard County remains the coordinating agency for volunteers and President Abbie Smith said this weekend's volunteer turnout is vital.

COURTS: SUPREME COURT HEARS CASE ABOUT HOSPITAL COSTS - Parkview Hospital argued before the Indiana Supreme Court Thursday that it should not have to release information about charges and discounts it provides to insured patients (*Kelly, Fort Wayne Journal Gazette*). The question is at the core of a dispute with Thomas Frost, who was catastrophically injured in a truck-motorcycle accident and taken by air to Parkview in October 2013. He stayed in the hospital for more than a month and then transitioned to skilled nursing at Parkview Randallia. His total bill was more than \$625,000. He did not have medical insurance. Frost is disputing the reasonableness of the charges Parkview has sought under the Indiana Hospital Lien Act. His attorneys asked for information about discounts provided to patients who either had private health insurance or who are covered by government healthcare programs such as Medicaid and Medicare. But Parkview has blocked the maneuver and asked the Indiana Supreme Court to reverse decisions by the trial court and Indiana Court of Appeals in Frost's favor.

EDUCATION: RECORD ENROLLMENT AT IU - Indiana University is seeing record levels of enrollment at its Bloomington campus. The *Bloomington Herald-Times* reports that 43,213 students enrolled at IU's main campus this semester, an increase of 625 students from last year. IU released the figures Wednesday based on an official count conducted Monday. School officials also say the campus is also more diverse this year. There are 7,792 minority students enrolled this year, up 525 students over last year. Minority students also make up a larger proportion of the total degree-seeking student body at about 18 percent this year, compared to about 17 percent last year. The number of Asian students increased the most among the minority population, growing by nearly 200 students compared to last year. The sum total of degree-seeking students — 97,273 — across all of IU's campuses is down 0.8 percent.

STATEHOUSE: INSPECTORS VISIT CARRIER AFTER COMPLAINTS OF LEAD - State inspectors from the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration carried out an inspection at Carrier after employee complaints about lead surface contamination (*WTHR-TV*). 280 micrograms per 100 cm² was found on top of a column barrier and 180 micrograms per 100 cm² was found on top of a box in storage at Carrier's warehouse. Sources tell Eyewitness News that the inspections came after employees reportedly complained about breathing in lead dust while at work. IOSHA tested the facility and has levied fines against the air conditioning giant, giving the company 15 days to respond to its findings. If Carrier fails to respond in the allotted time frame, then fines starting at \$1,700 kick in. Carrier says they are working with IOSHA in a statement released to Eyewitness News. No word yet if employees at Carrier will have to be tested for lead poisoning. Carrier became the focus of the presidential campaign when it announced earlier this year that it would be moving operations to Mexico and laying off around 1,400 Indiana workers.

STATEHOUSE: APPEAL PLANNED IN SPIRIT SALES CASE - The State of Indiana is appealing a Marion County trial court's ruling that had ordered the State to grant a liquor wholesaler permit to a beer wholesaler, a news release stated (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The State contends the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC) was following state law correctly when it denied the application of Spirited Sales LLC. The Marion County Superior Court last week had overruled the ATC and ordered the permit issued, but the State in appealing is asking that the trial court be reversed and the ATC's decision reinstated. "There have been many attempts to change Indiana's unique statute regulating the sale of alcohol in our state. But unless Indiana's Legislature decides to change the law, my office will defend both the statute and the authority of our state's elected representatives to regulate alcohol, as provided by the 21st Amendment to our U.S. Constitution. We respect the trial court's work on this complicated case, but a decision such as this requires a higher court's review," Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller said. Spirited Sales LLC is an affiliate of Monarch Beverage Co. Inc. and has the same shareholders. State law passed by the Legislature has, for decades, prohibited beer and wine wholesalers from also wholesaling liquor in order to prevent a monopoly. But Spirited Sales and Monarch Beverage have filed lawsuits seeking to overturn the ATC's administrative decisions as an executive branch agency.

SECURITY: GUN LICENSES UP FROM LAST YEAR - The number of Hoosiers who hold active licenses to carry handguns has grown by nearly 50 percent since 2012, according to an *IndyStar* analysis, and the state is on pace to issue substantially more licenses than it did last year. *IndyStar* analyzed data kept by the Indiana State Police regarding handgun permit holders. In Indiana, residents do not need a permit to buy a gun or to carry a rifle, and permits are not required to go target shooting or to keep guns at home. Permits are needed only to carry handguns in public. In short: the data offer only a limited glimpse into how many Hoosiers are gun owners. The numbers do, though, show a clear increase in the number of Hoosiers who want the option to carry a handgun in public. In the first three months of 2016, the state approved more than 50,000 carry permits, more than half of the total number of permits approved in 2015. The state also is seeing the number of women permit holders skyrocketing. By the first quarter of 2016, more than 174,000 Hoosier women held permits, up nearly 90 percent from the roughly 92,000 women who held permits in 2012.

ECONOMY: POTASH CORP. OPENS CENTER IN HAMMOND - PotashCorp on Wednesday opened its massive new \$90 million distribution center in Hammond, which will supply a crucial crop nutrient to farmers throughout the United States (Pete, *NWI Times*). The Canadian company, which operates mines in Saskatchewan, is the world's largest producer of potash, a salt that's used as a key plant nutrient in fertilizer. PotashCorp President for Sales Stephen Dowdle said the new Hammond warehouse, which was completed in April, was like having "a mini-mine" near the center of American agriculture. PotashCorp decided in 2008 to invest \$8 billion in expanding its mines in Saskatchewan, and decided to build the 89-acre Hammond Regional Distribution Center so it could deliver more potash to farmers in the United States. The company undertook the largest rail yard construction project in Chicagoland in 100 years, building seven new tracks in Hammond's Gibson yard on a 2-mile stretch under the Nine Span Bridge on Indianapolis Boulevard. That project, which added a total of 14 new miles of rail and can accommodate up to 1,000 railcars, was completed in 2012. Hundreds turned out Wednesday to celebrate the grand opening of the massive warehouse, which can hold up to 100,000 tons of potash and looks like a ship turned upside down.

EDUCATION: IU-B SETS NEW ENROLLMENT RECORD - Indiana University is seeing record levels of enrollment at its Bloomington campus (*WANE-TV*). The Bloomington Herald-Times reports that 43,213 students enrolled at IU's main campus this semester, an increase of 625 students from last year. IU released the figures Wednesday based on an official count conducted Monday. School officials also say the campus is also more diverse this year. There are 7,792 minority students enrolled this year, up 525 students over last year. Minority students also make up a larger proportion of the total degree-seeking student body at about 18 percent this year, compared to about 17 percent last year.

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FACTORY OUTPUT SHRINKS FOR FIRST TIME IN 6 MONTHS: U.S. manufacturing contracted last month for the first time since February, as new orders and output plummeted and factories cut jobs (*Associated Press*). The Institute for Supply Management said Thursday that its manufacturing index dropped to 49.4 in August from 52.6 in July. Any reading below 50 signals contraction. The report suggests that manufacturers continue to struggle as businesses spend less on machinery, computers and other large equipment. Auto sales have also leveled off this year after reaching a record level in 2015. Still, the magnitude of the decline surprised many economists, since other recent measures of factory output, including surveys of manufacturers in the Philadelphia region, improved this month. "The decline is hard to square with the signals coming from the timelier regional surveys," Steve Murphy, U.S. economist for Capital Economics, said in a research note. "The U.S. downturn also jars with the evidence of an improvement in global manufacturing, particularly in China." That suggests that a weak global economy, which had cut into U.S. factories' export sales, is fading as a headwind for U.S. manufacturers. A strong dollar had also lowered overseas sales and made imports cheaper. A measure of employment fell to 48.3, the ISM said, its second straight month of decline. That means manufacturers are still laying off workers.



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CITIES: SOUTH BEND FAMILY SEEKS JUSTICE AFTER POLICE MISCONDUCT - In 2012, three South Bend police officers wrongly identified then-18-year-old DeShawn Franklin (*Chronis, WNDU-TV*). Pastor Mario Sims seeking justice for DeShawn Franklin and family The white officers woke the teen from his sleep by hitting and tasing him; however, it's recent events that are making national headlines. The Franklin family originally asked for \$1.9 million in damages for violations of their rights, but following a jury trial, was awarded just \$1. Supporters are calling it an injustice. Thursday, South Bend pastor and

counselor to the Franklin family, Mario Sims, held a meeting at Doulos Chapel. "It's just, it's an insult," said Mario Sims, pastoral counselor to the Franklin family. Sims is referring to the \$1 the jury ordered each of the defendants to pay DeShawn Franklin and his parents. "This can't stand, this can't be," said Sims. The damages awarded totaled to \$18 for violating the family's constitutional rights; one being unlawful entry and the second, unlawful seizure. "A slap in the face," said Candace Franklin, DeShawn's sister.

CITIES: MAYOR GREER SAYS PERU PD FORCE STABILIZED - Peru Mayor Gabe Greer said in his State of the City address Wednesday that stability has returned to the city's police department after a year of "chaos and upheaval" that made headlines across the state (*Kokomo Tribune*). Greer spoke at length inside council chambers at Peru City Hall about his efforts since taking office in January to restore order to the police department. He noted his first order of business was to appoint Officer Mike Meeks as the new police chief. Meeks replaced former Chief Ray Raney, who was appointed from outside the department by former Mayor Jim Walker in November 2014. During his tenure, Raney issued disciplinary action against eight officers, and recommended at least four of those officers be terminated. In April, a Miami County judge ruled one of the officers had been wrongfully terminated, and ordered he be reinstated to the department with back pay. Greer said Wednesday he appointed Meeks, who has served more than 21 years on the department, as the new chief because he has "the confidence of the public and his fellow officers." "The positive changes were felt immediately," he said. "And our officers fell back into doing what they do best: serving our city."

CITIES: TERRE HAUTE \$11M IN RED FOR JULY - The city of Terre Haute's general fund cash balance showed an \$11 million deficit at the end of July, but Mayor Duke Bennett says that's about where the city expected it to be (Loughlin, *Terre Haute Tribune-Star*). In contrast, at the end of June, the general fund showed a \$7.8 million deficit, according to city financial information provided monthly to city council members. July revenue is traditionally low, council member Earl Elliott, a certified public accountant, said in an email. That month, general fund revenue was about \$612,000 while expenses were about \$2.1 million. Also, the general fund repaid a \$2 million temporary loan from another fund - the wastewater utility capital improvement fund - in July. "The net result is about a \$3.5 million reduction in the general fund cash balance," Elliott stated. The city receives its property tax disbursements in June and December. But the bottom line, Elliott said, is "we need to increase our cash balances. That will be a focal point in the budget discussions" that begin Sept. 8, when the administration is expected to introduce the proposed 2017 budget. "We've got to start making progress there," said Elliott, formerly a financial adviser to the council.

CITIES: SOLAR PLANT NEAR NEW CARLISLE BEGINS OPERATIONS - The largest of Indiana Michigan Power's solar plants is officially generating energy for customers, announced American Electric Power on Thursday (Corak, *WBND-TV*). AEP says the I&M operating unit is producing up to 5 megawatts of energy at its Oliver Solar Power Plant, just east of New Carlisle. According to the company, the Oliver Solar Power Plant covers 40 acres of land, includes 57,000 solar panels, and will generate enough energy to power the equivalent of 700 homes annually. The plant is the third of I&M's four plants to actively produce power. The Deer Creek plant near Marion has been in operation since 2015 and the Twin Branch Solar Power Plant near Mishawaka went online mid-August. AEP notes, the three plants combined will be able to generate the energy equivalent to power more than 1,400 homes annually.

CITIES: HATE INCIDENTS ON RISE IN BLOOMINGTON - According to the Bloomington Human Rights Commission, the city documented 14 hate-related incidents in the past year (Shirley, *Fox59*). Officials say that number is higher than the incidents documented in years past. According to the report, there were 15 documented incidents in 2012, five in 2013, eight in 2014, and 14 during the past year. Most of the incidents are either reported to the police and then passed on to the Human Rights Commission. There are instances, however, when a victim contacts the commission directly. The incidents include cases of people who were called racial slurs, had property vandalized with references to their religion, and were attacked based on their sexual orientation. One documented incident also included a Muslim woman who was assaulted outside of a Bloomington cafe by a man who was allegedly shouting "white power" as he tried to pull off her head scarf. Officials say most incidents are likely not reported.

CITIES: BLOOMINGTON COUNCIL OKs FUNDS FOR VOL. FDs: Fire departments in unincorporated areas are almost set to receive a portion of the revenue from a new local option income tax dedicated to public safety (*Bloomington Herald-Times*). Bloomington City Council members on Wednesday cast their nine-member panel's 59 votes — of the 100 on the local income tax council — in favor of allocating a total of \$341,560, most of which will go to township-based volunteer fire departments. The allocation amount was based on a recommendation from a committee of the income tax council made up of representatives from each county fiscal body.

CITIES: JULY UNEMPLOYMENT AT 4.3% IN KOKOMO - City officials have found reason again to tout the local economy (*Kokomo Tribune*). Kokomo ended July with an unemployment rate of 4.3 percent, according to estimates from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. The rate is the city's lowest since September 2015 and its second lowest since 2000, according to a city press release. In total, 1,107 Kokomo residents were out of work in July, according to the DWD. That number is a 6.5 percent drop from July 2015. In addition, Kokomo's labor force grew an estimated 2.8 percent, from 25,108 in July 2015 to 25,811 in July 2016. "Kokomo's labor force is growing, employment is increasing and our workforce is producing quality goods and services," said Kokomo Mayor Greg Goodnight in the release. "This is a reflection of the strength of our local economy. It is a result of millions of dollars of private investments along with Kokomo's quality of place developments."

COUNTIES: TIPPECANOE URGES LEAD TESTING FOR CHILDREN - The Tippecanoe County Health Department is working on a number of cases involving children with high levels of lead in their blood (Moberge, *WLFI-TV*). Now, the health department is urging parents to get their kids tested for lead poisoning. News 18 reports it's not the water poisoning local children, but the homes. For Ashley Phillips, it was a social media post that made her proactive in getting her two children tested for lead. High levels of lead exposure can lead to many health issues, like ADHD and hearing loss. Phillips said she's doing everything she can to make sure her two kids get tested right away. But Tippecanoe County Health Department nurse Elizabeth VanLaere said it's not the water that is poisoning children in the Tippecanoe County area, but older houses. "Homes that were built before 1978 almost are guaranteed to have lead in them," said VanLaere. Older homes are only a concern if any paint inside or outside the house is chipping. VanLaere expressed children between the ages of 1 and 7 are most at risk for lead poisoning.

COUNTIES: HANCOCK TO TRANSFER INMATES TO OTHER JAILS - Some relief from overcrowding could be coming to the Hancock County Jail (Quinn, *Greenfield Daily Reporter*). After officials debated for months the potential liability issues tied to moving inmates to out-of-county facilities with open beds, the Hancock County Board of Commissioners this week gave jail officials permission to transfer inmates to other county jails. County attorney Ray Richardson confirmed the county's insurance policy covers any legal settlements arising from lawsuits involving Hancock County inmates, regardless of where they are housed - a question that previously brought plans to transfer inmates to a Daviess County facility 130 miles away to a halt. Richardson had feared the county's insurance might not cover inmates not housed locally and wanted the two sheriff's departments to pen an agreement that would formally transfer liability to Daviess County. On Tuesday, 190 inmates were being held in the Hancock County Jail, which is designed to house 157, said Maj. Brad Burkhart, the sheriff's chief deputy.

COUNTIES: NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR BROWN REDEVELOPMENT - The answer to the Brown County Redevelopment Commission's request for funding in 2017: No (*Brown County Democrat*). RDC member Bruce Gould brought the question before the Brown County Commissioners Aug. 17. For 2017, the county council and commissioners agreed to not budget anything for the redevelopment commission. Gould said the RDC has been tasked with creating jobs and housing for young families and professionals, but the commission needs to be able to invest in infrastructure improvements - such as running sewer lines - to accomplish that. For some proposed projects - like refurbishing entry-level houses to provide places for workers to live - the commission needs to have money readily accessible, Gould said. "You've got \$400,000-and-some, don't you?" asked commissioners President Dave Anderson, about the \$417,000 the county received from the sale of the former For Bare Feet factory near Helmsburg in 2014. "We could run through that pretty quick. That's one sewer line right there," Gould responded.

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BAYH CONSIDERED AN 'INACTIVE' VOTER IN INDIANA: Election officials in Indiana have concluded that former Sen. Evan Bayh is an "inactive" voter in their state after they failed to confirm he lives in Indianapolis, creating a new problem for the Democrat as he mounts a late effort to win back his old Senate seat. According to records obtained by *CNN*, Bayh has been listed as an inactive voter twice since leaving office -- once in July 2014 and the second time last week. In both instances, election officials had sent multiple postcards to Bayh's Indianapolis address to determine that he lives there. Both times the post office could not reach Bayh at the condo he owns in Indianapolis despite multiple attempts, prompting the Indiana Election Division to list him as inactive, according to copies of the mailers and state voting records. Bayh is still a registered voter, and being listed as inactive does not prevent the former two-term senator and governor from voting in the state. But being considered inactive is the first step from being removed altogether from the voter rolls. The new revelations come just days after a CNN report showed Bayh consistently listing his two multi-million-dollar homes in Washington as his main places of residence, not his \$53,000 condo in Indianapolis, contradicting his public claims that he "never left" the state after giving up his seat in 2011. On Thursday, Bayh's campaign did not dispute the "inactive" status but downplayed the significance, noting that he still votes in Indiana elections and hundreds of thousands of other voters have also been listed as inactive.

BAYH DEFENDS HIS RESIDENCY: Evan Bayh on Thursday brushed off the increasing scrutiny over his Indiana residency, arguing that his multiple homes here and in Washington won't ultimately be a "compelling issue" for voters this November. "We have a home in D.C. and we have a home in Indianapolis. We list them both for different things," Bayh said during a wide-ranging interview with *POLITICO* at a local farmers market and food hall here. "Dick Lugar, when he was in the Senate, Dan Coats right now in the Senate, have all had to juggle representing Indiana while also having a presence in Washington, D.C. There's no difference." Bayh owns two homes in Washington: one in the Spring Valley neighborhood, assessed at \$2.4 million, and another in Georgetown that he purchased last year for \$2.9 million, according to property records. The former senator and Indiana governor also owns a condo in Key Biscayne, Florida. His home in Indianapolis is a one-bedroom condo that is assessed at \$59,000. "I think you can follow me around here, people know me, they know my service," Bayh said. "I was representing my state when my opponent was in high school. I mean, I know our state. I love our state. Five generations. I don't think that's going to be a compelling issue." When asked how much of his time he spends in Indiana compared to Washington, Bayh responded "a lot" and declined to quantify, adding: "I can't reduce it to a number." "The important thing is, I mean, you can follow me around and listen. People know I know them," Bayh said in the interview here Thursday. "They know I know their concerns. They know I've represented our state for 22 years. I've never stopped being a Hoosier."

PENCE FILES FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE: Republican Vice Presidential candidate and Indiana Gov. Mike Pence has released his personal financial information for the world to see. He filed the federal form Thursday night (Mellilo, *WISH-TV*). That personal financial disclosure form shows Governor Pence's salary as Indiana's Governor is really his only source of income, he has no other income coming in. Pence filed the form required under federal law and is expected to release more tax information in the upcoming weeks. The disclosure lists Pences' salary at \$173,000 that he earns from his job as Indiana's Governor. It also shows the earnings from Karen Pence's two small businesses. One is a towel charm business and

another as a self-employed artist each bring in less than \$1,000 per year. Pence also lists seven student loans totaling at least \$95,000. The Pences have three children. In a statement released with the Financial disclosure Pence said, "Our family has been honored to serve our state and nation. Like many American families, we have been fortunate and blessed to raise three wonderful children and put them through college while doing work that we love."

\$1M HAUL FOR TRUMP IN EVANSVILLE: Donald Trump's visit to Evansville on Monday went off without a hitch, according to the organizer (Ethridge, *Evansville Courier & Press*). Steve Chancellor said that 140 guests attended the fundraiser at his West Side home, spending time with Trump, running mate and Indiana Gov. Mike Pence, and former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani. While Chancellor could not confirm a report that the event raised \$1.5 million for various national and state Republican campaigns, he did say the total was "north of a million." Patrons paid a minimum of \$10,000 per couple. "I followed up afterward with a number of guests, and everyone was impressed with Mr. Trump," Chancellor said in a telephone interview. "I heard almost the same quote from everyone, that if we see and hear every day until the election what we saw and heard on Monday night, he will be the next president." Chancellor said the night's events went smoothly from start to finish, praising the organization of the Secret Service, local law enforcement and the campaign teams.

TRUMP EXPRESSES 'REGRET': Donald Trump on Thursday shelved his guiding mantra -- never back down, never apologize -- and did what he has refused to do in public in more than a year of campaigning (CNN). He expressed regret. Trump, reading from prepared remarks Thursday night, acknowledged that he sometimes says "the wrong thing" in an astonishing act of contrition that signaled Trump's willingness to break from his characteristic brashness and bare-knuckles style that carried him to victory in the Republican primaries, but risks dooming him in the general election. "Sometimes, in the heat of debate and speaking on a multitude of issues, you don't choose the right words or you say the wrong thing. I have done that. And believe it or not, I regret it. And I do regret it, particularly where it may have caused personal pain. Too much is at stake for us to be consumed with these issues," Trump told supporters here. He added: "But one thing I can promise you is this: I will always tell you the truth." The real estate mogul did not say which of his numerous controversial statements he regretted, but his remarks came on the heels of recent controversies that ranged from feuding with the parents of a slain Muslim-American soldier to suggesting "Second Amendment people" could act to stop Hillary Clinton from appointing a liberal Supreme Court.

TRUMP SAYS 'I'LL NEVER LIE TO YOU': Donald Trump painted himself as the candidate of honesty Thursday night, slamming Hillary Clinton as "one of the greatest liars of all time" (*Politico*). "In this journey, I will never lie to you. I will never tell you something I do not believe," Trump said, reading his prepared remarks from a teleprompter at a rally in Charlotte, North Carolina, a state where he's been steadily slipping in the polls. The Republican nominee went on to draw a contrast between himself and Clinton and President Barack Obama, whom he says have betrayed the American people with their lies. "While sometimes I can be too honest, Hillary Clinton is the exact opposite: She never tells the truth. One lie after another, and getting worse each passing day," the New York mogul said. "Aren't you tired of the same old lies and the same old broken promises? And Hillary Clinton has proven to be one of the greatest liars of all time."

ADVERTISING FOR PRESIDENTIAL RACE DOWN 60%: Spending on political advertising during the U.S. presidential election has dropped 60 percent from 2012, a troubling sign for local TV broadcasters around the country that were counting on a windfall (*Bloomberg News*). Since late April, when Donald Trump effectively secured the Republican nomination, \$146 million has been spent in the presidential race by all sponsors, compared with \$373 million over the same period in 2012, according to an analysis by Ken Goldstein, a Bloomberg Politics polling and advertising analyst. Spending is down in part because Trump's campaign has relied instead on getting his message across in a steady stream of media interviews and tweets. There also hasn't been as much spending by Republican outside groups, such as political action committees, as there was in 2012, Goldstein said. On the Democratic side, the primary season went longer this year than four years ago as Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders battled into early summer. "It delayed the start of general election advertising in battleground states where the real money is," said Goldstein, who is also a politics professor at University of San Francisco.

CLARK COUNTY SEEKS NEW FUNDING FOR NEEDLE EXCHANGE - Health officials in Clark County are taking a different path toward a yearlong plan for a county needle exchange (Rickert, *News & Tribune*). Clark County health officer Dr. Kevin Burke said the county has recently stopped attempts to work with the AIDS Healthcare Foundation as a funding source for the program. Burke said a condition of the AIDS Health Foundation being on board was to be part of a discount pharmaceuticals program, and the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) had not wanted to go that route, because it could open doors for other organizations to want the same thing, Burke said. Clark County is in the process of resubmitting the application to the ISDH, with the intention to work with two new entities - one of which is the Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis, Inc. Burke said they will likely have to use volunteers to work the exchange and use the funding for supplies. Until the program gets fully implemented, which will require not only funding, but also acceptance by the state health department, Burke said some people have been visiting other areas for clean needles, but that can't account for everyone.

MCCORMICK CAMP RESPONDS TO DONOR'S TIES TO BENNETT: On Aug. 16 the Indiana State Teachers Association published a blog post saying 90 percent of state superintendent candidate Jennifer McCormick's recent campaign funding has come from donors who also supported former State Superintendent Tony Bennett (Fittes, *Muncie Star Press*). The next day, The Star Press gave McCormick - the current superintendent for Yorktown Community Schools - a chance to respond. Her campaign declined to have her interviewed. Instead, campaign spokesperson Tim Phelps emailed this statement: "Dr. McCormick is grateful for the support that her campaign has received from Hoosiers, including grassroots volunteers and educational stakeholders. Donors agree that Indiana deserves a Department of Education that engages all stakeholders in striving to make the best schools possible for our students, teachers and families. It is unfortunate that the focus has been placed on donors. Once again, a show of putting politics before students. This needs to stop." The Star Press was able to confirm most of the ISTA's research, after reviewing each donor's history on the Indiana Secretary of State website.

HPI DAILY ANALYSIS: The video and still photo of five-year-old Omran of Aleppo absolutely breaks my heart. After five years of the most sinister civil war imaginable in which 500,000 people have been killed and millions more displaced and likened to "terrorists" the question today is why has the civilized world abandoned the children of Syria? I have a question for President Obama, Gov. Pence and our Congressional delegation: What would Jesus do? - *Brian A. Howey*



Campaigns

GEORGE W. BUSH TO STOP IN INDY IN SUPPORT OF YOUNG: Former President George W. Bush will stop in Indianapolis during a fundraising trip to the state next month for Republican U.S. Senate candidate Todd Young (*Associated Press*). The Young campaign says the Indianapolis reception will be Sept. 12, the same day Bush attends another Young fundraising event in Elkhart. Young is trying to close a large campaign money advantage held by Democratic candidate Evan Bayh. The former Indiana governor and U.S. senator entered the election race in July with nearly \$9.5 million in his campaign account, while Young's campaign had about \$1.2 million at the end of June.

GREGG RESPONDS TO HOLCOMB AD: Short on money, ideas and time, today Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb and his Washington DC allies launched yet another false attack on John Gregg, according to the Gregg campaign (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The 30-second ad, which does not provide a single citation or source for any of the accusations, is running statewide. "Eric Holcomb has run for three different statewide offices in the last six months so you'd think he would be able to come up with a single idea, a policy proposal or something to indicate just how he would lead the state forward rather than relying on these stale and desperate attacks," said Tim Henderson, Gregg for Governor campaign manager. "Sadly, he can't because Eric Holcomb brings nothing new to the table. He's just a taller version of Mike Pence and will continue the same failed economic policies that have left so many middle class Hoosier families behind." Charge: "...did side work for scandal-ridden Enron.... Fact: John Gregg did zoning work to construct a power plant. "I had represented a company in Knox County that had built a power plant. An attorney doing legal work out of Louisville had called and asked me if I'd help him do some of the zoning. I do a lot of zoning work; it's a large percentage of my income from the Vincennes law office. The company would pay me but I worked with their independent attorney, who was a great guy to work with. I didn't think anything of it. I did stuff for them off and on for a year and a half, on their power plant and related issues. The company—well, you'd recognize the name, it was known as Enron—sadly went in the tank."

HOLCOMB PICKS UP 2ND \$50K FROM DONOR: Republican gubernatorial nominee Eric Holcomb has received a second \$50,000 donation from Ralph Amos of Alexandria (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The large donation was posted on the Indiana Secretary of State website and raises Holcomb's haul to \$175,000 since Aug. 3.

WALORSKI RALLY TO OPEN CAMPAIGN OFFICE IN MISHAWAKA: U.S. Rep. Jackie Walorski, R-Jimtown, will hold a rally Saturday morning to celebrate the opening of her campaign headquarters at 719 W. McKinley Ave. in Mishawaka (*South Bend Tribune*). Three Republican candidates for statewide office - Eric Holcomb, running for governor; Todd Young, running for U.S. Senate, and Curtis Hill, running for attorney general - will join Walorski at the event, which is scheduled for 10:45 a.m.



Presidential 2016

PENCE URGES VIGILANCE FROM VOTERS: Mike Pence urged vigilance to protect the integrity of the voting process, adding his voice Thursday to Donald Trump's warnings that the election might be "rigged" (*Politico*). "There's a huge issue right now with voting machines," a questioner asked at Pence's town hall here. "Even if we get out and we vote, and the voting machines are rigged, as we know that they can be hacked, what's to prevent that? What can you guys do?" "Great question," Pence responded, quickly pivoting to touting Indiana's voter identification law. "You need a picture ID to cash a check at a grocery store; there's nothing wrong with asking people to have a picture ID to exercise the blood-bought franchise of voting in this country." Pence told audience members they can help prevent voter fraud by participating in election-watching on Election Day. "It's wonderful you're here, it's wonderful that you're active and you're passionate," Pence said. "I really encourage you ... go get involved in your precinct because — we call them inspectors in Indiana, there are poll watchers in Indiana — the truth of the matter is that the integrity of the 'one person, one vote' is at the core of democracy, and that happens one precinct at a time. And the truth of that matter is you are the greatest vanguard for integrity in voting in New Hampshire."

TRUMP PLACES ADS IN 4 STATES: Donald Trump's campaign began placing its first television advertising of the general election on Thursday: more than \$3.5 million in broadcast ads in four traditional battleground states where Trump currently trails Hillary Clinton. The ads are set to begin Friday in Florida, North Carolina, Ohio and Pennsylvania, and run through August 29. The full extent of the advertising is still unclear, but as of Thursday afternoon, Trump was set to spend \$1.3 million in Florida, \$775,000 in North Carolina, \$675,000 in Ohio and \$790,000 in Pennsylvania. That does not include cable-TV advertising, which was not yet available. Trump's campaign told *POLITICO* earlier this week the GOP presidential nominee would begin advertising in five states: the four where it began placing Thursday morning, but also Virginia.

4% CLINTON LEAD IN PEW POLL: Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton has a narrow nationwide lead against her Republican rival, Donald Trump, in a four-way match-up that includes third-party candidates, according to a new poll released Thursday (CNN). The Pew Research Center survey finds that if the election were held today, 41% of those surveyed would support Clinton, 37% would support Trump, 10% would back Libertarian candidate Gary Johnson and 4% would back Green Party candidate Jill Stein. Additionally, women surveyed back Clinton over Trump 49% to 30%, respectively, while men support Trump 45% to 33%.

TRUMP SUPPORT AMONG WHITE MALES WEAKENS: Donald J. Trump's support among white men, the linchpin of his presidential campaign, is showing surprising signs of weakness that could foreclose his only remaining path to victory in November (*New York Times*). If not reversed, the trend could materialize into one of the most unanticipated developments of the 2016 presidential campaign: That Hillary Clinton, the first woman at the head of a major party ticket and a divisive figure unpopular with many men, ends up narrowing the gender gap that has been a constant of American presidential elections for decades. Surveys of voters nationwide and in battleground states conducted over the last two weeks showed that Mr. Trump was even with or below where Mitt Romney, the Republican Party nominee four years ago, was with white men when he won that demographic by an overwhelming 27 percentage points. Two national polls conducted this month have Mrs. Clinton catching up to Mr. Trump among men over all. An NBC News/Wall Street Journal poll shows Mrs. Clinton with 43 percent support among men to his 42 percent. A Bloomberg Politics survey put Mr. Trump with a low-single-digit lead among men, according to the pollster who conducted the survey, Ann Selzer.

TRUMP EYES CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS: Donald Trump says he'll "take a very serious look" at Congressional term limits if he's elected to the White House (*Associated Press*). Trump was addressing local law enforcement officers in North Carolina Thursday when he was asked about the benefits, pensions and term limits of members of Congress. The questioner said he wanted to "get these bums out." Trump responded by saying the man was not the first person to voice those complaints. He said, "We're going to take a very serious look" at term limits. Changing term limits would require a Constitutional amendment.

TIGHT RACE IN NEVADA: Hillary Clinton holds a slim two-point advantage over Donald Trump in the battleground state of Nevada, according to the results of the latest Suffolk University poll of likely voters released Thursday (*Politico*). The competitive Senate race to replace retiring Minority Leader Harry Reid is all tied up. Clinton earned 44 percent support in a three-way race, while Trump took 42 percent, with 5 percent preferring Libertarian nominee Gary Johnson, a combined 2 percent selecting Independent American Party candidate Darrell Castle and unaffiliated candidate Rocky De La Fuente. 3 percent chose the Nevada-specific "none of these" ballot option, and 5 percent were undecided.

TRUMP SPOKESWOMAN DIAGNOSES CLINTON AILMENT: The Trump campaign's concerted effort to pump up questions about Hillary Clinton's health using innuendo and unfounded speculation now includes an official diagnosis: dysphasia (*Washington Post*). A spokeswoman alleged Thursday that Clinton suffers from the language disorder, with which she has never been diagnosed. Katrina Pierson, whose command of the facts has been seriously called into question in recent weeks, appeared on MSNBC to answer questions about why the Trump campaign is going down this road, even as Clinton's

doctors say she's healthy and that the conspiracy theories are bogus. Pierson argued: "What's new are the other reports of the observations of Hillary Clinton's behavior and mannerisms, specifically with what you just showed in those previous clips, as well as her dysphasia, the fact that she's fallen, she has had a concussion." "It's something that needs to be addressed," Pierson continued. "She's taken a lot of time off the campaign trail."

TRUMP TO TOUR FLOODS IN LOUISIANA: Donald Trump plans to tour the flooded areas in Louisiana on Friday. Details for the trip are still being worked out, but he and running mate Mike Pence are expected to view some of the damaged areas around midday (*CBS News*). However, a spokesman for Louisiana's governor said his office had not been contacted by the Trump campaign. Richard Carbo, spokesman for Gov. John Bel Edwards, said Trump was welcome to Louisiana, "but not for a photo-op." Instead, Carbo proposed Trump "consider volunteering or making a sizable donation to the LA Flood Relief Fund to help the victims of this storm."

CLINTON FOUNDATION DENIES HACK: The Clinton Family Foundation has neither confirmed nor denied a Reuters report Wednesday that it hired the security firm FireEye to examine its data systems following suspicions of a possible cyber breach, a Clinton Foundation official told *CBS News*, but the official did say that the foundation's systems did not appear to have been hacked (*CBS News*). "We have no evidence Clinton Foundation systems were breached and have not been notified by law enforcement of an issue," the official said. But he added that it's prudent for any organization to take protective measures.

MANAFORT LOBBIED FOR UKRAINE: A firm run by Donald Trump's campaign chairman directly orchestrated a covert Washington lobbying operation on behalf of Ukraine's then-ruling political party, attempting to sway American public opinion in favor of the country's pro-Russian government, emails obtained by The Associated Press show. Paul Manafort and his deputy, Rick Gates, never disclosed their work as foreign agents as required under federal law (*Associated Press*). The lobbying included attempts to gain positive press coverage of Ukrainian officials in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal and The Associated Press. Another goal: undercutting American public sympathy for the imprisoned rival of Ukraine's then-president. At the time, European and American leaders were pressuring Ukraine to free her. Gates personally directed the work of two prominent Washington lobbying firms in the matter, the emails show. He worked for Manafort's political consulting firm at the time. Manafort's and Gates' activities carry outsized importance, since they have steered Trump's campaign since April. The pair also played a formative role building out Trump's campaign operation after pushing out an early rival. Trump shook up his campaign's organization again this week, but Manafort and Gates retain their titles and much of their influence. The new disclosures about their work come as Trump faces criticism for his friendly overtures to Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Congress

DONNELLY WORKS WITH UPS DRIVER THIS MORNING: U.S. Senator Joe Donnelly (D-IN) will work alongside a UPS driver in Indianapolis for his latest "Donnelly Day" (*Howey Politics Indiana*).

Donnelly will make deliveries with a UPS driver to businesses in downtown Indianapolis, after addressing UPS drivers and employees, a press release stated. Launched in August 2014, "Donnelly Days" are an ongoing series of events, where the Senator works alongside Hoosiers in a variety of jobs and professions in communities across Indiana to gain a greater understanding of the issues most important to Hoosier workers.

DONNELLY IN ANDERSON ON MONDAY: U.S. Senator Joe Donnelly (D-IN), other leaders from the federal, state, and local governments, and community leaders from across Madison County will join together Monday afternoon to highlight the recent announcement of a federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery Grant (TIGER) from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to replace the Eisenhower Bridge in Downtown Anderson (*Howey Politics Indiana*). A media advisory stated the bridge serves as the eastern gateway to downtown Anderson and is a critical component of the economic infrastructure of Madison County.

COATS TO SPEAK IN FORT WAYNE ON MONDAY: U.S. Senator Dan Coats (R-IN) will speak at the Indiana Forum on Monday in Fort Wayne, a media advisory stated (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The day-long forum will connect local industries with federal officials and international diplomats, with a focus on vehicles and manufacturing, medical devices, agriculture and food production, aerospace and defense contracting, faith, education and local government. The all-day event is slated for the Grand Wayne Center.

General Assembly

STATE NOT LIKELY TO FOLLOW ILLINOIS LOCKBOX: Indiana appears unlikely to copy Illinois' pending plan to dedicate all tax and fee revenue collected in connection with transportation to spending on roads, mass transit and related infrastructure projects (Carden, *NWI Times*). Illinois voters will decide in November whether to ratify or reject a state constitutional amendment, approved earlier this year by the Democratic-controlled General Assembly, that prohibits transportation taxes from being used for anything other than transportation investments. Supporters of the Illinois Transportation Funds Amendment claim it will put a lockbox on transportation revenues of which they claim \$6.8 billion has been diverted since 2003 for other state spending. On Thursday, a Hoosier panel studying Indiana's long-term road funding needs was decidedly not impressed when representatives from the Indiana Association of Counties and the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns suggested the state adopt Illinois' lockbox plan — though not necessarily through a constitutional amendment. "We're talking about hundreds of millions of dollars that currently go to schools and other items," said Chris Atkins, former director of the Indiana Office of Management and Budget and a member of the Funding Indiana's Roads for a Stronger Safer Tomorrow Task Force.

LEGALIZED VIDEO HEARINGS SET: The issue of whether Indiana should legalize video gaming machines is rearing its head again (Kelly, *Fort Wayne Journal Gazette*). A coalition is holding meetings around the state on the topic - the first one being Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Fort Wayne at VFW Post 857, 2202 W. Main St. The meeting will provide information on a proposed bill to legalize video gaming in

Indiana that will be presented in the upcoming legislative session. In neighboring states similar laws have generated nearly \$550 million for small business owners within a few years, a news release said. Video gaming terminals are electronic video gaming machines that simulate a gambling game such as poker, line up and black jack. The machines use a video display and award winning patrons with free games or credits that may be redeemed for cash. If legalized, VGTs can be placed in bars, truck stops, taverns and any additional licensed location. Legislators had a hearing on a bill in 2015 but no vote was taken. There was a crackdown on these types of illegal machines in 2007. Future meetings will be held September 14 in Evansville and October 12 in Merrillville.



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GOVERNOR: UK-BASED AUTO SUPPLIER ADDS JOBS IN SALEM - GKN Sinter Metals, an advanced manufacturer of precision powder metal products for the automotive industry, announced plans today to expand its operations in Indiana, creating up to 24 new jobs by 2020 (*Howey Politics Indiana*). According to a new release from the governor's office, the company, which is a subsidiary of United Kingdom-based GKN America Corp., will invest more than \$6.9 million to update equipment and renovate its current 220,000-square-foot facility in Salem. The Indiana Economic Development Corporation offered GKN Sinter Metals LLC up to \$100,000 in conditional tax credits and up to \$50,000 in training grants based on the company's job creation plans. These incentives are performance-based, meaning until Hoosiers are hired, the company is not eligible to claim incentives. The city of Salem approved additional incentives at the request of the Washington County Economic Growth Partnership. The Regional Impact Fund administered by Radius Indiana also provided support for the expansion.

JUSTICE: CHIEF JUSTICE RUSH CITES 3 FEMALE INSPIRATIONS - The first female chief justice of the Indiana Supreme Court says her success is a product of the courage and sacrifices of women who have gone before her (Powell, *Terre Haute Tribune-Star*). In a speech on Thursday in Terre Haute, Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Loretta Rush gave credit to courageous women in Hoosier history who paved the way for more equality, and she emphasized the need for more women today to participate in the political process. During her 15-minute address, Rush shared with an attentive audience the stories of three relatively unknown, but trailblazing Hoosier women who used the court system to challenge inequality and injustice. One was Polly Strong, a literate slave who received her freedom after demanding it at court, using the 1816 Indiana Constitution's prohibition against slavery. "It was incredible to me as I sit on the bench of the Indiana Supreme Court that the court that many years ago came to what they called the 'irresistible conclusion' that because a slave girl could read the Indiana constitution and then had the audacity to claim the freedoms it provided, that it was a case that set that precedent," Rush said. "It reminds us that even when the law is on our side ... we must assert those rights that the law bestows," she added. Rush explained the contributions of two other 19th century women: Antoinette

Dakin Leach, a lawyer and the first woman to challenge an Indiana bar admission denial based on gender; and Helen Gougar, a suffragist who argued for her right to vote all the way to the Indiana Supreme Court.

RFRA: ACLU, MUSLIM SUE BOONE COUNTY JAIL, CITE RFRA - The ACLU of Indiana is suing the Boone County jail on behalf of a Muslim inmate, alleging the jail refuses to serve him meals that conform with his faith (Costello, *Indiana Public Media*). Gannon Thomas is a practicing Muslim and follows a Halal diet. Pork is not allowed and other meats must be slaughtered in a specific way. In a federal complaint, Thomas says the jail frequently serves him pork and other non-Halal meals despite his request for a special diet. The ACLU filed the complaint on Thomas' behalf, saying the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, or RFRA, specifies a government agency cannot "burden a person's religious exercise." The ACLU says as a government agency, it is unlawful for the Boone County Jail to refuse Halal meals to an inmate.

DEVELOPMENT: GM EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE \$90M INVESTMENT - General Motors is making a major investment that will keep hundreds of Hoosiers employed (Segall, *WTHR-TV*). Marion Mayor Jess Alumbaugh tells Eyewitness News GM is making a \$90 million investment to purchase new equipment for its stamping plant in the city. The equipment will help the 60-year-old facility stay competitive and retain full-time jobs for more than 1,400 workers. The plant is the city's largest employer, providing products for cars, vans, trucks and SUVs to GM assembly plants across the U.S. An official announcement is expected next week.

DEVELOPMENT: CONVENTION CENTER LAUNCHES FEASIBILITY STUDY - Visit Indy, the city's tourism arm, has commissioned a feasibility study on whether to expand the Indiana Convention Center for the second time since 2011, tourism officials confirmed this week (Eason, *IndyStar*). It also will examine the need for additional Downtown hotel space after a nearly decade-long trend of rising occupancy, which has fueled the belief that there may be pent-up demand for hotel capacity in Indianapolis. The last such study, completed in 2004, resulted in a \$275 million expansion of the center, as well as the development of the 1,000-room JW Marriott hotel. In an interview with *IndyStar*, Leonard Hoops, the president and CEO of Visit Indy, said the study was commissioned in response to a series of stakeholder interviews during the tourism agency's annual master planning process. Consistently, he said, two issues "clearly had the strongest interest from customers and stakeholders... the potential hotel room growth, as well as the convention center expansion or modification."

DEVELOPMENT: CUMMINS TO RECEIVE \$20M IN 'SUPER TRUCK' FUNDS - Columbus-based Cummins Inc. will receive \$20 million in federal grant funding as part of a national initiative to develop more fuel-efficient vehicles (Orr, *IBJ*). The U.S. Department of Energy initiative, called SuperTruck II, aims to more than double the freight efficiency of Class 8 trucks, commonly known as 18-wheelers. Cummins is one of four manufacturers that will each receive a \$20 million federal grant, to be matched dollar-for-dollar by each recipient. For its part, Cummins will design and develop a new, more efficient engine and advanced drivetrain and vehicle technologies. SuperTruck II is a follow-up to SuperTruck, which launched in 2010. The U.S. Department of Energy says SuperTruck activities have led to more than 20 fuel-saving technologies entering the commercial market.

HOUSING: BUILDERS SEE 9TH MONTH OF RISING SALES - Demand for new homes continued to rise locally last month, according to figures reported Wednesday by the Builders Association of Greater Indianapolis (*IBI*). Home builders filed 457 single-family construction permits in the nine-county area during the month, a 5 percent increase over the 437 they filed in July 2015, BAGI said. So far, filings are 12 percent ahead of last year's pace, with 3,459 in the first seven months of the year, compared with 3,076 during the same seven months of 2015. Area filings have risen on a year-over-year basis for the past nine months.

EDUCATION: MARIAN, BUTLER HIT RECORD FRESHMAN NUMBERS - Two Indianapolis-based universities are reporting record numbers as the 2016-2017 academic year kicks off (Brown, *Inside Indiana Business*). Marian University says it will have the highest total enrollment and the largest freshman class in history, while Butler University is also welcoming its largest freshman class. Marian says it will have 383 first-time, full-time freshmen this year, which is a 26 percent increase over last year and a 19 percent increase over the previous record set in 2008. The university says the total enrollment numbers were bolstered by three new Bachelor of Science degree programs. Butler University says its new record first-year class consists of 1,272 students, 13.5 percent of which are multicultural and 2.4 percent of which are international. The university says applications rose 30.2 percent compared to last year, with nearly 13,000 prospective students applying.

STATEHOUSE: SHROCK LEAVES DEMOCRATIC SENATE POST - In an email issued early yesterday, Elise Shrock announced she is leaving her post as deputy chief of staff and communications director for Indiana Senate Democrats (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The emails stated media may contact press secretaries Sean Mobley and Brent Stinson with any inquiries or interview requests. Shrock will be working with Tamm Capital Group and the Indiana Restaurant and Lodging Association.



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WHITE HOUSE: GOP FUMES OVER \$400M IRAN PAYMENT - The Obama administration is facing a storm of Republican criticism after acknowledging that a \$400 million cash payment to Iran seven months ago was contingent on the release of a group of American prisoners (*Associated Press*). Thursday's explanation was the first time the U.S. had so clearly linked the two events, which critics have painted as a hostage-ransom arrangement. Repeating past administration statements, State Department spokesman John Kirby said the negotiations to return the Iranian money from a 1970s account to buy U.S. military equipment were conducted separately from talks to free four U.S. citizens in Iran. But unlike with past

descriptions, he said the U.S. withheld the delivery of the cash as leverage until Iran permitted the Americans to leave the country. "We had concerns that Iran may renege on the prisoner release," Kirby said, citing delays and mutual mistrust between countries that severed diplomatic relations 36 years ago. As a result, he explained, the U.S. "of course sought to retain maximum leverage until after the American citizens were released. That was our top priority." Kirby said "it would have been foolish, imprudent, irresponsible" for the administration to have acted otherwise.

JUSTICE: FEDS TO STOP USING PRIVATE PRISONS - The Justice Department plans to end its use of private prisons after officials concluded the facilities are both less safe and less effective at providing correctional services than those run by the government (*Politico*). Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates announced the decision on Thursday in a memo that instructs officials to either decline to renew the contracts for private prison operators when they expire or "substantially reduce" the contracts' scope. The goal, Yates wrote, is "reducing — and ultimately ending — our use of privately operated prisons." "They simply do not provide the same level of correctional services, programs, and resources; they do not save substantially on costs; and as noted in a recent report by the Department's Office of Inspector General, they do not maintain the same level of safety and security," Yates wrote.

MEDIA: TWITTER SUSPENDS 235K TERROR ACCOUNTS - Twitter has suspended 235,000 terror-linked accounts over the past six months, according to a new report from the social media giant (*CBS News*). The announcement comes after the White House has mounted the pressure on Silicon Valley companies -- including sending out intelligence chiefs to personally lobby California tech firms -- to censor extremists from groups like the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS). Earlier this year, Twitter revealed the suspension of 125,000 accounts related to terrorism since the middle of last year, bringing up the total number of deactivated accounts to 360,000 since mid-2015. "Since that announcement, the world has witnessed a further wave of deadly, abhorrent terror attacks across the globe," Twitter wrote in a blog post Thursday.

ILLINOIS: 7 CHICAGO COPS TO BE FIRED - Chicago police officials have recommended firing seven officers for lying about the shooting death of Laquan McDonald, a black teenager whose 2014 killing helped spark intense protests and a federal investigation of the department (*Washington Post*). The decision comes after the city's inspector general delivered a report this week on the shooting that called for the officers to be fired. After receiving this report, police officials and outside attorneys reviewed it and agreed to recommend firing seven officers, Anthony Guglielmi, a police spokesman, said Thursday morning. The issue now goes to the Chicago Police Board, which will make a decision in the case.

FLORIDA: ZIKA CLUSTER AT MIAMI BEACH - A cluster of Zika cases most likely transmitted by local mosquitoes has been identified in Miami Beach, and federal and state officials are considering whether to advise pregnant women to avoid traveling to the city and possibly even all of Miami-Dade County, a health official said Thursday (*New York Times*). Such a decision would signal that the potential threat of local Zika transmission had catapulted to a new level. It would no longer be confined to one zone of active local transmission in Miami — the only one identified in the continental United States up to now. A broad travel advisory could threaten tourism in South Florida and deepen fears among pregnant women living in the area.

CALIFORNIA: RECREATIONAL POT PROPOSITION LIKELY TO PASS - One of the most far-reaching California ballot measures is Proposition 64, which would legalize marijuana for adult recreational use (*Los Angeles Times*). No disrespect to Colorado or Washington or Alaska, but California's pot business would totally dwarf those already legal markets. Colorado, for instance, collected more than \$135 million in pot-related revenues last year. California could collect up to \$1 billion annually within a few years of legalization. And if California votes to legalize, other states will follow. That will bring new pressure on the Drug Enforcement Agency to alter its preposterous classification of marijuana as a Schedule 1 drug, which means it has no known medical benefit and is considered as dangerous as heroin and LSD. On Monday, I met with strategist Jason Kinney, who helped develop the measure. "The war on marijuana is universally recognized as a failure," Kinney told me. "It ruins lives." The latest polls show that more than 60% of likely voters favor legalization. And according to government filings, pro-Prop. 64 interests have contributed \$6.5 million to passing the measure; opponents have raised \$185,870.



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CITIES: FED AID UNLIKELY FOR SOUTH BEND FLOODING - This week's once-in-a-millennium rainfall and the ensuing flood destroyed or heavily damaged dozens of homes in the area, but it may not be easy for local officials to make a case for disaster aid from the federal government (Sheckler, *South Bend Tribune*). Local and state officials have urged residents to immediately report any property damage so that the Indiana Department of Homeland Security can determine whether residents and local governments may qualify for money from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Cleanup and damage assessments were still ongoing Thursday, and Mayor Pete Buttigieg urged patience in the wake of the unprecedented rainstorm that dropped an amount of water seen just once every thousand years, according to meteorologists. "South Bend is fortunate in the sense that we got through a thousand-year rainfall event without any reports of casualties," Buttigieg said at a Thursday afternoon news conference. "The days coming ahead are where frustration is really going to set in."

CITIES: RESIDENTS CRITICIZE HUD'S E. CHICAGO RELOCATION PLAN - In a letter to the head of the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, a Chicago-based nonprofit representing a group of West Calumet residents in the ongoing lead contamination crisis alleges the federal agency and local housing authority's relocation efforts are "dysfunctional" and "a recipe for disaster" (Cross, *NWI Times*). The letter - dated Wednesday and signed by Katherine Walz, housing justice director for the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law - is addressed to HUD Secretary Julian Castro and East Chicago Housing Authority's Executive Director Tia Cauley. Walz is a member of a legal team representing

some West Calumet residents. "While it appears to have taken years to properly inform residents of the toxic contamination of their community, residents now report a rushed and confusing process for receiving Housing Choice 'Section 8' vouchers and relocating," Walz states in the letter. The city is working with HUD to provide housing vouchers to relocate more than 1,000 residents and possibly demolish the decades-old public housing complex. Briefing meetings between residents, HUD and ECHA are underway.

CITIES: GREENFIELD PLANS INDUSTRIAL BUILDING - Greenfield officials plan to construct a \$2.5 million industrial building, citing a lack of local vacant manufacturing space, in hopes of attracting a business looking for a home (Quinn, *Greenfield Reporter*). The shell building will be ready-made for industries that might otherwise move on after considering Greenfield but finding no place to set up shop. City officials have hired a development company to oversee the project and are eyeing nearly \$2.8 million of funding generated by taxes paid by businesses located in the tax increment financing district, to pay for land acquisition and construction. City officials will market the building during economic development conversations in hopes of recouping the investment, said city utility director Mike Fruth. Hancock Economic Development Corporation director Skip Kuker is pushing for the project, saying at least half of the companies that contact his office seek vacant manufacturing space, which is at a premium in Hancock County. The market has changed, and businesses want to move quickly when launching new operations, he said. They're looking for ready-made space they can easily move into, Kuker said.

CITIES: INDY FAITH LEADERS PUSH FOR TRANSIT REFERENDUM - For a group of Indianapolis faith leaders, better public transportation means more than adding a few new buses to an old system (Tuohy, *IndyStar*). Improved transit is a passage to possibilities for residents of low-income neighborhoods where the last thriving business closed years ago and the nearest gallon of milk is sold 2 miles away. It means access to better jobs, doctors and groceries. Those opportunities are why the ministers, priests and pastors in the Indianapolis Congregation Action Network (IndyCan) have launched a three-month campaign to pass a voter referendum to fund mass transit improvements in Marion County. The coalition insists a bus service that runs frequently and dependably will allow residents in poor neighborhoods to get to good-paying jobs they can't reach now.

CITIES: MIDDLEBURY MANAGER RESIGNS UNEXPECTEDLY - After eight years, Mark Salee has stepped down from his position as Middlebury town manager (Messick & Quiggle, *Elkhart Truth*). Salee, who had been in the position since 2008, had received unspecified criticism regularly, according to Gary O'Dell, president of the Middlebury Town Council. Salee was unavailable for comment on this story. "He'd received some criticism about the way he was handling things," O'Dell said. He said some of the criticism leveled at Salee was expected since he was a town official, but that the accumulation of the criticism may have finally urged him to resign. When asked if he was surprised that Salee had resigned, council member Chuck Teall said it was "part of a process." When pressed for details on the exact nature of the criticism that Salee had received, O'Dell reiterated that the town council had not fired Salee. Retired Town Manager Lowell Miller, whom Salee replaced in 2008, will act as interim town manager until a permanent replacement for Salee is hired.

CITIES: FORMER COUNCIL PRESIDENT SUES BUNKER HILL - The former president of the Bunker Hill Town Council has filed a lawsuit against the current town council alleging members held an illegal

meeting and requesting an ordinance be vacated that limits the number of police officers that can be on duty (Gerber, *Kokomo Tribune*). Robert Cox last week filed a lawsuit claiming the town council held its regular meeting on June 13 without giving public notice. Indiana law requires notice of a public meeting must be posted at least 48 hours before it is held. The lawsuit alleges a notice was never posted, and the council routinely violates the state's open door laws. Cox argues in the lawsuit that because the meeting was illegal, an ordinance should be overturned that was approved during the meeting that amended a previous ordinance defining the office of the town marshal. The amendment changed the existing ordinance to allow only one officer to be on duty at a time, unless otherwise approved by council.

CITIES: COLUMBUS GIVES INITIAL APPROVAL TO 1.5% RAISE - Columbus City Council has given initial approval to a 1.5 percent across-the-board raise for city employees and elected officials in 2017 (McClure, *Columbus Republic*). The vote was 5-1, with councilman Frank Miller voting no. Councilwoman Laurie Booher did not attend Tuesday night's meeting. Jamie Brinegar, the city's director of finance, explained the city has given a cost-of-living adjustment to city employees in five of the past six years. The proposed 1.5 percent increase exceeds the national consumer price index estimates of 1 percent. The raises will not be tied to performance. Before the vote, Miller told the council it was difficult to look at a cost-of-living increase for city employees and the possibility of taxpayers paying more when community residents on fixed incomes were not getting an increase.

CITIES: BLOOMINGTON TO INCREASE AFFORDABLE HOUSING - Mayor John Hamilton announced a new plan Thursday to increase affordable housing in Bloomington during the next year by focusing on areas such as inclusionary zoning, accessory dwelling units and tiny houses (Metzman, *Indiana Daily Student*). Accessory dwelling units and tiny houses are particularly exciting options for Bloomington residents, said Mary Catherine Carmichael, communications director for the office of the mayor. If amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance are passed, zoning laws will be updated to allow for up to 20 accessory dwelling units, which are smaller dwellings on the same grounds as a primary residence. These units will be limited to owner-occupied residences. The administration also proposed the construction of up to 15 tiny houses. Tiny houses, typically 80 to 400 square feet, have received national media attention in recent years, Carmichael said.

CITIES: SULLIVAN LAGOON LEAKING SEWAGE -The Indiana Department of Environmental Management is currently investigating the East Lagoon that is leaking excessive amounts of raw sewage (Andrews, *WTHI-TV*). It's not known how long it's been going on, or how much sewage has leaked. In their inspection today, state officials gave the plant an unsatisfactory rating. No one would go on camera to discuss the specifics, but some were willing to describe their work load in off-camera interviews. According to some crew members, they estimate the amount of raw sewage leakage at 8-10 million gallons, however, that number could not be confirmed. According to IDEM's inspection, the agency reported overflow continued into the second day of the inspection, and will not cease until pumps are procured by the city. IDEM's report also stated that it is clear that facility staff are not inspecting their CSO's on a regular basis, and that the permittee is clearly not reporting all dry weather discharges. Sullivan Mayor Clint Lamb told NBC 2 news that he reported the incident personally to IDEM once he was made aware.

CITIES: TOYOTA PLANS \$3M INVESTMENT IN WALESBORO PLANT - Toyota Industrial Equipment Manufacturing is planning \$3 million in improvements to its plant on Inwood Drive in the Walesboro-area industrial park (*WCSJ*). The majority of the investment, or about \$2.1 million would be to construct testing facilities in Columbus. Company officials said last night that other Toyota plants in Japan and elsewhere already have testing facilities in place, and the construction of such facilities would work toward the company goals of regional development here. The company is also planning on spending more than \$800,000 to modernize the front protector assembly line equipment. The company made a presentation to Columbus City Council as part of an application for a tax abatement on the investments. The company said the investment would let it retain 1,163 jobs and add five more new engineering positions. The council approved the request unanimously. Under a tax abatement, property taxes are phased in over a 10-year- period.

COUNTIES: ALLEN COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAS CANCER - In a somber moment before Thursday's Allen County Council meeting, Council President Roy Buskirk announced he has been fighting liver cancer – and he learned in the last two weeks that cancer has spread to his bones (*Rodriguez, Fort Wayne Journal Gazette*). Buskirk, a Republican, is in his early 70s and serves not only on the council but also on the county's redevelopment commission and the Allen County Plan Commission. In recent weeks, Buskirk has been walking with a cane, and Thursday, he presided over the council from a wheelchair. He said he plans to fight the cancer and continue to serve the county for as long as he is able.

COUNTIES: LaPORTE DEMANDS BETTER SERVICE FROM NIPSCO - LaPorte County government is again demanding NIPSCO improve service or have its rates lowered in a petition filed with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (*NWI Times*). It's another in a long string of fights waged since 2000 by the county, which has racked up a number of successes against the utility. Most recently, the county played a role in NIPSCO's request for a 11.5 percent hike in its electrical rates being reduced by the IURC in July to 6 percent in a settlement with a number of consumer groups. As part of the same case, LaPorte County managed to negotiate a \$3 million commitment from NIPSCO for electrical system upgrades at Kingsbury Industrial Park. A week later, though, a separate 1 percent increase in NIPSCO electrical rates was approved by state regulators to fund \$1.25 billion in system-wide upgrades.

Sports

MONDAY SERVICE FOR BUTLER'S CORNETTE AT HINKLE FIELDHOUSE: Butler University and the Indianapolis community will pause Monday to remember the life former Butler basketball star Joel Cornette (*Fox59*). Cornette, 35, died early Tuesday morning in Illinois. His family said he died of natural causes. A celebration of Cornette's life is scheduled for 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 22, at Hinkle Fieldhouse. Doors will open to the public at 10:30 a.m.

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HOLCOMB CAMPAIGN EXPECTS UP TO \$5M IN PENCE FUNDS: The Holcomb/Crouch campaign is expecting to recover about \$5 million of the reelection funds from Gov. Mike Pence (*Howey Politics Indiana*). An informed and reliable campaign source tells *HPI*, "It's safe to say that somewhere in the ballpark of \$5 million will come via direct transfers, in-kind or other legally permissible ways. No one really knows the full amount at this point." The knowledgeable source said that while the Pence campaign posted \$7.5 million on the June 30 mid-year report, in reality the campaign was never prepared to turn that much over to the new gubernatorial nominee who became Lt. Gov. Eric Holcomb on July 26. At the time of the mid-year report, the source said, the Pence campaign believed the governor was likely to be nominated for vice president by Donald Trump. "Pretty much at that point, they knew they were being vetted for vice president, there were still expenditures, but the revenues stopped." The source told *HPI* that "The folks over at the Pence campaign knew about this possible scenario and they were prepared for this. They were not caught flat-footed. They knew they would have to have a plan" to transfer funds. The Holcomb source acknowledged that prior to Pence being officially nominated on July 19 at the Republican National Convention and accepting that nomination on July 20, the Pence campaign could have transferred \$5 million in funds to the Republican Governors Association, the Indiana Republican Party or Holcomb, who Pence endorsed on July 22. When Gov. Pence was nominated, the Pence funding fell under the guise of the Federal Election Commission rules. Had the Pence campaign made that transfer prior to the nomination, Holcomb could have had immediate access to the bulk of the funds. Instead, only \$1.25 million has been transferred as of Monday, that coming on July 29. The source said that the Pence campaign will refund an unspecified amount of money to the RGA, which could then infuse the Holcomb campaign with similar amount. The source also cited page 6 in an FEC advisory that said the Pence committee can refund donors "as permitted by state law." The source said that those funds come under an FEC formula. "A donation made a month ago would get a larger refund than one made four months ago." The Pence campaign has not responded to *HPI* requests for comment.

TRUMP UNVEILS ECONOMIC PLAN: Donald J. Trump sought to move beyond a week of turmoil on Monday, turning his attention to the economy with a major policy address in which he cast himself as a president who could bring new jobs and prosperity and warning that his rival, Hillary Clinton, would be a steward of stagnation (*New York Times*). Mr. Trump, who has argued that his background as a real estate developer qualifies him to steer the world's largest economy, highlighted how his economic vision differs from that of Mrs. Clinton, warning that she would merely continue the policies of the Obama administration. In Mr. Trump's estimation, those have failed. Mr. Trump chose Detroit as his backdrop to unveil plans to overhaul the tax code, rethink America's energy policy and tear up trade agreements. He reiterated a call to put America first. "It will be American hands that rebuild this country," he said in his address at the Detroit Economic Club. "It will be American workers who are hired to do the job." Calling Mrs. Clinton "the candidate of the past," Mr. Trump said, "Ours is the campaign of the future." In the address, interrupted several times by protesters, Mr. Trump called for "a conversation about how to make America great again for everyone, and especially those who have the very least." But the economic agenda Mr. Trump described included many traditionally Republican policies that offer little to no direct benefit to working-class Americans, while giving a considerable financial boost to the wealthiest. For example, Mr. Trump called for ending what Republicans label the "death tax." He did not mention that the estate tax currently exempts the first \$5.45 million for an individual and \$10.9 million for a married couple — meaning that only the very wealthy pay even a dime.

TRUMP/PENCE FUNDRAISER SET FOR EVANSVILLE: The Republican presidential ticket of Donald Trump and his running mate, Indiana Gov. Mike Pence, will attend a fundraiser Aug. 15 at the home of businessman Steve Chancellor on Henze Road in Evansville (Martin, *Evansville Courier & Press*). Plans for the event materialized quickly, according to Wayne Parke, Vanderburgh County Republican Party chairman. He said he has been told of no public appearances during the visit by either Trump or Pence. "This is being driven by the Trump/Pence campaign and by Chancellor's office," Parke said. "(The local GOP) is informed, but we're not in the driver's seat." The minimum donation for a couple to attend is \$10,000, according to the invitation. For photo opportunities and access to the VIPs, donations can go to \$25,000, \$100,000 and \$250,000. In addition to Trump and Pence, special guests are listed as Sen. Dan Coats and his wife, GOP National Committeewoman Marsha Coats; Rep. Todd Young, who is the Republican candidate to replace Dan Coats in the Senate; Rep. Larry Bucshon; Rep. Marlin Stutzman; Lt. Gov. Eric Holcomb, the Republican candidate for governor and his lieutenant governor running mate Suzanne Crouch; and Rep. Brett Guthrie of Kentucky.

SECRET SERVICE PUTS PENCE SCHEDULE UNDER WRAPS: Under a new U.S. Secret Service policy, reporters are not allowed to publicize Gov. Mike Pence's official schedule in advance (Kelly, *Fort Wayne Journal Gazette*). For instance, a story can't say "Tomorrow morning Gov. Mike Pence will be petting cows at the Indiana State Fair." Up until this week, Gov. Mike Pence's official events have always been made public at least a day beforehand. His office has regularly released his schedule to reporters and posted the advisory on his website - often leading to tweets telling Hoosiers about his upcoming whereabouts - whether it be ribbon-cuttings, speeches or other appearances. But that changed last week when a schedule for the Republican vice presidential nominee was sent to reporters saying "MEDIA LOGISTICS BELOW ARE FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY, NOT FOR REPORTING." They are also no longer posted online. Reporters are allowed to tweet, write and air the events as they happen.

DESPERATE RNC MOVE TO DUMP TRUMP: Desperate conservatives have circulated a petition calling for the Republican National Committee to host a special meeting where Donald Trump could be replaced as the party's presidential nominee (*Associated Press*). Organizers — some of the same Republicans who tried to prevent Trump from winning the GOP nomination — acknowledge the effort is a long shot at best. But fearing an Election Day disaster, they have appealed to RNC members across the nation in recent days to intervene. "Desperate times call for desperate measures," Regina Thomson, executive director of a political action committee known as the GOP Accountability Project, wrote in an e-mail distributed to RNC members over the weekend and obtained by The Associated Press. "Donald J. Trump is a disaster," Thomson wrote, attaching a copy of the petition in the message. "His post-convention behavior has been deplorable." Indiana RNC National Committeewoman Marsha Coats has endorsed Coats and is still backing him, according to Matt Lahr, a spokesman for U.S. Sen. Dan Coats, who is a host for a Trump/Pence fundraiser in Evansville on Aug. 15 (*Howey Politics Indiana*). Committeeman John Hammond III is also a host of that fundraiser.

50 GOP NATIONAL SECURITY EXPERTS PAN TRUMP: Donald Trump's effort to appeal to establishment Republicans suffered another setback on Monday as 50 senior GOP national security officials warned in a new letter that Trump would "risk our country's national security and well-being" (*Politico*). The signatories of the letter, which was first reported by The *New York Times*, all worked in Republican administrations, with many serving as top aides to President George W. Bush. They said none

of them would be voting for Trump. "Trump lacks the character, values, and experience to be President," they wrote. "He weakens U.S. moral authority as the leader of the free world. He appears to lack basic knowledge about and belief in the U.S. Constitution, U.S. laws, and U.S. institutions, including religious tolerance, freedom of the press, and an independent judiciary." The letter signers include Michael Hayden, the former director of the CIA and the National Security Agency, two former secretaries of homeland security, and John Negroponte, who served as director of national intelligence and deputy secretary of state. None of the living Republican former secretaries of state signed the letter. Trump responded to the letter in a statement issued by his campaign, blaming the signees for the Iraq War and accusing them of profiting off their positions. "The names on this letter are the ones American people should look to for answers on why the world is a mess," Trump said in the statement. "These insiders — along with Hillary Clinton — are the owners of the disastrous decisions to invade Iraq, allow Americans to die in Benghazi, and they are the ones who allowed the rise of ISIS."

INDIANA VOTER ID LAW DIFFERENT THAN OVERTURNED ONES: Indiana's voter identification law differs from recently overturned laws in other states that legal experts say have caused disenfranchisement among minorities (*Associated Press*). The U.S. Supreme Court upheld Indiana's law in the 2008 decision in *Crawford v. Marion County Election Board*, inspiring more strict laws that federal courts have struck down, the *Bloomington Herald-Times* reported. Michael Pitts, a professor of law and a dean's fellow at Indiana University's Robert H. McKinney School of Law in Indianapolis, said the state's voter ID law provides ways to get around showing photo identification. People older than 65 can vote an absentee ballot via mail without showing identification, and there's an opportunity to sign an affidavit saying a person can't obtain an ID because of serious financial limitations or religious objections to being photographed. The same can't be said for laws that followed the 2008 decision upholding Indiana's law, experts said.

IU'S LILLY KING WINS GOLD MEDAL: Lilly King's Olympic dreams came true Monday night (Beard, *Evansville Courier & Press*). King won the gold medal in the 100-meter breaststroke at the Rio Olympics, setting an Olympic record with her time of 1:04.93. The former record was 1:05.17 set by Leisel Jones of Australia. She also beat Russian rival Yulia Efimova by more than a half second. Efimova swam 1:05.50. King's Indiana University teammate, Katie Meili, won the bronze medal in 1:05.69 to give the U.S. the top two finishers. Defending Olympic gold medalist Ruta Meilutyte of Lithuania was seventh in 1:07.32. King told NBC after the win that she had told Meili in the ready room, "In 15 minutes our lives are going to change." The two Hoosiers made good on that statement. From first dive to last, David Boudia and Steele Johnson performed as the Olympic silver medalists they became in an hour's time (*IndyStar*). It was all those other hours — not only in training, but in overcoming other struggles — that propelled the divers onto the podium. They gave Hamilton County one medal at the Rio Olympics, or one fewer than host Brazil and as many as sports heavyweights Spain and France. Boudia, 27, of Noblesville, and Johnson, 20, of Carmel, finished second Monday in synchronized 10-meter platform.

CLARK COUNTY ZIKA CASE DUE TO TRAVELER: Clark County health officials say that while a Sellersburg man that has tested positive for Zika contracted it from traveling, the county has precautions in place to help keep it from spreading (*News & Tribune*). After the case was discovered last week, the Clark County Health Department began collected batches of mosquitoes in Sellersburg to test for presence of either of the two species that can carry the virus, *aedes albopictus* and *aedes aegypti*, in the surrounding area. "We normally see either no mosquitoes that transmit Zika, or a very small number, maybe two, three, five, on a typical collection for more than 24 hours," Dr. Kevin Burke, Clark County

health officer said. "This particular (sample) we counted this weekend had 16 albopictus. So that's a little bit of a concern." But Burke cautioned the public not to panic, only to be vigilant. "I don't think people need to be panicky, or frightened because I doubt this is indicative of upcoming [transmittal]," he said. "I think this is a travel-related case but we are doing the things that put us in a position to quickly detect whether or not there are viruses in the mosquitoes."

HPI DAILY ANALYSIS: Wander Indiana Redux. I am underwhelmed by the three proposed BMV license plates. Wondering why just one design firm was contracted for the three proposed plates, as opposed to opening up to other firms. My vote? I guess it would be the plate showing the state and flag with "The Hoosier State" slogan. I think the shape of the state should be on the plate. - *Brian A. Howey*



Campaigns

LT. GOV. CANDIDATES DEBATE AG ISSUES THIS AFTERNOON: Hoosier voters have the opportunity to hear lieutenant gubernatorial candidates weigh in on the state of agriculture this afternoon (Redman, Inside Indiana Business). Republican Suzanne Crouch and Democrat Christina Hale will debate beginning at 2 p.m. at the Indiana State Fair. The candidates will face questions from a panel that includes Megan Conant, Indiana farm director, Brownfield Network; John Ketzenberger, president, Indiana Fiscal Policy Institute and Gary Truitt, president, Hoosier Ag Today. The event is hosted by AgrIIstitute. Inside INdiana Business host Gerry Dick will moderate the event.

KNOX COUNTY FLAVOR TO GOV RACE: When Knox County voters go to polls in November their choice for governor will be between a favorite son and a prodigal cousin with strong local ties. On the Democrat side is John Gregg, a longtime state representative, former Indiana House Speaker, attorney and former Vincennes University President. Gregg grew up in Sandborn in northern Knox County and still lives there (Grant, *Washington Times-Herald*). On the Republican side is Eric Holcomb, who grew up and now lives in Indianapolis, but has some powerful ties to Knox County. Both of his parents grew up in Knox County and met while attending Vincennes University. Holcomb also lived in Vincennes for several years while serving on the staff of Eighth District Congressman John Hostettler and even made an unsuccessful run for the Legislature while living there. Holcomb often refers to Vincennes as his second home. Holcomb and Gregg are not just familiar with each other after their years in Knox County politics, but the voters know them well. Even Knox County Republican Chairman Linda Painter grew up going to school and church with Gregg. "John was a year ahead of me in school," said Painter. "I just can't say

anything negative about him." "We're the home to Indiana's history and I guess this race will just add another chapter to it," said Knox County Democratic Party Chairman Sandy Stewart. "You know Eric worked in Knox County for so many years and he was so active politically, as a resident you can't help but be proud. This is great for the county to have the two candidates for governor being tied so closely to this area."

YOUNG CAMPAIGN MAKES 800K VOTER CONTACTS: The U.S. Senate campaign of Republican Todd Young has made more than 800,000 voter contacts (Howey Politics Indiana). "Through the help of over 750 volunteers, we have made over 800,000 voter contacts with over 70,000 of those being person-to-person contact through door knocking," the Young campaign said in a fundraising email to supporters. "It's clear that Hoosiers are invested in sending a Marine to clean up the mess in Washington. They are looking for a Senator who gives them the time of day by living in the state and listening to their concerns. They don't want a Senator who is a creature of Washington and simply leans on blanketing the airwaves with TV ads."

GREGG ATTENDS NEW ALBANY FUNDRAISER THIS EVENING: Democratic candidate for governor John Gregg will attend a fundraiser in New Albany from 5:30-7:30 p.m. today.

YOUNG CAMP TARGETS BAYH ON OBAMACARE: An email from Trevor Foughty, campaign manager for Todd Young for U.S. Senate, targets the Republican's opponent, former U.S. Sen. Evan Bayh, a Democrat, for his 2009 vote in support of Obamacare and his later opposition to parts of the bill (*Howey Politics Indiana*). In discussing negotiations surrounding passage of the bill, the Associated Press reported in 2009 that Bayh had secured a reduction for a \$40 billion tax on medical devices - possibly in support of Guidant Corp., a Hoosier-based maker of cardiovascular devices. "It's well-documented that Bayh was the deciding vote for Obamacare, despite the protests of Hoosiers who opposed it," the email read. Foughty points to an article written by Bayh and published in the Sept. 27, 2012 Wall Street Journal that begins "The Supreme Court decision in June upholding the Affordable Care Act leaves in place a tax on medical devices that threatens thousands of American jobs and our global competitiveness." Foughty suggests the 2012 article was written after Bayh's employer, McGuireWoods Consulting, was paid \$2.125 million to oppose the bill. "It's also worth noting that Bayh's op-ed decrying parts of Obamacare only came after his firm was hired," Foughty wrote.

SENATE RACE GOING NEGATIVE: Indiana's race for U.S. Senate between Republican Todd Young and Democrat Evan Bayh is going negative with no end in sight (Smith, *Indiana Public Media*). Almost immediately after Evan Bayh entered the race just a few weeks ago, the Young campaign - and its national GOP backers - started their attacks, focusing on whether Bayh really lives in Indiana. The negativity even permeates the two candidates' personal interactions. Here's Bayh and Young greeting each other at the State Fair: Bayh: "Hey Todd, how are you?" Young: "Did you just fly in this morning?" Bayh: "No, we were here for several days." Bayh says the campaign doesn't need to be negative. "I think we should stick to the issue, what the positive things we hope to accomplish are. That's certainly why I'm running," Bayh says. "If Congressman Young wants to attack me, that's his choice." Yet the Democratic Senate Campaign Committee also put out an attack ad focused on Young calling Social Security "flawed" and a "Ponzi scheme."

DEMOCRATS FILL BALLOT IN GOP-HEAVY HAMILTON COUNTY: Hamilton County voters will have candidates on both sides of the ballot this year (Erdody, *Indianapolis Business Journal*). Democrats have appointed candidates to run for all of the local offices in the heavily Republican county - something that hasn't happened since 2004. Of course, Democrats will be hoping for a better outcome this time around. In 2004, none of the Democrats won their races. In 2012 - the last time all of these offices were up for grabs - no Democrats ran in the county races. In 2008, a few Democrats were on the ballot, but none were successful. Democrat Jeff Curts ran against Dillinger for County Commissioner District 2, and Democrats Christopher Brown and Jeff Gilliam ran for County Council at-large.

JUDGMENT DAY FOR SPEAKER RYAN: What should have been a fairly routine primary challenge for House Speaker Paul Ryan has now become a symbol of Republican Party problems: A fight pitting the establishment against GOP rebels, and their controversial presidential nominee against Washington leadership (*NBC News*). Before last week, few people even knew — or cared — that Ryan's primary for re-election was approaching. But when Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump said he wasn't ready to endorse Ryan and then praised his Republican challenger, Paul Nehlen, the political spotlight shined directly on Tuesday's contest. While Ryan remains a heavy favorite, national reporters descended upon Wisconsin's first congressional district, which he has represented in Congress for 16 years, to tell the tale of what could be the latest and greatest upset of a member of Republican leadership (House Majority Leader Eric Cantor unexpectedly lost his primary to upstart and college professor Dave Brat in 2014).



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10% LEAD FOR HILLARY IN NBC/SURVEY MONKEY POLL: Hillary Clinton's lead over Donald Trump has grown to double-digits in yet another poll (*Politico*). The former secretary of state holds a 10-point advantage, 51 percent to 41 percent, over the Manhattan billionaire in a new *NBC News/Survey Monkey Poll*. Clinton's lead over Trump among poll respondents is up two points relative to a week ago and up nine points since the end of the Democratic National Convention.

CLINTON HAS 13% LEAD IN MONMOUTH POLL: Hillary Clinton's post-convention bounce has been amplified through the weekend, giving the Democratic presidential nominee a double-digit lead among likely voters, according to a new poll released Monday (*Politico*). The Monmouth University survey shows

Clinton leading the flagging GOP nominee Donald Trump, 50 percent to 37 percent, among likely voters. Libertarian Party nominee Gary Johnson is at 7 percent, and Green Party nominee Jill Stein is at 2 percent. Only 3 percent of likely voters are undecided. In a poll conducted immediately before the two national party conventions last month, Clinton only had only a 2-point lead among likely voters, 45 percent to 43 percent.

OTHER GOP SECURITY SIGNATORIES: Among the most prominent Republican national security signatories in the letter opposing a Donald Trump presidency are Michael V. Hayden, a former director of both the C.I.A. and the National Security Agency; John D. Negroponte, who served as the first director of national intelligence and then deputy secretary of state; and Robert B. Zoellick, another former deputy secretary of state, United States trade representative and, until 2012, president of the World Bank (*New York Times*). Two former secretaries of Homeland Security, Tom Ridge and Michael Chertoff, also signed, as did Eric S. Edelman, who was Vice President Dick Cheney's national security adviser and as a top aide to Robert M. Gates when he was secretary of defense. Robert Blackwill and James Jeffrey, two key strategists in Mr. Bush's National Security Council, and William H. Taft IV, a former deputy secretary of defense and ambassador to NATO, also signed. Mr. Blackwill, a former aide to Henry A. Kissinger, is expected to endorse Mrs. Clinton this week. Missing from the signatories are any of the living Republican former secretaries of state: Mr. Kissinger, George P. Shultz, James A. Baker III, Colin L. Powell and Condoleezza Rice.

McMULLIN TO RUN AS GOP ALTERNATIVE: Evan McMullin, the former chief policy director for Republicans in the U.S. House of Representatives, will offer discontented members of his party an option this November by launching an independent, conservative bid for president (*Politico*). "In a year where Americans have lost faith in the candidates of both major parties, it's time for a generation of new leadership to step up," McMullin said in a statement to *ABC News*. "It's never too late to do the right thing, and America deserves much better than either Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton can offer us. I humbly offer myself as a leader who can give millions of disaffected Americans a conservative choice for President." Citing "multiple sources" in a series of posts to Twitter, MSNBC host Joe Scarborough was the first to announce McMullin's bid. He said McMullin will kick off his campaign Monday and has "the backing of key \$\$ contributors in the Republican Party."

SEN. COLLINS WON'T VOTE FOR TRUMP: Sen. Susan Collins joined the growing list of Republicans who say they aren't supporting Donald Trump in the general election (*Politico*). "Donald Trump does not reflect historical Republican values nor the inclusive approach to governing that is critical to healing the divisions in our country," she wrote in a piece for *The Washington Post*. The senior senator from Maine lists three major incidents as explanations for why she can't support Trump: She cited Trump mocking a reporter with disabilities, his comments that an Indiana-born judge of Mexican heritage is biased against him and his attacks against the parents of Army Capt. Humayun Khan, who spoke at the Democratic National Convention, as reasons she will buck her party's nominee. "My conclusion about Mr. Trump's unsuitability for office is based on his disregard for the precept of treating others with respect, an idea that should transcend politics. Instead, he opts to mock the vulnerable and inflame prejudices by attacking ethnic and religious minorities," she wrote.

PENCE COMMUNICATES FOR TRUMP: Their job descriptions are similar, but their day-to-day responsibilities couldn't be more different (*Politico*). Mike Pence, the GOP vice presidential nominee, is straining to hold the Republican Party's conservative tent together amid the tumultuous campaign of his running mate Donald Trump. He's consistently forced to address the latest bout of controversy in his calm, workmanlike demeanor. Tim Kaine's got it easy by comparison. The Virginia senator is merely augmenting Hillary Clinton's message, serving as a down-home articulator of long-held Democratic policy values. The selections of Kaine and Pence have done little to change the broad contours of the race, which is showing signs of drifting away from Republicans three months out from Election Day. But the utilization of each candidate is revealing as the election winds through the sleepy month of August before it heats up next month with debates and voters' returns from vacation. Pence is working assiduously to reassure nervous Republicans that Trump is a champion for the military and a strong standard-bearer for their party. Kaine doesn't have to vouch for Clinton — his role is to raise money, badger Trump and put a folksy voice behind Clinton's policy plans that are a mix of congressional Democrats' and Sanders's populist policies. "He's the one that people can go to when they're trying to understand the message," said one prominent Indiana Republican operative of Pence. "To people who don't understand Trumpism ... he's the one who communicates to them."

PENCE SAYS TRUMP GETTING TO KNOW RYAN: With just over 90 days before the election, the Republican nominee for president and republican Speaker of the House are still working on their relationship, according to Indiana Gov. Mike Pence (*CBS News*). Pence called into WTMJ's Midday with Charlie Sykes and attempted to explain away the seemingly disjointed levels of support for Ryan coming from the Trump campaign. The Republican vice presidential nominee, who served with Ryan in Congress for twelve years, told Sykes that he considers Ryan and his family among his closest friends. He described Donald Trump's endorsement of Speaker Paul Ryan on Friday night at a rally in Green Bay as "an unqualified expression of support" and explained that their troubles over the last week -- Trump has initially refused to endorse Ryan -- amounted to nothing more than simple growing pains. "Early in the week it was just reflective of the fact that these two men are still getting to know each other. I mean, at the end of the day, even in politics it takes a little bit of time for people to get to know each other" Pence told Sykes, adding, "I think you are going to see that relationship personally and politically grow stronger everyday".

HILLARY CLAIMS ECONOMIC PLAN WILL ADD 215K HOOSIER JOBS: Hillary for Indiana announced new analysis that shows Indiana could add nearly 215,000 jobs under Hillary Clinton's economic plans, while it could lose 70,000 jobs under a Donald Trump presidency, according to an email from her campaign (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The findings are based on two recent reports by Moody's economist and former adviser to John McCain, Mark Zandi. The email stated that Zandi's analysis showed that under Clinton's plans, the economy overall would create 10.4 million jobs nationwide while under Trump, the economy would lose 3.4 million jobs and the nation would plunge into a "lengthy recession." Clinton has pledged to make the largest investment in good-paying jobs since World War II in her first 100 days in office.

CLINTON RIPS TRUMP ECONOMIC PLAN: Hillary Clinton responded to Donald Trump's economic address on Monday, calling Trump's vision a "repackag[ing]" of "trickle-down economics" (*CBS News*). "He's got -- I don't know -- a dozen or so economic advisors he just named, hedge fund guys, billionaire guys, six guys named Steve," she said, speaking at a campaign rally in St. Petersburg just a few hours after Trump's speech in Detroit. "Now, they tried to make his old, tired ideas sound new." But,

Clinton said, Americans "all know" that Trump's proposals "will give super big tax breaks to large corporations and the really wealthy." "Just like him and the guys who wrote the speech, right?," she said. To cheers in the room, Clinton said "we're going to turn that upside down -- we're going to make the wealthy pay their fair share in taxes for a change!"

TRUMP ABANDONS STANDARD DEDUCTION: When Donald Trump first rolled out his tax plan last October, it contained a major boon for the middle-class -- a near quadrupling of the standard income-tax deduction, to \$25,000 for individuals and \$50,000 for couples filing jointly (*Bloomberg News*). But when Trump updated his plan with an eye toward controlling its costs on Monday, he didn't mention the standard deduction at all -- calling into question just how much benefit his plan has for lower- and middle-class taxpayers. In its original form, the Republican presidential nominee's plan was set to exempt about 70 million lower-income Americans from paying any taxes at all -- and offer cuts to middle-income taxpayers, who are most likely to use the standard deduction. When that provision didn't make it into Trump's speech on economic policy Monday, observers were left to wonder just how much his revamped proposals will benefit lower- and middle-income Americans. One of the "big question marks" in Trump's speech to the Detroit Economic Club was "what is he doing with the standard deduction," said Kyle Pomerleau, director of federal projects at the conservative-leaning Tax Foundation in Washington.

KHANS BLAME TRUMP FOR GROWING INTOLERANCE: Khizr and Ghazala Khan, the Gold Star parents whose appearance at the Democratic National Convention created a firestorm for Donald Trump, say they felt compelled to speak out because the welcome they felt when they immigrated to the United States nearly four decades ago is eroding in the face of this year's presidential campaign (*USA Today*). Even the decision to wear a hijab, the traditional head scarf worn by some Muslim women including Ghazala Khan, has become the source of anxiety. "You see people wearing scarves, people are pointing fingers at them and throwing them out of flights and calling them names when they pass by and all of that," Khizr Khan, 66, said on Capital Download. "Most Americans are against this kind of nonsense, but there is an element that has gotten voice, has been encouraged by this political rhetoric, and especially this election season has made it worse." He says Trump's call to ban all Muslim immigrants — a position the Republican nominee has since modified — and his provocative statements against Mexicans and others bear some of the responsibility for a loss of civility and restraint. "The voices that wouldn't dare because they were afraid of the decent America to condemn them ... have gathered courage to show their ugliness," he told USA TODAY's weekly video newsmaker series.

2 BENGHAZI PARENTS SUE CLINTON: The parents of two of the four Americans who died in the Benghazi attack in 2012 filed a lawsuit Monday against Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton, alleging her "reckless handling" of classified information contributed to their deaths (*Fox News*). The case was filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia by Larry Klayman of Freedom Watch USA on behalf of Patricia Smith, the mother of Sean Smith, and Charles Woods, the father of Tyrone Woods, for allegedly wrongfully causing the death of their sons as well as for defamation and intentional and negligent infliction of emotional distress. The lawsuit suggests that Clinton's use of a private email server contributed to the deaths of Smith and Woods, adding that terrorists were able to "obtain the whereabouts of Ambassador Christopher Stevens and thus the U.S. State Department and covert and other government operations in Benghazi, Libya and subsequently orchestrate, plan, and execute the now infamous September 11, 2012 attack."



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General Assembly

TAYLOR TO UNVEIL HATE CRIME PROPOSAL THIS MORNING: State Sen. Greg Taylor (D-Indianapolis) will host a press conference this morning at the Statehouse to preview a legislative proposal that would add clear bias motivated hate crime language to Indiana state code (*Howey Politics Indiana*).

BEHNING LAUDS CHANGES AT INDY PUBLIC SCHOOLS: "In his few years as superintendent of Indianapolis Public Schools, Dr. Lewis Ferebee, together with his team, has made a significant difference in the performance and perception of one of our state's largest school districts," according to a news release from State Rep. Bob Behning (R-Indianapolis) (*Howey Politics Indiana*). "In fact, IPS has already begun to see improvements in graduation rates and third grade reading scores. Achieving this turnaround has not been easy. The district is outperforming many comparable urban school systems across the nation in graduating African American males. IPS is transforming longstanding practices that have reflected disproportional disciplinary consequences. IPS has recently been invited twice to join White House discussions, providing Dr. Ferebee an opportunity to highlight on a national platform the district's dramatic reduction in suspensions and expulsions, and its impactful community-wide charge to create student employment and apprenticeship opportunities. Rebuilding an underperforming district like IPS into a 21st century school system focused on excellence, requires vision, commitment and great leadership."



State

GOVERNOR: PENCE ISSUES STATEMENT ON DEATH OF CLAUSON - Gov. Mike Pence issued the following statement after learning of the passing of Bryan Clauson (*Howey Politics Indiana*): "Karen and I were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Noblesville's Bryan Clauson. He was a tremendous competitor and his incredible talent was evident, from the Hoosier state's many short tracks to the famed Indianapolis Motor Speedway. He was deeply respected by his fellow competitors and beloved by his family. As we pause to honor the passing of a Hoosier racing champion, let us keep the Clauson family and his fiancée, Lauren, in our thoughts and prayers."

MILITARY: INDIANA GUARD TO GITMO - About 60 Indiana National Guard soldiers are being deployed to the Guantanamo Bay detention center in Cuba (*Indiana Public Media*). National Guard officials say the members of the 38th Infantry Division were recognized during a departure ceremony Sunday at the main Guard armory in Indianapolis. Guard officials say the Indiana soldiers will be involved in operations of the U.S. prison for terror suspects. They will be replacing 60 other Indiana Guardsmen who departed in November. The Indiana soldiers will finish their training at Fort Bliss, Texas, before heading to Cuba.

DEVELOPMENT: DUKE, CSX ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY IN LEBANON - A special transportation announcement is scheduled this morning in Lebanon (Redman, *Inside Indiana Business*) Indianapolis-based Duke Realty Corp. says the news conference will address the expansion of transportation and logistics options in central Indiana. Representatives from CSX Transportation, Duke Realty, the City of Lebanon, and the Boone County Economic Development Corp. will be in attendance.

ENVIRONMENT: RESEARCHERS ADDRESS LAKE MICHIGAN BEACH EROSION - Lake Michigan water has risen and fallen, like a living, changing organism, but there is little doubt the combination of rising water and manmade structures has created a problem (Gonzalez, *Post-Tribune*). Soon, there may be plans to stop the potentially devastating effects of beach erosion, also called sand starvation, but getting to a consensus on what to do and who should pay for immediate and long-term solutions shifts like the sand beneath dozens of structures along the shoreline. In a July City Council meeting, Portage Mayor James Snyder spoke of the beach erosion issues and plans to fix the problem. He spoke of entities studying and working together, collaborating to start a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, or USACE, feasibility study to "assign blame" to the parties whose structures led to the beach erosion. "What used to be finger-pointing has turned into collaboration," Snyder said later, during a discussion at the lakefront park. "We have set the standard that that's not going to happen anymore. We're going to get in a room. We're gonna not point fingers at anybody. We're gonna figure this out."

Nation

TRAVEL: DELTA STILL NOT READY WHEN WE ARE - Delta's travails, and those of its customers, move into day two with the airline canceling nearly 250 flights (*ABC News*). The cancellations Tuesday follow about 1,000 cancelled flights Monday and almost 3,000 delayed flights after an outage at its Atlanta headquarters initiated a global meltdown of its booking and communications systems. The airline was back online after a number of hours Monday, but the outages were so widespread that it is still

dealing with the ripple effects a day later. The airline posted a video apology by CEO Ed Bastian. And it offered refunds and \$200 in travel vouchers to people whose flights were canceled or delayed at least three hours.

ILLINOIS: GANGS TARGET CHICAGO PD - Leaders from three Chicago gangs reportedly met last week to discuss plans to kill police officers in response to the officer-involved shooting death of 18-year-old Paul O'Neal (*Fox News*). The *Chicago Sun-Times*, citing an alert issued to Chicago officers, reported Monday that the meeting took place on Thursday between the gangs Vice Lords, Black Disciples and Four Corner Hustlers. According to the paper, the Four Corner Hustlers have "provided guns" and pinpointed a "sniper in place." However, authorities are still unsure where the alleged sniper spot is placed. The gang is also funneling weapons to the other two gangs.



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CITIES: LEAD, ARSENIC PROMPTS E. CHICAGO TO MOVE SCHOOL - About 430 Carrie Gosch Elementary School students are being moved across East Chicago after high levels of lead and arsenic were found in the neighboring West Calumet Housing Complex, which residents are being relocated out of (Pete, *NWI Times*). An elevated level of lead was only found in a far corner of the Carrie Gosch school grounds but School City of East Chicago officials decided to move the students and 40 teachers a week before school starts across town to the West Side Middle School building to be safe and alleviate parents' fears, Superintendent Paige McNulty said. The decision was prompted partly by low enrollment, which was likely the result of parents who are hesitant to send kids to school at a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Superfund site or who are uncertain about where they'll be living as they wait on vouchers to move. Only 92 students have enrolled so far at Carrie Gosch, as compared to about 150 at the same time last year.

CITIES: 1 DROWING, 8 RESCUED NEAR MICHIGAN CITY LIGHTHOUSE - A 14-year-old boy has reportedly drowned after swimming near the pier Monday evening. Travis Mensah, 14, was pulled from Lake Michigan at 7:09 p.m. after being underwater for nearly an hour, according to Fire Chief Randy Novak. He was found about 30 yards from shore, according to James Poe of the United States Coast Guard. LaPorte County Chief Deputy Coroner Mark Huffman confirmed the death and the identity of the boy. Eight people were nearly drowned in the waters off Washington Park Beach Saturday, including a 15-year-old participant in the city's beach volleyball tournament, who was pulled under while trying to assist the others (*LaPorte Herald-Argus*). At least that was the information released Saturday by Capt.

Buddy Kasinger, public information officer for LaPorte County EMS. He said a total of four people were transported to Franciscan St. Anthony Health-Michigan City following the incident, with one of them, a 14-year-old, suffering cardiac arrest.

CITIES: IU EAST SET TO OPEN NEW BUILDING IN RICHMOND - Final touches are being made to the newest building on Indiana University East's campus (Emery, *Richmond Palladium-Item*). The Student Events and Activities Center is nearly complete, and a dedication ceremony has been set for Aug. 19 to celebrate. The dream for a fifth building on the Richmond campus has been years in the making. Ground was broken in November 2014, and construction began in June 2015. Campus leaders say the new center is designed to promote student success through programs in health and wellness, physical education, athletics, student activities and special events. The Student Events and Activities Center is a \$5 million construction project. Donors gave more than \$1.7 million toward the project. The rest of the cost came through savings and campus efficiencies, Troutwine said.

CITIES: IPFW REBRANDS ATHLETICS - IPFW is rebranding its athletic program (Ober, *Inside Indiana Business*). Director of Athletics Kelley Hartley Hutton says the transition from "IPFW Mastodons" to "Fort Wayne Mastodons" will address consistency and confusion issues with the current brand. The school says its academic brand will remain the same. Hartley Hutton says some teams have already begun using Fort Wayne on uniforms, while others will transition over time. The Summit League office and league members are also using the Fort Wayne brand in schedules, rankings and broadcasts. She says the rebranding will align IPFW with the Summit League's other members and help grow the Mastodons' brand beyond northeast Indiana.

CITIES: INDEPENDENT FILM SHOOTS IN COLUMBUS - An independent movie with a Hollywood-hot lead actor aims to capture Columbus and especially its trademark architecture during three weeks of filming (Blair, *Columbus Republic*). In fact, some of the city's best known, architecturally acclaimed buildings form the backdrop and much of the framework of "Columbus," which began shooting Sunday and will continue through Aug. 20. A Korean-born director who uses the name Kogonada wrote the screenplay about two young people one summer discovering their purpose and future - and finding themselves amid the Midwestern mecca of design. The film features Korean-born John Cho, currently starring as Sulu in "Star Trek Beyond," Michael Cera from the TV series "Arrested Development," and Haley Lu Richardson of the TV series "Ravenswood."

CITIES: INDY MARKS 99TH HOME DEMOLITION - The city of Indianapolis has now demolished 99 abandoned homes through a federal blight removal program, Mayor Joe Hogsett announced yesterday (Eason, *IndyStar*). But residents will have to wait at least a few more months for a clear picture of the administration's broader strategy for tackling blight to emerge. Hogsett marked the demolition milestone at an afternoon news conference. After a troubled start, Hogsett said the city and its nonprofit partners have torn down 99 out of 336 homes it committed to demolish through the Hardest Hit Fund before the end of 2017, when \$6.3 million in federal grant money is set to expire. "Change takes time," Hogsett said. "But for far too many residents, in far too many neighborhoods, they have been waiting for that change for far too long."

COUNTIES: MADISON PROSECUTOR FIRES GUN IN RESTAURANT - Two days after accidentally firing his handgun into the floor of an Anderson restaurant, Madison County Prosecutor Rodney Cummings acknowledges he could have done more to prevent the mishap (*IndyStar*). No one was injured after the shooting inside the Texas Roadhouse about 11 p.m. Saturday. Cummings said he thinks his new 9mm gun's safety disengaged when he placed it inside the front pocket of his shorts. The gun then fired into the floor as Cummings walked out the door. "It was a new gun. I've only had it for a couple weeks," said Cummings, who noted he's carried a firearm for 36 years as both a prosecutor and a police officer. "I always try to be as safe as I can," Cummings said. "Carrying a gun in my pocket is probably not the smartest move."

COUNTIES: NAACP RALLY TO PROTEST ALLEN PROSECUTOR - A civil rights organization in Fort Wayne is calling out the Allen County prosecutor for not doing enough to give families of local homicide victims the justice they seek (Crandall & Neumeyer, *WPTA*). The NAACP has a specific complaint, and has a plan for getting that complaint out to the public. A little more than seven months into 2016, the homicide total in Allen County 20 and counting. Routinely, you see young black men and boys shot to death, and in virtually all this year's slayings occurring within the city's borders, the killer remains on the loose. That doesn't sit well with Fort Wayne NAACP President Larry Gist. He maintains families of homicide victims have waited years for answers about the cases of loved ones, only to be "passed off - or many times blatantly ignored" by Allen County Prosecutor Karen Richards. Gist has organized a community rally at the county courthouse Tuesday evening, to give voice to the frustration. "We're going to put this information out to her, and we're going to start flooding her with phone calls and at her office, we want to demand these answers. Enough is enough," Gist said.

COUNTIES: PUBLIC DEFENDER FUNDS RUNNING OUT IN BROWN - Before the murder trial of Daniel Messel began last week, the county's fund that pays for public defenders was almost broke (*Brown County Democrat*). Messel, of Bloomington, is accused of killing an Indiana University student and dumping her body in Brown County last April. The fund began the year with \$14,000, Brown County Auditor Beth Mulry told the county council July 18. There was only \$1,800 remaining at the time of the meeting, with bills still to be paid against that balance. Mulry said the Public Defender Board could transfer money from its budget line for public defender conflicts and appeals. However, about half of that fund is usually depleted in a year anyway. Council did not take action to fix the situation.

COUNTIES: CROWDS JOIN DEBATE ON HENRY WIND FARM ORDINANCE - The gallery of the old circuit courtroom on the second floor of the Henry County Courthouse was standing room only Thursday as citizens of Henry County and beyond shared their thoughts regarding the local "wind farm" ordinance (Green, *New Castle Courier-Times*). The Henry County Commissioners asked local zoning administrator Darrin Jacobs to create a committee to review the wind energy conversion system (WECS) ordinance and Thursday was that committee's second meeting. By design, the meeting ran from 6 to 9 p.m. with those "for" and those "against" given 90 minutes apiece. Each person who signed up to address the committee was allowed a maximum of three minutes to present their thoughts and 29 people from each side of the issue spoke. Those who spoke against the development of wind farms in Henry County cited many reasons for their opposition including noise, vibration, loss of property value near the turbines, shadow flicker and a variety of health concerns. Those in favor of wind farm development spoke

primarily about the economic benefits the turbines will provide local landowners and taxing units and about the right to do with their property as they wish.

COUNTIES: MADISON PROSECUTOR FIRES GUN INSIDE RESTAURANT - A central Indiana prosecutor says he plans to buy a holster after accidentally firing a handgun in his pocket, sending a bullet into the floor of a restaurant (*Associated Press*). No one was injured when Madison County Prosecutor Rodney Cummings discharged the weapon inside the Texas Roadhouse in Anderson about 11 p.m. Saturday. Cummings told The Indianapolis Star he believes the safety on the 9mm gun disengaged when he placed the weapon inside a pocket of his shorts. The gun discharged as Cummings walked out the door. He says he's had the gun for only a couple of weeks but has carried a firearm for 36 years as both a prosecutor and a police officer. Cummings said he plans to have the gun examined to ensure there are no mechanical problems.

COUNTIES: HENRY JAIL ON LOCKDOWN AFTER FIRES - After two arson fires in as many nights, the Henry County jail is "on lockdown, just like they do in prison," Sheriff Ric McCorkle said Monday (*Muncie Star Press*). The fires – reported about 2 a.m. last Wednesday and Thursday, respectively – were quickly contained, and no injuries were reported. Male inmates are believed to have started the first fire, while female prisoners were responsible for the blaze the following night. In both cases, a mattress and jail uniforms were among the items damaged.

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YOUNG, MUTZ RECALL BAYH'S OPPOSITION TO SUBARU: While Evan Bayh may be a new entry into the 2016 U.S. Senate race, his Republican opponent Todd Young plans to drag out old skeletons from Bayh's closet, some dating back to 1988, including his opposition to a Japanese automaker locating a now thriving plant in Indiana (Thomas Curry, *Howey Politics Indiana*). Young met with Subaru officials, toured the factory and spoke to media at the same Subaru plant in Lafayette Thursday that was a major focus of Indiana's 1988 gubernatorial race between Evan Bayh and then Lt. Gov John Mutz, who was instrumental in landing the plant while heading the Department of Commerce under Gov. Robert Orr. Mutz, who also spoke and met with Young at the plant that provides more than 1,000 jobs, was the focus of attacks from Bayh that likened Mutz's effort to bring the Subaru plant to Indiana to selling out American jobs and industry. Mutz spoke briefly on the 1988 attack ads that many consider racist by saying, "It's unfortunate Bayh chose to be divisive" and that "I hate to think what our Indiana economy would be without Japanese investment." The Subaru plant was the beginning of Japanese auto makers establishing not only auto plants, but hundreds of related suppliers. More than 200 Japanese companies have invested in Indiana. Toyota and Honda have large auto plants in Princeton and Greensburg. On the 1988 campaign, Young said that "There is no question that that campaign was designed to scare Hoosiers. That campaign is very much like the one he is running now. I will let Evan Bayh defend those things." Young continued to take shots at his opponent stating that "I am not running on my father's name. I am running on his values. Hoosier values. My children were born here in Indiana. My friends are Hoosiers not Washingtonians. That informs my policy positions and that matters to Hoosiers. We are going to win this race, Evan Bayh has never faced an opponent like me." Young also called Bayh "dead wrong" in regards to his skepticism towards Japanese investment and said that "Japanese investment is essential to Indiana's economy. We need forward thinking leaders who are going to make our country and world better off," said Young, who cited that his efforts in the House to lessen regulation on business is necessary to keep companies like Subaru in Indiana.

\$1.25M OF PENCE MONEY FLOWS TO HOLCOMB: New Indiana Republican gubernatorial candidate Eric Holcomb has received his first big infusion of campaign cash as he ramps up efforts to introduce himself to voters with about three months left before the November election (*Associated Press*). A state disclosure report filed Wednesday shows Gov. Mike Pence's state campaign committee gave nearly \$1.25 million to Holcomb, who is the lieutenant governor, last week. The money is important because Holcomb must quickly build a statewide campaign against Democratic candidate John Gregg after state Republican leaders picked Holcomb to replace Pence, who dropped his re-election bid July 15 to become Donald Trump's vice presidential running mate. Holcomb had boasted of access to Pence's \$7 million campaign fund as he tussled with U.S. Reps. Susan Brooks and Todd Rokita ahead of the GOP state committee vote making him the nominee last week. But transferring the governor's campaign money has been complicated by federal rules limiting the size of contributions that now apply to Pence as a federal candidate. Holcomb, a former state Republican chairman, said this week he didn't expect any problems raising the money needed for his campaign. "I am extremely encouraged that we will be financially resourced," he said. "It is going well and we are just a matter of days into it." Gregg had about \$5.8 million in campaign money at the end of June, and contributions since then includes \$500,000 from the Democratic Governors Association and \$200,000 from Chicago media billionaire Fred Eychaner.

TRUMP LOSING GROUND IN SWING STATE POLLS: A difficult week for Donald Trump has gotten tougher with the release of several new polls in swing states showing him trailing Hillary Clinton by wide margins (*Washington Post*). The surveys come hot on the heels of polls from *CNN/ORC* and *Fox News* showing that Clinton's got a wide national lead (plus-9 in *CNN's*, and plus-10 in *Fox's*). And the bad numbers have been coupled with day after day of negative press for Trump, including his poorly received fight with the family of a soldier killed in Iraq, his declaration at a rally that he "always wanted a Purple Heart" and reports that his campaign staff is becoming demoralized. It's not hard to see why they would be. Keeping your hopes up on a losing political campaign is a bit like playing Jenga. As more and more pieces get knocked out, it's harder and harder to keep upright. Those pieces can be varied: poor fundraising numbers, gaffes, hard-hitting ads from opponents. They can also be poll numbers - like these new state polls that knock some significant blocks out of Trump's tower. In New Hampshire, a survey from *WBUR* shows Hillary Clinton leading Trump by 17 points. In Pennsylvania, a *Franklin & Marshall College* poll has Clinton up 11 among likely voters. In Michigan, a *Detroit News* poll shows Clinton up 6 points in a head-to-head match-up.

TRUMP AND PENCE RUNNING PARALLEL CAMPAIGNS: Whether he sets foot onstage with Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump is very likely to find himself engaged in some sort of debate this fall - with his running mate (Sinderbrand & Phillips, *Washington Post*). It's not that Trump and vice-presidential nominee Mike Pence are publicly sparring. (Try to imagine Pence sparring. Go ahead. We don't have nearly enough imagination.) It's that, rather than embrace a joint message, they seem to be running two distinct, parallel campaigns, often relating two very distinct, entirely unrelated - and sometimes opposite - points of view. Here's how that usually works: The Indiana governor will watch a Trump comment explode across the media firmament. He'll wait a decent interval - as long as several days - before issuing a response that either reframes the Republican nominee's central point as the exact opposite of what he actually said or stakes out a different position entirely. And then, within minutes or hours, Trump will do the same - in reverse. (More on that below. A lot more.) The fact that the distance between their respective messages is sometimes wide enough to drive a campaign bus through isn't a huge shock. That's not just because of their stark differences in biography and temperament. Or the reality that the main thing the two seem to have in common is that they both want Donald Trump to become president of the United States. It's because Pence has spent his career - up to and including the period after his selection as Trump's VP - advocating policies and supporting individuals that the nominee hasn't, and doesn't (at least: not while he's been running for president).

11-YEAR-OLD PUTS PENCE ON THE SPOT: Indiana Gov. Mike Pence on Thursday fielded one of the toughest questions he's faced as Donald Trump's running mate - from 11-year-old Matthew Schricker (*CNN*). "I've been watching the news lately and I've been noticing lately that you've been kind of softening up on Mr. Trump's policies and words. Is this going to be your role in the administration?" Schricker said at Pence's Raleigh, North Carolina, town hall. Pence was at first taken aback. "What did you say that I've been doing?" Pence asked, to laughter. Schricker repeated: "You've been kind of softening up his words and policies. Pence laughed, and then gave a candid response about his running mate's style, and how it differs from his own. "Sometimes things don't always come out like you mean," Pence said, before also pledging to stand by the GOP nominee "Donald Trump and I are absolutely determined to work together. We have different styles, you might have noticed that. I said at our convention, I said, you know we nominated someone larger than life, known for charisma. So they wanted to kind of balance the ticket."

TRUMP PUSHES REPUBLICAN PARTY TO ITS BREAKING POINT: Donald Trump has summoned a tornado of negative stories that threaten to rip his campaign from its foundation if he doesn't stop, supporters inside and outside Trump's orbit are warning (*NBC News*). Several top backers - including Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani - are trying to persuade Trump to move past his feud with the parents of the late Iraq War soldier Humayun Khan, stop bashing fellow Republicans like House Speaker Paul Ryan and Sen. John McCain, and refocus his attacks on Hillary Clinton. But hopes aren't high among Republican allies that Trump, 70, can make such a fundamental change at this point. And the Trump campaign publicly denies that any intervention is occurring at all. "The reality is that I don't think anyone has any influence" over Trump, a party source told NBC News. Within the GOP, strategists are increasingly wondering at what point candidates will aggressively break with Trump or the party will divert resources from the presidential race to head off a collapse down the ticket.

THE 2016 RACE IS NOT OVER: At the end of the day, here's what we know (*Walter, Cook Political Report*). Trump is running a disorganized, unconventional and seat-of-the-pants campaign that is driven as much by what he sees/hears on cable TV as anything else. This approach won him the primary but it really limits his pathways to 270 Electoral College votes. Hillary Clinton is running an organized and disciplined campaign that lacks the sort of organic excitement or enthusiasm of a "normal" campaign. It comes across as stilted and poll-driven and focused-group to within an inch of its life. But, she has more options to get to 270 than he does. She is clearly the favorite. But, this race is not over.

HPI DAILY ANALYSIS: It seems bedlam rules the Trump campaign, with the media camped outside the gates, sharpening their knives. I can relate to what the candidate and his staff might be experiencing about now. A common occurrence during Trump rallies begins during a pause with the candidate dramatically pointing to the press pen and quietly telling the crowd something along the lines of "There sits the enemy." The crowd begins to murmur and Donald's voice rises in a crescendo to fling accusations at the group of "liars" gathered to report on his campaign activity. His fans roar to their feet to boo and hiss, with some shouting individual insults until the din overwhelms the amplifier system. It can be unnerving to be at the pointed end of that stick. - *Mark Curry*



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BAYH CAMPAIGN RUNNING 'TRADE' AD: The Evan Bayh campaign released "Trade" today, to air on broadcast television and cable starting immediately (*Howey Politics Indiana*). In the ad, Evan lays out his agenda for the next Senate: a bipartisan approach to cracking down on bad trade deals, fighting terrorism, and protecting crucial programs for our seniors like Medicare and Social Security. "Trade" is the campaign's third positive ad, and will run statewide.

HOLCOMB, GREGG TALK AG ISSUES AT SUMMIT: Both Democratic and Republican governor candidates addressed the Agricultural Policy Summit in Indianapolis recently (Quinlan, *Indiana AgriNews*). Republican Eric Holcomb and Democrat John Gregg touched on multiple issues relevant to agriculture in the state, including rural roads and infrastructure, livestock expansion, renewable fuel standard, farmland property tax, and rural economic development. On the state of agriculture in Indiana, Gregg said, "Ag is going through some phenomenal changes. It's a business that's important to our economy, it's important to our rural communities, it's important to our entire state. With those opportunities come challenges. Some of those challenges are how to continue to make rural communities, where our farmland is located, viable." Regarding rural roads and infrastructure, Holcomb said, "We will take a hard look and solve this in January at the next General Assembly. We'll look for a long-term, sustainable program. Everything is on the table. But we have to make sure that all roads lead to Indiana. We are the crossroads of America, that's our motto. It's not just roads and bridges. It is railways, broadband - everything you need to ensure you can get your products out. We have to leverage that advantage we have being in the center of the country. That's the fuel we're competing on."

DEMOCRATS SEE CHANCE TO SEIZE 9TH CD: Indiana's 9th Congressional District seat usually is a safe bet for Republicans to win, but this year Democrats see a chance for success in November (Colombo, *Indianapolis Business Journal*). The race between Democrat Shelli Yoder and Republican Trey Hollingsworth is gaining national attention as Democrats seek to position Yoder as the Hoosier choice and Hollingsworth, who recently moved here from Tennessee, as an outsider. Hollingsworth won the primary with 34 percent of the vote. The race at times became nasty, with challenger Attorney General Greg Zoeller calling Hollingsworth a "political scam artist." The general election race seemed to pop onto the dashboards of national analysts and Democrats after a poll conducted by Yoder's campaign in May showed the candidates tied with 41 percent of the vote, and 18 percent undecided. David Carney, a general consultant for the Indiana Jobs Now super PAC supporting Hollingsworth, said Hollingsworth is competing in an "extremely safe Republican seat." However, it's important to not take that for granted in a turbulent election year. "This race hasn't slipped or somehow moved [from Republican-favored]," Carney said. "But there's not a single thing anyone should take for granted anywhere in Indiana. Every race will be competitive, potentially. [Yoder] is just out of step with the vast majority of Indiana voters and citizens."

GREGG, HALE UPCOMING SCHEDULE: Democratic governor candidate John Gregg will speak at the Indiana Pork Producers annual breakfast this morning at the State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis (*Howey Politics Indiana*). His running mate, Christina Hale, will address the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Local 151 Picnic Indianapolis midday. This evening, Gregg will stop by Good's Candy Shop in Anderson, to visit with local supporters. On Saturday, Gregg is slated to attend the Concerned Clergy of Indianapolis in the morning, and will speak at the Grant County Democratic Party's FDR Dinner in the evening. Sunday midday, Hale will join with volunteers to participate in "Yoga in the Outfield" at Victory Field in Indianapolis. Gregg will join area supporters to march in the Strassenfest Parade in Jasper early in the afternoon.



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RYAN SAYS TRUMP CAMPAIGN IS 'DISTRESSING': House Speaker Paul D. Ryan repeated Thursday that his endorsement of Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump was "not a blank check" and delivered a sharp critique of Trump's flailing campaign two days after Trump declined to endorse Ryan for reelection to his Wisconsin congressional seat (*Washington Post*). "He's had a pretty strange run since the convention," Ryan said on WTAQ radio in Green Bay. "You would think that we want to be focusing on Hillary Clinton, on all of her deficiencies. She is such a weak candidate that one would think that we would be on offense against Hillary Clinton, and it is distressing that that's not what we're talking about these days."

TRUMP CAMPAIGN TRIES TO INSTILL CONFIDENCE: After a rocky week, Donald Trump's team projected confidence Thursday, with Trump, his running mate, his staff and his surrogates all sending the same message: The campaign is moving in the right direction - and it's Hillary Clinton who's in trouble (*Politico*). Ben Carson and other surrogates are working to put Trump's feud with a Gold Star family in the campaign's rear-view mirror. Indiana Gov. Mike Pence is working to mend frayed fences with fellow Republicans after Trump offered a surprise non-endorsement to Paul Ryan ahead of his Tuesday primary. And Trump himself on Wednesday aimed to squash reports of campaign strife with assertions that the campaign is more unified than it has ever been. Top Trump advisers and aides vowed that the candidate would pivot to more substantial issues like Clinton's role in the Iranian nuclear deal, and the candidate himself acknowledged as much to a Florida TV station. But while Trump's team asserted they were moving in the right direction, a slew of polls - normally one of the GOP nominee's favorite talking points - suggested otherwise. Polls in Florida, New Hampshire, Michigan and Pennsylvania - battleground states Trump needs to win to have any chance at winning in November - showed him trailing Clinton by as much as 15 points. Coupled with a national Fox News poll taken in the days following Clinton's official nomination at the Democratic National Convention last week, the numbers suggested big trouble.

STUTZMAN SEES 'LOT OF POTENTIAL' IN TRUMP: U.S. Rep. Marlin Stutzman (R-IN) said Thursday that his support for Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump has not wavered (Francisco, *Fort Wayne Journal Gazette*). Stutzman told local media that he and others see "a lot of possibilities and a lot of potential with a President Trump." Stutzman endorsed Trump's candidacy in June. "I think that what Donald Trump says a lot of times is twisted in the media. I think a lot of times what he says may not come out as pointed as maybe what he wanted or maybe it was too pointed," Stutzman said during a news conference at the Steel Dynamics Keith E. Busse IPFW Alumni Center. "But I think at the end of the

day when people start to look at Mr. Trump's record as a person - he's a successful businessman. Look at his family: He's a strong family man. There's a lot of other things to look at with his actions that speak more loudly to me than what his rhetoric says," Stutzman said. "His rhetoric sometimes is more loud than what I'm used to and I know that a lot of Hoosiers are used to. But we're looking for action right now, and I think that's where a lot of people are seeing... there's a lot of possibilities and a lot of potential with a President Trump," he said.

NBC/WSJ POLL HAS HILLARY WITH 9 POINT LEAD: Hillary Clinton has jumped out to a nine-point lead over Donald Trump, a new NBC News/Wall Street Journal national poll shows, nearly doubling the five-point advantage she held over her Republican foe before the political conventions (Dann, *NBC News*). In a head-to-head matchup, the Democratic ticket of Hillary Clinton and Tim Kaine receives the support of 47 percent of registered voters, while the Republican ticket of Donald Trump and Mike Pence gets 38 percent, the survey shows. Last month, Clinton led Trump by a margin of 46 percent to 41 percent. In this latest poll, Clinton enjoys a significant advantage among women (51 percent to Trump's 35 percent), African Americans (91 percent to 1 percent), all non-white voters (69 percent to 17 percent), young voters (46 percent to 34 percent), and white voters with a college degree (47 percent to 40 percent). Trump leads among white voters (45 percent to Clinton's 40 percent), seniors (46 percent to 43 percent), independents (36 percent to 32 percent) and white voters without a college degree (49 percent to 36 percent). The two candidates are running nearly even among men, at 43 percent for Clinton and 42 percent for Trump.

CLINTON OPENS A 15% ADVANTAGE IN NH: Hillary Clinton has opened up a 15-point advantage over Donald Trump in the battleground state of New Hampshire, according to the results of the latest *WBBR* poll released Thursday, which also found the state's Democratic Gov. Maggie Hassan with a double-digit lead over incumbent Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte. The survey, conducted in the days immediately following the Democratic National Convention, found Clinton with 47 percent support among likely voters. Trump has the backing of 32 percent of voters, while Libertarian nominee Gary Johnson finished a distant third with 8 percent and Green Party candidate Jill Stein took 3 percent. Another 2 percent indicated support for another candidate, while 7 percent did not know or refused to answer. Clinton held a much narrower two-point edge over Trump in a *WMUR/University of New Hampshire* poll taken before the convention. National polls taken after both conventions showed Clinton erasing any bounce Trump gained from the previous week when he briefly surged following the Republican National Convention.

10% LEAD FOR CLINTON IN FOX POLL: Hillary Clinton's post-convention bounce and Donald Trump's rough week have combined to deliver the former secretary of state a double-digit lead in a fresh poll released Wednesday evening. Clinton holds a 10-point advantage over the Manhattan billionaire, 49 percent to 39 percent, according to the new *Fox News* poll. The number of respondents who said they are either planning to vote for Clinton or leaning in her direction spiked 5 points relative to the previous Fox News poll, which was conducted in the midst of the Democratic National Convention, while Trump's number climbed only a single point. In a three-way race that includes Libertarian candidate Gary Johnson, both Clinton's and Trump's support among those polled took a 5-point dip to 44 percent and 35 percent, respectively. Johnson, the former governor of New Mexico, earned the support of 12 percent of respondents.

9% CLINTON LEAD IN MICHIGAN: Hillary Clinton led Donald Trump 41% to 32% in the statewide survey, poll conducted for *The Detroit News* and *WDIV-TV* shows. Survey of 600 likely Michigan general election voters conducted July 30-Aug.1; Margin of error +/-4 pts.

CLINTON UP 6% IN FLORIDA: Hillary Clinton holds a six-point lead over Donald Trump in Florida, according to the latest Suffolk University survey of likely voters in the state released Thursday (*Politico*). Matched head-to-head, Clinton took 48 percent, while Trump earned 42 percent. In a four-way matchup, Clinton grabbed 43 percent, followed by 39 percent for Trump, 4 percent for Libertarian nominee Gary Johnson and 3 percent for Green Party candidate Jill Stein. Clinton leads Trump by 12 points among women in the two-way ballot test (50 percent to 38 percent) and by 24 points in South Florida (57 percent to 33 percent). Men are split between Trump, who picked up 46 percent to Clinton's 44 percent. Trump performed best in the northern part of the state, outdrawing Clinton 54 percent to 39 percent. The Republican nominee campaigned in Jacksonville, Florida, on Wednesday evening.

TRUMP LOSES MORE SUPPORT: Trump suffered two defections Wednesday when Rep. Adam Kinzinger (Ill.), an Iraq War veteran, said on *CNN* that he is unlikely to vote for Trump because the nominee was "beginning to cross a lot of red lines of the unforgivable in politics." Former Montana governor Marc Racicot, a former RNC chairman and a close associate of former president George W. Bush's, also said he won't vote for Trump. "I'm not accusing people of being appeasers, but what I am saying is that there's a transcendent set of values throughout our history that we subscribe to above party," Racicot told *Bloomberg Politics*, adding that he thinks Trump lacks those values. Reed, who managed Robert J. Dole's 1996 presidential campaign, said Trump should "stop doing silly interviews nine times a day that get you off message" and deliver a major address seeking to reset the campaign establishing himself as the change candidate.

TRUMP RISKS LOSING MILITARY SUPPORT: Donald J. Trump is locked in an explosive feud with Republicans in Washington and has already faced humiliating defections from within his own party that have destabilized his campaign on the national level (*New York Times*). But closer to the ground, he has also risked alienating an even more pivotal constituency in the swing states that will decide the presidential election: military communities dismayed by his crude and sometimes offensive comments about the armed services. Starting last week when he clashed with Khizr and Ghazala Khan, the parents of a Muslim captain in the Army who was killed in Iraq, Mr. Trump has reignited a set of controversies surrounding his approach to the military. He has drawn fresh attention to his derisive comments about Senator John McCain's capture in Vietnam, as well as to his own avoidance of military service during the same war. He attacked Gen. John R. Allen, a retired Marine who endorsed Hillary Clinton, as a "failed general" over the weekend, and he joked at a campaign event on Tuesday about receiving a Purple Heart, the military decoration for soldiers wounded in combat. These missteps threaten Mr. Trump in the heart of the electoral map. In several important states, his most realistic path to victory hinges on areas with close ties to the military, including northern Florida, coastal Virginia and New Hampshire, and a cluster of towns near military bases in North Carolina, Colorado and Arizona.

PENCE EVENTUALLY ENDORSES MCCAIN, AYOTTE: An adviser to Mike Pence told *NBC News* the Republican vice presidential nominee endorses John McCain and Kelly Ayotte in their re-election bids after originally skirting around the question earlier yesterday (Hillyard, *NBC News*). "Mike Pence endorses John

McCain and Kelly Ayotte in their primary bids," Pence communications adviser Marc Short said in a statement. When asked about his support for the two GOP senators earlier on Thursday, Pence told reporters: "I look forward to supporting Republican candidates in the days and weeks ahead all over the country, and so does Donald Trump. But the stakes in this election are so high. To restore our country and home and abroad, we need new leadership, and I'm looking forward to standing should to shoulder with Donald Trump to drive that new leadership forward." Trump declined to endorse both senators, as well as House Speaker Paul Ryan. But aides to Pence said he never intended to withhold support for either of the senators.

UNCLEAR IF SENATE MAJORITY SINKS OR SWIMS: Republicans in most Senate battlegrounds are running ahead of Trump in their states (Enten, *FiveThirtyEight*). That may last, increasing the chances that the GOP hangs on to their Senate majority. But it's also possible that Trump begins to drag down his party's down-ballot candidates. Right now, Republicans hold 54 Senate seats to the Democrats' 46. In order to take control of the Senate, Democrats need to pick up four seats if Clinton wins the presidency and five if she doesn't. Of the 34 Senate seats up for grabs in 2016, here are the 10 that are closest to changing parties, according to the current polling averages: Arizona, Florida, Illinois, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. All these seats, with the exception of Nevada's, are currently held by Republicans, so Democrats need to win five of them to pick up a net gain of four and win six to pick up a net gain of five. (I'm not including the Indiana Senate election, which was shaken up by the late entrance of Democrat Evan Bayh. We have only one poll for the race, which comes from the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.) Trump is doing far worse in these states than the Republicans running for Senate in them. Unless Trump's position improves, Republicans will be able to maintain control of the Senate only if enough voters split their tickets, voting Republican for the Senate but not in the presidential race.

CANDIDATES JOHNSON, STEIN LARGELY UNKNOWN: Roughly two-thirds of U.S. adults are unfamiliar with third-party presidential candidates Gary Johnson of the Libertarian Party and Jill Stein of the Green Party (Jones, *Gallup*). Those with an opinion are about evenly split in holding a positive or a negative view of Johnson, while they are slightly negative about Stein. The results are based on a July 13-17 Gallup poll, conducted before the Republican and Democratic national conventions. It is unclear what impact, if any, those conventions have had on views of the Libertarian and Green Party candidates, who receive far less media attention than Republican candidate Donald Trump and Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton. But given the unpopularity of Trump and Clinton, it is possible Americans will be searching for an alternative candidate to vote for this fall. Current presidential preference polls that include the third-party candidates show Johnson averaging about 7% of the vote and Stein 3%.



DONNELLY, UNIONS TO FIGHT FREE TRADE, TPP: U.S. Sen. Joe Donnelly (D-IN) and several leaders of local labor unions discussed the effects a continuing pattern of offshoring jobs would have on the country (Steeb, *Statehouse File*). The discussion focused on Carrier Corporation's decision in February to move 2,100 manufacturing jobs to Mexico from Indiana. "What you're seeing with Carrier is what I call free riders," said Donnelly. "What they do because of the trade agreement NAFTA, is they ship jobs to Mexico for \$3 an hour, and so they get the benefit of the absolute lowest wages they can find, and then turn around to ship the products back into the United States." Richard Trumka, AFL-CIO president, said decisions like Carrier's affect the workers and their families not the business. He said voters should analyze every candidate's policies, actions and beliefs before voting. "Those people that we elect set the trade rules and they can be changed," Trumka said. "We have the momentum going right now to change them and we're not going to let up until we got a new trade regime." Part of Donnelly's plan is to fight for fair trade agreements, which includes trying to keep the Trans Pacific Partnership from passing.

HUELSKAMP DEFEATED IN PRIMARY: Frustrated voters in a sprawling Kansas congressional district sent a blunt message on Tuesday that might yet break through the din of this election: At some point the government needs to do something for them (*New York Times*). That sentiment was delivered in the harshest possible terms to Representative Tim Huelskamp, a firebrand Tea Party conservative who lost in a primary landslide after spending most of his six years in Washington feuding with his own leaders. He was so difficult to work with and troublesome that he was kicked off the Agriculture Committee. The loss of that crucial legislative post, and his vote against a long-term farm bill, did not endear him to the powerful farming interests in a state that likes its federal agricultural aid. Farm groups joined the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and another deep-pocketed advocacy group to get behind Roger Marshall, a political novice who promised to work on behalf of Kansas rather than rabble rouse.



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General Assembly

AG GROUPS PLAN FOR 2017 ASSEMBLY: It may not feel like it, but the year is half over, and agricultural groups are busy planning for the 2017 General Assembly (Quinlan, *Indiana AgriNews*). Representatives of several groups discussed their plans July 27 at the Agriculture Policy Summit. Although each has unique legislative priorities and strategies, common themes included focus on infrastructure, economic development and budget setting. Top issues include road funding, weight regulations, bean and corn uses, and education and outreach.



State

GOVERNOR: PENCES VISIT STATE FAIR THIS MORNING - Governor Mike Pence and First Lady Karen Pence will visit the Indiana State Fair this morning (*Howey Political Report*). A media alert indicated the couple will participate in the opening ceremony and visit the Bicentennial Pavilion and the Indiana Arts Building, where the First Lady has a 16-print watercolor exhibition.

GOVERNOR: PENCE MAKES APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - Governor Mike Pence recently made appointments to various boards and commissions.

Indiana Dietitians Certification Board (3-year term through July 31, 2019) - Rachel F. Noirot, Monroe County.

Indiana Executive Council on Cybersecurity (serves at Governor's pleasure) - Jacob M. Butler, Allen County; Joni K. Hart, Marion County; Owen J. LaChat, Delaware County; Stephen A. Key, Marion County; Mark A. Lantzy, Marion County; Mark T. Maassel, Porter County; Ronald W. Pelletier, Hamilton County; Robert I. Richhart, Morgan County; Daniel J. Solero, Hendricks County; Robert E. Templeman, Monroe County; and, Jon F. Weirick, Whitley County.

Indiana Gaming Commission (reappointed to 3-year term through Aug. 31, 2019) - Marc D. Fine, Vanderburgh County; and, Joseph C. Svetanoff, Lake County.

Indiana State University Board of Trustees (reappointed to serve a four-year term through June 30, 2020) - Tanya R. Bell, Hendricks County; and, Randall K. Minas, Lake County.

Juvenile Justice State Advisory Group (appointed to serve at the Governor's pleasure) - Jan M. Lutz, Marion County; and, Julie L. Whitman, Boone County.

Private Investigator & Security Guard Licensing Board - Lewis T. Cliborne, Lake County, appointed to serve a two-year term through Aug. 31, 2018; Don C. Johnson, Monroe County, reappointed to serve a two-year term through July 31, 2018; and, Lewis R. LaMaster, Scott County, reappointed to serve a two-year term through July 31, 2018.

ECONOMY: STEEL CONCERNS AIRED IN WASHINGTON - Steel industry stakeholders urged the U.S. International Trade Commission Thursday to take action against what they says are unfairly-traded imports (McGowan, *Inside Indiana Business*). Indiana produces more steel than any other state. Leaders including the CEO of ArcelorMittal, which is one of the largest employers in northwest Indiana, and U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky (D-IN), who represents portions of the region, are pushing for stiffer regulations they say would help level out the market for domestic producers. Visclosky singled out hot-rolled steel products, saying Hoosier workers and employers are "being cheated out of the opportunity to compete fairly" by steelmakers in Australia, Brazil, Japan, Korea, Netherlands, Turkey and the United Kingdom. ArcelorMittal USA CEO John Brett said the cheaper foreign steel flooding the U.S. markets, much of which he contends arrived here as "unfairly traded" imports, forced a collapse in the domestic market that has led to layoffs and other cost-cutting decision in recent years. In March, ArcelorMittal idled a plant at the Indiana Harbor facility in East Chicago, costing some 300 jobs.

ECONOMY: GREAT YEAR FOR COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE - A vice president at Cushman & Wakefield says, at the midpoint of 2016, it is one of the best years on record for commercial real estate in Indiana (Ober, *Inside Indiana Business*). Jason Tolliver says organic growth, foreign direct investment and a desire for live-work-play developments has fueled growth in almost every sector. He says development is growing in some areas of the state where there is not enough space to meet demand. During an interview on *Inside INdiana Business Television*, Tolliver said he expects a "really strong end" to 2016. Tolliver says one stand-out sector is office developments, where Indiana is outpacing the nation. He says the United States office sector began the year "soft," but tech momentum in Indiana has the state performing better. He calls the retail sector a continuing "bundle of contradictions." While many department stores are "right-sizing" their footprints, he says restaurants are driving growth.

AGRICULTURE: FARMLAND VALUE CONTINUES FALL - A Purdue University survey has found Indiana farmland values have continued their downward trend (*Associated Press*). The 2016 Purdue Farmland Value Survey released Wednesday found average declines of 8.2 to 8.7 percent from last year, depending on land quality. It says such large declines haven't been seen since the mid-1980s. The survey says that over the past two years, the average farmland value has fallen about 13 percent. The report says the declines are largely the result of tighter profit margins from low commodity prices. It says the downward trend in farmland values was consistent across all regions of the state. The survey shows that top- and average-quality farmland fell by an average of 8.2 percent and poor-quality farmland declined by 8.7 percent. Top land fell from \$9,266 per acre to \$8,508.

COURTS: WARRANT REQUIRED FOR PHONE LOCATION DATA - Police must obtain a judicial warrant to access the cellular phone location records of a suspected criminal, the Indiana Court of Appeals ruled Thursday (Carden, *NWI Times*). In a 2-1 decision, involving a first-of-its-kind issue for

Indiana, the appellate court determined Hoosiers have an expectation of privacy in their location data maintained by cellphone providers, and police do not have automatic authority to access and use those records as a tracking device. Appeals Judge Patricia Riley, a Rensselaer native writing for the court, distinguished cellphone location data from similar records individuals voluntarily convey to businesses, or other third parties, which those entities are free to provide to police or the government, upon request. Appeals Judge James Kirsch dissented from the decision. He said the court should have followed precedents set by several federal appellate circuits that declined to find individuals have an expectation of privacy for their cellular location data. Republican Attorney General Greg Zoeller is likely to ask the Indiana Supreme Court to review and set aside the Court of Appeals decision.

EDUCATION: DANIELS HONORED FOR PARTNERSHIPS - Purdue University President Mitch Daniels is being nationally recognized for his work with public-private partnerships (Ober, *Inside Indiana Business*). The American Road and Transportation Builders Association has named Daniels its P3 Entrepreneur of the Year for his work on the \$120 million State Street Redevelopment Project in West Lafayette. The State Street project involves overhauling the corridor that runs through Purdue and into downtown West Lafayette. The effort is a driving factor in the proposed \$1.2 billion Purdue Innovation District. The project received final approval from Governor Mike Pence in March. Daniels has taken leadership roles in several public-private partnerships during his years at Purdue and as governor Indiana. They include the Indiana Toll Road, which generated more than \$3.8 billion in cash for the state. Much of that money was used for the 10-year Major Moves transportation plan and a trust fund future infrastructure projects.

ECONOMY: INDIANA CITIES AMONG MOST AFFORDABLE - A national website focusing on quality-of-life data has ranked three Indiana cities in the top 10 for lowest cost of living in the nation (McGowan, *Inside Indiana Business*). The Niche.com list is based on metrics including home value, property taxes, rent and gas prices. The top cities in Indiana are Fort Wayne and Evansville, number one and two in the country, respectively, sixth-ranked South Bend and #24 in the country Indianapolis. The full list of factors is: Home Value to Income Ratio, Median Effective Property Tax, Median Home Value, Median Rent, Monthly Housing Cost to Income Ratio, CPI Gas Index, CPI Grocery Index and Rent to Income Ratio. The numbers come from the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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WHITE HOUSE: OBAMA SAYS IRAN CASH UPROAR 'MANUFACTURED' - President Obama on Thursday flatly denied that a \$400 million pallet of cash delivered to the Iranian government in January, on the same day that four American citizens who had been detained by Iran were released, was a ransom payment, calling the latest uproar over the landmark nuclear pact with Tehran "the manufacturing of outrage" (Cooper & Schmidt, *New York Times*). Mr. Obama said the payment was part of a decades-old dispute with Iran that had been litigated before an international tribunal, adding that his administration publicly disclosed the agreement in January. "We do not pay ransom for hostages," Mr. Obama said during a news conference at the Pentagon. In a forceful rebuttal to accusations from critics who said that the payment could put more Americans in danger of being held, he called "the notion that we would start now, in this high profile way," one that "defies logic." "It's been interesting to watch this story surface," Mr. Obama said. "Some of you may recall, we announced these payments in January."

Many months ago. It was no secret." Mr. Obama's comments came after a meeting with his national security staff on the battle to counter the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria.

WHITE HOUSE: KERRY INSISTS NO RANSOM FOR HOSTAGES - Secretary of State John Kerry insisted Thursday that the United States never pays ransoms for hostages, rejecting accusations that a \$400 million payment to Iran was a quid pro quo for the release of American prisoners (*CNN*). "First of all, the United States of America does not pay ransom and does not negotiate ransoms with any country," Kerry said at a news conference in Argentina. "We never have and we're not doing that now. It is not our policy." A furor erupted after The Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday on the circumstances and timing of a cash payment to Iran. CNN had at the time reported that the transfer had been arranged.

WHITE HOUSE: ISLAMIC STATE TO CONTINUE AS THREAT - The Islamic State group will probably continue to be a threat to the U.S. even after it is ousted from key strongholds in Iraq and Syria, President Barack Obama said Thursday, warning that lone-wolf believers will still be inspired to launch attacks that are harder to detect and prevent (*Associated Press*). Speaking to reporters after meeting with his top national security advisers in the Pentagon, Obama said the U.S. has to do a better job disrupting terror networks and intercepting the internet messages that can get to troubled individuals and inspire them to act. "What ISIL has figured out is that if they can convince a handful of people or even one person to carry out an attack on a subway, or at a parade or some other public venue, and kill scores of people as opposed to thousands of people, it still creates the kinds of fear and concern that elevates their profile," Obama said. He said terrorism likely won't be eliminated by his administration or his successors, and he's always pushing his team to seek out new ideas to battle the problem.

WEATHER: U.S. IN HURRICANE DROUGHT - Hurricanes, large and small, have eluded U.S. shores for record lengths of time. As population and wealth along parts of the U.S. coast have exploded since the last stormy period, experts dread the potential damage and harm once the drought ends (*Washington Post*). Three historically unprecedented droughts in landfalling U.S. hurricanes are presently active. A major hurricane hasn't hit the U.S. Gulf or East Coast in more than a decade. A major hurricane is one containing maximum sustained winds of at least 111 mph and classified as Category 3 or higher on the 1-5 Saffir-Simpson wind scale. The streak has reached 3,937 days, longer than any previous drought by nearly two years. Twenty-seven major hurricanes have occurred in the Atlantic Ocean basin since the last one, Wilma, struck Florida in 2005. The odds of this are 1 in 2,300, according to Phil Klotzbach, a hurricane researcher from Colorado State University. Even the entire Gulf of Mexico, and its sprawling coast from Florida to Texas, have been hurricane-free for almost three full years, the longest period since record-keeping began 165 years ago (in 1851). The last hurricane to traverse the Gulf waters was Ingrid, which made landfall in Mexico as a tropical storm, in September 2013.

ECONOMY: UNEMPLOYMENT REQUESTS UP, NEAR ALL-TIME LOW - More Americans applied for unemployment benefits last week, but the number of remained close to historic lows in a positive sign for the job market (Boak, *Associated Press*). Applications for jobless aid rose 3,000 to a seasonally adjusted 269,000, the Labor Department said Thursday. The four-week average, a less volatile measure, increased 3,750 to 260,250. The number of Americans collecting benefits has fallen 5.4 percent over the past year to 2.14 million. The U.S. economy looks pretty resilient despite a slow start to 2016, since jobless claims are a proxy for layoffs. The number of people seeking aid has been below 300,000 for 74 straight weeks,

the longest streak since 1973. By holding onto employees, employers are signaling that they expect economic growth to continue. The pace of hiring and economic growth slowed in the first half of 2016, even if companies are refraining from layoffs. Monthly job gains averaged 147,000 in the April-June quarter, a 25 percent decline from the average in the first three months of the year. Economists estimate that Friday's employment report will show that 175,000 jobs were added in July, with the unemployment rate dipping to 4.8 percent from 4.9 percent.

CRIME: PROSECUTOR REP BLASTS OBAMA'S COMMUTATIONS - The head of the association representing career federal prosecutors unloaded Thursday on President Obama's decision to cut short the sentences of 214 prisoners, accusing the administration of violating its own clemency guidelines (Kirby, *FoxNews*). Obama's was the most commutations ever issued on a single day, according to political scientist P.S. Ruckman Jr., who tracks presidential commutations. His total now stands at 562, more than the previous nine presidents combined. "These aren't little, nonviolent offenders." Steve Cook, president of the National Association of Assistant U.S. Attorneys, told LifeZette that 55 of the prisoners have firearms convictions - in many cases not just possessing a weapon but using it help carry out drug distribution operations. Others have criminal backgrounds that should have raised red flags, he said. "The reason some of this should shock people is when this clemency program was announced, the public was told in order to qualify, applicants had to meet six very specific criteria," he said, adding that even a cursory review suggests many should have failed that test. Cook noted that two men who received a break were serving time for "engaging in a continuing criminal enterprise," which he said indicates they were drug kingpins.

Local

CITIES: CONSTRUCTION JOBS UP 20% IN KOKOMO - Recent data analysis shows that Kokomo led the nation in a percentage increase of construction jobs over the last year, city officials announced Thursday (Myers, *Kokomo Tribune*). An analysis by the Associated General Contractors of America of data gathered by the Bureau of Labor Statistics shows that the Kokomo Metropolitan Statistical Area gained 200 construction jobs from June 2015 to June 2016. The industry growth represents a 20 percent increase, the highest in the nation. According to the data, Kokomo increased from 1,000 to 1,200 construction jobs. The second highest increase was in Boise City, Idaho, which saw a 19 percent increase from 18,700 jobs to 22,300. "This is another example of how Kokomo's economy continues to grow," said Kokomo Mayor Greg Goodnight in a press release. "New housing and amenities produced by these new construction jobs have an economic ripple throughout the rest of the city." Kokomo was one of two Indiana cities to experience a double-digit increase. Lafayette-West Lafayette saw an increase of 11 percent from 3,700 jobs to 4,100.

CITIES: NO CRIMINAL CHARGES FOR INDY COUNCILOR ACCUSED OF RAPE - Criminal charges will not be filed against an Indianapolis councilor accused of rape (Galer, *WTHR-TV*). A special prosecutor made the decision Thursday after reviewing the allegation against Zach Adamson (D-Indianapolis). The allegation stemmed from an incident in September 2015, but was reported in June 2016. Adamson maintained his innocence in the matter. "From the beginning, we have maintained that the accusations against me were false," Adamson said in a statement. "We are pleased that after 7 weeks of extensive

investigations by the police, they have come to the same conclusion. We're grateful to the IMPD detectives working on this matter and thank them for their thorough investigation..."

CITIES: SECOND EEOC CLAIM AGAINST TERRE HAUTE STREET DEPT. - A second person claims he was harassed by co-workers while he was employed at the Terre Haute Street Department (Swaner, *WTHI-TV*). Steve Stedman filed a claim with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). Terry Fish has also filed a claim after filing a Tort Claim against the city last November. Fish claimed his former co-workers harassed him for a decade. Fish is physically and mentally disabled. Stedman claims he could not just sit by and watch the harassment, so he took his concerns to his bosses. "Nothing was done by Brad Miller of the mayor," Stedman said in a prepared statement read to News 10. Miller told News 10 he cannot comment on any litigation against the city that's pending. City Attorney Eddie Felling told us the same thing, although he did tell us he's already filed his response to both claims. Attorney Paul Jungers represents Stedman and Fish. He says the EEOC will appoint an investigator to look into the claims. That investigator could issue Stedman a "right to sue" letter.

CITIES: ANDERSON PLANS TO DEMOLISH 70 PROPERTIES - The city of Anderson plans to demolish dozens of vacant properties over the next month (McNicholas, *WISH-TV*). They're knocking the homes down using state grant money. Anderson locals said the city's still recovering from General Motors' decision to close its Anderson plant. Anderson's population stood at 70,000 in 1970 and, today, it's dropped below 60,000. City leaders hope a new blight elimination project will breathe new life into the city. City leaders plan to demolish 70 properties between now and mid-September. The city was awarded a grant of about \$2 million a year and a half ago, according to the mayor. A city spokesperson said city workers find the homeowners and use grant money to acquire the lot. If the homeowners don't cooperate, the demolition can't happen. In some cases, city workers can enforce an Unsafe Building Ordinance to demolish the property if the owner does not cooperate. If the homeowner cooperates, the mayor's team works to find new owners to revitalize the property.

CITIES: SOUTH BEND AIRPORT LAND EYED FOR REDEVELOPMENT - Plans are in the works for the transfer of 70 acres of land near the airport to the city for future redevelopment (Blasko, *South Bend Tribune*). In anticipation of the move, the Airport Authority, which owns the land, has petitioned to have it annexed into the city and rezoned from agricultural to light industrial. The Common Council will consider the petition Monday. The transfer is part of an agreement between the city and Airport Authority for the development of a new facility for Corporate Wings, a fixed-base operator out of Ohio. The city agreed in 2014 to build a \$1.5 million ramp for the facility, which, when finished later this year, will provide general aviation and concierge services to corporate and commercial clients. In exchange, the Airport Authority agreed to transfer to the city 71.31 acres of undeveloped land. Brian Pawlowski, acting executive director of Community Investment for the city, said Wednesday the city has no immediate plans for the property, which is in German Township.

CITIES: BEECH GROVE SETTLES OVER FACEBOOK PAGE - The City of Beech Grove has reached a settlement with two women who sued the city over their posts being banned from the city's Facebook page (*WTHR-TV*). The city took down its police and city Facebook pages last month after the lawsuit was filed. The women claimed the city had banned them from critical posts. A city attorney said it happened when people posted comments not related to crime. In some cases, the comments were seen as

inflammatory and not true. Beech Grove will now allow the women to post comments and the city will also pay the women's court costs. Beech Grove will change its Facebook editing policies. The city was reluctant to take down its Facebook pages because it was a way for them to receive crime tips.

CITIES: FEDERAL GRANT FOR CLAY CITY WATER SYSTEM - Donella Baumgartner, president of the Clay City Town Council, called the grant and repairs to the city's water filtration system "awesome" (Phillips, *Brazil Times*). She praised National Water Service for putting in extra time to be sure temporary repairs to the filtration system will hold and said that after the \$550,000 federal grant is applied and permanent repairs are completed, "Hopefully, we won't have to raise any water prices but the water will look much better and that's awesome." She said the water is currently safe to drink but many times it appears to be colored. Bids will be received this fall. Work on the plant should start before the end of the year and take six months to complete. Next year, the town plans to apply for a sanitary sewer/storm sewer grant to upgrade that utility, Baumgartner said.

COUNTIES: COMMISSION RECOMMENDS REPRIMAND FOR FLOYD PROSECUTOR - A hearing officer from Indiana's Disciplinary Commission Wednesday recommended that Floyd County prosecutor Keith Henderson get a public reprimand for his actions in the David Camm triple-murder case, according to reports (Sayers, *Louisville Courier-Journal*). David L. Pippen, hearing officer for the commission, published the recommendation in Indiana Supreme Court in which he wrote that Henderson violated ethics rules by pursuing a deal to write a book about the Camm case between the second and third trials, according to a document filed Wednesday and first reported by WDRB. Ethics rules state that attorneys are prohibited from negotiating publicity rights arising from representation of their clients, according to the recommendation. The findings will now go before the Indiana Supreme Court, which will decide whether to accept or reject the recommendation.

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BOPP '95%' CONVINCED PENCE WILL BE VEEP: Scrambling among Indiana politicians has reached the point where Republican Party insiders are convinced that presumptive presidential nominee Donald Trump will pick Indiana Gov. Mike Pence as his running mate (*Washington Times*). Constitutional lawyer James Bopp, an Indiana delegate to the Republican National Convention who is close the governor, told The Washington Times that Indiana House Speaker Brian C. Bosma, 58, a conservative Republican, had sought advice from him on running for governor. "He wanted my counsel on what he needed to do to set himself up to run for governor, because he expects Pence to step down as governor in order to be Trump's running mate," Mr. Bopp said in an interview. The Trump election team boosted the Pence speculation Sunday by suddenly adding a campaign rally in Indianapolis to a fundraiser planned for Tuesday featuring Mr. Trump and Mr. Pence. Several Republicans close to the campaign and to the governor have told The Times over the last 24 hours that they are now convinced it'll be Mr. Pence. Mr. Bopp, also a member of the convention's rules committee, told The Times that the "rally made it a 95 percent probability it's Pence." Asked if he had any new information, Trump Indiana campaign chairman Rex Early told *Howey Politics Indiana* mid-day Sunday. "I do not know. I know I'm supposed to introduce Pence and Pence will introduce Trump" at the fundraiser and perhaps the rally. Early continued to insist that Pence "fills several holes with evangelicals" who question Trump's conservatism and commitment to life issues. "I know Trump is concerned about the evangelical vote," Early said. "It was really good that Mike voted for Cruz. Mike can quash that doubt." *NBC News* reported that for the governor, this is expected to be a bright-lights week — Trump will arrive to town for a fundraiser in downtown Indianapolis on Tuesday evening before heading 20 miles north to Westfield for a rally. The deadline to name Pence as his pick is essentially this Friday, when state law requires Pence to decide whether he appears on the ballot in November for governor or vice president. He cannot appear twice.

INDIANA GOP ANTICIPATING PENCE AS VEEP: Indiana Republicans are anticipating that Donald Trump will pick GOP Gov. Mike Pence as his running mate and purportedly have plans in place if Pence drops his re-election bid to become the vice presidential nominee, Indiana Republican sources tell *FoxNews.com*. The Trump campaign has suggested the VP announcement will be made at the national convention starting July 18 or in the coming days. However, Trump, the presumptive Republican presidential nominee, will perhaps have to decide on Pence by noon Friday, the deadline for the first-term governor to appear on the state November ballot as either a gubernatorial or vice presidential candidate. The Indiana Republican Committee is apparently behind state Lt. Gov. Eric Holcomb, Pence's gubernatorial running-mate, to become the nominee if Trump selects Pence, said the sources, who are familiar with the situation. The speculation around Trump perhaps having already decided on Pence is largely based on the two expected to appear together Tuesday at a rally in Westfield, Indiana, followed by a private fundraiser in Indianapolis. "Everyone here is acting as if it is happening and Pence is the pick," Indiana Republican strategist Pete Seat told *FoxNews.com* on Saturday. A GOP state committee member who asked for anonymity because he is not authorized to speak publicly on the issue said: "Every indication that has been given to members of the ... committee is that Pence getting picked is a very real possibility."

TRUMP RALLY IN WESTFIELD TUESDAY: Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump will hold a rally in Westfield next Tuesday at the Grand Park Events Center at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 4:30. The

appearance by Trump is likely to fuel speculation about Gov. Mike Pence being chosen as Trump's running mate (*WTHR-TV*). The two met over the Fourth of July weekend, but Pence said nothing was offered or accepted. Meantime, Pence is sticking with his re-election bid even as he voices support for Trump at campaign stops. Pence also called on fellow Republicans to united behind Trump says he will make the case for Trump at the national convention in Cleveland. "Clearly we have a convention coming up and a very important deadline coming up which I will respect. I would refer you to them to make that decision," said Pence.

TRUMP EYING RETIRED GEN. FLYNN FOR VEEP: After weeks of focusing on a group of current and former elected officials in his search for a running mate, Donald Trump is increasingly intrigued by the idea of tapping retired Lt. Gen. Michael T. Flynn in order to project strength and know-how on national security, according to four people familiar with the vetting process. Flynn, 57, a registered Democrat but fierce critic of President Obama, previously ran the Defense Intelligence Agency. The persons, who spoke with *The Washington Post* on Saturday, requested anonymity to discuss their private conversations in recent days with Trump's confidants and campaign aides. The turn toward a military figure is being driven by Trump himself rather than by his advisers, the people said, and comes as the real estate mogul is telling his friends that national unrest may demand a "tough and steady" presence alongside him on the ticket. In Flynn, they added, Trump believes he would have a partner whom he trusts, based on their close working relationship over the course of the campaign on policy. And he likes the image of a businessman and a general coming to Washington as outsiders. "I think I'll probably go the political route, somebody that can help me with legislation and somebody that can help me get things passed and somebody that's been friends with the senators and the congressman and all," Trump told MSNBC in May (CBS News). But after a tense visit with Capitol Hill Republicans earlier this week, the Washington Post reports that Trump has become less convinced that he would need a GOP insider to win in November.

FLYNN BACKS A WOMAN'S RIGHT TO CHOOSE: Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn, a rumored possible running mate for Donald Trump, said in an interview Sunday that it's a woman's right to choose whether or not she wants an abortion (*The Hill*). "They're the ones that have to make the decision because they're the ones that are going to decide to bring up that child or not," Flynn told ABC's "This Week." "But it's a difficult legal decision... and I think women are so important in that decision-making process." Trump faced controversy earlier in his campaign when he said there would have to be "some form of punishment" for women who obtain abortions if the procedure were outlawed. He later backtracked saying only doctors who perform illegal abortions should be held responsible. Trump has said he is "pro-life with exceptions."

CAPITOL HILL BUZZ ON PENCE: Buzz is building on Capitol Hill for Indiana Gov. Mike Pence to be Donald Trump's running mate (*The Hill*). Republican lawmakers, some of whom have close ties with Pence from the more than a decade he spent in the House, say the battleground state governor could be instrumental in helping Trump develop the relationships he needs in Washington. GOP House members praised Pence, 57, as a proven fundraiser and principled social conservative they could work with to influence Trump in the Oval Office. Former colleagues say Pence, who started his career as a conservative radio talk show host in Indiana, is as skilled a communicator as the party has. They gushed about how he could help unite establishment Republicans and grassroots conservatives behind Trump, who has otherwise struggled to bring together a fractured party. "I'd be dancing in the aisles," said Rep. John Carter (R-Texas), who says he attended Bible study with Pence when they were both in Washington. "He's one of the best we've ever had in Congress. I'd love to see Mike Pence be the guy. It'd

be awesome." The clock is ticking. Pence, who is seeking reelection to a second term as governor, would have to withdraw from that contest by noon next Friday, July 15, if he's going to run as Trump's vice president. Polls show the Indiana governor's race is a toss-up between Pence and Democrat John Gregg. But Pence has not ruled out being Trump's running mate. He is being vetted for the position and the two met last weekend. Pence campaign spokesman Marc Lotter told The Hill that Pence is "focused on being governor and working towards reelection." "Nothing has been offered and nothing has been accepted, but it's great to be considered," Lotter said.

GINGRICH ACTIVELY PUSHING FOR VEEP; PENCE ISN'T: Newt Gingrich is "actively lobbying" to be Donald Trump's running mate, a source familiar with the process told *CNN* Saturday. The source added that Indiana Gov. Mike Pence is very high on Trump's VP list and is getting the "full vet." But Pence isn't actively lobbying for the job because it's not his style, the source added. And retired Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn is also being considered as a Trump running mate, but the source said it is "not clear how intensely," an indication the general is on the list but may not get the final nod. Sources have also said New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, an active surrogate for Trump, is not yet out of the running. He will campaign with Trump in Virginia on Monday, campaign spokeswoman Hope Hicks said. Earlier in the week, Gingrich told Fox News that if asked, he would serve as Trump's vice president. "If Trump offers the position and is serious about it, which I think he would be after our conversations, listen, I would feel compelled to serve the country," Gingrich told Greta Van Susteren.

NRA REVOLT OVER CASTILE: After a Minnesota police officer fatally shot a black man on Wednesday, gun control advocates weren't the only ones criticizing the National Rifle Association. Some of the blowback was coming from within the organization (*Washington Post*). The NRA is facing internal division as its members argue that the group did not do enough to defend gun owners' rights by speaking out on behalf of Philando Castile of Falcon Heights, Minn., who was shot to death during a traffic stop. Castile had a valid permit to carry a gun. He also reportedly informed the officer who shot him that he was armed in an attempt to head off a misunderstanding. Philando Castile, 32, was fatally shot by a police officer at a traffic stop outside St. Paul. His girlfriend, Diamond "Lavish" Reynolds, and her 4-year-old daughter were in the car with him. Reynolds live streamed the aftermath on Facebook. Here's what you need to know. (Monica Akhtar, Jenny Starrs/*The Washington Post*) Still, Castile was killed by police, prompting outrage that following the rules was not enough to save him from a violent death. The NRA appeared to drag its feet on the Falcon Heights shooting, taking more than a day and a half to address it publicly. When a statement was posted on the NRA Facebook page, the group obliquely referred to "reports from Minnesota." It neither named Castile directly nor took a position on the shooting. "It is important for the NRA not to comment while the investigation is ongoing," the organization said. "Rest assured, the NRA will have more to say once all the facts are known."

HPI DAILY ANALYSIS: The planets appear to be aligning for a Trump/Pence ticket, particularly with Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn's comments on abortion on Sunday. But we know that Donald Trump is volatile, keeps his own counsel, routinely flip-flops on the issues and could easily veer into unknown territory at a moment's notice. Good luck, Gov. Pence. - *Brian A. Howey*



Campaigns

COLEMAN TO OPEN ELKHART OFFICE: Lynn Coleman, the Democratic candidate in this year's race for Indiana's 2nd Congressional District seat, is opening a campaign office in Elkhart (*South Bend Tribune*). Coleman's campaign is holding a grand opening Wednesday at the office in downtown Elkhart. Coleman is a retired South Bend police officer and former member of Mayor Steve Luecke's administration. He is running against incumbent U.S. Rep. Jackie Walorski, R-Jimtown, in this year's 2nd District race.

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TRUMP CAUGHT IN MIDDLE OF SAME SEX SHOWDOWN: Same-sex marriage and transgender rights are emerging as points of serious strain between social conservatives and moderates who are trying to shape the Republican platform, reviving a festering cultural dispute as thousands of party activists and delegates prepare for their convention (*New York Times*). Caught in the middle is Donald J. Trump, who claims "tremendous support, tremendous friendship" from gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgender people, and has gone further than most party figures to embrace them. Gays, in fact, are one of the few minority groups Mr. Trump has not singled out for criticism. But as the presumptive Republican nominee, he is also trying to assuage doubts about the convictions of his conservatism. The uncomfortable dynamic Mr. Trump has created for himself is perhaps best illustrated by his own calendar. He huddled last month at a Manhattan hotel with hundreds of religious conservatives, many of them — like James C. Dobson, the founder of Focus on the Family, and Tony Perkins, the president of the Family Research Council — outspoken opponents of new legal protections for gay and transgender people. A few days later, he took what an aide described as a friendly and supportive call from Caitlyn Jenner, the former Olympic decathlete who came out as transgender last year.

CHRISTIE ANGLING FOR VEEP: Chris Christie has said it over and over: He can't "imagine" being vice president. His personality just isn't cut out for the role (*Politico*). But the way Christie has been governing New Jersey over the past couple of months has many Trenton insiders convinced he's angling for a spot on the ticket with Donald Trump, whose transition team he's leading and who hinted at it as far back as November, when he said Christie could have a "place" in his administration. Christie has fiercely guarded his reputation as a strong executive, taken pains not to see his vetoes overturned and put forward sweeping proposals that anger liberals and have little chance of passing. He's also echoed Trump's

talking points on "radical Islam" and has become the presumptive Republican nominee's chief apologist, bucking other Republicans by refusing to call his remarks about Judge Gonzalo Curiel racist. "Once it was clear his own presidential ambitions came to an end, at least for the time being, he switched gears for 'How do I get out of New Jersey?' And it was getting on the Trump bandwagon," said Monmouth University pollster Patrick Murray.

FALLIN NOT BEING VETTED: Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin says that though she's honored to have been mentioned as a potential Trump running mate, she is not being vetted (*CBS News*). "I have not been asked for specific documentation and I have not had a specific conversation with any of his staff about vice president," she told CNN's Jake Tapper in an interview on "State of the Union." "It's certainly a great honor to be mentioned with numerous other people across our nation. But I have not been asked to provide information."

CLINTON, TRUMP CANCEL EVENTS AFTER DALLAS MURDERS: The ambush that left five police officers dead at a protest in Dallas on Thursday has altered the contours of the presidential campaign, with Hillary Clinton and Donald J. Trump canceling political events on Friday and striking different tones about the killings (*New York Times*). Mr. Trump called the episode "an attack on our country," and Mrs. Clinton used it as evidence of the need for "more love and kindness." "We must stand in solidarity with law enforcement, which we must remember is the force between civilization and total chaos," Mr. Trump said in a video statement that his campaign released to TV networks on Friday evening. He also alluded to the two black men, Alton B. Sterling in Baton Rouge, La., and Philando Castile in Falcon Heights, Minn., who were killed by white police officers this week. "Every American has the right to live in safety and peace," Mr. Trump said. "We will make America safe again." In an interview with CNN, Mrs. Clinton praised the Dallas officers and called the attack "an absolutely horrific event." She promptly brought the conversation back to the shootings of Mr. Castile and Mr. Sterling, which were recorded in graphic videos that reignited outrage and debate over the treatment of black men by white police officers. "We've got to do everything possible to support our police and to support innocent Americans who have encounters with police," Mrs. Clinton said. She vowed to fight "systemic racism" in police departments and to better train law enforcement officials and integrate them into the communities they serve.

PENCE KEEPS LOW PROFILE OVER WEEKEND: In the wake of the Dallas attack, Gov. Mike Pence gave a broad answer, but one that avoided finger pointing, when asked on Friday how he reconciles the grievances of the African American community with law enforcement (*NBC News*). Pence said that people do not "have to make a choice between supporting the men and women who wear the uniform and supporting the people who are struggling with challenges in communities across this state." Pence attended a wreath-laying on Friday afternoon in Indianapolis that honored fallen troopers and employees of the Indiana State Police. The pre-scheduled event, however, paid tribute to the "national tragedy" in Dallas, as Pence called it. The Indiana governor has no public events scheduled for the weekend yet but continues to pop up around the state for stops as part of his re-elect bid for governor.

TRUMP DEFENDS CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT DON'T EXIST: Republican Rep. Mark Sanford said Friday that Donald Trump has a "callous disregard for details" that was on full display when the GOP presidential candidate told a private meeting of House Republicans he would fiercely defend articles of U.S. Constitution that don't exist (*CNN*). "I think what a number of us have been concerned

about is a pattern of laxity with regard to details," Sanford told CNN in an interview, explaining that details are critical to good governance, one day after he was part of a group meeting with the presumptive Republican presidential candidate. "It is the details that really matter in impacting people's lives. It is the details that matter frankly in any legislative negotiation." The South Carolinian lawmaker, who has been critic of Trump, said that lack of respect for details could make it difficult for the businessman to be a successful president. "I wasn't particularly impressed," Sanford told reporters after Thursday's meeting at an event. "I think it was the normal stream of consciousness that's long on hyperbole and short on facts. At one point there was mentioned -- somebody asked about, you know, Article I powers and what would you do to protect them and you know, I think his response was 'I want to protect Article I, Article II, Article XII -- go down the list.' As we both know there is no Article XII."

CLINTON PLEADS FOR END TO HATEFUL RHETORIC: As the nation mourned another week of wrenching violence, Hillary Clinton stood Friday evening before a collection of flags in a cavernous, cold convention hall and pleaded with Americans to abandon hateful words and consider their neighbors' pain (*Politico*). Flanked by church leaders, Clinton decided to be the country's loudest voice of all, looking to project the image of the steady hand in contrast to Donald Trump on a day that he largely went silent aside from a morning statement — and while President Barack Obama was in Europe. "We need to try, as best we can, to walk in one another's shoes, to imagine what it would be like if people followed us around stores, or locked their car doors when we walked past, or if every time our children went to play in the park — or just to the store to buy iced tea and Skittles — we said a prayer, 'please God, don't let anything happen to my baby.'"

CLINTON REFUTES FBI ASSERTION SHE WAS 'CARELESS': Hillary Clinton on Friday rejected the F.B.I.'s assertion that she had been "extremely careless" with classified material as secretary of state, offering her first public comments on the matter since the Justice Department closed its inquiry without bringing charges against her this week (*New York Times*). In interviews on CNN and MSNBC, Mrs. Clinton tried to put the controversy surrounding her use of a private email server to rest, brushing off a rebuke from James Comey, the F.B.I. director, who had criticized her for being negligent. Although Mr. Comey, in a congressional hearing on Thursday, pointed out several contradictions between what Mrs. Clinton had said publicly about her email use and what she said in sworn testimony, Mrs. Clinton insisted Friday that she did not intentionally send or receive any classified information through her private account. She also appeared to be spreading the responsibility to her State Department staff. "I think there are about 300 people in the government, mostly in the State Department, but in other high positions in the government with whom I emailed over the course of four years — they, I believe, did not believe they were sending any material that was classified," Mrs. Clinton said on CNN. "They were pursuing their responsibilities. I do not think they were careless."

CLINTON OUTLINES HEALTH CARE AGENDA: Hillary Clinton is pledging to follow through on progressive health care policies in a new campaign document as Democratic delegates meet in Orlando on the party's platform and she woos Bernie Sanders' supporters (*Politico*). The document mostly rehashes Clinton's previous proposals, including extending Medicare as an option to Americans 55 years and older, allowing undocumented immigrants to purchase coverage from Obamacare exchanges, and efforts to fight high out-of-pocket health care costs. The document itself is largely symbolic, but it's taken on more weight this year as Clinton moves left to appeal to Sanders' supporters. Sanders, who clashed with Clinton during the primary over his support for a single-payer health care system, praised the Clinton

plan in a press call Saturday morning. "Together, these steps will get us closer to the day where everyone in this country has access to quality, affordable health care," Sanders said.

INDIANA SANDERS DELEGATE RAISING MONEY: An Elkhart man selected to be a delegate at the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia later this month is currently raising money to make the trip (*Elkhart Truth*). Tim Carroll, a lifelong Elkhart resident and graduate of Elkhart Memorial High School, said he was surprised when he was selected in late June to represent Indiana's Second Congressional District as a Bernie Sanders delegate. Carroll currently works as a shipping supervisor at MSC Industrial Supply and lives in Elkhart with his wife, Connie. He said he supports Sanders because of his stance against special interest money. "I want my grandchildren and their children to have a habitable planet and opportunities to succeed when they are working adults," he said. "I believe every American has the right to health care and affordable education, and that it's too late for insignificant or incremental progress on issues like climate change and income inequality."

Sunday Talk

JOHNSON SAYS DALLAS SHOOTER ACTED ALONE: Investigators have not found any link to international terrorist groups the man believed to have killed five police officers last Thursday in Dallas, Homeland Security secretary Jeh Johnson said Sunday, noting that evidence gathered so far has pointed to a single perpetrator (*Politico*). "Everything we know about this individual is being investigated, uncovered and I suspect we are going to know a lot more in a couple days. It does appear that he was a single shooter, the lone shooter," Johnson told "Fox News Sunday," adding, "We do not see any affiliation with any international terrorist organization like ISIL or Al Qaeda, but the investigation does continue."

BRATTON SAYS COPS FEEL PRESSURE: With tensions still high in the days after an Army veteran shot and killed five police officers during a protest in Dallas, New York City Police Commissioner Bill Bratton said police officers across the country are feeling the strain of their jobs (*CBS News*). "This is a time of great pressure on our officers," he said on CBS' "Face the Nation." "There's always pressure on American police officers, danger. But good news is that American police, the American police profession is a strong profession that has been going through profound changes over the last 20 years. Constant improvement in their training. Constant improvement in use of force." Because of those advances and a "relatively peaceful" few years in New York, Bratton said what happened in Dallas came as a complete surprise. "Did we see it coming? No," he said. "But in policing, you always plan for the worst, hope for the best. Dallas was beyond anybody's ability to speculate about or even think about."

SESSIONS SAYS CLINTON DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO CREATE JOBS: Sen. Jeff Sessions (R-Ala.) on Sunday blasted presumptive Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton, saying she doesn't know how to create jobs (*The Hill*). "She does not understand, really, how jobs are created. She's not created jobs, manufacturing, hotels and things around the world," he said on "Fox News Sunday," contrasting Clinton with presumptive GOP nominee Donald Trump. Sessions said Trump "clearly has the advantage" on that front. The Alabama senator also praised Trump's business record, which Clinton took aim at last week, defending the presumptive GOP nominee against her attacks. "He's been a highly successful business

man, but he's invested in hundreds of businesses and some of them haven't been successful but most of them have," he said.

PEREZ TALKS ABOUT HILLARY TRUST: Labor Secretary Thomas Perez on Sunday said presumptive Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton understands she needs to earn back the trust of many people following developments into the controversy over her use of a private email server while serving as secretary of State (*The Hill*). "That hearing was rather interesting this week, because what it really illustrated was exactly what we know, which is, there was no criminal wrongdoing on Secretary Clinton's part, she made a mistake, she's acknowledged that," Perez, rumored to be among the candidates to be Clinton's running mate, said on "Fox News Sunday." "And she acknowledges that she has to earn the trust back of many people."



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Republican National Convention

PRIEBUS BRACES FOR UNRULY CONVENTION: Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus is bracing for a chaotic convention (*The Hill*). Thousands of party leaders, delegates, reporters and activists are descending on Cleveland for a week of platform and rules committee hearings as Republicans prepare to nominate a candidate that has divided the GOP and been a flashpoint for controversy. Those meetings will take place under the shadow of a traumatic week marked by the massacre of five police officers in Dallas and the deaths of two black men killed at the hands of law enforcement and subsequent protests. In an interview with *The Hill* at RNC headquarters in Washington, D.C., on Saturday, just hours before he was scheduled to board a plane for Cleveland, Priebus opened up about how the convention would play out amid a backdrop of roiling anger and unease. "It's understandable that people everywhere across the country are a little nervous about what's been going on around the country," Priebus said. "It's making us all a little uptight and concerned, there's no question."

FALLIN AGAINST TRUMP CHANGES ON ABORTION PLANK: Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin wouldn't guarantee Saturday that the GOP will change its platform on abortion despite Donald Trump's stated desire to allow for exceptions in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the mother. Speaking to *CNN*'s Jake Tapper, Fallin, the co-chair of the party's platform committee, would only say that the party will "remain pro-life." "I know that Donald Trump has said as a candidate that he believes in life, and I think the majority of the Republican Party does believe in life -- that has been an important part and plank of our platform as a political party," Fallin said. The Oklahoma governor -- and potential Trump

running mate -- said the platform's decisions will be up to the party even though Trump is now the Republican standard-bearer. "He will have representation -- he's going to be the presumptive Republican nominee -- and certainly he will have a voice with his people, who will make recommendations, too," Fallin said. "But in the end, this platform is driven by grassroots Republican people throughout the nation who will represent the very values and principles of the Republican Party."

JOCKEYING OVER RULES: Anti-Trump Republicans will make their final stand this week, a long-shot bid to hijack the rules of the Republican Party and deny Donald Trump the presidential nomination (*Politico*). But as GOP delegates converge on Cleveland to begin the business portion of their national convention, that marquee struggle is just one subplot in a drama that will determine the future of the party. Delegates will also weigh whether to embrace Trump's brand of populism and protectionism, to ban outsiders from voting in GOP primaries or to reconfigure the power of the Republican National Committee — as well as how, and for whose benefit, they want to craft the rules for their next presidential primary. Those fights will play out in two powerful committees of delegates. The Platform Committee, which meets Monday and Tuesday, will revisit the core tenets of the Republican Party's policy vision. The Rules Committee, which meets Wednesday and Thursday, will determine the procedures that govern the convention a week later — but also establish the 2020 primary rules. And at every turn, factions loyal to Trump and Ted Cruz will be jockeying for supremacy.

Rules Committee: The meeting of this 112-delegate panel is where the convention's most dramatic confrontation is expected to go down. Here, anti-Trump delegates led by Colorado's Kendal Unruh are scraping together support for a plan that would guarantee delegates the option to vote their conscience when picking the party's presidential nominee — rather than adhere to the results of primaries and caucuses. Such a change, they suggest, could cripple Trump's chances of becoming the GOP nominee. But Trump supporters won't be sitting still. The mogul's allies will be carrying their own pro-Trump proposals aimed at staving off the rebellion.

The conscience clause: Unruh is proposing a change to the rules that would effectively free delegates to vote for any candidate for president. She and her allies argue that it's actually a superfluous effort: the rules already permit delegates to vote freely. But an ongoing dispute has left that argument up for debate. Unruh's organization, Free the Delegates, has been predicated on stopping Trump from winning the nomination. But so far few Rules Committee delegates have publicly indicated support, and dozens have spoken out forcefully against her effort. The dilemma: Though hundreds of GOP delegates at the convention personally oppose Trump, many are unwilling to vote against him for the nomination because he won more votes than any of his rivals. Though Unruh has argued that failure in the Rules Committee doesn't preclude delegates from dumping Trump on the convention floor, pro-Trump Rules Committee members may seek to plug any gaps in the rules that are open to interpretation. If pro-Trump delegates affirm that delegates are, in fact, bound to support Trump, they could dramatically reduce the likelihood of a floor fight before it happens.

Closed primaries: Republicans have long fended off nationwide attempts to shut out Democrats and independents from their primaries, deferring to each state to pick the process it prefers. Even a small-scale effort in 2012 to award bonus delegates to states that embrace closed GOP primaries failed. Many Republican state leaders have supported open primaries as a tool to bring in new voters. Top-down bans

on these primaries by the national party would undercut the Republican belief in deferring to states, they argued at the time.

The primary calendar: Nevada's days as an early state may be over. The caucus state has been hobbled by procedural errors and controversies for the last three presidential cycles, and goodwill among fellow early-state leaders in Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina has run out. In fact, RNC members from the three latter states held a recent conference call to shore up their strategy for maintaining their early-state status. Nevada wasn't included. GOP leaders are eyeing Colorado or Arizona as a replacement instead.

The rule change to end rule changes: Oregon RNC Committeeman Solomon Yue has introduced language that would delay any rule changes from taking effect until the 2020 convention. This would set a new precedent to delay the impact of any significant rule changes and sap some of the urgency behind the committee's decision-making.

Delegate selection: One issue certain to be revisited is the manner in which delegates are selected. In 2012, Rules Committee members fended off a proposal that would've allowed victorious primary candidates to choose their delegates, an attempt to ensure that the presumptive nominee isn't blindsided by disloyal delegates at the convention. But objectors noted that this is precisely the kind of top-down control that the party abhors, granting enormous influence over the centuries-old party to a candidate who would, at most, be around for eight years. However, throughout the 2016 primary, the furious fight between Trump and Cruz has drawn renewed attention to the potential for "Trojan Horse" delegates — those who purport to support one candidate while secretly backing another.

Same-sex marriage: Since 2012, the Supreme Court has ruled that states can't prohibit same-sex couples from marrying. Yet the GOP platform includes harsh language condemning such unions. Jim Bopp Jr. of Terre Haute is advocating for language that continues to call for embracing "traditional" marriage between one man and one woman but placing in the historical context of the party's position, when it opposed polygamy. "The historical family unit has always been one man and one woman," he said. "Men and women are different. They have complementary parenting styles, and having children raised with exposure to both is the best way, the ideal way to raise them."

Abortion: The GOP platform opposing abortion includes no exceptions for rape, incest or to protect the life of the mother. Trump, like Mitt Romney before him, came to his anti-abortion position later in life but continues to endorse those exceptions. Like Romney, Trump may decide to accept the conservative version of this language, despite personal differences. The language calls for a constitutional amendment protecting "unborn children," but backers note that this language doesn't preclude exceptions, which are favored by most Americans.

Mexico: The 2012 GOP platform salutes Mexico as an ally in combating drug trafficking and laments that the Mexican people “are bearing the brunt” of drug cartels. Trump has suggested the country encourages sending drugs into the United States and has treated America’s southern neighbor as an adversary more than a friend. Here again, Bopp sees room for movement in Trump’s direction. Circumstances with Mexico have changed, he says. “Mexico is being much more aggressive in trying to get their citizens to immigrate to the United States and to violate our borders and come here illegally,” he said.

Trade: In 2012, the GOP pledged to pursue the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade agreement. Trump has made tearing it up a hallmark of his campaign. In fact, his protectionist sentiments have cut sharply against the GOP platform’s call for an expansion of free trade agreements. Here, Trump may seek to inject his “America First” approach but is likely to face resistance from the party’s traditional economic advocates. GOP platform committee members note that here, too, there’s room for agreement: Trump has called for punishment of nations who violate trade pacts – and that’s something even free-traders in the GOP can agree on.

Democratic National Convention

SANDERS CLAIMS VICTORY ON \$15 MINIMUM WAGE: Sen. Bernie Sanders may have claimed victory in the fight for \$15, but he lost out on trade (*Politico*). The Democrats’ platform committee late Friday approved an amendment that formalizes the party’s commitment to a \$15 minimum wage, with indexing for inflation, a Sanders campaign pledge. But Saturday, the Vermont senator was defeated on the Trans-Pacific Partnership: The draft platform will not include the strong language opposing the trade deal, which Sanders made a key plank of his run for the Democratic nomination. The fight over the language surrounding the trade deal -- Sanders had ranked that amendment at the top of his list of a dozen changes he wanted -- produced the most contentious debate between Sanders delegates and Clinton delegates at the two-day Orlando meeting.

DEMS SEEK ‘PATHWAY TO LEGALIZATION’ OF POT: The Democratic Party endorsed a “reasoned pathway to future legalization” of marijuana and called for the drug to be downgraded in the Controlled Substances Act, in a tense and unexpected victory for supporters of Sen. Bernie Sanders (*Washington Post*). Going into the platform committee meeting, Sanders’s campaign had no new language about marijuana. The senator from Vermont had favored state-to-state legalization efforts, and the language approved by the drafting committee called for “policies that will allow more research on marijuana, as well as reforming our laws to allow legal marijuana businesses to exist without uncertainty.” But on Saturday afternoon, the committee brought up an amendment that would have removed marijuana from the Controlled Substances Act. David King, a lawyer and Sanders delegate from Tennessee, argued that marijuana was added to the act — giving the drug the same legal classification as heroin — during a “craze” to hurt “hippies and blacks.” The amendment, however, was headed for defeat, with some committee members worrying that it went too far and undermined state-by-state efforts to study decriminalization.

PLANK OPPOSES DEATH PENALTY: The words of Bill and Hillary Clinton during their respective presidential campaigns — 24 years apart — illustrate the decline in both the support and use of the death penalty in America — a shift expected to result in the Democrats becoming the first major U.S. political party to formally call for the abolition of capital punishment later this month (*NBC News*). On Jan. 19, 1992, in a debate in New Hampshire with his rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination, Bill Clinton strongly defended the death penalty, arguing his party "should no longer feel guilty about protecting the innocent," as the *New Yorker* magazine reported at the time. Four days later, Clinton, then the governor of Arkansas, demonstrated that this was not just a rhetorical stance. Ricky Ray Rector, a 42-year-old African-American man who had shot and killed a police officer in 1981, was due to be executed in Arkansas. Clinton had already denied the requests made by Rector's attorney for an executive clemency. But Clinton opted to fly from New Hampshire to be in Little Rock and oversee the execution process. His decision to be in the state that day was widely perceived as intended to show that he was "tough on crime." More than two decades later, Hillary Clinton has expressed ambivalence on the campaign trail when asked about capital punishment. "States have proven themselves incapable of carrying out fair trials" in death penalty cases, she said in March during a campaign appearance in Ohio, while leaving open the possibility of capital punishment under federal law, in a case investigated and prosecuted by the U.S. Department of Justice. But her campaign has agreed to a provision in the Democratic Party platform, which is expected to be adopted at the party's national convention in Philadelphia beginning July 25, that says, "We will abolish the death penalty, which has proven to be a cruel and unusual form of punishment. It has no place in the United States of America." The landmark language is the latest illustration of a slow but major shift in American politics.



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YOUNG BILL CALLS FOR INVOKING ARTICLE 5, NATO RESPONSE TO ISIS: U.S. Reps. Todd Young (R-IN) and Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) introduced H. Res. 814, which calls for invocation of Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty to set in motion a coordinated, coalition-based campaign against the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) (*Howey Politics Indiana*). Article 5, which describes the principle of collective defense among NATO members, has been invoked only once since the organization's inception - after 9-11 (NATO.int). "We must coordinate a coalition-based offensive, and bring to bear all of NATO's military, diplomatic and economic power to destroy ISIS. I hope to see Article 5 invoked immediately," Young said in a statement. "ISIS has co-opted and inspired mass casualty attacks against the United States and our allies, and rabidly seeks to incite more bloodshed... It is one of only a few viable options that can provide President Obama the sufficient political cover one senses he needs to let American military leaders take over and reformulate our weak defensive posture into a winning strategy." The building presence of ISIS across the Middle East, Africa, and Asia has exacerbated the refugee crisis. As witnessed in France, Belgium, the United States, Lebanon, Egypt, Bangladesh, and Turkey, the terror group's ability to co-opt attacks targeting Westerners presents a growing security threat NATO members must address, according to a news release from the congressman's office.

COATS STATEMENT ON JUNE JOBS REPORT: Joint Economic Committee Chairman U.S. Sen. Dan Coats (R-IN) issued the following statement regarding today's report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) that the U.S. economy added 287,000 nonfarm payroll jobs in June and the unemployment rate increased from 4.7 to 4.9 percent (*Howey Politics Indiana*). In addition, May employment numbers were revised to 11,000 jobs added, down from the 38,000 originally reported. "Adding 287,000 jobs in June is welcome news after May's disappointing jobs numbers, which now appear to be even worse than originally reported. Across our country, too many American families are struggling in our economy, and there's no doubt we need more steady and consistent job growth. House Speaker Paul Ryan and House Republicans have put forward a sensible plan to overhaul and modernize our antiquated tax system and grow the economy. Passing reforms like they have proposed would reduce burdens on families and employers, encourage new job creation and increase America's competitive edge in the worldwide marketplace."

BUCSHON NEGOTIATES OPIOID DEAL: The final text of comprehensive legislation to curb opioid and heroin abuse passed the U.S. House of Representatives on Friday and included a provision authored by Eighth District Congressman Larry Bucshon, M.D. Bucshon served on the special conference committee comprised of members of the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate that negotiated legislative differences between both chambers (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The group met on Wednesday to agree on the final legislative text of S. 524, the Comprehensive Addiction Recovery Act sending the bill to the House floor for a vote where it passed today by a vote of 407 to 5. "Drug overdoses in Indiana have increased five-fold in the past decade. The effect of this rapid growth has been devastating to our families and our communities. The comprehensive legislation we sent to the Senate today will help states like Indiana combat the growing opioid abuse epidemic. It will give hope to families and it will save lives," Bucshon said of the House passage of H.R. 4981, the Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Expansion and Modernization Act, an integral part of the final package approved by the House. H.R. 4981 helps expand access to medication-assisted opioid addiction treatment, ensures patients have access to a wider range of comprehensive, evidence-based treatment options, and minimizes the potential for drug diversion. Bucshon served on the special conference committee comprised of members of the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate that negotiated legislative differences between both chambers. The group met on Wednesday to agree on the final legislative text of S. 524, the Comprehensive Addiction Recovery Act sending the bill to the House floor for a vote where it passed today by a vote of 407 to 5.

COATS, DONNELLY COMMENT ON DALLAS: Indiana's U.S. senators are calling on the nation to come together after the shootings in Dallas (*WIBC*). Republican Senator Dan Coats says everyone from President Obama on down has to help calm a divisive atmosphere in the country, and says pastors and community leaders need to be at the forefront. He says rising tensions can't be fixed through legislation or federal funding. Democratic Senator Joe Donnelly issued a statement saying he's "horrified" by what he calls a "vicious, despicable attack." He says the country should stand together with officers killed while protecting their community. Representative Susan Brooks (R-5th) calls the ambush "an unspeakable act of violence," and says Americans need to focus on what they have in common while standing against hatred. Brooks, Coats, and Representative Larry Bucshon (R-8th) all made a point of mourning the shootings of black motorists in Louisiana and Minnesota along with the five officers killed in Dallas. Bucshon says "no family should bear the burden of losing a loved one," and says Americans need to work together to make all communities secure.

REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE LOOKS AT IOWA PROCESS: An emissary from Iowa's non-partisan approach to legislative redistricting spoke to an Indiana General Assembly study committee (Steeb & Powell, *Statehouse File*). Ed Cook, the senior legal counsel for Iowa Legislative Services Agency, addressed the Special Interim Study Committee on Redistricting at the Statehouse. Cook said Iowa's current redistricting methods have not changed much from the method introduced in the 1980s. Iowa's districts must be compact in form, consistent with population, and can only be square, rectangular or hexagonal shaped. They also must pass length-width and perimeter-size tests. "We try not to have districts that are going to be long, extremely narrow or stretch long distances," said Cook. "We try to avoid having districts that are very narrow." The Iowa legislature draws the district lines, but they receive significant nonpartisan guidance and advice from the Legislative Services Agency and Temporary Redistricting Advisory Commission. Iowa's redistricting method, Cook said, has a specific philosophy. "A system designed to enact a redistricting plan in an efficient and timely manner without political gridlock and to prevent political gerrymandering," said Cook during a PowerPoint presentation. "A blind system, from a partisan perspective, will most often result in an acceptable redistricting plan."

MAYFIELD TOUTS DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION PILOT PROGRAM: State Rep. Peggy Mayfield (R-Martinsville) in a letter to the Indiana Department of Education encouraged the continuation of Martinsville school's inclusion into the Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program, a news release stated (*Howey Politics Indiana*). Mayfield said based on its success, Poston Road Elementary wanted to continue offering the Dual Language Program to its students. "It was recently announced an additional \$56,000 in grant money was awarded to the school, allowing them to continue this innovative educational opportunity in the next school year," Mayfield said. Mayfield championed the law creating a dual language program in the state. Under Mayfield's provision, school corporations seeking grants to establish or expand dual language immersion programs must provide 50 percent of the lessons in English and 50 percent in a second language like Mandarin, Spanish, French or other languages approved by the Indiana Department of Education. In addition to Poston Road Elementary School, seven other schools in the state received funding to establish or continue a dual language program.



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GOVERNOR: PENCE RESPONDS TO DALLAS MASSACRE - Gov. Mike Pence called the Dallas shootings that left five police officers dead and others wounded a "horrific ambush" and a national

tragedy in a statement released Friday (Schneider, *IndyStar*). "This attack on police officers in Dallas is also a heartbreaking reminder of the risks the men and women of our law-enforcement community take every day to protect and serve our communities," Pence said. "In the wake of this tragedy, we must be clear that violence and threats against law enforcement officers will never be tolerated and ensure that our police have the training and resources to defend themselves as they defend our communities." Pence went on to say, "Our hearts also go out to the families of those who lost their lives in police shootings in Louisiana and Minnesota earlier this week."

GOVERNOR: PENCE TO SPEAK AT COPS CYCLING EVENT TODAY - Gov. Mike Pence will offer remarks at the opening ceremony of the Cops Cycling for Survivors event this morning at the Indiana State Museum (*Howey Politics Indiana*). The Governor and First Lady Karen Pence will then participate in the first leg of the bike ride.

STATEHOUSE: ZOELLER DISAPPOINTED WITH OPIOID LEGISLATION - Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller and Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey expressed disappointment in Congress' unwillingness to provide emergency treatment funding to respond to the national opioid addiction and overdose epidemic, which today takes more lives than car accidents (*Howey Politics Indiana*). A news release published on the Indiana Attorney General website reported the two state attorneys general issued a joint statement after a congressional conference committee on Wednesday voted against adding emergency treatment funding as part of the Comprehensive Addiction Treatment and Recovery Act (CARA) that had passed in different versions in the U.S. House and U.S. Senate - S. 524 and HR 953. Health experts in the president's administration had called for \$1.1 billion in emergency funding to expand addiction treatment services and support overdose prevention programs at the state level, including efforts to increase availability of the opioid overdose antidote naloxone. Without immediate treatment funding, the intent of the legislation is now neutered and undermined, Zoeller (R-IN) and Healey (D-MA) said. They urged members of Congress to reconsider, noting the opioid addiction epidemic is no time for partisanship. The attorneys general urged Congress to fund the proposal that will expand treatment, save lives and help millions of Americans suffering from addiction. "As Attorneys General we work with those on the front lines of the drug addiction epidemic that has reached a crisis point in our states," Zoeller said. "The news out of Congress that they do not see this as a crisis requiring immediate action is disappointing. Legislative action without needed funding is simply an empty promise - more words without results. We can only hope that an appropriations bill, or another continuing resolution, will include the necessary funding." In September 2015, Zoeller and Healey joined 38 state attorneys general in a bipartisan letter urging passage of CARA, when it was originally introduced.

TAXES: CORPORATE RATE DROPS - Indiana's corporate income tax rate fell by 0.25 percent to 6.25 percent on July 1st, in a move state legislators and the governor hope will make Indiana more attractive to businesses (*NWI Times*). Indiana is now tied with Missouri for the 19th lowest corporate income tax rate in the country, according to the Tax Foundation. Currently, Indiana's corporate income taxes are higher than Michigan and Kentucky, which both have marginal corporate income tax rates of 6 percent, and Ohio, which does not impose corporate income taxes. Illinois currently has a state corporate income tax rate of 7.75 percent. State corporate income taxes in Indiana already had dropped by 8.5 percent to 6.5 percent over the last four years.

LOTTERY: MEGA MILLIONS TICKET SOLD IN CAMBRIDGE CITY - The Hoosier Lottery says the winning ticket for the Mega Millions jackpot worth an estimated \$540 million was sold at a gasoline station in eastern Indiana (*IndyStar*). Hoosier Lottery spokesman Dennis Rosebrough says the ticket for Friday's drawing was sold at a Speedway station along Interstate 70 in Cambridge City, a town of about 2,000 residents 50 miles east of Indianapolis. A person who answered the phone at that store directed calls to Marathon Petroleum's corporate headquarters. A spokesman, Brandon Daniels, says the company has no comment.

GAMING: REVENUE DOWN IN JUNE - The Indiana Gaming Commission says monthly revenue at Indiana casinos dropped in June (Brown, *Inside Indiana Business*). The state reports adjusted gross revenue was \$170 million, down from \$175 million during the same month last year. Of the state's 13 gaming operations, five reported increases in revenue, including Indiana Grand Casino in Shelbyville, which was up \$1.1 million to \$20.9 million. Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg saw a \$1 million increase, bringing its June total to \$14.3 million. Horseshoe Hammond Casino saw the biggest dip in the state for the second consecutive month, dropping \$3.6 million to \$28.9 million. Both Ameristar Casino Hotel in East Chicago and Hoosier Park Racing and Casino in Anderson fell \$1.3 million to \$16.5 million and \$15.6 million, respectively.

STATEHOUSE: DNR SEEKS HUNTERS FOR DEER REDUCTION IN PARKS - The DNR Division of State Parks is seeking volunteer hunters to participate in managed deer reduction hunts at 18 locations later this year (*Howey Politics Indiana*). They are: Brown County, Chain O'Lakes, Charlestown, Clifty Falls, Fort Harrison, Indiana Dunes, McCormick's Creek, Ouabache, Pokagon, Prophetstown, Shakamak, Spring Mill, Summit Lake, Tippecanoe River, Turkey Run, Versailles, and Whitewater Memorial state parks, and Cave River Valley Natural Area (drawn in conjunction with Spring Mill). Clifty Falls and Fort Harrison will be archery only reduction hunts. The dates are Nov. 14-15 and Nov. 28-29. For more than 20 years, volunteer hunters have assisted the Division of State Parks in managing deer populations on those properties. The reduction hunts are carried out exclusively to achieve an ecological objective - to ensure balanced and healthy natural communities for all plants and wildlife within park boundaries. Since 1995, most of Indiana's 24 State Park properties have had one or more reduction hunts.

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WHITE HOUSE: OBAMA TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS TUESDAY - A rare pause in political volleying prompted by a week of shocking killings gave way to familiar finger-pointing Sunday over who is to blame for the state of aggravated tensions between African Americans and law enforcement in the United States (*Washington Post*). As Dallas reeled from the racially motivated targeting of police officers and protesters continued to march against police brutality in cities across the country, President Obama sought to allay fears that the country was falling into a state of discord and chaos and urged both sides to engage in respectful discourse. "I would just say to everybody who's concerned about the issue of police shootings or racial bias in the criminal justice system that maintaining a truthful and serious and respectful tone is going to help mobilize American society to bring about real change," Obama said in Spain on Sunday during a European trip that has been overshadowed by a series of crises on the home front. "It is in the interest of police officers that their communities trust them and that the kind of rancor and suspicion that exists right now is alleviated. So I'd like all sides to listen to each other," he

added. The president plans to return home early, flying directly to a memorial service for the fallen officers in Dallas on Tuesday.

WHITE HOUSE: OBAMA SAYS NATION NOT DIVIDED - Frankly acknowledging a "tough week" in the United States after tense days of shootings and racial tensions, President Barack Obama said Saturday that he did not believe the United States was "as divided as some have suggested" (*Associated Press*). "As painful as this week has been, I firmly believe that America is not as divided as some have suggested," Obama said during a press conference in Poland. "Americans of all races and all backgrounds are rightly outraged by the inexcusable attacks on police, whether it's in Dallas or anywhere else. That includes protesters, that includes family members who have grave concerns about police misconduct, and they've said this is unacceptable. There's no division there."

WHITE HOUSE: BIDEN SAYS NATION HURTING - Vice President Joe Biden is urging Americans to stay united, after a week of tragic shooting deaths "touched the soul of the nation" (*CBS News*). "As Americans, we are wounded by all of these deaths," Biden said in a video released Saturday. "It's on all of us to stand up, to speak out about disparities in our criminal justice system -- just as it's on all of us to stand up for the police who protect us in our communities every day." Addressing the past week's three highly public shooting incidents -- the five police officers killed in Dallas, and the two black men shot and killed in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Falcon Heights, Minnesota -- and the escalating racial tensions across the country, Biden called for communal healing and "courage" in the face of such trials. "In the days and weeks ahead, we'll continue offering our thoughts and prayers to provide comfort to the broken-hearted families," he said. "But they will only be redeemed by the courage of our actions that honor their memories."



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CITIES: HOGSETT ADDRESSES VIOLENCE - Whenever one of Jeffrey Johnson's four grown sons calls home, the preacher's first inclination is to ask them if they are safe. The men live in Chicago, Indianapolis and Washington, D.C., cities that Johnson described as plagued with violence (*IndyStar*). Now, with the shooting deaths this week of two black men by police officers in Minnesota and Louisiana, Johnson said he is tired. And he is angry. "How do you go from selling CDs to dead?" Johnson roared to a crowd of hundreds at a prayer vigil at Light of the World Christian Church in Indianapolis on Saturday. Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett thanked the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department officers who sat among community members at the vigil. He also spoke of systemic problems facing Indianapolis. "We

must act to address the fact that in this city, the demographics of the police force and the homicide victims are not reflective of the community," Hogsett said.

CITIES: 600 MARCH IN INDY - A Black Lives Matter protest march of at least 300 in Downtown Indianapolis on Saturday evening doubled to at least 600 by the time it reached the Indiana Statehouse an hour later (*IndyStar*). The marchers, who gathered around 6 p.m. at the Indianapolis Central Library before heading south to the Statehouse, were calling for justice and police reform in the wake of two fatal officer-involved shootings this past week in Louisiana and Minnesota. Wearing "Black Lives Matter" T-shirts and hoisting signs that read "No Justice, No Peace" and "Hands Up, Don't Shoot," demonstrators took turns rallying the crowd with a megaphone before leaving for the Statehouse. "I feel like this is what Indianapolis needs," Emmanuel Duncan, 19, told the group. "I lost my cousin (to gun violence). I know how it feels to lose a family member. My family hasn't been the same."

CITIES: SOUTH BEND SUES DRY CLEANERS - The owners of a local dry cleaning business caused or contributed to the release of hazardous substances over a period of more than 50 years, resulting in "significant" soil and groundwater contamination in and around a portion of Ignition Park, a lawsuit alleges (Blasko, *South Bend Tribune*). Filed by the City of South Bend in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, the lawsuit seeks damages associated with the investigation and cleanup of the substances, which include "PCE," a chemical solvent commonly used in dry cleaning that "poses a risk to human health and the environment." The city discovered the contamination while conducting an analysis of environmental releases in and around Ignition Park South, the lawsuit states. It identified Spin Techs Inc., formerly Sherman's Quality Cleaners, 702 W. Indiana Ave., as the source.

CITIES: DUKE GETS OK TO BUILD 17MW SOLAR PLANT AT CRANE - The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission has given Duke Energy of Indiana the green light to begin work on a solar energy project at the Naval Weapons Support Center Crane (Grant, *Washington Times-Herald*). The project will mean the construction of a 17-megawatt solar power facility on the Navy base. The project was approved following an agreement between the company and Indiana Office of the Utility Consumer Counselor. The plant will be on 145 acres in the southeast portion of the Crane base. It will be the second-largest solar operation in the state (behind only the Indianapolis Power and Light facility at the Indianapolis Airport), and it will be the largest solar project on the Duke Energy Indiana system. With the approval of the IURC, Duke is expected to begin the installation of 76,000 solar panels yet this month. "We expect construction to begin shortly," said Duke Energy Indiana spokesman Lew Middleton. "We hope to have the project done and be putting solar energy on the grid by early 2017."

CITIES: SHELBYVILLE COMMISSION TO DECIDE KRONE ZONING - The Shelbyville Plan Commission will hold a special meeting Monday evening to decide on two issues related to the proposed Krone North America headquarters project (Walker, *Shelbyville News*). A review of a preliminary plat for the 140-acre site is on the agenda. Also, the plan commission will look at rezoning the site from Business Highway to General Industrial use. Krone announced in March it will relocate its North American headquarters from Memphis, Tennessee, to Shelbyville, investing \$12.5 million in the project and creating more than 100 new jobs by 2021. The plan commission will continue what the Shelbyville Common Council began last Wednesday. At that meeting, the council approved an ordinance on first reading to change the zoning for the property, a change that was done at Krone's request. "They want to protect

their investment," Mayor Tom DeBaun said during the council's pre-meeting. Based in Germany, Krone manufactures agricultural equipment used in the production of hay and forage. The new headquarters operation in Shelbyville is expected to be up and running by the start of 2018.

CITIES: NEW STADIUM FOR LAFAYETTE - A longstanding ballpark in Lafayette will soon be replaced by a new one (Brown, *Inside Indiana Business*). The Lafayette Journal & Courier reports the city has plans to demolish the 80-year-old Loeb Stadium and build a new facility in the same location. The architecture firm that designed Kokomo's Municipal Stadium, Indianapolis-based American Structurepoint Inc., has signed an initial agreement with the city to design the new Lafayette facility, according to the publication. Lafayette Mayor Tony Roswarski and members of Lafayette Board of Parks and Recreation have traveled to Kokomo to inspect the stadium, which opened last year. Roswarski tells the Journal & Courier he doesn't expect to seek permission for a special tax to pay for the new stadium, which he expects to cost less than Municipal Stadium. "Realistically, you're probably in that \$10 million range," he told the publication. "We'll be able to do it within our normal city budget." Demolition would not begin until after the 2017 Colt World Series. The publication says the stadium is expected to be complete by 2019.

CITIES: MIDDLEBURY CONSIDERS ANNEXATION AFTER REQUESTS - The Middlebury Town Council introduced an ordinance to annex roughly 35 acres into the town at their meeting on July 5 at the request of Jayco, Patrick Industries, Myrrh Properties and L&W Engineering (Nowak, *Elkhart Truth*). The council held a public hearing on the annexation before introducing the annexation ordinance. No public comments were made on the annexation and nothing was said about Jayco's acquisition by Thor Industries last week. Most of the land to be annexed is owned by Jayco. The company owns 40 parcels of land that are already within the Middlebury town limits. The annexation would bring in six more parcels into the town. The other companies requesting annexation own small parcels of land that are surrounded by property owned by Jayco. The council plans to give formal approval to the annexation at their July 18 meeting.

CITIES: NEW CASTLE MAY CONVERT RAIL LINE TO TRAIL - New Castle officials think a portion of an abandoned rail line on the city's south side could be put to better use (Green, *New Castle Courier-Times*). Council member Rex Peckinpaugh recently broached the subject of the old railroad line that runs parallel to Cherrywood Avenue, noting parts of it were overrun with tall grass, weeds and other growth. Peckinpaugh is hopeful privately held tracts of land from the former railroad line will eventually be given to the city. "For one thing, the little bit of land involved doesn't do much for the property owners, and right now they're responsible for its upkeep and maintenance, which can be a hassle," he said. "I'd really like to see them donate that property back to the city because it would be very easy to convert the former rail bed, it's pretty smooth and level, into some sort of a trail. Hopefully, that wouldn't be too expensive."

COUNTIES: LAKE COUNCILMAN SEEKS JAIL DEATH PROBE - A councilman in northwestern Indiana's Lake County is calling for a federal investigation into a man's death at the county's jail. Lake County Councilman Jamal Washington also wants the public release of a video of jail employees restraining and stunning 39-year-old Gregory Thomas Smith before his March 2015 death from cardiac arrest. Washington tells the *NWI Times* the video shows corrections officers pushing Smith to the floor

and holding him down as he pleads for help and complains he cannot breathe. His family is suing the county over his death, which came after he was arrested for speeding.

COUNTIES: LAKE PONDERS PAY RAISES - It's beginning to look like an early Christmas for more than 900 county government employees (*NWI Times*). Lake County Council members Thursday debated the size of a mid-year pay raise for most of the county's full-time staff. No vote could be taken on salaries before Tuesday's regular meeting. Council President Ted Bilski, D-Hobart, proposed a 3 percent across-the-board raise costing \$388,000 for the remainder of this year and \$900,000 for all of 2017.

COUNTIES: LAFAYETTE'S SWORD RECOVERED - When it was stolen from his statue two months ago, some may have wondered how Marquis de Lafayette would be able to take his horse by the reins, making Redcoats redder with blood stains without it (*WRTV*). Thankfully, just before the original Broadway cast of the hit musical 'Hamilton' leaves for other endeavors, the sword has been found and will return to the hand of the Tippecanoe County Courthouse statue. On May 11, a security worker at the courthouse noticed that the stainless steel sword from the Lancelot of the Revolutionary Set was missing, even though it was bolted in place in 2008 after the statue's previous sword went missing in 2006. The Tippecanoe County Sheriff's Office says the three-foot long sword was recovered at a home in Lafayette, and that information was sent to the county prosecutor's office to determine whether charges will be filed. The sword was not damaged, and there was no immediate word on whether the person inside the house told officers to 'casse toi'.