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Avoid devil's playground

This is in response to the letter from Aileen K. Kulp, March 1.

We, as Christians, should be ashamed. We sit back and complain about no more praying in schools, no more "under God" in the pledge. No wonder this country is in such a mess. We removed the most important part of our forefathers -- God.

We didn't have school killings where innocent children are taken home, then everyone deciding to pray. We're going backwards.

Pray first, not after it's too late. We gave the devil an opening and he took advantage.

Wise up, people. Especially so called Christians -- including myself. Stand up for what you were taught as a child -- God first, and all things will fall into place.

Do it now and, if you continue to walk in the devil's playground, I'll be praying for you.

Bring back the Trinity -- Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Judith Clawges, Columbia

Schools alive with musicals

I appreciate the article highlighting the high school musicals. What rich talent we're fortunate to have.

Kudos to Hempfield High School for an excellent production of "Carousel."

Students and adults alike deserve congratulations for the most spectacular program I've ever seen at the high school level. Where else can you spend \$8 or \$10 for a Broadway show that would cost \$140?

The Maine accents were perfect and understandable. Voices, dancing, orchestra, sets, props, costumes -- all were outstanding.

Special kudos to Michael Duschl, principal male lead as Billy Bigelow. The range of his baritone was amazing.

Thanks, Hempfield, for providing such a rich experience in our area.

Mary Burgess, Columbia