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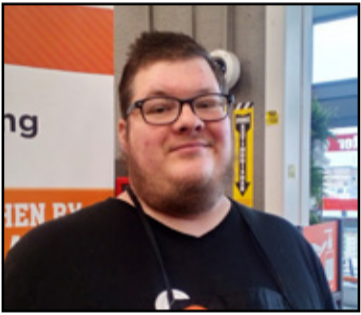
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TODAY'S VERSE

Psalm 23:1-6 *The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*

FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Donald Hooten gave one of our roving photographers a nice smile recently. Thank you for your smile!

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Governor Eric J. Holcomb is directing flags to be flown at half-staff in honor and remembrance of the victims of the horrific tragedy in Nashville, Tenn. Flags should be flown at half-staff immediately until sunset on Friday, March 31, 2023.

2 The Witham Volunteer Organization is hosting the Rise and Roll Bake Sale on Thursday, April 6, 2023 from 8:30a.m.-1p.m. Offering a variety of baked goods, pastries, jams, cheese and more - all just in time for your Easter meal! (Debit card, credit card or cash accepted). All proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the Witham Volunteer Organization Scholarship Program and various fund the need initiatives for Witham. The event will be located at the main entrance of Witham Health Services, located at 2605 North Lebanon Street in Lebanon.

3 Indiana fishing and hunting licenses are now available for purchase for the upcoming seasons. They are valid April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024.



Photo courtesy of The Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce

Visit Blue Cactus Tacos & Tequila Bar at 1624 Crawfordsville Square Drive in Crawfordsville.

Blue Cactus Tacos And Tequila Bar Ribbon Cutting

The Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce celebrated the upcoming grand opening of Blue Cactus Tacos and Tequila Bar with a ceremonial ribbon cutting. The soft opening was a packed house with local officials, the local construction team, friends and family which all enjoyed a selection of authentic tacos and mouth-watering beverages. The Murillo family is thrilled to bring classy ambience and share the authenticity of Mexican food with the

community.

Blue Cactus opened to the public on March 28. People of all ages are welcome to try their premier Mexican food selection prepared by Chef Victor Conrique who graduated from UNIVa University. Their menu includes street tacos, burritos, chimichangas, seafood, and much more.

Blue Cactus Tacos & Tequila Bar utilized local businesses for not only the architect work, but also the general contracting. It's wonderful to see local business-

es supporting local. They are a member of the Crawfordsville / Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, an organization that promotes and supports local businesses.

Visit Blue Cactus Tacos & Tequila Bar at 1624 Crawfordsville Square Drive in Crawfordsville. You can follow them on Facebook for updates. For more information about the Chamber of Commerce, please contact Executive director Stacy Sommer at ssommer@crawfordsvillechamber.com.

Chamber Of Commerce To Host Marketing Luncheon/Workshop



The Crawfordsville/Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Search Engine Optimization (SEO) Luncheon / Workshop on Monday, April 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the 3rd floor of Fusion 54, 101 W. Main S. in Crawfordsville.

The event will feature guest speaker Nichole Marchand of Townsquare Media, who will teach local businesses how to position their business. Having

a good SEO is crucial to the success of any business's marketing strategy. This event aims to give businesses a bird's eye view of how to implement these systems and achieve their goal as a result.

The event, sponsored by Townsquare Media, will include a light lunch. The marketing luncheon is open to the public. The cost is \$15 for non-chamber members and no cost for Crawfordsville \ Montgomery County Chamber members. Lunch will be catered by Maxine's on Green.

Space is limited, so please register to attend online at crawfordsvillechamber.com by Friday, April 7. For more information regarding the luncheon or the chamber, please contact Stacy Sommer at ssommer@crawfordsvillechamber.com.

Samuel Vancleave - Saga #4



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

Samuel carries his mother's maiden name as his middle, son of Benjamin Samuel and Ruth Munson, born in Mocksville, Rowan County, NC on 25 Feb 1770. At age 21 (March 1791)

➔ See KAREN Page A5

The Daily Almanac



Sunrise/Sunset:
RISE: 7:29 a.m.
SET: 8:07 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures:
High: 57 °F
Low: 26 °F



Today is...

- National Doctors Day
- Pencil Day



What Happened On This Day:

- 1867 The United States buys Alaska from Russia. The territory at the north-western tip of North America cost only \$7.2 million
- 1964 Jeopardy! is aired for the first time. The program, which is still on the air today, is one of the world's most popular game shows.
- 1981 U.S. President Ronald Reagan is shot. A lone gunman opened fire outside a hotel in Washington D.C.



Births On This Day:

- 1962 MC Hammer American rapper, actor
- 1853 Vincent van Gogh Dutch painter

Deaths On This Day:

- 2002 Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother
- 1986 James Cagney American Actor

HONEST HOOSIER

The old saying is not to discuss religion or politics in mixed company. With the state of both, maybe we ought to rethink that?



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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Kindness is contagious - surround yourself with giving people. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



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TODAY'S QUOTE

"You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep spring from coming."
Pablo Neruda

TODAY'S JOKE

What do you get when you put a dozen Easter eggs on a hill? Spring rolls.

3 WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

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| 32/53 STRAY SHOWER | 26/57 SOME SUN, MILD TOO | AWARE 48/64 HEAVY RAIN & STORMS | 49/49 FALLING TEMPS | 28/58 SUNNY AND MILD | 46/71 WARMER | 56/70 SCATTERED |
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PUBLIC NOTICES

City of Crawfordsville, Indiana Notice of Adoption Cumulative Capital Development Fund under I.C. 36-9-15.5

To the taxpayers of the City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, state of Indiana. You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of March, 2023, the City of Crawfordsville Common Council, City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, state of Indiana, under notice heretofore given, and under and by virtue of IC 36-9-15.5, duly adopted a plan whereby a Cumulative Capital Development fund was re-established to provide the following: for all uses as set out in IC 36-9-15.5, including relevant changes to Public Law 148-2008. This fund will be provided for by a property tax rate of five cents (\$0.05) on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of taxable real and personal property with the taxing units beginning in 2023 payable 2024 and thereafter, continuing until reduced or rescinded.

Ten or more taxpayers in the taxing unit who will be affected by the tax rate and corresponding levy may file a petition with the Montgomery County Auditor not later than noon 30 days after the publication of the Notice setting forth their objections to the proposed cumulative fund. Upon the filing of the petition, the County Auditor shall immediately certify the same to the Department of Local Government Finance, at which point the Department will fix a date for and conduct a public hearing on the proposed cumulative fund before issuing its approval, disapproval, or modification thereof.

Dated this 14th day of March, 2023
 Adopting Body: City of Crawfordsville Common Council
 Fiscal Officer: Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer
 Notice to run one time: March 30, 2023
 Terri Gadd
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City of Crawfordsville, Indiana Notice of Adoption Cumulative Capital Fire Fund under I.C. 36-8-14

To the taxpayers of the City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, state of Indiana. You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of March, 2023, the City of Crawfordsville Common Council, City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, state of Indiana, under notice heretofore given, and under and by virtue of IC 36-8-14, duly adopted a plan whereby a Cumulative Fire Fund was re-established to provide the following: for all uses as set out in IC 36-8-14. This fund will be provided for by a property tax rate of three cents (\$0.0333) on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of taxable real and personal property with the taxing units beginning in 2023 payable 2024 and thereafter, continuing until reduced or rescinded.

Ten or more taxpayers in the taxing unit who will be affected by the tax rate and corresponding levy may file a petition with the Montgomery County Auditor not later than noon 30 days after the publication of the Notice setting forth their objections to the proposed cumulative fund. Upon the filing of the petition, the County Auditor shall immediately certify the same to the Department of Local Government Finance, at which point the Department will fix a date for and conduct a public hearing on the proposed cumulative fund before issuing its approval, disapproval, or modification thereof.

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Dear EarthTalk: Are Gas Furnaces And Other Gas-Powered Appliances Bad For Indoor Air Quality?



Natural gas is almost as ubiquitous an energy source in American households as electricity. Indeed, 48 percent of U.S. homes stay warm with gas-powered furnaces while 38 percent do their cooking with gas. But recent revelations about the negative effect cooking with gas can have on indoor air pollution has given rise to new concerns about other types of gas-powered appliances inside our homes as well.

Gas cooktops may be the biggest offender given how much pollution they throw off when we use them, but gas-powered ovens, water heaters, clothes dryers and fireplaces are also worthy of concern. Gas-powered appliances emit carbon monoxide (CO), a colorless, odorless gas that, when

inhaled, can cause headaches, dizziness, nausea—even death in high concentrations. Modern furnaces and appliances have safety features to prevent dangerous levels from building up, but they can still emit small amounts of CO.

Another concern with gas-powered appliances is the emission of nitrogen dioxide (NO2). NO2 is a reddish-brown gas that can irritate the eyes, nose and throat. It can also exacerbate respiratory conditions such as asthma and bronchitis. Gas stoves are the primary source of indoor NO2, but gas furnaces and other gas-powered appliances can also produce it. Gas-powered appliances also emit particulate matter (PM), another type of indoor air pollution. PM is a mixture of tiny particles that can be inhaled deep into the lungs. Exposure to PM can cause respiratory and cardiovascular problems, particularly in vulnerable populations such as children,

the elderly and those with pre-existing health conditions.

To minimize the negative effects of gas-powered appliances on indoor air quality, it is important to properly maintain and ventilate them. Regular maintenance, such as cleaning and replacing filters, can help ensure that appliances are running efficiently and emitting fewer pollutants. Additionally, proper ventilation can help remove pollutants from the air. Ventilation can be achieved by opening windows or using exhaust fans that vent to the outside.

Another option for reducing indoor air pollution from gas-powered appliances is to switch to electric varieties instead. Electric stoves and furnaces do not produce CO or NO2, and they emit far less PM than gas appliances. While electric appliances may have higher upfront costs, they can be more cost-effective over time due to lower operating costs

and reduced maintenance needs.

If you are designing a new home from scratch, it's a no-brainer these days to choose appliances powered by electricity not gas. But most of us don't have that luxury, and it's not easy to decide if it's worth the expense and hassle of switching out an old gas-powered appliance with a shiny new electric one. The bottom line is "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" as swapping out an old one for a new one generates more pollution overall thanks to the lifecycle costs of manufacturing. But if your old appliance has reached the end of its useful life anyway, changing to an electric one may well be the best move.

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Meeting Notes

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting

The City of Crawfordsville Indiana
 March 29, 2023 at 10 a.m.

City Building 300 E Pike St Crawfordsville, IN 47933

- I. Approval of the minutes from March 22, 2023.
- II. Approval of the claims for the week of March 27, 2023.
- III. Old Business

- A. Discussion of the quotes received for a Chevy Equinox for the Crawfordsville Fire Department (tabled 3/8/23 & 3/15/23 & 3/22/23)

- B. Discuss bids received for the Community Crossings Paving Program

- IV. New Business
 - A. A request from Price Excavating to close Big Four Arch Rd for one day - Thursday, March 30
 - B. John Holton requesting to place a dumpster at 115 Simpson Street

- beginning Monday, April 3 for one week

- C. Hive Reality requesting to close Pike Street at Pike Place on Saturday, June 3 from 2-9pm

- D. Agreement for the Community Crossings Paving Program

- E. Agreement with Spencer Construction for the Alley Activation Project

- F. Road closure request for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt
- G. Resolution approv-

- ing an Updated Title VI Plan

- H. Authorizing Crawfordsville Police Department to collaborate with Montgomery County Probation Department in seeking a fitness center grant

- I. Release of performance guarantee for Ashton Run Phase 4

- J. Open bids received for the Crawfordsville Fire Dept. - Custom Modular Ambulance
- V. Department Heads
- VI. Adjournment

Doctor Joins Franciscan Physician Network Surgical Specialists In Crawfordsville



Kalyan Gorantla

Kalyan Gorantla, MD, MBA, has joined Franciscan Physician Network Surgical Specialists Crawfordsville.

Their office is located at Suite 5, 1704 Lafayette Road, Crawfordsville on the Franciscan Health Crawfordsville campus.

Dr. Gorantla most recently was on staff with North Indy Surgical and Ascension St. Vincent Indianapolis. Earlier, he completed a fellowship in advanced gastrointestinal/minimally invasive

surgery at the Houston Northwest Medical Center (University of Texas Health Science Center), a general surgery residency at Saint Louis University and a preliminary surgery internship at Maricopa Medical Center in Arizona.

Certified by the American Board of Surgery, he received undergraduate degrees at Washington University in St. Louis (biology and economics), a master's in business from Purdue University and earned his medical and master's in business administration degrees from the Indiana University School of Medicine. To schedule an appointment with Dr. Gorantla, call (765) 361-3011.

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Anti-Tracking, Throwing Star Bills Close To Becoming Law

By Leslie Bonilla Muñiz

Small, cheap tracking devices like Apple's AirTag have become ubiquitous — and their misuse is on the rise, Indiana lawmakers say. That's why the Indiana House on Tuesday unanimously approved a measure criminalizing non-consensual tracking.

Lawmakers also moved bills on throwing stars, air pollution and more.

Senate Bill 161 was inspired by Millie Parke, whose ex-boyfriend stabbed her in the heart outside a gas station two years ago, after planting a tracker on Parke's car without her knowledge.

"It took two sweeps for people to find the tracking device that he had been using," the bill's House sponsor Rep. Wendy McNamara, R-Evansville, said on the floor.

The bill adds putting a tracking device on someone or their property without consent to the definition of "unlawful surveillance," a Class A misdemeanor that can rise to a Level 6 felony in specific circumstances. And stalking, which is usually a Level 6 felony, would be upped to a Lev-

el 5 if the act involved tracking.

The state and juries could also use proof of tracking to extend jail sentences. And courts could alter protection orders to block tracking.

There are limited exceptions for law enforcement, incarcerated and convicted people, family members, property, car manufacturers and electronic communications companies.

The House approved it 95-1. But it's seen edits since leaving the Senate, so it must return to that chamber for a concurrence vote before heading to the governor's desk.

Throwing stars not just for bars

A bill that originally would've allowed recreational use of throwing stars at some businesses — like throwing axe-style bars — now would legalize their use anywhere, except on school property.

Senate Bill 77 categorizes throwing stars as knives. That's a major departure from current law, which says any possession of such a weapon is a Class C misdemeanor.

The bill passed 90-6

and now returns to the Senate. That chamber can accept the expansion of the bill or send it to a conference committee for further negotiations.

Lawmakers reluctant to hike air polluting fees
Indiana's federally mandated air emissions program will escape U.S. Environmental Agency takeover — for now.

With emissions down, the state's air program isn't bringing in enough money to sustain itself, edging toward violation of the federal Clean Air Act.

Senate Bill 155 raises annual base fees to \$6,100 per permit. It's currently \$2,381 per permit, according to IDEM. The original version would've let the state raise fees — whenever it needed, and by as much as it needed — but lawmakers said the proposal needed "guardrails."

House sponsor Alan Morrison, R-Brazil, said he was initially a "hard no" on the bill. But he's since changed his mind, emphasizing the bill allowed a "one-time" increase.

"This is something that actually the folks within the industry are

okay with, because the last thing they want is the EPA coming in and administering this program," Morrison said.

The bill passed 76-19 and now returns to the Senate.

Concurrence approvals House lawmakers finished off a busy session by approving Senate-edited versions of their bills — some contentious.

They approved a priority bill on electricity policy and a proposal creating 25-foot bubbles around law enforcement officers. They also advanced a bill letting utility companies charge customers for plants before they ever go online, rather than finishing the work and building costs into rate requests afterward.

Those bills now go to Gov. Eric Holcomb.

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Bill To Support Workforce Transportation, Expand Local Road Funding Opportunities Passes The Committee



State Sen. Spencer Deery

A bill sponsored by State Sen. Spencer Deery (R-West Lafayette) that would support workforce transportation and expand local road funding opportunities passed the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation today.

House Bill 1046 would allow a public transportation corporation in one county to cross into another county to transport individuals as long as an interlocal agreement between the two counties is in place.

This would allow a resident of a rural county to use public transportation to travel to a more urban neighboring county for work.

"The workforce in the Greater Lafayette area has about 100,000 Hoosiers, and there are approximately 120,000 jobs in Tippecanoe County," Deery said. "This bill would benefit economic regions like ours throughout the state by opening up job opportunities to Hoosiers who have been limited by transportation costs."

HB 1046 would also allow military base reuse authorities in Indiana to

be eligible for funds from the Community Crossings Matching Grant Program, which has awarded more than \$1 billion for local infrastructure projects since its creation in 2016.

This would allow authorities like the Newport Chemical Depot Reuse Authority, located in Vermillion County in the southwestern portions of Deery's district, to apply for and be awarded funding to maintain the roads for the Vermillion Rise Mega Park.

"The U.S. Army built the roads in what we now call 'The Rise,'" Deery said. "This bill will allow the property to compete for state funding to maintain the site's infrastructure while we turn it into a more prosperous industrial center that attracts new jobs and businesses to Vermillion County."

The bill passed out of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation today by a vote of 8 - 1 and was re-committed to the Senate Committee on Appropriations for further consideration.

Legislative calendars, agendas, vote tallies, live streams and proposed legislation can be viewed online by visiting iga.in.gov.

State Sen. Spencer Deery (R-West Lafayette) represents Senate District 23, which includes Fountain, Parke, Vermillion and Warren counties, and portions of Montgomery and Tippecanoe counties.

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Dear EarthTalk: Are The Famous Joshua Trees Of The California Desert Really Going Extinct?



The Joshua tree is an iconic species of the Mojave Desert that stretches across parts of southeastern California, Nevada, Arizona, and Utah. Known for its resilience in an unforgiving desert climate, the Joshua tree is unique in its unusual anatomy and adaptable ecology, but its future looks bleak in the face of increasing global warming.

Indeed, increasing temperatures and decreasing precipitation thanks to climate change have shifted the suitable habitat for a variety of flora and fauna around the world, including the Joshua tree. Biologists fear that little of the Joshua tree's historical range will be suitable for it within

a century. By 2100, climate models show that Joshua Tree National Park will lose the majority of its suitable habitat for its namesake species. The increasing severity and frequency of forest fires pose a threat to the future of the trees as well. Because Joshua trees did not evolve with fire, they are not adapted to its effects, making it difficult for the population to bounce back after such a disturbance. As temperatures increase, biologists predict that the suitable range for Joshua trees will move northward. However, this northward range is not guaranteed to be viable, as the Yucca moth that pollinates Joshua trees does not live up there.

Given the threat to Joshua trees, several entities have embarked on campaigns to try to save the iconic tree. The National Park Service recently embarked on a

campaign to protect the tree's remaining habitat in Joshua Tree National Park, Mojave National Preserve and Death Valley National Park. Meanwhile, researchers and conservationists launched the Joshua Tree Genome Project in 2020 to collect and monitor data from both professional and citizen scientists in an effort to map and monitor existing populations. Project organizers hope to use the data to inform conservation planning by identifying Joshua tree populations best situated to benefit from conservation protections. Yet another effort to help Joshua trees comes from the Mojave Desert Land Trust, which recently launched a planting program to restore lost habitat for the trees across the Mojave.

Public education about the importance of saving threatened species is also key to saving

Joshua trees. To wit, the non-profit Joshua Tree National Park Association is working to educate the public about the importance of Joshua trees and the threats they face through free educational programs and resources for visitors to Joshua Tree National Park.

Yet while Joshua trees were granted temporary protection under the state of California's endangered species laws, they are as yet unprotected at the federal level. As such, the non-profit Center for Biological Diversity has petitioned the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to protect the Joshua tree under the Endangered Species Act.

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Bi-State Agreement Paves The Way For New Ohio River Bridge

A bi-state agreement between Indiana and Kentucky means the I-69 Ohio River Crossing (ORX) that will connect Evansville, Indiana and Henderson, Kentucky is a step closer to reality. The states have signed an initial Memorandum of Agreement to allow preliminary development and financial planning to move forward for ORX Section 2, the new river crossing.

"The Crossroads of America is more than a motto for Indiana. It's a mission," said Gov. Eric J. Holcomb. "That's why it's so important to see this generational project progressing forward. Our goal is to improve connectivity for all Hoosiers, and we know strong infrastructure puts us in an even stronger position for economic development and continued successes. Connecting our states will improve the region and make a difference for Hoosiers for decades to come."

ORX Section 2 Initial Phase

This initial phase of the project will focus on preliminary engineering services, cost estimates, right-of-way plans, traffic and revenue forecasting, and other services to support a future Bi-State Development Agreement for ORX Section 2, a key next step for the project.

"Completing this important interstate connection has been a top priority for my administration," said Gov. Andy Beshear. "This agreement is a critical first step that will move us closer to construction. Bridging communities brings states together, and it opens the door to new economic opportunities. That's why it's so gratifying to see momentum on another Ohio River crossing in our state. Two transforma-

tional projects are moving forward with the Brent Spence companion bridge in northern Kentucky and now ORX in western Kentucky."

The preliminary engineering services include pursuing grant opportunities and other financial planning to identify opportunities to accelerate the project timeline.

A request for proposal (RFP) for engineering services to support the initial phase of the project was posted March 14. Responses are due April 5 with a consultant expected to be selected by the end of April. Work is anticipated to begin this summer.

Both KYTC and INDOT will have representatives on the bi-state management team. KYTC will administer the contract and the states will evenly divide costs for the project. Those costs are expected to be around \$3 million.

ORX: Delivering a Mega-Project

I-69 ORX is divided into three sections for project delivery. Construction on ORX Section 1, the Kentucky approach, started in summer 2022 and is expected to be complete by the end of 2025. It's being led by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC).

ORX Section 2 is a bi-state project that includes the new river crossing. Construction is currently scheduled to begin in 2027 and be complete in 2031. Opportunities will be explored to accelerate the project.

ORX Section 3, the Indiana approach, is expected to let this fall with construction expected to begin in early 2024. Work is expected to be complete in 2026. It's being led by the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT).

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he married Elizabeth Woods daughter of Abijah and Mary Jane (Morrison) Woods and later married a Sarah Garner according to many sources, but I think it may be his son who did? He was a furniture maker and well admired for this trait, but in his early days as a young man, he and his friend, Tom Mahuron (via a letter from Jonathan Vanleave, nephew of Samuel's) had just talked about what they would do if they were captured by Indians. Tom said he'd be killed first before going and Sam said he'd take his chances and go with them, trying to make it back at a future date.

Well, these two were working on making a work shed one day not long thereafter. Tom kept saying he heard something, and indeed

it was what they had feared. I'll not tell you what happened to Tom when he wrapped his arms around a sapling and wouldn't go but as you probably have guessed, Sam did indeed. When they arrived at their destination, Sam hoed corn with the women but he didn't do well (on purpose), so he was taken on hunts for food, at which he excelled. In fact, he became one of their favorites, so much so they wanted him to marry one of their beautiful maidens. He said no as he had a wife and children in Kentuck and that was all he cared for. After a long time with them (all the way to the St. Joseph River, northern Michigan) they let him go on hunts alone but they counted the number of shots he had and he had to make it tally. What they didn't know was he cut the bullets, only using half the shot, still getting their game. There was another man named Scott as a prisoner with Sam and one day Sam said, "This is the day I propose to lead our way back home." Scott insisted he was the better for it so they were gone all day and ended-up at the back side of the village they had just left. They got up in a hollow log, waited until the next night, when Sam lead them home after 18 months.

In September, 1813 Sam received a deed from his father for 68 acres.

Sam moved with his family to Indiana after Elizabeth's death and his (?) remarriage to Sarah Garner (21 Dec 1823 in Shelby Co KY) and lived here until he died (24 August 1843) and is buried in the Old Union Cemetery near Waveland. Thanks much to Sue P for the photo from FindAGrave, Sam's entry tagged "Preacher Sam." Other than the obvious, I can't find an explanation for that. Anyone know?

Samuel received 160 acres from a land grant, signed by John Quincy Adams, President, in Brown Township, and built at least his own mill and possibly two or three others on Indian and then Sugar Creek. His property in Shelby County he deeded to his children ("for natural love and affection, I bear my son, Cyrus..." 62 acres; same deal to son Samuel, probably others but all I could find!)

The first child I have for this man is a Samuel but he is not on many family trees; however, I have him born 18 March 1792 (perfect fit for his parents' marriage and perfect age to be given the property in Shelby County above).

Also have an Absolom in this family who died young, 1793-1810.

Next son up, Cyrus we know quite a bit about born 12 Nov 1795 died in Sept 1872 in Kansas, married Malinda Mitchell (daughter of Dan and Mary Overstreet Mitchell). They parented Albert Mitchell Vanleave plus at least: Amanda who died at age 16; Mary Overstreet Vanleave (married in Greencastle to Marion Grimes and they went to Monroe County, Iowa, Marion must have passed young, she remarried a Turpin and was again widowed - two Grimes daughters, Elizabeth and Sarah plus a son, Cyrus Turpin, living very close to her Uncle Hiram in a couple of Iowa census records) plus Paulina.

I have a Mary (Polly) born 1793 Shelby County died 1875 married to a Samuel Williams and guess what - nothing else for them.

Hiram Walter was born 18 June 1798 Shelby County and died 30 April 1871 Monroe, Iowa. He married Paulina Mitchell (Malinda's sister above) who died the year after Hiram and they are buried in Blakesburg Cemetery. Their children were: Hiram William (who fathered 8); Newton Brown (9 children); Cyrus O (5); James Allen (4) and Ann (?).

Cynthia born about 1800 in Shelby County married James Allen

and I purposely didn't research this name for the article as doubt they were here and the name is so common. Later maybe!

Ruth came next and I have she died the same year as her father (1843) but nothing on a marriage or not. In MoCo a Ruth married Hamilton Gritton Sept 1830 and another one to Johnson Todd (2-11-1841). Either her?

Abijah Wood Vanleave moved north (MoCo) then west (Wapello, Iowa) and finally south to Karnes County, Texas where he and wife Anna Jane Mount are buried. In 1850 Wapello he had a nice farm and children Samuel; Mathias; Elijah; William; America; Abijah and Louiza, all born in MoCo. They weren't in Iowa long as by 1860 they were in Texas where AWV is listed as a stock raiser.

Lucretia (26 March 1812-14 July 1887 buried McConnell Cemetery in Oxford) Vanleave married William Minter Layne in 1825 (1805-1888) but lived in MoCo up through at least 1860. His children: Henry; Emily; Sarah E; George

W and Eunice plus possibly a Lucretia.

William B. G. Vanleave was born about 1814 in Shelby County and married Pauline Cole but where oh where did William go?

Samuel's wife (I'm still a bit unsure on this but almost all the family trees have this) Elizabeth Woods passed away and he evidently married Sarah Garner who would have been about 40. They had one son, Samuel Garner Vanleave born Shelby died Marion Iowa July 1904 married Sara Teeters and parented five children (love their names - Hortensia Artitia married Joshua Vanleave buried Dawson Co Nebraska); William Preston; Paris Teeters; Louisa Helen and Cyrus Marion) and they produced at least 22 more for the family tree ... thanks to Samuel Munson that is!!

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