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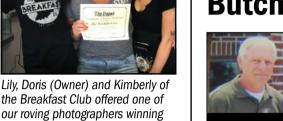
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Butch Recalls A Day In The Summer Of 1966



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smiles while accpeting their Readers' Choice 2023 Award. Thank you for your smiles!

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⇒ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

Brad Chambers, who recently resigned his job as the Secretary of Commerce for Indiana, filed formal paperwork with the Indiana Secretary of State to establish his campaign committee for Governor of Indiana. This is the first step in the formal process of running for governor. "As Indiana's Secretary of Commerce, the last two years, I have witnessed firsthand how important leadership. vision, urgency and aspiration are to the future of Indiana," Chambers said. "I am running for governor because I want Hoosiers of today and Hoosiers of tomorrow to believe that Indiana offers an opportunity for an excellent life. I am ambitious in my vision for Indiana, and I look forward to talking with Hoosiers about the best way to continue making our state the envy of many."

The Indiana State Fair surprised Gov. Eric Holcomb with the distinguished Harvest Award during the annual Harvest Dinner at the Indiana Farmers Coliseum this week. The Harvest Award is given annually at the Harvest Dinner to an individual, organization or company that has made a significant contribution to the growth of the great Indiana State Fair with a focus on agriculture, youth and education. The Indiana State Fair's annual Harvest Dinner honors the traditional harvest dinners bringing together family and friends for celebration and fellowship at the end of a long planting season. These important traditions are the culmination of months of hard work, commitment and stewardship. They are the very essence of what it means to be a farmer in Indiana.

The Terre Haute Symphony is excited to host Bourbon & Blues at Hulman Center on Friday August 25 sponsored by Labor Link. Enjoy an evening of bourbon tastings and great music performed by the Men of Note Jazz Band, food stations catered by Sodexo, cash bar, a unique silent auction, dancing, and more. The event is 5:30-7:30pm with VIP entry at 4pm.

We can never predict what will happen in our lives... During the summer of 1966, I started working at the Allison's

division of GM in Indy. I had graduated from high school in May and was fortunate to have received a scholarship to attend General Motors Institute that fall. My goal was to become an electrical engineer, and I was told that a high paying lifetime position with GM was guaranteed when I completed my four-year

One hot day in July, after I had returned home from Indy, I drove our old station wagon to Darlington to buy a bottle of Choc-Ola at Timmons' DX service station. Sitting on the bench out front was a friend, a former teammate of mine on the basketball team. He had a bottle of Coke and a bag of peanuts...just relaxing and watching the cars drive by. He had graduated a year ahead of me and had just served six months' duty in the local National Guard unit. He told me that he was working temporarily for an equipment company on a nearby construction project. The job paid well, but it was not a job

he wanted to do full time. I told my buddy that I was

starting to have doubts about my plans for the future. I had watched the engineers at Allison's sit at their desks all day, drawing engine parts. I had also found out that I would likely have to move to a large city when I joined their company. I loved Montgomery county and really didn't want to live anywhere else. My Dad farmed and also had other parttime jobs...driving a school bus, measuring government ground, and selling seed corn. He seemed to be very happy doing several jobs at once. Dad had also told me that before I decided what I wanted to do in life, that I should decide where I wanted to live. That made a lot of sense to me.

My friend nodded his approval, and he mentioned that several people had suggested to him that he should get hired at R.R. Donnellys, as it was a good company. He could work there all of his life, make a good wage, and have great benefits. But he just couldn't see that happening, thinking he would likely get bored working for the same company for 40-50 years. After a few seconds, he suggested that we both make a pact...We would not work at the same job all of our lives,

and we would only take jobs that we enjoyed...not jobs **State Honors Longstanding Montgomery County Farms With**

Hoosier Homestead Awards Montgomery County farms owned and operated by the same family for at least 100 years were recently honored with Hoosier Homestead awards, according to State Reps. Beau Baird (R-Greencastle) and Jeff Thompson (R-Lizton), and State Sen. Brian Buchanan (R-Lebanon).

"Farming is not an easy job, and to maintain a farm for 100 years or more in the same family is a remarkable achievement," said Baird, vice chair of the House Agriculture and Rural Development Committee. "These families are truly deserving of this recognition.'

The Coltrain/McNabb Farm, in operation since 1840, received centennial and sesquicentennial awards, and the McBee Farm, in operation since 1873, received the sesquicentennial award.

"I have great respect for those who dedicate their livelihoods to farming," Thompson said. "I grew up helping on a small family farm, and have worked with both livestock and crops. It's very rewarding work, but it comes with a lot

of challenges. I commend these families for their endurance and wish them continued success.'

Farms owned and maintained by the same family for 100, 150 and 200 years can qualify for centennial, sesquicentennial or bicentennial Hoosier Homestead awards.

"Family farms contribute a great deal to our state's heritage," Buchanan said. "Since Indiana's earliest days, agriculture has been an important part of who we are as a state, and we are fortunate to have families like these continue to maintain their farms for gener-

ations.' These farm families were among 103 awardees recently recognized at the Indiana State Fair for their commitment to agriculture.

Hoosier Homestead award ceremonies are conducted yearly in the spring and summer to commemorate farm families for their legacies and contributions to Indiana's agriculture industry. Since the program started in 1976, the state has honored more than 6,000 farms with this designation.

based on pay or benefits.

As I drove home that evening, I felt certain that I could find another occupation that would better fit my personality and interests. I didn't want to tell my parents, as they might be disappointed. I had to somehow break the news that I might not attend GM Institute after all.

The next day after I had arrived home from work, my Dad told me that a terrible tragedy had occurred. Two boys had died in a construction accident at the new Cherry Grove elevator that was being built on US 231 north of Crawfordsville. They had fallen 95 feet from a scaffold, which had collapsed at the top of a silo. One of the boys was Don Evans, a straight-A Wabash College student and exceptional athlete from Waveland, who I had played against in baseball and basketball. What a terrible loss of life!

Dad hesitated, and then told me the other boy was Joe Mahoy, my friend and former teammate...the boy I had shared the bench with at Timmons' service station the preceding day. I just could not believe it. I was at a loss for words. I just sat there in stunned silence. I couldn't sleep that night...thinking about all

⇒See BUTCH Page A5

Season Finale from Montgomery **County's Ironman Raceway Set** to Celebrate Milestone 10th **Running of This** International Spectacle of Speed and Skill

One year removed from celebrating a half-century of racing, the prestigious Pro Motocross Championship will usher in a new era for the 2023 season as the centerpiece of the newly formed SuperMotocross World Championship. The 11-round summer Pro Motocross campaign will visit 10 different states over the course of its journey to crown a pair of AMA National Champions with the sport's most distinguished title, which will culminate with the annual visit to the motorsports mecca of Indianapolis for a thrilling season finale from Montgomery County's Ironman Raceway in Crawfordsville.

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset RISE: 7:00 a.m.



High/Low **Temperatures** High: 78 °F Low: 57 °F



Today is...

- National Fajita Day National Bad Poetry Day
- National Kool-Aid

What Happened On This Day

• 1920 The State of Tennessee Passes the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution. This action by the Tennessee legislature brought the number of states passing the 19th amendment to 36 and provided the necessary majority to ratify the amendment, which extended universal suffrage

to women. • 1877 Martian Moon Phobos is Discovered. One of the two natural satellites of Mars, Phobos, was discovered by American astronomer Asaph Hall. Hall also discovered Deimos, the other

Martian Moon. • **1612** The Pendle witch trials begin. 11 people - 9 women and 2 men - are tried for practicing witch craft in one of UK's most well documented and followed witch trials. The trial lasts for two days and 10 of the accused are found guilty and executed on August 20.

Births On This Day • 1933 Roman Polanski French/Polish director,

producer, writer, actor • 1750 Antonio Salieri Italian composer

Deaths On This Day

• 1990 B. F. Skinner

American psychologist, author • 1227 Genghis Khan

Emperor

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

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When walking on a road, walk on

the same side of the road as the on-

coming traffic. Today's health tip was

week in The Paper and online at www.

brought to you by Dr. John Roberts.

Be sure to catch his column each

Good luck to all our local football teams, as well as the rest of the prep athletes this school year!





Kenny Thompson......A3 Classifieds.....A3 Dick Wolfsie.....A4

TODAY'S

EDITION

THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Get Another TASTE! Of Montgomery County:

The TASTE! of Montgomery County begins at noon on Saturday, August 26 and runs until 10 p.m. At the gate, admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for students. Visitors can purchase advance sale Taste tickets at the Carriage House Interpretive Center of the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, home of the Taste; the Montgomery County Visitors and Convention Bureau on the first floor of Fusion 54 at 101 West Main Street; Milligan's Flowers & Gifts at 115 East Main; Crawfordsville Parks & Recreation Community Center at 922 E. South Boulevard. Advance tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

TODAY'S QUOTE

Better a diamond with a flaw than a pebble without." -Confucius

🗢 TODAY'S JOKE

Knock, knock. Who's there? August. August who.

A gust of wind sure feels hot in Indiana in August!

OBITUARIES Joan Bowen Miller



The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank WILLIAM BARTLEY for subscribing!





PAGE A2 FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023

OBITUARIES

Joan Bowen Miller

March 11, 1934 - Aug. 15, 2023

Joan Bowen Miller (Mitchell) was born on March 11, 1934 in Parke County Indiana to James H. and Myrtle (Bowen) Miller. She passed Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 15, 2023, at the Wellbrooke facility in Crawfordsville. Mrs. Miller suffered a major brain hemorrhage May 26 and a second hemorrhage on July 18. She recovered well from the first stroke and fought hard to come back from the second stroke but was unable to do so.



Mrs. Miller and her family moved to Boone County in her elementary years. Mrs. Miller graduated from Dover High School, Boone County, and then went to Indiana Business College. She married Richard E. Miller of Walnut Township of Montgomery County on Nov. 21, 1954. Mr. Miller passed of cancer on Feb. 18, 1989. The couple farmed throughout their lifetimes in Walnut Township.

She retired from Walnut Elementary with 49 years of service. Mrs. Miller was hired as an Aide, now called a Student Assistant, for all grades when son Brian started first grade. She survived 12 principals. Mrs. Miller did recess duties and was a cafeteria moderator for the primary grades. She then was a Chapter 1, now called Title 1 Aide. The Title 1 and IEI Programs assist students who didn't qualify for the LD Program but gives them that extra remedial reading review to catch up with their class. She felt a calling to teach her students how to adjust to their classroom and have a good start during their formative years and succeed in school. M&Ms and Jolly Ranchers were rewards for success and hard work each

She participated in their Walnut Elementary and Southmont activities throughout the years. She was a member of Bethel Presbyterian Church of Shannondale where she was pianist for worship and has been an Elder and Sunday School teacher.

Survivors include her two sons, Robert (Suzy) and Brian (Robin); two grandsons, Ethan (Susan) and Evan; and two sisters-in-law, Dorothy Mitchell and Sue Mitchell.

She was preceded in death by her her parents James H. and Myrtle (Bowen) Mitchell; and siblings Wayne (Mildred) Mitchell, Max (Dorothy) Mitchell, Dorthea (Robert) Jenkins, Betty (Ray) Brinkman, Rex (Dorothy) Mitchell, Madge (Russell) Swisher and Loren (Sue) Mitchell.

Family and friends will gather Saturday Aug. 19,2023, for visitation from 10 a.m. to noon at Hunt and Son Funeral Home in Crawfordsville. The funeral service will immediately follow visitation with Tami Mussche of Crawfordsville officiating. Burial will be at Pisgah Cemetery in Beckville. Donations may be sent to the Bethel Church of Shannondale, 1052 N 1075 E, Crawfordsville,

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.huntandson.com





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Meeting Notes —

Crawfordsville Community School Corporation Board Of Education Regular Meeting

Thursday, August 17, at Ann VanCleave - Hoover 5:30 P.M.

Crawfordsville Middle School, 705 Wallace Ave

AGENDA I. Roll Call

II. CHARACTER COUNTS! Corporation -Pillar of Caring

III. Pledge of Allegiance IV. Consent Agenda: Previous Meeting Minutes, Construction Accounts Payable Voucher, Payroll Claims Vouchers, Register of Accounts Payable Voucher, and Surplus

V. Spotlight on Excellence - Dr. J. Scott **Bowling**

VI. Old Business

A. Consider Policy 1305 - Board Meeting Participation (3rd Reading)

VII. New Business A. Consider Revision to **Board Meeting Locations**

B. Consider Contract for Business Manager C. Consider Student

Dress Code D. Permission to Advertise 2024 Budget

E. Consider Authorization of Signatory on All **Deposit Accounts**

F. Consider Authorization of Signatory on All **Extra-Curricular Accounts** G. Consider Grants for

2023-2024 School Year VIII. Personnel

A. Consider Resignation of Raeanne Walker - assistant at Hose

B. Consider Resignation

of Ashely Fisher - Hose Aide C. Consider Resignation

of Danielle Newkirk -Hoover Assistant D. Consider Resignation

of Bartholomew Cassida -CHS Math Teacher

E. Consider Resignation of Kylene Simpson - West Central Administrative

F. Consider Resignation of Lexi Odum - Hoover Assistant Teacher

G. Consider Resignation of Megan Craig - Hoover 4th Grade Teacher

H. Recommend Kelsey Conkright - Hose Aide

I. Recommend Bradyn

Barker - Hose Aide J. Recommend Stephanie Endicott - Willson Aide

K. Recommend Amy Cox - Nicholson Media Center Adie

L. Recommend Kari-

M. Recommend Gabrielle Hochstetler - CMS Media Center Assistant

N. Recommend Tracy Robbins - Hoover Life Skills Teacher

O. Recommend Elizabeth Rooze - Nicholson Licensed Teacher Interventionist

P. Recommend Gwynn Wills - WCISSC Speech Language Pathology Assistant

Q. Recommend Emma Verhey - WCISSCC Administrative Assistant R. Recommend Misty

Wiles - CHS Special Education Assistant IX. Change of Position

A. Leanna Phelps -Pre-K Teacher at Willson to Kindergarten Teacher at Hose

B. Josh Perry - Bus Driver at P&T to Media Center Assistant at Nichol-C. Jacqueline Voli-

va- 1st grade at Hose to **Developmental Preschool** Teacher at Willson

D. Maranda Patton from licensed teacher interventionist to 2nd grade teacher at Nicholson.

E. Meredith Boaz from teacher to Title coach at Nicholson

F. Joyce Musselman from aide to Life Skills assistant at Hoover

G. Peyton Suiter - from CHS Special Education Assistant to Math Teacher at CHS

H. Tara Walters - from CHS and CMS ECA (Extra Curricular Account) Treasurer to Corporation ECA and Textbook Trea-

X. Business Manager Report - July Report

XI. Assistant Superintendent Report

XII. Superintendent Report

XIII. Other

XIV. Board Member Communication XV. Patron Comments

XVI. Adjournment

Patron's Comments are limited to 3 minutes per spokesperson for a total of 30 minutes. The meeting site is fully accessible. Any person requiring further accommodations should contact the Superintendent at the School Corporation's central office.



Art on Thursday September 14 **Beading Jewelry**

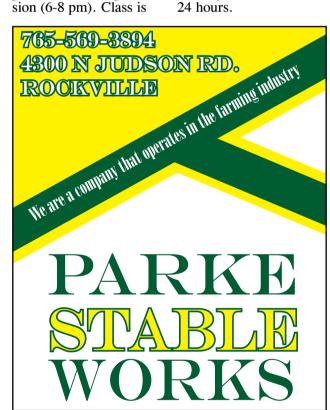
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Our classes are fun, easy, and affordable. The instructor will provide beads, tools as well as other supplies needed.

Class is Thursday, September 14 either an afternoon session (1-3 pm) or an evening sesopen to anyone 12 years and older. Cost is \$35.

Please note that Athens Arts will be closed to the public from September 2 (after 2 pm) until the reception for the installation of our national exhibition. Due to the closing, this class ONLY will be held at a different location. If you have any questions, feel free to call the instructor, Ellie Dieckmeyer 317.919.0851.

To reserve a spot for the September 14th class, stop by Athens Arts Thursdays and Fridays (10 am to 6 pm) or Saturday (10 am to 2 pm) or call 765.362.7455 and leave a message. Someone will return your call within 24 hours.







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New Teams Added To Big Ten, Could Be Worse



THOMPSON

Columnist Big Ten Conference in 2024 is that it won't cost either school one dollar of its share of new TV money from Fox/NBC/CBS.

The good

news for

Purdue and

Indiana regarding the

surprising

addition of

Oregon and

Washing-

ton to the

The Pac-12 refugees agreed to a reported half share of TV proceeds the first year and \$1 million increases over the following five years of the Big Ten's contract with the three networks. Media outlets have reported that Fox put up the extra money to persuade reluctant Big Ten schools into inviting the Ducks and Huskies.

The bad news was delivered by Urban Meyer, the national championship coach at Ohio State and Florida and now a Fox college football analyst.

Speaking during the Big Ten Network's special report on the addition of Oregon and Washington, Meyer didn't sugarcoat what this means to schools like Purdue and Indiana.

"The Big Ten championship game, it really is just a 1 vs. 2 without conference divisions," Meyer said. "That probably is what it should be. But you're talking about now a large number of teams that will never, ever even have a chance to play in that championship game.

"When you had the East and West, you knew you could compete on your side and somehow find a way. The West had multiple teams make it to the championship game. The East primarily had the Wolverines, Ohio State and Penn State. You start adding these teams ... if you're middle of the road or higher middle of the road team in the Big Ten your

job just got much harder. Washington, Oregon, USC and UCLA ... those are real teams coming into this league."

Looking at football only, since this has driven the expansion era that turned the Big Ten into the Big 18, and the SEC/Big 12 into 16-team leagues, here's a breakdown of the Big Ten's balance of power.

First tier **Ohio State**

All-time record: 845-264-36

National championships: 8 (1942, 1954, 1957, 1961, 1968, 1970, 2002, 2014) Big Ten championships:

Heisman Trophy winners: 7 (Les Horvath, Vic Janowicz, Howard Cassady, Archie Griffin*, Eddie George, Troy Smith)

Purdue vs. the Buckeyes all-time: 15-41-2 Indiana vs. the Buckeyes

all-time: 12-79-5 *Griffin won in 1974 and 1975

*** Michigan

All-time record: 963-345-35

National championships: 9 (1901-04, 1918, 1923, 1933, 1948, 1997)

Big Ten championships:

Heisman Trophy winners: 3 (Tom Harmon, Desmond Howard, Charles Woodson) Purdue vs. the Wolver-

ines all-time: 14-46 Indiana vs. the Wolverines all-time: 10-61

Penn State

All-time record: 898-398-37

National championships: 4 (1911, 1912, 1982, 1986) Big Ten championships: 4 (joined league in 1993)

Heisman Trophy winners: 1 (John Cappelletti) Purdue vs. the Nittany Lions all-time: 3-16-1 Indiana vs. the Nittany

Lions all-time: 2-24

USC

All-time record: 783-

National championships: 9 (1931, 1932, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1974, 1978, 2003, 2004)

Heisman Trophy winners: 7 (Mike Garrett, O.J. Simpson, Charles White, Marcus Allen, Carson Palmer, Matt Leinart, Caleb Williams)

Purdue vs. the Trojans all-time: 1-3

Indiana vs. the Trojans all-time: 0-4 Second tier

Wisconsin

All-time record: 731-National championships:

Big Ten championships:

14 Heisman Trophy winners: 2 (Alan Ameche, Ron Dayne)

Purdue vs. the Badgers all-time: 29-52-8 Indiana vs. the Badgers all-time: 19-41-2

Iowa

All-time record: 653-544-34

National championships: 1 (1958) Big Ten championships:

12 Heisman Trophy winners: 1 (Nile Kinnick)

Purdue vs. the Hawkeyes all-time: 50-40-3 Indiana vs. the Hawkeyes all-time: 28-46-4

Michigan State All-time record: 603-

National championships:

3 (1952, 1965, 1966) Big Ten championships: 9 (joined in 1953)

Heisman Trophy winners: 0

Purdue vs. the Spartans all-time: 29-36-3 Indiana vs. the Spartans all-time: 16-50-2

UCLA

All-time record: 607-404-31

1 (1954) Heisman Trophy win-

National championships:

ners: 1 (Gary Beban) Purdue vs. the Bruins all-time: 0-3-2

Indiana vs. the Bruins all-time: 0-0

Oregon All-time record: 615-

467-34 National championships:

Heisman Trophy winners: 1 (Marcus Mariota) Purdue vs. the Ducks all-time: 1-2 Indiana vs. the Ducks

all-time: 0-2

Washington

All-time record: 655-437-32 National championships:

1 (1991) Heisman Trophy win-

ners: 0 Purdue vs. the Huskies all-time: 2-7-1

Indiana vs. the Huskies all-time: 5-1 Third tier

Nebraska All-time record: 877-392-38

National championships: 5 (1970-71, 1994-95, 1997) Big Ten championships: (joined in 2011): 0 Heisman Trophy winners: 3 (Johnny Rodgers,

Mike Rozier, Eric Crouch) Purdue vs. the Cornhuskers all-time: 6-5 Indiana vs. the Cornhuskers all-time: 10-9-3

Illinois All-time record: 617-

617-49 National championships: 2 (1923, 1927) Big Ten championships:

Heisman Trophy winners: 0

Purdue vs. the Fighting Illini all-time: 47-45-6 Indiana vs. the Fighting Illini all-time: 26-45-2

Minnesota

All-time record: 711-527-42

National championships: 6 (1934-36, 1940-41, 1960) Big Ten championships:

18

Heisman Trophy winners: 1 (Bruce Smith) Purdue vs. the Gophers

all-time: 34-41-3 Indiana vs. the Gophers all-time: 26-40-3

Purdue

All-time record: 626-585-48

Big Ten championships:

National championships:

Heisman Trophy win-

ners: 0 Purdue vs. Indiana all-

time: 76-42-6 Purdue vs. Indiana (Old Oaken Bucket games): 62-32-3

Maryland All-time record: 577-529-30

National championships: 1 (1953)

Big Ten championships: 0 (joined in 2014) Heisman Trophy winners: 0

Purdue vs. the Terrapins all-time: 2-2 Indiana vs. the Terrapins all-time: 7-4

Indiana

All-time record: 479-681-38

National championships:

Big Ten championships:

Heisman Trophy winners: 0 Fourth tier

Rutgers All-time record: 492-

510-22 National championships:

Big Ten championships: 0 (joined in 2014)

Heisman Trophy winners: 0 Purdue vs. the Scarlet Knights: 0-2

Indiana vs. the Scarlet

Northwestern

Knights: 5-4

All-time record: 550-689-40 National championships:

Big Ten championships:

Heisman Trophy win-

ners: 0 Purdue vs. the Wildcats:

Indiana vs. the Wildcats:

A couple of things about this ranking. Each tier is in no particular order and is more of a "class" system among the Big Ten members.

Nebraska was a verv tough call. If I was writing this in the mid-1990s, the Cornhuskers would be in the first tier with Ohio State, Michigan, Penn State and USC.

But these aren't the Bob Devaney-Tom Osborne Cornhuskers. Misguided firings of Frank Solich (because Nebraska was "slipping into mediocrity" following a 9-3 season in 2003) and Bo Pelini ("we weren't good enough in the games that mattered" despite a 67-27 record) set this program back. Sometimes, "the next level" can be downward.

Minnesota also has a resume that indicates it belongs on par with bitter rivals Wisconsin and Iowa. However, those six national championships were earned before I was born and only one Big Ten title in my lifetime.

As for scheduling Oregon and Wisconsin in 2024? The easiest path would be to keep the Flex Protect Plus model in place and add a 10th conference game for 2024-2025.

Expect opposition to this from Ohio State and Michigan, citing it would be a disadvantage in College Football Playoff rankings against the eight-game SEC schedule that allows Alabama to play a patsy like Chattanooga in November.

- Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

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find friends

nowadays.

I don't mean make

friends,

that's easy.

I mean find

them. Like,

Finding Lost Friends!



WOLFSIE **Funny Bone**

where the heck are they?

When I was a teenager living just outside of New York City and I wanted to meet a buddy at Grand Central Station, I simply said "See you under the clock at noon." This was where everyone met. On some days several hundred people were crammed under the iconic timepiece looking for friends, lovers

and drug dealers. There was never any question about what you meant by "The clock." If you did ask which clock, there was a good chance you'd be accused of being an alien from another planet. It was like saying, "Now, which Empire State

Building do you mean?" But things are not so

easy nowadays. I was meeting my friend Bob for coffee the other day at one of my favorite places for breakfast, Le Peep. I told Bob to be there at 9:00 am sharp because I had a doctor's appointment at 10:30. It was 9:15. Where was he? He'd never been late before. When I told the waitress that I was waiting for a friend, she suggested he might have gone to a different Le Peep by mistake.

"Does that happen often?" I asked.

"Oh yes. Every day. You see, here in Indy we now have several Le Peep.'

"I told him to meet me at the Le Peep just off 82nd Street."

"Well, we have a few that are just off 82nd Street. How about an omelet while you wait?"

"Could you call and see if he went to a different Le Peep?" I asked." He's not answering his cell phone."

"Which Le Peep should I call?" she asked. "Which one did he go to?'

"Well, if I knew that I

wouldn't be here now." I tried his cell again...

"Hello, this is Bob." "It's Dick, where are

you?" "I'm at Le Peep. Where

are you?" "Ĭ'm at Le Peep, also," I

told him.

"I don't see you." "I'm at the Le Peep next

to Kohl's.' "Which Kohl's," he

asked. "The one next to the Walmart or the one next to Kroger?'

"The one next to Kro-

"The Kroger near The Monon or the Kroger near

"The Kroger near CVS." "The CVS across from McDonald's or the one

next to Dairy Queen?" We finally determined his location...

"Bob, I'm running late but I'll come to the Le Peep where you are. I'll have to hurry so I can still make my appointment."

"Should I order for you?'

"No. I'm bringing an omelet with me.

By the way, in this column I am trying to make a very serious point about the importance of accurate and precise communication. Be exact, leave no room for doubt and you will avoid any confusion. I would be happy to explain this to you in person. Let's meet at Starbucks tomorrow at 9:00 am. Don't be late.

- Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@ aol.com.

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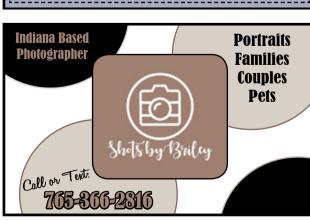




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of the good times that Joe and I had spent together in

Three days later, I served as one of the pallbearers at Joe's funeral in Thorntown. His parents, his brothers...the entire community, were still in shock over his death.

Sometimes in a person's life, incidents happen that change one's plans and outlook on life. I started college that fall, but changed my mind after attending school in Flint, Michigan for just two weeks. I came back home, married my longtime girlfriend, and enrolled at Purdue for the second semester. I eventually became a teacher, police officer, and librarian...all jobs that I have enjoyed. I stayed right here and raised a family in the community that I love.

The lives of Don Evans and Joe Mahoy had ended much too soon. I never could understand how God could allow such tragedies to occur to such good, decent human beings who had their entire lives ahead of them. Later in my life, as a police officer, I saw similar tragedies many times when investigating fatal accidents. I have no

Joe was never able to attain the goal we had agreed upon that summer day in July, 1966. I was lucky. And I am grateful to God that I was able to keep my promise to my friend.

- John "Butch" Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 32 years, and is a wellknown artist and author of local history.



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This year's Tucker Freight Lines Ironman National on Saturday, August 26, will celebrate a milestone with the 10th running of what has become greater Indianapolis' newest summer racing tradition.

The SuperMotocross World Championship is a comprehensive 31-race season the combines the winter AMA Supercross Championship, which takes place on man-made racetracks in major stadiums across the country from January to mid-May, and the summer Pro Motocross Championship, the original action sport that visits the most iconic, rural venues in off-road motorcycle racing from late-May through August. At the end of each respective championship awaits the inaugural SuperMotocross World Championship Playoffs and Final this September, which will crown the ultimate champions across a full calendar year of this grueling and captivating motorsport. In addition to serving as the 11th and final round of the Pro Motocross Championship, which will complete the 28-race "regular season" of the SuperMotocross

World Championship, the Ironman National will signify the sport's highly anticipated return to the Indy area following the **Indianapolis Supercross** at Lucas Oil Stadium this past March.

Despite being the youngest event on the championship calendar, the Ironman National has already become a celebrated tradition in American motocross. With its close proximity to the country's most prolific motorsports region and its distinction as the season finale, the race provides a unique atmosphere that can only be found in this racing-crazed pocket of the United States. The passionate environment lends itself to captivating action on the track, which has made this a can't-miss round of this storied championship that fans want to check off their bucket list and competitors want to win.

The racetrack itself at Ironman Raceway is a hidden gem that defies what you'd expect in the vast flat landscape of the midwest, with an undulating topography that rivals some of the most mountainous areas of the country. Dramatic elevation changes are the defining

feature of Ironman, with the infamous "Godzilla" jump serving as one of the biggest and most intimidating obstacles in the sport. The racing surface is about as perfect as it gets with lots of traction that leads to the formation of multiple racing lines, while the traversing layout presents ample passing opportunities that regularly provide the most competitive action of the season. As a finishing touch, Ironman puts fans on top of the action and offers incredible sightlines for spectators with ample shade to provide relief from the heat of the late

tinguished contingent of the world's most uniquely skilled athletes from across the globe will comprise the competitive field set to wage battle during the Pro Motocross Championship. American-born champions like Adam Cianciarulo, hometown favorite Aaron Plessinger. and Chase Sexton will go bar-to-bar against fellow champions from different continents, like France's Dylan Ferrandis and Australia's newly crowned champion Jett Lawrence.

On the racetrack, a dis-

summer.

Event Information

•Tucker Freight Lines Ironman National

•Round 12: 2023 Pro Motocross Championship

•Ironman Raceway -

Crawfordsville, Indiana •August 26, 2023

•8:00am Practice & Qualifying

•12:30pm Opening Ceremonies •1:00pm First Motos

(250 Class & 450 Class) •3:30pm Second Motos

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