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### TODAY'S VERSE

1 John 4:20 If a man say, "I love God," and hateth his brother, he is a liar. For he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

### FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Our roving photographer was out early Wednesday and caught Lily Branshaw hard at work at a local diner. She still had time to give us a friendly smile though!

### THREE THINGS You Should Know:

**1** The Montgomery County Relay for Life is dedicated to helping communities attack cancer. Through funds donated, time given, or awareness raised, communities are teaming up to make a difference. The annual event is scheduled for Sept. 16, from 12 pm - 8 pm in Crawfordsville. You can participate by forming a team, raising money and celebrating at the event while honoring survivors and remembering lives touched by purchasing a luminaria. Please help spread the word to help them grow the success of this event! Click the button to visit the website to register a team and for more information.

**2** Franciscan Physician Network Primary Care & Sports Medicine Lafayette is now offering a walk-in clinic for middle and high school athletes with acute injuries occurring in the previous 72 hours. The clinic is offered on Mondays only thru Oct. 23, 2023 and check-in is from 7 to 8:30 a.m.

**3** Please join The Farm At Prophetstown and help the promote their fundRAISE the Barn event at The Farm at Prophetstown. All proceeds from this event benefit the restoration and preservation of their historic Red Gambrel Barn. Event will take place at the Farm on September 23rd beginning at 6pm. Live music, Silent Auction, Square Dancing, Food and more! Flier attached! The barn restoration is currently underway, come out and see the progress!



Photo courtesy of MBMG

## Art League Of Montgomery County Annual Art Show Announcement

The Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery at the Crawfordsville District Public Library would like to invite the community to view The Art League of Montgomery County's Annual Art Show. The Art League Show will be available for public viewing now through the end of September during CDPL's normal hours of operation. A limited amount of artwork will be for sale during the exhibition through our Circulation department.

This year's show contains a variety of mediums created by several of The Art League's members. Some of the artwork is for sale with the library receiving 20% of the price for each piece. Members of The Art League of Montgomery County worked cooperatively with the gallery staff to install this show for your viewing pleasure.

This year's show includes over a hundred items created by current members. When you visit the gallery you will find fiber arts by Marilyn Smith; watercolors by Leslie Warren, Karen Patton, and Carol Baird; oil and acrylic works by Mary Lou Dawald, Alice Harpel, Kathy Houghton, and Lu Johnson; clay creations by Mary Lou Dawald; jewelry by Anne Siphahimalani; Sailor Valentines by Linda Cherry; creative paper crafting by Ruth Burkhart; psansky eggs by Karen Paton; faux stained glass by Mary Lou Dawald and Karen Patton; and photography by John Zimmerman and Kathy Steele.

The Art League has had an active presence in this community for over a century. The organization now known as The Art League of Montgomery County was founded in 1896 by a group of women with an interest in art history, needle-

work, and socialization. The founding premise of beautifying the community through benevolence and stewardship has remained constant. The Art League's activities and focus have varied over the years to reflect this community's social climate and available talents.

The ALMC continues to work with local organizations to ensure that the arts remain a vital part of our traditions. As many of you know, the Montgomery County Community Foundation sponsored The Art League's conservation project last year. The award was used for the preservation of historical artworks by local artists. This year, The ALMC solely funded the reframing of two paintings in their collection by Jody Franklin and Peg Shearer. You can view these works at CDPL which currently houses the permanent art collection of The Art League and proudly displays these works alongside its own collection. Artworks by local artists, past and present, can be viewed primarily on the second floor. Their collection also includes the Bicentennial Quilt which hangs in the Reading Room on the first floor. The quilt has 42 hand-stitched squares based on our community's history and our colorful lore, and it was gifted to our community by The Art League in 1976. The ALMC members have dedicated their lives to the arts and educational freedom for generations.

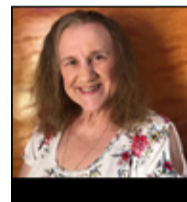
The Art League President, Kathy Steele states, "The Art League of Montgomery County is open to anyone in our community who appreciates and enjoys art. You do not need to be an artist." If you want to become a member or learn

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Photo courtesy of Karen Zach

## Two More Lew Partners



**KAREN ZACH**  
Around The County

Last week, I introduced you to Charles Monroe Travis, Michael Daugherty White, Samuel Campbell Willson and Thomas Fleming Davidson who were

partners or trained-up with Lew Wallace. I had read about all of them before, but not in one article in relationship to Lew, thus I thought I'd give that idea a try.

Thinking I had most of the law partners, since then, I've discovered more; in fact, George Hurley was with Lew in his office for 15 years. His name was often found as George P. and just as often George W., but indeed his middle name was Daniel, thus George D. Hurley. Same with his "Judge" title. He was never a judge as he would not run for office, but he made so many such decisions and had been in the courtroom for decades that his last 20 or so years he was simply known as "Judge Hurley!"

The Bowen History p 1213 notes (sadly, mainly true, one reason I love to cover the everyday guy) that "histories and biographies reveal only those who have attained military, political or literary careers." The article reminded us that there were many "possessing the same qualities which contribute to success in private life - as did Hurley! "He exhibits a career of unswerving integrity, indefatigable private industry, and wholesome home and social relations."

Basically, Hurley was a self-made man, born 3 Dec 1833 in New Albany, Indiana, a son (having three brothers and a sister) of John and Hannah (Baker), his father having a ship building business in Baltimore, MD before coming to Indiana

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## The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset  
RISE: 7:13 a.m.  
SET: 8:22 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures  
High: 76 °F  
Low: 52 °F



Today is...  
• Eat Outside Day  
• Thoughtful Thursday  
• We Love Memoirs Day

### What Happened On This Day

- 1998 North Korea Announces the Launch of its First Satellite. According to government sources of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the satellite called Kwangmyongsong-1 was successfully launched into lower Earth orbit. Most space agencies around the world, have not been able to confirm whether the launch was successful.
- 1997 Princess of Wales, Diana, Dies in a Car Crash. Diana, the former wife of Charles, the heir apparent to the British Crown, was fatally injured when the driver of her car lost control while speeding away from paparazzi, and crashed in a road tunnel in Paris, France. Diana's companion Dodi Al Fayed and the car's driver also died as a result of the accident.
- 1994 Russian Troops Leave Estonia 3 years after Estonia declared independence from the Soviet Union. USSR had occupied the Baltic country in 1944, during the Second World War. Many Western countries never recognized the Estonian Soviet Socialist Republic, which was first established in 1940.

### Births On This Day

- 1945 Van Morrison Irish singer-songwriter
- 1870 Maria Montessori Italian physician, educator

### Deaths On This Day

- 1997 Diana, Princess of Wales
- 1973 John Ford American director

### HONEST HOOSIER

So tomorrow's September. Remember when that used to mean school's getting ready to start?



### TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Icy sidewalks are an excuse not to take a walk - cold weather isn't. 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.



### OBITUARIES

Heavenleigh Dream Weed



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The Paper appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **MARCIA DESMET** for subscribing!



### INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION

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### THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

#### 2nd Annual Montgomery County Kids Color Fun Run:

The 2nd annual MoCo Kids Color Fun Run is scheduled to be on Saturday, Sept. 9. The fun run will be at the Leland Cornett Nature Park in New Ross. Enjoy Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the New Ross Christian Church followed by the lunch at the Walnut Township Fire Department starting at 11 a.m. with concessions nearby. Registration at 9 a.m. and the run is from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Pre-registration is closed. Registration is \$13 per child and/or \$35 per family. COLORS GALORE! Art can be seen everywhere! YES! Artistic exploration can be exhibited in so many forms, including face painting, balloon creating, and color blasting a t-shirt! All proceeds go to Walnut Elementary PTO.

### TODAY'S QUOTE

"I'm a success today because I had a friend who believed in me and I didn't have the heart to let him down."  
-Abraham Lincoln

### TODAY'S JOKE

Did you hear about the little girl named Junejulyaugust? Her parents call her Summer for short.



## OBITUARIES

### Heavenleigh Dream Weed

November 7, 2017, Saturday, August 26, 2023

Heavenleigh Dream Weed, age 5 of Veedersburg, passed away on Saturday, August 26, 2023. She was born in Murray, Kentucky on November 7, 2017. She was in Kindergarten at Southeast Fountain Elementary. She was such a sweet, loving, free spirited, country girl. She was loved by everyone, never knew a stranger and would strike up a conversation with anyone. She was an animal lover, loved riding horses, and spending time with her nana and papa.



She is survived by her parents, Bruce Edward "Hill-billy" & Melanie Lynn (Stasko) Weed, maternal grandparents, Sherri & Tom Stasko; grandma, Kathy Weir; grandpas, Mike Walton and Bill Freeman; aunts and uncles, Brent (Stephanie) Weed, Eric (Chris) Weed, Susan Weed, Tommy (Kim) Stasko, Billy (Sara) Stasko, and Kenny (Angie) Yackle; the Veedersburg INDOT crew; and many other family members.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Charles & Phyllis Weed; and her many animals.

Visitation will be at Sanders Shoemaker Funeral Care, 202 Bratton Road, in Waynetown on Friday, September 1, 2023 from 5 pm - 8 pm.

The memorial service will be at the funeral home on Saturday, September 2, 2023 at 1 pm with Pastor Jackie Bowling officiating. There will be a Party at the Switzer Pond following to celebrate and remember Heavenleigh.

Memorial donations may be given to help cover funeral and living expenses. You may donate online by clicking on the donation tab on Heavenleigh obituary, or envelopes will be able at the funeral home, or you may donate at any Centre Bank location.

Sanders Funeral Care entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences online at [www.SandersFuneralCare.com](http://www.SandersFuneralCare.com).

## Meeting Notes

### Board Of Public Works And Public Safety Meeting Agenda

August 30, 2023 at 10AM

I. Approval of the minutes from August 23, 2023.

II. Approval of the claims for the week of August 28, 2023.

III. Old Business  
a. Bid discussion for Lincoln Park

b. Bid discussion for Brickyard Nature Park

IV. New Business

a. Alan Slight requesting to block Ridgeway Drive at 1104/1108 on Sunday, September 10th from 3-8 pm for a cook out

b. Nicholson Elementary requesting approval of a route for their annual Bike & Hike event Thursday, September 14th

c. Price Excavating requesting to use 4 parking

spaces on E. Main Street (2 on the north side and 2 on the south side) by the alley mural to do repairs for American Water - date TBD

d. Open bids received for the US 231/Purple Heart Parkway sewer expansion project

e. Barry Lewis, Code Enforcement Officer, with multiple work order requests

•1511 Southside Drive, owned by Serena Smith

•115 Simpson Street, owned by Terry Canton

•300 W. Market Street, owned by 3B2G Properties, LLC.

•300 1/2 W. Market Street, owned by Dan Rose

V. Departments Heads

VI. Adjournment

## F.C. Tucker West Central Announces Listing And Sales Leaders

F.C. Tucker West Central is proud to announce its top-performing agents for the month of July. Demonstrating exceptional dedication and expertise in the real estate market, Katie Viers and Mark Casteel have been recognized as the July Sales Leader and Listing Leader, respectively.

Katie Viers is the esteemed Sales Leader for July, having successfully sold 3 properties totaling \$695,000. As a Crawfordsville transplant with over four years in the real estate industry, Katie has a keen understanding of what it takes to buy and sell homes in the area.

Always staying updated on the latest market trends, Katie is committed to ensuring her clients find their perfect home or sell their property at the right price.

Outside of her professional life, Katie enjoys outdoor activities and cherishing moments with her family. Those interested in buying or selling can reach Katie at 219-776-5120 or explore her website at [TalkToTucker.com/Katie.Viers](http://TalkToTucker.com/Katie.Viers).

Mark Casteel has been

named the Listing Leader for July, listing 3 properties for a commendable total of \$658,000. Before joining F.C. Tucker, Mark dedicated 24 years to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, with the last eight years as the elected Sheriff. This experience has honed his skills in patience, attention to detail, and community advocacy. Born and raised in Montgomery County, Mark is deeply invested in the community and is always

ready to go the extra mile for his clients. When he's not assisting clients, Mark enjoys traveling and spending quality time with his family. For those looking to embark on their real estate journey, Mark can be contacted at 765-307-8348 or through his website at [TalkToTucker.com/Mark.Casteel](http://TalkToTucker.com/Mark.Casteel).

F.C. Tucker West Central congratulates both Katie and Mark for their outstanding achievements and dedication to their clients. Their commitment to excellence continues to set the standard for real estate professionals in the region.



KATIE VIERS



MARK CASTEEL

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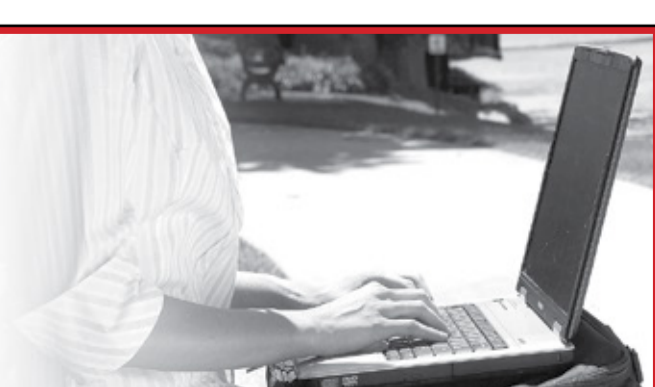
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# Pebble Mine Project Still Brewing Via Legal Challenge

## EARTHTALK

Dear EarthTalk: I hear there is a legal challenge brewing regarding a recent Biden administration decision lauded by environmentalists to stop the Pebble Mine in Bristol Bay?

Bristol Bay is a relatively small but nevertheless important body of water in Southwestern Alaska. It is known for plentiful salmon and blossoming wildlife and has been home to native tribes for centuries. They've witnessed the brightest of days and darkest of nights.

However, in the early 21st century a mining operation named "Pebble Mine" wished to lay claims on the area. Spearheaded by Northern Dynasty Minerals, their goal was to extract valuable copper ores that resided in the bay.

Despite a 10+ year battle with Northern Dynasty Minerals and their supporters, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) put their foot down with a section 404(c) veto on the proposed operation in January of 2023, "ending" a long-standing feud between two strikingly different groups. The veto was issued on the grounds of how valuable Bristol

Bay was to the country, as it creates a staggering \$2.2 billion in revenue, 15,000 jobs and 80+ million fish. The tremendous wealth and prosperity Bristol Bay provided to the nation was too valuable, according to the EPA, to not protect.

So, the EPA ruled that the "Pebble Mine" operation be forced to shut down. Happily, ever after, right? Not quite. Although all of the EPA's previous 14 section 404(c) vetoes have never been overturned, the fight is not exactly in the history books yet. Alaska Attorney General Treg Taylor has requested the U.S. Supreme Court review the EPA's decision, claiming it unlawful. The state argues that by issuing orders on their state land, the EPA "usurps the State's ability and responsibility to protect its own natural resources." Northern Dynasty Minerals further insists that their operation is necessary for creating supply chain independence. Supporters of "Pebble Mine" call the move a necessity to push back against "tyranny," while opponents of the operation insist it's a last-minute prayer to prevent financial losses.

No official Court ruling has been reached yet—un-

derstandably as the request is very recent—but both sides will certainly be on their toes should conflict rekindle. Alaska's overturn request is grounded in state sovereignty, and may get assistance from a conservative Supreme Court.

The operation would extract precious copper and minerals out of the bay, but at the expense of the enormous salmon industry, precious natural resources, and innocent native tribes. Which is more valuable? The answer will come from the federal government.

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# Franciscan Health Diabetes Prevention Program Offers The Chance To Make A Change For Life

Franciscan Health is offering patients with pre-diabetes the opportunity to help prevent or delay type 2 diabetes with its year-long Diabetes Prevention Program, which begins Sept. 13 at the Franciscan Healthy Living Center.

Franciscan Health's 12-month Diabetes Prevention Program follows guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that have been proven to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes.

Diabetes is one of the top 10 leading causes of death in the U.S., impacting more than 37 million American adults. Few realize type 2 diabetes can be prevented or delayed with lifestyle changes, like those implemented through the Franciscan Health Diabetes Prevention Program.

Dawn Lowry, 73, of West Lafayette said she saw the program advertised about a year ago and thought she would give it a try. Since then, she has

lost 40 pounds, lowered her A1C and increased her exercise activity.

"What works for me best is the weekly meeting," Lowry said. "Having to answer for what we've been doing and the group atmosphere."

Lowry said her instructor kept things entertaining in the group sessions, including videos and games. "She kept the enthusiasm up, and it wasn't just talk, talk, talk," she said. "It was just a real positive experience, and I'm happy with the results."

Groups meet weekly for 16 sessions prior to six monthly follow-up sessions with a trained lifestyle coach. Throughout the course of the program, participants work with a certified healthy lifestyle coach who guides them in practices to help build energy and confidence, lose weight naturally and reduce stress and anxiety.

The program is only open to participants 18 and older who have been diagnosed with prediabetes,

not those who have previously been diagnosed with type 1 or type 2 diabetes. They must also have a body mass index greater than 25. Those who had a previous diagnosis of gestational diabetes or a screening result indicating a high risk of type 2 diabetes are also eligible to participate.

The year-long program costs \$99 and is free for Franciscan Health employees and covered for approved Medicare beneficiaries.

The first session is scheduled to take place at 3:30 p.m. EST on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023 at the Franciscan Healthy Living Center, 1116 N. 16th St. in Lafayette. Sessions will continue on Wednesdays for 15 weeks thereafter at the same time and location.

Registration is required. For more information or to register for the program, email HealthyLiving@FranciscanAlliance.org or call (844) 441-6609. Spaces are limited.

# BBB Business Tip: Financial Records Your Small Business Should Keep

The paperwork adds up. This is the stark reality many start-up small businesses face when they don't yet have the time, tools, or know-how to keep up with their financial records.

Unfortunately, this is also one of the reasons many of those small businesses don't make it. According to Lending-Tree (a BBB Accredited Business), cash flow is the top obstacle for new businesses. When money is tight, there's little room for error, which makes financial record-keeping critical.

Despite the real talk, these revelations are not necessarily bad news; they're a chance for entrepreneurs to prioritize making sound financial decisions. After all, staying accountable to yourself is a big part of embodying integrity. At the end of the day, tracking your financials is about keeping your word to yourself and to your community. This post provides insights into what financial records small businesses need to keep.

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## Financial Records For Small Businesses:

Starting and operating a small business involves quite the accumulation of forms and files. The trick is to stay on top of those records with an intense devotion to organization, especially when it comes to your financial documents.

When tax season rolls around, the last thing you want to do is have to hunt for your accounting documents. Also, these records could come in handy if you're applying for new financing, so make sure they're accessible, up to date, and comprehensible. This will allow you to monitor your business's progress while you track your revenue and expenses throughout the year. The crucial financial records for a small business to maintain are as follows:

**Balance Sheet:** HubSpot (a BBB Accredited Business) defines a balance sheet as an "overview of a business's financial standing." Just like a traditional scale suspending two weighted plates, there are two sides to a balance sheet. One side details a business's current assets, and the other side is a rundown of the current liabilities and investor/shareholder equity. In a nutshell, this record captures a moment in time, providing insights into what the business currently owns

versus what it owes.

A balance sheet is usually prepared at the close of a reporting period, such as the end of a fiscal year. A typical breakdown of assets and liabilities:

Assets are divided into two categories: current and long-term. Current assets include cash and accounts receivable. Long-term assets include buildings, land, office equipment and machinery, and the organization's vehicles.

**Liabilities and owner equity:** tabulate all obligations and debts the small business owes besides its vendors, creditors, and lenders that should be paid within the current fiscal year.

**What to do with your balance sheet:** Calculate the totals of each side (current assets and current liabilities). Ideally, your current assets are greater, which means you're in good financial standing to cover your financial liabilities. These findings could also determine your business's liquidity, leverage, and rates of return.

**Income Statement:** Also known as a profit and loss statement, an income statement, as defined by Investopedia, is a document "used for reporting a company's financial performance over a specific accounting period."

An income statement may be prepared monthly, quarterly, or annually, and tracks your business's revenues and expenses to determine its performance over that period. Your income statement should include:

**Sales** — the total revenue your small business generates minus any sales discounts and product returns.

**Cost of goods or service** — the expenses directly associated with manufacturing products or acquiring them from suppliers; if your business provides a service, this figure includes your employees' salaries and benefits.

**Gross profit** — net sales minus the cost of goods or services from the net sales.

**Operational expenses** — your day-to-day costs of operating the business, which can be divided into administrative, marketing and sales expenses, utilities, rent, office wages, advertising, collateral and promotions, depreciation, and overhead costs.

**Total expenses** — all expenses incurred when running your business,

exclusive of any interests on interest income or taxes.

• **Net income before taxes** — gross profit minus operational expenses.

• **Taxes** — the amount you owe the federal, state, or local government in the form of income tax.

• **Net income** is the final figure your small business earns after paying your income taxes.

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**Cash Flow Statement:** Investopedia also defines a cash flow statement as a document that "summarizes the movement of cash and cash equivalents that come in and go out of a company." This illuminates whether the business is making profits or losses.


Cash flow activities are divided into three categories: financing, investing, and operational activities. Financing activities capture the money flow from creditors and shareholders' equity, meant for financing the small business. Cash flow on investing activities refers to the money the small business gains or losses from activities like buying or selling an asset. Operational activities are the daily expenses involved in running your operation.

**An important note:** A cash flow statement can be negative or positive. Negative cash flow indicates that you're spending more than you're earning. You could remedy this by coming up with ways to generate more revenue or cut down on operational costs. In the event of positive cash flow, you're in healthy financial standing to expand your small business.

**Final thoughts:** There's no "well, maybe" when it comes to proper bookkeeping for small businesses. These three documents are a must and could be the key to providing not only financial insights but also accessing loans and persuading potential investors during their decision-making process.

Lastly, if you don't have any financial record-keeping experience, you're in luck. This is a magical time with an abundance of tools, apps, and resources available for your bookkeeping needs.

To learn more ways to improve your business practices, go to bbb.org and visit the BBB Small Business Resources page. You can also visit BBB.org/get-accredited to learn how to stand out as BBB Accredited business.



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Stop by The Art League Show during the annual Art Walk, sponsored by The Art League of Montgomery County. The Art Walk encourages participants to view art in local business windows along Washington, Main, Green, and Market Streets as well as at the Carnegie Museum,

Athens Arts Gallery, Green Street Gallery, and Wabash College. Brochures and maps will be available on September 22 and 23 in all locations that have art. Red balloons will mark the locations from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 23.

For more information about CDPL's hours of operation, please visit our website at <http://www.cdpl.lib.in.us/>. If you are an artist or a member of an artists' group and are interested in displaying your work at the Mary Bishop Memorial Gallery in 2024 or 2025, please contact Toni, the Gallery Coordinator at (765) 362-2242 for more details.

**KAREN**

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to do the same, New Albany well-known for boat building at that time. When about six, George came with his parents to Montgomery County where he had the basic education here of the times, then studied at Wabash, on to a commercial school in Cincinnati and then went to clerking in a Dry Goods Store in Lafayette. This George quickly discovered was not to his liking and he began studying law which was certainly his niche, reading under Lew's partner, Sam Willson, passed the bar and built-up, "a wide and lucrative clientele," taking his place among the "annals of Montgomery County law." He had exceptional knowledge of Indiana's statutes and was quite the pleader for his clients in the courtroom cases. Not in to politics like many others, he was more involved with his family which included wife, Frances Galey (daughter of William and Lucy Wilhite Galey, Montgomery pioneers) and their four children, Lucy (who married Wabash College student, Charles Kanouse who became a preacher but died young as he had just become well-loved in Princeton, KY, having died of typhoid fever, having had one son, Ben who died very young and Mable who with Lucy lived with George and Frances thereafter for a long time), Belle (believe died young), Frank (who was also a lawyer for a time as partner with his father) and John W. who was a home decorator. George passed 29 April 1906, Frances the next year in August and they are buried at Oak Hill.

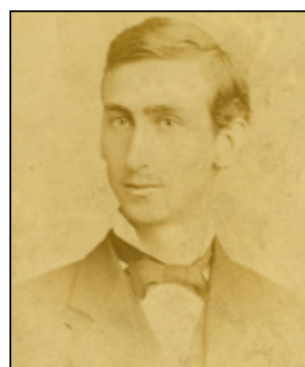


Photo courtesy of Karen Zach  
**Ben Crane**

al Fraternal Congress, serving as its president one year.

Ben had some interesting cases, including one in support of Henry Bennett, president of the State Life Insurance Company who attacked the constitutionality of a law passed by the state as illegal, but his main concerns in law were divorces somewhat but especially probates. Business adventures were also in his repertoire, including a stockholder of the Wire Fence and Nail Company with HH Ristine, RE Bryant, WP Herron and SH Gregg, impressive localities, Home Building Association (Treasurer for a long time with other impressive area folks). Into various organizations, he was a director of the Oak Hill Cemetery Association, president of the Robert Browning Club; at one time a member of the Bachelor's Club; active with his brother-in-laws in developing the Pine Hills area (they loved to camp in their cabin); serving as president of the Wabash Alumni; Patriotic Order Sons of America and others. Mary was very active in the church with its music as well as a longtime member of the Baldwin Ladies Quartet that entertained all over the state for several years.

In 1894, Ben built a new brick building on Lafayette Avenue (JM Bishop, builder) and it may be the current brick building at the bottom of Grant on the avenue. From the description, sounds like it could be. Assume he had his office there.

Ben loved to travel, going to California more than once; the World's Fair in '93; and to Europe enjoying the "C'ville Colony," while there. Not 100% positive what that is but assume some folks from our fair city who got together while living or working there.

Well, if I find more of Lew's partners, I'll let ya' know, otherwise, hope ya' enjoyed reading about the six I covered!

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Boone County EMS posing with their vehicles.

**Boone County EMS And Witham Health Services Offer EMT-Basic Training Class**

Boone County EMS Education in cooperation with Witham Health Services is presenting an EMT-Basic training class that will begin on October 12, 2023.

The class will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6pm-10pm. There will also be two Saturday afternoon sessions. The final classroom session will be Saturday, March 9, 2024.

Students will be taught under the guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Indi-

ana State Emergency Management Agency. In addition to classroom training, students will have the opportunity to enhance their skills with patient contacts with the staff of Boone County EMS Ambulance Service, and the staff of the Witham Health Services Emergency Department.

Training will consist of, but not be limited to:

- Roles and responsibilities of the EMT
- Anatomy and physiology
- Patient assessment
- Airway management

- Cardiac emergencies
- Response to terrorism
- Bleeding and shock
- Soft tissue injuries
- Emergency childbirth
- Geriatric and pediatric care

Pre-course Requirements:

- High school diploma or G.E.D. If in high school, students must be 17 years of age and eligible for graduation. Students must be 18 years of age upon completion of the EMT course.
- Motor skills necessary

to perform practical skills (CPR, splinting, lifting/moving patients, airway management)

- Ability to give and receive verbal and written instructions

The cost of the class is \$750; which includes a textbook and clinical uniform. A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due with application. For additional information please contact Randy Schlegel at [wschlegel@witham.org](mailto:wschlegel@witham.org), or 765-485-8274. Applications are due by October 6th. Limited space available.

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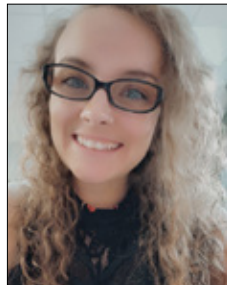
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# August Feature: Booger J

*Karen Bazzani Zach*

Booger J was foaled on my parents' property in the spring of 1960. He was an Appaloosa colt. My Dad's name was Jack, so that may explain the unusual name. When he was old enough, my dad broke him out and sold him to a man named Bill.

Soon after Bill bought him, he was drafted in the military and sent to Vietnam to serve our country. While Bill was gone Booger was left in the care of Bill's family. When Bill returned home, in the fall of 1966, Booger J was in dire condition. He had gotten sick, and he was very emaciated.

Bill made the decision to take Booger to the horse slaughter, as he thought Booger was in too poor condition to survive. Horse slaughter was an avenue a lot of people used at that time for injured or unwanted horses. On his way to his destination, Bill brought Booger by my dad's barn to show him the poor condition Booger was in. My father thought he could save Booger J, so he offered Bill \$50 and bought him back.

My dad had just sold my pony and I was heartbroken. Dad thought Booger would be a good replacement for my pony, so he gave him to me. I was nine years old and happy to have a horse again even though he was very thin and homely.

Booger was so weak he couldn't get up on his own if he laid down. My dad made a sling for his stall to hold him up so he couldn't lay down. Booger was so malnourished he had learned to crib (Cribbing is a vice a horse learns when they are neglected. They will bite on wood and suck in air. This helps them feel full. This can cause them to colic which sometimes will cause death.) Booger would grunt so loud when he cribbed, we could hear him throughout the barn. He also tried to gorge his food. This could cause him to choke, so each feeding time I would stand at his stall and feed him little handfuls of feed at a time. I spent hours grooming and talking to my new horse.

Eventually Booger J started improving. When he was well enough to be ridden, I would ride him as much as I could. Once my sister and I even rode to Waynetown and back, which was 6 miles one way. I still can't believe my parents let us go!

In the spring of 1967, I entered Booger in the Montgomery County 4-H program in the Jr. Horsemanship. Back then we had to ground tie and mount our horses without assistance. Booger was 15 hands tall, so I had to learn how to mount him on my own. I learned to grab the skirt of the saddle and pull myself up far enough to get my foot in the stirrup, then I would wiggle my way up the rest of the way. The entire time Booger stood patiently waiting for me to get settled into the saddle.

The day of the show we rode into the class. There were much prettier horses there, with better training and better pedigrees, but I felt certain Booger and I would hold our own against them!

Booger J and I won the class that day. Booger had

come a long way in that short year since he was on his way to the horse slaughter.

Dad sold him shortly afterwards. I never knew who bought him or where he went, but he is a horse that I will always remember fondly. He will always be a champion to me!



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# *Odds & Ends – Collected & Commented on by Karen Bazzani Zach*

So, we will begin our Odds about horses with a CWJ article from 5 Sept 1874. It so reminds me of the House that Jack Built (this happened, then this and then this and it ended-up worse than original) so read away at this cute tale: “Although we are informed that Montgomery county has as many, if not more, horses in her boundaries than any other county in the State, yet we cannot account for the exceedingly low price at which they are bought and sold in and about Waveland. Some time ago Mr. Aaron Wolever, of that place, purchased a fine blooded mare, known as Sorrel Peavine, for a \$5 note. This was undoubtedly a very low price for the mare, as she is only about twenty-two years old, and of a good sire and dam fine stock. The gait she generally went in was somebody’s garden gate. She had so many fine points and good traits, in fact, that he traded her for a strong pair of boots, doubtless thinking he could make better time in them than on “Peavine,” and that he would get something to boot in the operation. The man he traded to used “to back her” but now she was too weak, so he “swapped” her for two five cent cigars to a youth about thirteen years of age. A few days ago Mr. Wolever met the boy in Waveland, and, in the presence of several persons, offered to buy the horse again for \$5. The boy accepted the colossal offer, and brought the horse to town, when Mr. Wolever “weakened” and refused to take her. A law suit ensued, in which a judgment was rendered in favor of the boy. The matter was finally compromised by Mr. Wolever’s paying the costs, which were \$2.60, and giving the boy \$2.50 and the mare back again. Thus the mare was taken as part pay for herself.”

In 1877, a great deal of stock raising and selling of horses was all over the pages of the papers. The C’ville Star had quite a list on April 26th that year:

”For the information of the stock breeding readers of the Star, we subjoin the names and locations of Horses and Jacks for which we have printed bills this season:

Warren Davis of Longview, a suburban village of this city, is keeping four fine stallions, Mosstrooper and Royal Oak both full-blooded Clides which he imported from Canada this spring. They are certainly the largest and most perfect specimens of draft horses we have ever seen, taking into consideration, the fact, that they are yet a little under 3 years of age: Mosstrooper weight 1,600; Royal Oak 1,550. His other two are fast stock a Kentucky horse, and a superb young trotting horse of his own raising.

England’s Glory is a celebrated draft horse, the property of the Insley Brothers of this city. He will be kept the first 3 days of the week at Linden and the remaining time at the Insley Stables here. Full-blood England Glory from the old imported horse and weight 1,600 pounds.

Glenco, the property of Henry Tomlinson is of the Smith Glenco stock and will be kept at the stables of Mr. T, 8 miles north of Crawfordsville on the old plank road.

Belfounder, a descendent of the old original Ohio Belfounder, will be found

at the stable of Hewet Long on the road to Darlington and at Darlington.

Young Success, a Norman draft, the property of M.W. Lane will make the season at Ladoga.

Lyon, also a full-blooded Morgan will be found 4 miles east of Ladoga. He is kept by S.J. Lough.

Young Morgan, as indicated is of the Morgan stock and is said to be very compactly and finely built. H.S. Jackman, 4 miles north of Crawfordsville is the owner of Morgan.

Young Farmer is of the Ohio Farmer stock and is the property of W.T. Glenn, 2 ½ miles north of Waveland.

General Flora, an imported Norman horse, the property of Milton B. Waugh & Co. will be found part of the time at the stable of Jeff Bowers in Sugar Creek Township, at Clark’s Hill and at Colfax.

Highlander, of the Highlander and Diomedes stock is 17 hands high and a dark bay will be kept by MV Goben, 6 miles northeast of Crawfordsville.

Red Buck, is from the original Red Buck and will be kept by A.W. Herron near Little’s Mill and at Alamo.

Barney, a cross between the Norman and Morgan stock. John Townsley, proprietor a few miles north east of Crawfordsville. Emancipation, a very fine Jack is also being kept by H.S. Jackman north of this city.”

Sherry Legg Young is a top horsewoman and she wrote a bit about her trainer, Jack Lidester from Wingate (see also feature story). “He was definitely the best horse trainer to come out of this county in the last 70 years. He was my trainer starting when I was 10 and then I rode for him from the time I was 22 to about 28. He always tried to find a horse I couldn’t ride and never succeeded. I always told him that was his own fault - he made me the rider I was! I think he was just a natural. He had grown up with horses and just started training. Known all over the US and Canada for his reining horses, he produced many world champions. He was tough! And he was good. And he made you work. He didn’t take crap from the horse or the rider! LOL. But he was also a fantastic artist and he wrote songs, played the guitar and sang. By every meaning of the word - he was a cowboy! And while reining was his forte, he could produce a winner in anything. I became his Hunt Seat rider (I can’t imagine him in a pair of breeches!) and he could train a hunter as well as a reiner. People either loved him or not, but no one ever denied his ability.” Thanks Sherry for the memories!

Sadly, I read about several horses kept in barns which were often burned by lightning. Example: Chap Bradburn (near Colfax) lost his barn in July 1896 (CWJ 10 July p 12) just that way. It was completely destroyed, everything lost. Sadly, one of the priceless items lost was a very fine stallion valued at \$400. Chap had no insurance on the barn but did have \$200 on the horse. Me? I’d rather have that beauty vs any money

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# Nifty at Ninety - And Beyond

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For the August edition of Nifty at Ninety... we meet Elijah Clore. Elijah was born in Boone County, Kentucky on October 28, 1827. In 1838, he came to Montgomery County, Indiana with his parents Joel and Sarah Rice Clore. The Clore family, originally from Virginia, migrated first to Kentucky and then to Indiana. According to Beckwith's History for Fountain County, the family made "the trip down the Ohio and up the Wabash [Rivers] in a keel-boat." Joel died in 1840 at the age of 30. It was reported that, "He was in the habit of flatboating to New Orleans and while at Lake Providence, Louisiana... he was taken sick and died." This left Sarah to raise their four children.

Elijah married his distant cousin Jane Deer on September 13, 1849. The couple made their home in Brown Township where Elijah farmed. Their daughter Martha was born in 1850, and four children followed – Mary, Sarah, Albert (who died at one year old), and Lucinda. By 1860, the family moved to Jackson Township, Fountain County. Elijah's real and personal worth that year was \$324,364 in modern day value. In the coming decade, two more children, John and Joel, joined the family. Per the 1870 census, Elijah's real and personal wealth had increased to a quite impressive \$915,979 in modern day value.

As was typical for women at the time, Jane was responsible for the home and hearth. Elijah's mother, who likely provided a helping hand, lived with the family, and did so until her death in 1880. The Clore's youngest children were Jesse (b. 1872) and Leroy (b. 1875.) Jane was 47 years old when Leroy was born! Sadly, the 1870s was also a time of loss. Four of the couple's children died, including Martha at age 23, Sarah at age 20, Lucinda at age 20, and John age 20. In 1875 Jane's youngest sister, Elizabeth, came to live with the Clore family. She was with them until her death in 1883. Elizabeth was an artist and a musician (History of Fountain County, Indiana).

The Hamilton Democrat (17 May 1878) reported that at fifty years old Elijah "had broke fifty-six acres of sod," and "can take a bushel of wheat and shoulder it with one hand." In addition to farming, Elijah was engaged in stock raising. He named the Clore homestead "Fountain Stock Farm." He raised prized cattle and hogs, horses, and he had a quarter acre pond for culturing fish. His farm acreage totaled 560 acres in Fountain County, and 200 acres in Wayne Township, Montgomery County (ibid). In time his land grew to 1,000 acres. Elijah was also involved in community activities. He was a Mason, an Odd Fellow, and was a member of the Stillwater Grange (History of Wallace IN by Judy Harvey p 187). He was a director of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company (The Indianapolis Journal, 20 Nov 1888). He was also a member of the Short Horned Breeders Association (The Indianapolis Journal, 30 May 1882). But those weren't all of Elijah's pursuits! He was an "old time musician" and played the dulcimer (Weekly Argus News Jan 27, 1900 p 2).

As with any long and eventful life, not all went well professionally and publicly for Elijah. In 1877, he lost several cattle to the "mad itch" including one worth \$500 (The Indiana State Sentinel, 24 Jan 1877). In 1885, while driving an untamed stallion through the

grounds of the county fair, he lost control of the horse. In the melee, three children were injured and their mother was thrown from a wagon and later died from her injuries. Elijah was convicted and fined \$2,000 (The Indianapolis Journal, 27 Feb 1886). In 1894, a fire destroyed one of Elijah's barns at a loss of \$2,000 (The Republic, Columbus, Indiana, 02 May 1894). The family suffered another personal loss when in 1892 son Joel died at the age of 26.

Elijah retired to Crawfordsville in 1897 (History of Fountain County, Indiana. Paducah KY: Turner, 1983 p 283). To make the most of their retirement, Elijah and Jane traveled. This included a trip they took to "Lower California" for several months in 1900 (The Indianapolis News, 12 May 1900).

Jane died February 25, 1907. She was buried in the Alamo Cemetery. Elijah remarried in November of that year. His second wife, Analiza (Snyder) Barricklow, was a widow and 26 years his junior. They lived in the home Elijah had retired to at 400 Jefferson in Crawfordsville. By 1920, Analiza's son Edward and his family lived in the Clore household.

Elijah passed on March 28, 1920. He was buried next to Jane. Analiza, long lived too, died in 1944 just shy of her 91st birthday. She was interred next to her first husband, John. May Elijah, who experienced great loss while accomplishing so much, rest in peace.



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“Ring the bells! Blow the whistles! Be a member of the Clean Plate Club!” my folks feigned enthusiasm for veggie consumption. Stewed tomatoes and stinking Brussels sprouts were the initiations into that club.

“Ew! Gag a maggot. No, thank you!” Those dues were too high for a six-year-old. The Davey Crocket Club had coonskin caps and Jim Bowie knives. That’s the club for me. I would rather eat a grizzly bear than consume creamed peas and broccoli.

Somewhere around the age of 10 or 11, my buddies and I were ready to trade in our pioneer buckskins for pressure suits and space helmets. The galaxy was the new threshold to explore. Science and the atom were our new friends. We formed our own club, The Atomic Knights. Pappy went to Brown County that summer to work at Melody Hills Farm. His newly completed workshop on Delaware Street became our cool clubhouse. No girls allowed.

The no-girls policy was submitted to serious review when the Mickey Mouse Club debuted on the A.B.C. network. Forget Bobby and Cubby. We jumped off the East Union School bus and bolted through the front door to watch our favorite Mouseketeer. Hello, Annette Funicello.

Later, Crawfordsville High School offered a plethora of extracurricular activities. Students had dozens of clubs to choose from. So the first week, I joined them all. By the third week, I dropped out of all except Junior Achievement. My buddies, Tom and Don, joined Up-N-Atom and the Chess Club.

By my junior year, my focus shifted to photography and art. So I joined the Palettiers. We were a clan of kindred spirits that celebrated everything creative. Drawing, painting, and sculpture all helped our right-side brain functions to flourish. James Glore the new art teacher the senior year, challenged us with a fresh enthusiasm for

special projects like woodcut printing. He also encouraged us to enter exhibitions and competitions.

My classmate Larry Curran’s superior artwork won the coveted art scholarship to the Ball State University Summer Workshop. In a twist of fate, Larry opted not to attend. I, being the runner-up, was excited to be the alternate.

Unsettling paradigm shifts were quaking the art world in the mid-60s. I returned from the university workshop with a renaissance of creativity. Op art, pop art, and vibrant day-glow designs challenged Dad’s definition of art. My photorealist-loving father was not impressed. “If you can paint



a beautiful illustration of the Deer’s Mill covered-bridge, why would you create this god-awful shtuff?”

Fast forward to the early 80s. I crave the creative camaraderie I once enjoyed in the CHS Palettiers Club. So I joined the Springfield AD Club, a local chapter of the American Advertising Federation. My

## Story & Graphics by Chuck Clore

career had evolved from publication designer to advertising and beyond. In 1982, I opened my graphic design studio, Great Graphics.

Why join any club?

It might be to meet like-minded peers. “We’re in this thing together.”

Possibly, it is to check out the competition’s work. “Show me yours. I’ll show you mine.”

Maybe, it is to validate your creativity. “I won! I won a Gold Addy!” It was a Super Bowl theme.



The Ad Club provided all the above and more with their upscale annual Addy Awards celebration. There was a category for every aspect of advertising, from persuasive copywriting to brilliant video production, branding, and logo creation. Creative Directors yearned for a Golden Addy certificate or maybe even a Best-of-Show Addy, a translucent pyramid trophy to display for all to envy. The real reward was working with the creative community while pulling the event together.

Today, I am a full-fledged member of the ROMEO Club. Don’t get excited, ladies. R.O.M.E.O. The acronym stands for Retired Old Men Eating Out.

“Give me a cup of the black death you allege to be coffee.” rang through the restaurant.

We caffeine-slurping early risers are semi-retired from a variety of callings. Every morning we roast and toast local politics. Next, we cuss and discuss the fourth-quarter coaching decisions. Silverado vs. F150 may ignite a spark or two before we move on to fixing the rest of the world. The good-natured banter over breakfast vittles is a great way to start the day.

Wednesdays are special. I meet for lunch with a different chapter of the club. It’s the same amount of razzing and banter but with another bunch of old curmudgeons. This group has what the Cajuns call, Lagniappe (a little something extra.)

We share our faith in God. So as my red Colorado pickup winds through the shaded hills and curves leading to Lake Springfield, I indulge in introspection. I ask myself, “What on earth have you done, for heaven’s sake?” It’s the same question Pappy often asked when I was a kid. Usually, it was because I had screwed something up, like the mess the Atomic Knights left in his workshop after our club meetings. There is a lot more consideration and a lot less condemnation when I ask myself.

“Has anything happened recently? Have I done anything in the past few days to reflect the faith I am supposed to possess?” Surprise. Surprise. Occasionally, this sinner has experienced divine intervention worth sharing. A small word of thankfulness and recognition of God’s provision can dispel a torrent of despair. Lord knows we need a few uplifting words. So the ROMEO men share.

A sack lunch in a hilltop pavilion overlooking the lake is worth a month of Sunday sermons. Sharing a positive word with men of faith who have weathered life’s demands bolsters my spirit. Camaraderie like this makes me glad I joined this encouraging band of codgers.

Oh yeah, in my later years, my tastes have changed. I have finally earned my membership to the Clean Plate Club, to which my portly physique will attest.

# Poetry and Puzzles

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## Horsing Around

By Joy Willett

*A Tennessee Walker,  
calm and smooth of gait.*

*Elegant as well,  
and sturdily made.*

*The Nez Perce  
created the Appaloosa.*

*An excellent breed  
with many uses.*

*White, black, bay,  
brown, chestnut, or sorrel.*

*American Paint  
is multi-colored.*

*Important during  
Colonial times,  
the Morgan appeared  
in 1789.*

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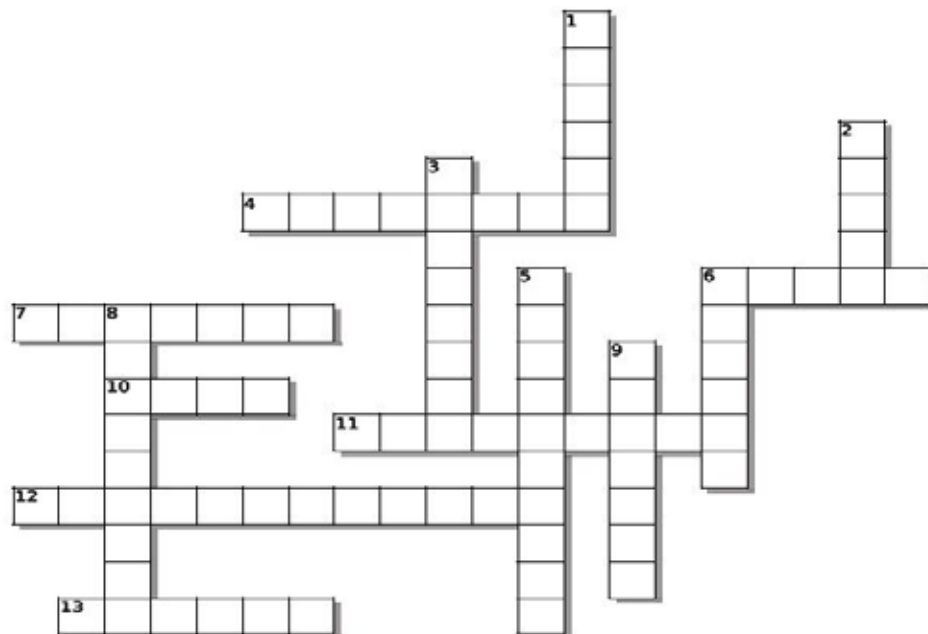
*A horse known  
to be quite quick,  
the American Quarter  
likes to sprint.*

*Brought to this land  
first by Columbus,  
the Mustang free roams  
protected by Congress.*

*Thoroughbreds  
are born to race.  
While others struggle  
to keep the pace.*

*Regardless the breed  
they are impressive,  
To own a horse  
is to own the majestic.*

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### ACROSS

- 4 1 of KBZ's favorite foods
- 6 \_\_\_\_ Beans
- 7 "Half of a half" horse
- 10 A little horse
- 11 \_\_\_\_ Walker
- 12 Horse made for racing
- 13 Fastest pace of a horse

### DOWN

- 1 Horse feet
- 2 Sued for runaway stallion
- 3 Male horse for breeding
- 5 BIG horse
- 6 Linda Earl's horse
- 8 Nez Perce horse breed
- 9 Wild horses of the SW

Check out page 8 for the solution

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## Karen's Kitchen

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One of my all-time favorite foods = tomatoes! And, I know some of you planted gardens and wonder what to do with 'em. There is of course, the usual – tossed salads; fresh tomatoes in cottage cheese (always had to have that each year); fresh tomato sandwich (and this); along that line, a BLT; can them of course; some people freeze 'em but I was never a fan of such. My Italian grandmother always made us a salad with fresh tomatoes, green onions, vinegar and oil. Many more ideas, of course but this I ran across in a very old cookbook I found in my grandmother's items (obviously from Fountain County in lieu of the names and the ads) but it doesn't start until page 9 and ends on page 94 with a whole lot gone in between, sadly. However, in the "Vegetable" section I found something I NEVER would have thought up so thought I'd share it with you. I would however start with a can of baked beans and add ...

### Bakes Beans (by Dinna Myer)

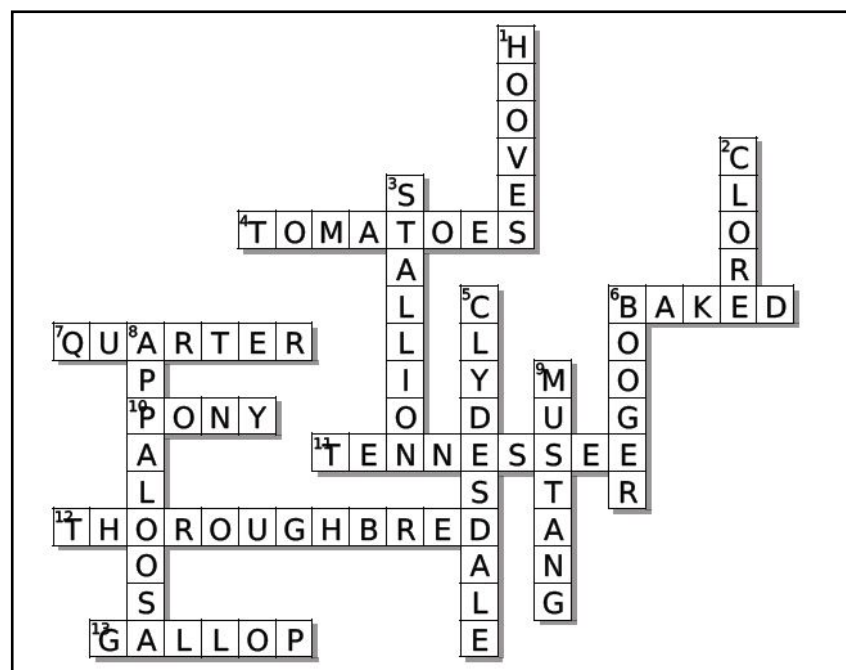
2 pints navy beans, well cooked and seasoned. Add ½ pint well chopped tomatoes, 1 medium sized onion, cut up; 2 T. sugar (I'd use brown); ¼ tsp ground cinnamon, salt and pepper. Bake ½ hour 350.

Mrs. WA Moore on the same page had a recipe for Tomato Cakes which not even sure I've heard of before!

### Tomato Cakes

1 pound ground beef. 2 Eggs. 1 Cup ripe tomatoes. Lump Butter. Salt. Pepper. Beat well together, thicken with rolled crackers and fry in cakes!

Hey, you could just have a tomato supper. Tomato Cakes as the main dish. Baked Beans for the side and fix my grandma's salad for that dish. Don't have a real tomato cake recipe but keeping in the garden area, maybe a carrot cake would top off the meal just right !



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## County Connections: Henry Tomlinson

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I have read a multitude of pages about Henry Tomlinson yet it's still nigh on impossible to really get a good feeling of what type of man he was, but here's my poke at it, anyway!

Henry Charles Tomlinson was born 7 Feb 1835 in Bloom Twp, Fairfield County, Ohio the son of Jesse who passed away there by the age of 50, when Henry was but six years old. Jesse's father was Henry and his mother was Elizabeth Fleming, both born in Ireland. Henry Charles' mother was Margaret Kauffman who was 20 years younger than Jesse. She remarried John Dobson and her sons were with them some and other times working with farmers.

At the age of 27, Henry Charles Tomlinson married Elizabeth Wright. By 1851, (1874 People's Guide) they were in MoCo along with his brother, William, their other brother John following not long thereafter. He and John remained very close. They were tallied in the Madison Twp CW drafts, all born in Ohio and farmers, but I don't believe they served.

By 1880, Henry, Elizabeth and all their children showed-up together in Madison Township with Morton, age 17; Willis 15; Milo, age 12; Arrilla who, 12 years later, would marry Harry Perrin in "an exquisite French Steel Saint Eve gown at her parents' elegant country home," and Josephine who married William L. Burdin. Their only child, Late Gray has a photo on FindAGrave and is very handsome. Josie died at age 80 in Indianapolis. Their youngest, Liza "Belle" married George L. White 17 August 1890 and passed away at age 80.

Henry could read and write and desired to stay-up on local and national news paying for a Journal subscription about as soon as they arrived here. After the war, MoCo came to own quite a reputation for show and racing horses and Henry got involved in both.

Joshua Smith was one of the horsemen who went to Woodford County, Kentucky to purchase a sorrel, sired by Glenco and a grey eagle and Morgan mare. In 1877, much stock raising and selling of horses was splashed in the local news. It was at this time Henry purchased Glenco, sired by Josh Smith's horse. Glenco was a beautiful animal and won at several horse shows. Henry built an impressive barn for Glenco and his other horses.

In the meantime Henry's life seemed to begin to fall apart. Such sad happenings. For one, Henry and Elizabeth both filed for divorce, more than once.

The Crawfordsville Star 9 Oct 1879 top story began "a brace of fools who couldn't agree, marriage or unmarriage so they compromised." Henry Tomlinson, a rich and middle-aged farmer of good old Madison Township possessed of a "broad ace, sleek horses and other comforts of life, he found after six children that his wife wasn't congenial and filed for divorce." She received \$4,000 and the custody of the youngest three, and he the oldest. In his vision of losing a chunk of his large estate, he wooed his woman back; thus about 15 minutes after their divorce was final, they remarried and were newlyweds again; however, their marital bliss was rarely blissful again and she filed at least one more time, both listed as divorced on their death records (hers 1898; his 1909) yet they are buried together.

At one point, the Henry T's and their youngest daughter had a horse and buggy mishap, Elizabeth fairly badly hurt and after that things seemed to heat up in her regular life.

Henry in the meantime (joined by his sons) continued showing his horses. Example: April 1890 at the city shows and parades, Henry's light harness mare won first as well as his general purpose mare. Col. D.H. Heath, heading-up the parade and competition, noted that this year, there were at least eight of the horses in the parade that would be "in the forefront at Lexington, KY" or anywhere in the world, including HT's.

Who knows what Henry's feelings were at the time of his wife's death, but

she passed away after being extremely sick for several weeks with erysipelas (a severe skin disease). Sadly, at this point in time, she left but four of her six children, having lost two sons, which perhaps also was part of the marital problems. Their son Willis had been sick for over two months in April 1890 at just 24 and a half with a fairly new wife and a son less than a year old.

Milo the other son passed away at the exact same age as his brother with a ripe scandal surrounding his death. Most thought Milo was scamming his wife and father's money. Milo also was quite sick in Illinois and his brother-in-law sent word back home of that in a telegram. Milo started home and met Marion Erasmus Clodfelter whom he knew as a local lawyer. Tomlinson immediately began questioning M.E. about how people at home were thinking on him. Clodfelter noted that many thought he was ruining his father and he said he never meant to do wrong. He certainly did not flee the county but had gone to the race sales in Kentucky. Afterward, he went to visit his wife's relatives in Missouri – he was kindly received and had no clue of the "furor his absence was creating at home." When he started home, he got suddenly sick while waiting on a train at Galesburg, Ill. For several days he suffered in a local hotel. Finally heading home he met Clodfelter. Clodfelter went ahead and saw Milo's relatives who seemed fine with all, then Milo's wife's brother and Clodfelter headed back to Covington where Milo was awaiting instructions. ME went back to talk to someone in the back of the train car. Milo moved to a front seat, pulled out a gun shooting himself with a very large pistol between his eyes. His father was awaiting his arrival, hopped on to the train and viewed the sad affair. Milo made sure his wife was taken care of money wise – that was Milo's big worry. Yes, he had not used wise decisions but he was loved and so very missed.

It wasn't just losing his sons, it went beyond that, centering on the horse business. Henry suffered so many set backs and sad happenings. After Milo died he went to live with his daughter, Belle and her husband, George White in Indianapolis. He passed away there 16 August 1909. Returned back home again to Montgomery County, oddly, he is buried with Elizabeth at Mt. Pleasant, New Richmond (photo by V. Valentine from FindAGrave).





# In Mo Co, it was a very good year in 1941 . . .

8" of snow on  
Jan. 25th

30 April this year  
Jack Frost appeared  
– the son of Mr. and  
Mrs. Charles Frost,  
that is!

C'ville's 1940-1941  
School board mem-  
bers were: Clyde  
Rogers, President;  
Dr. Robert J. Millis,  
Treasurer and F. Rider  
Freeman, Secretary.

Herbert Morrison became  
president of Elston Bank  
& Trust this year which he  
held until 1969. One of  
C'ville's most active mem-  
bers of anything that would  
help the community!

(Staff Sgt) Vance Pyle a graduate of Darlington  
HS where he starred in basketball joined the  
Army (35th Inf 3rd Army) the last day of this  
year. Sadly July 28, three years later he was  
killed in the battle of St. Lo. Five years later his  
body was returned home. Buried Masonic Cem.  
One of so very many

The 1941-42 teachers at Young's Chapel for  
1941-42 (enrollment 65) were: Flint Lee 6-8; Juan-  
ita Graham 3-5; Zola Cleveland 1-2 and the custo-  
dian was same as year before, OM Peebles. Zola  
had the same position 1940-41 but Roy Buser had  
6-8 and Dorothy Davis 3-5th. John W. Ward was  
county superintendent.

Thomas Cooksey (2nd time around having  
served 1930-35) was just beginning another  
term of the mayor of C'ville and served from  
1941-49 making him a 3-term mayor.

As with many men (some women) Clint Wilkins  
who graduated from Linden HS in 1941 and on to  
Notre Dame which is left two years later to join the  
service where he piloted a B-24 bomber, stationed in  
the South Pacific and was in the 380th Bomb Group  
known as "The Flying Circus."

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## Grandcestors

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I've always loved horses and motorcycles. Confession – I was spoiled and loved every minute of it. Almost always got whatever I wanted (Chatty Cathy, books, a new clarinet vs. my father's offer of his white wooden one – dumb choice on my part believe me) but there were two items I could never talk dad into. One of those was a motorcycle (I mean I didn't want a Harley or something huge just a small, easy-to-ride one) but dad saw his best friend killed on one in the middle of Chicago. Dad was right behind him and stopped at the very yellow light – his friend went on through and was decapitated. Dad laid his cycle down on the side of the road and never touched one again and wouldn't hear of us wanting one.

The other item I wanted drastically but he wouldn't let me have was a horse. My grandmother was almost killed (she was in a coma for two weeks – a boy was riding his horse, jumped a style and she had just gotten down from it on the other side) – the horse's hooves hit her in the head. She had just gotten word that she was the one chosen to go away to an advanced high school, all expenses paid but with the brain accident, they retracted it. Luckily, when she did wake up, she was fine. Dad had to work with horses quite a bit when he lived with Warney Harrison's family during the Depression, getting a tiny bit of pay for himself but most went to his parents and some food as well. Dad ate very good during the Depression so he considered himself lucky not being taken advantage of as some of their friends felt. Harrisons were wonderful to him, too. As per the horses, Warney taught dad the precautions of working with the animals and they all loved dad. As far as I knew, there was never a problem, accident but with the precautions his boss taught him, he did great! After but a few years, Warney bought a tractor and dad was great with it, too. He was one amazing worker and Warney and Media, his wife, appreciated that hard toil.

Now, when I became a teenager, I assume Dad knew I rode the horses at two of my good friends, (Elaine and Rhoda's). Maybe not but I didn't try to hide it so assume he did. We rode Rhodas in the pasture and Elaine's in their pasture front yard. Never an accident, just lots of FUN! One of Rhoda's was a bit wild but she always put me on the safe one – GOOD! If I remember right, Elaine just had one and we took turns riding.

Our son got a small motorbike type thing for his birthday when he was may-



be 12 or 13 and he used to ride it through the woods to see his grandparents. He was good at riding it (but has a huge one now and has wrecked more than once, one real bad one – so scary – here he and wife, Kathy, are on the Tail of the Dragon tour) but I ran it into the neighbor's truck the first time I rode it, so there went the cycle riding for me!

Never did get a horse even when we built our home out on 300S and had the room. Had enough room but it was just never meant to be. I did go riding several times at Turkey Run but overall, my days of bikes and equine are gone by the wayside! But, happy riding to all of you !!!

**Karen would love ideas for the topics you would enjoy reading about in local history!**

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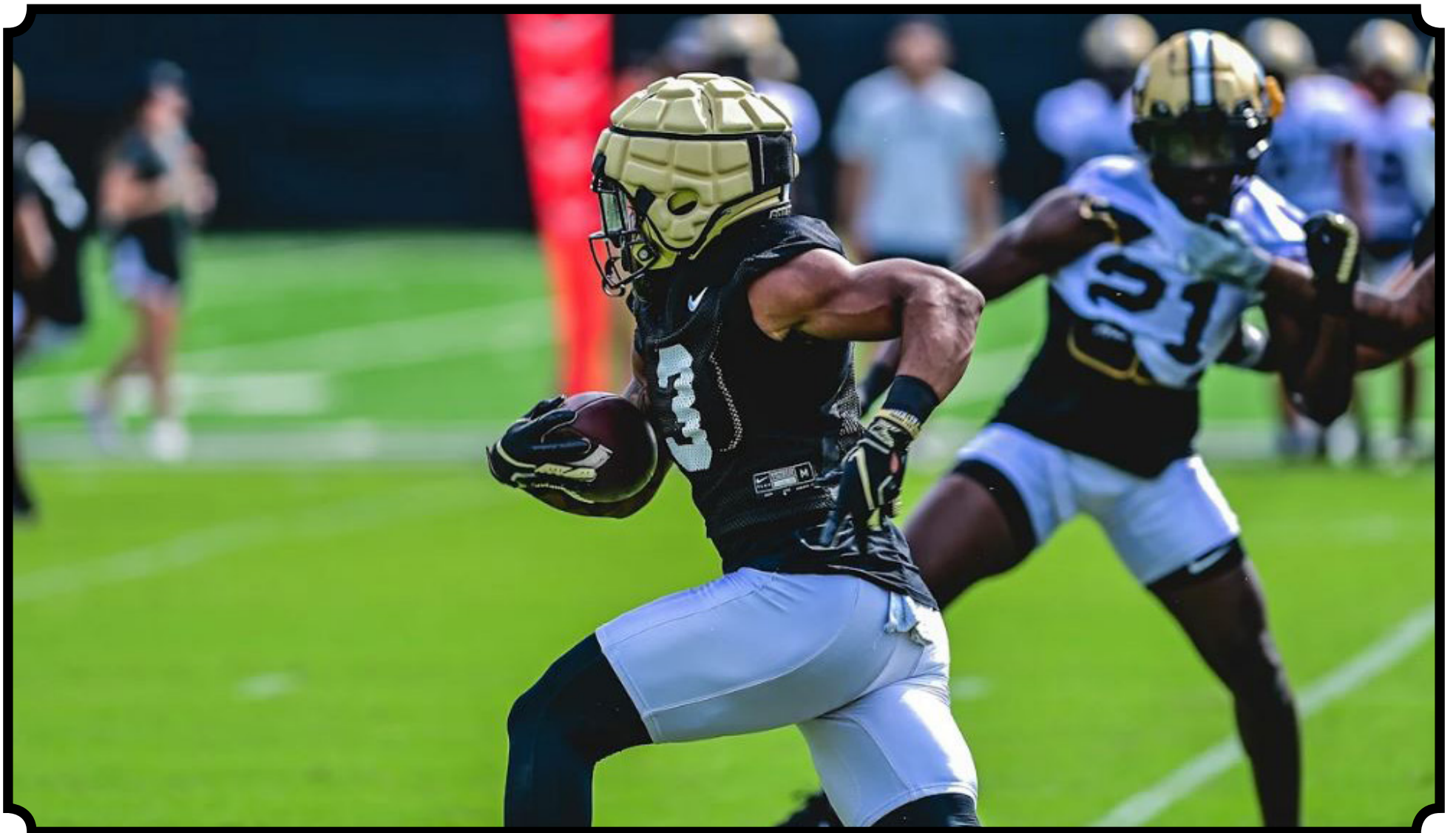
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## **Kenny Talks Coaches And Big Ten Predictions**



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### **A Coach That Was A Poor Fit And A Sports Editor With Power Of Persuasion**

During my 35 years with the Journal and Courier, Purdue football and basketball fans were fortunate to have a pair of Hall of Famers in Tom Kubat and Jeff Washburn reporting on the ups and downs of the Boilermakers.

By the time I joined the staff in 1984, Bob Scott's days as a beat writer were over. But long before he showed me how to design a sports section and helped me improve my copy editing skills, he was the Purdue basketball beat writer during the Lee Rose era.

Not until Rose left for South Florida shortly after leading the Boilermakers to their most recent Final Four in 1980 did anyone realize what was going on behind the scenes.

A memorable column Scott wrote on April 4, 1981, laid out the reasons why Rose wasn't a fit at Purdue despite his 50-18 record and a share of the 1979 Big Ten Conference championship.

"Putting it plainly, Rose couldn't nail down top players in the state," Scott wrote before revealing a big reason why that was the case, taking away the obvious presence of Indiana coach Bob Knight at the peak of his dominance.

Rose didn't make many friends among the Indiana high school coaching fraternity during a speech on April 21, 1979.

"I don't know why the high school coaches are so negative toward Purdue," Rose complained during his talk.

"It has really been a learning experience."

He told the coaches that he came to that conclusion after being unable to convince top players like Indiana Mr. Basketball Steve Bouchie, Chuck Franz, Frank Smith and Leroy Sutton to make an official visit to Purdue.

"Rose sounded angry and almost evangelical as he addressed the coaches," Scott wrote. "He insisted that the state coaches had a duty to send kids to the state universities."

No one needs three guesses to surmise how that speech went over with the high school coaches. In his two seasons at Purdue, Rose successfully recruited ONE Indiana high school player: Jon Kitchel from Lewis Cass.

In another column on May 10, 1981, Scott asked athletic director George King about his relationship with Rose. I'm not sure the term "high maintenance" was commonplace then but this paragraph fits the description.

"Lee was upset at one point because we didn't send the cheerleaders or team band to the Kentucky Invitational Tournament," King said. "We were in the thick of a trip to the Bluebonnet Bowl. But if Lee had come to us, we would have worked something out. After that, Lee had the misguided opinion that basketball played second fiddle at Purdue."

Rose would later reinforce that opinion in his autobiography but also shared that his relationship with King was poor from the moment Rose claims the athletic director declared that no coach would ever make more money than him.

During the interim period between Gordon Graham and the Kubat/Washburn era, sports editors George Bolinger and Bruce Ramey covered Purdue football and basketball. Bolinger's era included the rise of Leroy Keyes and Rick Mount, two all-time greats on the West Lafayette campus at the same time. Bolinger also led the coverage of Purdue's first Rose Bowl appearance.

Ramey was closer in spirit to Graham's pro-Boilermaker style, leading the charge to honor his friend Guy "Red" Mackey in the months before the athletic director's death on Feb. 22, 1971.

In a Jan. 23, 1970, column titled "Let's call it Mackey Arena," Ramey pressed the Purdue administration to rename Purdue Arena while Mackey was alive to enjoy the tribute.

"No man in the 100 years of the school's history has done more for Pur-

due athletics than Guy J. (Red) Mackey, and no man is more deserving of such an honor," Ramey wrote.

It would be more than a year before Ramey got his way, but not without using his bully pulpit to institute a policy change at the Journal and Courier.

On Dec. 3, 1970, Ramey decreed that henceforth in his stories the arena would be referred to as Mackey Arena.

"Presumptuous? I don't think so. Everything that has a name was given it by someone, sometime," Ramey wrote. "Who named Buck Creek? Or Steam Corners? Or Gnaw Bone? Or Manhattan Island? Or Purdue?"

A decade before Red Mackey donned a Purdue football jersey for the first time in 1925, a 14-year-old Lafayette Jeff student persuaded the owner of the Lafayette Morning Journal to give him a job covering high school sports.

That power of persuasion would serve Steve Hannagan well in his brief lifetime.

Hannagan became the Morning Journal's sports editor while a freshman at Purdue. For the next two years he covered Boilermaker football and basketball. Hannagan left the Morning Journal and Purdue in 1919 when he was offered a sportswriting job at the Indianapolis Star.

By age 25, Hannagan had opened his own publicity office. One of his first clients was Miami Beach. Hannagan's idea of promoting Miami Beach was to send beach bathing beauties photos to newspapers during the winter months. The strategy was so successful, Miami Beach paid Hannagan \$25,000 a year for his services. To put that in perspective, \$25,000 in 1927 dollars is nearly \$400,000 in today's money.

In the first sentence of his Journal and Courier front page obituary on Feb. 5, 1953, Hannagan was called "the man who put the bathing beauty on front pages." That same obituary earned a 60-point "coast to coast" headline usually reserved for events like the end of World War II.

Hannagan also gave Sun Valley its name to promote tourism and skiing. So successful was Hannagan's campaign that the Idaho venue soon drew a who's who of celebrities from Ernest Hemingway to Gary Cooper.

Hannagan also had a long-term publicity relationship with the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and was in Kenya representing Coca-Cola when he suffered a fatal heart attack.

Hannagan was buried not far from his roots on Wabash Avenue in Lafayette, at St. Mary's Cemetery. Among the mourners was his longtime companion, actress Ann Sheridan.

When he died on April 4, 1964, Robert C. Woodworth was remembered as the "Voice" of Purdue athletics by his former employer, the Journal and Courier.

Before Woodworth became Purdue's sports information director from 1928 to his death at age 61 from cancer, he served two years as sports editor upon his graduation from Purdue with a degree in mechanical engineering. His first "On The Level" column on March 23, 1926, expressed concern that Piggy Lambert only had 13 candidates for the Purdue baseball team. (As it turns out, the Boilermakers ended up with 23 players and went 11-4-2 that season.)

During his Purdue career, Woodworth was called upon to serve as acting athletic director in 1937 when Noble Kizer was gravely ill.

Woodworth was known for his sense of humor, especially directed at Indiana University. Responding to a jab about Purdue being a cow college, Woodworth reportedly replied that "at Purdue we milk cows. At Indiana they date them."

Like his friend and successor as sports editor, Gordon Graham, Woodworth also owned a long streak of consecutive Purdue football games attended. His 37-year run was snapped in the fall of 1963 due to illness.

Fittingly, the old press box at Ross-Ade Stadium was renamed in his honor. Woodworth was elected to the Purdue Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame in 2015.

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### **Big Ten Predictions And Only Coach To Leave Bloomington With Winning Record**

Over the past 100 years of Indiana University football, only one coach left Bloomington with a winning record.

Bo McMillin compiled a 63-48-11 mark from 1934 to 1947. McMillin is also the only IU football coach not to have a losing record in Big Ten Conference play, at 34-34-6.

So it was no surprise that a national sports media outlet predicted Tom Al-

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len's seventh full season as the Hoosiers coach will be his last. That overlooks an Indianapolis Star report that Allen gets a \$20 million buyout if fired before Dec. 1. Asking big money boosters like Mark Cuban and the Simon family for millions just three years after they helped pay off basketball coach Archie Miller may be a longshot.

That's assuming of course the worst case scenario The Athletic had for the Hoosiers, 0-9 in Big Ten Conference play and 2-10 overall.

A cursory look at the Indiana schedule and there's opportunity early to defy the gloomy forecast.

Opening against Ohio State in CBS' return to the Big Ten football, even in Bloomington, is too much to ask for a defense that gave up nearly 34 points a game in 2022 and lost its best player when linebacker Dasan McCullough transferred to Oklahoma.

Indiana State will be a feel good game in Week 2, as will Akron on Sept. 23.

The most intriguing game in the first month is a Lucas Oil Stadium matchup with Louisville and former Purdue coach Jeff Brohm. This is not a game on paper

that favors Indiana as Brohm enjoyed great success against the Hoosiers while at Purdue. If Indiana can pull off a win here, it sets up the possibility of having a 5-3 record at the end of October. At Michigan and at Penn State is too much to ask for any team that doesn't have Buckeye stickers on its helmets.

On paper, 1-3 looks like the ceiling for the month of November with Wisconsin and Michigan State at home alternating with trips to Illinois and Purdue.

With a margin so slim between victory and defeat, Allen's theme for the season is "toughness."

"We define that as a mental and physical strength to persevere," Allen says. "We had eight games last season that were decided in the fourth quarter. So for the past seven months we've been building our toughness and developing this football team to be able to finish in those opportunities."

Just like 10 other Big Ten rivals, the Hoosiers are likely to start 2023 with a new quarterback. With Dexter Williams still recovering from a knee injury suffered against Purdue, the focus is on Tennessee transfer Tayven Jackson and

redshirt freshman Brendan Sorsby.

Whichever quarterback wins the job, he will have to be as adept running with the ball as he is as a passer.

"I'm a defensive coach by trade, and I just know what gives us trouble: anytime a quarterback can extend plays," Allen says. "Moving forward that's what we want to have at that position to be able to extend those plays."

"But at the same time once you pick who that individual is, you've got to make sure you're building everything around them so they can be at their best and be able to be comfortable. Obviously (it's) going to be a younger guy that's going to have to grow up really fast."

Here's how I see the final season of the Big Ten's East Division shaking out:

1. Michigan (11-1, 8-1 Big Ten) – Three good reasons to pick the Wolverines: Running backs Blake Corum (1,494 yards, 18 TDs) and Donovan Edwards (1,018 yards, 7 TDs) and quarterback J.J. McCarthy (2,719 yards passing, 22 TDs, 5 INTs).

The Wolverines could have as many as 10 NFL draft picks on the roster. That much talent, plus a schedule that doesn't look challenging until Week 8 at Michigan State, gives Michigan a slim edge over ...

2. Ohio State (10-2, 8-1 Big Ten) – Heaven help Ryan Day if he loses a third consecutive time to Michigan. It's not a good sign that disgruntled fans are comparing Day to former Buckeyes coach John Cooper, whose 2-10-1 mark against Michigan overshadowed three Big Ten titles.

Uncertainty at quarterback makes it too difficult to pick the Buckeyes. Former five-star prospect Kyle McCord, a junior, and redshirt freshman Devin Brown are competing for the job. The winner will be helped by an elite wide receiving corps led by Marvin Harrison Jr.

3. Penn State (10-2, 7-2) – Drew Allar, the top-rated quarterback in the 2022 recruiting class, is now the man after sitting a year behind Sean Clifford.

He'll be surrounded by five returning starters on the offensive line, two talented sophomore running backs in Nick Singleton and Kaytron Allen, and a veteran defense that paved the way to an 11-2 record and a Rose Bowl victory against Utah. Another 10-win season seems likely but Ohio State and Michi-

gan will have the Nittany Lions settling for third-best in East.

4. Maryland (9-3, 6-3) – A healthy Taulia Tagovailoa threw for more than 3,000 yards and 18 touchdowns a year ago. Add new offensive coordinator Kevin Sumlin, who coached Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel at Texas A&M, and the Terrapins expect to improve on last season's 8-5 mark.

The schedule could be favorable with Michigan and Penn State coming to College Park. Maryland gets a decimated Northwestern squad and avoids Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota.

5. Michigan State (5-7, 3-6) – Whoever said you get what you pay for didn't account for the crashing thud Big Ten fans heard coming from East Lansing a year ago.

Taking advantage of an 11-2 season and rumors of interest in the LSU job, Mel Tucker parlayed his first season at Michigan State into a 10-year, \$95 million contract extension.

As a down payment last season, the Spartans tumbled to a 5-7 record. Quarterback Payton Thorne bailed and is now the starter at Auburn. Highly regarded wide receiver Keon Coleman departed for Florida State.

Buyer's remorse will spread in Spartan country unless Tucker finds magic once again from the transfer portal.

6. Rutgers (5-7, 2-7) – A favorable front-end of the schedule will raise hopes for the Scarlet Knights. Northwestern, Temple, Virginia Tech and Wagner come to Piscataway, N.J. during the first five weeks. A trip to Michigan won't be much fun, but it's feasible Rutgers will be 4-1 heading into October and a trip to Wisconsin.

Any hopes for a bowl game begins with finding a reliable quarterback. Evan Simon and Gavin Wimsatt combined for just over 1,500 yards, 13 interceptions and nine touchdowns. Add an ineffective running game and the Scarlet Knights put too much pressure on their defense to foresee a winning record.

7. Indiana (3-9, 1-8) – Until the defense proves it's no longer the Big Ten's worst, picking more than one conference victory would be optimistic.

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