

▶ TODAY'S VERSE

Ecclesiastes 3:14 I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it.

▶ FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Cub Scout Tucker Riddell and Mayor Todd Barton offer a smile while Tucker was being recognized for being the number one popcorn seller for Cub Scout Pack 909.

▶ THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Trick Or Treat Times for Montgomery County. Crawfordsville: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Darlington: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Ladoga: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., New Richmond: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Waynetown: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Linden: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

2 If you are an artist, an art enthusiast, an appreciator of art, thinking of volunteering, someone wanting to join our board, become a member or guest artist, or simply not sure about Athens Arts, please come and see what we are all about! Athens Arts is scheduled to host their annual meeting on Thursday Nov. 9 at the Crawfordsville District Public Library from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. There is a meet and mingle from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. beforehand. Learn about how your contributions have made Athens Arts grow! Learn about the wonderful organizations that partner with Athens Arts! Learn about committees and how you can #bepARTofit! Learn the needs of the gallery moving forward and how your continued support can assist Athens Arts in our mission and vision! Share your thoughts with us! We want to grow th arts with you!

3 The Chinese zookeepers insist that the Sun Bear on display at the Hangzhou Zoo in Zhejiang Province East China is real, despite a viral video that suggests the bear is actually a man wearing a costume. The video shows the bear standing upright on slim legs with baggy skin that certainly looks like an ill-fitting costume. According to the zoo, "when it comes to bears, the first thing that comes to mind is a huge figure and astonishing power. But not all bears are behemoths and danger personified."

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Gotta Have Some Candy!!!



BUTCH DALE
COLUMNIST

OK, here's a question for you "baby-boomers" yes, you little whippersnappers who grew up in the 1950s and 1960s. When you were headed to town, riding in the back seat of your folks' ugly Buick... in between your horseplay and sticking your arms and head out the back windows...what thoughts were rolling around in that preadolescent brain of yours? Well, if you were like me, you were thinking about what CANDY you were going to buy with those few measly coins in your front pocket... or, if no money, what tricks you could use on your parents, including begging, to have them purchase candy for you. That's right...admit it, you were addicted to sweets. Your main goal at age ten was to get a sugar high.

Each time I went to Darlington (or to G.C. Murphys in Crawfordsville), I bought candy. Of course, the best variety was at Arthur Friend's drug store, but candy

was also available at Rentschler's Regal grocery, Renick's pool hall, and Brown's cafe. If I had no money, Dad would always hand over a nickel or dime...not much, but you have to remember that most candy bars in those days were five cents. There were always the perennial favorites...Hershey bar, Oh Henry, Mounds, Clark bar, PayDay, Kit Kat, 3 Musketeers, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, Butterfinger, Snickers, Milky Way, Charleston Chews, and Nestle Crunch...all of which had been around prior to the mid-1930's.

However, several new candies, a cornucopia of sugar delights, appeared after WWII. In the atomic age, what better candy to suck on than Atomic Fireballs? A couple of other HOT candies were Red Hots and Hot Tamales. Satellite Wafers were cool, but Yum-Yum Marshmallow Candy Cones must have been Styrofoam by-products. Naturally, since almost all grownups smoked in those days, I gave it a try...candy cigarettes and bubble gum cigarettes, and for the successful kid entrepreneurs...bubble gum cigars. Wanna-be rich kids also bought Fort Knox Milk Chocolate Gold Coins. Girls preferred Candy Necklaces...



Photo courtesy of Butch Dale

wear 'em and then eat 'em! I tried just about everything at least once, but Mamba Fruit Chews, Necco wafers, Chuckles, and Neapolitan Coconut Bars left a lot to be desired. An instant high could be obtained with Pixy Stix, Smarties, and Nik 'L Nip bottle candy, all of which were 100% sugar. I liked Junior Mints, Whopper Malted Milk Balls, and Mallo Cups, but Heath bars were my favorite, and many times I crunched it up and sprinkled it on vanilla ice cream...Yummy!

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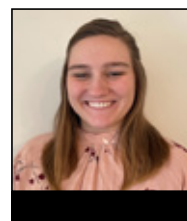
Local Kiddo Completes CDPL's 1K Books Before Kindergarten



Photo courtesy of Crawfordsville District Public Library

Kendall Harris, age 4 1/2 has completed the Crawfordsville District Public Library program "1000 Books Before Kindergarten". She is the daughter of Blake and Allison Harris. Kendall's favorite book is Wacky Wednesday by Theo LeSieg. Kendall loves to go to the library with her great grandfather.

Broadband In Indiana - Support Coming from D.C.



TRICIA HERR
Purdue Extension Office



Purdue University has launched a statewide Purdue Broadband Team. The team needs your participation across the state to create, and validate data so that funding can be procured to provide statewide connectivity and for some families, affordable internet at home.

The federal government, in partnership with states, is deploying broadband funds through the Broadband Equity, Adoption, and Deployment program also known as BEAD. Indiana is receiving close to

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 8:14 a.m.
SET: 6:48 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures
High: 42 °F
Low: 25 °F



Today is...

- Halloween
- National Magic Day
- Reformation Day

What Happened On This Day

- **2011** Day of Seven Billion. The world's official population reached 7 billion on approximately this day. The United Nations Population Fund designated it as the Day of Seven Billion.
- **1992** Catholic church regrets its handling of Galileo Galilei's case. Then Pope John Paul II acknowledged the errors committed by the Catholic Church while dealing with Galileo Galilei in the 17th century.
- **1984** Indira Gandhi assassinated. Indira Gandhi, the first female prime minister of India, was assassinated by two of her bodyguards. Her death sparked riots in India and New Delhi, where several thousand Sikhs were killed.



Births On This Day

- **1961** Peter Jackson New Zealand actor, director, screenwriter, producer
- **1918** Ian Stevenson American biochemist

Deaths On This Day

- **1984** Indira Gandhi Indian politician, 3rd Prime Minister of India
- **1926** Harry Houdini Hungarian/American magician, actor

▶ HONEST HOOSIER

Happy Halloween, Montgomery County! Now let's move on to the season of thankfulness and giving!



▶ INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION

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▶ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

You can usually take grandma's advice to the bank. 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.



▶ THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

Poetry At The Library:

All are invited to participate in the reading group for "Here, Bullet," an anthology of poems by veteran writer and musician Brian Turner. Wabash professor Agata Brewer and her students will moderate a discussion of Turner's poems. The event will take place at Crawfordsville Public Library on Thursday, at 6:30 p.m. Sign up online at cdpl.lib.in.us, or in person at the library. The first ten people who sign up for the discussion will receive a free copy of the book. Then, on Monday, Nov. 6, at 8 p.m., Brian Turner will visit Wabash College, read his poems, and answer questions from the audience in the Korb Classroom of the Fine Arts Center. This event is sponsored by the Wabash Veterans Fund and is open to the public. Book signing will follow.

▶ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Shadows of a thousand years rise again unseen, voices whisper in the trees, "Tonight is Halloween!"
-Dexter Kozen

▶ TODAY'S JOKE

How do ghosts do their makeup before they go out trick or treating? They use vanishing cream.

▶ OBITUARIES

Miecho Lynn Campbell

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OBITUARIES

Miecho Lynn Campbell

January 24, 1980, October 27, 2023

Miecho Lynn (Springer) Campbell, age 43, of Darlington, passed away on Friday, October 27, 2023 at her home. She was born in Crawfordsville on January 24, 1980 to Ricky and Judy (Durham) Springer.

Miecho graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1998. She married David Paul Campbell on September 8, 2012. She was a team leader in the shipping department at Banjo. Miecho was a wonderful wife, a hard worker, and she loved fiercely. She enjoyed camping and boating with her family at Raccoon Lake. Miecho was a fighter and never gave up.

Miecho is survived by her husband of 11 years; her parents; brother, Brandon (Neva) Springer; grandmother, Elaine Simpson; grandfather, Kenny (Helen) Springer; aunts, Pam (Tom) Sinnet and Julie (Matt) Adams; nieces and nephews, Dre Springer, Jaala Springer, Aroua Lott, and Gabriel Tewes; mother and father-in-law, Donna and Wayne Campbell; sisters-in-law, Malisia Campbell and Veronica (Marsha) Campbell; brother-in-law, John D. Campbell; cousins, Jeremy Greene, Ricki Tewes, Mallori Sinnet; and stepsons Gi and Joe Campbell.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, Red Simpson; Paternal grandmother, June Matthews; and Uncle Tony Simpson.

A gathering of friends and family will be held at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S. Washington Street in Crawfordsville on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 from 3:00 pm until 6:00pm. Sanders Priebe Funeral Care is entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences online at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

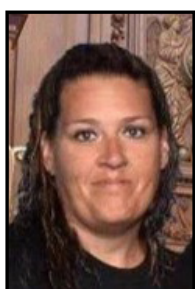


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The grand prize in the contest went to Ethan Graves. Etham was dressed as an astronaut with lights.



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The reserve grand prize went to Elijah Wiatt, dressed as an elephant.

Creepin' It Real: Halloween Costume Contest Brings Out The Spooktacular In Competitors

The annual Russellville Halloween Social was held Saturday, October 28, at the Russellville Community Center.

The grand prize in the contest went to Ethan Graves. Etham was dressed as an astronaut with lights. Meanwhile, the reserve grand prize went to Elijah Wiatt, dressed as an elephant.

Category winners are as follows:

Best Group or Couple: 1st, Jaxson, Opal and Brentlee Kockert; 2nd, Brook, Dave, Davelee and Corinne Busenbark; 3rd, Isabella and Annabella Huff; 4th, Sadie Oliver and Brynna Harlos; 5th, Theadora and Josh Smith; 6th, Sidney and Carlee Hodgen; 7th, Elijah and

Savannah Boler; 8th, Jaycee Farris and Brice Johnson; 9th, Beau and Mitchell Wiatt; 10th, Bristol Mangus, Amina and Rayna Fulwider.

Best Character: 1st, Gunner Brock; 2nd, Tyson Rossok Simmons; 3rd, Ashley Suiter; 4th, Kyrrie Rossok; 5th, Cullen Justiano; 6th, Traci Oliver; 7th, Ryder Kashman; 8th, Ryan Harmon; 9th, Todd Beasley; 10th, Summer Frazer.

Most Original: 1st, Charleigh Cope; 2nd, Zayvin Parton; 3rd, Sullivan Cope; 4th, Elias Nickelson; 5th, Sophia Graves; 6th, Lilly Justiano; 7th, Olivia Kashman; 8th, Collin Jones.

Best Animal: 1st, Aurora Knauer; 2nd, Edalynn Smith; 3rd, Adalyn Bryan; 4th, Kyle Kuras; 5th, Cheyenne Bachmann.

Prettiest: 1st, Everleigh Cope; 2nd, Josie Wilson; 3rd, Zoe Frazier; 4th, Ivyl Bryan; 5th, Emily Mahan; 6th, Karman Kurus; 7th, Tyreka Thompson; 8th, Evelyn Clodfelter.

Best Halloween Character: 1st, Kenny Hall; 2nd, Callie Justiano; 3rd, Emma Goss; 4th, Harper Cotten; 5th, T.J. Armstrong; 6th, Uona Bonebrake; 7th, Maverick Nichols; 8th, Amora Nichols; 9th, Hunter Bonebrake; 10th, Ryan Nichols.

Miscellaneous: 1st, Braxton Rose; 2nd, Jacob Kochert; 3rd, Elly Bryan; 4th, Gryer Partin; 5th, Kimber Modglin; 6th, Carmyn Hildabridge; 7th, Gabby Welshimer; 8th, Vanicia Boler.

Ugliest: 1st, Logan Johnson; 2nd, Milly Clodfelter; 3rd, Haley Frazier

Donations for prize money and to the kitchen were made by Metal Forming Industries, Tri-County Bank and Trust, Co-Alliance, North Salem State Bank, Wabash Capital, and Larry Lazarz. The Russellville Community Center and its leaders wish to thank those who attended with special thanks to those who contributed in any way.

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Senate Lions; House Hyenas



BRIAN HOWEY
Howey Political Report

Last week all seven of Indiana's congressional Republicans voted for an insurrectionist to become Speaker

of the House and second in the presidential line of succession. On Wednesday, they elected U.S. Rep. Mike Johnson, who Rep. Matt Gaetz is calling "MAGA Mike."

U.S. Rep. Jim Jordan of Ohio was defeated on each of three ballots, his opposition within the GOP caucus growing with each ballot. That came three weeks after Speaker Kevin McCarthy was jettisoned by eight fringe Republicans, leaving a gaping hole in the United States government as the Hamas crisis engulfed Israel and the Middle East, while Ukraine continues to try and thwart genocidal Russia. Next month, the U.S. government will shut down unless speaker and work with Democrats on a funding plan.

U.S. Rep. Jim Banks, the presumed Indiana Republican U.S. Senate nominee, ardently backed Jordan. On Oct. 17, he posted on X, formerly known as Twitter: "I am proud to cast my vote on behalf of northeast Indiana to make Jim Jordan the next Speaker of the House!"

After Jordan's trio of losses, Banks' rhetoric became more and more ... peculiar.

On Oct. 19, as the Israeli crisis worsened and President Biden proposed \$106 billion in aid for

U.S. allies that would need a functioning House to pass, Banks posted, "Expanding powers for a temporary Speaker is a dangerous precedent and exactly what the Democrats hoped would happen."

Then came a notion that paralyzed Republicans might have to work with Democrats to reopen the chamber for business.

"There's nothing I've ever wanted more than Jim Jordan as speaker of the House," Banks told a Capitol Hill press scrum late last week. "What they are doing is walking Republicans off the plank. We don't deserve the majority if we go along with the plan to give Democrats control of the House. It's a giant betrayal to our Republican voters."

Jordan has been described by former Republican Speaker John Boehner this way: "Jordan was a terrorist as a legislator. I just never saw a guy who spent more time tearing things apart — never building anything, never putting anything together."

In Jordan's 16 years in the House, he has never passed a bill. According to the conservative publication The Bulwark, "Jordan was an early and enthusiastic recruit in Donald Trump's war on the republic and reality — in public and in private. He urged Trump not to concede. He demanded Congress not certify Joe Biden's victory in the ceremony scheduled for January 6, 2021."

That was part of his undoing. Many of the 22 Republicans who voted against him cited Jordan's role in the Jan. 6 insurrection. Peter Wehner, a mem-

ber of President George W. Bush's administration, posted on X: "Republicans who have been electing nihilists, cranks, conspiracy theorists and institutional arsonists are now upset that nihilists, cranks, conspiracy theorists and institutional arsonists are creating chaos. Go figure."

When House Republicans chose U.S. Rep. Tom Emmer of Minnesota to seek the chair, Donald Trump tweeted his disapproval, and Banks was on board. "I've supported every Republican nominee to be Speaker of the House so far, but I will not vote for Tom Emmer on the House floor. The left-flank of our conference blocked Speaker-designee Jim Jordan then nominated the single most liberal member of leadership to continue business as usual in Washington."

Banks and Emmer have a history. In November 2022, when Banks appeared to be on a House leadership path, Banks defeated Emmer 82-72 on the first ballot for majority whip. On the second ballot, Banks lost to Emmer 115-106.

Emmer went down in flames Tuesday, prompting House Republicans to nominate four-term Rep. Mike Johnson, R-La., who would be the least experienced speaker elected in 140 years. He's never served in a senior leadership position or even as a full committee chair.

Johnson was the lead organizer of an amicus brief, ultimately signed by 125 other House Republicans, backing the Texas-led lawsuit asking the Supreme Court to intervene in the vote counting in key swing

states Biden won. Indiana U.S. Reps. Trey Hollingsworth, Jim Baird, the late Jackie Walorski, Greg Pence and Banks signed that brief. The New York Times called Johnson "the most important architect of the Electoral College objections" after the 2020 election.

On Wednesday, Banks said: "Mike Johnson is a man of integrity and a principled conservative. I will be proud to cast my vote on behalf of northeast Indiana for him on the floor tomorrow to make him the next Speaker of the House!"

Is it any wonder that Banks is opting for a move to the Senate from the notorious House after months of this dysfunction?

It's been said that Hoosiers tend to elect "Senate lions." U.S. Sen. Birch Bayh authored two of the 26 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, as well as Title IX. Richard Lugar helped save Chrysler Corp. in 1979 and was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize for his Nunn-Lugar Cooperative Threat Reduction Act. Dan Quayle was elected vice president and Evan Bayh was nosed out of the 2008 veepstakes by Joe Biden. Dan Coats became ambassador to Germany on Sept. 10, 2001, and was President Trump's director of national intelligence. Joe Donnelly is the U.S. envoy to The Vatican.

A Senate lion? No, Jim Banks has become a House laughing hyena.

-Brian Howey is senior writer and columnist for Howey Politics Indiana/State Affairs. Find Howey on Facebook and Twitter @hwypol.

Attorney General Todd Rokita Warns Hoosiers Of Risk Of Being Double Crossed By Double Ransomware

Cyberattacks are on the rise, and Attorney General Todd Rokita strives to prevent Hoosiers from falling victim to these scams.

"October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month, and we're all susceptible to this type of crime," Rokita said. "The more we use technology, the more we are at risk. Businesses, schools, and individuals should be aware of hackers."

Ransomware has skyrocketed to become one of the most popular cyberattack techniques. Ransomware is a type of malware that locks a victim's data or device and threatens to keep it locked.

Sometimes, the cybercriminal even demands the victim pay a ransom to have their data unlocked.

According to Statista, more than 493 million ransomware attacks occurred in 2022.

Scammers are always developing new ransomware variants. By the time a variant is known, new ransomware malware comes along, which actively harms innocent people.

Since July 2023, the FBI has noticed multiple ransomware attacks being launched near another attack — these are also known as "double ransomware attacks."

"You can have your entire online presence hijacked through phishing, brute force, or other manipulative tactics," Rokita said. "Once they've hacked your data or device, criminals can encrypt your files and steal everything you've worked hard to protect."

After this attack, another ransomware malware is often launched on the

victim's system. Then, they can demand ransom payments from companies and individual users to "fix" the problem or return the stolen data.

Rokita's Office and the FBI offer the following tips to stay safe from ransomware attacks:

- Backups: Data and systems need to be backed up regularly. Businesses should keep a copy offline isolated in air-gap systems (not connected online).

- Encryption: All data needs to be encrypted. That includes data that is being stored or data that is in transit. All data must also be protected against modifications or deletions.

- Third parties: Your systems may be top of the line, but if you outsource digital services to third parties, such as cloud providers or password managers, you must make sure they have a strong ransomware cybersecurity strategy in place.

Anti-malware solutions: Trusted anti-malware software is critical to detect phishing attempts, malicious files, links or websites, and any malware that might breach your first layers of security. Anti-malware solutions can rapidly flag, alert, shut down, and remove ransomware malware before they can do any damage.

If you believe you are a victim of a ransomware hacking attempt, you may contact Attorney General Rokita's staff by visiting gov/attorneygeneral or calling 1-800-382-5516. You also may report suspected cybercriminal scams to the FBI at www.ic3.gov.

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Biden White House Ramps Up Offshore Wind Development



Dear EarthTalk: Has the Biden administration been able to ramp up the development of wind power (especially offshore) as promised?

In 2021, President Biden pledged to cut U.S. fossil fuel emissions by 50 percent from 2005 levels by 2030, promising to build 30,000 megawatts of offshore wind by then, enough to power 10 million homes!

Several European and Asian nations have dabbled in offshore wind for decades, but the U.S. has yet to unleash its potential here. Offshore is preferable to onshore because of more frequent winds, higher wind speeds, lower transmission costs and more energy efficiency. Also, offshore creates many jobs. Biden's plan could lead to employing more than 77,000 workers in and related to offshore wind by 2030.

Since Biden's pledge, his administration has approved four commercial scale offshore wind projects. The first announced were the Vineyard Wind project off Massachusetts (May 2021) and the South Fork Wind projects off Rhode Island and New York (November 2021). Both projects are under construction and being built by union labor. This past July, Biden approved the largest offshore wind energy project yet in U.S. waters off the coast of New Jersey, approving up to 98 turbines, as well as three offshore substa-

tions to help transmit the electricity to shore. When completed, the New Jersey project could generate some 1.1 gigawatts which could power over 600,000 homes. It is projected to create over 3,000 jobs over its three-year creation period. This past August, another project off Rhode Island was announced. The project will have an estimated capacity of 704 megawatts of clean energy, capable of powering nearly 250,000 homes.

According to a White House Fact Sheet, the Biden administration is on track to review at least 16 offshore wind project plans by 2025. These could collectively power 6 million homes. By conducting thorough assessment of the potential impact on the environment, wildlife and local communities, the Biden administration is demonstrating its commitment to responsible and sustainable clean energy expansion.

However, the progress isn't without challenges. For one, the intricate permitting process, involving multiple federal agencies, state governments and various stakeholders, can lead to lengthy delays. Also, opposition from various stakeholders, including local communities and environmental groups, can impede progress. Other issues include the high upfront costs and the low availability of offshore wind sites.

But the Biden administration is trying to speed up the process. They are streamlining the permitting process, making it quicker

for offshore wind projects to gain approval. They are conducting thorough environmental assessments. They are investing in research to improve technology and reduce costs (they announced \$72 million in funding to support research in September 2023). And they are providing financial incentives to encourage private investment in offshore projects. Overall, the administration is focused on reaching its clean energy goals and is making the most of offshore wind to help get there.

-CONTACTS: Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$30 Million from Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to Speed Up Wind Energy Deployment, www.energy.gov/articles/biden-harris-administration-announces-30-million-bipartisan-infrastructure-law-speed-wind; Biden-Harris Administration Approves Third Major Offshore Wind Project in U.S. Waters, www.doi.gov/pressreleases/biden-harris-administration-approves-third-major-offshore-wind-project-us-waters; Biden-Harris Administration Announces New Actions to Expand U.S. Offshore Wind, www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/09/15/fact-sheet-biden-harris-administration-announces-new-actions-to-expand-u-s-offshore-wind-energy/

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Watch For Spotted Lanternfly

The spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*) has been confirmed in the northern Indiana counties of Elkhart, Porter, and St. Joseph next to railroad lines through Chesterton, Elkhart, and Mishawaka.

This is the third region of the state in which this invasive pest has been found, joining the 2021 find in Switzerland County (southeast) and the 2022 find in Huntington County (northeast). The DNR continues to survey to determine the extent of the currently infested areas.

A planthopper that originated in Asia, spotted lanternfly is of concern across most of the United States because of its adverse effect on fruit orchards, nurseries, and the logging and wine industries. It was first discovered in the U.S. in Pennsylvania in 2014 and is often unknowingly spread by humans. It's now found in many Eastern states as well as along the rail lines in Cincinnati,



Photo courtesy of Indiana DNR

Columbus, Cleveland, and Toledo in Ohio, and in Chicago.

The adult insects have piercing, sucking mouthparts and weaken plants by feeding on them, making it difficult for the plant to survive the winter. Congregating spotted lanternfly insects produce large quantities of honeydew that over time become infested with sooty mold that attracts other pests in the area,

further threatening native plants.

More information is at on.IN.gov/spotted-lanternfly.

Anyone who spots this insect or signs of it should contact DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology by calling 866-NO EXOTIC (866-663-9684) or emailing DEPP@dnr.IN.gov.

To view more DNR news releases, please see dnr.IN.gov.

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\$870 million. A map compiled by the FCC will dictate where these funds go. So, we need to make sure Indiana's map is as accurate as possible.

Part of the reason this map is being updated is because broadband data is very muddy. In the past, the FCC compiled data from providers that report where they offer service, with what technology, and their maximum advertised download and upload speeds. However, because this data is provider self-reported and not validated by consumers it can overestimate broadband availability. This time around, they are asking for your help to make sure the data reported by providers is accurate at the address level.

Another wrinkle to consider is that beyond internet service being available, is the issue of reliability and quality of service. One way to measure this is through speed tests. A speed test calculates your download and upload speeds (again, measured in Mbps). If your internet connection consistently delivers speed tests below what the provider says it is providing, there may be some quality issues. This in turn

may make your address eligible for funds to build more high-quality internet service. You can see what service you subscribed to by checking out your internet bill. To conduct a speed test on your existing service or to report an address with no service, please visit: pcrd.purdue.edu/speedtest

And remember, speed tests are free so please complete as many as possible, as frequently as possible! The more data there is on your internet service, the better!

In addition to having access to adequate internet, another issue is adoption. Many times, internet is available, but folks do not subscribe because they may not be able to afford it. Fortunately, there is a program in place called the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) that provides \$30 per month to eligible homes (\$75 in qualifying tribal lands and high-cost areas).

Please visit www.fcc.gov/acp for more information and for instructions on how to enroll.

What is broadband? It is defined by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as an internet connection that is always on and faster than

dial-up. Why is broadband important?

As the society and economy continue to digitize, being on the wrong side of the digital divide affects your quality of life and competitiveness.

Do I have broadband?

Different broadband technologies result in different speeds. You are considered unserved if your broadband service is not at least 25 megabits per second (Mbps) download and 3 Mbps upload, or 25/3 for short. You are considered underserved if you have at least 25/3 Mbps but not 100/20 Mbps or higher. Note: satellite service and cellular data, regardless of speed, are NOT considered broadband for this program.

To learn more, and see how you help the Purdue Broadband Team, please contact Tricia Herr at the Montgomery County Extension Office. triciaherr@purdue.edu or 765-364-6363

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For fun, sometimes I bought Wax Lips and made a hole in it to "smoke" my candy cigarette while sitting on the bench in front of the drug store. People passing by likely thought I suffered from a mental condition. Quite a few friends bought Pez candy dispensers, mostly to collect all of the figures.

The favorite candies of dentists were Turkish Taffy, Bit O' Honey, and Tootsie Rolls...all very capable of removing any fillings they might have put in your teeth earlier, subsequently increasing their profit margin. Bazooka gum was popular, too...one cent each

and you also received a miniature comic strip! But I guess my all-time favorite thing to buy was...you guessed it... Topps baseball cards. Not really a candy, although it did have a delicious tasting piece of gum inside. I could spend hours looking at the cards and the players' stats...and praying that the next pack would contain a Mickey Mantle, Hank Aaron, or Eddie Mathews! And yes, I was licking a double-dip Glovers ice cream cone or sipping on a cherry phosphate drink each time... gotta have that sugar.

The 1950s and '60s was a candy dream come true. But at age 13, Dad hauled

me to Dr. Turchi's dental office in Crawfordsville... EIGHT CAVITIES!!! His drill was really smokin'! I cut back on candy after that...My new treat at the drug store...Sawdust sundaes (vanilla ice cream with malted milk piled high on top). One evening, after basketball practice, I ate THREE of those sundaes. Had a bit of trouble falling asleep that night.... Ah, the good ol' days.

- 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 well-known artist and author of local history.

Donation Appointments Critical In Coming Weeks

As October comes to a close, the American Red Cross urges blood donors to make and keep donation appointments now to help hospitals restock blood products for patients ahead of the holiday season. Donors of all blood types are needed, especially type O blood donors and those giving platelets to help recover from a significant shortfall in donations throughout late summer and fall.

Patients are counting on lifesaving care now and all season long. Those ready to help can schedule an appointment now by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

As a thank-you, and to

celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the film *Elf* and create holiday cheer, all who come to give Nov. 10-30 will receive an exclusive pair of *Elf* + Red Cross socks, while supplies last. Visit RedCrossBlood.org/Elf for details.

How to donate blood

A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have

to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Amplify your impact, volunteer!

Another way to support the lifesaving mission of the Red Cross is to become a volunteer blood donor ambassador at Red Cross blood drives. Blood donor ambassadors help greet, check-in and thank blood donors to ensure they have a positive donation experience.

Volunteers can also serve as transportation specialists, playing a vital role in ensuring lifesaving blood products are delivered to nearby hospitals. For more information and to apply for either position, contact or visit redcross.org/volunteertoday.

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Celebrating 100 Seasons Of Purdue Football At Ross-Ade Stadium



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KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

Part 3

The 1940s for Purdue football was a roller-coaster ride that saw the Boilermakers field one of their poorest teams, then 12 months later one of their greatest.

Coming off a 1-8 record in 1942, Purdue's fortunes changed dramatically when the Marine Corps and U.S. Navy sent some very talented football players to campus for training before going off to fight in World War II. Combined with a handful of civilians, the Boilermakers went 9-0 and earned a share of the Big Ten championship with Michigan.

The decade also birthed Purdue's Cradle of Quarterbacks tradition with a teenager who shocked the nation in 1945.

Bob DeMoss led the Boilermakers to a 4-0 start and a No. 9 national ranking entering a trip to No. 4 Ohio State. Purdue races to a 28-0 lead and goes on to a 35-13 victory.

Best Ross-Ade games of the 1940s

Oct. 2, 1943: Purdue 40, Illinois 21 – Tony Butkovich scores four touchdowns and rushes for 207 yards on just 12 carries against his former teammates.

Lafayette Journal and Courier sports editor Gordon Graham wrote that two of the former Fighting Illini, All-American guard Alex Agase and fellow co-captain John Genis were spotted on the Illinois bench visiting their friends when the score had grown to 34-7. When Illinois scored two quick touchdowns, Purdue coach Elmer Burnham had to summon

Agase and Genis back into the game.

Oddly, each team fumbled 10 times. The Fighting Illini and Boilermakers combined to lose 15 fumbles.

Purdue would go on to outscore its nine opponents 214-55 that season. To read more about the 1943 Boilermakers, pick up a copy of Cory Palm's "Perfect Warriors."

Oct. 25, 1947: Purdue 14, Illinois 7 – DeMoss' 6-yard touchdown pass to Bob Heck in the third quarter stunned the reigning Big Ten and Rose Bowl champions, who had come in with a 10-game winning streak.

Graham compared this victory to three of the biggest in school history: the 30-16 win over Michigan in 1929, the 7-0 triumph over Northwestern at Soldier Field in 1931 and the 35-13 victory at No. 4 Ohio State in 1945.

Nov. 20, 1948: Purdue 39, Indiana 0 – Here's a lead paragraph from Graham that readers would never see today:

"The cattle were lowing contentedly in the barns of 'Cow College' today, but students were still emitting piercing shrieks of elation of Purdue's 39-0 rout of a futile Indiana eleven in a game which threatened records at Ross-Ade Stadium Saturday afternoon."

It not only was the most lopsided defeat in the Purdue-Indiana series since 1902, the victory also ended Indiana's four-year possession of the Old Oaken Bucket. Harry Szulborski rushed for 197 yards on 34 carries, while Norb Adams picked up 148 on 24 rushes.

As for Graham's reference to "Cow College?" Here's this from the Nov. 18 front page of the Journal and Courier:

"An airplane was flown over the campus several times Thursday noon, and thousands of handbills were dropped. The bills, about 5x8 inches and in varied colors, and with 'Courtesy Bloomington Herald' printed at the bottom, had the following to offer:

"What the hell can you expect with a kid prexy from deah old Oxford with a bunch of hick students with no spirit with an inexperienced high school coaching staff with eleven old men? IU 40, Cow College 0."

Top players of 1940s Ross-Ade
Alex Agase – An All-American both at Purdue and Illinois sandwiched between a two-year stint in the Marine Corps during World War II.

Agase won three league titles with the Cleveland Browns during a six-season pro career. He would return to Purdue

as head coach in 1973. His biggest wins were 31-20 at defending national champion and No. 2 Notre Dame in 1974 and a 16-14 triumph over No. 1 Michigan in 1976.

He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame as a player in 1963 and is a member of Purdue's all-time football team.

Tony Butkovich – Came to Purdue with Agase in 1943 and broke a 21-year-old Big Ten scoring record with 78 points (13 touchdowns) in nine games before heading off to the Marine Corps.

Butkovich rushed for 833 yards on 142 carries for amazing averages of 119 yards per game and 5.9 yards per carry. He earned first-team All-America and first-team All-Big Ten honors.

He was killed in action at Okinawa in 1945.

Dick Barwegen – The guard was voted MVP of the 1943 team and a two-time first-team All-Big Ten selection in 1943 and 1946.

In six of his eight NFL seasons, Barwegen was named first-team All-Pro or chosen to play in the Pro Bowl. The Chicago Tribune ranked Barwegen 51st in its Top 100 Chicago Bears of all-time.

Bob DeMoss – The father of Purdue's Cradle of Quarterbacks was a four-year starter who threw for 2,759 yards and 23 touchdowns during an era when the passing game took a back seat to running the football.

With the exception of spending 1949 with the New York Bulldogs, DeMoss was at Purdue from 1945 to his retirement as an assistant athletic director in 1992. As an assistant and head football coaches, he tutored Dale Samuels, Len Dawson, Bob Griese, Mike Phipps and Gary Danielson.

Harry Szulborski – A four-year starter at halfback from 1949 to 1949, Szulborski set the career rushing record of 2,478 yards. Only Mike Alstott (16) and Otis Armstrong (13) had more 100-yard rushing games than Szulborski's 11.

He led the Big Ten in rushing as a sophomore (851 yards) and a junior (989).

Welcome to the NFL

In between getting sacked seven times (six by Khalil Mack), former Purdue quarterback Aidan O'Connell had modest success in his first start with the Las Vegas Raiders.

As the 12th Boilermaker to start an NFL game at quarterback, O'Connell was 24 of 39 passing for 238 yards with

an interception. He also rushed for a touchdown in the Raiders' 24-17 road loss against the Los Angeles Chargers this past Sunday. The Raiders announced it was the second-most passing yards in his NFL debut with the team but did not state who holds the record.

"I think the magnitude of each play is what I'm learning, and what I learned today is how important each play is, how important each drive is," O'Connell told raiders.com. "Just have to do my job on each play, even if it's a little bit harder one play versus another. Just got to focus, can't look ahead or can't look behind. Each play, one play at a time."

Here's how the other Purdue quarterbacks fared in their first NFL starts:

Len Dawson: 2 of 4 for 25 yards and 3 rushes for 31 yards in Pittsburgh's 7-6 loss at Philadelphia on Dec. 1, 1957.

Bob Griese: 11 of 22 for 101 yards, 2 INT in Miami's 24-0 loss to Kansas City and Dawson on Sept. 24, 1967.

Mike Phipps: 11 of 25 for 170 yards, 1 INT and 4 rushes for 57 yards in Cleveland's 14-10 loss at Cincinnati on Nov. 15, 1970.

Gary Danielson: 17 of 32 for 129 yards, 1 INT in Detroit's 13-10 win at Baltimore on Dec. 11, 1977.

Mark Herrmann: 18 of 32 for 188 yards, 1 INT in Denver's 13-11 loss at Seattle on Jan. 2, 1983.

Scott Campbell: 18 of 38 for 275 yards, 1 TD and 2 INT in Pittsburgh's 30-24 win over Buffalo on Dec. 15, 1985.

Jim Everett: 7 of 20 for 56 yards, 2 INT and four rushes for 13 yards and a TD in the Los Angeles Rams' 26-13 victory against New Orleans on Nov. 23, 1986.

Drew Brees: 15 of 19 for 160 yards, 2 TDs in San Diego's 34-6 victory at Cincinnati on Sept. 8, 2002.

Kyle Orton: 15 of 28 for 141 yards, 1 INT in Chicago's 9-7 loss at Washington on Sept. 11, 2005.

Curtis Painter: 13 of 30 for 281 yards, 2 TDs in Colts' 24-17 loss at Tampa Bay on Oct. 3, 2011.

David Blough: 22 of 38 for 280 yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT in Detroit's 24-20 loss to Chicago on Nov. 28, 2019.

Part 4

The 1950s were a decade filled with amazing highs (snapping Notre Dame's 39-game unbeaten streak in 1950, win-

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ning a share of the 1952 Big Ten title) and lows (a pair of 2-7 seasons in 1950 and 1953).

The Boilermakers transitioned from head coach Stu Holcomb to Jack Mollenkopf in 1956, beginning one of the greatest eras of football in West Lafayette. Purdue retained the Old Oaken Bucket throughout the decade, posting a 9-0-1 mark against Indiana. Holcomb and Mollenkopf's teams combined to go 5-5 against Notre Dame.

Best Ross-Ade games of the 1950s

Nov. 22, 1952: Purdue 21, Indiana 16 – The Boilermakers squandered a 14-0 lead but rallied for a share of their fourth Big Ten title.

Quarterback Dale Samuels led a 66-yard drive in muddy conditions. Sophomore Rex Brock scored on a 24-yard run with 4:22 remaining for the game-winning touchdown.

Indiana drove to the Purdue 2 but was penalized 5 yards for calling a timeout it didn't have with 15 seconds to play. The Boilermakers stuffed a last-second running attempt.

Purdue, though, was denied a berth in the Rose Bowl when the Big Ten athletic directors voted to send Wisconsin. The Badgers became the first Big Ten team to lose in the Rose Bowl, 7-0 to USC.

Oct. 24, 1953: Purdue 6, No. 2 Michigan State 0 – The Boilermakers snapped the Spartans' 28-game winning streak thanks to a running back who once wore the green and white.

Dan Pobjewski began his college football career in East Lansing but was told he wasn't good enough. On the third play of the fourth quarter, Pobjewski scored on fourth-and-goal from the 1.

"When I finally scored and rolled into the end zone, I just wanted to lie there and cry," Pobjewski said afterward.

For the first time since 1947, a span of 59 games, Michigan State was shut out.

Sept. 25, 1954: Purdue 31, Missouri 0 – Len Dawson's first game in a Purdue uniform was nothing short of spectacular, throwing four touchdown passes.

A holding penalty negated a fifth TD pass by the Alliance, Ohio native. Touchdown passes to Bob Springer (11 yards), Rex Brock (41 yards) and Bob Khoenle (26 yards) gave the Boilermakers a 19-0 halftime lead. Khoenle added

a second TD catch in the fourth quarter.

Dawson finished 11 of 17 passing for 185 yards, five more than the total offensive output from Missouri.

"I believed everything I'd heard about Dawson, but the kid is a great passer," Missouri coach Don Faurot said afterward.

Oct. 18, 1958: Purdue 14, No. 5 Michigan State 6 – Despite committing six turnovers, the Boilermakers prevailed behind a defense that allowed 38 net rushing yards.

A bad punt snap in the second quarter led to Michigan State's only points. Len Wilson's 6-yard run tied the game before halftime. Purdue went 53 yards on its first drive of the second half, culminating in Bob Jarus' 1-yard run.

Oct. 3, 1959: Purdue 28, No. 7 Notre Dame 7 – The Boilermakers scored 21 points in the game's first 20 minutes to earn their first victory against the Fighting Irish in Ross-Ade Stadium.

Bob Jarus capped a 10-play opening drive with a 5-yard run. The Boilermakers went 78 yards on their next drive, scoring on Ross Fichtner's 6-yard pass to Richard Brooks early in the second quarter.

Notre Dame fumbled the ensuing kickoff at the Irish 32. Six plays later, Jarus had his second touchdown to make it 21-0. Jim Tiller tacked on a 74-yard touchdown run in the third quarter.

The victory was the first of three consecutive against ranked opponents in Ross-Ade Stadium that season. Ninth-ranked Wisconsin fell 21-0 and No. 15 Iowa lost 14-7.

Top players of 1950s Ross-Ade

Dale Samuels – The Chicago native gained notoriety for his role in the 1950 upset of No. 1 Notre Dame in South Bend.

"In the middle to late '40s if you were a betting person you didn't bet against Notre Dame, Joe Louis or the New York Yankees," Samuels said in 2018 on the occasion of being inducted into the Indiana Football Hall of Fame. "Playing in South Bend, we were decidedly the underdogs. The way the coaches told it to us, we've got everything to gain and nothing to lose. Let's go get 'em."

Samuels also quarterbacked Purdue to a share of the 1952 Big Ten Conference championship. He was the first

Boilermaker to pass for 1,000 yards in a season and throw 10 touchdown passes.

Bernie Flowers – Consensus All-American end in 1952 after setting school records with 43 receptions for 603 yards and seven touchdowns.

His All-American status was likely aided by his performance in Purdue's first nationally televised football game on Oct. 25, 1952. Flowers caught six passes for 87 yards and three touchdowns in a 40-12 victory at Illinois.

Flowers also had a sandwich created in his honor at West Lafayette's Triple XXX restaurant. "The Bernie Flowers All-American" is a hamburger topped with Spanish lettuce, tomato, onion and mayonnaise.

Len Dawson – No Purdue quarterback has ever debuted more impressively than "the Golden Boy," whose nickname inspired the creation of Purdue Marching Band's "Golden Girl."

In addition to the four touchdown passes against Missouri, Dawson followed up with four more TD passes the following week in an upset of Notre Dame in South Bend. For his career, Dawson's teams went 7-1-1 in trophy games against Indiana, Notre Dame and Illinois.

He left Purdue holding the records for passing yards (3,325) and touchdown passes (29). Dawson was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1987.

Lamar Lundy – The first African-American to receive a football scholarship at Purdue, Lundy was named MVP of both the Boilermaker football and basketball teams as a senior during the 1956-57 school year.

At 6-7, Lundy was an imposing figure as a pass catcher and a defensive end. He twice was named All-Big Ten. With the Los Angeles Rams, Lundy began his career as a receiver, catching six touchdown passes. But it was on defense, as a member of the "Fearsome Foursome" with Deacon Jones, Merlin Olsen and Rosey Grier, that Lundy left his mark on the NFL.

Lundy even delved into acting, portraying the boulder-hunting cyclops in an episode of "Lost in Space."

Tom Bettis – A member of Purdue's all-time team, Bettis earned All-America honors as a guard in 1954.

He played nine seasons in the NFL and then was an assistant coach in the league for 30 years.

Leo Sugar – The eldest member of Purdue's Den of Defensive Ends, Sugar was a consensus All-American and first-team All-Big Ten selection in 1951. He went on to play nine seasons in the NFL.

Erich Barnes – One of the most versatile athletes in Boilermaker football history, Barnes was used as a running back, end, kickoff/punt return specialist and cornerback.

His five career interceptions foreshadowed his lengthy NFL career with Chicago, New York Giants and Cleveland. Barnes was a six-time Pro Bowl selection and set the Giants team record with a 102-yard touchdown return in 1961.

Barnes also appeared as an imposter on a 1963 episode of "To Tell The Truth."

Basketball notes

Not since the 1987-88 season, when the Purdue Hall of Fame trio of Troy Lewis, Todd Mitchell and Everette Stephens were seniors, have the Boilermakers been ranked higher in the preseason Associated Press Top 25 poll.

Purdue was ranked third on Monday, one slot below the 1987-88 Boilermakers who went on to win a second consecutive Big Ten Conference championship under Gene Keady.

Kansas was voted No. 1, while Duke had 30 more points than Purdue to be rated No. 1. Michigan State, Marquette, Connecticut, Houston, Creighton, Tennessee and Florida Atlantic rounded out the top 10.

Illinois is the only other Big Ten team in the preseason Top 25, coming in 25th.

Purdue's loaded schedule includes guaranteed games with No. 11 Gonzaga, No. 12 Arizona and No. 24 Alabama. It's also possible the Boilermakers could face No. 9 Tennessee, Kansas and Marquette in Maui. Purdue also travels to No. 14 Arkansas for a charity scrimmage on Oct. 28.

Purdue's 17 straight weeks ranked in the top five is the longest streak in America and it has been ranked in at least one AP poll in nine straight years, the longest streak in school history.

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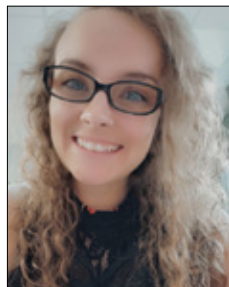
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October Feature: Potpourri of Unusual Games

Karen Bazzani Zach

The feature article this month doesn't particularly feature a specific person or even a specific sport but kind of a potpourri of unusual games people play. I asked on the Crawfordsville and Montgomery County Facebook page if anyone had played unusual sports and Josh Wilkinson said he did several including paintball, bmx bike racing, atv road racing, and skateboarding all over Indiana from 1995-2009.

Paintball (Wikipedia) was invented in May 1981 in New Hampshire and came from a debate between Hayes Noel, a Wall Street stock trader and Charles Gaines, an outdoorsman. The question arose whether a city-dweller had the instinct to survive in a woods against a man who had spent his youth hunting, fishing and building cabins. A paint gun was seen in a farm catalogue which inspired the fellows to take the argument on the road (well, in the woods actually). They recruited 10 other men for the competition and the game of paintball was discovered. Although mainly for fun, there are also fierce competitions. Glory of it is play can be indoors or outdoors and fields are various sized. The goals for the game vary possibly capturing the other team's flag or other objects within a specific time frame. If you get hit by paint from the paintball markers (guns) then you are out of the game for that round. Loved how Josh explained it: "It is a lot like mixing tag, dodge ball and chess together!" And, of course, you can even play online today!

About all the kiddos I've known have been skateboarders in some capacity. In my time, ours was more a little scooter thing that developed into actual skateboards and now are electrified (called a one-wheel and the sport is referred to as floating) and range from a few hundred to a few thousand dollars. Several companies make them and they have various features. (Picture of two of our grandsons, AJ and Q). Although it is a lot of fun and can even get ya' where ya' need to go, it too can be dangerous. A fall off one going 12 miles an hour – yikes!

Skateboarding was created in the US and is now an Olympic sport. Makes sense that the first skateboards in the 1940s were made with wood boxes or boards on roller skate wheels and goes back to bored surfers needing something to do when the waves weren't big (sidewalk surfing). Along with this, the skaters "emulated surfing style maneuvers and performed barefooted." Since the 1970s (Wikipedia) skate parks have been constructed but are easily torn up (also freestyle BMX and scooter parks). A couple of boys who used to live in my little home town, Waveland were amazing at it always flipping here and there but I've not seen 'em for awhile. Imagine they grew out of it – as long as they weren't hurt! Crawfordsville has a skateboarding skate park and it is fun to watch the enthusiasm and prowess.

Many of these unique and unusual sports have magazines that go along to help the beginners and beyond to improve, learn about new equipment and the like. Some have sponsors and some have become fairly famous as spokespersons – as an example, Patti McGee, the first Women's National Skateboard Champion as well as the first female pro. She traveled around giving exhibitions, safety tips and was featured on several television shows.

Until researching these unusual sports, I had never heard of Street Luge (and no idea if it has ever been done around here – anyone know) but it is similar to skateboarding but a person lays down

on the luge which is a gravity-powered board and follows the paved street for a wild ride. Both were created in California.

Speaking of skating. Almost all of us had the old roller skates in the small towns – I used to skate about ¼ mile through town to my grandparents. Loved going to Alfrey's Skating Rink to roller skate, too. My favorite person there who just mesmerized me was Andy Robinson. A great athlete, Andy was also good at table tennis and helped young folks with the game. Our son-in-law Steve Baldwin was a five time state winner in table tennis, thanks to Andy's coaching! Ted Sr. and Bonnie Alfrey were amazing to watch skate, as well, gliding with such grace! Hubs and I could almost dance – he was good; I was okay. Also loved to ice skate with my dad out at the Shades in the little lagoon. Like hubs, Dad was really good and I was okay but good enough a lot of people would stop and watch. Such fun and we'd roast marshmallows and drink hot cocoa (well, dad had hot tea with him). One of my all time fun things to do every year involved watching ice skating though as my aunt (sometimes mom too) and I would go see the Holiday on Ice shows. We were not there on Halloween of 1963, thank goodness as that was a horribly sad evening when (Indy Star) some propane gas exploded, killing 74 and injuring another 400. But the Holiday on Ice shows dating back to 1943 and in my time frame of watching them (1957-1967) were amazing.

I saw Sonja Henie at least once – wow, what an amazing skater and entertainer. I was pretty lucky as a kid as we went to see these type of things but we also saw a multitude of pro baseball games and travelled all over the US (I still have five states to go, though). Cardinals, Reds, Indians (many times), Cubs, Dodgers were our favorites but we went to many more. My dad and both brothers loved baseball and I did too so it was the greatest family affair to do!



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

Now, it was quite popular to have spelling bees, math contests, debates but this one was a bit of a surprise – back in that time frame \$1,000 was something and thought it interesting that it doesn't say what the winning group was doing with the money. I assume putting it back into the school!

Source: Crawfordsville Review 9 March 1889 p 1 - Ingersoll Corner School and Sulphur Spring School both in Fountain County, are creating quite an amount of interest in a ciphering match and the friends of each school want to wager \$1,000 a side on a contest. They seem to "enjoy the sport in 'ol Fountain."

Hopscotch in the 1950s was the game to play in local competition. Never any prizes or big competitions, however, just a game with 1-4 players that was fun. The game dates back to prehistoric India. According to Wikipedia, Roman children played a form of this and early immigrants into our country played it as "scotch-hoppers." In Yorkshire it was called Hop-Score (that makes sense to me) but in Suffolk it was called Scotch Hobbies and in Scotland it has been called Peevers. Mainly, we just drew the board with chalk. Later I played with our granddaughter, Reilley, and we used colored chalk but some of the boards are amazingly drawn, even some laid in mosaics and the like. It is a good fun game and just about anyone can play it.

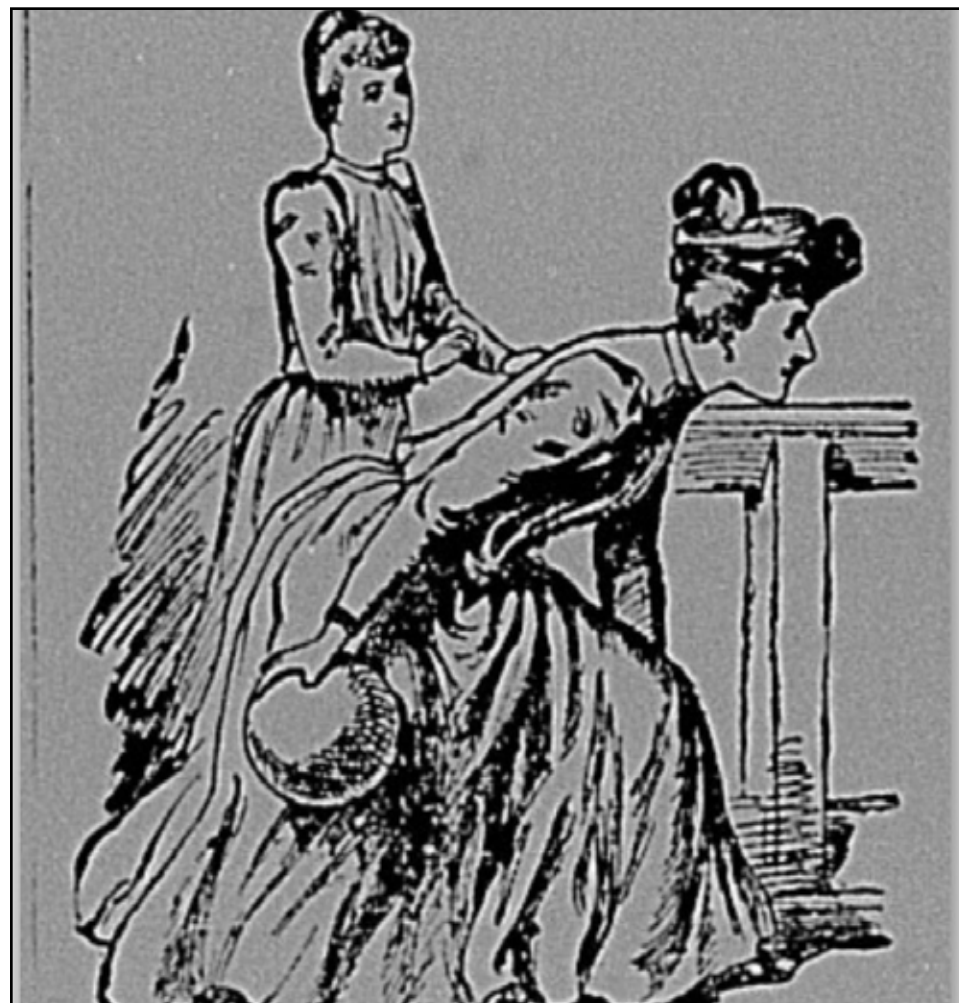
First miniature golf course I saw was the one at Milligan Park in Crawfordsville (1950s). I was amazed. Just couldn't believe you could play "golf" in such a small environment. It wasn't a hard one but just good enough to make it fun and entertaining. It was the grands' big treat to go to Lafayette for a "golf outing," playing then going to Krispy Kremes for a refill on fuel!

1892 – the 1st of July, the Ross Brother's 99 cent store was advertising their riding school (sounds wonderful) but also they were advertising supplies (fire works, flags, torpedoes, fire-crackers, Chinese Lanterns...). Then, in order to watch the festivities on the 4th, you'd needed a hammock, chairs, a croquet set, baseball and lawn tennis get-ups, picnic goods and my favorite – an Ice Cream Freezer!!

Not sure how many years tennis has been a sport at Wabash or the first name of any of these fellows, but in May 1893 (Daily Journal 16th p 3) it seemed Thompson and Nelson were going to the inter-collegiate tennis tournament where they would represent Wabash after having finished the finals defeating Kline & Trout. Singles players were Keen defeated Lamb 5-0; 5-1; Vanderbuilt forfeited to Greene; Snyder to Fry; Thompson defeated Haines 5-3, 7-6; Vannuys forfeited to Wilson; Kline forfeited to Dague; Zener forfeited to Olive. Hmmm, lots of forfeits! There were other articles noting that the tennis tourney attracted large crowds. Always loved to watch our grandsons play and they didn't mind me being there because I HAD TO BE QUIET!!

Loved an article (and the picture) found in the Daily Journal 4 April 1891 p 3 – "Just now we bowl; some of us shoot, some ride, some dance, but everybody who aspires to be in it, like Robert Rowley, roll the round roll round." The thundering whir of the big wooden balls as they spin down the long alley and the sharp crashing of the scattered tenpins are heard in the land. Groups of gayly-attired girls chatter about "strikes, spares, teams and tournaments," as they gather in early morning at the doors of the big new athletic clubs. If there is any anatomical defect attributable to bowling, like the "tennis elbow," the doctors are going to find it out soon. Meanwhile, some "hundreds of thousands of both sexes attribute to it a healthy color and hearty appetite!" It went on to note that "bowling clubs have multiplied like microbes in milk and their members are as the sands of the sea!" It too was invented by the English as many of the early games seemed to be.

Six outside tennis courts are now available at Wabash for the team. In the fall of 1892 there were the same number being overhauled and rejuvenated. These may



or may not have included some that were with fraternities. In fact, the players were "making all possible racquet!" (CDJ 1 Oct p 4). While perusing the next few newspapers, I found a game I have never in my life heard of called "Anelot-to," played with rings. "They are raised about 6 or 7' from the ground by means of slight iron rods and the game consists in sending light balls through a series of them standing about 13' from the rings. It was done by using a racquet and required great skill as "the diameter of the rings is only about 10" while the balls are ordinary tennis size." Kind of reminds me of present-day Quad Ball.

Staying in this time frame, Wabash was in on the Inter-Collegiate Field Day in June 1891. 2nd place to the Little Giants following Rose Poly. Rose had outsmarted the Wallies, actually, as they entered two men in each event and Wabash hardly had one for some of them. Purdue and DePauw had huge teams there. One win Wabash likely would have tallied was the bicycle race but it was cancelled because of the track condition. Wabash did win three first and six second place wins. Rose won with six firsts and almost as many seconds, but Wabash definitely whopped DePauw and Purdue! A couple of years later in the "College" article, it noted that "Tennis and bicycling are now all the rage. New courts and new wheels are seen nearly every day!"

The early papers as today are filled with all types of people and their sports and my advice to you here is: "Enjoy 'em while you can!"



Nifty at Ninety - And Beyond

Joy Willett, Montgomery Memories

For this edition of Nifty, we meet Edward “Ed” Grant Corey. Ed’s life could be portrayed in a major motion picture, or at least a several-part mini-series.

Ed was born on October 29, 1867. He was the son of Charles Leander H. Corey and Mary A. Rhoades. Charles and Mary wed on April 29, 1869 in Montgomery County. Charles, a veteran of the Civil War, worked as a carpenter while Mary kept house. Charles’s father Jason was also a carpenter. Jason, who lived in the Cincinnati area, came with his wife Sarah to Montgomery County in 1830. Charles, born in 1845, was the youngest of their six children.

According to the 1880 census, Charles, Mary, and their three children lived at 30 Spring Street. This was across the street from where the jail was being built. Given his carpentry skills, I wonder if Charles participated in its construction? That year, Edward was in school.

On July 18, 1891, Ed married Pearl Sherman, a widow. There are two records of their marriage. The first, dated July 11, took place in LaPorte County, Indiana. The second, on July 18, was from Montgomery County. It is supposed that Pearl was from LaPorte County. The couple made their home in Crawfordsville. Although records listed Ed’s profession as a plasterer, laborer, and mason, he had another quite successful career. He was a pugilist, at a time when boxing was illegal.

Edward’s first ring fight took place on December 29, 1889. He boxed Richard Keating of Lafayette. The “prize mill” took place in near Shannondale. 400 people witnessed the event, which promised \$200 in prize money. The match went 23 rounds and lasted 90 minutes. Edward lost when Keating gave him a knockout punch under his left ear (The Indianapolis Journal, December 30, 1889).

In February of 1890, Edward was arrested in Boone County for the fight with Keating. He was charged a \$50 fine and given a 90-day jail sentence. Friends from Crawfordsville came to the jail, and asked to take Edward for dinner. They were allowed to do so, and a deputy sheriff accompanied them to the restaurant. After excusing himself from the table, Edward made his getaway in a carriage that friends had waiting outside, which had been planned in advance. The Indianapolis Journal titled the article describing this event “Bold and Successful Scheme of Liberating Corey from the Boone County Jail.” (March 21, 1890).

The February 5, 1891 edition of The Indiana Sentinel reported that “A prize fight occurred in Waynetown...this morning at 4 o’clock, the participants being Edward Corey, the champion heavy weight of the state, and Tim Fell. Both live in Crawfordsville. The fight was witnessed by 200 persons...” Edward, at 180 pounds, won the fight. Later that month, Edward and Tim (aka Chuckey) were arrested for prize fighting (The Indianapolis News, February 27, 1891).

Ed continued to box throughout the 1890s, and toured the state as a champion. In July

of 1891, he went up against Elder Pitts, referred to as the “colored pugilist of Peru.” In the fight’s second round, Pitts, who was undefeated, was punched by Ed and sent through the ropes onto the reporter’s table. Several were trampled in the melee that followed, and the police rushed in to stop the match. The fight earned \$500 in gate receipts (Logansport Reporter, July 10, 1891).

Ed fought Charles “Kid” McCoy, an Indiana state champion (to learn more about the infamous life of Mr. McCoy, visit the Wikipedia page for “Kid McCoy”). Ed defeated “Kid” Hennessey of Frankfort, Jack Grimm of Anderson, and Jack Tierney to whom he lost the title of state champion (Fort Wayne Daily News, April 3, 1903).

In 1897, Ed got into some real trouble. He was convicted of the “murderous assault” on E. S. Chapin, the editor of the publication News in Champaign, Illinois. Mr. Chapin was critical of Ed, who’d been appointed to the local police force. In the end, it was discovered that Ed was falsely accused, set up by the Champaign police chief who disliked him. (Crawfordsville Weekly Journal, April 16, 1897).

We find record of another match in The Bremen Enquirer, dated September 30, 1898. Ed challenged Vern Hardenbrook of Walkerton “to fight a limited number of rounds for a finish fight before any club in Indiana offering a reasonable purse.” He offered to make a side bet of \$200.

By 1900, Ed and Pearl made their home in Michigan City, Indiana. He passed away on April 1, 1903. The cause of his death, a cerebral hemorrhage, isn’t surprising. It was brought on by injuries sustained during a fight. Ed, the former middle and heavy weight champion of Indiana, was interred in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Crawfordsville. It was reported in his obituary that he “was well liked by everybody.” May this brave and valiant fighter rest in peace.

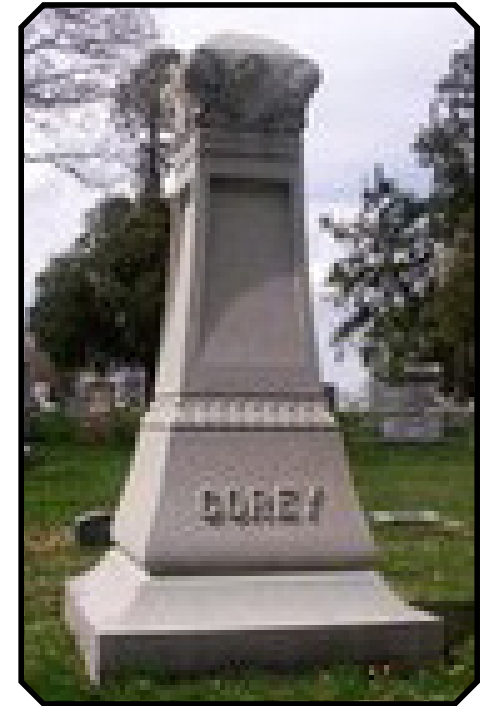


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I have never been much of an athlete. I was a scrawny little runt with a chest like a Xylophone. With twigs for biceps, weight lifting was out. I could run lightning fast, especially if, Harold, the east-end bully was chasing me. But when I tried out for track, they put me on the javelin-catching team. That was no fun. What is the point?

Absent athletic skills, the next best thing is to be an athletic supporter. No, not that kind. Jeez! I meant to join the pep block. Trouble was back in 1965 the official CHS Pep Block was mostly girls. No Problem!

We formed an unofficial all-male cheering section.

“Lions! Tigers! Cooties! & Rats! Our team fights like young wild cats!
GO ATHENIAN!”

“Sis Boom Bee! Kick ‘em in the Knee!”
“Sis Boom Bass! Kick ‘em in the . . . “

Go figure. It seems our creative cheers did not meet the high standards that Principal Ward Brown held for school spirit. The group disbanded before we could even settle on a suitable name, The Rag Tag Rat Finks.

In the early years before high school and

organized sports, we grade-schoolers were pretty adept at creating unusual sports. Better than Baccé Ball or the old-man game of horseshoes, it was the Washer Tournament at the John Beard Elementary playground where we honed our accuracy.

Sink an old tin Folgers’ Coffee Can about five inches into the dirt. Walk off about 30 paces, clear the grass, and burrow another. That was the setup for the official Washer Court. Even the poorest east-end kids could afford a set of four-inch washers from the Ace Hardware Store. Scorekeeping was simple. SINKERS, a washer that slid in and laid flat in the bottom of the coffee can, was three points. LEANERS, a washer that almost went in but hung over or leaned against the side of the tin can was two points. The washer closest to the can without going in, received one point.

On the hot, long summer days, the dust would fly. So would the trash talk in the heat of competition. Technique

is everything with big heavy washers. Keep ‘em flat. Toss them like a saucer. They will slide into the can. Carelessly sling the metal disk, they will flip, skip, and roll.

Another Important Skinny Kid Warning:

Big metal washers are heavy. Putting them all in your hip pocket may cause your Wranglers to drop to your ankles. Standing there in your tidy white skivvies can prove embarrassing.

Well, I eventually got over the complex of being a 98-pound weakling. Today, I am a 200+ pound weakling. What an overachiever, hey.

I like sports. I enjoy supporting the teams, not so much with my athletic animation skills. I served as art director and a shareholder in Big-O-Sports. It is a local/regional sports publication that features individuals and teams throughout Southwest Missouri and the Ozarks. I also create team mascots and logos.

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Poetry and Puzzles

Montgomery Memories

Bob and Weave By Joy Willett

Into the ring
he climbed
waiting for the
bell to chime.

Determined to
get this far
he had mitted,
run, and sparred.

A boxer stared
opposite him.
Just as strong,
just as grim.

The gong sounded
bringing them in
where they shook,
but not as friends.

A jab, a hook,
a pull, a duck,
a roll, a slip,
an uppercut.

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A time out called
by the ref
when the opponent
landed a left.

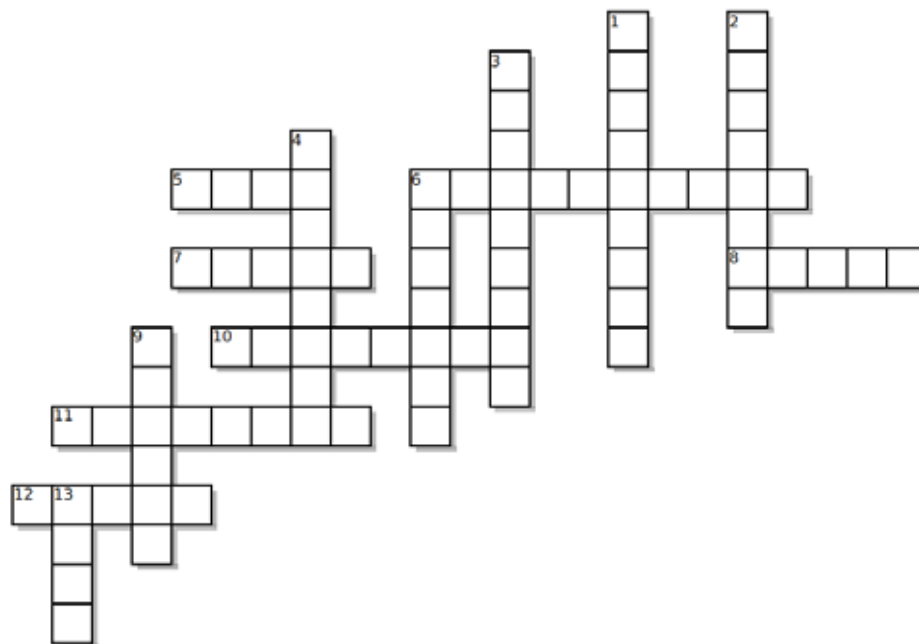
The cutman did
his best to treat
cuts and bruises
pummeled indiscreet.

Our pugilist again
entered the ring
then took one direct
on the chin.

Stumbling back,
against the ropes
he saw stars,
lost his hope.

When the bell
again was chimed
he knew it was over ...
until the next time.

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ACROSS

- 5 KZ won this "hoop" contest in '58
- 6 Has hoops and backboards
- 7 What you might be up against
- 8 C'ville mayor, 1958
- 10 Another term for winner
- 11 Has goalposts and yards
- 12 Where you run around

DOWN

- 1 Sport invented in 1981
- 2 Another term for "boxer"
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- 4 Has diamonds and bats
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Karen's Kitchen

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CARAMEL BROWNIES

Most certainly, an October recipe has to have caramel, or apples, or something amazingly sweet due to Halloween time. So, here is an amazing recipe for you.

1, 14-oz package of caramels – put in pan on stove (or nuke ‘em) - stir carefully until melted.

1 Pkg. German Chocolate cake mix – put in bowl and add

1/3 Cup Evaporated Milk

3/4 C. Butter softened

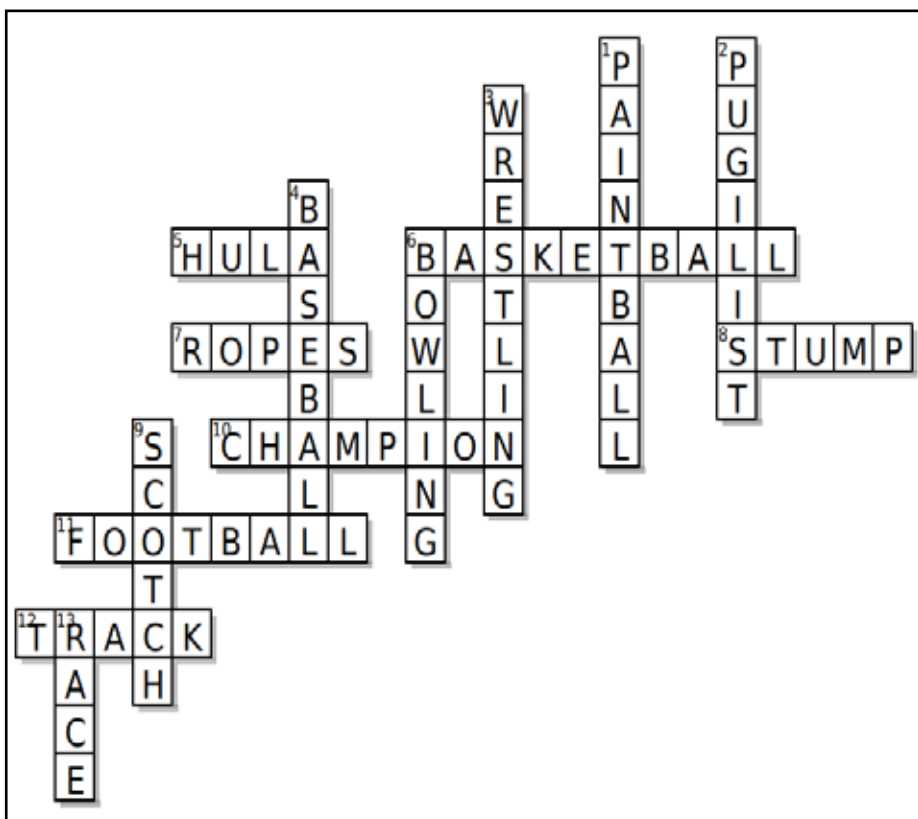
1 C. Nuts (walnuts or pecans are best)

Mix well.

Pat 1/2 this batter into a greased and floured 9 x 13 “ pan. Bake at 350 for 6 minutes. Remove and sprinkle 1, 6oz pkg chocolate chips over batter. Spread the caramel mixture over the chips.

Drop tiny balls of remaining batter over mixture and bake 350 for 18 minutes. Let set 10 minutes, then pop it into frig for at least 30 minutes to set up. Once set-up you can store them at room temperature

(Beth Meuser WVGs cookbook).



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There are several classes of race cars and this beauty (a 1992 Mitsubishi Eclipse) was raced by local man John Wilkinson in the E.P. Street Class. He said he never did win first per se, but placed in the top five several times! Nice car, John and thanks for helping out with this article!

Grandson Dane was recently in a Color run with the service men and women in Terre Haute and it looked like so much fun. I'd never heard of one before.

Remember the Warrior Dash? Obstacles galore to climb over or crawl through – lots of mud. A couple of my TR students (Carrie and Justin- see pic from him) participated four or five years in a row and although it was lots of fun the mud made it awful until the participant finally got to the running/walking part. Think a couple of my grandkiddos were in one or two as well. Justin whined about it but he also had a smile on his face and a feeling of accomplishment as he finished-up the feat each time! (photo from Justin – see cover)

I've written a couple of times about the big hit the bicycle made in our area (clubs, races, sales ...) but this little piece in the Daily Journal 8 May 1893 p 3 wowed me. "WD Oakes of Indianapolis came up from Greencastle yesterday on his bicycle and spent the day with LS Durham, going on to his home in Indianapolis this morning on his wheel." Unbelievable as I get tired driving to

Indianapolis quite a few miles per hour faster but these young folks in this time loved their wheels.

How many of you lived in a small town and most every day of your life (in the town park, behind the school, at the church...) you would be in a baseball game or play hide-go-seek of an evening or tally-up a badmitten game or two, or perhaps, simply play in the neighbor's sandbox or pool for a bit of recreation? In Waveland, very few evenings went by without a bunch of us walking around town, sitting on a porch talking or involved in some such activity as above!! Loved growing up in a small town! If someone got hurt, an adult was right there to help out, an adult who probably wasn't a relative but a neighbor, parent of a friend, perhaps someone who heard the children yelling for help, or such. Amazing life we led. Just wish America was more geared toward that today. Ohhh, well, we old folks just have to remember times do change! My brothers were out constantly, but I have to admit another entertainment that kept me inside much more than I should have been at the earlier ages and that was reading. Most of the time it was history or historical fiction – what I still read today, now trying to hone-in on the ancestors who made a big hit on life, such as St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland (read four books on her recently, plus many articles – she's my favorite ancestor) or weaving through a complicated name change (our Bronte – Prunty – Prontee; Prontaigh; Pronte; O'Pronntaigh); discovering where they lived. Ohhh, I never stop and love every minute of this "unusual sport"!

Well, now, this is a shock – here I've finished with the article, and I still have a lot of space yet. So, think I'll just jot down a few athletes I've admired through the years. The Greve boys from Waveland were amazing basketball players as well as several others, especially Don Evans; the Williamsons in golf; Tom McCarty, our grandson, Dane, my twin bros, and many others in baseball from all the schools. I haven't followed too much the girls' sports, sadly but know Stephanie Martin seemed a gifted athlete as was Kerrie Hess and our daughter, Suzie held a running school record at South for several years until Steph broke it! Football players I remember were the Taylor twins, Rohl brothers and again, many more. Seen some awesome wrestlers, our son was great but got a late start, his sons good too. Currently, and recently, the Woodall boys – wow! Hmmmm, so I've decided that this is kind of silly as there are so many I've not mentioned, several on the tip of my tongue and since this is County Connection and I've not done a lot of that here, let me end by saying my hub's was quite proud of one accomplishment – he held Rick Mount scoreless while guarding him for a minute and 19 seconds or some such! Kind of our family joke. Let me also say (especially little ones) I just love watching sports and seeing good, clean games where each puts out the best ever possible!

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In Mo Co, it was a very good year in 1958 . . .

Several Hula Hoop Contests – and hey, KZ won one for twirling around my neck the longest!

#1 hit – Hula Hoop song by Georgia Gibbs (and kbz loved that sport)

Horace Mann School's last year was 1957-58 – the school was abandoned at the end of school and demolished a few years thereafter!

17 graduated from Waveland HS that year

The 1958 CHS basketball team led by Coach Dick Baumgartner lost in the final game (with Trester Award winner, Dick Haslam) of the state to Ft. Wayne (led by 7 foot Mike McCoy).

Robert Moore was principal of John Beard the 1958-59 school year. One of the best-ever teachers, Katherine Taylor taught Kindergarten. The teachers of 1-6 were: Reva Peacock; Fran Gooldy; Carolyn Harris; Marilyn Jardine; Ellen Sendmeyer and Orville Grimes.

Sad news that year came about a month before Christmas when a head-on collision killed four Crawfordsville residents. Those in the fatal accident were: Bessie Swank, Paul and Nondis Ferguson Baldwin and John Abney. Three of the four died instantly and Paul lived but a few minutes. RIP!

Robert Hunt was president of the Crawfordsville School board 58-59 school year.

Ferguson Ormes retired from Wabash College this year, after serving as a prof of Economics and comptroller for 30 years.

John Bowerman was County Superintendent in 1958-59 following John W. Ward. JB held the position until 1961.

Paul Stump was Crawfordsville mayor, being the first Democrat in the office in 34 years. Merle Patton was Fire Chief. Merle Remley, Montgomery County Sheriff.

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Grandcestors

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We have had some amazing athletes in our family. My dad was a great baseball player but wasn't allowed on the Clinton HS team as he was "one of the Italian low-lives." Didn't bother him though as he just got a bunch of the other Italian boys and they started their own team. They lived in Universal – not far from the Illinois line and they played several teams from there. Two from dad's team went on to play pro ball. Dad played when he was in the CCC camp – they had 43 go out for the team and he made it. Started in the outfield (he was super fast but also super good) and ended-up as a second baseman. Pretty good batter, too. He coached in Waveland his own sons who were both excellent. Garry was mostly 2nd base and catcher. He got hurt a lot while putting his all into it (track and basketball, too). I had two different Waveland players tell me they never saw Larry miss a ball coming to him at short stop. Never and they both said they thought he could have played pro ball. Many noted that about our grandson, Dane as well.

Our daughter, Suzie, had one of the running records at South for several years and she was excellent at softball and basketball too. She still coaches and is playing volleyball as I type. Son Jay was good at sports – baseball, football and he only wrestled his last two years but he was very good at that.

Me? I coached Suzie's softball team and basketball team when she was just beginning (still talk to a couple of those little ladies) but we didn't have girls' sports at Waveland when I was in high school and I didn't have a natural ability – worked hard though at cheerleading which was basically it for the girls. Could call marching band a sport – sure felt like it – hard work and I was very involved in that.

Hubby Jim was in basketball and track. He threw shot-put and our granddaughter,



Reilley, and grandson Liam did that a couple of years, as well. Today, Reilley and her mom play volleyball each week together. That's cool. Her brothers played about everything but the oldest AJ was excellent at tennis (good at baseball, basketball too) as was his dad Steve and brother Dane (who has a couple of CHS tennis records that no one had broken for 25 years – hoping it's that many more). Of all the kids he likely was the most gifted, having the highest batting average in the state of Indiana his junior year. One fall he not only was #1 (9th-12th grade) in tennis but he played soccer at the same time.

Our son got a little motorcycle

(moped type) when he was maybe 12 or 13 and that started him and actually their whole family, each having one and the oldest, Austin, having 4-5 Italian Guzzis, his wife, Kathy among the cyclists as well. They also love, love, love to play frisbee golf.

Son's boys (Austin, Stephen and Quentin) all played baseball and some men's softball and football, too. All good. Youngest grandson, Liam, is playing pro Quittich (now called Quad-ball) and we love to watch that! They recently won 2nd in the whole nation – some super intense games that weekend getting there. Very fun but dangerous sport. He can almost always be counted on to do something unique or different to curb the game to the Chicago Prowl way (Liam in the middle with two of his buddies – they are donning their Silver medals – photo by his mother, Kathy Zach – he played all over the US). Some of the grands are golfers, as well, some just learning, some on teams and all enjoy!

Ancestors? I do have a couple I know did some physical things. My American Papaw, Carl Smith, enjoyed playing ball with my brothers when they were little and so enjoyed watching them when they got in high school. Rarely missed a game even though he was quite sick with cancer at the time. Although I really wasn't cracked up about it, he and I would watch wrestling on tv and sometimes baseball games together. I loved baseball and the camaraderie (not pro wrestling) and we'd talk stats a lot.

Now, my Italian Nono (Tony Bazzani), played two things one almost daily and the other when he got a chance and he was exceptional at both. People from miles around would come to watch him roll cheese. He certainly could control that round piece of cheese and make it go like crazy. Almost daily, he would walk across the bridge over the creek behind his house in Clinton and go play bocci with his best buddy, John. Never really could figure out what the rules were or how ya' played it at all but loved to watch (and listen to their arguments in Italian or when they got the giggles about something) the two buddies.

I guess I'm not a super sporty person but love to play games, just more board ones. Spent hours as a kid playing Monopoly (do they even have that anymore and if so, it's probably online, right?). And, did indeed love Hopscotch and badmitten. Was even town champ in that a couple of years. Only way I could get mom to do anything physical was get her on the teeter-totter my dad made giving me instructions to get her out there every day. Well, likely it wasn't every day but we did indeed see-saw quite a bit! Great fun! Also, I won a hula-hoop contest one summer at Waveland (they had several categories and think mine was for whirling it around my neck the longest!)

Playing cards is my big competition. Oh, how I love to play bid-euchre!! Jim's dad and I would get into some heavy games, but I always won – made him so mad, but he didn't give up!! Overall, I'd have to say I reflect (encyclopedia.com) Teddy Roosevelt's philosophy in regards to using physical training and game-playing to enhance life. "In life, like football, hit the line hard, don't foul, don't shirk, but hit the line hard!"

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