

TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 59:19 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

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THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 MCCF will award the final round of grants for 2023 **TODAY** here at our building, second floor. We invite you to attend. I will have a press release ready that day listing the fifteen awards. We appreciate all you do to promote the good work of the grant recipients and the generosity of our donors.

2 Greater Indiana, in partnership with the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and Air and Waste Management Association Indiana Chapter, proudly presents the 2023 Indiana Environmental Conference and Winter Technical Meeting. The event is scheduled to take place on December 6-7 at the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel.

3 Looking for something to do on Dec. 9? Then you might want to head over to Russellville for the Second Annual Russellville Small Business Market Holiday Showcase. Things kick off at 10 a.m. and wrap up around 4 p.m. There will be more than 50 vendors offering a variety of items, as well as plenty of things to do for both grown-ups and little ones. Santa will even make an appearance and photo prints will be available for a low price.

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Left to Right: Guard, Fulwider, President of Indiana County Commissioners Mark Heirbrandt, Lori Dossett and Frey.

Lori Dossett, Recognized As Outstanding Supportive Executive Assistant Of The Year

Lori Dossett, the Executive Assistant to the County Commissioners, was recognized as the Outstanding Supportive Executive Assistant of the Year by the Indiana County Commissioners at their annual conference held this week in Indianapolis.

The award recognizes an Executive Assistant to a Board of County Commissioners who has demonstrated outstanding teamwork, leadership and management in working for the County Commissioners as well as providing outstanding service to the public.

"Lori is a great ambassador

for the County and its values. We are grateful for her service," said County Commissioner President John Frey.

"Lori is a valuable asset for the County. She has had a positive impact on the County and in the lives of many of our residents ever since she was hired as Executive Assistant in January of 2001," commented County Commissioner Jim Fulwider.

"Lori has demonstrated excellence in her work. We are happy that she has been recognized by the Indiana County Commissioners for her outstanding service to our

County," stated County Commissioner Dan Guard.

Lori's husband Phil, her two daughters, Hannah Cochran and Brittany Corey and son in law Rod Corey, surprised her by attending the award presentation.

Lori said: "I want to thank my Commissioners for nominating me for this award. I was unaware of all of the behind the scenes planning to make it a wonderful surprise when my name was announced. It was even more special when I saw my family there to share the moment with me. I could not

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...Meet Phebe Jane LaBaw



KAREN ZACH
Around The County

Decided it was time for a lady and was just perusing my database when I discovered that this gal was one of 18 children (can you imagine) so thinking she'd make a great topic for

the ATC article this week, off I went on the quest! A few of her brothers and sisters (Mary, Derrick, Warren, Benjamin, and Tom LaBaw) passed young. Derrick died on the

first day of the battle of Stone River, in Tennessee on the last day of the year in 1862. Right afterward, Ben died in Bowling Green, Kentucky 4 Jan 1863 of lung fever. Others lived long lives, her half-brother, Alonzo being 90 and others in their 70s and such.

So, meet Phebe Jane LaBaw, named for her mother which was good since Phebe was the third and last daughter born to her mother, Phebe Crane LaBaw before Phebe Crane passed away (after two more boys, dying not long after giving birth to Elijah) 24 April 1852 having

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Contractor Fatally Injured

A contractor lost their life in workplace accident at Nucor Steel in Montgomery County last week.

According to reports, Nucor is investigating the accident that happened Friday morning at the plant. The accident shut down operations at the mill.

The identify of the contractor has not been released yet.

OSHA and Nucor safety officials are investigating details of the accident which reportedly involved a fall.

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office responded to the call Friday morning.

The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 7:47 a.m.
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- Computer Security Day
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- National Personal Space Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1982 Michael Jackson's Thriller is released worldwide. Thought to be the best-selling album of all time, the album, which had 9 tracks, won 8 Grammy Awards, including the award for Album of the Year in 1984.

- 1947 Civil War in Palestine. Also known as the Civil War in Mandatory Palestine, the conflict began the day after the United Nations General Assembly voted on a resolution that provided a partition plan for Palestine.

- 1939 The Winter War begins. The 4-month long war between Finland and the Soviet Union began after the USSR invaded Finland and bombed Helsinki. The conflict ended on March 30, 1940, with the two countries signing the Moscow Peace Treaty.

Births On This Day

- 1874 Winston Churchill English politician, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Nobel Prize laureate
- 1835 Mark Twain American author

Deaths On This Day

- 2007 Evel Knievel American motorcycle stuntman
- 1900 Oscar Wilde Irish author, poet, playwright

HONEST HOOSIER

Hey, not too much longer to the Chamber's Christmas Parade! Can't wait!



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THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE
Christmas Parade Sunday!!!!

Join our community for the Christmas Parade in Historic Downtown Crawfordsville on Sunday at 2 pm!! We can't wait to see your smiling faces!

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're inactive and overweight, get tested for diabetes. 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.



TODAY'S QUOTE

In celebration of our beginning our 20th year as a media company, we're sharing some famous quotations about newspapers this month.
"A good newspaper is a nation talking to itself."
-Arthur Miller

TODAY'S JOKE

A reporter is interviewing a citizen who just turned 107. The reporter asked: What's the best thing about being 107?
The interviewee smiled - "no peer pressure."

OBITUARIES

None

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



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7 DAY FORECAST

34/67 SUNNY AND MILD	39/68 SUNNY AND MILD	50/55 LOOKING DAMP	29/49 SUNNY AND CHILLY	31/54 SUNNY	34/50 MAINLY CLOUDY	46/54 POSSIBLY WET
WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE

➔ Meeting Notes

Board Of Public Works And Public Safety

November 29, at 10 a.m.

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

- A. Discuss bids for the Pedestrian Crossings at Elmore Street and Wabash Avenue project
- B. Discuss bids for the Milligan Park Project
- IV. New Business
- V. Departments Heads
- VI. Adjournment

Gov. Holcomb Appoints Elise Nieshalla As The New State Comptroller

Governor Eric J. Holcomb announced today that he has selected Elise Nieshalla as the next State Comptroller. Nieshalla will replace State Comptroller Tera Klutz whose resignation is effective Nov. 30.

"Elise is a dedicated and proven public servant who has committed much of her professional life to bettering her community through service," Gov. Holcomb said. "She has shared her financial expertise to help steer and shape the bright future of Boone County which gives me great confidence she'll do the same serving Hoosiers as our next State Comptroller."

Elise Nieshalla serves as the president of the Indiana County Councils Association (ICCA), president of the Boone County Council and is the chairwoman of the Association of Indiana Counties' 2023 Legislative Committee.

In her role as president of ICCA, Nieshalla works closely with state legislators to address tax and fiscal concerns for county and local government. She also leads the association's partnerships with the state's financial agencies to offer members training and resources to support best practices in local finance and budgeting.

As the president of the Boone County Council, Nieshalla assists in managing and appropriating a \$51 million budget, reviewing revenue projections and planning for the county's financial future.

"My appreciation runs deep for the strong financial standing of our state and the integrity in which the State Comptroller's Office is run," Nieshalla said. "It is truly my privilege to receive Governor Holcomb's appointment to serve our great state and local units of government by upholding the highest standards of fiscal responsibility and offering tremendous Hoosier service."

Nieshalla was one of the founding members of the Hoosier Leadership Series and was tasked with overseeing education and tax policy for the program. She is a graduate of the Richard G. Lugar Excellence in Public Service Series and was named 2018 Indiana County Councilor of the Year.

Nieshalla earned her bachelor's degree from Oral Roberts University and a master's degree from Indiana University. Nieshalla and her husband Chris, reside in Zionsville where they raised their four children.

Elise Nieshalla will be sworn in Dec. 1, 2023.



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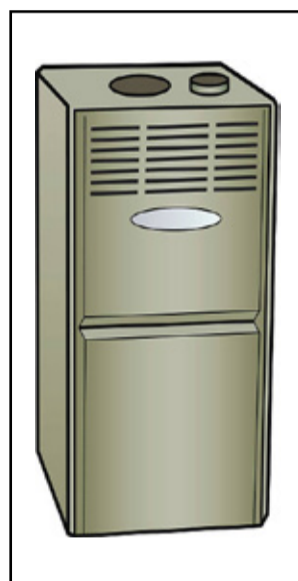
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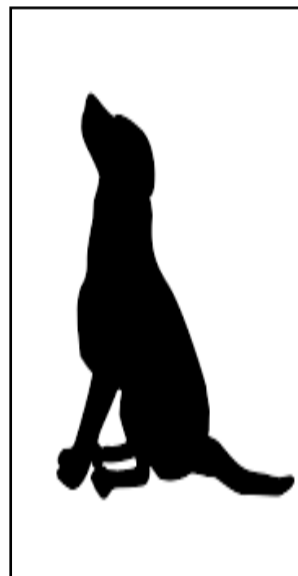
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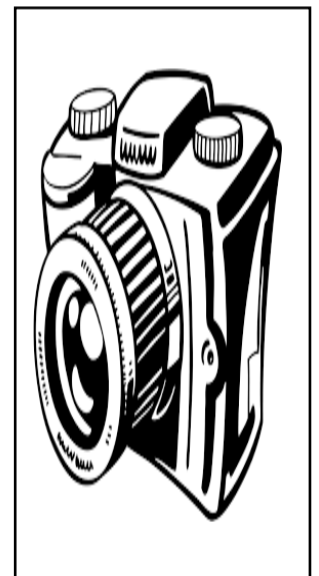
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BBB Business Tip: How To Create A Sustainable And Scalable Sales Strategy

Even if you have the best products or services on the planet, you won't sell them, or you won't make any money. A well-designed sales strategy that centers on increasing trust and transparency for your business could be what sets you apart from competitors. Thankfully, you don't need a big budget to market and sell your products effectively. Here are five ways to create a sustainable and scalable sales strategy for your small business without breaking the bank.

1. Cultivate customer relationships and loyalty. According to HubSpot, increasing your customer retention by five percent "can increase company revenue by 25-95%." Retaining customers involves a dedicated focus on relationship-building. When you nurture your customer relationships, they're more likely to spend at your business, and in many cases, they'll recommend your products or services to others because of their faith in how you do things.

Cultivating this kind of loyalty requires you to be responsive to your customers' needs. Take advantage of one-on-one interactions and go above and beyond whenever possible. Read and respond to customer reviews, and if customer disputes arise, always work to find a solution. Additionally, consider using online survey tools to gather customer feedback or emails to send useful tips, deals, and advice. When you actively work to create a conversation, you're showing you care about your customers.

2. Leverage the power of the internet. As digital marketing continues to be part of our online activity, BBB has just introduced a suite of digital tools for Accredited Businesses to bolster their online presence. Using these tools to reach more potential customers leverages your time and resources to generate more sales. Whatever online tool you use, remember to add a personal touch to your interactions whenever possible. Ensure your website is user-friendly, speak to your customers' needs, and hone your unique voice in messages crafted for your audience.

Allow customers to get in touch in multiple ways (e.g., direct messages (DMs), phone, email, live chat) and provide outstanding pre- and post-sales customer service. Technologies such as chatbots and messaging apps are making it possible to have one-on-one interactions with customers in an efficient and scalable way so you can leverage the power of conversations to make more sales.

3. Offer a free trial or samples. "Try before you buy" is still a great way to get prospects to experience your products or services before they make a purchasing decision. Not only will you be able to attract more potential customers, but you can also reduce the number of refund requests or customer complaints.

When you offer a free trial or sample, you can collect prospects' contact

information to build your mailing list and continue communicating with them. To get the most out of this strategy, design a follow-up email sequence so you can educate potential customers about your products, provide more value, nurture relationships, and eventually close sales.

4. Upselling, cross-selling, and bundling. Since your customers are already buying something on your website or in your store, it doesn't take much more effort to recommend other products they may like based on the items they're purchasing. Upselling, cross-selling, and bundling are powerful ways to increase order values, profit margins, and customer satisfaction. When a customer is in a "buying" state of mind, this is an opportunity to introduce other products that might interest them. The key is to be authentic and relevant when pitching to their needs. Be thoughtful about these strategies as you work to create the best customer experience possible. These techniques also give you the opportunity to forge trust with your customers. If they like the additional items, they're more likely to come back and buy more. This can be a great way to increase the average customer lifetime value.

5. Incentivize with loyalty and referral programs. Encourage your customers to buy more or refer their friends to your business with incentives. A loyalty program can help you strengthen brand affinity, improve customer engagements and increase repeat purchases from existing customers. If you have a click-and-mortar (e-commerce and brick-and-mortar) business, make sure customers can track their loyalty points seamlessly across all channels to avoid frustration and abandonment.

You should also reward loyal customers for telling their friends about your business with a referral program. To run a successful referral program, make it easy for your customers to spread the word for you. For example, give them ideas on how to share their experience with your business on social media. Lastly, be transparent about the terms and details of your referral program so you can deliver a mutually beneficial and satisfying experience to your loyal customers.

Find your sweet spot: There's no one-size-fits-all sales strategy for small businesses. A sustainable and scalable sales strategy depends on many factors, such as your business model, industry, target market and location. As always, the best sales strategy is to put your customers first so you can provide the products and services that best meet their 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.

What's So Bad About Concrete Anyway?

EARTHTALK

Dear EarthTalk: Why is concrete production bad for the planet? Are there sustainable options?

Concrete is undeniably one of the largest contributors to environmental degradation around the world, not just because it is used to pave over nature but also because of its huge production and distribution carbon footprint. Creating concrete involves extracting raw materials like limestone, which releases large amounts of carbon dioxide (CO₂) into the atmosphere. And the production process is energy-intensive, requiring high temperatures at the factory and transportation of heavy materials for hundreds of miles.

Indeed, the concrete industry is responsible for a whopping eight percent of global CO₂ emissions, making it one of the world's worst climate villains. The chemical reaction involved in producing concrete generates nearly one ton of CO₂ for every ton of concrete produced. These emissions significantly contribute to climate change, exacerbating global warming and its associated consequences. Moreover, the extraction of raw materials for concrete causes habitat destruction, landscape alteration, and can deplete water reserves and other natural resources. The demand for sand, a key component in concrete, has led to illegal and environmentally destructive mining practices around the world as well.

In response to environmental concerns, researchers and innovators are actively seeking more sustainable alternatives to traditional concrete. One promising alternative gaining traction is "green concrete" which uses alternative materials like fly ash, slag or silica fume as partial replacements for cement, concrete's primary ingredient. Additionally, incorporating industrial by-products like recycled glass or plastic in the mixtures can enhance the final product's sustainability. Advancements in technology have also led to the development of novel construction materials like geopolymer concrete, which relies on industrial

waste by-products to create a durable, eco-friendly alternative. These substitutes often offer comparable or even superior performance to traditional concrete while greatly reducing carbon emissions during production.

Another sustainable approach involves exploring "biomimicry," drawing inspiration from nature to create materials that imitate natural processes. Some researchers are investigating the use of bio-based materials like hempcrete, made from hemp fibers and a lime-based binder, which possess impressive insulation properties and a smaller environmental footprint compared to conventional concrete.

Additionally, advancements in construction techniques, such as 3D printing using recycled materials, offer innovative ways to reduce waste and energy consumption in building construction. These methods have the potential to revolutionize the construction industry by minimizing resource extraction and energy usage while offering greater design flexibility. While these sustainable alternatives show promise, widespread adoption and implementation require further research, development, and investment to scale up production and make them economically competitive with traditional concrete.

The detrimental environmental impact of concrete requires urgent action. Exploring and investing in sustainable alternatives is crucial to mitigate the environmental damage caused by construction activities and pave the way for a more sustainable and eco-friendly future in the construction industry.

-CONTACTS: The Concrete That Helps The Climate, <https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20230309-how-carbon-negative-concrete-can-help-the-climate>; Why Is Concrete So Damaging To The Environment? <https://www.fairplanet.org/story/concrete-climate-change-environmental-injustice/>.

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Attorney General Todd Rokita Calls For Care And Prudence In Pursuing Justice In Delphi Murder Case

Attorney General Todd Rokita said this week that all parties involved in the Delphi murder trial must work together to ensure the pursuit of justice stays on track.

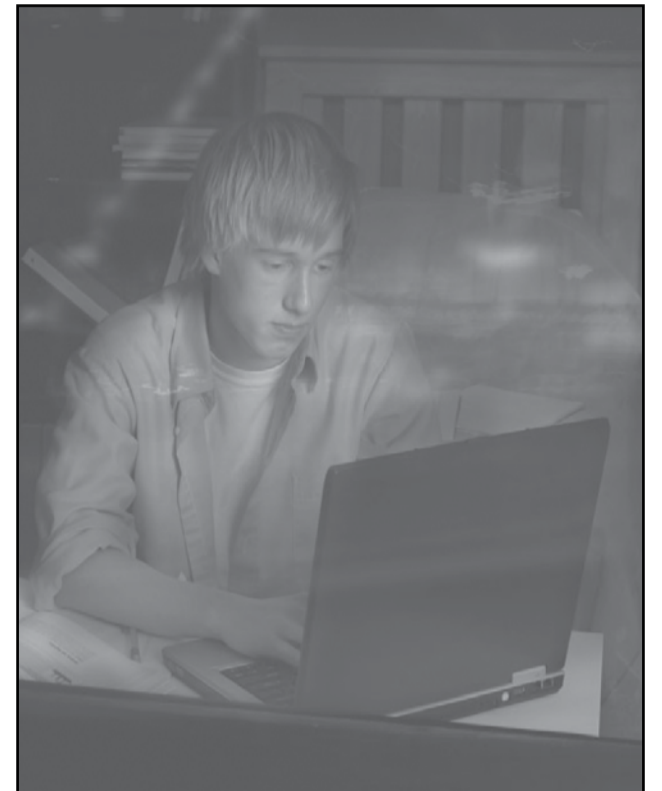
Abigail Williams, 13, and Liberty German, 14, were slain in 2017. Police arrested a suspect in 2022.

"These families deserve justice and closure for these heinous, heartbreaking murders," Rokita said. "Abby and Libby deserve justice. If this matter ever comes to the appellate court system, we will take immediate action, as we do in all our other cases,

to see that the rule of law is upheld."

Rokita submitted a brief to the Indiana Supreme Court this week aimed at helping clarify legal issues in this case.

"We are simply advising the court on our understanding of the law, case law in particular, and seeking to assist the court in adjudicating a writ before it," Rokita said. "Our office respects the authority and integrity of all legal and law-enforcement professionals involved in this case. Ultimately, our main interest is ensuring the proper and fair administration of justice."



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just turned 40. Benjamin Butler LaBaw her father remarried Elizabeth Ann Smith just a few months after Phebe's death. She must have passed away as he married again in 1862, then died five years thereafter.

Benjamin Butler farmed in Shawnee Township but several of his children lived in Montgomery County, Phebe Jane herself buried in Waynetown Masonic. He also had property in Warren County that he left to his last wife and her son, Elmer, as well as the household goods mentioned as hers at their marriage. His home farm in Fountain was given to Thomas A's children as he preceded his father. To: Phebe Jane, John, Elijah, Alonzo, Elizabeth Ellen and Melissa Alice received his library, household goods and the like. Loved that son Lewis had planted 13 acres of wheat and he "should have those profits." Horses his son John could select, as well as the milch (milk) cows, heifers, hogs and chickens that Ben had on the place. Ben did not wish a sale of anything he had owned. He gave Sarah \$500 and the same to Jonathan, and although the will is badly smudged looks like Lewis also received 160 acres of land in Vermilion, Illinois. Also, Ben desired anything else to be "divided between all my children." (Fountain County Will found on Ancestry). His son Simon was guardian for (Phebe) Jane, John, Eliza, Alonzo, Ellen and Alice and he was also one of the executors.

Born June 5, 1848 in Fountain County Phebe fell in love and married Daniel Burton Zeigler September 14 in 1867. He may have been in the Civil War (perfect age born 25 Feb 1840) but only one with a name similar I found was one born, lived and died in Ohio; oddly, his wife was Phebe but started her widow's pension three years before our Dan died, so don't feel confident with that! Sadly, Dan passed away on Christmas morning in 1883. Phoebe never remarried, raising their four young children on her own and outliving Dan going on 41 years.



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He had several brothers and sisters and the family arrived in Fountain County in April 1829. Believe Phebe mainly lived on the old Zeigler homestead for much of the years but spent a year in Kansas likely at her son's. Yet, much of her time was just a mile or so from where she was born.

A definite soldier was on the Tappan line. Momma Phebe's parents were Jonathan Crane and Keziah Tappan, whose grandfather was James Tappan (mother Nancy Dunham). The family was proud (several in DAR as well as SAR) that James Tappan (1750-1809) born and died in Woodbridge, NJ served as a Pvt under Jacob TenEyck in Colonel Frederick Frelinghuysen's 1st regiment of the Somerset County, NJ Militia, a true Patriot.

Phebe and Dan had a son, Daniel Burton, Jr., who married a local girl, Elmdale-born Mattie Perlin Utterback (20 August 1883). Their married life began here in Indiana, but they lived several other places until finally landing in Pratt, Kansas. They too had four children: Robert Earnest, Cecil Edwin, Erma, Pauline and John Lawrence (her obit). At age 12, Mattie joined the Elmdale Methodist Church, remaining in that denomination until her death at the young age of slightly over 40 and a half years. Dan and Mattie neither were joiners of clubs, much preferring to be at home where they enjoyed working and building the character of their children. 1924 would have to have been a rough year for Dan, losing his mother in January and wife in April. Buried together in Greenlawn Cemetery at Pratt. Another of the Zeigler

children was Sarah who was eight in the 1880 census, thus born about 1872, but I found nothing on her after that and Ancestry sent me all over the place for the oldest (son, Harley born about 1868) but it was the wrong Harley Zeigler. Only thing I know for sure about him is that in 1924 when his mother passed away he was in Evansville.

The other one, Cora stayed here in Montgomery County. In 1920 just four years before Phebe passed, she lived with Cora and her husband, James Rivers. They were parents of Ruth and Raymond (at least) who had such a sad ending, having been on his tractor on his farm near Pittsboro (May 1967) when his clothes caught on fire and he died from the burns the next day. Three others were born to Phebe: Clara who married Charles Moore and passed away fairly young December 11, 1915 and Robert and Mary both died of diphtheria in October of 1877 he age seven; she just three.

At Phebe's death there were 17 grandchildren and two greats. A member of Snyder's Chapel United Brethren Church, her last words, "Everything is all right now!" Her obit noted that she was "a woman of untiring industry, strict business integrity and one whose social and moral life was above reproach!" Sounds like one wonderful gal to me!

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Former Rep. Sean Eberhart Pleads Guilty To Felony Charge

By Whitney Downard
Indiana Capital Chronicle

Former Shelbyville Rep. Sean Eberhart pleaded guilty to a felony charge Tuesday before U.S. District Judge Matthew P. Brookman, admitting his role in a gambling corruption case.

The plea to conspiracy to commit honest services fraud can include accepting bribes or kickbacks related to one's public service and includes a maximum punishment of five years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine and three years of supervised release.

Though federal prosecutors indicated that Eberhart didn't act alone, no others have yet been named or charged. No sentencing hearing has been scheduled and he remains free.

The charges stretch back to his lawmaker days, when Eberhart accepted a lucrative job opportunity with a major gaming company in exchange for his legislative support of a bill to relocate two casinos from Lake Michigan to "other areas beneficial to Spectacle (Entertainment)," according to a release from the U.S. Attorney's Office.

An unidentified owner at Spectacle offered Eberhart a job at the company with a salary of "at least" \$350,000 and an equity stake. Eberhart was a

member of the House Public Policy Committee, which heard the bill, until his retirement last year. Due to lawmaker intervention, transfer fees for moving the casinos were reduced from \$100 million to \$20 million and included beneficial tax incentives — a win for Spectacle, which wanted to move the casinos to Terre Haute and Gary.

Spectacle ultimately lost the license due to finance issues.

Restitution in the case is \$60,000 — the legislative salary for Eberhart — alongside a \$100 fee for a mandatory special assessment.

In the courtroom at the Indianapolis Birch Bayh Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, U.S. Attorney Brad Shepard read several text exchanges between Eberhart and unnamed co-conspirators from early 2019 in which Eberhart said he wanted "to make it right" for the unidentified Spectacle owner.

According to an informational document outlining the state's evidence, Eberhart pushed language to eliminate the \$100 million transfer fee entirely and pushed for a 20% tax rate "that would save Spectacle tens of millions of dollars."

The Senate and House ultimately disagreed on portions of the bill, sending it to a conference committee that threatened

to tank the bill. Eberhart, via text with an unnamed person, discussed a female lawmaker holding up the bill.

That unnamed person said the unidentified Spectacle owner "is losing his mind." Eberhart responds, "Tell him stay calm. We are going to let the bull simmer tonight."

He also said he talked to the female lawmaker "3 different times. Told her I couldn't believe she would let the bill die because of hold harmless language."

"Just told (unidentified Spectacle owner) to hold tight," he concluded.

In another exchange about the unnamed person's hangover, Eberhart said "We got work to do and 2 casinos to open... Meeting with (unidentified Spectacle owner) later this week."

With an offense level of 21 — slightly reduced due to his "acceptance of responsibility" — Eberhart could serve between 37 and 46 months, according to the 2016 sentencing guidelines.

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have been any prouder."

In addition to her duties in the Commissioners' Office, Lori helps with the planning for the annual event for the Police Officers Memorial and coordinates the annual tox away day. She also provides administrative support

for other Boards and Commissions.

Lori also helped establish the Regional Sewer District, the Solid Waste District and the Comprehensive Plan. She was part of the County coordination team for the construction of the government center and jail.

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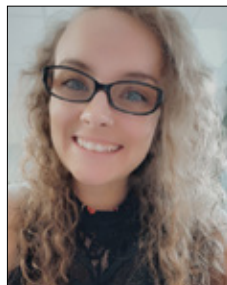
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November Feature: We loved the "boss" Margaret

Karen Bazzani Zach



When someone works for your family for 32 years, you come to love them as your own. We all did Margaret Steele McKinney and although she never had the title assistant manager (officially) – our family, customers, other workers and even Margaret knew she was in charge!

Margaret was the first to arrive at the restaurant five days a week, opened-up, turned the equipment on and went straight to work! She was rarely idle! Each day she had something special she'd fix. Example: Sunday she'd make coney sauce so it could sit and meld in the cooler for Tuesday's coney day. Another day she'd make up the salads (sometimes twice a week). Our other fabulous cooks, Pam, Dora, and earlier Gma' Cox, often helped her with this large task (we had several salads – slaw was amazing and I drooled over Margaret's potato salad - not literally, I just walked in and my taste buds knew it was time for some). Our son Jay

remembered her making some of the workers her yummy fried potato skins with cheddar and bacon as a treat. Now, Jan J remembered hiding her cart when she'd come out of the cooler with it all loaded up to get busy in the morning. Margaret would take the spoon after them and my father-in-law Bill said he wasn't going to protect them! Bet everyone reading that one on the FB page is laughing. I sure was when I perused it!

Speaking of which, we have a small FB page for our old employees and a few customers and Wes noted that Margaret was "totally immune to onion tears - when she was cutting up onions for coney day, everyone would have burning eyes and tears running down our cheeks – Margaret? She just laughed while up to her elbows in those onions with nary a tear!"

Susie F said Margaret didn't like lazy people. Three of her children worked for us, too, Jerry during his high school years and Janie and Joyce both for several years. They were all three amazing workers like their mother. Reflecting a comment in Joyce's obituary, "she lived, loved and worked one way – hard and tough – and she expected the same from family and others!" Perfect for all four of the McKinneys and bet all of Margaret's kids were that way! Janie, Billy, Joyce, Joan, Jerry, Nancy, Pete and Donny. All great people! Susie also said that if they all worked hard and sweet-talked Margaret, then she'd make her delicious 7-layer salad that wasn't on our menu (shucks). Amy normally was a waitress but said one summer she got to work in the back with Margaret and loved every second of it. Amy learned how to make one of Margaret's specialties – sausage gravy! Loving to joke, Amy would tease Margaret and get a smile and chuckle. She said M. was strict until she knew that they knew what they were doing then she'd ease up and it was more fun!

Margaret was a 1943 graduate of Darlington High School and worked a few years with another Darlington gal and her husband Iva and Adrian Cox. Their daughter worked for us too – had a lot of "families" who worked for us which made it a perfect name changing from A&W to Zach's "Family" Restaurant. Born at Alamo Feb 17, 1925 to Clarence D. and Lola McClure Steele, she grew up in a family of five children (Jim, Bob, Bill, and

Dorothy her siblings). She married (James) Bliss McKinney Nov 24, 1946. He came in some but not a lot, her brother Bill in quite often, though. Quite talented and smart, Margaret went to nurses' training and I always loved Margaret's hair – it was beautiful – always – never saw it messed-up a single time and not until reading her obituary did I realize she had graduated beauty school.

One of Margaret's good, long-time friends was Dora McCoy Devitt. She was very involved in St. Bernard's Church and the Eagles. She stayed at home with she and husband, Max's children, Donna and Peggy, then worked at Dryer's Drug Store, retiring from ZFR in 1986. Margaret retired about the same time and the two of them spent a lot of time together - not quite as much as when they worked together, though.

Margaret adored my hubby Jim (vice-versa) as he'd go get her (they had a super long semi-curve going up a hill driveway) and take her to work if it was bad weather – he didn't want her to risk her life, car or nerves to get there. Now, Bill, my father-in-law and Margaret got along pretty well, but one morning, very early, Margaret had to call Bill because something was wrong. Answering the phone, Bill yelled, "What in the H___ do you want?" He scared her so much, Margaret totally forgot why she called!

Jackie noted she loved Margaret as "she kept us kids out of trouble!" Chris said she put the hammer down and even on Bill a couple of times, but she also spoiled Bill – homemade butterscotch pie! She did tend to spoil us but as several of the workers said, "She took no ___ off of anyone." Once (as you can see little Margaret) got between two very large men who were arguing in the restaurant and said in no uncertain terms, "You two stop it right now or I WILL call the police without a second thought. STOP!" They did!

Margaret was so appreciative of any little thing you did for her. I'd take her a treat once-in-awhile. She loved being spoiled and Jim's mom had a dinner party for Gma' Cox, Margaret, me, a couple of long-time waitresses (Carolyn and Pat) – all fancy but not so much so we felt uncomfortable. Margaret talked about it forever! She adored Jim's mom – most everyone did like we all adored Margaret! Couldn't get a better cook or woman as far as our family was concerned. Bless you sweet lady!

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

The last day of March in 1887 brought an interesting article regarding the Poor Farm. 41 “paupers herded in 14 rooms, averaging three / room with no bathroom arrangements for them. Many things were needed, one including a cooking range. Cupboards for the dining room and kitchen, a change of bedding for each room (I’d hope) and much more. Note in four more months there were 65 there. In 1900, the food was nominal because they grew their own vegetables, had their own cattle and hogs and a nice but young orchard of 75 trees but the yearly report suggested they grow a much larger garden from there on in.

Sadly, we could probably fill this whole Montgomery Memories with cooking accidents such as this one in the CDJ 28 August 1894 paper giving the details of Mrs. Al Stevens who fell with a large kettle of boiling water while in her kitchen badly scalding her face, shoulders, breast, sides and back some of the places having no skin at all left and blisters quickly arising in the other places. To top that off, Mr. Stevens (lumberman) was badly hurt a few weeks before from a limb falling from a tree and had just gotten back to work and was almost killed by a rolling log. The month before their daughter’s skull was crushed by a mud sled then the accident to Mrs. Stevens in August. But, wait. With three other children, not long after the accident, this brave woman gave birth to a very fine boy. Sure do hope the bad luck had run through and all was well! This is but one of hundreds, sadly!

Lewis Morton Dunbar at close to 80 told much of the Bowers/Dunbar story in Sugar Creek and Franklin Townships saying that his mother cooked over an open fire in their cabin and it wasn’t but just a very few years before her death that his father, Lewis finally got her a cook stove which had to have been helpful with a dozen plus kiddos!

The last year before Southmont began, we saw several of these ladies cooking for the small schools. Of course, some of them stayed and prepared their great meals for the grade school students or went to South, while others used the opportunity to retire!!! Here from the most wonderful 1971 Waveland yearbook we see the last of the high school cooks, most of whom were there quite some time making real home-made things for us all! (back to front: Mary Chesterson, Ruth Pyle, Dorothy Mitchell, head cook and could make absolutely amazing cherry pie, and Violet Weatherman.) All of these gals had children who went through



WHS.

Not sure when this restaurant started but it was “an old establishment,” I guess. Florence Restaurant was advertised as “the great favorite of the traveling public as well as our own citizens. Sumptuous fare and the best accommodations can always be had at this old establishment,” in the C’ville Review 3 December 1870.

Fun looking at the French Tea-Room menu of 1916 with PD Downey, Proprietor (wish I knew where this one was) beginning with the breakfast norm (steak, pork chops, bacon and two eggs. German Fried Potatoes, Bread, Butter and a drink for 30 cents). It was the most expensive on that part of the menu and there was the Daily Menu with five choices all but one featuring steak with prices beginning at 30 cents down to 15 (soup, two veggies and a drink). And they advertised a “fresh line of home-made candy.”

A very interesting kind of restaurant-related happening actually happened in Evansville where Augustus Clifford Watson shot his mother (Pearl Hartlage) by accident when they were quarelling over profits from their small filling-station restaurant on Oct 15, 1954. Scared, he stuffed her in a metal-lined box in an oil shed at the business. A few months later, he sold the business and moved to a small home outside of Waveland where he brought her remains with him and where he buried her under his bedroom floor. One day in Cincinnati where he moved from Waveland (just him, not mom, obviously) a neighbor of his saw an article from Inside Detective with the title, “What became of Pearl Hartlage.” There was a picture of Watson. The man told a young detective, “This guy lives on your beat.” That he did and when the Cincinnati homicide squad arrested him Watson was floored. Back in Indiana Deputy Sheriff Clarence Demoret led the digging, unearthing Pearl in three bundles wrapped in bedding and only a bit over 3’ deep. The autopsy confirmed the bullet in her skull. Watson said he thought his mother had married a wealthy Indianapolis real estate man and moved to the West Coast. Oh, my! Married, his wife, Mary defended him strongly blaming their trouble on nose people and photographers. They had three children who were taken away and put in a children’s shelter in Cincinnati. After a lengthy controversial trial, Augustus Clifford Watson was sent to prison for life in regards to murdering his mother while a \$207.02 fraudulent check to a gasoline supplier for his station was dropped. His explanation never waned from it was an accident – arguing, she hit him over the head with a beer bottle, he pulled the gun and when she grabbed it, it went off.

After running a restaurant for several decades and working in several, too, I can say ya’ just never know (although 98% of it is probably great there are those times) what could happen. I know one thing that happened to us is one of our long-time trusted workers whose new wife worked for us too stole a whole 18-piece setting of our dishes – we’re talking major money – they had a party though and three or four of the kids asked if we’d given it to them for a wedding present – NOT! So, ya’ just never know, I guess !! Oh! And the police got ‘em back for us and they both got fired!

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Nifty at Ninety - And Beyond

Joy Willett, Montgomery Memories

This month's Nifty feature is Helen Marie Zachary. The daughter of Jacob Darwin Zachary and Jessie Pearl Stamps, Helen was born on July 18, 1904. The Zachary family lived in Union Township. Jacob worked as a laborer in a brick yard and Jessie cared for the home.

As the oldest daughter, it is easy to imagine Helen standing at her mother Jessie's side, learning to cook for her father and six siblings. According to *The Perry Home Cookbook* (Oskaloosa, Kansas, 1920), they would have prepared certain foods that are familiar to us today – soups, dumplings, baked beans, roasted meats, potatoes – scalloped, mashed, and fried. Items we might find surprising included Chile Con Carne, Salmon Pudding, and Quail on Toast.

Jessie likely learned to cook at her mother's side, too. She was the oldest of Clinton and Alice Stamps four living siblings. At a time when every part of a cow was eaten, they may have used recipes for Roast Beef Heart, Beef's Heart Stewed, and Boiled Beef Tongue. These recipes were listed in the *White House Cookbook*, published in 1900. Alice lived with Jacob and Jessie's family after the death of Clinton. We can imagine her, too, in the kitchen with young Helen (1920 Census for Montgomery County, Indiana).

Helen married Neville Omer Abney on July 14, 1924. Neville (b. January 16, 1900 in Boone County, Indiana) was the son of Taylor and Kelly May Covey Abney. The Abney family settled in Crawfordsville by 1910. Neville's World War I draft registration listed him as being short and stout, with light hair and grey eyes.

Neville worked as a groundman and lineman for the Crawfordsville Electric Light and Power Company (CELP). The couple's first child, Robert (b. 1924) died in infancy. They went on to have six more children. The family had a setback in March 1935. Neville was arrested for petty larceny. He stole brass fixtures from the city hall, which was being torn down to build the new state armory (*The Indianapolis Times*, March 4, 1935). After his employment with CELP ended sometime before 1942, Neville took on odd jobs. Of course, we know what Helen was doing – caring for her children and cooking!

The 1950 census tells us that Helen was using her culinary skills in a café, where she worked as waitress. That year, while the older children were gone, Dorothy, the youngest at the age of 21, was living at home. We discovered from her obituary that she suffered from epilepsy, which likely explains why she was still at home and why she never married.

Helen's reason for waitressing may have been because Neville, only 50 years old, was no longer able to work. We don't know if this was due to injury or illness. The family was living at Holman's Trailer Camp. The 1952 City Directory for Crawfordsville, listed Helen's occupation as "salad girl." She went on to work at the Whalen's Cafeteria. In

1958, Helen was a cook for the Crawford Café, and she also served as their salad maker.

Salads of the 1950s included a variety of green leaf salads, including Caesar and Chef. Certain salads, which are part of our menu today, were Potato Salad, Waldorf Salad, and Cole Slaw. There were meat salads too – ham, chicken, tuna, and salmon. Yet what was all the rage were molded salads! Just about anything they could set with a package of gelatin was put into the mold. *A Picture Treasury of Good Cooking* (1953) listed this recipe for Molded Spring Vegetable Salad:

1 pkg lemon flavored gelatin	1 cup sliced radishes
2 cups water	1 cup diced cucumber
1 teaspoon salt	½ cup sliced onions
1 teaspoon vinegar	Crisp salad greens
Mayonnaise	

Dissolve gelatin in water as directed on the package. Add salt and vinegar. Chill until consistency of unbeaten egg white. Arrange a few radish slices in the bottom of an oiled 5-cup ring mold. Pour in a little gelatin to "anchor" the radishes. Chill till set. Fold remaining radishes, cucumbers, and onions in the remaining gelatin. Pour into mold. Chill until set. Unmold on a large platter. Garnish with salad greens. Serve with mayonnaise. Makes 8 servings.

Although I have no way of confirming if Helen made Molded Spring Vegetable Salad, I thought it interesting that something that was so popular in the 1950s is no longer found on our menus.

Neville died on March 16, 1965. He had suffered from heart disease for many years. His internment was at the Masonic Cemetery. Dorothy passed on March 6, 1981. She too was buried in the Masonic Cemetery. Helen lived a long life, passing on February 4, 1995. Her obituary listed her "Usual Occupation" as a cook in a restaurant. She was buried in the Masonic Cemetery (photo from FindAGrave by Jon Rice), next to the man she was married to for 39 years. May Helen, a woman who worked hard throughout her life, rest in peace.



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Long ago, food on demand meant Dad was in the garage yelling into the kitchen for Mom to fix him a sandwich. This era was way before Grub Hub or Uber Eats. Mom would call it the Neanderthal times. But the midcentury was not that long ago.

The 1950s was the dawn of fast food. Thank you, Ray Kroc, of McDonald's fame. Today, our hunger for convenience and immediate gratification accelerates like Pac-Man rushing through a maze, gobbling up little round dots and veggies.

It was big news when the satellite landed on South Washington

Street in Crawfordsville. Satellite Hamburgers, that is. All marketing, images, and names centered on the Space Program in the 60s. Good food, low prices, and service delivered faster than Sputnik were the promise. Fast and efficient was their motto. Burgers got grilled on the automated chain-linked conveyor belt. My CHS friends and I looked like Lucille Ball and Ethel Mertz trying to keep up on the candy factory episode of the I Love Lucy Show. We got pretty dad-gum fast but not all that efficient.

The night manager resembled the drill sergeant from the Gomer Pyle Series. He was ever ready to whip

us into shape. As a burger exited the flame broiler, it dropped off the conveyer onto the bun. Before my co-worker, Bobbie could administer the secret sauce and put the bun on top, a misguided hairy moth flew onto the sizzling burger. Fearing the wrath of the drill sergeant, in the name of efficiency, Bobbie drowned the moth in the secret sauce and slapped the bun on top.

We didn't miss a beat. The extra special moth burger continued down the speedy production line. We never heard a discouraging word about the super surprise order. Fortunately for us, fast-food Satellite Burgers were also consumed at warp speed, much too quick for discerning taste buds to reject the flavor.

Food service automation had not totally caught on for the French fry portion of the meal. Potatoes got washed and dumped into a five-gallon drum. They tumbled for a few minutes until the skins were peeled off by the course interior surface of the

drum. Skinless, they awaited the manual slicer.

No one warned me that operating the potato slicer was a hazardous duty. The one-armed bandit looked innocent enough. Grab a spud. Stick it on the square grid blades. Reach up and pull the handle. Wala! Perfect French fry slices dropped into the basket. No one said, "Occasionally, you may get a bad potato."

Did you know that potatoes rot from the inside out? When you apply pressure, they can explode like a rotten egg. With a hardy tug on the handle, I got slimed with a foul substance. A gag-a-maggot stench followed me for the rest of my shift.

It only took a week to realize I was not quite speedy enough for a career in fast-food prep. I hit the ejection button on the Satellite job.

I baled none too soon.

My next assignment was to be a close encounter with the French fryer.

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By Joy Willett

No matter
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pizza, hamburger,
schnitzel, Pad Thai,
stir-fry, chalupa.

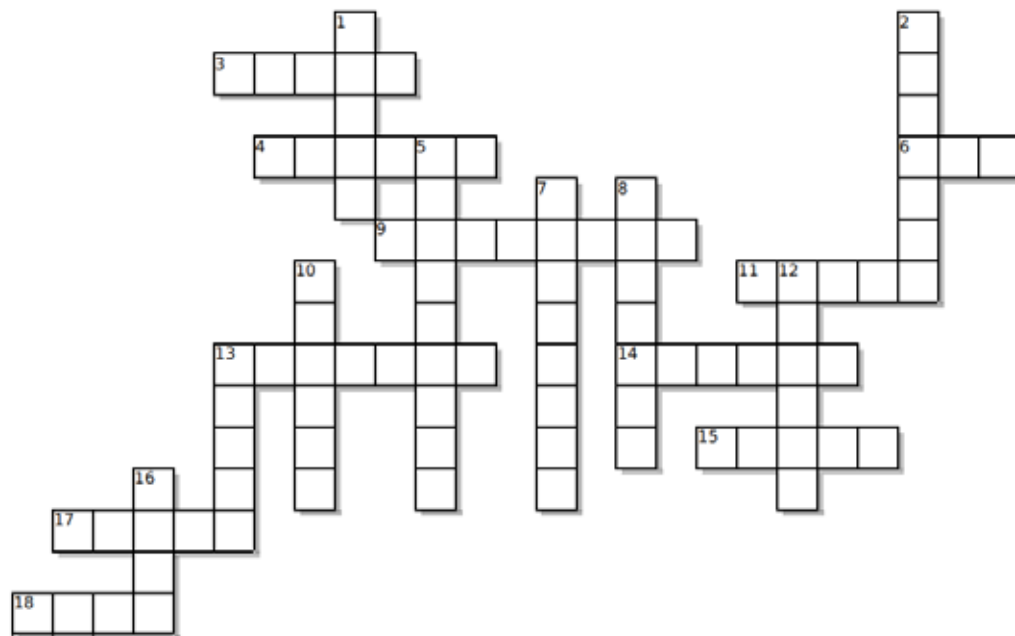
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pho, Polish perogies,
beef bourguignon,
scones, and spicy chili.

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to a new part
of the globe,
while you are still
wearing your robe.

Flown there
when you take
your first bite,
travel without
the flight.

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- 3 Veggie that makes you cry
- 4 Toast you cover in syrup
- 6 ---, spicy noodle dish
- 9 --- McKinney, 32 yr A&W employee
- 11 Cook wears one
- 13 Tomatoes did this on the vine in '30
- 14 Thanksgiving bird
- 15 Green, meat, veggie, fruit (types of ---)
- 17 --- bean casserole
- 18 Boss in restaurant kitchen

DOWN

- 1 A&W was known for these dogs
- 2 Thanksgiving pie
- 5 Relish or sauce
- 7 Female waiter
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- 12 Spanish rice
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Karen's Kitchen

Karen Bazzani Zach, Montgomery Memories

The Waveland school cooks (may be overkill on Waveland but that's the school I knew – these are the three cooks my graduating year of 1967 – one the same (Mary Chesterson is the only one in the other picture in this magazine – other two are Lillie Mitchell and Helen Weaver) were amazing and although I went home for lunch a lot of times there were several times I would stay and eat because I loved what they were having. One was Shephard's Pie which I've shared with you before and one was Peanut Butter Krunchies!

I asked on the Old School Waveland page for both and got them – great group! Thanks all !

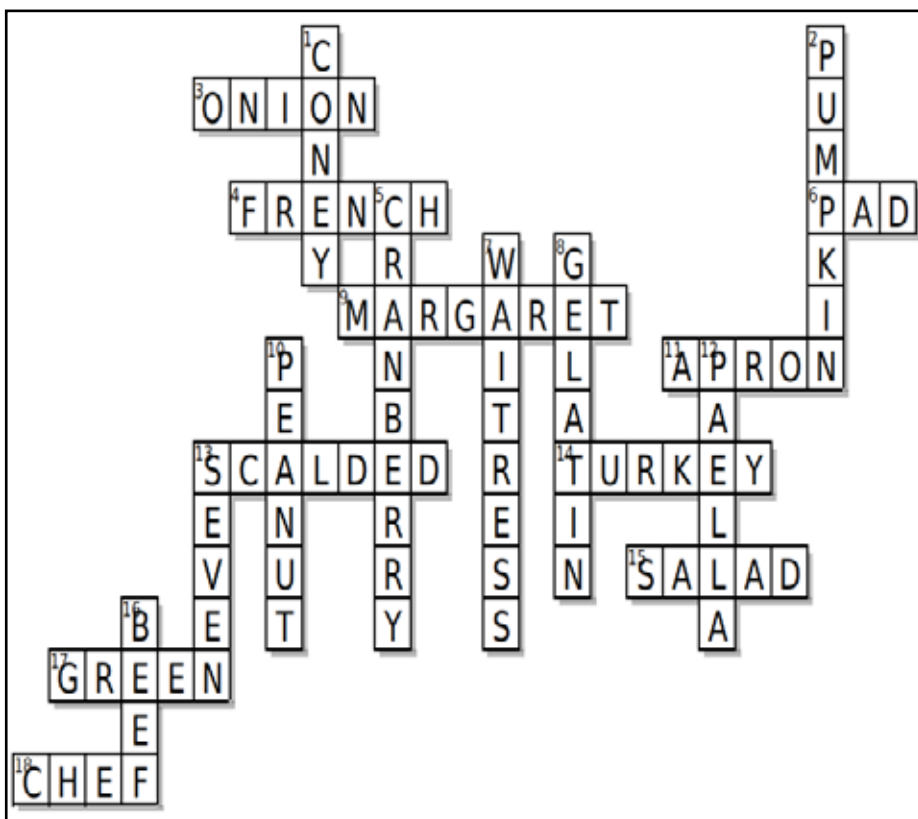
They were melt in your mouth cookies and I make a similar one but never had this particular recipe for it which Cathy King (thanks Cathy) found on the Corn Flake page online. Then it was confirmed as the correct recipe in a Browns Valley cookbook. So, here ya' go and ENJOY!!



PEANUT BUTTER KRUNCHIES

- 2/3 Cup Sugar
- 1 Cup. Light Karo
- 1 Cup Peanut Butter
- 1 tsp. Vanilla
- 5 Cups Corn Flakes.

Boil sugar, Karo, and vanilla together. Add Peanut Butter, stir. Then add corn flakes (off the stove). Put in a butter pan and spread. Let cook and cut into squares!! Great for a pitch-in but mark that there is peanut butter in it as many are allergic!



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County Connections: Laymon: a man of many trades

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The man of many trades (and talents) is what I'd tag this fellow for sure, one of which was running a restaurant which we will center upon, but of course, gotta' talk about the rest as well. Now, to be in the County Connection you came from somewhere else (or occasionally went somewhere else) and thus Wilson H. Laymon was born in Butler County, Ohio on the 4th day of November in 1823. He was the son of Joseph and Hannah (Harper) Laymon and was a member of a fairly large family (about 9) including David, Milton, Margaret, and Louisa.

Wilson achieved quite an impressive education and when but 22 finished up his law degree (Miami U) and became a member of the Ohio Bar at Columbus in 1845. This year, he also married his beloved Sarah (Sallie) Cooch - they were married well past their Ruby Anniversary at her death. Now, wait - it wasn't just law that pulled at his interests; in fact, he loved the newspaper business (he edited and published the Miami County Democrat) and was elected to a couple of city and county (Hamilton County, Ohio) offices. About this time, his viewpoints began to change and he took on a more Republican-framed paper, the Cincinnati Daily Citizen but this was short-lived as he was called to Crawfordsville to aide his father in his grocery business (retail and wholesale) as father, Joe, was feeling pretty tough at that point in time. Passed away a couple of years later and kind of a mess with the wrap-up of his estate occurring because his executor was David, who had been here briefly working with Wilson and his father as the Laymon Company but returned to Ohio and a change had to go through court really slowing down the process. Both Milton and Wilson were in the Civil War, Milton in the Ohio Light Artillery. When he returned he worked as a carpenter and some in law, at his home near Cincinnati and began his pension in August of 1890, passing away in 1895. Milton was in MoCo but a few years, as well.

Wilson was also in the war, enlisting in Co F, 86th Indiana working his way to a captaincy. This group of Civil War soldiers remained the best of pals until their very end. Wilson helped organize the 86th reunions and was Corresponding Secretary for many years. He wrote many resolutions for the group. Also, he began the GAR in Lafayette and served as the first Commander.

After the war, Wilson was the only Laymon to return here. Although he continued running the grocery business his father had started in the very early 1850s (which he later purchased) he was geared into politics and was unanimously voted in as Crawfordsville's first mayor serving two terms. His real desire was to spruce up the place (keeping the horses away from the shade trees and sidewalks (\$20 fine) and cleaning the walks and streets). In 1870, he was listed as a Revenue Assessor (are you counting his jobs - it's wow) and their three children are with he and Sallie (Emma 24; William - "Billy" 17 who was a Circus Man and James 9 at school).

Then in 1874, he purchased the eating house from JT Mack and decided he wanted the best of everything thus providing the best of satisfaction to all who called. Wasn't just his desire to have the best place in his adopted city but

one of the very best in the state. In the 1880 census, he still owns the quite impressive restaurant, Billy is a painter and James the cashier at Laymon's. The family also had several boarders, including WJ Sommers who was also a painter, R Kelly, a sewing machine agent, Robert Burns a printer and John Mills a cigar maker. A confectioner's shop was attached to the restaurant and imagine John was the cigar maker for them. Sadly, much sorrow came into the Captain's life in the next few years. Billy dropped dead of heart disease in September 1887. The very first day of the next year, Wilson's beloved Sallie died after being sick for quite some time. Her stone is not seen in the IOOF cemetery but his small one from the CW was photographed by Leia Bohne (FAGrave) - thanks.

Son James Tammany Laymon owned a cigar store in the next census, was married and had one child, Fabian. James not long thereafter went into the ice hauling business and then he, wife and Fabian moved to Washington, Indiana where he was quite the star of the county, owning several movie theaters. He passed away of a cerebral hemorrhage in early November 1926 and is buried there in the Oak Grove Cemetery. Fabian married but don't think had children. Wilson passed away 20 Dec 1891, and at that point, Emma had passed away, as well.

Now, one of the fav stories of many I read concerning this man was during his restaurant years. Charles J. Guiteau, quite famous in his own right (not far down the way, he would be hanged for assassinating President Garfield) was quite the stinker when he visited our little town, too. He had heard that Laymon's had one of the best restaurants in Indiana and he went to try his luck. Really enjoyed it; however, between the meal and the bill, Mr. Charlie took off scating away but not much was put over on Capt. WH Laymon. He had his eye on the sneaky-looking stranger and chased after him, catching him about a block away. Laymon laid into him and Mr. Charlie was all of a sudden quite happy to settle up on the food he had just enjoyed! Way to go, Cap!

His obituary (CWJ Dec 26, 1891) summed him up perfectly saying, "He was a loyal and generous citizen and his death removes an honest, upright man!" Count - WHL was a lawyer, grocer, editor, mayor, captain, carpenter, revenue assessor and restaurant owner, certainly a man of many trades and talents! RIP



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In Mo Co, it was a very good year in 1930 . . .

The census takers tallied 26,980 people in Montgomery County this year

Lula Goshorn wrote in her diary at the end of July that it was so hot (103 in the shade) that the tomatoes were scalding on the vines and corn drying up. Note: 106 was tallied in C'ville on July 28th.

Lowest temperature was Jan 18th at 18 degrees - below! 3.0" of snow was the most recorded on Jan 17th.

100 years before Waynetown was laid out and at its 100th birthday there were over a dozen additions to the original plat.

The Crawfordsville monument company began this year and is still going strong. They have made some pretty awesome monuments in close to 100 years of business!

127 Seniors attended Crawfordsville HS for the 1929-1930 year, with John Maloney as their President while Waveland HS had but 16.

The 1930 City directory had quite a list of Insurance companies for various reasons (Farm – Farmer's Mutual); City Property (Indiana Union Mutual); For tornado (Indiana Mutual Cycle Co); Automobile (Farmer's Mutual); Fire-Theft – Tornado – Collisions; Property Damage); Public Liability; all the above under one agreement – Harry P. Cooper!

Wabash won 3 and lost 6 football games in 1930, beating Central Normal, ISU and Millikin and the saddest loss was to Centre College (Danville KY) 0 to 53.

There were four bakeries in town A-Loaf; Cleveland; plus Ecker and Finley's both on Main.

Two brick manufacturers were in town (Poston's and Shale Brick)

With 20 groceries, it would be great not to have to fight to get in and walk 45 miles (okay an exaggeration) in our one and only. And, 10 meat markets to top that off with two poultry places (Shavers Hatchery – should write on that)

14 Dentists applied their expertise in the city alone and know a couple of the smaller towns had one available as well. 16 doctors.

Ready for this one? 7 drug stores – wow!

Three shoe stores and one shoe-shine parlor would have been wonderful to enjoy! Plus shoe repairs if you still wished to keep your old ones.

Definitely, all the smaller towns had at least one, sometimes 2-3 restaurants and C'ville tallied eight this year.

Japanese-based Bridgestone tires was the first company to offer tires internationally. Still available in C'ville today – Surb's Tires!

Sources used: Montgomery County IN GenWeb

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Grandcestors

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I love to cook – bet most of you know that and when I’m cooking I often think of the oddest things (granted I think of odd things when I don’t cook, too). Such as the other day I made French Toast for breakfast. I thought of two things that morning. One was that I’m not so great at cracking eggs even though I’ve had so much practice (in my case as with doing hair, practice does not make perfect) but I was always amazed at some of the cooks (Scott and Risty for two but know there were more) we had at the Zach’s Family Restaurant (A&W) as they cracked egg after egg with one hand. It was amazing. Karen Bazzani Zach would have it all over the place, believe you me! The other item I think of each and every time I make French Toast is that one morning I made some when the kids were teenagers. Amy Deckard (now Woodall) was there (she was a lot and has always been like our other daughter –

love ya’ Amy) and Jim’s folks ate sugar on theirs and mine ate syrup so I put both out on the table. Amy asked if we had any confectioner’s sugar. Got it for her and she proceeded smiling away while she ate. We talked about that being a bit strange but it sure wasn’t to her and she gave me a bite. I’ve never eaten anything but powdered sugar on my French Toast since. Glad Amy got me going in the right direction!!

My gpa’ worked in a restaurant in Rockville before he went to WWI. He mainly waited tables but could fill-in-whenever including



cooking. Both my grandmothers were amazing cooks. The kids around Waveland especially loved to go to my Italian grandmothers and eat her beyond belief Italian dishes. In fact, my Gma’ Smith liked to go with us to Gma’ Bazzanis (Nona – see photo) to eat. Mom was a pretty good cook except as many women in her time frame got the meat burned a lot (you know disease from uncooked meat – they’d not believe people eating raw meat and fish now) as was Jim’s mom and grandmother’s. Most all women are I think as long as they enjoy it! Mom was sick for 14 years with brain tumors and my dad spoiled her even more than he had previously. I helped him learn to cook and he became quite proficient at it (especially his amazing lemonade pie). We made Italian noodles together, baked a lot – so much fun!

Then you all know my hubs is a fab cook. He won the Poke Vaught award in National Guards with that in mind. It was pretty funny as a lot of the Guard officers would happen to find their way to Darlington where Jim was so they could eat at his mess. Do believe he made and taught his fellas to make the very best cinnamon rolls ever! Margaret (see the Feature article) was amazing but if she was off work, Jim could do that all, too. His dad was a pretty good cook (and pretty good card player) but Jim could whomp him at both!

I do like to tease Jim about his ancestor who was the head mess boy for one of Jim’s Kings. The ancestor King was interesting and well-fed by his lower-life cook, but both were pretty amazing directs to Jim, no doubt. For sure, we could go on and on about cooking and you could read bunches of stories about people I’ve cooked for, people who have cooked for me, ancestors and even descendants as daughter Suzie is one amazing cook, as is our dau-in-law, Kat and our granddaughter, Reilley is sure getting the hang of it, too but let’s suffice to reiterate that I love to cook but the big problem is, I love to eat as well. My motto concerning eating and genealogy = “Half Italian – love of Pasta. Other half, Heinz 57 – love of Sweets. Yikes! I’m doomed!” See ya’ next month!!

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Celebrating 100 Seasons Of Purdue Football At Ross- Ade Stadium - Part 5 & 6



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This is part 5 of a series celebrating 100 seasons of Purdue football at Ross-Ade Stadium.

The best decade of football in Purdue history, the 1960s saw Purdue not only share a Big Ten championship but also reach the Rose Bowl for the first time.

Jack Mollenkopf's teams went 8-2 against Indiana and 7-3 against Notre Dame. Just as phenomenal was the Boilermakers' success against Michigan. Following a 1962 home victory against the Wolverines, Purdue won the next four matchups from 1963-66 at Ann Arbor.

A composite record of 65-28-3 in the decade propelled Mollenkopf to his eventual election to the College Football Hall of Fame. Joining him there from the 1960s were Leroy Keyes, Bob Griese and Mike Phipps.

That decade of success paved the way for the greatest recruiting class in Purdue football history. Among the freshmen enrolled in 1969 were future NFL first-round draft picks Dave Butz (5th), Otis Armstrong (9th) and Darryl Stingley (19th). Gary Hrivnak (2nd round), Steve Baumgartner (2nd round), Gregg Bingham (4th round), Brent Myers (6th round) and Donn Smith (7th round) also saw time in the NFL. Quarterback Gary Danielson went undrafted but played 13 seasons with Detroit and Cleveland.

Best Ross-Ade games of the 1960s

Oct. 15, 1960: Purdue 24, No. 3 Ohio State 21 – Willie Jones rushed for three touchdowns, and Bernie Allen's 32-yard field goal proved to be the game winner.

Oct. 28, 1961: Purdue 9, No. 5 Iowa

0 – With Bob DeMoss coaching in place of hospitalized Jack Mollenkopf, the Boilermakers shut out the Hawkeyes for the first time in 79 games.

Ron DiGravio scored on a 1-yard sneak in the first quarter and Skip Ohl added a 27-yard field goal in the third quarter on a rainy afternoon.

Sept. 25, 1965: No. 6 Purdue 25, No. 1 Notre Dame 21 – Bob Griese became a great quarterback on this day, completing 19 of 22 passes for 283 yards and three touchdowns.

"This was the finest passing performance I've ever seen," Notre Dame coach Ara Parseghian said afterward.

The completion percentage (.864), and 322 yards of total offense were among four Purdue records Griese established. Gordon Teter's 3-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter was the difference.

Nov. 19, 1966: No. 10 Purdue 51, Indiana 6 – A 34-point second quarter left no doubt that the Boilermakers would wrap up their first trip to the Rose Bowl.

Purdue led 7-0 after the first quarter on an 80-yard touchdown pass from Bob Griese to Jim Finley. The lead was 41-0 at halftime thanks to touchdown runs by Griese and Leroy Keyes plus touchdown passes of 67 yards to Bob Baltzell and 10 yards to Jim Beirne. Keyes also threw a 12-yard touchdown pass to Beirne.

Sept. 30, 1967: No. 10 Purdue 28, No. 1 Notre Dame 21 – Sophomore quarterback Mike Phipps was on the cover of Sports Illustrated following this victory after combining with Notre Dame's Terry Hanratty to throw a stadium record 98 passes.

Phipps was 14 of 24 for 238 yards, including the game-winning 31-yard touchdown pass to Bob Baltzell. Perry Williams ran for two scores, and Leroy Keyes caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from Phipps.

Nov. 23, 1968: No. 12 Purdue 38, Indiana 35 – With Jack Mollenkopf sidelined due to illness, Bob DeMoss coached the Boilermakers to victory in the final game for Leroy Keyes, Perry Williams and other key members of the Rose Bowl squad.

Keyes scored the game-winning touchdown on a 1-yard run with 95 seconds to play. He accounted for four touchdowns and 289 yards of total offense. Keyes became the first Boilermaker to rush for 1,000 yards in a season and finished with 2,090 for his career.

Oct. 4, 1969: No. 8 Purdue 36, No. 17 Stanford 35 – Mike Phipps outdueled Stanford's Jim Plunkett, completing

28 of 39 passes for 429 yards and five touchdowns. All four of those figures broke Purdue records.

Phipps pulled Purdue within 35-34 late in the game on a 14-yard TD pass to Stanley Brown. Coach Jack Mollenkopf went for the win, and Phipps passed to Greg Fenner for the two-point conversion.

"There was a little bit of luck there," Phipps said in 1998. "I scrambled and threw across the grain, which is not a good idea."

Plunkett, who would win the Heisman Trophy in 1970, was 23 of 46 for 355 yards and four touchdowns.

"It was probably one of the most exciting games I ever played in," Phipps said.

Top players of 1960s Ross-Ade
Bob Griese – The future College and Pro Football Hall of Famer almost didn't play quarterback at Purdue.

Assistant coach Bob DeMoss, who knew a thing or two about throwing the football, struggled to correct Griese's wobbly passes during his freshman season. So, DeMoss turned to his old coach, Cecil Isbell. The former Green Bay Packers record-holder watched Griese throw two passes on film.

"Turn it off," Isbell said to DeMoss. "Here's what's wrong with him. He's not turning his wrist out."

DeMoss put Griese in front of a mirror and had him practice the proper form. Griese became the starting quarterback in 1964 and earned All-America honors in 1965 and 1966. Purdue went 22-7-1 with Griese at the helm.

Griese should have been Purdue's first Heisman Trophy winner in 1966, but former Indianapolis Star sports editor Bob Collins speculated in his book "Boilermakers: A History of Purdue Football" that a national magazine article stating Florida's Steve Spurrier was the better NFL prospect was the difference in the voting.

Spurrier became a career backup in the NFL while Griese earned two Super Bowl rings with the Miami Dolphins.

"To Bob DeMoss, I feel I owe my football life," Griese said in the 1972 book "Great Quarterbacks." "He taught me how to throw. Really. Without him, I'd still be a side-armed playing catch with my son on Sunday mornings."

Leroy Keyes - "The Greatest Player in Purdue Football History," as voted by fans on the 100th anniversary of Boilermaker football in 1987, seldom needed motivation against any opponent.

Notre Dame fans, as well as most of

the national media, fueled Keyes on the eve of a rare No. 1 vs. No. 1 matchup. The Boilermakers were atop the Associated

Press poll, while the Fighting Irish led the UPI rankings going into the 1968 matchup at South Bend.

"We were the kids on the block who got no respect," Keyes recalled in 1998. "Most of them wrote, 'if Leroy Keyes stays healthy and matches his junior season when he won the national scoring title, Purdue can win.' We believed to a man when we came to spring ball that we could win the national championship."

Some Notre Dame students came up with the idea of plastering "Most Wanted" signs on campus with Keyes' photo underneath. "I wondered, 'what did I do to these guys?'" he said.

The next day he did plenty, scoring two touchdowns and throwing a touchdown pass in the convincing 37-22 victory.

Elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1990, Keyes' school records include scoring 19 touchdowns during the 1967 season.

"When I was on the football field, my job was to be the best player on the field," Keyes said. "It became a will game to me. Who had the greater will to get the job done? I willed myself not to get beat."

Bob Hadrick – The shifty end was the first Boilermaker to be selected first-team All-Big Ten three times.

As a junior, Hadrick was Purdue's Most Valuable Player. As Bob Griese's go-to receiver in 1964 and 1965, Hadrick caught 113 passes for 1,391 yards.

Perry Williams – The third man in arguably the greatest backfields in Purdue history from 1966-68 (Bob Griese or Mike Phipps at quarterback and Leroy Keyes), Williams rushed for 2,049 yards and scored 30 touchdowns.

During his time as a Boilermaker, Purdue went 25-6 with a Rose Bowl victory and a share of the 1967 Big Ten title.

Williams scored both touchdowns in the 14-13 victory against USC in Pasadena.

"Great blocker, fantastic runner, great hands as a receiver and one hellacious competitor," Keyes recalled in 2004.

Mike Phipps – The first quarterback to lead his team to victory three consecutive years against Notre Dame, Phipps was voted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2006.

The Boilermakers finished 8-2 in each

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of his three seasons (1967-69). The Fighting Irish were ranked Nos. 1, 2 and 9 at the time of those victories.

“I’m very proud of it, but I was just the quarterback,” Phipps said in 1998. “We had great players on offense and defense. We expected to win. Notre Dame just happened to be in the way.”

Phipps was a unanimous All-American in 1969 and runner-up to Oklahoma’s Steve Owens in one of the closest votes in Heisman Trophy history.

Tim Foley – As an All-American safety, Foley helped Purdue compile a 24-6 record between 1967 and 1969.

Foley then played 11 seasons with the Miami Dolphins, earning two Super Bowl rings.

Jim Beirne – A first-team All-American wide receiver in 1967, Beirne held the Purdue career receiving yards record (1,864) for 13 seasons.

Beirne was selected to Purdue’s all-time football team in 1987.

Jerry Shay – A first-team All-American defensive tackle in 1965, Shay helped the Boilermakers record three consecutive victories at Michigan between 1963-65.

A first-round draft pick of the Minnesota Vikings in 1966, Shay became a distinguished scout with the New York Giants. Among the players he was directly responsible for the Giants drafting included Lawrence Taylor, Michael Strahan, Harry Carson and Phil Simms.

John Charles – An All-American defensive back in 1966, Charles made 11 tackles on his way to winning Rose Bowl Most Valuable Player honors.

Charles was a first-round pick by the Boston Patriots in 1967 and recorded 16 interceptions during an eight-year career that included stops in Minnesota and Houston.

Chuck Kyle – Like Hadrick, Kyle was a three-time first-team All-Big Ten selection at middle guard from 1966-68.

His career highlights included a then-school record three interceptions against Iowa and 27 tackles in his final game against Indiana.

Part 6

There was no shortage of individual talent in the 1970s with the best recruiting class in Boilermaker history making its collective debut to begin the decade.

Nine members of the 1972 senior class played in the NFL. Five of them

were taken in the first two rounds of the NFL Draft: Dave Butz, Otis Armstrong, Darryl Stingley, Gary Hrivnak and Steve Baumgartner.

Team success, though, eluded Purdue until the arrival of Jim Young from Arizona in 1977. By the end of the decade, Young had coached the Boilermakers to their only 10-win season in school history.

Purdue was one point away from sharing a Big Ten championship in 1978. That 24-24 tie at Wisconsin left the Boilermakers (6-1-1) a half-game behind Michigan (7-1) and Michigan State (7-1) for the conference title.

Best Ross-Ade games of the 1970s

Nov. 25, 1972: Purdue 42, Indiana 7 – One week after Purdue literally let a share of the Big Ten title slip away on Michigan’s icy turf, the Boilermakers took out their frustrations on the Hoosiers.

Otis Armstrong, who appeared on his way to scoring the game-winning touchdown at Michigan only to lose his footing in a 9-6 loss, rushed for a Purdue record 276 yards and three touchdowns. The final carry of his Boilermaker career was a 53-yard touchdown run.

Armstrong became the Big Ten’s all-time leading rusher with 3,135 to surpass 1954 Heisman Trophy winner Alan Ameche of Wisconsin. Ameche amassed his total in four years to Armstrong’s three.

Nov. 6, 1976: Purdue 16, No. 1 Michigan 14 – The 30-point underdog Boilermakers stunned the Wolverines on Rock Supan’s 23-yard field goal with 4:20 remaining.

Scott Dierking rushed for 162 yards on a school-record 38 carries and scored both touchdowns.

“It’s the happiest day of my life,” said Purdue coach Alex Agase, who was fired 20 days later after losing the finale to Indiana.

Oct. 14, 1978: Purdue 27, No. 16 Ohio State 16 – Mark Herrmann’s 19-yard touchdown pass to Willie Harris in the fourth quarter clinched the victory.

It was Purdue’s first victory against the Buckeyes since 1967 and a sweet win for second-year coach Jim Young, who played for Woody Hayes on OSU’s 1954 national championship team.

Sept. 22, 1979: No. 17 Purdue 28, No. 5 Notre Dame 22 – A record crowd of 70,567 fans – 1,367 above Ross-Ade’s

capacity at the time – saw the Boilermakers rally from a 13-point deficit in the third quarter.

A pair of Wally Jones touchdown runs gave Purdue the lead entering the fourth quarter. Mark Herrmann made it 28-20 with a 6-yard touchdown pass to Bart Burrell with 8:21 to play.

Nov. 10, 1979: No. 14 Purdue 24, No. 10 Michigan 21 – Bill Kay intercepted three passes and the Boilermakers made a defensive stand in the final minute.

Kay’s first interception set up a 2-yard Ben McCall touchdown run. Mark Herrmann scored only his second rushing touchdown in three seasons to make it 14-0. An interception by linebacker Mike Marks allowed McCall to score his second touchdown on a 9-yard run to up the lead to 24-6 with 10:27 to play.

Top players of 1970s Ross-Ade

Otis Armstrong – The Chicago native rushed for 3,315 yards from 1970-72 and was a first-team All-American and 1972 Big Ten Conference MVP.

Armstrong still holds the Purdue single-game rushing record of 276 yards in his final game against Indiana on Nov. 25, 1972. He was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2012.

Dave Butz – Elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2014, the 6-foot-7 Butz was a consensus All-American defensive tackle as a senior and a Lombardi Award finalist.

Darryl Stingley – Like Armstrong and Butz, Stingley was an NFL first-round draft pick in 1973.

The wide receiver was elected to the Purdue Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame in 2004.

Gary Danielson – The third of three consecutive Purdue quarterbacks to play in the NFL, Danielson may have an unbreakable Boilermaker record. Danielson set the Boilermaker single-game QB record by rushing for 213 yards against Washington in 1972.

Gregg Bingham – Twice a first-team All-Big Ten selection at middle guard, Bingham went on to a 12-year career in the NFL.

Larry Burton – One of the fastest to ever wear a Purdue football jersey, Burton was a first-team All-American wide receiver in 1974.

A former world record holder in the 60-meter dash, Burton finished fourth in the 200 at the 1972 Olympics.

Mike Pruitt – His combination of

power and speed (4.4 time in the 40-yard dash) made him one of the Big Ten’s top running backs from 1973-75.

He earned two Pro Bowl honors during his career with the Cleveland Browns, retiring as the team’s third-leading career rusher behind Jim Brown and Leroy Kelly.

Scott Dierking – Rushing for nearly 3,000 yards at Purdue, Dierking is best remembered for his heroics against No. 1 Michigan in 1976. He went on to play eight seasons in the NFL.

Keena Turner – One of Purdue’s all-time greatest defensive ends, Turner was a first-team All-Big Ten selection as a junior and a senior. He went on to win four Super Bowl rings with the San Francisco 49ers.

Mark Herrmann – During his Purdue career, Herrmann set 23 Purdue, six Big Ten and nine NCAA records. Herrmann was the first quarterback to pass for 8,000 and then 9,000 yards.

The former Carmel standout was the MVP of the 1978 Peach, 1979 Bluebonnet and 1980 Liberty bowls and guided Purdue to a 33-13-1 record in his four years as starting quarterback.

Herrmann was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2011.

Dave Young – The first tight end to lead the nation in receptions per game, Young earned All-America honors as a senior in 1980.

Noteworthy

For the fourth time this season, Westfield graduate Dillon Thieneman has been selected Big Ten Freshman of the Week.

The Purdue safety becomes the first defensive player in Big Ten history to win the award four times. Boilermaker great wide receivers Rondale Moore (2018) and David Bell (2019) also were four-time winners on the way to being named Big Ten Freshman of the Year.

Thieneman led Purdue in tackles for the sixth time, collecting nine in the 49-30 victory against Minnesota. As the nation’s leading freshman in tackles (88), solo tackles (60), interceptions (3), and forced fumbles (2), Thieneman is the only Big Ten player to make the semifinal list for the Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award.

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