

June 28, 2024

TODAY'S VERSE

2 Corinthians 5:6,7 Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: For we walk by faith, not by sight

Meet



Gio is a 1 year old male German Shepherd that has been at AWL since 5/23/24. Gio loves going out for walks, getting brushed, and frolicking in a fenced yard. Gio is a handsome boy with one blue eye and a superstar personality. Gio is looking for his best friend. Could that be you? Gio is neutered, dewormed, microchipped, and up to date on all of his shots. Gio is available for adoption, to foster, or just simply going out for walks. AWL is open Monday-Friday from 12:15p-5p and Saturday's from 9:30a-3p. Come snuggle cats in a community cat room, walk dogs, or lend a helping hand!

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Ask Rusty - Grieving Husband **Asks About His Survivor Benefits**



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email us at ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org.

Dear Rusty:

Rusty

My wife died May 4, 2024. I notified Social Security, and they have removed the direct deposit made to my joint checking account on May 8, 2024. What are my options now for obtaining any benefits from my wife's Social Security account? Signed: Grieving Husband

Dear Grieving Husband:

Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your wife. Rest assured that we're here to assist with any Social Security questions you may have at this difficult time.

FYI, a person must live the entire month to be eligible for SS benefits for that month (Social Security benefits aren't paid for the month a person dies). For this reason, and as a matter of standard protocol, Social Security instructed the bank to return any payments received for your wife after her death. This is often referred to as the "claw back" rule.

In some circumstances, however, Social Security

"claws back" money which rightfully belongs to the deceased, as they did in this case. Your wife's Social Security payment received on May 8th was her payment for the month of April, and she was fully entitled to that payment because she lived for the entire month of April. I suggest that you download, fill out, and submit Form SSA-1724 to your local Social Security office to recover that May 8th payment, which rightfully belongs to your wife's estate. Note that the bank will automatically return any future SS payments received for your wife.

As your wife's surviving spouse, you are also entitled to a one-time lump sum "death benefit" of \$255, which you can request by calling your local SS field office (get the number at www.ssa.gov/locator), or by calling 1.800.772.1213. During that call you can also explore whether you are entitled to any additional SS benefit as a

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AARP Awards Grants to 5 Hoosier Organizations

AARP announced five organizations throughout Indiana will receive 2024 Community Challenge grants part of AARP's largest investment in communities to date with \$3.8 million awarded among 343 organizations nationwide.

Grantees will implement quick-action projects that help communities become more livable by improving public places; transportation; housing; digital connections; and more, with an emphasis on the needs of adults ages 50 and older.

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Volunteering Together to Build Friendships and Strengthen Bonds

(Family Features) Volunteering has always been a big part of Shelley Brosnan's life, whether she was serving in her children's school or in their Fairfax, Va., community. When Brosnan retired, increasing her volunteer efforts was a natural next step. Serving with Volunteer Fairfax, an AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP program, she spends about 10 hours a week teaching new volunteers about helping older adults age in place, providing food for those in need and extending the capacity of local nonprofits.

"There's so much to love about volunteering," Brosnan said. "Providing purpose and

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Meet the **Mastersons**



Meet John **KAREN ZACH**

Around The

Studebaker Masterson and wife, Dorcus Ann Vancleave. Doesn't that beard just catch your eye and you want to know more about him? Does me! I've never

seen one like it! She's still quite an outstanding looking woman, even after birthing ten children, too. Pretty good couple, I'd say. So, let me tell you about these two.

John was the son of James Masterson and wife Mary Douglass born in Darke County, Ohio 28 Feb 1822. Dorcus was a native of MoCo, the youngest of seven children born to Enoch and Elizabeth (Morris) VanCleave in 1830.She and John married when he was 24 and she 18.

Five daughters were born to them, oddly followed by five sons and here's a bit about each of those.

Eliza Jane was born near Darlington while her father farmed on June 19, 1851. She married John Oswalt in 1872, they living in the New Market area both active members in the United Brethren Church. They were parents of three sons: John, Ray, Verne and I believe a daughter, Verda.

Mary Elizabeth was born in Franklin Township 15 days before Christmas in 1853, she having married on the 2nd of October in 1874, Charles Winter who had worked for her parents on their farm, not long before they fell in love and married. Believe they had but one daughter, Jennie. The Winters moved to Lafayette where she passed away 8 June 1935 after having broken a hip a couple of years before and never really recovering.

I lost Sarah Ann Masterson for a long time and found her just as I was finishing up this article. She was born 15 July 1855 at Darlington, must have lived in Waveland at least a short time, being a member of the Christian Church there. She married a Civil War soldier, James Robert Greene and they had one daughter. Sarah died in 1925, just shy of her 70th birthday and is also buried in the Spring Vale cemetery in Tippecanoe!

Amanda Alice Masterson arrived three days before Christmas in 1857. She was forever called "Allie." She

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TODAY'S QUOTE

"Do not wait to strike till the iron is hot, but make it hot by striking." William Butler Yates

TODAY'S JOKE

How do you know if a pool is safe for diving or not? It deep-ends.

■ MONTGOMERY **MINUTE**

The panorama of sights, symphony of sounds and festival of flavors better known as the TASTE of Montgomery County, is scheduled for Aug. 24 at the wonderful General Lew Wallace Study & Museum. Tickets are \$8/adult (\$5 presale), \$3/student, children 6 and under are free. Food tickets are \$1/ticket, and no food item is more than 5 tickets.

for subscribing!

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Got an injury? RICE it - Rest, Ice, and if possible Compression (wrap) and Elevate the injured body part. 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



THREE THINGS

You Should Know

- You can expect to run into a snake or two while wandering in a forest, a swamp or a desert. Perhaps the last place you might expect running into a serpent-on-the-loose is amid the hustle and bustle of the streets of New York where the city's "finest" found themselves looking for a runaway boa constrictor on the loose recently. The NYPD round up the runaway snake in the upper West Side and turned it over to the Animal Care Centers of NYC.
- George Frandsen was cited recently by the judges of the Guinness Book of World Records for amassing the largest collection of primordial poop, better known scientifically as fossilized feces. Over the years, Frandsen has collected 8,000 pieces of historic dung, according to the Guinness judges. As he put it, "several years ago, I noticed a glaring absence of coprolite representation in mainstream sources and museum exhibits." That prompted him to create what he bills as his Poozeum -- "the world's premier dinosaur poop museum and gift shop."
- an aircraft passes through a cloud and "the air around its wings and body expands and cools," according to The National Weather Service. The NWS calls it a "fallstreak hole" and noted that it apparently occurred recently over Vermont and New York's Champlain Valley. It's a phenomenon that can leave behind it cloud formations that used to be blamed for UFO sightings.

It's rare but "hole punch clouds" are real. It happens when



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OBITUARY

Chuck Clore

July 11, 1947 - June 14, 2024

Chuck was born in Crawfordsville, Indiana, to Austin Clore and Georgia (Cole) Clore on July 11, 1947.

Chuck attended Crawfordsville High School in Crawfordsville, Indiana, where he participated in Junior Achievement and the



Paletteers Art Club. He was a yearbook photographer and senior corduroy designer and artist.

After high school graduation, Chuck followed his faith to attend North Central University (formerly North Central Bible College) in Minneapolis, Minnesota. There, he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Bible and Pastoral Studies and met his wife of 54 years.

Upon completing his degree, he served as a youth pastor. He also pursued his creative interests, taking several art and design courses at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. He excelled and decided to pursue a new vocation. Chuck's graphic design career began when he accepted a job at the Assemblies of God Headquarters and moved his young wife and twin girls to Springfield, Missouri. Chuck was an active member of the Springfield advertising community for over forty years.

Chuck had a deep appreciation for the visual arts. He mentored many children and young adults, teaching cartooning classes at the Springfield Art Museum and independently. He was quick to offer support and guidance to young creatives.

Chuck enjoyed memoir writing, editorial cartooning, and spending time with family and friends (the four-legged, furry variety included). He had a quick wit and gift for storytelling. If you needed a laugh, a creative solution, sound advice, or a loyal friend, you wanted Chuck in the room.

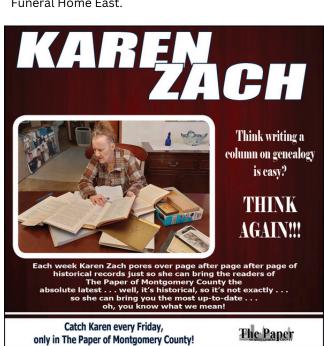
For the last several years, Chuck has been a regular contributor to Montgomery Memories - a monthly literary magazine published by The Paper of Montgomery County.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Austin Clore and Georgia (Cole) Clore; his siblings, Delta Mae (Clore) Owens, Beverly (Clore) Crowder, and James "Toby" Clore; and his niece and nephews, Gail (Owens) Knowles, Dan Owens, and Greg Burge.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Judy; his daughters, April Clore and Carrie Clore; and his nieces and nephews, Susan (Owens) Meadows-Hayenga, Pamela (Burge) Thomas, Gene Burge, Kirk Clore, Shelly (Clore) Leatherman, Derrick Clore, and Christy (Clore) Stevens.

To honor Chuck, a celebration of life service will be held on July 27, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Schweitzer Church on 2747 East Sunshine Street, Springfield, Missouri, 65804. A reception will follow at the church.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Greenlawn Funeral Home East.



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LAND Guest

humble opinion, books are better than their onscreen

counterpart. However, I am not above being swayed by the silver screen, or in other words, a television in the comfort of my own home. Many beloved tales, and perhaps some contemporary favorites, have been turned into TV series across many streaming platforms. These adaptations bring our favorite stories to life right in front of our eyes, no longer just a mirage in our minds. CDPL provides a collection of adapted works that may have inspired your latest 3-seasonbinge.

Dearest gentle readers will be thrilled to find "The Bridgertons: Happily Ever After" by Julia Quinn (FIC Qui) offers fans of the Netflix regency romance a few "2nd Epilogues" to their favorite narratives of the blooming series. Will your burning questions about the Bridgertons finally be answered? The standalone romance, "One Day" by David Nicholls (Fic Nic) could be your next date night go-to or early night-in read, giggling at the utter infectious banter. Following Emma and Dexter, two recent grads, they kindle a spark that ignites a twenty-year kinship (yeah, this one's a true slow-burn).

Liane Moriarty found raving success adapting her works to television series beginning with "Big Little Lies" (Fic Mor) which focuses on an accidental murder involving three mothers. Added success was instituted with other works such as "Nine Perfect Strangers" (Fic Mor). Characters create a chemistry on the page that was equally achieved on screen with actors such as Nicole Kidman and Melissa McCarthy. Most recently, "Apples Never Fall" (Fic Mor) relays the tale of a tennis-driven family on the precipice of ruin when a newcomer enters the situation. Moriarty capitalizes on themes of family drama, mystery, suspense, and ingenious storytelling.

If you enjoyed Moriarty's critical evaluations of families' intertwined fates, check out "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng (Fic Ng). The dueling personalities of two mothers in the same

neighborhood leave

more than just their lives and dignities aflame. For fans of shows like "Star Trek: Discovery" (DVD TV FIC Sta) and "3 Body Problem", "Beacon 23" a book by Hugh Howey (Fic How) will be right up your galactic system. Cosmonauts explore themes of solitude, insanity, peace, and forgiveness in an isolated galactic lighthouse.

When you've satiated your fictional narrative need, check out stories based on real life! Lindy West divulges realities amongst challenging conventional attractions as a woman in "Shrill: Notes from a Loud Woman" (818.6 Wes). Cheryl Strayed in "Tiny Beautiful Things: Advice from Dear Sugar" (070.4 Str) utilizes a compilation of her work as an advice columnist to help readers deal with love, loss, and hardship.

Other titles in our collection deal with more difficult topics such as "Dopesick: Dealers, Doctors, and the Drug Company that Addicted America" by Beth Macy (362.29 Mac) which uncovers the epicenter of America's opioid epidemic. Lawrence Wright, author of "The Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11" (973.931 Wri), earned a Pulitzer Prize for the novel, uncovering the disquieting details of FBI counterterrorism prior to 9/11.

You can find all these titles and more in our 2nd floor display as well as some of their on-screen adaptations in our TV Series DVD collections, available with a library card. If you haven't signed up for our Adult Summer Reading program yet, be sure to grab a brochure at our service desk or go to cdpl.beanstack.com to get started. All you have to do is read one hour a week to be eligible for our weekly prizes and to earn a free prize book every week! This program is available through July 9th.

For more library news, check out what's happening on our website at www.cdpl.lib.in.us or call us at 765-362-2242. Our regular open hours are Monday-Thursday 9 am-9 pm, Friday-Saturday 9 am-5 pm, and Sunday 1-5

Emma Land is a Library Assistant in the Adult Services Department at CDPL.

Butch Dale's **Flashback** Trivia



Do You Recognize This Teacher?

HINT: She taught for many years at Ladoga and Darlington.

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"AARP Indiana is proud to collaborate with this year's grantees as they make immediate improvements to address long-standing and emerging challenges across our communities," State Director Sarah Waddle said. "We are committed to working with these local leaders, advocates and policymakers to make our communities better places to live for Hoosiers of all ages, especially those

Here in Indiana, projects funded include:

50 and older."

- City of Lafayette (\$10,000): Lafayette's project will transform a neighborhood's blighted areas into inviting public spaces through art that tells stories collected from local, older residents.
- South Milford Community League (\$20,000), South Milford: The South Milford Community League will expand a local park by clearing overgrown areas and improving ADA accessibility.
- Angola Main Street (\$10,000), Angola: This Community Challenge project builds inclusivity by installing wheelchairaccessible picnic tables in downtown parks.
- **CORE Community** Center (\$8,410), Frankfort: This project will create a new walking path that provides a safe and aesthetically pleasing place for individuals and outdoors while the weather allows.
- Families Anchored in Total Harmony, Inc. (\$2,500), Gary: The organization will include AARP HomeFit information for Food is Medicine program participants during weekly education sessions, as well as include the AARP HomeFit Guide with their weekly produce boxes.

This year, AARP awarded three different grant opportunities, including flagship grants, capacitybuilding microgrants for improving walkability, bikeability and accessible home

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modifications, and demonstration grants that focus on equitable engagement to reconnect communities, housing choice design competitions and improving digital connections to endure disasters.

With funding support from Toyota Motor North America, the program is increasing its investment in pedestrian safety projects that will improve streets and sidewalks, create vibrant pedestrian infrastructure, engage community members and much more. AARP is also bolstering its investment in community resilience, rural communities, and addressing disparities.

"Whether it's helping

people access high speed internet or protecting public transit riders from rain and snow, small community projects can have a big impact on people of all ages," said Nancy LeaMond, **AARP Executive Vice** President and Chief Advocacy & Engagement Officer. "AARP Community Challenge grantees make our commitment to creating better places to live a reality through quick, innovative solutions."

The grant program is part of AARP's nationwide Livable Communities initiative, which supports the efforts of cities, towns, neighborhoods and rural areas to become great places to live for people of all ages, with an emphasis on people ages 50 and older. Since 2017, AARP Indiana has awarded 31 grants and \$391,628 through the program to nonprofit organizations and government entities across the state.

AARP Community Challenge grant projects will be funded in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. True to the program's quick-action nature, projects must be completed by December 15, 2024. View the full list of grantees and their project descriptions at aarp.org/communityc hallenge and learn more about AARP's livable communities work at aarp.org/livable.

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia

Answer: Ramona Ainsworth

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serving the community are obvious reasons, but the connections I make with others are one of the greatest benefits. I just really love helping people and I've made friends through volunteering."

Brosnan's experience with volunteering is backed by science. According to the Mayo Clinic, having a solid social network improves both physical and mental health as it can boost happiness, increase your sense of belonging and improve selfconfidence. As people age, many social avenues from earlier phases of life, such as school and work, no longer exist and making friends can be difficult. The Mayo Clinic suggests volunteering as a beneficial way to make friends and improve social well-being.

"Volunteering fosters more connected and less isolated older adults," said Atalaya Sergi, director at AmeriCorps Seniors. "Our research, focused on the impact of our programs, finds volunteering can provide positive health and well-being outcomes. In our study, 84% of participants reported stable or improving health and 88% had lower feelings of isolation within one year of volunteering. Each year, we match more than 143,000 Americans with volunteer opportunities, helping build connections and address societal issues, nurturing real relationships that help people become both

Adults ages 55 and up, like Brosnan, can be matched with local volunteer organizations fitting their interests, skills and availability through AmeriCorps Seniors, the nation's largest national service program for older adults, which offers three signature programs, RSVP, the Foster Grandparent Program and the Senior Companion Program. Brosnan, an RSVP volunteer, and others nationwide play crucial roles in community resilience and connectedness.

happier and more

fulfilled."

The time commitment for all programs is flexible, ranging from a few hours to 40 hours per week.

Research studies like the Harvard University Study of Adult Development, found that older adults who invest in, care for and develop the next generation are three times as likely to be

happy as those who did not. Foster



Grandparent volunteers Francois Mwabi and Jerome Menyo, based in Kentwood, Mich., are two more examples of the difference it can make to serve.

Mwabi and Menyo attest to the joy of impacting youth by passing on their wisdom and sharing their culture and language with students, many of whom are refugees from different parts of Africa just as Mwabi and Menyo themselves were several years ago. The two volunteers are so popular among the students and staff that teachers had to work out a schedule for all their students to be able to spend time with them.

One of the reasons the program has such a positive impact is the intergenerational connections it helps establish. Benefits abound not only for the young, but particularly for the volunteers.

"We love being here because of the environment and the students who study here," Menyo said. "The teachers like us. I help students who speak my language. I enjoy it and they enjoy it, too."

To be matched to rewarding volunteer opportunities near you, visit AmeriCorps.gov/Your Moment.



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surviving spouse.

If your wife's monthly

SS retirement benefit was more than your current monthly SS benefit, you will be entitled to receive her higher monthly amount instead of your own smaller amount (FYI, if you haven't yet reached your own full retirement age your survivor benefit will be reduced). And if you are not yet collecting your own SS benefit, you have the option to claim your survivor benefit from your wife first while allowing your personal SS retirement benefit to continue to grow, up to maximum at age 70 if you like.

Just be aware that if you haven't yet reached your full retirement age (FRA) and you are still working, any SS benefit you take before your FRA will be subject to Social Security's "earnings test" which limits how much can be earned before they take away some of your SS benefits. The 2024 annual earnings limit is \$22,320 (changes annually) for those who claim prior to the year they attain full retirement age, and SS will take away \$1 of benefits for every \$2 over the annual limit. The "earnings test" no longer applies after you reach your full retirement age.

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KAREN

married John Baker at age 43 in Tippecanoe County. They had no children but she was close to his son and two daughters as well as her three brothers who lived in Lafayette. John was a grocer for many years at the corner of 26th and South streets. They were active members of the Grace United Brethren Church.

The youngest of the girls was Hannah who married at age 27 to Sam Royal. They had one son, Fred who was a WWI veteran who suffered from shell shock and was entered into the Marion National Soldier's Home where he passed away in November 1927. Buried Dayton Cemetery in Lafayette with full military rights and with his parents. Hannah passed 11 years later

Their oldest son, William M. was just 35 years old when he died and that was from nervous exhaustion after fighting typhoid fever for four weeks. He was a farmer and brakeman on the railroad and is buried in Freedom Cemetery near Waveland.

after a short illness.

Second son John E. I don't believe ever married and was born in November 1865 in Darlington, passing in Lafayette 1 June 1948 from heart myocarditis at age 82 and a half years old.He was a retired barber and is buried at Spring Vale in Lafayette.

Not sure if Stowe is my favorite because of how his life went or because I love that name. Stowe Francis was born in MoCo 6 Oct 1869 and passed at age 70 in Lafayette buried Spring Vale, as well. He was active in the Masons organizations. Stowe was the superintendent of the Lafayette municipal parking grounds; he had also been employed at a couple of lumber companies. He too was a Methodist, belonging to Trinity ME Church in Lafayette and F&AM, IOOF and K of P. He married Lena Loveless in 1903 who was also very active in the church affairs - no children and buried at SV.

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This son, Charles Winter, was state-known in Masonic organizations belonging to each one.Also, although born in Waynetown, he lived in Lafayette for 60 years where he was a railroad clerk for 35. He and wife, Jennie Dexter were both very active in Congress Street Methodist Church and F&AM in Lafayette. Two daughters, Doris and Ruth and son, Charles R. blessed their

Such a sad death befell son Thomas A. Masterson who was overheated in the summer of 1897. From this event followed malarial fever and from that he passed away in September at just 22 years old. "He was an excellent, industrious young man," summed up (obit) his life, but they forgot to say nice and a dutiful son!

A couple of short obituaries let us know that Dorcas passed away February 27th in the year 1894, not long after they had moved to **Tippecanoe County** (West Point). "She was an excellent woman and a great favorite in the community where she lived," and was busy in various groups there. Typhoid fever was the cause of death.

John moved into Lafayette proper and passed away at son John's home (1109 South 18th Street) on Feb 3, 1908 from "infirmities of age." My favorite line in his obituary in the Lafayette Weekly Courier 7 Feb 1908 p 7 was "Mr. Masterson was a man of strict integrity and died rich in the esteem of all who knew him!" Great tribute!

Well, hope you enjoyed seeing this cute couple and hearing about their

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State Resuming Executions

Governor Eric J. Holcomb announced this week that he and Attorney General Todd Rokita are seeking the resumption of executions in Indiana prisons – starting with a convicted murderer responsible for the deaths of four people.

"After years of effort, the Indiana Department of Correction has acquired a drug -pentobarbital - which can be used to carry out executions," Holcomb said. "Accordingly, I am fulfilling my duties as governor to follow the law and move forward appropriately in this matter."

Joseph Corcoran was found guilty of the 1997 murders of four people. He exhausted his appeals in 2016 and has

been awaiting execution.

"In Indiana, state law authorizes the death penalty as a means of providing justice for victims of society's most heinous crimes and holding perpetrators accountable," Rokita said. "Further, it serves as an effective deterrent for certain potential offenders who might otherwise commit similar extreme crimes of violence. Now that the Indiana Department of Correction is prepared to carry out the lawfully imposed sentence, it's incumbent on our justice system to immediately enable executions in our prisons to resume. Today, I am filing a motion asking the Indiana Supreme Court to set a date for the execution of Joseph Corcoran."

Reserved hunt applications open July 8

Beginning Monday, July 8, hunters can apply for reserved hunts online by visiting

on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

The online application method is the only way to apply for the hunts listed. No late entries will be accepted. Applicants must possess a hunting license that is valid for the hunt for which they are applying.

Applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. ET on Sunday, Aug. 4. More specific hunt information for individual properties can be found at on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

Dove hunts on Fish & Wildlife areas (FWAs):

- Atterbury FWA
- Deer Creek FWA
- Goose Pond FWA Jasper Pulaski FWA
- Kingsbury FWA
- Pigeon River FWA
- Wilbur Wright FWA

Deer hunts on National Wildlife Refuges:

- Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge: firearms, archery, and primitive muzzleloader deer Muscatatuck
- National Wildlife Refuge: youth deer

Youth deer hunts on Indiana Private Land Access (IPLA) sites in the following counties:

- **Bartholomew County**
- Cass County
- Greene County Harrison County
- LaPorte County
- Sullivan County

Scott County

Archery deer hunts on Indiana Private Land Access (IPLA) sites in the following counties:

- Bartholomew
- County
- · Cass County
- Harrison County
- LaPorte County Sullivan County
- **Scott County**

Small game hunts on Indiana Private Land Access (IPLA) sites in the following counties:

- Bartholomew County
- · Harrison County
- · Scott County

Teal and early goose hunts on Indiana **Private Land Access** (IPLA) sites in the following counties:

- Bartholomew County
- Dekalb County
- Sullivan County

Hunters will be selected through a random computerized drawing. Applicants will be able to view draw results online within two weeks after the application period closes. An email will be sent to all applicants when the draws have been completed.

Please note that only one application per hunt is allowed. No changes can be made once an application is submitted. More information is

available at on.IN.gov/reserved hunt.

Rep. Genda Provides Update

To help our

firefighters,

volunteer



Indiana recently provided much-**MARK** needed GENDA personal

Guest Columnist protective. equipment to over 60 departments including the Rossville Volunteer Fire Department and Thorntown Sugar Creek

Fire Department.

We know that volunteer departments often operate with limited budgets and struggle to replace outdated equipment. That's why I supported the state's investment in providing departments with new turnout gear and selfcontained breathing apparatuses.

According to the U.S. Fire Administration, more than 70% of Indiana firefighters are volunteers. These volunteer fire services are essential, especially in rural communities, and the new funding

prioritizes those departments with the highest need and oldest equipment.

In 2023, I also supported a new law allowing counties to adopt a resolution for one or more township or volunteer fire departments, or fire districts and territories, to receive up to .05% of their public safety local income tax. This can be a great option for sustainable funding and I hope more counties consider it.

Firefighters are vital to our communities, rushing into dangerous situations to protect fellow Hoosiers. I'm dedicated to continuing to support our firefighters and other public safety officers.

Rep. Mark Genda represents House District 41 which includes portions of Montgomery, Clinton, Boone and Tippecanoe counties.



BUTCHALE



John "Butch" Dale is a former teacher, County Sheriff, author, artist, and local historian. He is the librarian at Darlington and offer his readers two times each week...from funny and nostalgic stories about his childhood and hometown...to stories about life and death incidents when he was Montgomery County Sheriff. Sometimes he highlights sports stars from our county's past...or he might just poke a little fun at some of our national politicians and celebrities. He can make you laugh, make you cry, help you to appreciate the past or make you think about the future. But no matter what, Butch will keep you on your toes and keep you entertained!

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Account Description

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Edey's Selection and a Ranking of Purdue Draft Picks by Round



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How long would it have taken to analyze 214 players, from future Hall of Famer Elvin Hayes to Willie Horton of Delaware, over 21 rounds - the length of that year's draft for a 14-team NBA?

Let's be conservative and estimate an average of 5 minutes per pick. That's 1,070 minutes, not counting the introduction to the draft telecast and oneor two-minute blocks of commercials as was common in late 1960s network television. At four minutes of commercials per hour, the 1968 NBA Draft would have taken nearly 20 hours of network time.

It shouldn't come as a surprise that when the first televised NBA Draft took place in 1980 on USA Network, the selection process had been slashed to 10 rounds. The current two-round format was adopted in 1989, and ESPN gained the TV rights in 2003.

Two-time National Player of the Year Zach Edey became Purdue's 11th first-round draft pick Wednesday night when the Memphis Grizzlies drafted the Toronto native ninth overall. The pick shocked ESPN draft host Malika Andrews, who uttered "wow" moments after commissioner Adam Silver announced the

The Athletic's Mike Vorkunov wrote that the pick "was met with shock and groans here

pick.

in Brooklyn."

More positive in his analysis was someone who has seen Edey play several times.

"His footwork and his mobility have improved so much over the last several years," ESPN college basketball analyst Jay Bilas said. "I think his game is going to translate to the NBA. Is he going to be a guy that's going to be a stretch big? No. But he's going to change your rotation when he's put into the game because of his size."

ESPN reporter Adrian Wojnarowski said that once the Portland Trail Blazers took Connecticut center Donovan Clingan at No. 7, Memphis shifted its focus to Edey.

"Zach Kleiman, general manager of Memphis, was determined he was going to get a center in this lottery," Wojnarowski said. "Zach Edey heads to Memphis where he'll have an opportunity on a team returning that can be a 50-55 win regular season team to be their starting center."

CBSSports.com writer Adam Finkelstein also sees Memphis as a good fit for Edey.

"This is a pick where beauty is in the eye of the beholder," Finkelstein wrote. "Nobody cares what Edey did in college in terms of Edey's decorated trophy case. But they do care about your rate of improvement -- and Edey improved every single year. He's massive, so big that it can actually hurt him on defense because he will be attacked on ball screens. But he's massive, he's a worker and he's improving every single day. And he fits: Edey is the best screener in the draft,

and Ja Morant loves running a pick-and-roll."

Purdue joins Michigan and Ohio State to have a freshman class in the last 35 years with two top-10 NBA Draft picks. The Wolverines' Chris Webber went first in 1993 and Juwan Howard fifth a year later; Lawrence North and Ohio State teammates Greg Oden (1st) and Mike Conley (4th) in 2007 and the Boilermakers' Jaden Ivey (5th in 2022) and Edey.

The Boilermakers have

had 52 players selected since Ed Ehlers went third overall to the Boston Celtics in 1947. That year, there were 10 NBA teams in existence, including the now defunct Pittsburgh Ironmen, Toronto Huskies, Providence Steamrollers, St. Louis Bombers, Chicago Stags, Washington Capitols and Baltimore Bullets (not the same Bullets that eventually became the Washington Wizards). Only the Celtics and New York Knicks remain in their original cities from 1947. The Philadelphia Warriors are now in San Francisco as the Golden

Here's my rankings of the best Boilermakers drafted by round.

1 - Glenn Robinson

State Warriors.

Taken first overall by the Milwaukee Bucks, Robinson signed a 10year, \$68 million contract. The "Big Dog" fulfilled the first eight years in Milwaukee and only averaged fewer than 20 points a game one time in that span. That was an injury-filled 1998-99 season and Robinson still managed to average 18.4 points over 47 games.

Robinson earned his lone NBA championship ring during his final season playing for the

2005 San Antonio Spurs.

Honorable mention: Joe Barry Carroll, Herm Gilliam.

2 - Terry Dischinger

Being the eighth overall pick in any NBA Draft is special, but in 1962 it was a seven-team league. The most unstable franchise in the NBA, the Chicago Zephyrs, took Dischinger with the first pick of Round 2.

Amazingly, Dischinger was voted NBA Rookie of the Year while just playing weekends and holidays so he could finish his Chemical Engineering degree. But those 57 games were productive with Dischinger averaging 25.5 points, 8.0 rebounds and 3.1 assists for a sorry franchise coached by Jack McMahon and Bobby Leonard that went 25-55. The next season, the Zephyrs became the Baltimore

Dischinger was an NBA All-Star three consecutive seasons before a two-year hitch in the U.S. Army slowed his career momentum.

Bullets.

Honorable mention: Brian Cardinal, Carl Landry, E'Twaun Moore.

3 - Frank Kendrick

Kendrick played his lone NBA season for the Golden State Warriors, which won the 1975 title. Kendrick averaged 3.3 points per game in 24 games.

4 - Jerry Sichting

Drafted by Golden State in 1979, Sichting never played for the Warriors. The Martinsville native ended up playing five seasons for the Indiana Pacers, for whom he enjoyed a career-best season in 1983-84 at



Photo courtesy Purdue Athletics.

Zach Edey gets the phone call from the Grizzlies and became a first round pick in the NBA Draft.

11.5 points and 5.7 assists a game.

Sichting was traded to the Boston Celtics, whom he helped win the 1986 NBA title. Sichting averaged 6.9 points during his 10-year pro career.

Honorable mention: Wilson Eison, Jim Rowinski.

5 - Bob Ford

The All-Big Ten forward and member of the early 1970s "F-Troop" at Purdue alongside George Faerber and William Franklin was chosen by the New York Knicks but opted for the ABA's Memphis Tams. Ford played nine games for the Tams before being released.

Honorable mention: Larry Weatherford, Bruce Parkinson

6 - Tom Scheffler

Seven years after he was drafted by the Indiana Pacers, the 6-11 center played his lone NBA season in 1984-85 with the Portland Trail Blazers. His younger brother, Steve, would play seven seasons.

Honorable mention: John Garrett, Brian Walker

7 - William Franklin

An undersized Big Ten center at 6-7, Franklin was declared ineligible late in his senior season (1971-72) when admitting he signed with agent Gary Donna. Franklin was drafted by Golden State but signed with his home state Virginia Squires of the ABA.

Franklin played one season in Virginia and two with the San Antonio Spurs.

8 - Willie Merriweather

Drafted by the St. Louis Hawks in 1959, Merriweather bypassed the NBA to become a science teacher.

9 - Mike Scearce

The Indiana Pacers drafted "Scooby" Scearce 192nd overall in 1982, but the popular Boilermaker did not make the team.

10 - No Boilermaker selected

11 - George Grams

The first 7-footer in Big Ten history went 96th overall to the Los Angeles Lakers in 1966. Grams' chances at a pro career were adversely affected by Charcot-Marie-Tooth syndrome, a neuromuscular disease he didn't realize he had

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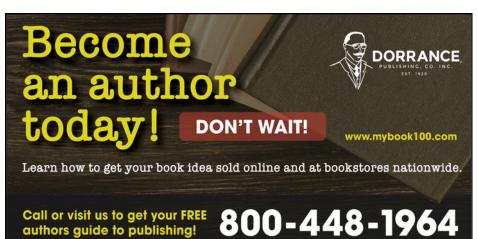
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Sen. Deery Gives Update



DEERY Guest Columnist

not currently in session, I am able to spend more time traveling

With the Senate

the district meeting with constituents and listening to your ideas for legislation.

The week began with a productive meeting in Vermillion County with some of the leading citizen voices concerned with the carbon storage pilot project in the community. That meeting was followed by the annual "Meet Your Constituents" event and a parade at the Vermillion County Fair, which runs through tomorrow.

Last night I was also in Williamsport at the Warren County Fair. My highlight was watching young Hoosiers answer civics trivia questions for prizes from "Uncle

I truly value these interactions. They help me understand what's on your mind and make me a better advocate for you, but I also genuinely enjoy the friendships and relationships these shared experiences create.

If you have not yet had a chance to talk with me at a community event, please call my office at 317-232-9517, to share your thoughts on the issues important to you.

Strengthening Standards for Dog **Breeders**

As a legislator and a dog lover, I have become acquainted with Purdue's Canine Welfare Science program and was invited to attend a recent conference on the subject in Lafayette.

The Purdue University Canine Care Certified program is a key part of a new law designed to raise the standards of dog breeding in Indiana.

The strategy behind the law is that research shows the demand for dogs is fairly constant, and as such, state and local policymakers should be careful to avoid unintended consequences when regulating the market consumers use to acquire dogs. Some well-intended approaches, such as bans on retail sales, push dog sales to more unregulated environments that lead to worse outcomes for dogs.

Although the new law isn't perfect and is just a first step, I agree with the overall strategy that one of the best way to improve animal welfare is to target breeding



standards by requiring more dogs to come from breeders who are trained, inspected and held accountable to the best standards in canine care.

The role Purdue scientists are playing in raising breeding standards across the country and especially in Indiana is one more reason to be proud we live in District 23.

Expanding Access to Mental Health Resources

In recent years, Indiana Senate Republicans have supported legislation to help improve mental health support systems across our state.

Why it matters: Mental health issues continue to be a growing concern as 1 in 5 adults report dealing with some sort of mental health illness each year.

With this in mind, last year I supported measures to improve mental health care for Hoosiers by building a better system of certified behavioral health clinics throughout Indiana and providing \$100 million to help establish these critically needed clinics.

On the heels of these efforts, Indiana recently received approval to participate in a program that will help facilitate the creation of eight regional certified behavioral health clinics that will provide services based on local

If you or someone you know needs support or resources to navigate a mental health concern call 9-8-8.,

Senate District 23 INDOT

Temporary lane closures along southbound U.S. 41 between Boswell and Carbondale will begin as early as Thursday, June 27, and the northbound lanes that closed in April will reopen.

Traffic will be allowed to travel through the construction as a crossover will be used so motorists can drive along the highway. A temporary closure of State Road 28 between the Indiana/Illinois State Line and County Road 1000 West in Warren County is expected to start as early as Friday, June 28.

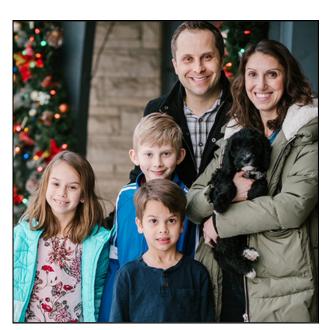
As always, I encourage motorists driving through construction zones to use caution so everyone can get home safely.

Staying Safe in Extreme Heat

Hoosiers should remember to take precautions in extreme heat, which many of us experienced this week. The Indiana Department of Homeland Security reminds Hoosiers to drink plenty of fluids, wear loose-fitting and lightcolored clothes, avoid strenuous activities, watch for symptoms of heat-related illnesses and seek medical attention if necessary. With the extreme heat. many communities will

open cooling centers for area residents.

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



FBI Asking for Public's Help









The Federal Bureau of Investigation is seeking the public's assistance with obtaining identifying information regarding an unknown male who may have critical information pertaining to the identity of a child victim in an ongoing sexual exploitation investigation.

Photographs and an informational poster depicting the unknown individual, known only as John Doe 48, are being disseminated to the public and can be found online at the FBI website at http://www.fbi.gov/ wanted/ecap.

Initial video of the unidentified male, John Doe 48, first recorded by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in December

of 2023. The EXIF data embedded within the video file indicated that the file was produced in October of 2023.

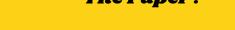
John Doe 48 is described as a white male between the ages of 45 and 65 years old, with dark hair, and a gray beard. He has a tattoo on each of his forearms. He is seen in the back of a 2018-19 Nissan NV Cargo Van wearing a blue t-shirt and a dark-colored hat. He is heard speaking English in the video.

Anyone with information to provide should submit a tip online at https://tips.fbi.gov/, or call the FBI's toll-free tip line at 1-800-CALL-FBI (1-800-225-5324). The public is reminded no charges have been

filed in this case and the pictured individual is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

This individual is being sought as part of the FBI's Operation Rescue Me and **Endangered Child** Alert Program initiatives. Operation Rescue Me focuses on utilizing clues obtained through in-depth image analysis to identify the child victims depicted in child exploitation material, while ECAP seeks national and international media exposure of unknown adults (referred to as John/Jane Does) who visibly display their faces and/or other distinguishing characteristics in association with child pornography images.

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CHUCK CLORE After a lifelong career in visual communications, Eure-ka! Chuck discovered that noodling the nuances of the written word can be just as much fun as tweaking a font into an iconic logo. Montgomery Memories is the perfect venue to explore his treasured C-ville's east-end recollections. An Athenian boomer from the class of 65, he delights in graphic design, cartooning, and story telling. Chuck's articles reveal how a CHS senior cordurcy artist eventually evolved into an award winning designer and aspiring writer.



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June Feature: The Ultimate Contest Karen Bazzani Zach



One super serious contest took place in 1910, sponsored by the Review newspaper. The contest was for women and the one selling the most new subscriptions for the paper would receive a big Buick five-passenger automobile. Quite a hype!

After a couple of weeks, those high up in the competition were featured in the paper and a short piece about their hard work kept the hype for the contest going. In Sugar Creek Township, Fairy Maguire was in the contest and featured as one of the possible winners of the car, sure tallying enough paper subscriptions to make her serious competition. She was the daughter of Charles Maguire and they lived in the Potato Creek neighborhood. "Fairy is a young lady well beloved among a large circle of acquaintances. Her parents and their 11 children assembled at the old home July 3, this year, in observance of the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Maguire." Fairy had put her bid in the contest "with the determination to work hard herself, but she is fortunate in having a father who is taking a deep interest in her candidacy, giving her effective assistance in selling The Review!" (photo



from Weekly Review 22 Dec 1910)

Bessie Saidla daughter of Joshua and Martha (Wilson) Saidla and wife of John H. Branagin (son of Hugh and Harriet Cross Branagin) was Fairy's big competition, having grown-up in the same area. "She and her husband are working to make" it to the big Buick prize. She and John had been married eight years and living on their farm near Kirkpatrick. Her Montgomery and Tippecanoe County friends admired her for "many estimable qualities and especially at this time for her energy displayed in prosecuting her campaign for the Review automobile."

Claral Rice was another of the finalists, as "she has proved herself an energetic worker. She got in touch with scores of people in her community early and has acquainted them with the merits of the paper she is representing. This has been a big help in canvassing and she has been quite successful." She would go on to win the solid gold diamond bracelet.

The contest was announced in November and was to run for 10 weeks before the ten valuable prizes would be given out. "Women who enter our circulation campaign will find that The Review is in demand because it is a first-class newspaper. People want the news served in an appetizing manner and once they see and read "The Review" their wants are satisfied." Of course, the nice big picture of the touring car that was up for grabs sure helped the gals to get busy and start their big campaign to sell the Weekly to friends, relatives, church members and all those they knew!

Many signed up right away for the big contest including: these from Crawfordsville or a rural route: Bertha Gohman; Mrs. Walter Dorsey (Lilly?); Ruth Badgley; Laura Brothers; Anna Thompson; Floy Etter; Margaret Meister; Theresa O'Connor; Edna Parker; Belva Harper; Eloise Hamilton; Hallie Crist. At New Ross there was: Ruby Billings; Maud Feather. Waynetown tallied Ruth Wilson plus Carrie Bard; and for Mace, there was Eva Johnson. Little Browns Valley had big competition with Hazel Clements; Lucile Patton; (Mrs) Sam Grimes (Ora?); Ethel Paxton; Maude Canine; Myrtle Oglesbee; Clara Rice with several Waveland contenders: Louise Connor; Viola Brown; Maud Marshall; (Mrs) DJ Bilbo (Josephine?) with Ona Huff for Linden and Mabel Morris, Wingate. Now, this was just the first lot of 'em. As I say, quite a competition.

The big winner, Minnie Johnson, wife of George Clarence Campbell (married on the 4th of July four years earlier in the Methodist Church, George worked for the wire mill) who lived on Plum Street (later moving to 507 Wallace Avenue) noted that "she was more pleased than she could well state." She thanked her friends for all their help, stating their loyalty is why she won the car. Hope one by one, she took 'em for a ride! It appears she worked every day but four days in the entire campaign to bring in new subscribers for the paper, working quietly and was not generally considered a strong contender. She showed 'em though. Minnie was born in Montgomery County, Kentucky to Marion and Ella (Hanks) Johnson and would have been 25 when she won the contest. Sadly at age 41 years 4 months and 23 days, she passed away with breast cancer. Rest in peace, Minnie and congrats on the great car win!

Thank you for reading Montgomery Memories!

Odds & Ends - Collected & Commented on by Karen Bazzani Bach

The Crawfordsville Corn Carnival may be something we might want to bring back. Sounded like so much fun as could be seen In the CWJ 26 Oct p 9. "It came to a close last Friday, the closing scenes being lively beyond description. The streets were packed with people who were out for a good time and undoubtedly had it." At that point, the management was settling up its accounts and those in charge felt the carnival had "been a financial success as well as a triumph in other ways." Some who were not happy about a street-type carnival had "taken occasion during the last day or so to state to the managers that they not only have no objection to such affairs as we last week witnessed but that they heartily favor more!" The merchants had super business and considered their donations to the affair quite a good investment.

In Sept. 1895, our Baldwin Ladies' Quartette went to Covington for their annual musical contest sponsored by Manley Booe. They entered three contests and captured the high prize money in each. The judge was from Champaign, Ill and requested they please come there to give a concert and they were booked in Covington for one! I've written about this group before – amazing singers!

There were 37 entries for the handsome prizes given by Goule, Oliver & Martin for fine corn and a finer lot of corn was never seen anywhere. The judges were WB Waugh, George S. Durham and William Whittington and they awarded the first prize, a Round Oak stove to William Comer of Yountsville, second prize, a harrow to JA Guilliams of near Russellville and third, a scoop board to John Clifton of New Market. The corn will be sold and the money given to the Orphan's Home. One lot sold for \$1.10 for 25 ears. Jeff Hamilton won first honors in the bum rig parade. Mrs. John Bell received 38 premiums, over 20 being on ripe fruit. She also received the prize for the best pair of old bronze turkeys they being second best pair of fowls exhibited. Sounds like quite a fun and unique time!

Although debates of religion have been many, a particularly interesting one took place in August 1868 (DeBusk, Imogene. New Market: A Century of Progress, p 108) when GM Thompson, Baptist and Rev. Walker of the Christian Church spent six days debating on different questions. People had traveled for miles and such a huge crowd created such a detriment for hearing that the two men had the windows removed and the debaters stood in an open window to shout so that the people who gathered outside could hear the wonderful presentations! What an interesting competition!

The local shooting ranges and beyond were a big place for contests and prizes, and in 1907, T.F. Vanscoyoc was one crack shot. During his three years in the service (Army) he was sent to San Francisco and more than once to Chicago to

international shoots and won; however when he went to world competition, he only placed third. Impressive!

On the GenWeb page I have a section in the News on Contests and Prizes and I sure see I need to work on that as I only have nine listings, but perhaps working on this MM will boost it some – sure hope so. First, in 1924, William "Foster" Oldshue, a Waveland graduate, was attending DePauw and won the Rector scholarship by having the highest standing in his senior class plus he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Foster went on to graduate from Northwestern as well and spent about 60 years in Indianapolis where he was the director of Midland House, was an accountant, member of Kiwanis; Masons; Murat Shrine, Sons of the American Revolution, and Church of Christ Scientists. Married, don't believe he had children.

In 1918, Jesse Wheat shipped chickens to the Springfield, Illinois fair and won first for Brown Leghorns. Lots of food-type competitions prevailed in our area as in Feb 1930, Barbara Bilbo won first with her cookies (sure wish we had the recipe) in a domestic science exhibit, being just eleven and going against not only other high schoolers but adults as well. Her prize was pretty nifty, an all-expense paid three-day short course of baking at Purdue.

I've never been (unless it's a written one) all that great on remembering items for a test-type situation, but sure impressed with Jeanne Burrin in March 1924 who won first place and was to go on to the state competition at Indy for the Music Memory contest.

Always sad when you read about someone who could have made great strides in life but passed before that happened, but Hubert "Grant" Johnson of the Mace area did graduate from DePauw and while there, he won the state oratorical contest and on to win the interstate one with the highest recorded tally at that time. He worked after graduating for a Chicago newspaper, then began studying law "making an enviable place for himself in the Cook County bar (Argus News 20 June 1891) but contracted typhoid fever and passed away suddenly. RIP Grant!

Now, this is a contest I'd never heard of but sounds fun. In 1910, the New Richmond Record (Feb 4) gave an overview of the Truth Seekers Circle of the ME Church, giving a farewell party for Mrs. JE Burris (Nettie Vaughn and they were building a home on Rocky Ford). There was a "Profile Contest" that was won by Mrs. Will (Nell?) Bell. Not sure just what a profile contest is but I found one article about this time in a Decatur, Indiana paper that said each person there had their profiles done (alone in a room) and they put them up in an art gallery display then each person had to guess who was who. Pretty sure with my whopping Italian nose I could be easily guessed!



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Nifty at Ninety - And Beyond

Joy Willett, Montgomery Memories





In honor of MM's June theme, "competitions and contests," we meet Carl Louis "C.L." Rost. C. L. was born on March 20, 1864 in Friendship, Ripley County, Indiana. He was the son of Louis Rost and Pauline Winkler, both

immigrants from Saxony, Germany. Louis and Pauline had seven children, three of whom lived to adulthood. Pauline died, at age 50, in 1886. Louis married a second time, to Martha Zarnach. They had one child, Lillie.

C. L., who grew up in and attended schools in

Friendship, moved to Columbus, Indiana, where he was in the jewelry business with his brother Herman. He then came to Crawfordsville in ca. 1880 where he opened his own jewelry shop. He married Helena Roesgen (b. 1865) on November 5, 1888 in her hometown of Columbus (Indiana, U.S., Marriages, 1810-2001). The nuptials, which were exchanged in German, were described in Columbus' The Republic newspaper (October 4, 1888).

C. L. and Helena made their home in Crawfordsville. According to Crawfordsville's Review, on November 8, 1896, they built a house on Wabash Avenue (ibid). We discover the exact address in the 1900 census – 309 E. Wabash. While Carl continued his work as a jeweler, Helena kept house and cared for their two-year old daughter Helen Irene.

In 1890, C. L., along with other vendors, contributed prizes for a local horse show. He provided a satin-lined silver jewelry case and a silver pickle castor for those who had the "Best light harness." (CDJ 20 March 1890, via ingenweb.org). In the September 17, 1890 issue of The Indianapolis Journal, we discover that C. L. got into some trouble. He'd been indicted by the Montgomery County Grand Jury for running a "lottery." He was charged for providing a weekly drawing to win a watch. The case was dismissed (ibid).

Below is a copy of C. L.'s company letterhead. Note that he is advertised as being a "Jeweler & Optician." In 1898, he added bicycles to his inventory (Weekly Argus News, Aug 13, 1898 p 5 c 4, ibid).

The family moved to Indianapolis in the early 1900s. They lived on Central Avenue, and C. L.'s jewelry business was at 15 N. Illinois in downtown Indianapolis (U.S. City Directories 1822-1995). The Census for 1910 lists C. L. as being a diamond merchant.

By 1920, the business had moved to 25 N. Illinois. As he did over the years, C. L. advertised his business in the Indianapolis phone directory.

Their daughter Helen graduated from Western Reserve University. She received her master's in journalism from Columbia University. After graduation, she traveled abroad. On June 20, 1924, Helen married Carl Weinhardt, an Indiana University grad (The Indianapolis Star, May 22, 1920). Two children joined the family, Carl Rost Weinhardt in 1927 and Helen Irene Weinhardt in 1931.

C. L., leaving the jewelry business behind, became president of the Liberty Electric Company (1930 Census for Indianapolis, Indiana). He worked with his son-in-law Carl. Carl was influential enough that he was a dinner and theater guest of Governor McNutt (The Indianapolis Star, November 23, 1935).

Helena died on November 22, 1939. She was interred in the Columbus City Cemetery. After her death, C. L. lived with his daughter Helen Weinhardt's family. At the age of 72, he still held his position as president of the electric company, while son-in-law Carl was a salesman. The extended family lived in a fashionable three-bedroom house on Central Court.

By 1945, the Weindhardt family, along with C. L., moved to the opulent house at 4544 N. Meridian Street, a block south of the governor's mansion. This is where C. L. passed on May 11, 1946 (Montgomery County, Indiana, U.S., Obituary Index, 1877-2010). The day before C. L.'s death, son-in-law Carl took over management of the electric company. C. L. was buried next to Helena in Columbus.

The Rost-Weindhard family enjoyed years of prosperity. Helen was a writer and poet, as well as the founder of the National Society of Arts and Letters. She lived to the age of 99 (The Indianapolis Star, June 29, 1997).

Helen's son Carl graduated from Harvard where he met his future wife, Annetta Hubon. Carl worked for the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. He also was the director of the Indianapolis Museum of Art and Miami's Vizcaya Museum (South Florida Sun Central April 25, 1986). Carl died at only 58 years old. Helen's daughter Helen married William Langone, a native of Boston and Annapolis graduate who was an electrical engineer with Holophone, a lighting manufacturer. After her divorce from William, Helen married Kester Jewell. Kester, like Helen's brother Carl, was a museum administrator. They made their home in Florida. Kester died in 1976. Helen, only 46 years of age, died the following year.

May this talented and accomplished family rest in peace.



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Grandma Hattie Mae Cole used to caution, "Choose your words carefully!" Was it because she was grandma the grammarian? Nah, it was more likely because she was a strict upstanding member of the First Baptist Church. She had no appreciation for blue language fostered by my father's side of the family. Pappy could peel the paint off the barn with a few well-placed expletives. I'll discuss Dad's blue-streak abilities later.

Let's face it. Some words deliver more of a wallop than others. I used to know which words packed the most punch and use them sparingly to exact more emphasis. Today, in our politically correct counter-culture, that discernment has vanished. For crusty old boomers like me, one poor word choice can explode like a grenade. A legion of Gen—X, Y, Z's can easily be incited to riot with a benign word from yesteryear. That is why God invented editors. They keep bumbling writers like me from the embarrassment of incensing the masses. Thank you, Karen Zach, for saving me from my many grammar violations.

Supercalifragilistic expialidocious—big words are marvelous. Use a plethora of long multisyllabic words. And you be branded a sesquipedalian. — Yeah, I know I had to look that one up in the dictionary too. I suspect people using too many big words don't really know what they are espousing. But with my limited vocabulary, I have no way of proving it.

There once was a young evangelist shouting, "Are you saved?" He entered the seminary for higher education. Four years later, upon graduation, he exited with an enhanced vocabulary asking, "Have you considered the theological ramifications of regeneration and their effect on your eternal destination?" Who knows how many confused souls wandered the wrong path asking, "What on earth is he talking about?"

Most words don't have eternal consequences.

A few words are more fun to say than others. I like the old-time word, shenanigans.

"What shenanigans are you ragamuffins up to?" sounds much more intriguing than, "What mischief are you kids doing?"

Where were you raised? It may affect your word choices. I worked with Amy, a lady from Eastern Tennessee. The first blustery-winter snap Amy stepped through the door shivering and shaking snow everywhere.

"Brrr! It is colder than hooleygoblins out there!" she grumbled. It must be a Tennessee thing. I never heard the word hooleygoblins before or since.

"Y'all" may sound foreign to a Yankee who could address a group says, "You all are welcome." Visit a native of Southwest Missouri, and you might hear, "You'uns come back and visit anytime."

When I was a C-Ville east end kid, Dad had a fruit and vegetable stand out on Delaware Street. He sold all kinds of good stuff, including rutabagas. Rutabaga, now there is a fun word. I imagined a rutabaga driving a Studebaker.

Big juicy muskmelons were also a favorite. I didn't realize until I visited the big city of Minneapolis, you are supposed to call them cantaloupes. I assumed a cantaloupe would have antlers like antelope.

A fun expression not heard in many places other than Indiana, "I was really modoc'n." Researching that one, you may find a quote by a country music star, "I was running late. I was modoc'n to catch the train to Nashville."

Modocing: It means to move fast. I challenge you to track down the origin.

One source refers to the native American Modoc tribesmen that were so capable and swift on horseback the army could never catch them. They maneuvered so quickly

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they defeated forces three times their numbers. The Modocs were a Pacific West Tribe, not from the Midwest.

Yet another source suggested the word came from the Modoc brothers' speedy delivery trucks that ripped up and down Eastern Indiana highways so fast even an Indy car couldn't keep up.

A third source thought the word might have come from the Indiana town of Wabash. In 1942 the Great American Circus was setting up the big top.

Judy, Empress, and Modoc, three Indian elephants, were tethered, awaiting the big show. When a barking dog spooked Modoc, she bolted free. While on her adventure, she scarfed down two warm apple pies left to cool on a windowsill. Racing down Main Street, the aroma of fresh roasted peanuts lured her into Bradley Brother Drug Store.

An elephant in a drug store makes a bigger mess than the proverbial bull in a China shop. She toasted the peanut roaster and gobbled up the contents. Modoc barged out the back creating a brand new exit. Modoc was fast enough she evaded capture for five whole days.

She just kept modoc'n through three counties.

Carefully choosing the right word is tricky. Tracing word origins is more challenging. Even our beloved Indiana name Hoosier is hard to define and even harder to nail down its genesis. Maybe, Karen Zach, our resident historian, can help. Did it come from a man named Hoosier who was in charge of digging canals? They say he liked to

hire hard-working crews from Indiana because of their strong work ethic.

Does Hoosier perhaps mean farmer? Or was it the sparsely populated settlements and farms where they would shout, "Who's there?" as strangers approached their cabin? Was it shortened to Hoozthar. Did that evolve to Hoosier? I am still curious.

Here is a question to which I just recently discovered the answer. What is the origin of the phrase "It is not worth a tinker's dam?"

Because my dad tinkered around making a lot of stuff, I would call him a tinker. While rigging up his contraptions, he sometimes injured himself. Occasionally, this would prompt him to curse. Okay, truth-be-told he would swear a blue streak using the word damn a lot. To me, each time an expletive is used, that word's impact lessens. Therefore I assumed the phrase was, "It is not worth a tinkers d-a-m-n.

It turns out that way before Pappy's time: the noun, tinker, was synonymous with the word plumber. When the plumber/tinker had to seal a joint, he would build a clay dam around the pipe. The clay would contain the molten lead being poured into the joint to seal it. Once the hot metal cooled to a solid, the tinker's dam was worthless and smashed away.

I sure wish I had discovered this before I made the sign hanging over my workbench honoring Dad's linguistic abilities.

Poetry and Puzzles

Corn Husking

By Joy Willett

At the end of the season, as we lose the sun, the fields turn golden; the growing is done. In the forever rows stretching to the beyond contestants gather among tall-standing corn. It waits to be husked by farmers strong, when given the "go" they move right along, pulling ears from stalks with a real heave ho. The one who goes fastest not only gets more, the one who is rapid is the hero.

Summer Memories

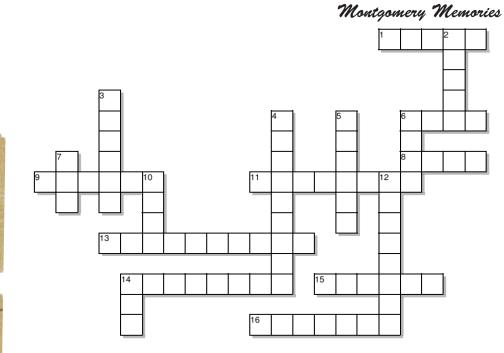
By Cynthia Long

I miss the days when I'd help my grandmother Those were the days, I'd always cherish like no other Hang the freshly washed clothes out in the sun to dry on the line I used to enjoy helping my grandma all the time They'd gently wave back and forth in the summer breeze for hours Sitting on the porch swing, looking at the beautiful flowers And we would return to get them when they were dry. After, we ate homemade vanilla ice cream and blackberry pie The clothes always smelled like a fresh spring morning Nothing ever about this task was boring We'd notice as we folded and put them away That it was always quite late in the day The sun is starting to go down on

the horizon ...

Stars will come out as bright as

diamonds



ACROSS

- 1 1910 prize: selling Review subscriptions
- 6 Playing that includes a lot of dealing
- 8 Jeweler & Optician in late 1890s
- 9 4-Head, Heart, Hand, -----
- 11 Overall winner
- 13 C'ville's was 9,369 in 1910
- 14 June is known for this
- 15 Coming in last
- 16 We celebrate them in June

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- 2 They sing for their prize
- 3 Violin's country cousin
- Put a can of these in KBZ recipe
- 5 Presented to winners
- 6 Plant that is husked
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- 10 Hula ----
- 12 Where you can earn gold
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Karen's Kitchen

Karen Bazzani Zach, Montgomery Memories

When we decided on Contests and Competition, I knew immediately what recipe I was going to give you this month in Karen's Kitchen. Although Jim's dad knew Fay Parker, his first cousin a little from when they were young, they hadn't seen each other for years when I found Fay doing genealogy and we went up to see him and his family. Loved 'em and he and Bill and JoAn and Fay's wife, Maxine all became super good friends until their passing.

This recipe was "created" for 4-H – it was for a "created recipe," having to make up your own. Not sure which of their girls (Karen or Sheila I think the latter) came up with this recipe but after you try it, you, too, will say, "It pays to know your family!" Ha! Oh! And, this recipe won Champion and not sure about the name now in today's connotation but she called it, "Best Dope Ever!"

Brown in Skillet: 1 1/2 # Ground Beef

2 small Onions cut fine

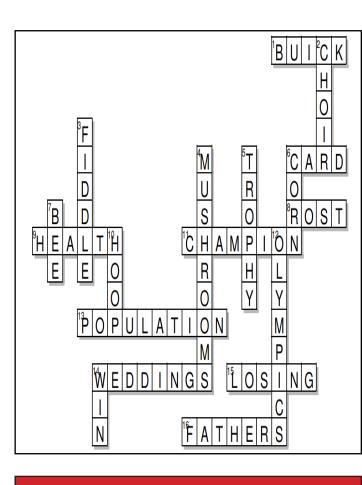
1 Small Green Pepper cut fine

Cook 1 pkg. medium noodles in salted Water. Drain when tender

Add 1 can Mushrooms (stems & pieces) - salt & pepper to Noodles.

Mix above ingredients together -- place in casseroles and cover with 2 cans mushroom soup. Put slices of Velveeta cheese on top. Cover and bake one half hour, at 350 degrees. Uncover the last 15 minutes to brown. Delicious - this makes quite a bit so I usually put it in two small casserole dishes and freeze one for a week or so later.





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County Connections: My Fiddler Friend

Karen Bazzani Zach, Montgomery Memories



Well, now my county connection mostly features someone from afar who comes here to live or occasionally someone who moved to afar and makes his (or her) life important or interesting in a new place.

This month is quite different and yes, I am centering upon the man because of the theme, "contest and competitions," (which by the way, I decided we could easily have done for the whole year), you will learn about the fun in all the old fiddling contests or competitions.

In fact, there were many types of musical affairs. Example: each year, the Shades hosted a singing contest

with hundreds of choirs coming by rail. On Sept 1st (Sunday) in 1895, thousands attended, one of the very best years.

Speaking of singing, schools in my day (1960s) met at New Market each year but not so much as a competitive situation but more to let the small school choirs present 3 or 4 of their own songs and then sing together in a 150-200 member choir usually directed by a college prof choir director or something professional in other ways and that was in the evening after we had practiced all day. I particularly loved these days as I have a really low female voice and seemed like almost every year they didn't have enough tenors so I got to sing with the fellows. OH YEAH!

In regards to schools, you all know the competitions – dozens of kinds of sports for decades now; FFA judgings; typing and shorthand contests (my big plus), music, spelling (also a big winner here), math, science and early on big almost treacherous speaking contests.

In one fiddling contest CR Owen won a pair of gloves for having the biggest hands. The best left-handed fiddler was Wm. Rider receiving 50 cents cash. JW Small, the oldest fiddler (but we didn't find out his age) won a year's subscription to the Waynetown Despatch. (source). The dirtiest one, Mack Foster, won a pair of new underwear. The prizes were so funny!

The contests (and competitions and concerts) my county connection fellow was strong in was playing his violin. Seriously if there were 17 prizes given, Milton Stuckey took home 17 prizes (or 10 for 10 or ...). Although "Uncle Stuckey" was the main man, almost all of his ten children were impressive entertainers as well, the girls carrying gifted voices and most of the boys (especially Will playing the organ) had expertises of their own.

Milton was so good that he was often referred to as "professor," which may also have referred to teaching others to play which may have gone with his "accepting engagements," during the winter months which he contributed had paid off their large, beautiful country home and farm. Born (Feb 16, 1845) and reared in Sugar Creek Township, Montgomery County and passed away (heart problems as with many of his family members) in 1903, he also lived with his parents (Abraham and Eliza Powers Stuckey) and his own wife (Mary E. "Mollie" Smith) and children in Lauramie Twp, Tippecanoe County and even for a few years in Pine Village area in Warren County, thus a perfect choice for County Connection.

He was mentioned Sunday Star 6 March 1899 in regards to "a new huge competition" mentioning his "long chin with red beard pulling his bow with such muscularity and always all smiles." Probably he knew he'd win all the prizes but he also enjoyed his many fiddling friends "Rocky Foxworthy"; "Alcohol Bill Hall" nearly blind but helped to the stage to play. Other fun went along with the fiddler's contest, one gal dressed in black with an ostrich plumed hat as big as she was danced to the Arkansaw Traveler played by the 30 some fiddlers there and several boys danced jigs. The crowd had such a grand time "standing on their seats, swaying to the music that a few times it verged on pandemonium."

From reading the old newspapers, bios, obituaries, there were many fiddler's (Archie Krout being one who just wowed me) but I of course never heard Milton in our earlier times and do believe this cute little fellow Milton H. Stuckey (photo by Enjay on FindAGrave) is buried in Plainview Cemetery in Colfax with his Mollie. Truly, in our area, he seemed to be one of the greatest fiddlers of all time winning many contests!

SPECIAL PRIZES BY COMMITTEE

Rules and Regulations.

- 1. Every fiddler must be alive.
- 2. Every fiddler must wear at least one shoe to pat with.
- 3. No one must pat more than two feet at once.
- 4. All fiddlers must be there the night of the 14th.
- 5. No one-armed fiddlers allowed, they will have to dance.
- 6. No more than four strings allowed on one fiddle.

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In Mo Co, it was a very good year in 1910 . . .

Crawfordsville tallied 9,369 in the census. Ladoga next biggest town was 1,148; Darlington 780 followed by Waynetown 734.
Waveland 676; Linden 558;
Wingate 446; New Richmond 434 and New Market at 334 then Alamo the smallest at 212.
Wonder how those compare to today's – know Waveland is less than 500!

The Crawfordsville Review was priced as a daily paper for the whole year at \$5.00.

The Weekly Review's last paper for the year gave some health hints: Keep your feet dry. If exposed to rain or snow get dry clothes on ASAP. Dress in warm, not heavy clothing. Sleep with the windows wide open regardless of how cold it is.

If a heavy cold, hard cough and pain in the side, consult a physician!

Cecil High, star pitcher for CHS and well known in semipro basketball circles was signed for a try-out in the Spring for the Indianapolis Americans. Wonder how that went?

The Central Union Telephone Company of C'ville had become known as the Matrimonial Bureau – 5 gals wed in 1910 and left their positions. "A little bird whispered" three more would soon be going down the matrimonial aisle!" Oh and one secret one besides (Daisy Fitchie and James Rowen).

143 deaths occurred in C'ville in 1910, 44 of these under age one. William Schooler was the oldest at age 95.

Fashion fads included semi-princess dresses; children's hats edged with furr; puffs in hair were giving away to curls; "a white flower used this winter on black hats is the edelweiss" (Weekly Review 29 Dec) skirts on evening dresses are showing openings at one side over an under petticoat and pretty barettes are in buck form, sometimes as large as 5".

Many Crawfordsville folks were heading West either visiting or moving to the LA and other California areas. One visitor said there's a C'villian in every town to meet and greet!

184 births occurred in C'ville with 93 males and just a couple less females. 62 of these were 1st births; 36 2nd ... and two were 10th in their families. Six mothers were just 16 but two were over 45. Nine fathers = 21 years and the oldest was 41 years more!

C'ville's mayor was MV Wert; Allen Michael Chief of Police and Fire Chief, HH Ramsey a good crew, all heading on into the 1911 year! 12 miles of free gravel roads that were built this year in Montgomery County brought the total miles to 460 miles but there was still a total of 190 that had had no improvement.

Sources used: 1910 census; Weekly Review 29 Dec, 1910; Montgomery County INGenWeb



Grandcestors

Karen Bazzani Zach, Montgomery Memories



For Competitions and Contests, our theme this month, I didn't have to borrow a family for Grandcestors as I sometimes have to do because our family is full of competition and love contests of many sorts. So much so, it's gonna' be hard to decide just what to write about, but here goes!

One of the first competitions I remember when I was maybe seven and I won a contest for hula hooping — written about it before so no details other than there were probably 15 who started and I was the last in the part I won — twirling one around the neck! Mom told me to practice that one when we saw the list of competitions as she didn't figure many would be in it. Thought 15 was enough to beat but did it!

Second one I remember started about that time and it was at school – spelling bee. It was always down to the same two of us clear through grade school. Actually, Roxie was an equal if not better practical speller than I am but think it's because they had such a large family (all so smart) she probably didn't get the help I did at home as mom drilled and drilled me. Think I won every year at Waveland, won at New Market a couple but don't remember going any further than that!

Other competitions related to typing (120 wpm on a manual, too) and shorthand (140 wpm), cheerleading (didn't win a place every year but 8,9,10 and 12 I think); band and choir competitions (some of my fav times were with others going to contest in Greencastle – don't think we won anything but a first and got at least one perfect score when I played bass clarinet two or three years in a quartet and a trio or two).

Cards has always been my favorite competition (see four of our six grandsons playing a few years ago, the two on the end are quite the wicked duo, in the family photo). I was in a card club (until covid) for I don't know probably 30+ years plus taught our kids to play euchre when they barely knew what a 3, Jack or ... looked like and what it was for—we try to play bid euchre at all the family get togethers and think all but one of our seven grandkids knows how.

Jim's competitions were mainly basketball and track (very good shot putter) but in the service he did very well shooting. We always laughed at him winning one of the highest scores at Ft. Leonard Wood as a cook. We said, "What will you do if someone shoots at you – ya' won't have a gun to shoot back!" His answer: "Man my meat cleaver!"

Son and daughter were both quite athletic, he especially good in football and wrestling, she in softball and gymnastics (about anything she did). He is really loving disc golf now and she seems to almost have competitions with herself (make the next room theme better than last; create a better play than any before type things but also plays weekly volleyball). They are both very smart and have great jobs they like. Dau-in-law is a Nurse Practitioner and exceptional at her job as is our son-in-law who works for the government as an estimator.

Grandkids are all smart and good-looking and very competitive in school and somewhat now in jobs and such. Youngest grandson plays semi-pro Quadball, travels all over the US and is quite good at it – ya' never know what sneaky thing he might pull – love it! Only granddaughter is an amazing artist and has won many awards for such but is competitive at college (Binghamton, NY) now to have the best presentation or get the best job. Her brother is now in the service and enjoys playing video-type games, has even been in national competition for that and was super amazing in high school at tennis (has at least two school records that may never be broken) and baseball. Actually, both of her brothers are in the service, both enjoy playing video-type games and other competitions. Oldest brother is now stationed in the Navy in SC and just bought a house. Can't wait to go see that. Next one up loves to play bid euchre and loves any type of competition. Very handy fellow, he loves to help us out and we appreciate it. His C'ville brother is an amazing mechanic and has won several prizes and such concerning that. Our Frankton oldest grandson was in several sports in high school but now enjoys creating things on his 3-D printer. We got the neatest coasters from him for Christmas.

Sure do love to watch the kids and grands in all their lives' competitions and contests – it's what makes my own life exciting and fun! Thanks for all the entertainment family!!!

Thank you for reading Montgomery Memories!