

TODAY'S VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:4-5 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with thy might.

Meet China



China is an 11 year old female American Pit Bull Terrier available for adoption at The Animal Welfare of Montgomery County (AWL) since 5/16/24. China is one of the oldest dogs at the shelter. China is a senior that enjoys the finer things in life like comfy bed, walks, and endless snuggles/love. China is spayed, dewormed, and up to date on all of her shots! China is looking for her best friend. Could that be you? China is available for adoption, to foster, or just simply going out for walks. If interested in fostering/adopting Cindy (even short term to give her a vacation), please call the shelter 765-362-8846. 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 – Does Some of my Social Security Payment Include Repayment?



ASK Rusty
Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Dear Rusty:
I have a question about my Social Security benefits. Would I be correct to assume that part of the monthly Social Security income I get is a repayment of what I contributed to the fund while I was working? If so, how much of my monthly benefit payment is my own money coming back to me?

Signed: Curious Beneficiary

Dear Curious:
I'm afraid that is not how Social Security works. The money you contribute to Social Security during your working years does not go into a special account to be repaid to you. Rather, the Social Security taxes you pay while working are used to pay benefits to all those currently receiving Social Security benefits. The system is, in effect, a "pay as you go" program where all those currently contributing help pay benefits for all those now receiving. What your contributions do, however, is earn you "quarter credits" and, when you have enough credits, you become eligible for Social Security retirement

benefits for life. Generally, someone must have about 40 quarters (about 10 years) contributing to Social Security to be eligible for SS retirement benefits.

How much you receive monthly is determined not by how much you contributed but, rather, by how much your work earnings were over your lifetime. You will get a percentage of your average pre-retirement work income as your monthly Social Security payment, but that is also affected by your age when you claim benefits. It is your average lifetime earnings (adjusted for inflation) which determines your "Primary Insurance Amount" (or "PIA"). Your PIA is what you get at your Social Security full retirement age (FRA), but your age when you claim benefits determines if you get more or less than your PIA. Claiming SS before your FRA means a smaller monthly benefit, while waiting longer than your FRA means a benefit

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For Healthy Aging, Avoid These Common Obstacles

(StatePoint) Proper nutrition is critical to older adults' overall vitality, providing energy, helping to control weight, and even preventing and managing some diseases.

Unfortunately, 10% of older people don't eat enough, while one-third eat too much, according to HealthInAging.org, which is the Health in Aging Foundation's online public education resource. Such nutritional imbalances may be due to the range of common obstacles some people face as they age, including changing tastes, dental problems and difficulty accessing healthy foods.

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Most Seniors Worried About Income in Retirement

By Jon McDonald

In a perfect world, when Americans hit 65, they retire, travel the world, and do all the things they wish they had time for while working. However, that rewarding lifestyle may no longer be a reality.

A new survey of more than 800 Americans age 65 and older found that while 78% of seniors have retired, more than half do not have enough

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IT'S HERE!

TASTE Opens Tomorrow At Noon

The idea that began 18 years ago as a fun summertime fundraiser for the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum has evolved into one of the county's largest picnics and one of the area's most successful summer festivals. The 17th annual Taste of Montgomery County is returning to the grounds of the Museum in Crawfordsville tomorrow from noon to 9 p.m. Museum staff and a small army of volunteers are preparing for the most successful outing ever.

Some of Montgomery County's finest restaurants, caterers and food vendors will be serving up some of their most delectable recipes on the Museum grounds this year. We are so pleased to be welcoming Barefoot Restaurant & Bar, China Inn, Coal Creek Cellars Winery, Crawfordsville Country Club, Four Seasons Local Market, Greeks Pizzeria, Jesus Kettle Corn, The Juniper Spoon, Klooz Brewz, Lew Wallace Society, Messer's Bar & Grill, Smokin Melts & Rollin Dough, Taco "El Pompano" and Zula's BBQ & Hawaiian Shave Ice. Truly something for every taste bud!

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The ORNBAUM FAMILY featuring Harley



Our fellow this week was athletic, winning many shooting contests with high, close to, even sometimes perfect scores against his opponents. In Nov 1898 (C'ville Review 19th p 8) he and friend, Frank Snyder, hunted in Wingate for a week and took home over a hundred quail. Quite a dancer, he was always the first to be invited to the parties and first on the floor – likely stayed the longest, too. Often, he was found (via local newspaper articles) off fishing. In June, 1892, he, cousin David Lee and brother-in-law Charles Cable went to Fleshaur's Mill (CWJ) and returned with 100# of

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Read to your child every day instead of sitting her in front of the TV.

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

"If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear."
George Orwell

TODAY'S JOKE

What'd the pen say to the unsharpened pencil?
What's your point?

THREE THINGS You Should Know

1 Last week, U.S. Congresswoman Victoria Spartz warned that our national debt is a ticking time bomb. "Washington is adding over a trillion dollars to the existing \$35 trillion of debt every six months, and it's going to get even worse with several major funds going insolvent in the near future," Spartz said. "Our debt situation, with health care being one of the major drivers of spending, is a serious national security crisis that has been neglected by politicians in both parties for decades. Congress needs to have courage and act urgently to save our nation from bankruptcy and keep promises to the American people."

2 Two Indiana vistas emerged among the most stunning in America in a recent survey of 1,000 Americans carried out by our friends at Mixbook, the top-rated photography company. The two, Brown County State Park's Hesitation Point and the view from Mount Baldy at Indiana Dunes, finished 86th and 89th. The top spot was Denali from Wonder Lake in Alaska.

3 Here's a question for you: what can you do with your eyes? As one dictionary puts it, they can "work with our brains to tell us the size, shape, color, and texture of an object." But strongman Andrew Stanton uses his "headlights" for a couple of eye-popping tricks. He won two Guinness World Records recently: one for hooking large metal hooks to his eye sockets to pull a car weighing more than 5,000 pounds and another for using the same eye socket hooks to lift his 129.63-pound assistant while at the same time swallowing a sword.

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OBITUARIES

Kenneth Lee Springer

March 24, 1938 - August 19, 2024

Kenneth Lee Springer, age 86 of Yountsville, passed away on Monday, August 19, 2024 at Franciscan Health Lafayette. He was born on March 24, 1938 to the late Lester Springer and Olena (Hibbs) Wisma



Following his father's passing, Kenneth was raised by his stepfather, Howard Wisma.

Kenneth graduated from Alamo High School in 1956. He retired from RR Donnelley in 1993, where he worked as a Flat Cut Operator. Kenneth married Mabel Helen Bragg in June of 1984. He enjoyed going to garage sales and flea markets. He was a jokester and loved spending time visiting with his family and friends.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Helen; son, Rick (Judy) Springer; grandchildren; Brandon (Neva) Springer, Avis (Keith) Murphy, Eric Ostler, and Charles Ostler; great-grandchildren, Dre Springer, Jaala Springer, Levi Murphy, Japeth Murphy, Damien Ostler; and great-great-grandchildren, Patricia, Ashlyn, Connor, and Madison.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Keith Springer; granddaughter, Miecho Campbell; and stepsons, David and Dan Ostler.

There will be a visitation for Kenneth at Sanders Priebe Funeral Care, 315 S. Washington in Crawfordsville on Monday, August 26, 2024 from 12:00 pm until the time of funeral service at 1:00 pm. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery in Wingate. Share memories and condolences online www.SandersFuneralCare.com

Helen Lucille Bundy

November 18, 1926 - August 19, 2024

Helen Lucille (Miles) Bundy, age 97, of Crawfordsville passed away on Monday, August 19, 2024 at the Lane House. She was born on November 18, 1926 in Crawfordsville to the late Howard and Olive (Shafer) Miles.

Helen was raised on a farm in Bal Hinch. She attended New Market Schools. Helen married James Bundy on November 29, 1946, he preceded her in death on October 29, 1991. She enjoyed gardening, reading, and cooking.

Helen is survived by her daughter, Carla (Larry) Wright; granddaughter, Kelly (Chuck Stephenson) Newlin; great-grandchildren, Logan (Brittany) Newlin and Mason (KC) Newlin; a bonus great-granddaughter, Genesis Northcutt; 3 great-great-grandsons; and 2 step great-great grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her brother, Lewis Miles and his wife, Naomi Miles.

A private family graveside will be held at a later date. Burial will take place at Oak Hill Cemetery North. Share memories and condolences online at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

Teddy W. Kinney

October 26, 1956 - August 20, 2024

Teddy W. Kinney, 67 of Waynetown, went to be with his Lord and Savior on August 20, 2024 at Franciscan Indianapolis Hospital. He was born on October 26, 1956 to Harry and Naomi (Nichols) Kinney in Crawfordsville. Ted married Myrna Malone on July 28, 1978 at Waynetown Baptist Church.



Ted graduated from North Montgomery High School, Class of 1975 and Purdue Krannert Hall, Class of 1984. He also earned trade degrees from Ivy Tech in electronics and maintenance tech. Ted was an electrician for Raybestos for 14 years and most recently at Ecobatt in Indianapolis for 9 years. Ted was an active member of Liberty Chapel Church for over 40 years. He enjoyed spending time outdoors hunting and fishing. Ted loved his pets, especially the cats. Ted was a devoted Papa and will be missed dearly by his grandchildren.

Ted is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Myrna; 3 children, Angela (Ken) Eaton, Isaac Kinney, Meagan (Randy) Lampkin; 10 grandchildren, Mackenzie (Alec) Prange, Bethany, Isabelle, Micah, Layton, Asher, Sophia and Naomi Kinney and Lainey and Gavan Lampkin; 3 great grandchildren, Isaac "Ollie", Aurora and Amelia Prange; and a sister, Myra Kinney. He will also be missed by several nieces, nephews and extended family.

Ted was predeceased by parents and a granddaughter, Maddie Lampkin.

Calling hours will be held on Sunday August, 25, 2024 at Liberty Chapel Church from 2:00 pm until the time of the service at 4:00 pm. Donations in memory of Ted can be made to Liberty Chapel Church, 3942 W 500 N, Crawfordsville, IN 47933.

Cremation was chosen with Sanders Funeral Care Waynetown entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize This 1956 Linden Grad?

HINT:
 She was senior class president and the editor of the school yearbook.

Answer on Page A3

KAREN ZACH



Think writing a column on genealogy is easy?
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Each week Karen Zach pores over page after page after page of historical records just so she can bring the readers of The Paper of Montgomery County the absolute latest . . . well, it's historical, so it's not exactly . . . so she can bring you the most up-to-date . . . oh, you know what we mean!

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“Charles,” a Cigna Healthcare Medicare Advantage (MA) customer, had several health issues when he was introduced to a nutrition program available through his MA plan. Through the program, he worked with a registered dietitian, started working out, and lost nearly 50 pounds. These changes fueled him to tackle additional health goals, including getting mental health support and assistance improving his sleep.

MA plans, like those offered by Cigna Healthcare, include “extra benefits” not available through Original Medicare. The Cigna Healthcare MA nutrition program is one of those extras, and it primarily supports older adults with a body mass index below 22 or above 40, those with chronic diseases like diabetes and kidney disease, and those with low fruit and vegetable intake. Through the program, registered dietitians provide customers with dietary advice that can help them improve their health.

“We offer information, education and resources that are different for everybody and not restrictive,” explained Robin Neal, RD, one of the program’s dietitians. “The goal is to provide skills and tools so individuals can self-manage their diet after the program ends.”

Neal said results often include weight loss and improved blood sugar readings, such as those Charles experienced.

Of course, program advice varies by individual and their unique nutritional needs, but some tips everyone can benefit from include the following:

Get your nutrients. According to the National Council on Aging, older adults should eat a variety of foods to get all the nutrients they need, including lean protein for muscle mass, as well as fruits and vegetables, whole grains and low-fat dairy. Choose foods with little to no added sugar, saturated fats and sodium. For an example of what a healthy plate looks like, visit myplate.gov.

Stay hydrated. Drink water often to aid digestion. Limit beverages with lots of added sugars or salt.

Visit the dentist. If you’re having trouble chewing, visit your dentist. They may be able to help. For instance, if you have ill-fitting dentures, chewing can be improved and more comfortable with a better fit. Additionally, choosing softer foods, such as canned fruit, soups or tuna, may help. Dental visits are a covered benefit in many Medicare Advantage plans.

Follow food safety guidelines. Food not prepared properly can make you sick. Because those with weakened immune systems are vulnerable to foodborne illnesses, it’s especially important for older adults to follow food safety guidelines. If you have any doubt about a food’s safety, throw it out.

Limit salt. Too much sodium can increase the risk of high blood pressure, heart attack and stroke. To stay heart healthy, ask your doctor for guidance on recommended daily sodium limits based on your health status and check food labels for sodium content. Cook more meals at home using lower sodium ingredients and avoid processed foods. Flavor dishes with herbs and spices.

Seek assistance if needed. Take advantage of MA plan benefits that can help you secure healthy foods, like transportation or grocery cards. Additionally, there are local and national programs to help those on limited incomes with nutritious food costs, including the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). To learn about assistance available in your area, visit cignacommunity.findhelp.com.

To find MA plans offered in your area, visit Medicare.gov. For information on Cigna Healthcare plans, visit CignaMedicareInformation.com.

“By devoting your time and attention to eating well, you’ll not only be able to maintain a healthy body weight, but you can also reduce your risk of chronic disease and maintain your overall vitality as you age,” said Neal. “And, of course, if you have any questions about your health, you should always talk to your doctor.”

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higher than your PIA. (SS benefits reach maximum at age 70). FYI, each person’s FRA is different based on the year they were born, but full retirement age today is between age 66 and 67. When you claim benefits relative to your FRA determines how much of your PIA you will receive each month.

So, your contributions to Social Security aren’t used to determine your monthly benefit amount, but your average lifetime work earnings and age when you claim are. Nevertheless, you may be interested to know that most people get back everything they have personally contributed to Social Security within about 3 to 5 years of collecting their benefits. In that sense, Social Security is an exceptionally good deal, since most Americans now collect benefits for about two decades. And therein lies much of Social Security’s financial dilemma – people are

now collecting benefits for many more years than the current program is designed to support. And that is what Congress needs to fix as soon as possible. The Social Security trust funds (which now provide supplemental money to pay benefits) are projected to be depleted around 2033, which will mean a cut in everyone’s monthly Social Security payment, unless Congress acts soon to reform the program and restore it to fiscal solvency.

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Accompanying the delicious food available at the Taste will be fabulous live music from local and regional acts, representing the quality and variety that Tasters goers have always enjoyed. From 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., the **Stampede String Band** will perform. The energetic **Moon Cats** will take the stage from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. As our headliner this year, **Michael Kelsey** will be on stage from 7 to 9 p.m.

Advance tickets are wrapping up. They are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Admission tomorrow will be \$8 for adults and \$3 for students. Advance ticket holders will also be able to get into the gate faster on the day of the Taste, as they won’t have to wait in line for admission.

The Taste would not be possible without our generous sponsors. Every year the Taste Committee and the Lew Wallace Study Preservation Society Board and staff are amazed by the local businesses and individuals who contribute to this event and we sincerely thank them for their support.

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Previewing the Big Ten-Plus 8 Season (Hint: 12 of 18 Have No Shot)



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist
Not since Penn State joined in 1993 has the Big Ten Conference entered a football season sailing into uncharted waters.

The seismic shift of West Coast schools Oregon, Southern Cal, UCLA and Washington to the now Big Ten-Plus 8 has been a boon financially. But reality is that those who remember the Big Two-Little Eight era of the late 1960s into the 1980s are about to see an even greater imbalance of power on the football field.

Hopefully the extra \$30 million or so every year in TV money will be consolation to the 12 schools who have no chance of ever winning a Big Ten championship again. That includes Purdue and Indiana, who weren't exactly filling the trophy cases with league titles before the Big Ten nearly doubled in size.

Purdue has eight Big Ten championships, most recently in 2000 when future NFL legend Drew Brees willed the Boilermakers to their second Rose Bowl. Purdue also claimed the next-to-last Big Ten West Division crown in 2022.

Indiana hasn't come close to winning the Big Ten since claiming a share of the 1967 title and its lone trip to the Rose Bowl. The 1945 Hoosiers are the only other championship team in school history.

At least Purdue and Indiana will have company in the realization that the most reachable goal every season will be to play in the Duke's Mayo Bowl.

Sorry Illinois, Maryland, Michigan State, Minnesota and Northwestern. You missed your chance, Iowa and Wisconsin. Rutgers can look forward to watching two five-star basketball

recruits in action this winter. UCLA can boast 11 national championship banners in men's basketball. Nebraska has the memories of Bob Devaney, Tom Osborne and Tommie Frazier.

It's a good bet that two schools from among Ohio State, Michigan, Oregon, Penn State, Southern Cal and Washington will be playing in the Big Ten Championship Game for years to come. But only three of those six are most likely to make the trip to Indianapolis for the Dec. 7 game in Lucas Oil Stadium.

For one year at least, the nightmare scenario for the Big Ten commissioner's office of Ohio State and Michigan playing back-to-back weeks will be avoided.

Thank the deep pockets of Nike co-founder Phil Knight, who desperately wants a national championship for his Oregon Ducks. With the best quarterback money could buy in the transfer portal, former Oklahoma star Dillon Gabriel, Oregon is likely to face off with another well-funded school in Ohio State.

The Buckeyes were able to retain several NFL Draft prospects with the assistance of deep-pocketed boosters who would do anything to break the three-year losing streak to Michigan.

Heaven help coach Ryan Day if Ohio State loses to Michigan again. Only in Columbus could a coach potentially compile four consecutive 11-win seasons and be fired.

The contenders

Day has lost three times in 42 Big Ten games, all to Michigan. Expect that to change this season with an **Ohio State** offense featuring Treyvon Henderson at running back and receivers Emeka Egbuka, Carnell Tate and Jeremiah Smith catching passes from

Kansas State quarterback transfer Will Howard. Howard is a step up from last season's quarterback, Kyle McCord, who is now at Syracuse.

Oregon has a potent offense at Gabriel's disposal, with NFL prospects Tez Johnson and Texas A&M transfer Evan Stewart at wide receiver. The Ducks arguably have the Big Ten's best offensive line, a unit that allowed five sacks in 2023.

For years, **Penn State** was trapped in the same division as Michigan and Ohio State. That excuse is now gone for James Franklin, who has one division title to show for his 10 seasons in Happy Valley. It's time for former five-star quarterback Drew Allar to step up his game and not force the Nittany Lions to once again rely on a tough defense. The schedule doesn't help with a stretch of playing at Southern Cal, at Washington and in State College against Ohio State.

Reloading

New coach, same NCAA scrutiny for **Michigan**. Sherrod Moore is now in the NCAA's crosshairs in the fallout of the Connor Stallions' illegal scouting scheme. His former boss, Jim Harbaugh, has been basically banned from college football for four years. Not that Harbaugh cares from his Los Angeles Chargers vista.

Will this be a distraction for the Wolverines, who watched a lot of talent migrate to the NFL after the national championship season? If last season is an indication, not likely. The problem will be rebuilding the offense around running back Donovan Edwards. Defense is seldom a weakness in Ann Arbor.

What are the chances **Southern Cal** becomes the next Nebraska, a football power whose glory days were left behind when joining the

Big Ten? If the Trojans don't improve defensively (118th in scoring defense a year ago at 34.3 points per game), the answer is very good. Replacing No. 1 NFL Draft pick Caleb Williams is another concern.

Stunned by the loss of head coach Kalen DeBoer to Alabama in the aftermath of Nick Saban's unexpected retirement, national runner-up **Washington** starts over with two returning starters on defense, a new offensive line and Michael Penix's replacement at quarterback, four-year Mississippi State starter Will Rogers.

Old reliables

Fall guy Brian Ferentz is no longer the offensive coordinator at **Iowa**, but the Hawkeyes are being held back by Kirk Ferentz's reluctance to join the 21st century offensively.

Former Purdue assistant coach Tim Lester now holds the offensive coordinator title but unless he convinces Kirk Ferentz that the punt is not an offensive weapon, expect a lot of 13-3 games and an 8-4 or 9-3 record. Brendan Sullivan and Cade McNamara, who couldn't win the quarterback job at Northwestern and Michigan respectively, don't inspire confidence either.

Predictably, **Wisconsin** treaded water in Luke Fickell's first year, which ended with a 7-6 record thanks to winning the Guaranteed Rate Bowl. A team recruited for smashmouth, power running football just wasn't built for the Air Raid style of play introduced by offensive coordinator Phil Longo. Former Miami Hurricanes quarterback Tyler Van Dyke could be the right man for the offense. He'd better be with a schedule that includes visits from Alabama, Penn State and Oregon. The Badgers get to go to Southern Cal and Iowa, too.

And the rest

As for the other 10 teams, half probably have realistic chances for a bowl game. Which five? Your guess is as good as mine.

I will say this, Purdue is not going to finish 18th. My fellow media members are way off on that prediction. More on the Boilermakers next week.

Illinois took a step back in Bret Bielema's third season, going 5-7 one year after challenging Purdue for the Big Ten West Division crown. Bielema's rush-heavy offense must find a replacement for Reggie Love, the Fighting Illini's

leading rusher who left for Purdue. Dual-threat quarterback Luke Altmyer showed promise as a sophomore, passing for 1,883 yards and 13 touchdowns.

Not surprisingly, the Illinois defense plummeted from one of the nation's best units after losing coordinator Ryan Walters to Purdue and a handful of defensive backs to the NFL. The Fighting Illini suffered two more major losses to the NFL in linemen Jer'Zhan Newton and Keith Randolph.

Is it possible Curt Cignetti had more talent at James Madison than he inherited at Indiana? Kurtis Roarke is a former Mid-American Conference MVP at Ohio University, and he has two potential standout receivers in Donaven McCulley and James Madison transfer Elijah Sarratt. But only Michigan State was worse defensively than Indiana a year ago.

Maryland's hopes of continuing momentum under head coach Mike Locksley could come down to finding a suitable replacement for quarterback Taulia Tagovailoa. Locksley has led the Terrapins to three consecutive bowl victories and 23 wins over that three-year span. If he finds that quarterback, Maryland should be good enough defensively to extend that bowl streak.

Michigan State once looked like it had a promising future with head coach Mel Tucker. That vanished with a series of reportedly unwanted phone calls from Tucker to the school's sexual misconduct prevention advocate. That phone bill, barring a successful lawsuit against the school by Tucker, was \$79 million - forfeited by Tucker when he was fired for cause.

The Spartans wisely hired Jonathan Smith away from Oregon State, where he had gone 7-6, 10-3 and 8-4 during the past three seasons competing against Oregon and Washington for players. Smith brought with him quarterback Aidan Chiles and second-team All-Pac 12 tight end Jack Velling. Michigan State has been terrible defensively each of the past three seasons but may see improvement under former Minnesota coordinator Joe Rossi.

Minnesota didn't row the boat fast enough a year ago, finishing 6-7 even with a victory in the Quick Lane Bowl. Only the second non-COVID losing season in seven years under P.J. Fleck, the Gophers bid farewell to quarterback Athan Kaliakmanis (Rutgers) and brought in New Hampshire quarterback Max Brosmer. The bigger issue was on defense, which gave up 31, 37, 52, 49 (to Purdue) and 37

points in five of the seven losses.

If five-star quarterback Dylan Raiola makes a smooth transition to college football, **Nebraska** will take a step up from a 5-7 record in coach Matt Rhule's first season. A favorable schedule (just three preseason ranked opponents) is also reason for optimism. How do you spell "fluke?" N-O-R-T-H-W-E-S-T-E-R-N.

A year ago, the Wildcats were motivated by what they believed was the unjust firing of Northwestern legend Pat Fitzgerald to somehow go 8-5 with an Las Vegas Bowl win over Utah. That earned David Braun the permanent head coaching position.

With Brendan Sullivan off to Iowa, new quarterback Mike Wright hopes to succeed where he was unable to do so at Vanderbilt and Mississippi State. More unlikely is Northwestern repeating as one of the nation's top teams in turnover margin.

Greg Schiano may not have been good enough in the eyes of Tennessee fans in 2017 but the Vols' loss was **Rutgers'** gain. In his second stint with the Scarlet Knights, the Big Ten's most underrated football coach delivered the school's first winning season since 2014, a 7-6 effort capped by a Pinstripe Bowl victory.

Quarterback Athan Kaliakmanis left Minnesota for Rutgers after a competent junior season that saw him pass for 1,838 yards and 14 touchdowns. He'll likely improve those numbers with the return of Big Ten rushing leader Kyle Monangai (1,262 yards, 8 TDs a year ago). Rutgers has a solid defense, too.

Chip Kelly's preference to be offensive coordinator at Ohio State rather than being head coach at **UCLA** is telling about the school's commitment to football. The Bruins then took a page out of the Purdue playbook, hiring alumnus DeShaun Foster.

Foster, who has never been a coordinator or a head coach, then added doubt to UCLA's immediate future with a noticeable lack of preparation for his appearance at Big Ten Media Days. Major question marks on both sides of the football make it likely the Big Ten media picked the wrong team to finish 18th.

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



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In July 2024, badcredit.org surveyed 819 Americans 65 and older about their retirement or future retirement plans. Survey respondents ranged in age from 65 to 95, with an average age of 70. Of those surveyed, 40 percent were male, 59 percent were female, and 1 percent chose not to answer; 78 percent were retired, and 22 percent were not.

money to maintain their retirement. For those seniors still in the workforce, they don't expect to retire until they're at least 73 years old.

The primary concern among all seniors, whether working or not, is finances.

1 in 3 Retired Americans Age 65+ Feel Financially Unstable

Despite retiring at or before age 65, 59% of retirees surveyed said they don't have enough money for retirement. More than 1 in 3 (35%) said they don't feel financially stable, and 35% have struggled to make ends meet after they stopped working. In fact, 1 in 4 retirees said they had to return to work because they lacked sufficient resources.

Unexpected emergencies and associated costs are the top financial struggles among retirees 65 and older. Right behind that is travel: 3 in 5 surveyed say travel is an expense they can't afford.

Our survey found that seniors have saved enough money to live until an average age of 87, but with longer life expectancies, nearly half say they haven't put away enough money to last the rest of their lives. Meanwhile, 37% of those surveyed report everyday living expenses, such as basic home repairs and maintaining their lifestyle, aren't affordable in 2024.

More than half of seniors have changed their lifestyle due to financial hardship, with 88% blaming the high cost of living. The most popular changes include:

1. Cutting back on dining out or entertainment
2. Reducing travel and leisure
3. Delaying or forgoing major purchases

Of seniors hoping to retire in 2024, 77% report pushing retirement back due to finances. Meanwhile, 3 in 5 seniors who have not yet retired said finances are the main reason they've had to delay retirement. Our survey also found that seniors delay retirement by an average of five years.

However, others may take longer to retire – 20% said they do not think they can retire before 2030, and 26% do not believe they'll ever stop working.

While Americans 65 and older who have not yet retired only have an average of \$337,953 in savings, more than 1 in 10 (11%) said they have nothing saved.

How Americans 65+ are Preparing for Retirement

Among all Americans aged 65 and older, retired or not, the top financial concerns are unforeseen expenses, increased cost of living, and outliving their savings.

Nearly 3 in 4 (72%) Americans do not have a financial planner. While 37% say they don't have one because they know what they're doing financially, 42% surveyed say it's too expensive, and 13% are embarrassed about their finances.

The main savings tactics seniors use to prepare for retirement are a savings account, 401 (k), pension, IRA, and private investments. Seniors are relying heavily on Social Security, with 95% planning to use Social Security benefits for their retirement.

"The statistics this survey revealed are truly alarming. Now more than ever it will be important for people who are currently working – particularly if they're nearing retirement – to be extremely aggressive with saving and investing for the future," said BadCredit Finance Expert Erica Sandberg. "To be safe and secure, I encourage everyone to take a dedicated approach to reducing budgetary waste, too. Review your spending carefully and eliminate those things you don't really want."

"Also, be mindful about borrowing money. The more you spend on financing fees, the less you will have for the years when you won't be earning an income," Sandberg continued. "Charging what you can't really afford will turn into high-interest balances. It can offer temporary relief but will hurt your future. If you have debt now, take steps to pay it down as quickly as possible."

Whether you've retired or retirement remains out of reach, the best way to start saving is to begin putting away money as soon as possible. Don't make excuses: starting small can pay off in the long term.

BadCredit.org publishes personal finance studies on the latest trends in the subprime marketplace. With more than 15 years of journalism expertise, Jon McDonald stays up to date on emerging finance trends and news about the companies impacting the industry. He is most knowledgeable in the areas of budgeting, loans, and responsible credit use and is committed to bringing that experience to readers around the world. He has a passion for both writing and editing, and his articles have appeared in publications produced by The New York Times.

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"elegant fish!" Guessing Harley W. Ornbaun got his fair share. Although he won the first fishing contest (in five hours landing 46 bass including goggle eyes with partner H.E. Greene) after the state stocked Rock River (Sugar Creek) with the promise that the local sportsmen would never permit the fish to be taken unlawfully or unsportsmanlike, Harley was involved in doin' things right. Also, he was known for his sense of humor, and had a picture of him and buddy PO Rudy in a local store window with them posed as conquering heroes with a mammoth fish as large as either "of the boys." However, AB Anderson who brought the picture to be displayed had to fess-up and say a travelling photographer "had taken them with the mammoth rubber fish!" (CWJ 24 Sept 1897 p 9) But it was a good joke for a few days in C'ville.

Golf was one of Harley's loves, as well. He played on the early golf links which he worked hard to help make into the Country Club (1917). In 1916, he won a golf tournament there tallying a 76 score! He won Crawfordsville's President's Cup more than once but had some fierce competition. His match however was beginning to flourish in the name of Will H. Diddel, who was Wabash's manager of athletics. He was also a graduate as I think Harley was.

Active in Republican committee work, having held councilman in C'ville's 4th ward and a couple of small offices, his work really focused on making sure elections were properly handled and served as the top election officer keeping things on the up and up.

Harley was well-rounded as he also loved to travel, visiting Scotland in the summer of 1894. Wish I knew more about that trip, though. Perhaps it wasn't for sightseeing but for hunting or other purposes?

On November 9th in 1887, Harley wed Edith Lee, daughter of David Long and Mahala (Courtney) Lee at her parents' home in C'ville, Rev. George Jenner of the ME Church (families were Methodist through and through) officiating. There were a large number of guests and presents. When they returned from their honeymoon to Chicago, his father and second wife, Emma Chaffee, gave them a large reception. They never had children, but Edith was very active in Sunday School so that she could be with children.

So let's meet Harley's parents, especially his very well loved father, Benjamin Lewis Ornbaun and his first wife, Mary L. Barr who passed away with their fifth child, Otis Barr, Harley the oldest, along with Clara, Minnie and Lulu who sadly passed the day after Ben's second marriage. Clara never married but lived in Crawfordsville as well as Los Angeles with sister Minnie who had first married (Nov 22, 1888) William Edwin Arthur who passed in 1898. The gals had a boarding house for awhile, but then Minnie married George Adolphus Corelyou who also made Minnie a widow. She is buried with him in Mountain View Cemetery, Altadena, California as is sister Clara. Know Minnie had an infant son who passed in 1892, Clara no children, Harley no children, and Otis went out to Washington DC, working as a rigger in the ship yards, married (divorced) but no children so Ben didn't get to enjoy the role of gpa'.

Ben was born in Rockbridge County, Virginia from where his father, Andrew hailed (mother, Mary Shipley born in Tennessee) on Sept 13, 1829 but was but six years old when the family (Ben second of their nine children) moved to the Crawfordsville area. At age 17, he signed-up for an apprenticeship with our pioneer harness-maker, Robert Gray. Afterwards, he headed

to California via the Isthmus of Panama. He spent 66 days on a ship they condemned. The only provisions were (Portrait and Biographical Record of Montgomery ...) spoiled meat and worse water. Although they lost 16 men on the ship, Ben made it. After four years working and saving his money he returned to C'ville purchasing Gray's business. Flourishing under Ben's thumb (later with partner Harley), he eventually built a large brick block on Washington Street, 160' deep and three stories high, selling not only his harnesses (which by the way he made quite a bit of money entering them in area fairs, winning big prize dollars) but anything to do with a horse. He and second wife were extremely active in the Methodist Church, she too involved with the young, especially their son Benny Charles

Ben was a hard worker and loved to parade his teams four horses wide by prancing them down the streets of the city, but once, while entering "Darter's elevator, when standing up in the wagon – a beam cracked him on the head and he was quite in disrepair for a long time."

So sometimes his luck just wore down as with a family he rented one of his rentals to with neighbors complaining they were odd. Their children had two pole cats which they loved dearly and sat around petting like kittens. Finally, the police were called in. He shot them but those 'lil darlings got even, spraying their sweet perfume as they passed to skunk heaven. The officer was barred from coming to work until he smelled better!

Ben died August 10, 1903 after being sick several months. This family was so fascinating, I could write a book about them – in fact, you'll meet some of Ben's sister's family next week! Enjoy!

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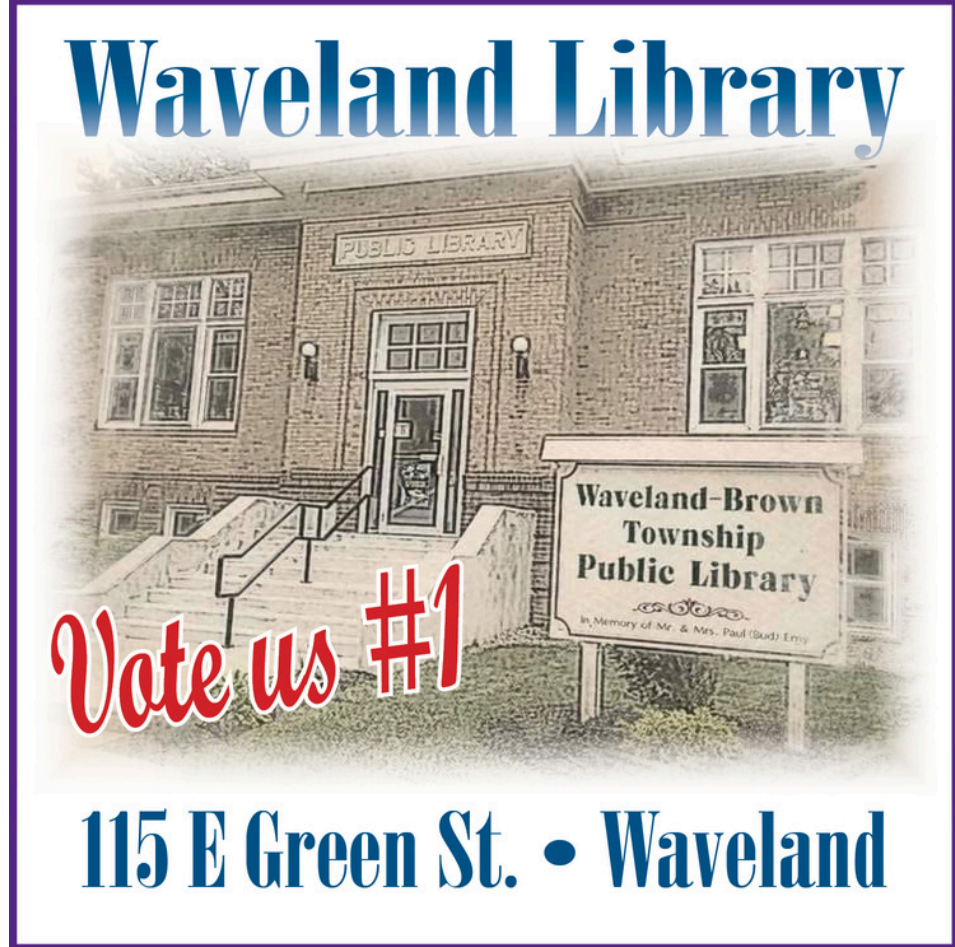


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Next Friday is National Grief Awareness Day

On Friday, Aug. 30, the Leadership Team of Drug Free Montgomery County and Quest for Balance Wellness will be partnering to host a grief care and education event for National Grief Awareness Day. This event will take place from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau, 808 W. Pike. St.

This free event will provide the opportunity to discuss grief, mourning, and loss in a safe space. Grief and mourning are often viewed as taboo or uncomfortable topics, but you or someone you know have most likely experienced some type of loss in life. This event will not only be discussing grief and mourning of those we have lost to suicide and overdose, but we will also be discussing the impact of living losses such as losing a job, going through a divorce, becoming estranged from a loved one, losing a pet, etc. If grief goes untreated for a prolonged amount of time with intense symptoms, individuals can become far more likely to engage in substance abuse. Learning more about grief and loss can help support and guide yourself or your loved ones during a time of loss or death.

With National Grief Awareness Day taking place on Aug. 30 and Overdose Awareness Day taking place Aug. 31, this education

event will discuss the importance of grief care and education surrounding suicide and overdose. Help us start the conversation about the importance of grief education and remember those we have lost to suicide and overdose.

The featured speaker at this event will be Jai Miranda, a Certified Grief and Wellness Coach & Educator at Quest for Balance Wellness. Jai is also the proud owner of the Quest for Balance Wellness Studio. While conversations surrounding grief and loss can be difficult, the goal of this event is to start these tough conversations in a welcoming space with a certified Grief and Wellness Coach. For further questions regarding grief care or the Quest for Balance Wellness studio, reach out to Jai Miranda at jmiranda@qfbwellness.com.

As always, many resources can be found on the Drug Free Montgomery County's website at drugfreemoco.org. For further questions, reach out to Diamond Justus at diamond@mcysb.org. Drug Free Montgomery County is a program of the Youth Service Bureau. The YSB is a United Way in Montgomery County partner agency and is also supported by the Montgomery County Community Foundation.

FOR THE RECORD

NORTH MONTGOMERY SCHOOLS

Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, Aug. 26, 6 p.m. / Work Session 4:45 p.m.
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- 1. Work Session
- Budget 2024-25 Discussion
 - 1. Call to Order
 - Pledge of Allegiance (please stand)
 - 1. Public Comment
 - 2. Consent Agenda
- Minutes
- Monthly Claims
- Personnel, Extra-Curricular, Field Trips, Facilities Usage, Contributions, Gifts, Superintendent Stipends
- Other
- Consent Vote
 - 1. Action Items
- Approve Certified Staff Handbook
- Approve Classified Staff Handout Revisions
- Approve Transportation Staff Handbook Revisions
- Approve 2024 CTE Agreement and Not for Profit Lease Agreement
- Approve \$500,000 Employment Sign-On Bonus for Bus Drivers
- Approve Bus Bid
- Approve 2025 Budget Advertisement for all Funds
- Approve Staff Technology Handbook Revisions
 - 1. Other
 - 2. Adjournment

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Exhibit Comes ‘Home’ to Carnegie Museum

The exhibit entitled “Home” is open at the Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County, showcasing 34 works of art created by 25 talented local artists.

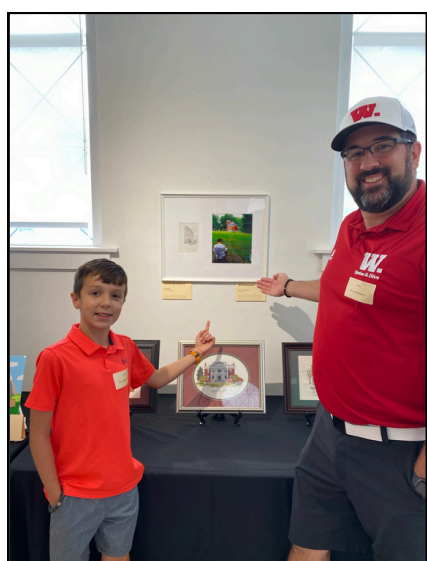
Home explores the complex meanings of home – from the landscape and weather events around us to happenings that are

unique to Indiana. The mixed media show features art by local amateur and professional artists. It includes works on paper and canvas, sculpture, mixed media assemblage and photography.

Home will be on display through Oct. 26. The Carnegie Museum is

located at 222 S. Washington St. in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville. Admission is free, and the museum is wheelchair and stroller accessible.

The Carnegie Museum is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



From left, artists William Bernhardt III and Will Bernhardt II show off their exhibits. William’s sketch of the Lew Wallace Study is accompanied by his father’s photo of him in action.



Artist Abigail Olmstead and her mom view the art at the opening reception.

Courtesy Photos

103 historic farm families presented Hoosier Homestead

Recognized for their families’ longstanding commitment to agriculture, 103 Indiana farm families were presented the Hoosier Homestead Award at the Indiana State Fair from Indiana State Department of Agriculture Director Don Lamb.

“The Hoosier Homestead ceremony at the Indiana State Fair is a prestigious event for all involved,” said Lt. Gov. Crouch, Indiana’s Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. “It is a true honor to celebrate these families for their work and commitment to bettering Indiana agriculture.”

To be named a Hoosier Homestead, farms must be owned by the same family for more than 100 consecutive years, and consist of 20 acres or more, or

produce more than \$1,000 in agricultural products per year.

Based on the age of the farm, families are eligible for three different distinctions of the Hoosier Homestead Award. They can receive the Centennial Award for 100 years, Sesquicentennial Award for 150 years or Bicentennial Award for 200 years of ownership.

“Keeping a farm operational for 100 years or more is something these families can take great pride in,” Lamb said. “Each of the awarded family farms continues to adapt and evolve through each new generation on the farm to ensure their success.”

Since the program’s inception in 1976,

nearly 6,200 families have received the award. Often, a Hoosier Homestead farm is easily recognized because most recipients proudly display their awarded sign on their property.

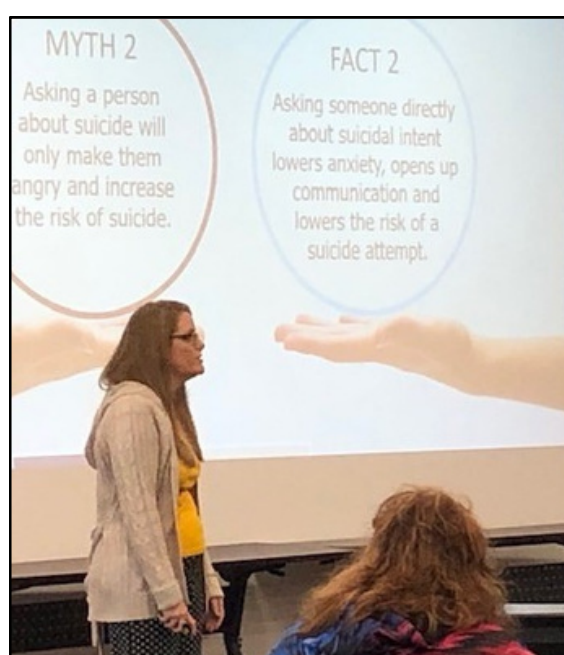
During the ceremonies, six Indiana farms received the Bicentennial Award for 200 years of continuous ownership: the Thornburg-Caldwell-Slack family from Fayette County, the Hodges family from Morgan County, the Bridges-Royer family from Putnam County, the Dale & Donna Hartwell and Ricky W. Hartwell family from Rush County, the Bass-Rhodes family from Shelby County and the James W. Holmes, Jeffrey W. Holmes, Jason M. Davidson family from Tippecanoe County.

Events Help Observe Suicide Prevention Month

The Volunteers for Mental Health and the Youth Service Bureau, both agencies of United Way, are joining forces to ask you to Think Back and Look Forward when you contemplate the topic of suicide. September is Suicide Prevention Month, and the two agencies are combining their resources to train individuals in how to best serve a friend, colleague or family member who is considering taking their own life. For those who have lost someone to suicide, the groups are hosting a remembrance and prevention walk.

On Sept. 19 and 24, lunch and learn sessions will be held to help attendees to learn the QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) method of suicide prevention. Sara Clapp, program director at Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau, will apply her knowledge to explaining the simple steps of QPR and providing strategies for responding to a potentially suicidal friend, colleague or family member. The program begins at 11:30 with free lunch, followed by Clapp’s presentation. Participants will also receive supportive materials and a certificate to be applied toward professional development job requirements. Pre-registration is required. Visit www.vmhmc.org or Yodel to register. Questions may be directed to Denise Booher Walker, (765) 275-2689; email: dbw@vmhmc.org

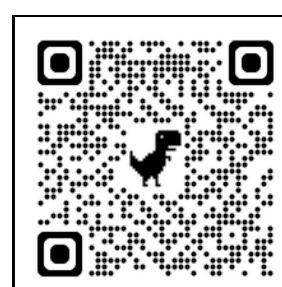
To end the Suicide



Images Courtesy of Volunteers for Mental Health

Sara Clapp of YSB will lead an educational program on how to help prevent suicide.

Awareness Month, Youth Service Bureau and VMHMC will offer a suicide walk at Milligan Park. Participants of all ages will have an opportunity to select remembrance beads reflecting their loss, walk in the lovely Milligan Park vicinity, and conclude their remembrance with a butterfly release. Individuals may walk alone, bring a group, or join an existing group at the event. For those who pre-register, a t-shirt will be provided as well as snacks, water, and materials relating to suicide prevention free of charge. To register and receive a t-shirt, visit https://secure.givelivelive.org/event/montgomery-county-youth-services-



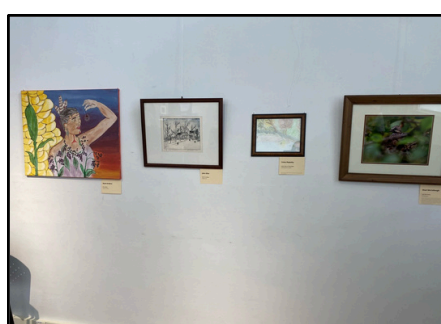
bureau-inc/montgomery-county-suicide-prevention-walk-2024 A registration button is also found at the Montgomery County Youth Service Bureau webpage.

Questions about the walk may be directed to Sara Clapp at YSB, (765) 362-0694 – extension 102, or by email: sara@mcysb.org

Shortcut buttons for both events are found at www.vmhmc.org



Melissa Bernhardt’s photograph Home is Wherever My Family is Happy is displayed in the exhibit’s digital showcase.



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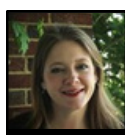
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It's American Artists Appreciation Month at Library



TONI RIDGWAY-WOODALL
Guest Columnist

The Crawfordsville District Public Library invites our patrons to celebrate the arts during American Artist Appreciation Month and to take a moment to learn how art has transformed our daily lives.

American artists have no obligations to any group and can reflect on personal experiences, hot topics, and imaginary ideas in any medium they choose. Over decades they have pushed for freedom of expression in the arts, and this movement has inspired others worldwide to share their views even in the most dangerous situations. These artists were empowered to encourage change because they received public support in the United States.

There are many ways you can support the arts in your community. The first step is finding the art forms that interest you and learning more about the subject. Historically, the arts included traditional methods such as painting, drawing, sculpture, architecture, literature, cinema, theatre, dance, and music. In today's world, those boundaries have been removed because artistic freedom has encouraged artists to share new ideas through various contemporary means.

If you are unsure where to start, consider a historic period of your interest. Jed Perl's "Art in America 1945-1970" (709.73 Art) is a collection of writings by well-known artists during a period of major transformation in American art. "Celebrating 200 Years of Indiana Art" (709.1 Cel) provides a 200-year history of Hoosier artists whose artworks are in the permanent collection at the University Art Gallery at Indiana State University. "The Plains Indians: Artists of Earth and Sky" (970.67 Tor) by Gaylor Torrence displays the rich visual history and aesthetic traditions of Indigenous peoples from the 16th to 20th centuries.

Inspiration can be found in everyday objects, such as the clothes we wear. "Off the Wall: American Art to Wear" (746.92 Off) provides full-color

images and explores the space where art and fashion collide. Update your fashion knowledge by spending time with the Metropolitan Museum of Art's textile collection. If you consider yourself a fashionista, "100 Dresses: The Costume Institute" (391.2 One) highlights high-end designer dresses beginning in the late 17th century; you should also consider "High Style: Masterworks from the Brooklyn Museum Costume Collection" (391.007 Hig) which presents a well-organized history of glamorous trends in fashion.

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Negele's Bill to Improve Breast Cancer Prevention Signed

Gov. Eric Holcomb recently ceremonially signed into law legislation authored by State Rep. Sharon Negele (R-Attica) to improve breast cancer screening and prevention for Hoosier women.

House Enrolled Act 1058 ensures mammogram providers inform patients if they have dense breast tissue, which can make cancer harder to detect. According to the National Cancer Institute, dense breasts are not considered an abnormal breast condition or a disease. However, dense breasts are a risk factor for breast cancer.

"Many women are unaware of their breast tissue density and the risks it may have to their health," Negele said. "Now, patients will have additional resources they need for early detection that may just save their lives."



Photo courtesy Indiana House Republicans

Gov. Eric Holcomb signed State Rep. Sharon Negele's (R-Attica) law improving breast cancer screening and prevention. Seated on the left is one of the bill's co-authors State Reps. Brad Barrett (R-Richmond).



State Rep. Sharon Negele

About half of women who are 40 years old or older have dense breasts, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Mammography is less sensitive in women with dense breast and more likely to miss cancer.

In addition, the new law adds aesthetic flat closer

and chest wall reconstruction to the insurance coverage of breast cancer rehabilitative services and reconstruction surgery. Also, any woman insured under a state employee health plan can receive additional coverage for medical and surgical benefits relating to a post-mastectomy procedure.

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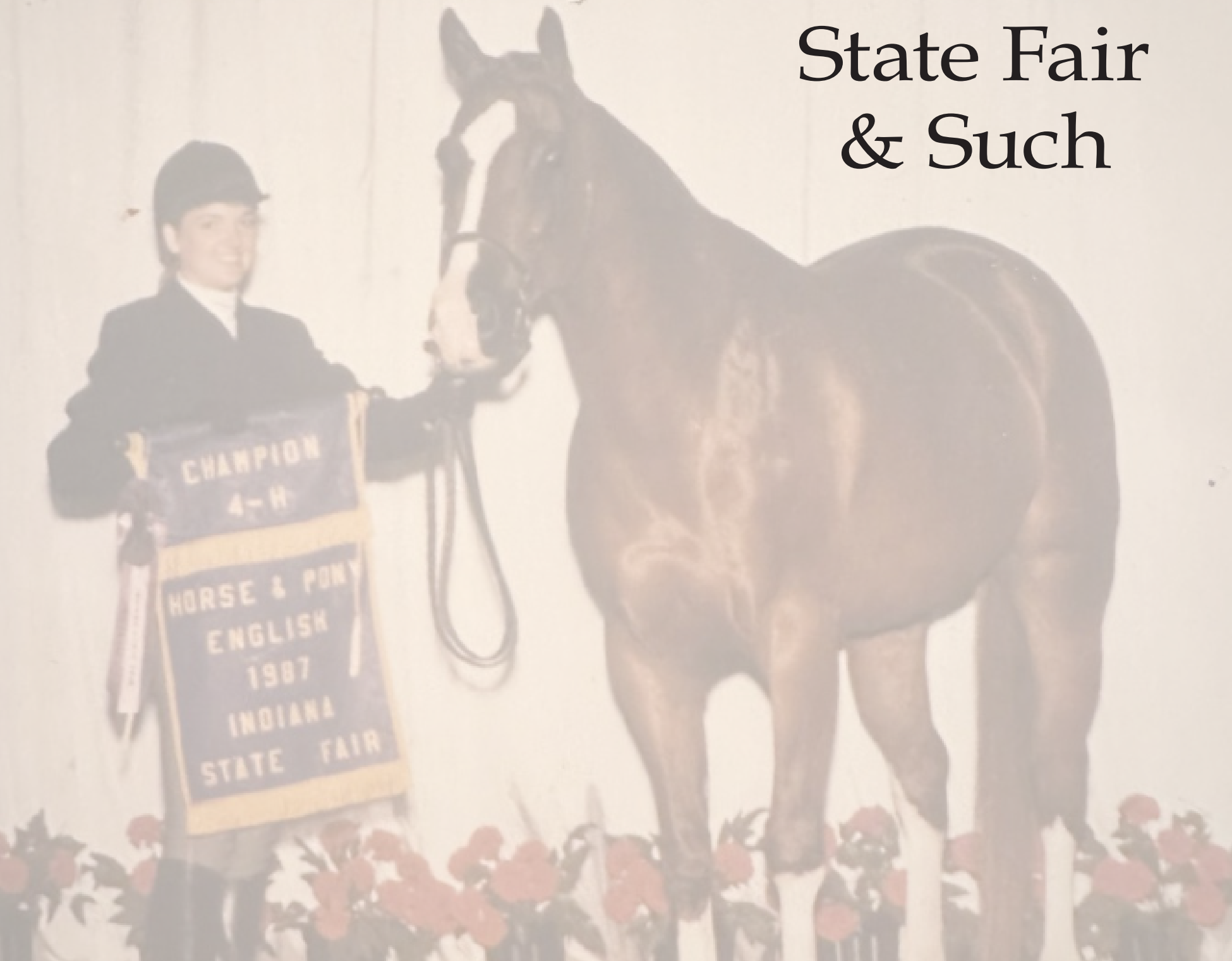


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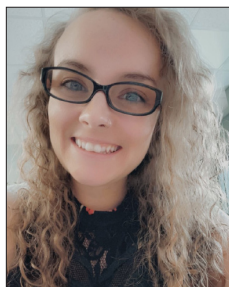
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August Feature: Fair Memories

Sherry Legg Young



When I interviewed for the job of 4-H Program Assistant, Beverley Turner was on the interview committee. I remember her asking, "You did so well in 4-H, how are you going to relate to those kids who don't?" My response was that you remember me for the things I did well, but I made a whole lot of memories in between!

There was my "If you don't straighten up your attitude!" cake. The horse show, livestock entry and perishable project entry all happened on Saturday morning so on Friday I was baking my cake in between riding horses and washing cattle and pigs. When I put the cake into the oven, I tilted a pan, making one layer uneven. I just put a little extra icing in between the layers on that side. That night I came in, exhausted, and noticed that my icing was melty and the top layer had slid off the bottom one. I had a little meltdown. Mom said to me, "If you don't straighten up your attitude!" I remember saying that I deserved to have an attitude! We smooshed the cake back together, putting tooth-

picks in to hold that top layer in place, smoothed the icing and prayed the judge wouldn't cut into a toothpick. (There was no chance this cake would make it to the foods auction, so no worry of someone actually eating it.)

After that, I decided to take Food Preservation so I could have my product ready early and not need to bake it the day before check-in. I rode my horse to my great grandpa's old wild blackberry patch. I picked the berries and stashed them in the tail of my white t-shirt and rode home. My shirt was never white again, but I did win

Division Champion and the Overall Food Preservation Award with my Blackberry Jam and took it to the State Fair. All the sweeter with the memories of Grandpa Kline to go along with it.

My main show horse was Socks Teddy Too. Teddy was a gorgeous handful! In the beginning, we got disqualified more than once for him bucking around the arena or grabbing my sleeve during showmanship. There was the time we arrived at a show to find he had reached his bridle during the trip. And ate it. He loved Diet Pepsi in red solo cups (before there was a song) and would help himself. I made a lot of new friends while apologizing and replacing drinks. A highlight of our career was winning Champion Gelding out of 80 horses at the Indiana State Fair my 10th year in 4-H while also capturing 2nds in showmanship and riding. What a way to cap things off!

I was in the 4-H Queen Contest twice. The first year I didn't place. The second year I won. That win might have been because I just kept smiling

despite my challenges. As I went to go up the steps onto the runway I walked out of my shoe. I stepped up and then back down into my shoe and then back up again and carried on. At that time, we had heat lamps (like from the barn) hooked to the runway for lighting. As I went down the runway in my big hoop skirt, I caught the hoop on the heat lamp. Somehow, I managed to unhook myself and leave the lamp in place. Still smiling!

One award remained elusive to me no matter how hard I tried. I made it into the Overall Showmanship more than once by winning the horse division. My last year, I knew I had really done a great job with all the species and hoped it was finally my turn to win. The judge got on the microphone and announced that, "The little girl on the end," (me) "would've won if she'd known how to show a horse." Gulp. I was the horse person! That lesson taught me that sometimes things don't seem fair but to be proud of the effort I had given because I knew it was my best.

One lesson I learned repeatedly was that the trying moments become the moments you laugh about the most through the years. Moms can all relate to Dad's assigned projects not getting done before the family vacation. Kids remembering that they need a vital "something" the afternoon of check-in. Arriving with no light bulb in your daughter's lamp (taken out for safety during transportation and left at home) and trying to get one before check-in closes. Seeing your son, who doesn't talk freely to people, talking to the judge and taking himself from a green ribbon to a champion on a project he designed. (I wasn't nearly as excited about the color of the ribbon as I was that he talked!) Spending time with neighbors after finding the wayward goats in their driveway.

I am looking forward to a trip to the State Fair this summer. I will relive memories and maybe be inspired to enter an Open Class project next year. After all, there are always new memories to be made!

Thank you for reading Montgomery Memories!

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



I asked on the C'ville and MoCo History page for any remembrances from State Fair – Julia Keys Lewis (CHS '69) remembered playing Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass songs in she thought 1968 at the state fair competitions. That was tough and very hot (Waveland had wool uniforms) is all I remember. Glad she had good remembrances!

According to the Tipton Daily Tribune 14 Sept 1948 p 3 the Prairie HS band won fifth at the Farmer's Day parade at the Indiana State Fair with Montgomery County 1st. Go MoCo! Wonder if this was the prelim to Band Contest Days?

Speaking of band contest at state fair, South did very well when Mr. Patton was music director – thanks to the Southmont group for reminding me of Mr. Patton walking home when they won 5th place (1985) then the next year, receiving their best ranking at 3rd. There were several first place finish-

es in small bands, just never the overall big winner. Raylene Bement Salazar noted she had great memories (Class of 1974) of competing as the first-ever rifle team!

Susan Keedy Oaks made me smile at her contribution: "I won grand champion in gardening and went to the state fair and won a blue ribbon. I was in high school, so like 50 years ago. I was in 4-H for a long time, participated in 4-H roundup at Purdue and made lots of exhibits over the years! I still love to play in the dirt and plant things and watch 'em grow!"

Linda Mullens was reluctant to share because she went to state fair from where she lived then, (Grant County) coming to MoCo in 1975 (I think if anyone wins big at state fair, let's hear it) but won Grand champion locally and reserve at State Fair (see photo) for her cookies which she noted were a bear to

stir when adding the flour.

Know we have had several winners in the clothing area, including in 1963 when Linden's Linda Binford was the overall state winner at the State Fair dress revue. She wore a "brown tweed skirt and pullover vest with a brown tailored blouse. She wore a derby hat of fur fabric, shoes and bag of suede, trimmed in cobra with beige gloves and a gold leaf pin as her accessories" – way to go Linda! (Palladium-Item 30 Aug 1963 p 19). The 60s were good as Susan Alexander won for separates in 1968. She along with the other winners (including two from Putnam County) won trips to Washington and the United Nations.

In 1985, in the Santa Gertrudis class, Mike Meadows won Champion; his sister, Missie gathered-up a Reserve; Mike won showmanship and they both had first place awards at state fair! That year, in food preservation several won blues at state: Jamey Brooks, Kristina McCance, Melissa Geiger, Patricia Meadows, Marcia Turner, Angela Vance, Colleen Klinker. Shelly Chastain in Weed control. Home furnishing blues that year were Aimee Scott, Michelle Stephens, Travis Seward. 4-H Wild Life: Ann Steiner, Jamie Geiger, Jamie Redmon, Kristine Gillan. Well, the list was long and each year remains as such, but it sure is exciting to see the young folks tally up those ribbons!

In 1990 (Laf Journal-Courier 21 Aug p26) MoCo won big in Livestock with Beth Patton, reserve champion Angus heifer; Champion polled Hereford, KC Keffer; Reserve Champion Polled Hereford Jill Sennett; reserve Champion Maine Anjou Heifer, Shawn Booher; Champion Red Poll Heifer, Micky Parks; Champil Polled Hereford Steer repeat win for KC Keffer; Reserve Champion Hampshire gilt, Trent Heffer and Reserve Champion Spots Barrow, Andrew Norman. Super job!

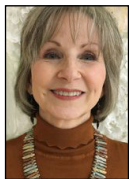
Friend Amy Epperson McCutchan Sanders went to state fair more than once. She's an amazing seamstress and went in clothing. Wow cook, went in Foods; very creative, so yep, Crafts but didn't know she was involved in Geology as she went to state in that, too! Amy's mom was a leader two decades and Amy was summer help at the fair grounds. Amy served as leader for five years in Parke County, definitely a 4-H family. Her three kids were active as well, Amy and her three all 10-year-members. The Eppersons won the Lenora Matthews' 4-H Outstanding Family Award.

I've always loved the state fair, but did think I'd give you the Waveland Independent's 1917 outlook at it – "The State Fair has degenerated into a collection of side shows and hot wienie stands. It is a fine example of broken food laws!" Had to laugh – I mean that's half the fun!

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Nifty at Ninety - And Beyond

Joy Willett, Montgomery Memories

Indiana’s first state fair was held from October 20-22, 1852. Initially held at Military Park west of downtown Indianapolis, it had a home along Alabama Street, and then, in 1892, moved to the current fairgrounds. Interestingly, the fair has been in operation since 1852 – except during major military conflicts, including the Civil War, World War I, and World War II. (Wikipedia).

The focus of August’s Nifty is Otto Lawrence Reddish. He joined the state fair’s board of directors in 1924. For several years, he headed the swine division of the fair. His first term as board president was in 1932. Otto served as fair president again in

1946 (The Indianapolis News, January 10, 1946). That year the event had record breaking attendance. According to Muncie’s Star Press, “An estimated 100,000 passed through the never idle turnstiles” in one day. The total attendance for the eight-day event was almost 700,000 (September 6, 1946).

Born February 17, 1883 in Parke County, Indiana, Otto’s parents were Clayborn and Eva Caroline (Sutton) Reddish. They married in 1880, both aged 19. The couple had seven children who lived to adulthood. Clayborn was a life-long farmer. Eva, who attended the Waveland Academy and the Ladoga Normal School, was a teacher in

the Parke County Schools (The Indianapolis Star, May 12, 1946).

Otto married Mary “Blanche” Oglesbee on June 29, 1904. The couple made their home in Waveland for a time, and also lived in Parke County, where Otto farmed. Otto and Blanche had six children. Blanche, at only 43 years of age, passed on December 7, 1932 (The Indianapolis Star, December 18, 1932) due to a brain embolism. She suffered for many years from the effects of vegetative endocarditis. She was interred in the Maple Ridge Cemetery near Waveland (findagrave.com). Otto married a second time. He and Edna R. (Allison) Neal, a divorcee from Brownsburg, Hendricks County, wed on November 13, 1941 (The Indianapolis News, November 13, 1941). They spent the remainder of their lives together. Edna lived to be 92 years old!

Otto had an illustrious public career. He was elected as Putnam County treasurer in

1926 (The Indianapolis Star, May 7, 1926), and he was elected to the Indiana State Senate, representing Clay and Parke Counties, in 1936 (The Indianapolis Star, May 6, 1936). He served four terms in the Indiana House of Representative and chaired the House Roads Committee (The Indianapolis News, February 23, 1955) and the tax writing House Ways and Means Committee (Journal and Courier May 7, 1956). He was a member of the Shriners (The Indianapolis Star, June 18, 1918), the Indiana State Board of Agriculture (Rushville Republican, March 6, 1923), the Swine Breeders Association, including his membership in the “reception” committee (Anderson Daily Bulletin, November 24, 1922). In 1952 he was recognized by the Indiana Swine Breeders Association for the service in the swine industry.

In his private life, Otto was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Masonic Lodge of Waveland, and the Scottish Rite of Indianapolis. He died from a heart attack on May 7, 1956, at his farm near New Market. Even after death he received 896 votes for his run to be the Republican candidate for the Indiana House of Representatives (The Times-Mail, May 10, 1956). He was buried next to Blanche in the Maple Grove Cemetery (Tri-County News, May 10 1956). May Otto, an accomplished man and dedicated community icon who served the Indiana State Fair for almost three decades, rest in peace.



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Otto working as an Indiana State Legislator.



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Town Talkins'



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Since the death of our wonderful writer, Chuck Clore, we decided to replace his column with what we'll call, "Town Talkins." Years ago, I had an article in The Paper of Montgomery County called, "Town Talkins," but I just did the current towns and thanks to my crew of super researchers (Suzie, Jerry, Delie, Kim and Chris) we have found one shy of 540 MoCo towns/areas. So, to replace Chuck's article, we're going to revamp Town Talkins and tell you about some of the long-ago towns of MoCo!

We will be featuring one of these towns each month and sometimes tag on some of the tinier ones in that area. Alphabetical order (or thereabouts) so let's start with Alamo!

In 1824, several folks from Butler County, Ohio came here where they purchased cheap land to pass on to their children. More Ohioans came, about that time some from Warren County and a few years thereafter emigrants arrived from Hamilton County. Definitely, an Ohio influence in Ripley Township. These first folks included Swearingen, Gilkey, Roundtree, Denman and Watson. These were from Butler, and Palmers, Ramseys, Elmore, McKinseys, Smiths, Oneals, Elmores from Warren. Hamilton brought Balsers, Werts, Campbells, Ammermans and many others. (CWJ 16 Dec 1869). In 1868, a wonderful article was published in the Crawfordsville Weekly Journal Sept 17th, telling about their "little hamlet" having no grocery, dram shop, saddler shop or drug store (although I remember a fairly thriving town in the 1950s and 60s with several businesses); however, the writer of the CWJ article wanted the reader to know there was a flouring mill, "superb blacksmith shop, boot and shoe store and a fine toll house which the traveler can't fail to notice." Also an exchange woolen mill that furnished good jobs for the "pretty lasses and greasy laddies." Each week, Alamo received 65 newspaper and periodicals including 16 of the Journal and one of the Review, so they kept up with their reading.

Several Ripley township smaller towns with Alamo the larger city, included Boraker's Corner (one mile west of Sugar Creek near the Ripley-Wayne line).



Photo courtesy of Mark Smith

Some may know the Alamo Conservation Club and just north of that was Buckhorn Tavern site. Civil Corner was in the far eastern part of Ripley (Section 20). Clore's Grove may be in upper Brown, if not then in lower Ripley. People mentioned in some articles indicate that the burg was likely in lower Ripley. Fruits Corner located on the land of Andy Herron in Sec 11 of Ripley, was the southwest corner of the intersection of SR 25 and SR-32 and in the early days was called Needmore Corner and later Myers' Corner. Hibernia was on the intersection of 525W and Fall Creek Road and dated back as far as 1840 or so on Dan Gilkey's property. Ingersoll Corner had an active attendance of about 100 in the 1890s at the church there. Lane opened its post office on Feb 8, 1870 and closed in Sept six years later – reopened Oct 1876 until April 1878. It was on what is now called Fall Creek Road. Little's Corner was in Section 11 near where the Fruits Cemetery is. Lone Tree from the 1898 atlas shows in the upper eastern portion of Ripley. The Road 525 South, 800 West area owned a very large (four stories high) mill in the 1840s with the area titled Magnolia Mills. Not sure whereabouts Muddy Lane was but from being down there in the fall or spring could be several places!

Pickett's Corner (northwest corner of Section 35) in the Alamo column CWJ 7 Jan 1898 was described as being two miles south of Alamo and was also known as Texas. The telephone was noted as coming (CWJ 3 Sept) with wires being stretched in late 1897 and in this time frame it was definitely a happening place!

Quaker Cave was north of Weir Cemetery. Ridge Farm about the same area as Myers Corner – in 1919, the children quit going to this school and were transferred to go to Alamo. Ripley may have also been a town as well as township since the Horse Thief Detectives met there on the 2nd Saturday in September, December, March and June for many years.

Interesting things happened at Round Corner (Jan 1888 Waynetown Hornet) as there was a meeting at Ingersolls; Ora Pickett's mustache discussed; and the Walter Mill timber business. There was an odd shaped curve (thanks Sherry) at Sec 3 and 35 where these families all lived, so we assume it was there. Stony Point, Thunder Valley, Upper California and Yountsville, of course (so many have written about it over and over, including me, but thought I'd pass this time) with its amazing longstanding Woolen Mill, churches, etc., gave Alamo a good go for the number one spot of Ripley, but basically the little town persevered and still does!

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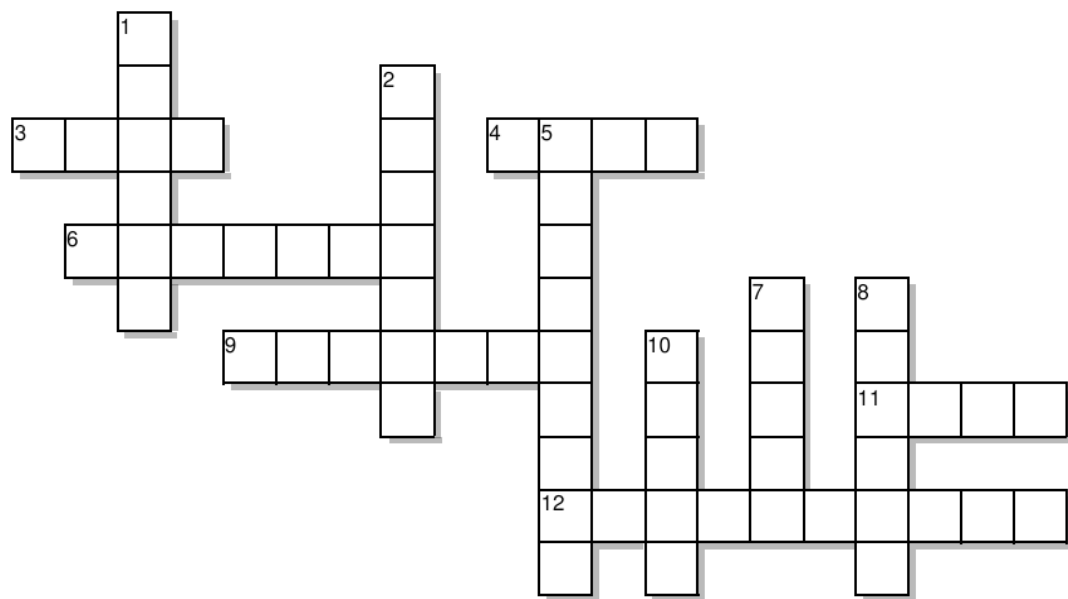
Poetry and Puzzles

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A Day at the Fair

By Joy Willett

*Cotton candy,
anything deep fried,
an ice cream cone
soon liquified,
arts, crafts,
midway rides,
duck shooting
for the eagle-eyed,
4-H projects
made with pride,
a lovely queen,
a seat ringside,
a tractor chugging
by a red combine,
animal barns with
giant swine,
rabbits, sheep,
beef and dairy bovine,
poultry, goats,
all certified,
It's the fair!
Have a great time.*



ACROSS

- 3 Tractor ---
- 4 Color of the first place ribbon
- 6 MoCo resident, State Fair Pres
- 9 Veggie in KBZ preserve recipe
- 11 ----- and Peanut Pudding
- 12 Cow weighing 1800#

DOWN

- 1 Browns-----
- 2 Early MM town, Barcus -----
- 5 Cattle, sheep, poultry, goats
- 7 Indiana ----- Fair
- 8 They give ribbons at the fair
- 10 Wife murderer arrested in 1859

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*Poetry - Continued**I Thank You**By Quentin Zach*

*A beautiful sunrise in the morning on Monday
 Father I thank you for your son rising again someday
 I thank you for birthing me in this wonderful place
 I thank you for your mercy, I thank you for your grace
 I thank you for the tribulations and the seasons of rain
 I thank you for the times you carried me through pain
 I'm grateful to be here in the United States
 Even though it's not the most united place
 I'm thankful for seasons both warm and cold alike
 But most importantly I'm grateful you gave me life.*

*Fair**By Cynthia Long*

*There is something for everyone at the fair
 Including lovers.
 When my parents were teens, they met at the county fair.
 They talk of those days at the fair when they first met
 The competitions, the races, the food and rides
 How each year, they would relive their first meeting
 To renew the glorious days of their youth long past*

*Grandma's Quilt**By Cynthia Long*

*On my grandparents farm I recall
 laying in the grass on the quilt that grandma made
 looking up through the breezy tree's to the blue skies and
 bright sun
 Summer half over, getting close to harvest time
 The grandparents are walking through their fields of veg-
 etables to be harvested
 Uncle sitting on the tractor under a shady tree sipping at
 some tea
 My aunt sitting on the porch swing drinking some pop,
 resting after cleaning out the Smokehouse.
 Gathering and cleaning ball and mason jars for harvest
 It's been a busy summer of growing the fall gleanings.
 The cows standing outside the fence are looking at me as
 if I'm going to entertain them.
 We are preparing for family to arrive to construct the
 bountiful harvest for the following spring.
 I see one car turn in, then another and another, then a
 line of five cars turn, and drive up the long lane.*

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Karen's Kitchen

Karen Bazzani Zach, Montgomery Memories

Been waiting on a cake recipe from a state fair attendant, (doggone it, didn't get it) but in the meantime I found quite a hoot about carrots which should be up about now. The Crawfordsville Review in April 1915 gave several carrot recipes (creamed; croquettes; soup; carrot pie; carrot preserves and carrot marmalade). Wish you were here so I could ask ya' which sounds the best but think since I'd never heard of Carrot preserves I'd give ya' that recipe.

Peel and slice carrots. Boil until tender. To each pound add a pound of granulated sugar and ½ cupful of water. Flavor with lemon. Simmer slowly until rich and thick, then sear (about 5 minutes, stirring constantly).

I had also never heard of Carrot Soup – so here's how they said to fix it in 1915. One quart of thinly sliced carrots, one head of celery, 3 or 4 quarts of water. Boil for 2 ½ hours (that's what it says). Add ½ cupful of rice and boil another hour. Season with salt and pepper and a small cupful of cream.

Wait! Other recipes were on the page, as well and I thought the Date and Peanut Pudding sounded yummy. "Dates and peanuts made an exceptionally good combination. Beat two eggs well, add one cupful of granulated sugar, one cupful peanuts finely chopped, 1/3 C flour sifted with one teaspoon full baking powder, and 1/8 tsp of salt. Turn into a large layer cake pan, buttered and bake in a moderate oven about one hour. When cool turn out upon a flat serving dish, sprinkle with two teaspoonfuls of lemon juice and cover with whipped cream." Let me know if ya' try it, sure sounds yummy!

And back to carrots AND the cake I was really desiring – let me just give ya' one of my all-time best recipes – for – of course – Carrot Cake

I've tried MANY Carrot Cake recipes – this is the very best :)

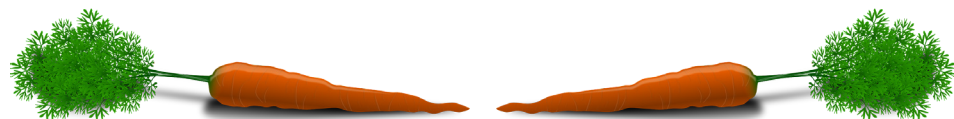
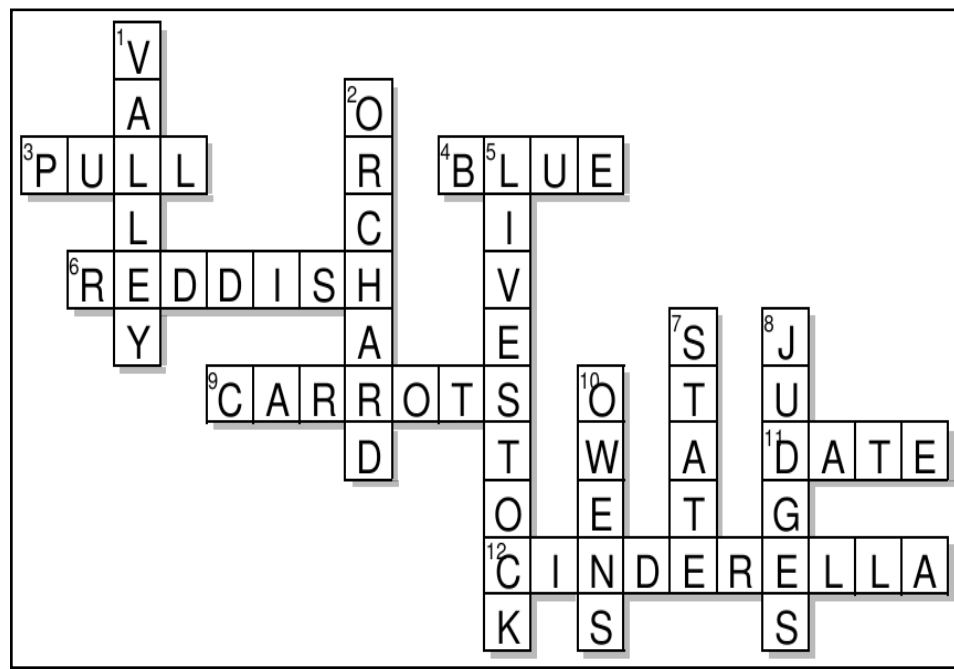
CARROT CAKE

2 C. Sugar
 2 C. Flour
 2 tsp Cinnamon
 2 tsp Soda
 2 tsp Baking Powder
 1 tsp Salt
 Sift together then add:
 1 C. Oil
 4 unbeatn eggs
 ¾ C. Nuts
 3 C. Finely shredded carrots.
 Mix and bake at 350 in 13 x 9 pan for 20-35 minutes (don't overbake)

ICING

8-oz Cream Cheese
 ¼ C. Butter
 3 C Confectioner's Sugar
 1 tsp. Vanilla – if needed, add few drops milk to make it spreadable or more sugar to thicken.

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Although I was in 4-H only three years, our daughter perhaps about the same, my brothers weren't, son wasn't, hubs wasn't, so have to say my history knowledge here is more than a bit lax but let me share some of the things I found out.

In 1874, in just about every paper in the state, a large ad for the "Indiana State Fair and Exposition" was presented (see ad from Rensselaer Union 30 July 1874 p 3) with some basic information "Grand Opening Sept 7th with 30 days of magnificent displays including the one week large stock show, the trail of farm implements, reception of articles." It also noted that the premiums for the winners was much larger than last years and the "Accommodations were superior to any similar exhibition on our continent." They also noted in large letters that ours was "the only combined exposition and livestock show in the United States including all branches of the industry!"

Had to grin as right below was Grubb, Martin and & Co. advertising their Plows, all cast plows for \$12 along with other items helpful to the local farmer! Perfect placement.

The state fair goes back to at least 1869 (actually Joy outsmarted me and found the beginning of the Indiana State Fair – YES) as that year was a horrible explosion that killed 20 people and maimed about 100 more. "Scarcely a county does not have some sad hearts." That was obviously the number one article in the CWJ 7 Oct but there were some good, interesting things regarding the fairs, as well with Vigo County making \$1,514 but whoops, expenses were \$1,751. Not far below that a short notation said that the county fairs this year were very successful. Hardly in the State that has failed to pay expenses, while many made handsome profits.

Enjoyed reading about Cinderilla, weight 1800# whose owner was WW Thrasher

of Fayette County. She took the sweepstakes in 1868 and this year, '69 took four firsts. Can't imagine seeing her in the back of a buggy!

There was also a note that the largest list of premiums won at the SF was from localities where agricultural and horticultural societies are most generously sustained in the township and county. Know we had those very early but not 100% this early or how active if they were. As a I researched for this article, I found that way back in 1853 (earlier than I originally thought then), there was a CWJ article noting that "the number of prizes taken by the citizens of this county at the State Fair proves the truth of what we have heretofore said that MoCo can, by proper effort, take her place in the front rank of counties in the state. This is the first year that we, as a society, have been represented at the State Fair yet there were but few counties that made a better show!" Go MoCo!!

In 1891, a short list of poultry winners was in the CWJ 26 Sept 1891 at the state fair but most were seconds with Myers & Service first and second for their Gold Wyandotte fowls and Ben Myers the same for his Langshan fowls and chicks. Eight years later, Ben took his "famous Langshan chickens to the state fair and took a clean sweep in his class!"

The Hibernia news (CWJ 27 Sept 1901) listed these folks having gone to the state fair: Jackson McCormack; Simon Davis; Wm. Whittington and James Gilkey. Henry Forgy, and the Mangus boys went from RR 2. From Potato Creek, WO Ormsby and wife attended that Monday. On Oct 4th that same year, Kirkpatrick news noted that JW Wilson attended the IOOF grand lodge in Indy and Charles Ryker the state fair. Even the gals liked the state fair, as in 1901, Dora Rusk attended. Frank Oliver and his wife attended the fair but also used being in the city to visit relatives there.

Just about each year for many years there were listings of who went but just those who attended not who had anything on display there that I saw anyway.

This was a newby to me. In 1900, the state fair was to be the next week after MoCos so the nine fairs that were going on the week before were bringing all their winners to exhibit at C'ville PLUS those having won in Ohio would be there too waiting for the state fair to begin since we were the last county fair. That certainly would have been an interesting one to see! That year, Nixon, a great show horse captured the blue ribbon at the New York State Fair over many other horses. Nixon was a Montgomery County boy, bred, trained and raced to his present record by Judge Britton who was convinced a well blending of commingling thorough bred running blood mixed with the best strains of trotting blood would make the perfect horse in size, beauty, action and speed! Wonder how many other ribbons Nixon and his heirs won? Also, Mary and RE Reeves near New Market had quite a haul of firsts at the state fair and St. Louis Fair with Tecumseh, and they were willing to breed this fellow and his dam, Matchless Beauty both state fair winners!

Know several of our local photographers would have nice things on display at the state fair – example: (CWJ 7 Oct 1869 p8) W(iley) Kenyon had some fine specimens of his work at the Fine Arts Hall at the State Fair. Thirty years later, Nicholson & Sons carried off "the photographic honors – awarded the only two first prizes offered!" (CWJ 29 Sept 1899)

As with so many "fair" type things to attend in today's world (games; building; flowers ...) it was good seeing that Ella Palin returned after being at Indianapolis for two weeks. "She visited friends, attended the state fair and learned the latest styles of millinery." (CWJ 29 Sept 1899) – good for Ella, perhaps before her time?

The old newspapers were so much fun to peruse in regards to the old fair entries and information! Hope you enjoyed!

In Mo Co, it was a very good year in 1859 . . .

The #1 news in the C'ville Review on the 1st day of this year was that Jonathan S. Owens had been nabbed. Two private detectives "on a requisition from the Governor of Indiana" had captured the wife poisoner.

Some of the pioneer folks of MoCo who passed this year: Samuel Demaree; William Harrison Endicott; George and Rhoden Ham; Hiram Hughes; Jacob Jolly; John Peter Livengood; Cornelius Michael; Nancy Grey Ristine; Edward Showen; George Switzer; Archelus VanHook.

Aug 15, 1859, Michael Price arrived in America and put in for naturalization about a year later. He was a local grain dealer and raised a large family here.

A few divorces were tallied in the courthouse annuals this year – J. vs. C. Johnson; Emily vs. George Oliver; Elizabeth vs. Wilton Porter; AM vs. Allen Raden (Rarden?). Not too bad!

William K. Wallace finished up his reign as sheriff at the end of the year with George W. Hall taking over for four more years.

Several young musicians in the city gave a Musical and Dramatic show at McClelland's Hall to benefit the Poor Fund this year. Admittance 25 cents! Quite a charge of the time.

An interesting combination store owned by Thomas Newman at two doors east of Binford's Corner combined watches, finger rings, ear drops, fobs, chains and all types of jewelry with music instruments: guitar, melodeons, pianos, music boxes, sheet music along with a big batch of other goodies!

For just \$50, the Family Sewing Machine the proven best stitcher was of course a Singer! However, local representative of the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine advertised directly under the Singer one in the Review (2 April 1859 p3) with several impressive local references saying the G&B was excellent. Newman noted he was a mechanic for many years and he couldn't find better!

In this year, the new charter for the Waveland Academy changed its name to the Waveland Collegiate Institute. 28 faculty members (that's a WOW) guided the new more scientific course!

Don't believe there were any "town newspapers" in this year but Crawfordsville put out the Locomotive, The Journal, The Review and Wabash had its monthly!

Little was missing in C'ville as the main city of MoCo at this point, including: dentists, doctors, vets, jewelers, groceries, shoe stores, hardwares, bookstore, carriage makers, monument makers, household stores, grain dealers, grain millers. Well, literally anything you would need!



Grandcestors

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Well, as I said earlier in this MM, I was only in 4-H three years and didn't win any big prizes but have three state fair related items to tell you about.

The first was the five years I went to the band contest. For most, it was a nice time, nice weather and such and my freshman – senior years were fine for that as I had my twirler's outfit on. Very comfy, perfect to wear in the nice, hot weather. However, my 8th grade year (may have even gone 6-7th grades but don't remember them) we had wool uniforms that were probably 30 years old and so hot just trying one on to find a decent fit let alone wear them out marching for competition in 90 degree, humid weather, but that we did, my 8th grade year it being extremely hot! We were usually in three parades, remember being in one in New Market, another in Clinton and another in Rockville but sure there were others, plus the state fair and C'ville's Christmas one.

This next experience is unique, I'd say. Jim and I had been going together for about six months. I knew he was my Mr., my folks having no objections as long as he treated me properly and he did, but I wasn't good enough for his parents, so he had a lot of pressure. In fact, we had broken up in July but we had already made plans to go to state fair. So, I asked mom what I should do since I wasn't sure whether he'd come and get me or we were done. She said, "Go get dressed and look wow, then if he shows up, go have fun and if not, he's not worth your time!"

Well, he did but we didn't have a lot to talk about – I mean what was I supposed to say, "You rat! Why'd you dump me?" But, I was happy maybe we'd get it worked out but wasn't sure until we were in a very long line to get into the state fair. In front of us were 4-5 kids sitting in the back of their station wagon. They kept making hand and lip gestures saying to get close and smooch. We mainly laughed and shook our heads no, but then Jim said, "Okay let's see their reaction if we do!" So, I got over close to him (we were stopped in the traffic) and he turned and gave me a kiss! Those kids went wild and truth I think I did too! After that, we had so much fun and were holding hands when we saw those kids again and we all just laughed and laughed!

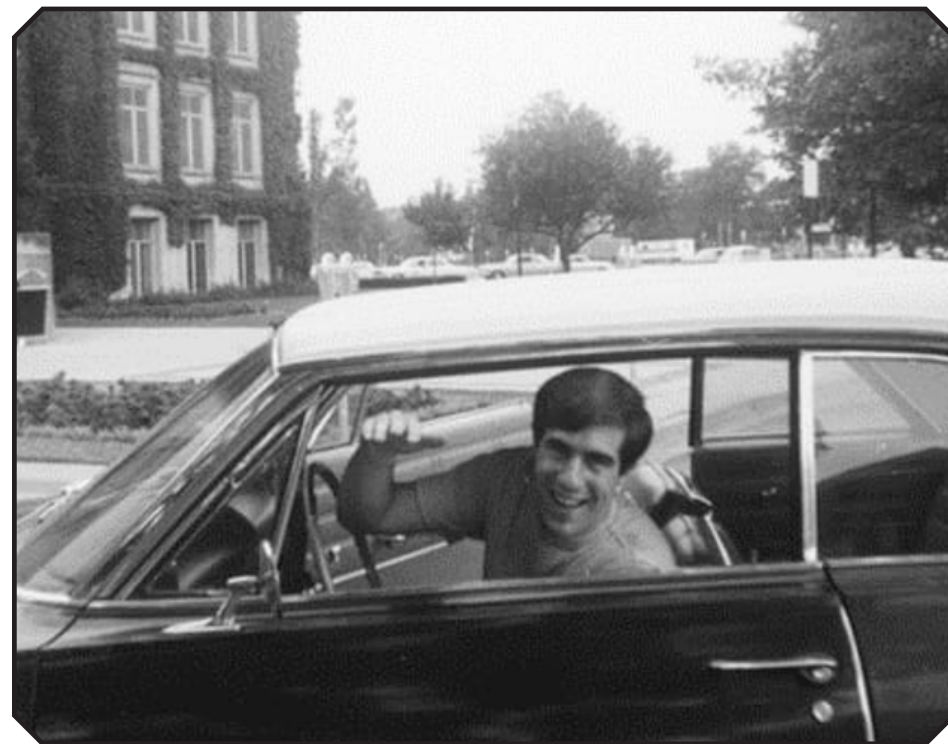
My last although many times over (maybe 11-12 years total) relation with the state fair was judging. I was one of the first three genealogy judges they had. That first year I remember we were there until 1:30 in the morning. We told them none of us would do it again unless #1 they had at least one more judge and #2 there was some type of a grading scale. It was fun as we actually got to come up with the first-ever (although I was appalled that my middle name was in it) guideline book and a rubric to grade. Next year was much better and for several years it was fun seeing my judging "buddies!"

Probably the neatest thing about judging at state fair was that I got to see what my kids from MoCo, Put, Parke, Fountain had done that I had judged on the local levels. There were some astonishing entries and I gave a lot of blue ribbons, and most of the time, had no problems with the decisions; however, once in our local fair, I had two that were exactly alike. Brother and sister. I'm like, "Oh, my gosh, now, what do I do with these?" I kept going over and over 'em – exactly alike, nicely done! Then I noticed the front. Same picture – assumedly a father holding his daughter's hand and they were walking to-

gether. Well, didn't think that represented the boy at all, so I made the decision to give the champion to her. Later, the brother stopped by and thanked me and admitted his sister had done them both (first asking if I was going to take what he got away – I told him I may not be pleased with what he was going to say but the decision was done) and he was so glad he didn't win over her! I glared at him, then smiled, told him I appreciated the fess-up and yes, I'm glad she won, too! And remember that not doing your own work could easily back fire!

After the hundreds I judged for several years at a dozen various counties and the state judging, I think still the best I remember was Erin Ray's train presentation. She had done her genealogy where a train went around. It stopped, you listened to the first generation (it was also in print form) then went travelling to another stop and heard another generation. It was totally amazing. In fact, Erin did several impressive genealogy projects (an advanced one showing the places the ancestor's had lived all brightly woven together)! We had others in MoCo that were amazing, too! Almost always a blue ribbon or better at state.

I loved judging but it always made me upset when I'd have to give someone a lower ribbon, thinking someone could have taken an interest and encouraged the child. Also remember a couple of the counties would send just awful projects to state, and I'd just shake my head and say, "WHY?" Overall, I loved it! In most anything else, hate to have to choose (I did awful as NHS coordinator at TR as I thought if they made the "grade" they should be in but so much more involved) unless I have a super good rubric – lol!



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