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Last Hurrah!

Karen Bazzani Zach, Guest Columnist

It’s time to take my last bow! I’ve had 48 years of doing what I truly love to do – researching and writing historical articles, sharing them with my readers. There are so many to thank – one should be my first editor, Pat Cline, her cohort, Gaidene Hamilton then the current one, Tim Timmons. We’ve had lots of fun through the years and he always loved an idea I’d have, albeit a few crazy ones and we’d muddle through and come up with a great finished product. Without these folks’ encouragement, my writing life would likely have been nil.

Wonderful comments from so many of my readers have pushed me to new and exciting research projects. My family, especially hubby, Jim, are always helpful, as well. My writers have been amazing and loved the Montgomery Memories as much as I did. Fourteen years of wonderfulness and so glad it will continue!

Wish I had some great advice for those upcoming, but let’s suffice to say, learn what you can from those who have gone before you – there has never been an article I have written that I didn’t learn something helpful, fun or a, “Oh, my don’t do that!” Truly, I want to thank each and all for the wonderful memories I’ve tallied through my life and especially in my writing! Bless ya’ all!

Side Note

Karen has been my mentor and friend. She is a terrific editor, and one of the most creative people I know. Her years of writing and researching are unsurpassed. She loves Montgomery County, which is evident by her deep commitment to study and share its history.

I first met Karen when I was a 15-year-old car hop at Zach’s A & W Drive-Inn - way back in 1974. I could never have imagined that 50 some years later she and I would collaborate in writing for Montgomery Memories.

I’m not replacing Karen - that’s impossible! But in my new role with Montgomery Memories, I will do my best to make it interesting and informative. And I know Karen is there for me, to exchange ideas, put me on the right path when I go astray, and to share a laugh.



Happy retirement from your retirement job, Karen!

-Joy M. Willett



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Passage

DR. JESSE N. TALBOT

August 15, 1840 to January 5, 1908

On January 5, 1908, Dr. Jesse Nicholas Talbot died. A well-respected physician, Dr. Talbot practiced medicine for 40 years. (The Indianapolis News, Tues, Jan 7, 1908).

Born in Illinois on August 15, 1840, Jesse spent his young life near Quincy. By 1852, he was in Sonoma County, California with his parents, Coleman and Drusilla Bowles Talbot, and eight siblings (ibid). According to the 1860 census, the Talbot family farmed.

In 1863, Jesse came to Crawfordsville to attend Wabash College. He was at Wabash until May of 1864 when he enlisted with the 135th Regiment, Indiana Infantry for a 100 day stint (U.S., Civil War Soldiers).

After his service, Jesse returned to school but dropped out when it was no longer affordable. He studied medicine in a doctor's office and completed his studies at Miami Medical College (Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929).

Jesse married Lucretia Clore on October 26, 1871. Lucretia was from Boone County, Kentucky. The couple made their home in Wallace, Fountain County, Indiana. They had three children, Lucy, Grace, and Jesse.

The family lived in Wallace until 1885, when they moved to Alamo, Montgomery County, Indiana. Jesse continued to practice medicine in Alamo. He retired to Crawfordsville in 1895 and Lucretia and he lived in the lovely two-story home at 708 E. Main Street. Lucretia passed on March 2, 1906 at only 58 years old, while visiting one of her daughters in Jacksonville, Florida. (The Indianapolis Star, Tue, Mar 6, 1906). She was interred at Crawfordsville's Oak Hill Cemetery. Sadly she died after suffering for three weeks with an untreated case of appendicitis. It seems an added tragedy knowing Jesse's profession!

Jesse died 22 months later, at the age of 67, from a case of pneumonia. He was laid to rest next to Lucretia.

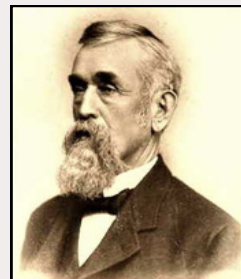


Photo of Dr. Jesse N. Talbot
 Courtesy of Ann M
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Four generations at Hunt & Son Funeral Home,
 the pre-arrangement specialists,
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Notables

January 12, 1801

1st Indiana State Legislative session held.

Source: www.in.gov/history

January 10, 1825

Indianapolis became state capital.

Source: www.timetoast.com/timelines/history-of-indiana

January 23, 1879

National Archery Association formed in Crawfordsville.

Source: www.onthisday.com/countries/usa/indiana

Old News

CRAWFORDSVILLE RECORD

January 2, 1836

Panther Hunt - A well grown panther of about six feet, has been seen several times within the last ten days, in Coalcreek township seven or eight miles north west of this place. Some boys, taking a common night hunt, found him reared against a tree, with the dogs at bay. As they came up, the dogs closed upon the panther for a hard fight, upon which one of the smaller boys requested the axe to dispatch him; but the largest, who carried the axe, became alarmed, advised a retreat, and they ran to Mr. Brooks', whose sons were principal actors. Three of the four dogs soon came in and for some time the panther was screaming along the country toward the east; the lost dog died a few feet from where they fought, having an ear and one side of his head torn off. and his body ript completely open. The panther has returned and seen since near the thicket where he is sojourning; and the neighbors design stirring him out on the first snowy morning, for a grand chase.

Source: *Hoosier State Chronicles*

Weather Report

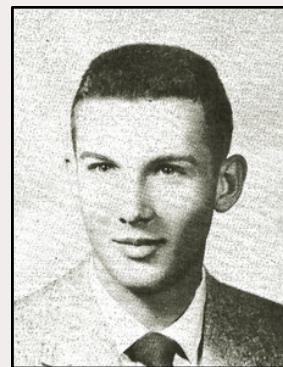
Between January 25 and 27, 1978, the worst blizzard on record came to Indiana. Up to 20 inches of snow fell in the center of the state. There were wind gusts of up to 55 mph. Snow drifted 10 to 20 feet. Wind chills were as low as -50.

Source: *National Weather Service Indianapolis Central Indiana Weather History January*



Butch Dale's FLASH BACK TRIVIA

Do You Recognize This 1955
Coal Creek Graduate?



HINT: He was the basketball team's leading scorer at Wingate in 1953 and Coal Creek's leading scorer in 1954.

Answer on Page 7.

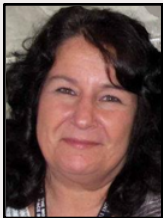


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Memories

BLIZZARD OF '78

CONNIE WILLETT MILLER Guest Columnist



I was living in Terre Haute, Indiana in an apartment above a house. My fiancé shoveled out a parking place for me - he got it done! I jumped in my car to move to the cleared space when an ISU professor pulled in

ahead of me! My fiancé and I were a little bit upset, so when we were digging out another space, we threw the snow on his car!

We drove home from Terre Haute after the roads were cleared -- it was like driving through tunnels. The drifts were 10 to 15 feet tall. It was the coolest thing ever. It wasn't fun when it was snowing or when you couldn't get out, but when you could get out and play in the snow, it was fun fun fun! There were snow mobiles everywhere.



Source: *pixabay*

MARK FISCHER Guest Columnist

The bartender at The Green Street Tavern lived above the bar. A few hearty regulars made it to the bar and they drank the place dry - all the beer, wine, and even the old liquor that had been on the shelf for years.



SNOW BOUND LOVE NOTE

A heart-wrenching story was shared in The Indianapolis Star on January 26, 1978. 31-year-old Timothy Lee was driving from Terre Haute to Crawfordsville to visit his brother Clarence. Eleven miles south of Crawfordsville, on a deserted State Road 231, Timothy got stuck in a snow drift. He waited in the car for seven-and-a-half hours. During that time, he wrote a farewell note to his wife, in which he declared his undying love for her and for their three children. Finally giving up on being rescued, Timothy walked a mile-and-a-half through the blowing snow and drifts to the home of John Roe. After his long ordeal, he was thankful to be alive! He was able to share the note with his wife - in person.

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Sports Story

The first girls' basketball team was formed in Chicago in 1895 - four years after the game was invented by James Naismith (www.ihsa.org/data/bkg/records). In my research, the first evidence I found of girls playing for Crawfordsville High School was 1902, although there may have been earlier games. The 1902 C'ville team included six players, five who started, including Forwards Bess Bridges and Elsie Snyder, Centers Alice Warder and Jesse Hutchinson, and Guards Shirley Maxwell and Helen O'Neal (The Indianapolis Journal, April 4, 1902, page 2). According to the Indianapolis Journal article, "The Shortridge girls' basketball team defeated the Crawfordsville five in the most exciting and best played girls' contest ever seen in this city..." The score was 12 to 11.

Honors were bestowed on the Crawfordsville Girls Basketball team in March of 1904. They defeated Covington, with a score of 15 to 10. Five field goals were made by C'ville's Miss Glen Wicks. (ibid, March 20, 1904). Another victory was reported when they beat the Attica Brownies 7 to 4. Lafayette's Journal and Courier reported that "the small audience was thoroughly disgusted" with the number of fouls called by the ref (Wed, March 08, 1905, page 3). Not much has changed!

Girls' basketball wasn't only played

between high schools. On March 3, 1903, it was reported that women playing for the Crawfordsville Business College defeated DePauw (The Indianapolis News). There were also church teams, and Donnelley's had a team (The INGenWeb Project, Copyright ©1997-2020 (and beyond), Montgomery County GenWeb, www.in.genweb.org/in/montgomery).

Of note but likely not surprising, early on, other than coaching staff, guys weren't allowed to attend girls' games (the-boneyard.com).



1904 CHS Team

Photo Source: *The Indianapolis News*, March 17, 1904, page 11

Recipe

Indiana's official state pie, Sugar Cream, is also known as "Hoosier Pie." To celebrate National Pie Day, which is January 23, have a slice with a hot mug of coffee or steaming cup of tea. There's no better treat on a cold winter's day.

You'll need a pre-made 9" pie shell or use your favorite recipe to make your own. Preheat the oven to 425.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/4 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. flour
- 2 c. heavy whipping cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 3 tbsp. room temperature butter
- 1/4 tsp. nutmeg

INSTRUCTIONS

In a mixing bowl, whisk the sugar, flour, whipping cream, and vanilla together until it is smooth. Slice the butter and disperse it over the bottom of the pie shell, pour the mixture on top. Sprinkle the nutmeg over the pie. Bake for 10 minutes at 425 then reduce the heat to 350 and bake for an additional hour.

Sources: onehotoven.com, wikipedia.com, wrtv.com

Word Search

Winter Weather

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G Y B W Q P B M I T T E N S
S N L C A Y N C W N M T T D
L D I W O R E I N L D L T T
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R F A L T E P M N W O L P J
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H S D C I B O F S H O V E L
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Freezing
Blizzard
Drifts
Plow
Shovel
Mittens
Sleet
Ice

Winter
Wind
Cold
Slick
Scarf
Warning
Thermals
Frost

Solution on Page 7.



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Poetry

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Resolution

That day of the year, first of January,
looking to the months
waiting in front of us.

Resolving we promise
to do our chores,
get more sleep, go outdoors,
spend less money, save some more,
give big hugs to those we adore,
lose some weight, forgive old scores.

Whatever we plan
this year to do
one step at a time will get us through.

Joy M. Willett

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Wintertime Blues

The snow is deep,
the wind howls,
outside my window
all seems foul.

Yet I am warm
and snug inside
where the fire roars,
good cheer abides.

There is no reason
to go outside.

If you insist,
I'll surely hide.

Joy M. Willett





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Extras

Butch Dale's FLASH BACK TRIVIA

**Answer:
Gary Smith**

WORD SEARCH Solution

G	Y	B	W	Q	P	B	M	I	T	T	E	N	S
S	N	L	C	A	Y	N	C	W	N	M	T	T	D
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Ads from the Past

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Source: *Waynetown Hornet*, January 28, 1888

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Source: *Waynetown Despatch*, January 9, 1903



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