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2025 Dues Notice!!

You veteran members might take this opportunity to send your 2025 dues to Roger right away. You’ll notice dues are now \$12 per year, or \$20 for two years. So grab your

checkbox and keep The Pres off your back!



A reminder that IHSBHS wishes to support the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame as often as possible. If you’re considering joining, please visit their website, www.hoopshall.com, and click on the appropriate links.

Book Review – Their Times in Indiana, by Ed Snyder

Ed was able to interview well over a hundred athletes, and selected 44 of the best, who tell their stories of growing up in Indiana and falling in love with the game. In Ed’s words, “Basketball in Indiana has a heritage and history unlike anywhere else. The game was a part of the fabric of the state far before it became a national and international phenomenon. This book celebrates stories that make that history come back to life. The players, coaches, schools and towns of Indiana grew

the game of basketball in its state’s communities from the ground up. With that in mind, “Their Times In Indiana” and the players featured in it embarked on this project with the goal of giving back the proceeds generated by the book to programs that support today’s Indiana youth.” All proceeds from this book are donated to YMCA’s across Indiana.

The book is available at the Hall of Fame in New Castle or through www.authorhouse.com. If you’ll go there and search for Ed Snyder, you’ll find the book. In 654 pages, “Their Times In Indiana” allows the reader to once again feel the passion that gripped the state every winter as thousands of Hoosiers packed high school gymnasiums to watch the games that made Indiana the place where basketball became great.

An excerpt from the introduction, by Don Fischer, Voice of the Indiana Hoosiers:

In my reading of *Their Times In Indiana*, I have thoroughly enjoyed the personalization of the stories being told. It’s a great way to deliver the stories, and hearing from the players themselves of the

experiences they had in their youth and what was important to them about those experiences really makes for an authentic book.

Personally, I really enjoyed the chapter about the great 1971 East Chicago Washington team from Junior Bridgeman's perspective. I was broadcasting in Terre Haute at that time, and ECW came to play Gerstmeyer, who had a very good team coached by Howard Sharpe. The Senators were spectacular, dominating the game from the outset with their speed, size, and athleticism. They went on to an unbeaten season and state championship that has left an impression on me that I still have to this very day. I'm sure most readers will find that same type of connection to many of the stories and memories that can be found in this excellent book.

As much as I thought I knew about all the IU players that are featured, I've learned things about each of them that I'd never heard before. But I've found it very interesting to learn about all the other players who have shared their stories.

I'm such a huge basketball fan that I love reading anything that's well written about the game and its players. But this book goes to another level because of its concept and the period covered, which is undoubtedly the glory days of Indiana high school basketball.

It truly is a wonderful read.

**CITY OF SHELBYVILLE
FORMALLY DEDICATES BILL
GARRETT MURAL**, by John Hartnett, Jr. Credits to Shelby County Post, 12/20/2024

Shelbyville Mayor Scott Furgeson welcomed a group of community officials and citizens to City Hall Thursday to a ceremony celebrating the dedication of the recently completed Bill Garrett mural on the outside wall of Cagney's Pizza King on East Broadway.

The mayor stated the mural honors an individual with tremendous achievements and someone who stands as a special representative of Shelbyville.

"This is a great project that will serve as a constant reminder of how special Shelbyville is and of the high expectations and standards that Bill Garrett set," said Furgeson. "This mural can serve as an example of the higher goals Shelbyville people should always strive for."

The project, sponsored by The City of Shelbyville, The Blue River Community Foundation, Duke Energy and Mainstreet Shelbyville, is part of the foundation's "Pride in Place" program that is supported with funding from the Lilly Endowment.

"Bill Garrett quickly rose to the top of the list when we surveyed the community about prominent Shelbyville figures to honor," said foundation executive director Jennifer Jones. "We got the idea of a large mural after seeing the 60-foot one of Reggie Miller in downtown Indianapolis."

Jones reached out to artist Pam Bliss, who produced the Miller art, and she agreed to complete the project for Shelbyville.

"After that Cagney's owner and current mayor Scott Furgeson gave permission for us to use his building," said Jones.

Garrett is possibly Shelbyville's most profound success story. He was a remarkable all-around athlete who led Shelbyville to the Indiana high school state basketball championship in 1947.

He was named Indiana's Mr. Basketball and went on to Indiana University where

he became the first black player in the Big Ten Conference. Garrett excelled at IU where he earned All-Big Ten and All-America honors. He served in the United States Army during the Korean conflict.

Garrett later became a teacher and coach at Indianapolis Crispus Attucks High School and coached the Tigers to the 1959 Indiana state basketball championship. He became the school's athletic director and later an assistant dean at IUPUI.

Garrett died of a sudden heart attack at the age of 45 in August of 1974.

Shelbyville High School named the school's gymnasium in his honor in 1975 and retired his Golden Bear uniform No. 9 in 2017.

Bliss, an IU alumna, stated that the wall was easy to work on and she completed the Garrett art in quick fashion. She further professed that she derives satisfaction from providing this kind of artwork to small communities because it offers them an opportunity to enjoy a sense of pride in their history.

"I feel very fortunate that I have found my niche and that I get to go to communities to commemorate and educate through my art," said Bliss. "Some younger members of communities often are not aware of what their community has been part of."

Blue River Community Foundation board and arts committee member, Lee Marks, lauded the project for serving as a direct connection between sports and the arts.

Shelbyville Central Schools Superintendent Matt Vance stated: "Bill Garrett's legacy of courage, resilience and perseverance lives on through every student who walks the hallways of Shelbyville High School and every player who takes to the court in Garrett Gymnasium."

Former Shelbyville and Indiana University player Gary Long spoke about

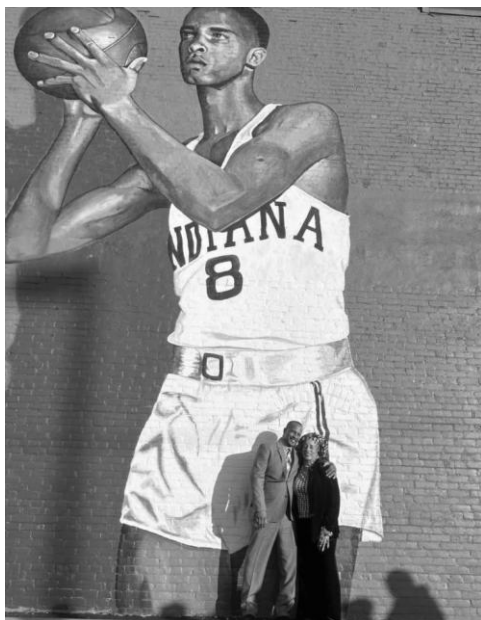
the thrill of watching Garrett and his state champion teammates.

“That team and Bill Garrett were all people around town talked about back then,” said Long. “I still remember them on that fire truck coming back to Shelbyville after winning the state. That inspired my love for Shelbyville basketball and made me want to be a player.”

Bill Garrett’s middle daughter, Judy Garrett Shelton, one of Bill’s four children, currently resides in Texas. She expressed her gratitude to the Shelbyville community for all the honors bestowed on her father.

“This gives me such a glowing feeling,” said Shelton. “I just appreciate Shelbyville, from the bottom of my heart. My oldest daughter is named Shelby after Shelbyville. I’ll never forget this.”

Bill Garrett’s son, Billy Garrett (photo, left with his sister Judy Garrett Shelton), spoke eloquently about how Shelbyville’s history of acknowledging and honoring his dad continually clarifies his perspective of who Bill Garrett was and what he accomplished.



“My father died when I was so young,” Billy said. “Everything that happens here, things like this help me to know him more; to understand who he was.

Shelbyville is my home. I always feel welcome here. I am forever indebted to Shelbyville for all you have done for our family.”

Billy Garrett was a fine athlete in his own right. He played four years of football at Illinois State. His son, Billy L. Garrett Jr., set several basketball records at DePaul University and played a season with the New York Knicks.

Billy Garrett currently works as an assistant basketball coach at Bethune-Cookman University.

James Garrett III, great nephew of Bill Garrett, served as master of ceremonies for Thursday’s event. He is the son of former Shelbyville City Councilman and Shelbyville basketball player James Garrett Jr., who was also on hand for the ceremony.

Tom Graham, a 1961 Shelbyville High School graduate, Golden Bear basketball player and author of the book “Getting Open: The Unknown Story of Bill Garrett and the Integration of College Basketball,” cited Garrett as the “Jackie Robinson of College Basketball.”

“Before Bill Garrett went to IU, major college basketball was almost exclusively white,” said Graham. “In 1952, the year following Bill’s graduation, there were seven black players on Big Ten Teams. He opened the door. Bill Garrett was the right person, at the right time, in the right place.”

Jones concluded the event by announcing that Indiana University had created the “William L. Garrett Community Fund” at the Blue River Community Foundation that will be utilized to address quality of life programs for Shelby County.

Following the program, the participants traveled to the Garrett mural at Cagney’s for commemorative photos.

Bill Garrett, Shelbyville’s favorite son, is therefore memorialized with his image forever visible to Shelbyville travelers

moving east on Broadway. And, in a twist of poetic irony he is now back in the place where it all started; roughly six blocks from his childhood home on Howard Street, which was just down the street from the site of the former Booker T. Washington School where he developed his remarkable basketball skills, and about a mile from Paul Cross Gymnasium where he led his Golden Bear teammates to immortality.

Thomas Wolfe’s novel declares that “You Can’t Go Home Again.”

But, in a very real sense, Bill Garrett has.

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INDIANA’S GIFT TO OTHERS

Submitted by IHSBHS Founder Harley Sheets

How It All Started

Many Hoosiers, me included, know how basketball took roots in our state – the journey from Springfield, Massachusetts to Crawfordsville by an individual who had adsorbed the basics from its inventor Dr. James Naismith. Therefore, due somewhat to our state’s agricultural nature it became, more than likely, the preeminent high school basketball entity, at least until the institution of the class format. Why do I use the exceptionally very positive word preeminent when referring to our basketball obsession? Here’s a couple of examples. I know of three of our Mr. Basketballs who have played for the University of Kentucky. How many outstanding Bluegrass boys have exercised their capabilities in Indiana - no Mr. Basketballs. In addition, look at the substantial advantage that Indiana holds over Kentucky in the winning column of the All-Star game.

Some Beginning

Now that we have taken a skimpy overview of Indiana's basketball passion let's go back to its beginning in the early 20th century and examine its progression more in depth. In the initial years (1911-1918) of our basketball tournament Boone County with 4 titles, Montgomery Co. with 3 and Tippecanoe Co. with 1 - all in what is known as the cradle of Indiana high school basketball - won the first eight state championships. It should have been the first nine but Thorntown's star player who won the coveted Gimble award that year for mental attitude tore his knee ligaments in the game prior to the school advancing to the Final Four. Since the coaches and players from The Cradle had honed their skills and made advancements in these initial years it is quite evident that others, both near and far, became interested in looking into these new circumstances that were taking place in Indiana. Thus, in the following text we will see how some of these early participants were willing to help spread their knowledge to other areas.

Let's Go West

Let us first start with Illinois. The first two individuals that I'm aware of that shared their acumen with our neighbors to the west were Lebanon grads and Hall of Fame inductees. There will also be a third. The first was Lowell Dale, the brilliant star of Lebanon's 1912 state champions. After graduating from Wabash, he obtained the head coaching job at DuQuoin H. S. After two successful years there he moved on to an exceptional tenure at Streator H. S. He was later inducted into the Illinois High School Basketball Hall of Fame in the second year of its founding. He along with Larry Graham are the only two Hoosiers residing in both the Illinois and Indiana high school basketball halls of fame. Next is Clyde Grater a member of Lebanon's back-to-back state champs (1917-18). After graduating from Wabash where he captained their 1922

National Intercollegiate Championship team, he spent the next year at I.U. as an assistant coach while earning his master's degree. He then journeyed to Goshen for two years where his 1923 football team was crowned mythical state champions. Then on to New Trier High School, Winnetka, Illinois (just north of Evanston, the home of Northwestern University) where in 39 years he coached football, basketball, baseball, golf, swimming and track. Mr. Grater was characterized in one of the high school yearbooks - The Echo - as a very kind, industrious person with a great sense of humor. In the same tome it states that as the A.D. for 11 years he administered 15 sports without the services of a secretary.

Now comes the most brilliantly successful Indiana native to ever coach high school basketball in our western neighbor - King Arthur Trout! You'll soon see why that monicker got deservedly attached to his name. Mr. Trout was born in Oaktown, graduated from Bruceville H. S. and I.U. where he was a classmate with future Supreme Court Justice Sherman Minton. Soon after graduating from I. U., he trekked over to Centralia H. S. in the middle of the mining fields of south-central Illinois. In 34 and a half years Mr. Trout accumulated a record setting 809 wins while becoming the first to attain three titles (1918-22-41). Trout's win total was eventually surpassed by Dick Van Scoyoc at Peoria Manual with an 826 tabulation. However, it took 41 years to do so. A more definitive summary of Arthur Trout's career can be viewed in the 1997 winter and 2000 winter issues of Boxscore. Most back issues can be found on the IHSBHS website. Even more pertinent info can be found in the book entitled *The Old Man and the Orphans* authored by Don Schnake.

Additional Westward Movement

One more Illinois-Indiana situation needs to be highlighted before turning our attention to another area profoundly

influenced by the Hoosier state. This has to do with Delphi, Indiana native John "Doxie" Moore. Doxie was a four-year starter in high school. As a senior in 1930 he led his Delphi Oracles to the final 8, the farthest the school has ever advanced down our state tournament trail. Next to Purdue where he played guard beside John Wooden for "Piggy" Lambert claiming two Big 10 conference titles. In 1932 these Boilermakers laid claim to the Helms Athletic Foundation National championship. After graduation, Doxie's off to guess where, Illinois, where he attains the football and basketball head coaching position at Centralia's (3 state titles) arch-rival Mt. Vernon (4 titles). During his tenure there in the 1941-42 school year he arranged and promoted a game between Illinois' and Indiana's best high school basketball players. Illinois won! With this being the only game, one would have to think that judgement would have to be left to speculation. However, we may not be left in such a quandary because additional info is available for analyzation.

More Information

But before we go into this past additional data that may or may not help us in making a definite decision as to whether Indiana or Illinois is the best high school basketball state, let us consider some current up-to-date indicators. We all know that I. U. has won 5 NCAA championships, Purdue none. However, Purdue is the only one of the original Big 10 institutions, which includes Michigan State that replaced the University of Chicago, that holds a winning record over all the others. The University of Illinois is the closest school in equaling its record with the Boilers falling about 5 to 8 wins shy.

Now for the promised additional info. Go to our IHSBHS website and read my article entitled Indiana vs. Illinois in the 2008 issue 2 of BOXSCORE starting on page 6.

Southern Influence

In the very late 1800s through 1911 the main emphasis and assertiveness in high school basketball basically existed in the Crawfordsville-Montgomery County area. At this time neighboring Boone County played second fiddle, taking their proverbial lumps. Not happy with the situation, steps were taken and Boone County for a time (1912-18) began to dominate - Lebanon with 3 championships and Thorntown with one, which should have been two, but their star player went down with torn knee ligaments in 1919. In the twenties others became fed up with the Boonites and took measures to overcome the circumstances and for a time dominance drifted south until Everett Case took the reins at Frankfort, Lebanon's archrival to the north. While there all he did was take ownership of four state titles (1925-29-36-39).

The words in the previous paragraph are used as an example of how competitive and dominant some schools in the southern section of the U.S. became due to Indiana's influence. It's almost completely due to Everett Case. Let's see how and why this took place. After Mr. Case graduated from Anderson in 1919 he went right into coaching high school basketball. A couple of years thereafter, in the 1922-23 school year, he became the head coach at Frankfort. While there he annexed 4 state championships (1925-29-36-39). During this 17-year tenure his overall record was 381-96-1. After a short military coaching stint during World War II, he journeyed south to North Carolina State. How would that work out? Let's see.

At this particular time there were no Wilmington, North Carolina Michael Jordans in those days. If there were the darkies as they were sometimes called down south weren't allowed to play, so Case did what he had done exceedingly well at Frankfort - recruiting. As Indiana lads began supplementing Case's rosters, North Carolina State became a

dominating force among southern universities. Thus, it shouldn't be surprising that southern universities weren't overly ecstatic. This certainly mirrors the Montgomery-Boone County situation in the early 1900s in Indiana.

In Conclusion

After all this reminiscing of the past and Indiana's basketball influence, we can take it one step further. Wasn't it a Martinsville and Purdue graduate that took his Indiana basketball acumen all the way out to California and led UCLA to the most ever recorded NCAA championships. Let us in Hoosier Land hope that someday the Dukes, the North Carolinas and the UCLAs will some day in some way come to the realization of what Indiana has done for them!

BLOOMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIES, submitted by Michael Carter

There used to be a great old high school basketball gymnasium in Bloomington, Indiana. It sat on West Second Street and South College Avenue. Here are some old photos I've managed to dig up to give people an idea of what this grand old place used to look like. It was constructed in 1926 and at the time was one of the very finest high school gyms in Indiana. State of the art. It was stated that the gymnasium had a capacity of 5,000. The newspapers of the times occasionally listed crowds of 5,500 which most certainly included standing room only. By the time I was there in the early 1960's the Fire Marshall must have cut down the capacity because sell out crowds were listed at around 4,500 people. It was a great place to watch a ball game with bleachers at floor level and a balcony that was part individual seats and part bleacher type seats. A

lot of light flowed in through the large windows that were all around. There was a raised stage at the south end of the Fieldhouse that had bleachers set up for younger patrons. Aside from basketball, the site was used for the wrestling team for practice and wrestling meets. The matches were played on the stage. Also, gym classes were held there over the years. And finally, it was used for various school dances and graduations and pep rallies.

So many great games there but I have a favorite game that I saw there that stands out. I was an 8th grader at Bloomington High School in 1960. That was the year that the Panthers, led by Mickey Reeves at 6'7" and Dick Sparks at 6'5" sparked the team to a 19-1 regular season and then a great tournament run to the Final Four. They ended up with a great 26-2 record after losing to undefeated Muncie Central, led by Mr Basketball Ron Bonham, in the afternoon game. Muncie was upset in the title game by East Chicago Washington. But now to backtrack to my favorite game. In early 1960, Bloomington played neighboring Bedford at the 2nd Street Fieldhouse.

Coincidentally Bloomington had played Bedford there in the inaugural game in 1926. Bedford of 1960 had a great big man in Marc Denny. Before a packed house the two teams battled back and forth in a very tight game. It ended up tied after regulation. They then played an overtime which ended up tied at 83 all. So next is a second overtime period. The rules were different in those days. If a game went to a second OT it was to be decided by

sudden death.....first score by anyone wins the game for that team.

I can't recall if Bloomington got the tip or not but Junior Dick Bridgewaters of the Panthers eventually ended with the ball and fired a jumper from out front at the top of the circle....close to three point distance today. SWISH....nothing but net! The image is still seared in my mind after all these years. The crowd went wild and Bloomington avoided a big upset to a fierce rival. To little old 8th grader me in the stands it was a magical evening capped off by my heroes winning a classic Indiana high school battle. We

never lost a game at home that year. The only other loss besides to Muncie came in a narrow one at Jasper. That is my best memory but there were many others in the old gym which smelled of a mixture of popcorn and sweat.....in a good way. The photos here aren't perfect but give a good idea of what the old beauty looked like I hope. In 1967 the main school building (by then a middle school) burned down, torched by an arsonist student. It was gone but the high school had since moved south of town where it currently exists as Bloomington South High School. The gym languished on for a while

and actually had some middle school students there for a bit as the school corporation decided what other school to send them to. Finally in 1975 the old gym, with no school kids nearby to play in, was leveled to make room for a Kroger and a Wendy's that now sit at that location. A sad end for a marvelous school and gymnasium. Their memories do linger on though for oldsters like myself and others. Younger folks around here by and large have no knowledge of our grand old gym and school.



OBITUARY FOR MIKE MCCORMICK

· October 26, 2024 ·

Brian Michael McCormick, better known as Mike McCormick, 85, of Terre Haute passed away Thursday, October 3, 2024, in his residence surrounded by family.

He was born February 16, 1939, in Ft. Wayne, IN to Clifton McCormick and Margaret Hoffman McCormick.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Rebecca Sue Fields McCormick; stepson, Michael Lenahan (Teri); daughter, Erin Guevara (Tony); son, Brian McCormick II (Mandy); and grandchildren, Lauren Lenahan, Luke Lenahan, Blake Steidel, Owen Frazier, Finley Frazier, Maura McCormick, and Cooper McCormick. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Nancy McCormick.

Mike was a graduate of Wiley High School, Indiana State University, and Indiana University School of Law.

During his career, he served as an attorney, author, journalist, and historian.

Throughout his more than 40 years of private practice, he also served as the Indiana Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, and City Attorney. He was admitted to the Supreme Court (Indiana), United States District Court, United States Tax Court, and the Supreme Court of the United Circuit Court of Appeals.

One of Mike's proudest and most loved achievements was serving as the Vigo County Historian for 24 years.

He loved his community and was active in many civic organizations and committees, including I.S.U. Sycamore Varsity Club, Rose-Hulman Board of Associates, Vigo County Historical Society, Canal Society of Indiana, ISU Athletics Hall of Fame Committee, Rose-Hulman Sports Hall

of Fame, Records Chairman of U.S. Olympics Track & Field Trials, Terre Haute Area Chamber of Commerce, Wabash Valley Quarterback Club, ISU Distinguished Alumni Selection Committee, Terre Haute Landmarks, Board of Public Works and Safety, Director of Educational Heritage Association of Vigo County, Director of Indiana Track and Field & Cross Country Hall of Fame, Board of Cemetery Regents, Indiana University Alumni Association, Indiana State University Alumni Association, Indiana University Varsity Club, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Theta Phi, Arts Illiana, and Swope Art Gallery.

In addition to authoring Terre Haute: Queen City of the Wabash, Mike had a passion for sharing Vigo County "Historical Perspectives" and "Wabash Valley Profiles" as a weekly columnist for the Terre Haute Tribune Star for over 25 years.



He had many publications in Wabash Valley Magazine, World War II Times, Terre Haute Spectator (columnist & sports editor), and multiple briefs before Indiana Court of Appeals, Indiana Supreme Court, United Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court, as well as Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Justices of the Indiana Supreme Court. Mike received many awards throughout his

career including Hubert Hawkins Award from Indiana Historical Society, Vigo County Historical Society History Maker Award, The Outstanding Young Men of America Award Winner, Wabash Valley Quarterback Club Outstanding Service Award, Jaycees Distinguished Service Award, Best Sports Reporting Saturday Spectator, Mayors Meritorious Service Award, and Marquis Who's Who in American Law.

Mike was a member of Terre Haute/Vigo County Bar Association, Indiana State Bar Association, American Bar Association, American Trial Lawyers Association, Indiana Trial Lawyers Association, Indiana High School Basketball Historical Society, Society of American Baseball Research, Sycamore Blue Streak, and Terre Haute Journal of Business.

Mike's greatest joys in life were spending time with his family and watching his children and grandchildren participate in their many activities.

He loved his pets, sports, history, astronomy, genealogy, and was a beloved friend to many. He never met a stranger! Mike was Terre Haute's personal search engine for everything related to history, sports, and most importantly, the youngest bat boy for the TH Phillies.

Visitation was from 2:00 to 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, and funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 A.M. Thursday, October 10, 2024, at Callahan & Hughes Funeral Home, 605 South 25th Street, with Fred Nation officiating.

Burial will follow at Highland Lawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Vigo County History Center or VNA / Hospice of the Wabash Valley.
www.callahanandhughes.com

COMMENTS FROM HARLEY...

It was a very sad day for Vigo County and anyone who had known Mike when he passed on. I had known Mike from the time IHSBHS was founded in 1994. Although I conveyed my condolences to Becky, his exceptional wife, I am still disturbed that I was not made aware in time to attend his funeral. The thing that really is disturbing to me about myself is this. IHSBHS president Roger Robison and myself visited Mike about 2 years ago when I found out that Mike was

somewhat deteriorating mentally. It was very sad for me to see this in such a historically valuable Terre Haute and Vigo County individual. Thus being the imperfect person I am I avoided reconnecting with him because it was so difficult to continue watching what was happening. In closing I want to thank Becky for being so kind in forgivingly accepting my late condolences by phone. GOD bless the McCormick family.

HELP FIND LOST LYRICS!

Reta Williams has been on a mission to find the school songs of all the past high schools of Indiana. Obviously, many schools have been closed for so long that there are few living alumni to sing to her. In spite of the challenge, Reta has found over 700 songs!

Her daughter created a website, indianaschoolsongproject.com, which you may find interesting to visit. Meanwhile, here is a list of the schools for which she still hopes to find songs:

Benton Co.	Decatur Co.	Upland	Marion Twp.
Raub	Letts	Hancock Co.	San Jacinto
Blackford Co.,	New Point	Fortville	Scipio
Hartford City	Delaware Co.	McCordsville	Johnson Co.
Montpelier-Harrison Twp.	Desoto	Westland	Hopewell
Boone Co.	Harrison Twp.	Harrison Co.	Needham
Advance	Fayette Co.	Depauw Blue River	Knox Co.
Jamestown	Alquina	New Palmyra	Bruceville
Brown Co.	Bentonville	Henry Co.	Edwardsport
Helmsburg (Jackson Twp)	Everton	Kennard	Monroe City
Van Buren Twp.	Fayette Central	Lewisville	Oaktown
Carroll Co.	Orange	Mooreland	Westphalia
Bringhurst	Waterloo	Jackson Co.	Kosciusko Co.
Cass Co.	Floyd Co.	Houston	Burket
Noble Twp.	Georgetown	Vallonia	Lake Co.
Walton	Fountain Co.	Jasper Co.	Crisman
Washington Twp.	Newtown	Kniman	Laporte Co.
Clay Co.	Franklin Co.	Jefferson Co.	Kingsbury
Asheboro	Springfield Twp.	Central	Mill Creek
Bowling Green	Gibson Co.	Deputy	Union Twp.
Daviess Co.	Union Twp.	Dupont	Marion Co.
Montgomery (Barr Twp.)	Grant Co.	Jennings Co.	Acton
	Matthews	Butlerville	Castleton

Indpls Northwest	Perry Co.	Gings	Wea
Lawrence	Bristow	Moscow	West Point
New Bethel	Derby	Shelby Co.	Tipton Co.
or Wanamaker	Leopold	Hanover Twp.	Goldsmith
Oaklandon	Rome	Spencer Co.	Kempton
Valley Mills	Tobinsport	Gentryville	Vermillion Co.
West Newton	Troy	Steuben Co.	Hillsdale
Marshall Co.	Union Twp.	Metz	Wabash Co.
Tippecanoe	Pike Co.	Scott Center	Chippewa
Martin Co.	Algiers	Sullivan Co.	Lincolntown
Burns City	Velpen	Carlisle	Warrick Co.
Trinity Springs	Posey Co.	Fairbanks	Yankeetown
Miami Co.	Griffin	Gill Twp.	Washington Co.
Amboy	Poseyville	Graysville	Hardinsburg
Noble Co.	Vernon	Merom	Little York
LaOtto	Wadesville	Shelburn	McKinley
Wolf Lake	Ripley Co.	Tippecanoe Co.	Monroe Twp.
Owen Co.	Cross Plains	Clarks Hill	White Co.
Coal City	Rush Co.	Jackson Twp.	Buffalo
Quincy	Fairview	Monitor	

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SECTIONAL DROUGHTS PUT TO REST, by John Ockomon

Some great sectional basketball games from our girls.

18 schools ended droughts of 10 or more years. Whitko easily won the prize... no titles since 1976. Delta came next, not winning since 1993, then Columbia City and Lowell since 2000.

Other droughts ended were: Maconaquah '01, Alexandria '02, Indpls. Cathedral '05, Elkhart Christian first time ever since 2005, Oldenburg '06, South Decatur '08, Hammond '10, Floyd Central '10, Pendleton Heights (Irish) '11, Rensselaer '13, Borden '15, Warsaw '15, North Posey '15, Anderson Prep (never won) 2016.

In the girls regionals there were 22 teams back from last year. 13 will be defending, 20 teams have never won a regional.

Congratulations to the state champions: Borden, South Knox, Norwell, each winning their 1st, and Lawrence North earning their 2nd !!

Moving on to the boys tournaments.....

Twelve schools ended droughts of ten or more years. Clinton Prairie won the prize for 43 years, having no regional titles since 1982.

Manchester came next, not winning since '95, then Mooresville '98 and Lafayette Harrison '99.

Other droughts ended were: Western Boone 2000, Maconaquah 2000, Portage 2001, Whiteland 2002, Jimtown 2004, Daleville 2009, Centerville 2011, and Orleans 2015.

The regional had 26 teams back from last year. Thirteen were defending champs, and only 8 schools have not won a title.

(State champions were not known at press time.)

Ashley Fouch of Daleville so far appears to be the first woman coach to win a boys sectional as historians search the archives.

TIME FOR A GIGGLE...

Q: What do basketball players call the first meal of the day? A: Fast breaks

Mr. Potato Head went to a game last night. He was a spec-tater.

Did you know Steven Spielberg and John Williams like to play basketball together? One shoots, and the other scores.

I was playing basketball with my 13 year old son, and I beat him. I probably wouldn't have if he hadn't won.

My buddy opened a tavern for basketball players. Good thing he set the bar high!

1971 - A GREAT SEASON REMEMBERED.... Submitted by Jim Brandyberry. I was reminded of this today, seeing the death of Junior Bridgeman:

ECW	Opponent	
92	Calumet	63
109	Crown Point	67
95	Hammond Gavitt	43
80	TH Gerstmeyer	60
77	Gary Roosevelt	70
100	Whiting	38
73	Hammond Morton	50
92	Hammond Clark	51
98	Anderson	73
90	Munster	39
94	Warsaw	70
91	LaPorte	59
95	Valparaiso	77
112	Kokomo	60
105	Hammond	55
112	Hammond Tech	55
89	EC Roosevelt	59
110	Michigan City	89
106	Hammond Noll	72
88	Gary West	85

Sectional		
71	East Gary	39
73	EC Roosevelt	49
87	Hobart	76

Regional		
65	Hammond Clark	51
94	Gary West	89

Semistate		
93	Michigan City	79
79	Rossville	67

State Finals

102 Floyd Central 88
70 Elkhart 60

Regular Season average:
95.4 to 61.8 ppg!

On the next page are a couple more pages of consolidations for you to review. If you find any needed corrections, please send them to Roger at hotdog@compuserve.com

Loyal members – please continue sending your stories to Dan at BCHSTennis@aol.com.

BOXSCORE is nothing without you and your stories.

Thanks for your participation!!

Also, please feel free to send Dan your corrections, complaints, suggestions, praises, and especially good basketball jokes !!

Finally, a belated bushel of good wishes goes out to Harley, who in his inimitable, clandestine way has turned 90 this month. His secret? The longer he lives, the longer he can despise Bob Knight! LOL

Go get 'em, Tiger!!

15-DEARBORN 10:3		Mascots	page 7	Consolidations (*Lawrenceburg)	extant = 3
Aurora	Red Devils	Red/White	South Dearborn-78	1909 (23) 24 (78)	
Bright	Panthers	Blue/Gold	North Dearborn-59, (East Central-73)	1923 (59)	
Dillsboro	Bulldogs	Royal Blue/Gold	South Dearborn-78	1921 (78)	
East Central (St. Leon)	Trojans	Red/White/Black	North Dearborn & Sunman in Ripley Co.		1973
Gulford	Wildcats	Orange/Black	North Dearborn	1923 (59)	
Lawrenceburg	Tigers	Orange/Black			1908
Moores Hill	Bobcats	Purple/White	South Dearborn-78	1917 (18) 19 (78)	
New Alsace	Muskies	Red/White	East Central-73	1923 (29)	
North Dearborn (Dover)	Vikings	Scarlet/Gray	(Bright, Gulford) Into East Central-73	1959 (73)	
South Dearborn (Aurora)	Knights	Red/White/Blue	(Aurora, Dillsboro, Moores Hill)		1978

16-DECATUR 11:3		Nicknames	Colors	Consolidations (*Greensburg)	extant = 3
Burney	Panthers	Purple/White	South Decatur	1916 (68)	
Clarksburg	Knights	Black/Gold	North Decatur	1916 (67)	
Greensburg	Pirates	Blue/White			1905
Jackson Twp. (Sardina)	Tigers	Black/Gold	South Decatur	1921 (68)	
Letts (Sand Creek Twp.)	Bearcats	Red/White	South Decatur-68	1909--(68)	
New Point	Little Giants	Blue/Gold	North Decatur	1917--(67)	
North Decatur-Greensburg	Chargers	Red/White/Blue			1967
Sandusky	Blackhawks	Black/White	Clarksburg/ North Decatur	1915--- (63)	
South Decatur (Westport)	Cougars	Maroon/White	(Burney, Jackson Twp., Sandcreek Twp.)		1968
St. Paul	Blasters	Red/White	North Decatur	1914 --- (67)	
Westport	Warriors	Blue/White	Jackson Twp/ South Decatur	1911--- (40)	

21-Fayette 8:1		Nicknames	Colors	Consolidations (*Connersville)	extant = 1
Alquina	Blue Arrows	Blue/White	Connersville	1920 (66)	
Bentonville-Posey Twp.	Trojans	Red/White	Connersville	1920 -(53)	
Connersville	Spartans	Crimson/White	#6		1905
Everton	Bearcats	Purple/Gold	Connersville	1919 -(47)	
Fairview	Bulldogs	Black/White	Connersville	1916 -(58)	
Harrisburg	Hornets	Green/White	Connersville	1926 (58)	
Orange	Tigers	Black/Orange	Connersville	1915 -(58)	
Waterloo	Cardinals	Red/White	Alquina-30 (Connersville-66)	1923- (30)	

17-Dekalb 13:4		Nicknames	page 8	Consolidations (*Auburn)	extant = 4
Ashley	Aces	Royal Blue/Red	Dekalb	1916 -(67)	
Auburn	Red Devils	Black/Crimson	Dekalb	1908 -(67)	
Butler	Windmills	Green/Gold	Eastside-63	1905 (63)	
St. Joe- Concord Twp.	Tigers	Red/White	Riverdale then Eastside	1917-1953	
Corunna			Waterloo/Dekalb	1918 -(29)	
Dekalb (Waterloo)	Barons	Red/White/Black	(Ashley, Auburn, Waterloo)		1967
Eastside (Butler)	Blazers	Green/White	(Butler, Riverdale)		1963
Garrett	Railroaders	Maroon/Navy Blue			1911
Lakewood Park Christian	Panthers	Columbia Blue/Black/Wh	charter		1998
Orangeville	Orangemen	Orange/White	Concord Twp.	1925 (43)	
Riverdale	Comets	Gray/Green	(Concord Twp., & Spencerville) Eastside-63	1954 (63)	
Spencerville	Red Raiders	Red/White	Riverdale then Eastside	1913 (53)	
Waterloo	Wildcats	Black/Gold	Dekalb	1910 (67)	

18-DELAWARE 18:8		Mascots	Colors	Consolidations (*Muncie)	extant = 8
Albany	Wildcats	Red/White	Delta-74	1919 -(74)	
Center	Spartans	Purple/White	Wapahani-67	1919 - (67)	
Cowan	Blackhawks	Black/Gold			1910
Daleville	Broncos	Black/Vagus Gold			1917
Delta	Eagles	Navy/Gold/White	(Albany,Desota,Eaton, Royerton)		1967
Desoto	Panthers	Purple/Gold	Delta-67	1919 -(67)	
Eaton	Norsemen	Purple/White	Delta-67	1908 -(66)	
Gaston	Bulldogs	Blue/White	Wes-Del-66	1908 -(66)	
Harrison Twp.	Cardinals	Crimson/White	Wes-Del-66	1925-(66)	
Muncie Burris	Owls	Blue/Gold	none		1930
Muncie Central	Bearcats	Purple/White			1904
Muncie Northside	Titans	Navy Blue/Red	Muncie Central- 1988	???? 1917 (88)	
Muncie Southside	Rebels	Red/White	Muncie Central - 2014	1962 (2014)	
Royerton	Redbirds	Red/Black	Delta-67	1912-(67)	
Selma	Bluebirds	Blue/White	Wapahani-67	1908-(67)	
Wapahani (Selma RR#1)	Raiders	Red/Black/White	(Center & Selma)		1967
Wes-Del (Gaston RR#1)	Warriors	Maroon/ White	(Gaston & Harrison Twp.)		1966
Yorktown	Tigers	Kelly Green/White			1911