

Today's anacrostic puzzle solution

Title: I thought so

Quote: *The more years I spend operating on the brain the more convinced I become that the mind is not contained by it. The brain shapes our thoughts, yes, but something deeper — something immaterial — gives them meaning and direction*

- A. DING DONG ... Celebratory words from an iconic "The Wizard of Oz" song
- B. RITTER ... John of GHS basketball fame (1969), the first area hoopster to receive the "Indiana All-Star" designation. NR's Brady Scholl, just named, is the tenth from the area
- C. MAD SCIENTIST ... Like Dr. Emmett Brown of "Back to the Future" fame
- D. IMITATE ... Mimic
- E. CHOMPIN' AT THE BIT ... Rarin' to go
- F. HIVE ... Bee home
- G. ARCH-ENEMY ... Like a Hatfield to a McCoy and vice-versa
- H. EIGHTY ... LXXX
- I. LATITUDE ... Something Goshen shares with Rome, Italy ... give or take 22 miles
- J. ESTRANGED ... Alienated from family, perhaps
- K. GAMBIT ... Strategic though risky opening move in chess, negotiations, or even conversation
- L. NOAH ... ___ Bontrager of Westview High School, the state's first sub-four minute miler
- M. O BROTHER ... Coen Brothers film starring George Clooney: ____, Where Art Thou?
- N. RECOMMEND ... Endorse a product
- O. NOMINEE ... Status of the Blue Gate Theater in this year's Academy of Country Music "Theater of the Year" award
- P. EPITOME ... Quintessential model
- Q. USPS ... To keep it afloat, this organization wants to raise the cost of its primary product 4 cents
- R. RABIES ... Mad dog's disease in "To Kill a Mockingbird"
- S. ONE-ON-ONE ... Least-crowded way to play basketball
- T. SHIPSHE ... Local nickname for area town that is rapidly becoming Indiana's answer to Branson, Missouri (see Question O)
- U. USA TODAY ... National newspaper that just named the Pumpkinvine "Best Recreational Trail" in the country
- V. REB ... Johnny ___ (Civil War soldier)
- W. GRINCH ... Christmas thief of note
- X. EH ... Canadians pronounce it "ay"
- Y. OMV ... In Indiana, we call it the BMV
- Z. NINE-TENTHS ... Possession, they say, is this fraction of the law

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