

Today's anacrostic puzzle solution

Title: Go, Pacers!

Quote: *In seventh grade I took some of my paper route money down to the Sears at Pierre Moran Mall to buy a Pacers T-shirt to wear the first week of school. [Though] they only won half of their games that year [1986] the Pacers were the basketball team from Indiana — that meant a lot to me at that age*

- A. GOOD VIBRATIONS ... Brian Wilson [R.I.P.] gave us them in 1966 along with "excitations"
- B. NOAH ... Biblical boat-builder
- C. COLTS ... NFL team with former owner's daughters now in key roles
- D. OMAHAN ... One in four Nebraskans
- E. LOTTA ... Whole bunch-a something
- F. UTTER ... Highest level of nonsense
- G. MOTHER TERESA ... Nun who won the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize
- H. NETTER ... Tennis player, in sportswriter shorthand
- I. ISLAND PARK ... Elkhart venue for this weekend's 45th annual Rhapsody Arts & Music Festival
- J. SEMISTATE ... Level of play the GHS boys baseball team has reached after dethroning #1 ranked Penn in last Saturday's Regional
- K. TWENTY-FIVE ... Number of years since the last time the NBA Finals was played in Indianapolis
- L. ATTICUS ... Grok's choice of the #1 father in all of literature: ___ Finch of "To Kill a Mockingbird." Happy Father's Day, btw!
- M. AHOY THERE, MATEY ... Greetings from shipmate to shipmate at an on-sea encounter
- N. RAND PAUL ... U.S. Senator who spoke at the recent Elkhart County Republicans Lincoln Day dinner
- O. OWETH ... Middle letter of "IOU" back in King James' time
- P. NORTH ... Cubs' side of Chicago
- Q. SHORT MEMORY ... Outstanding mental trait of all superstar three-point shooters
- R. AGE ... What fine wines and cheeses do
- S. WATERPROOF ... Kind of watch scuba divers demand
- T. ATOM ... Name of the first molecule in Eden?
- U. THE MILE ... Track event in which Westview's Noah Bontrager broke the boys state track record with a time of 4:02.6 ... (the non-metric name)
- V. SET THE TABLE ... Child's dinnertime chore, sometimes
- W. KARMA ... Cosmic boomerang
- X. YO HO HO ... Pirate's chant before downing rum
- Y. KARATE CHOP ... Board-breaking blow by a robed martial artist
- Z. IOW ... In other words, briefly
- AA. NEW ... Like Elkhart County's Paris
- BB. GAFFE ... Social blunder
- CC. SEPTEMBER ... Green Day song: "Wake Me Up When ___ Ends"
- DD. LAFF ... One of the "L's" in "LOL" in texter's slang
- EE. ENGLISH ... College major this puzzle's quote author acquired before he became Goshen's City Forester ... as is evidenced by his writer's touch in all his articles
- FF. YEAH ... Casual "Yes"

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