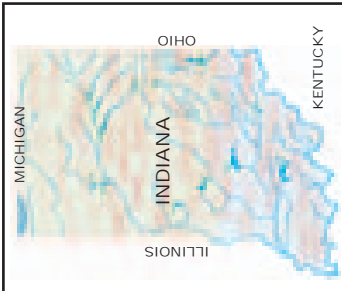


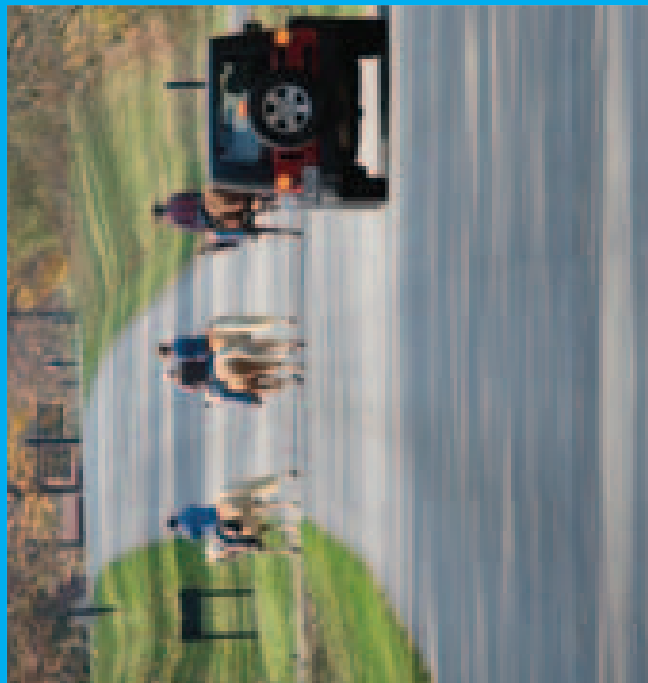
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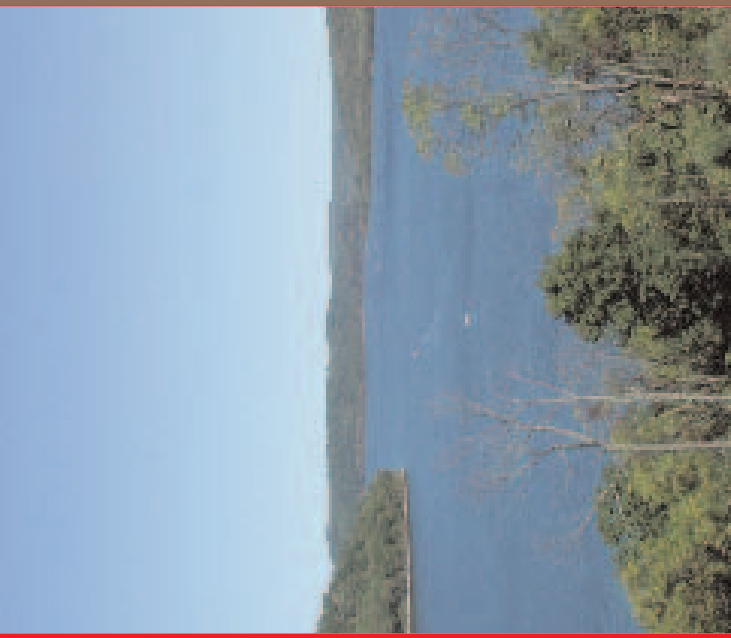
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Top Right: Horseback riding can be a lot of fun, but horse trail crossings in State Parks can be trying if drivers of vehicles don't give the right away

to the horsemen. All horse trails are plainly marked. Here in this photo I took in Whitewater State Park the driver of this jeep has done the proper thing by stopping well in advance of the horses crossing the park road. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Bottom Left: Brookville Lake located in southeastern Indiana has been the playground for hundreds of thousands recreation seeking people every year since 1975, the year it was officially dedicated. The article this month was written by me for the June/July 1975 Outdoor Gad-a-bout. This photo was taken from the Bonwell Hill Overlook, go east up SR 101 turn left just after you pass the Brookville Lake Sign and American Flag flying in the breeze. Take the first left up the hill to the parking area for the overlook. You can also visit the Corps of Engineers office the first road to the right after you leave the overlook. The Corps office has some really nice displays pertaining to the lake's construction and interesting facts about how it all operates. You can also get a nice map of the lake too. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Bottom Right: Hank felt right at home on this captured Hungarian horse. He and others in his outfit, that were horesmen, searched the Black Forest Country of Germany looking for SS (Gestapo) who called themselves "Werewolves" who were trying to evade capture, and threatened locals to resist the Americans. (Hank Stock Photo)



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The Indiana State Police patrol our state’s highway doing their level best to rid the highways of dangerous drivers like the one’s who created the havoc on I-70 at the height of one of our worse snow storms in a long time.

I have a list of Indiana State Police news releases I received in my e-mail from Sergeant John D. Bowling, the Connersville Post Public Information Officer / Recruiter last Friday, February 5, 2010 I want to share with you here.

Received 11:58 a.m. It read: Most roads in the Connersville District remain wet at this time. There is a heavy band of snow that just passed through Fayette County into Wayne County. It is still just above freezing in our southern counties, so the snow is just starting to stick. Wayne and Henry Counties are at 32 degrees. Motorists along I-70 need to watch bridges and overpasses as they will ice up first. Our units have not worked any slide offs or crashes at this time. I will keep you posted as conditions deteriorate.

Received 1:20 p.m. It read: Units are currently working crashes on I-70 at the 135 mile marker, just west of the Cambridge City exit, and at the 124 mile marker just east of the New Castle exit. We have a unit in route to a crash in Southwestern Franklin County . None of the crashes appear serious. The temperature is below freezing now in all counties. Roadways are becoming slush covered and slick.

Received 1:39 p.m. It read: Units are reporting numerous slide offs and property damage crashes between the 123 mile marker and the 125 mile marker on I-70 in Henry County. A lot of the crashes involve an elevated bridge deck and a flat stretch just east of the New Castle exit (123 mm) where the road is icing over. Most of the crashes are on the west bound side and none involve personal injury at this time.

Received 1:55 p.m. It read: Units are reporting a crash involving a red SUV and a Semi on I-70 at the 126 ½ mile marker. The driver of the SUV is reportedly injured and emergency crews are enroute. We have multiple units on the scene as it happened in the traffic back up from the other crashes. Units are reporting both sides of I-70 are blocked at the scene.

Received 2:33 p.m. It read: Units are currently working numerous personal injury crashes on I-70 in Henry County, between the 123 and 130 mile markers. The road will be closed an undisclosed amount of time to clean up multiple crashes. Visibility is poor due to heavy snowfall and traffic is not slowing down as they approach the crashes.

Received 3:09 p.m. It read: Although units are still working numerous crashes on I-70 in Henry County, they are reporting the interstate is now open. I-70 west bound is down to one lane, the left lane, open at the 128 mile marker. I-70 is snow covered slick and hazardous, and cars are sliding off and crashing on a continuous basis right now. Please advise people to avoid this area as the traffic back up will take hours to clear out and poor visibility along with icy roadways are causing additional crashes.

Received 3.26 p.m. It read: The Wayne County Sheriff’s Department has reported to us that US 35, just north of Economy, in Wayne County, will be closed due to a fatal crash they are working there. In addition I-70 at the 128 west bound now has both lanes open. However, traffic will take hours to clear out of that area. Please advise the public to avoid that area if possible.

Received 4:28 p.m. It read: Units continue to work slide offs and crashes in Henry County on I-70. So far units have worked over 25 crashes between the 134 and 123 mile markers. I-70 is snow covered and extremely slick.

In addition US 27 is closed at Pleasant Plain Road in Wayne County as we have a unit working a personal injury crash there, that just occurred, involving a car and a semi. The Connersville District is continuing to receive heavy snowfall.

I called Sergeant John Bowling on Saturday morning with a question, I expected to catch him in his office in Connersville and was surprised when he told me he was sitting out on I-70 in his cruiser at the same spot where all the havoc transpired on Friday. He was investigating accidents along with other Indiana State Troopers. Following is a release I received from Sgt. Bowling on Saturday at 5:01 p.m. The photos at the top right were attached to this e-mail.

Vehicle “Graveyard” Along I-70

Henry County – The stretch of I-70 from the 134 mile marker to the 124 mile marker in Henry County looks more like a junkyard at times than an interstate. There are nine vehicles off the roadway and in the median that have crashed and been left due to the dangerous winter storm that went through the area yesterday and last night.

Connersville Trooper Brian Gwinn, who was out

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Whenever I performed at a new school or site I always painted green in the corner of my eyes to indicate that I had not performed there before. The same thing held true if I were conducting a new ceremony or participating in a new event.

Our electronic age with its gadgets and dependence on artificial power has made us lose interest in the annual renewing. Seasons come and go with little recognition except for the various sales in the stores. The spiritual importance of keeping in touch with the changes in nature and the changing of the seasons has all but been lost in our world of today.

There are, on an average, more babies born in March than any other month. Of course if you have lived on a farm you know that this is the season that lambs, calves and colts are most likely to appear in the barnyard or field.

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over the world and through out the ages have held special celebrations to welcome spring.

I have always believed that the Great Spirit favors spring, somewhat, because it helps us believe in the renewal of life and even more important in the existence of an afterlife.

I encourage all of you to stop a moment to take a walk, off the beaten path, and look for the Spring Beauties, and other flowers blooming near the path, or listen to the warblers singing in the trees. Only at this time of the year can you enjoy such sights and sounds.

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Until next time, may the Great Spirit look with favor on you and yours.

Editor's Note: In this issue on page 16-17 plus a continuation will be the story of Golden Eagle from 1943 until 1946, about his time in the United States Army. In the April issue will be an indepth article on Golden Eagle from a child to now. You don't want to miss his story, he is truly a very unique person, I didn't know very much about Hank Stock aka Golden Eagle until the last few weeks. We have been friends since 1993, but mostly from a distance, he lives in Cincinnati, Ohio and I live in Centerville, Indiana. We first met when he came to Frontier Days at Treaty Line Pioneer Village in 1993.



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Fishing Lake Michigan



by Capt. Mike Schoonveld

CAPTAIN SWORDFISH

Sometimes, one of the most memorable parts of a fishing trip isn't the fish you caught, it's the people you meet. So it was on a recent trip I took to Islamorada in the Florida Keys.

In the Keys, ever so often a hurricane comes and wipes out everything. In the aftermath things are rebuilt with a modern flair. Hasn't been a hurricane at Bud and Mary's Marina for a long time. Pictures of Jimmy Stuart, Ernest Hemingway, Curt Gowdy, Ted Williams and others are still aging on the walls. The Florida Keys was once one of the premier bonefish destinations in the world and Bud 'N Mary's was the gateway for the anglers famous and not-so-famous who came to fish them.

But sprinkled among them are newer photos of a fair-complected older gentleman, often with a nose slathered white with zinc-oxide, posed with happy fishermen with one of the world's premier big game fish, the broad-billed swordfish.

Captain Richard Stanczyk, owner of Bud N'Marys, is one of the few captains in the world who has perfected the art of fishing for broadbills in the daytime. Stanczyk was at his post behind the counter at the bait shop when I met him.

My fishing partner and I were there to fish for



Captain Mike and Captain Stanczyk. (Photo by Mike Schoonveld)

swordfish with Capt. Stanczyk, but it only took a few minutes to set up the date, time of departure and other details. It took the next hour and much of the day we spent on the boat with him to appreciate how he (and, I guess, we) came to be where we were at that exact time.

Years ago there were lots of swordfish off Florida's coast. Then the commercial long-liners came, set hundreds of miles of lines with thousands of hooks and wanton disregard for the resource. Only after stocks were depleted to near-extinction did the government action put the sword fishing areas near Florida off-limits to the commercial long-liners.

The swordfish were gone and forgotten. At this time Stanczyk operated a charter boat out of Miami and took anglers offshore to fish for sailfish, tuna, wahoo and other species.

"We all thought it odd when the first swordfish bill and tail showed up at our fish cleaning facility. But over time, finding swordfish scraps became an increasingly common occurrence. A bit of investigation turned up a few Cuban refugees who had worked their way up the economic ladder to afford boats were heading out at night and catching swords as they swim to the surface to feed. By day, swordfish are a bottom fish," Stanczyk explained.

"That's how I began running night time sword fishing charters." Stanzcyk continued his tale. "A few years passed and the opportunity for me to purchase Bud 'N Mary's came along. I moved to Islamorada and became obsessed with bonefish. Time stood

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The author caught this swordfish offshore of Bud 'n Mary's Marina in the Florida Keys. (Photo by Mike Schoonveld)

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by Tag Nobbe
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Got Fish?

Brookville lake is a lake that does not always freeze in the winter. Last year we never had enough ice on the lake to do any ice fishing at all. This year we had some safe ice in the coves, but only for a short period of time. In the rural areas of Brookville there are privately owned ponds that vary from 1 acre to 3 acres. Most of these ponds are stocked with bluegill and crappie. These ponds due to their small size freeze thicker and quicker then the lake. For example right now the lake has about ½ inch of ice on the main lake but a lot of farm ponds have 3 to 4 inches. I am going to leave it up to you to know how thick the ice should be, but I have heard of people pushing flat bottom john boats out in the middle of the ponds and fishing out of them. I guess where there's a will there's a way.

Another option is the river. The river below Brookville lake never freezes, even in the harshest winter it will flow all the way till it meets the west fork of the whitewater river. This particular river is unique. It has 6 different species of suckers, it has huge carp, it has rainbow trout, it has brown trout, and every fish that is in the lake is also in this river. I have caught suckers on sucker rods in the middle of winter using red worms. A sucker rod is just a metal rod about 2 to 3 feet long. What you do is tie on 3



small hooks on to the rod evenly spaced out with mono filament fishing line, bait up the hooks, tie on a 30 foot piece of twine at one end toss it out and wait. A lot of times you catch two at a time

If your a fly fisherman this river is right up your alley. Most all of the river is wade-able with just a pair of hip waders. What you have is a stretch of river that starts out at the stilling basin at the bottom the dam. The stilling basin is a 35 foot deep concrete box with a 30 foot concrete wall that calms and stills the river were it comes out from underneath the dam. The water that is coming from the lake is coming off the bottom giving you a constant 45 degree water temperature even in the winter. This will let you fish the river year round just remember you can only keep trout from the last Saturday in April to the end of December. A four or five weight 8 to 9 foot fly rod is perfect for the size trout in the river. The brown trout have a 18 inch minimum size limit and the rainbow have a 7 inch minimum size limit. The bag limit is 5 but only 1 can be a brown trout. If your not a fly fisherman a 6 foot medium light graphite spinning rod will work just fine. Small in line spinners, salmon eggs, minnows or night crawlers all catch trout day in and day out.

The stilling basin at the dam is a great place to catch catfish and walleye. The bait of choice in the winter are minnows . In the fall the lake is pulled down 8 feet to winter pool. This starts around October 15th, and if you want to see how a stilling basin works this is the time to check it out. It is so violet its worth seeing but don't bring a fishing pole for this trip wait till the middle of winter. Once they get the lake drawn down to winter pool the current in the stilling basin will go slack. This is when you want to be fishing at the stilling basin area. Vertical fishing over the walls of the stilling basin with a ¼ to a ½ jig tipped with a minnow is a good choice. If your not a live bait fisherman try a ½ ounce Hopkins spoon or a blade bait anything that resembles a minnow will work. I sure hope this helps



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This photo was taken from the Bonwell Overlook just east of the dam looking north. There was quite a few boats on the water that day. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)



This photo was taken from the Mounds Beach parking lot looking north. The Fairfield Causeway bridge is in the distance. See map. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Story of Brookville Lake

Looking Back to 1975

Part III of a Series

(Written by Ray Dickerson in 1975)

In the February Gad-a-bout I told about why the Brookville Dam was needed with facts about the loss of lives and destruction caused by the terrible floods recorded from 1836 to 1959.

This month I want to show you several photos that I have taken in recent years mostly from 1999 to the present.

For this story I am again going to reach back into my past and reprint an article I wrote for my June-July 1975 Outdoor Gad-a-bout.

***Let me warn you that back then, I was a bit more opinionated than I am now, since I have mellowed with age. Also ignore the user fees listed for Brookville, they are a bit higher today.*

Brookville Dam 1975

Does the Brookville Lake hold a promise for added income to southeastern Indiana or does it hold an outlook of gloom?

The Brookville Reservoir (Lake) is now a reality.



I took this photo from the parking area of Garr Hill Ramp at dusk looking west. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Years have passed for some while they waited impatiently for the completion. Others who didn't really give a hoot whether it got done or not are, looking at it in disgust. As is true in all things, there are two sides of the coin. In this case the "wantees" outnumbered the "I'd rather nots" ten to three.

I'll start at the bottom of the pole with the "I'd rather nots," and give their side. As one canoe enthusiast said, "I'll wait until the dam gives way and then I'll go back to canoeing on the East Fork of the Whitewater!"

A local resident of Hidden Valley was heard to say, "I'm moving!" And he did just that. A Brookville resident downtown said when asked, "We don't need the damn thing here, it will only bring in those d--tourists!" A not so convinced merchant said, "It may be alright, but I hate to see the traffic jams it's going to cause. Our traffic was a problem without it, now it's going to be seven times worse!"

Several people have asked me if there was a leak in the dam. One even went so far as to say he had heard there was water coming through the dam. Another rumor had it that the federal government had announced a huge amount of money was appropriated to mend the dam.

In defending and clarifying some of the doubts, I offer these explanations. There is water coming through the dam. Water is continually coming through the stilling basin and a series of 32 relief wells gather up water coming from under the dam. The dam is built on a gravel base and these 32 relief wells collect the water and return it to the main



This photo was taken looking north from the Fairfield Causeway bridge. The Fairfield Causeway is close to the center of the lake, see map. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)



I took this photo looking north from the Dunlapville Causeway at the north end of the Brookville Lake, see map on page 9. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

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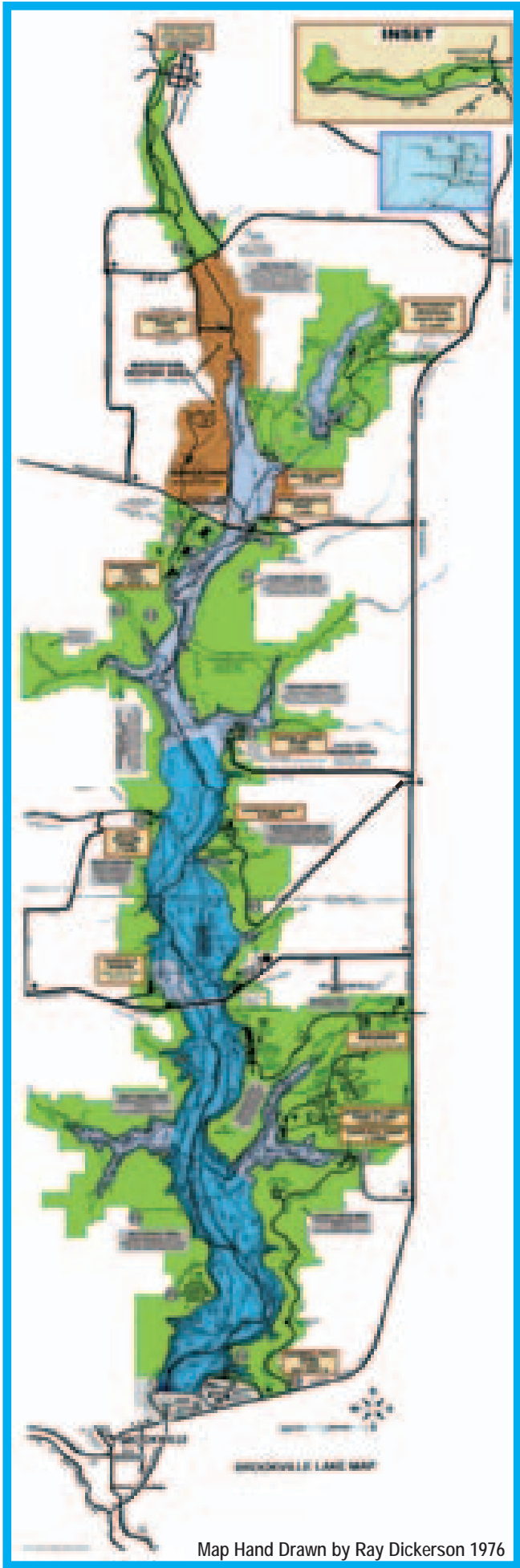


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stream below the dam. There was a land slide on the west side of the dam that caused some concern, but the situation is now under control. There was some money appropriated for the Brookville Lake, but it was for many different areas besides the dam.

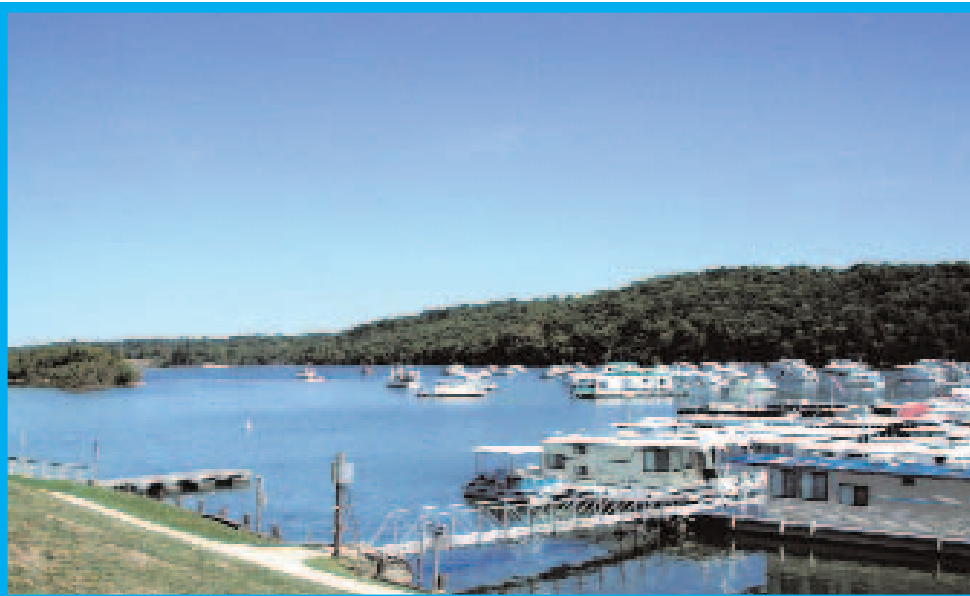
The other side of the coin are the "wantees." Thousands of Ohio and Indiana residents have been looking forward to this year, to use the deepest reservoir in Indiana. It is the only reservoir in Indiana where Muskellunge can be taken legally. The limit is one muskie, and it must be 30 inches long. If water conditions permit. Lake trout will be stocked. Striped bass and white bass are new comers too. There is, no state record on Striped bass in Indiana. Rainbow trout have been stocked below the dam in the tail-water, 1,500 of them at 7 to 9 inches long, with a size limit of seven inches. A trout stamp is re-quired for trout fishing; it may be pur-chased at any store that sells fishing licenses. Cost is \$2.25.

The reservoir is a multi-use facility leased from the Corps of Engineers by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

Returning to the meat of this article, I have some curious observations and questions. I've talked to every person connected with the reservoir and some who thought they were connected. I've talked to thousands of inquisitive people at the sport shows about the reservoir. I've seen jealous people put it down. I've seen former residents, and heard them talk of the valley before the lake. I hunted mushrooms and fished in the valley that is now covered with water and I have no real answer, "Is it for the good or is it just for - - -?"

One item that is proving quite beneficial is the frequency of wildlife around the lake. I have seen more wildlife in my visits to the lake than any place I have been before. To the hunter the availability of

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This Photo was taken at the Quakertown State Recreation Area looking north. At the right is the boat buoy rental field and dock rentals. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)



This photo was taken just south of the Stilling Basin. This is where the water comes through the dam from the bottom of the lake. (Photo by Tag Nobbe)



This photo was taken on November 22, 2002, this is what the Stilling Basin looks like empty looking south. I took the photo from the walkway just above the outlet tube opening. Workmen can be seen removing fish the basin. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

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Big Game Hunting



by Joel Biltz

Hunting Cougar on Diamond Mountain Utah

It all started on Dec 30th at 11:00 am when my cell phone rang, I saw it was Josh Horrocks my lion guide. Josh informed me that the area I was to be hunting was getting a fresh snow and I needed to get to Vernal, Utah ASAP. A few phone calls to my wife and to the airlines and I was due to fly out the next day Dec 31st. I had also just ordered a new bow that showed up that day so the rest of the day was spent tuning and sighting it in for my hunt. I left Dayton at 4:00 pm on Dec 31st hoping to be in Vernal by 8



I took this Cougar with a Bowtech 82nd Airborne and a G5 100 gr. Teken broad head. (Biltz Photo)

pm MST. Well after 2 canceled flights and 1 day of hunting lost I had to reschedule to Rock Springs Wyoming and rent a truck, making the two and a half hour drive to Vernal. After a long beautiful drive to Vernal I met up with Josh and then settled in my motel room. After a long sleepless night Josh picked me up at 4 am. On the way to the hunting area Josh informed me that they had treed a nice tom lion the day before “the day I was originally supposed to start hunting” so he had a good idea where he was. We started out circling the mountain looking for fresh tracks to make sure he had not left the area, after not finding fresh tracks we knew he was still in the area. Josh told me to stay in the truck and he would take his hounds to cut the trail from the day before. After about 3 hours the dogs finally had the lion bayed on a cliff. Josh had a friend named Keith helping us look for tracks so Josh radioed Keith to drive me around to the other side of the mountain. We finally got to the other side of the mountain and as soon as we got out of the truck we could hear that the dogs had the lion cornered. Keith and I prepared for the climb up the mountain and off we went, we got about halfway up the mountain and the dogs just seemed to take off. The lion was on the move, he ran about a quarter of the way down the other side of the mountain and treed again. It took us about 45 minutes to get to the top of the mountain and down the other side to the lion. The big tom lion was treed in a small pine about 10 feet up in the tree. The first time I saw the lion I was in awe. The dogs were right up in the tree with the lion. We took many photos and the started to prepare for the shot. I got into position for a good broadside shot and drew my new Bowtech

82nd Airborne and passed a G5 100 gr. Teken broad head right through his heart at a distance of 4 yards. To my amazement the lion acted as if I did not even hit him, even though the blood was running out as if you turned a faucet on. Just to be safe I shot him again and this time he flew out of the tree and ran about 200 yards. As I ran down the mountain the adrenalin was pumping. What a rush. I finally made it down to the lion and there he lay with the hounds standing proudly beside him.

I was so happy to have had the opportunity to harvest such a majestic animal. I have heard many stories of guys that have hunted lions many times and still have not had an opportunity to harvest a lion, and I had a magnificent lion within 8 hours of my very first day of hunting. My lion



The big tom lion was treed in a small pine about 10 feet up in the tree. (Photo by Joel Biltz)

weighed somewhere between 140 to 150 pounds and Josh said it should make Pope and Young very easily, we will find out in 60 days.

I will be having my Lion mounted life size on a red rock formation on a pedestal, by Steve Harrison of Harrison Hunting and Taxidermy in Liberty Indiana. Steve is the absolute best taxidermist I have used. I have used about five different taxidermists but have finally found one that I can trust, that does

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My Brother Jud

Bruce Jerald (Jud) McCune 85, Charleston, passed away Wednesday, January 14, 2010 at Charleston Memorial Hospital after a long fight with heart disease (six by-passes 15 years ago and several more recently).

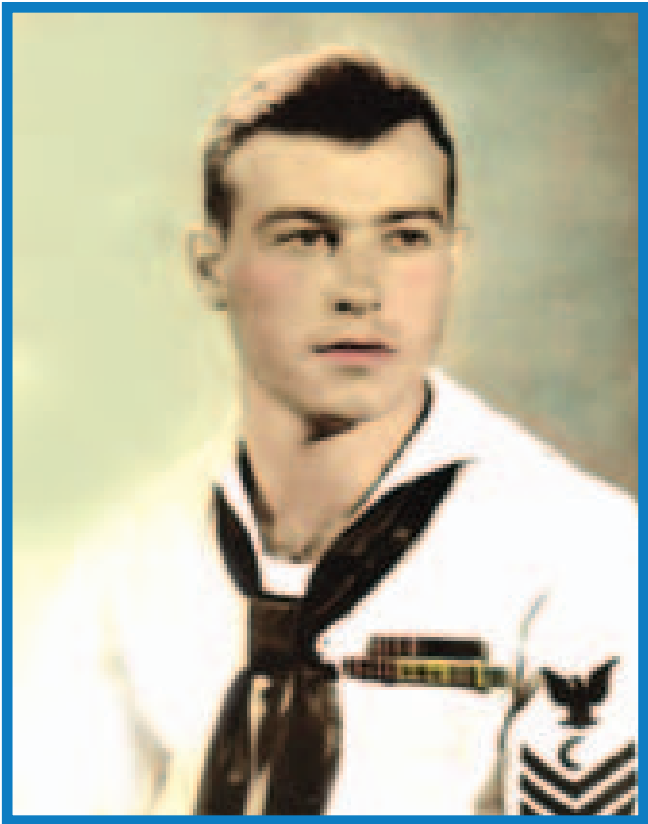
Born in Gassaway, West Virginia, October 14,1924, he attended Davis Grade School and Gassaway High School. He enlisted in the US Navy in 1942, graduated from the US Navy baker's school, and spent the first two years on board the USS Patoka and the last two years of his enlistment aboard the aircraft carrier USS Randolph as a Baker 1st Class. He was honorably discharged in 1946. During his tour of duty, he was awarded the American Area medal, the Asiatic - Pacific Area Medal (with 3 stars), the Philippine Liberation Medal, a Good Conduct Medal, the European African Middle East Medal, and the Victory Ribbon. His service during the war gave him the right to wear one hash mark and the coveted Ruptured Duck*.

He worked for Union Carbide Corporation, at the Institute Plant near Charleston as a boom truck operator and retired in 1975 after 25 years of service.

He is preceded in death by his parents Bruce F. McCune and Blanche (Fowler) McCune, of Gassaway, a brother Roy Joe McCune of Nitro, WV, a sister J. Katharine McCray of Fort Wayne, IN, and daughter Jane Ellen (McCune) Norris of Springfield, Va.

He is survived by his wife Ruth (Smith) McCune, Charleston, a Granddaughter Shannon Norris, New York, two brothers, Captain Fredrick F. McCune USMC (Retired) Santa Ana, California, Raymond L. McCune, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 4 nieces, 10 nephews and lots of cousins.

He was a long time member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Charleston, a 21-year member of American Legion Post #200, and an Annual member of the NRA. He was an avid deer hunter, a bass fisherman, he loved banjo music, and volunteered each fall to



Bruce Jerald (Jud) McCune
October 14, 1924 - January 14, 2010



help make apple butter for the church to sell. He was a special brother, a good & generous friend to all, and everyone loved his Vanilla & Butter Nut pound cakes. He will be sorely missed.

Visiting was at Roach Funeral Home in Gassaway from 11:00 AM to 12:00PM, Saturday, January 16, 2010 with a closed casket funeral service immediately following. Burial was held at Beall's Mill Cemetery between Gassaway and Sutton. Military services was provided by the Gassaway contingent of the American Legion and bagpipe music furnished by the Shriners.

Friends and relatives were not asked to send flowers. Memorials to Trinity United Methodist Church, 2626 Pennsylvania Avenue, Charleston, WV 25302 or the American Heart Association.

Pall bearers was Roy Joe McCune Jr., Bruce J. McCune, Jack Lee McCune, Fred Nunley, Bill Nunley, and Brian Smith.

*The original Ruptured Duck was a cloth insignia depicting an eagle inside a wreath. It was worn on military uniforms above the right breast pocket by WWII servicemen and women. It was issued to personnel who were about to leave the military with an Honorable Discharge. It also allowed them to continue to wear their uniform up to thirty days after they were discharged. Service personnel thought the eagle looked more like a duck; and, because it meant they were going home, the popular saying was, "They took off like a Ruptured Duck!"hence the nickname. ■

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Outdoors Tales



by Phil Junker

Haiti fishing tackle connection

I've always been a news "junkie". It's been my business over the years whether involving straight news or sports. From grade school to my current white hair status, my interest in news hasn't diminished.

So when the terrible earthquake struck Haiti, my eyes were glued to the TV, internet and newspaper. It was horrific, but I had to watch and read.

My earliest recollection related to Haiti was while at Indiana State University. I had the opportunity as an upperclassman to be the school's first sports information director, working for Dr. John Longfellow, the athletic director.

I still remember the polished ebony mask on the wall behind his desk. It had been given to him as a memento of thanks for his volunteer effort in helping develop sports programs for the youngsters in Haiti back in the 1950's.

While watching and reading about the most recent disaster (and, Haiti has had more than its share, including political), I never thought about fishing. Being an island country, I always assumed fishing was part of the culture and economy, but never made any other connection.

Not until my friend, T.J. Stallings with TTI-Blakemore sent me an interesting email last week. From its headquarters in Wetumpka, Alabama, TTI markets several brands of fishing hooks (Tru-Turn, Daiichi, etc) as well as Road Runner lures and other fishing gear.

Last summer, I wrote about a new TTI product scheduled for introduction later in the fall, the StandOUT-STACKER. It is a two-hook rig designed to simulate swimming baitfish.

T.J. apparently heard from several anglers who called last week asking about the rigs, which have been a bit hard to find.

"The good news, they are tremendously effective," said Stallings. "The bad news, they are tied by our friends in Haiti...They were in our vendor's metal building and all survived the earthquake."

Fortunately, the supplier has been able to resume operation. "We are looking for shipments to begin next month."

The rigs are tied, stored and shipped from a former clothing manufacturing building. Unfortunately, the clothing work was moved to China, so fishing tackle has provided new jobs for some Haitians.

T.J. and his coworkers at TTI were able to send a pallet of emergency aid supplies to the folks in Haiti last week. "Their need is far from over and our goal is to keep a steady schedule of shipments down there," he added.

Why are the Stacker rigs so effective?

According to Stallings, bait fishes swim together, inches apart instead of feet. Whether its Glass-minnows, Shad, or Minnows, they exist in tight schools. While they swim in these pods to find food and hide each other in their sheer numbers, they are actually easier for predators to find.

"You've seen predator fish chase a school of bait to the surface in a feeding frenzy? That's the theory of proximity at work. The Stacker rig keeps two baits together," he said.

If you can't find a Stacker rig in your local store; they're quite easy to make yourself (easy for T.J. to say. I have trouble with a clinch knot). All you need is a size two StandOUT hook, some good quality eight to ten pound line, a barrel swivel and a Slab Daddy™ jig or Road Runner®. Now you're ready to get started.

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- Trim the standing line and tie to the swivel.
- Congratulate yourself for making your own Slab Stacker™ and tie some more."

Tip: Choose a #6 StandOUT hook and a 1/16th oz. Slab Daddy or Road Runner for perch. Choose the #2 StandOUT hook and a 1/4 oz Road Runner, Glow Head for walleye and other species that are in deeper waters.

They're easy to fish. If you're going to drift or troll, add a minnow to



Stacker rigs simulate baitfish and attract a number of species of fish. The new rigs are tied by a supplier in Haiti. (Photo courtesy TTI)

each hook and go fishing. If you're going to cast and retrieve it; rig a soft-plastic and retrieve slowly, just off the bottom.

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Indiana Outdoors



by Joe Martino

Play the wind for turkeys too

Ask any serious deer hunter the most important aspect to killing a mature buck and “Paying attention to wind direction” is likely the response you will get. Most hunters know that a deer’s sense of smell is it best – and the one on which it relies the most.

Well, over the years, I have found that wind direction can also play an important role in turkey hunting – although for a different reason. Turkeys don’t have the sense of smell of a deer. If they did, we would be lucky to ever kill one. But they do sometimes use the wind in order to help dictate their travel routes, especially gobblers who are searching for hens.

This theory was first pointed out to me by my guide, Herb Schulz, of Xtreme Management Hunts while on a spring hunt a few years ago in Pike County, Illinois. Since then I have been paying more attention to wind direction when after turkeys. It makes sense really when you think about it. When a gobbler is seeking out receptive hens for breeding, he listens for their yelps, clucks and purrs which indicate she is seeking company. Gobblers can maximize their effectiveness and cover more territory by traveling with the wind in their face when on the move looking for lovesick hens. Doing so reduces the amount of ground they have to cover to effective-



Over the shoulder pic: Paying attention to wind direction when chasing longbeards can pay off, increasing your odds of leaving the woods lugging a gobbler. (Photo of the author by Herb Schulz).

ly check the same area. It allows them to hear from greater distances.

The more I hunted over the next few seasons, the more apparent it became that, while not absolute, often times gobblers will travel into the wind when searching for hens. Remember this when setting up decoys and positioning yourself in order to be prepared for a shot from downwind.

On one particular hunt in Illinois, I put this notion to the test. I had been hunting a particular flock of birds for a few days without any luck. On the third morning of my hunt, I set up in an area

where I thought I would catch one off the roost. As luck would have it, the birds roosted across the field and down the next hollow from where they had been roosting the previous three nights. By the time I made it to the field edge, I could hear one spitting and drumming just over the rise in the middle of the field. I had to stay put and hope to call him in. It didn’t work, and he eventually moved on. By this time, gobbling had come to a stop and the woods sounded dead. With no real plan, I just switched positions in the field and decided to sit awhile.

From time to time I would pull out my trusted handmade friction call made by southern Indiana’s own Mark Kaiser (www.kaiserkalls.com) and give a few sweet yelps and clucks. After about an hour of doing so without a response, I finally struck a bird from a long way away across a road. The bird was far enough away that I didn’t think much of it. Eventually though, the bird sounded pretty close. I kept up my infrequent calling routine until I saw the bird crest a hill about twenty five yards in front of me, accompanied by three other gobblers. The rest is, as they say, history.

This bird came from a great distance to within a stones throw – with the wind in his face. Sure this could have been a coincidence, but I have noticed too many gobblers doing this very same thing over the years.



Here is one of Herb Schulz from Illinois calling. You can see Herb striking the call. (Photo by Joe Martino)

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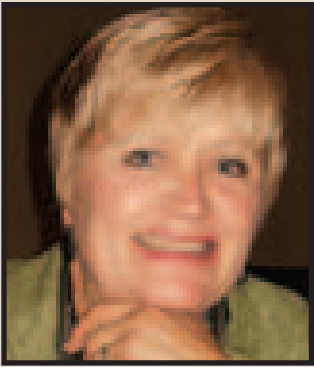

The author called this bird in from more than a half-mile away. The bird came in from downwind. (Photo by Herb Schulz of Xtreme Management Hunts in Illinois)

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Hoosier Horse Happenings



by Rhonda Helming

My Trainer

Can you believe another spring is rolling around? I for one am so ready for it. Lot's of things going on in my life, especially horse related.

I have my young horse, Bia, at my trainers, aka, my brother. Let me tell you about my brother, in his younger days he played High School basketball, rode bulls in High School rodeo when you had to travel about 3 hours to hit a rodeo, qualified for the National Finals High School rodeo, where he was able to watch Lane Frost ride and win the title for bull riding, in his spare time he broke and rode horses for many people in the Southern Indiana area. He is putting 30 days on my mare which I am most thankful for. He was hoping that I had her further along than I did, but I think Bias is doing well for him. He wanted her to be loping circles and taking her correct leads. Well, being the busy person that I am, these things just didn't get done.

My bother/trainer was not happy with me for this, but I know how well he can put a handle on a barrel horse in my humble opinion he ranks among the best in the barrel racing world, and I am sure I am biased. We barrel racers call how well a horse responds and how light on the mouth the horse can be a handle. My little mare has been with the trainer for about 3 weeks now.

The first week I went up and rode, she was a little choppy but already she had a very light mouth. This means I barely had to move my hands and she was already doing what I had asked her to do. Also, she does not have to be ridden in a really severe bit. Bia is able to be ridden in one of the gentlest easy bits known to the barrel racing world, these are called snaffles. Of course, in the mean time, my brother is grumping and grumbling about all the extra work he has had to put into Bia, because I was not able to work with her as much as I should have. Because of this, my brother is worried that he will not get her to where he originally wanted her; finished and ready to be exhibited at spring horse shows. The good thing about my trainer is he does not send a horse back to me that is not dead broke. When Bia comes back home, she will be ready to be hauled to some small spring horse shows.

I trust my trainer to ride my horses everyday for 30 days. If he misses a



Photo of the Horseman's Campground at Whitewater State Park in East Central IN (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

day, he makes it up before I take my horse home. At the end of 30 days, I will go and bring Bia home, then it will be up to me, and my wonderful daughter to keep her going. She will not be ready to be ran full out when I get her back, but if I keep riding her daily and pulling her to numerous shows this spring and summer, then maybe this fall she will be ready to turn a good set of barrels for me.

I trust my trainer to do what he says he will do, because this is not the first horse that I have taken to him. I have heard so many stories from friends about how they were mislead by a person claiming to be a good trainer and when they go their horse back, it was a mess. It has dropped weight, wasn't doing what the trainer said it would, and was scared of its own shadow. I am one of the lucky ones who have a good trainer. THANKS BROTHER! You do awesome work.

Here are some things you should look for when hiring someone to train your horse; qualifications: what makes this person good? Ask for references or get referrals from your friends, farrier, or vet. It's important that you feel comfortable with this person you are hiring to train your horse. If you don't feel comfortable, you may want to keep looking. If the trainer is handling your horse in a manner that you don't like or feel comfortable with, consider getting somebody else. These are just a few guidelines that people have told me they use.

I thought I would goggle "Horse Trainer" and see what I come up with. Here is the definition I choose: Professional horse trainers—combine expertise in education horsemanship, horse behavior, language, and specific skills; such as reining, cutting, and barrel racing to help teach horses and horse owners how things are done. The best trainers seem magical in the way they communicate with horses.

My first barrel race of 2010 is March 20th at the Yellow Rose Ranch, located in Winslow Indiana. Until next month... "If you are going to teach a horse something and have a good relationship, you don't make him learn it—you let him learn it." –Ray Hunt

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Misfires & Snags



by Dan Graves

Surviving the February Blahs

February! What a useless month. The fish are locked under a layer of ice on the lake and the only wildlife around are a bunch of scruffy gray squirrels that invade the bird feeders every day. Even the few birds that show up at the feeders look like refugees from a Nazi concentration camp. Once in a while deer roam through the yard, looking for any scraps of food available, which normally amounts to the few bits of greenery left on the small pine trees I planted two years ago. So far, those trees haven't gained an inch in growth, being kept trimmed to the ground by the deer.

So, what do you do to break up the monotony and stave off insanity? First, sharpen your tracking skills by using the snow covered area to identify the various forms of wild life that visit your yard. Since our yard covers about two acres with a lot of surrounding wooded areas, we get a number of nocturnal visitors. I start at the house and work outward to see what made the tracks and where they came from and where they went. For instance, if they came from a tree and returned to a tree it's safe to assume they were made by a squirrel. But not always. If the tracks measure an inch or more across and are accompanied by a deep belly drag mark you can assume that there are no squirrels in the neighborhood that probably weigh ten pounds or more.. It's natural to assume that they were made by a raccoon, but don't rule out the possibility of a bobcat or a wolverine. In this case it would be a good idea to carry a small caliber firearm for personal protection. But don't get carried away, especially when tracking in low light conditions. You might accidentally blow your neighbors favorite tomcat out of a tree.

Just recently I found a set of tracks that raised the hair on the back of my neck. With four large pads and prominent claw indentations and a long stride, they crossed the road and headed for one of the neighbors house. I strapped on the .50 AE caliber semi-auto and cautiously followed them right up to the back door of their house. Fearful of what I might find I knocked on the door and Terry, our neighbor, answered, followed closely by Buddah, their giant

Weimaraner. All I could think of to say was, "trick or treat"! So, be careful not to jump to conclusions about tracks in the snow belonging to something that hasn't existed in this state since 1870.

Most expert trackers can not only identify the critter but tell whether it's a male or female and approximately how large it is, if its pigeon- toed or cross-eyed, where it was born, and its age. At least that's what I've been told by a couple of expert trackers in this area. I may be a little gullible, but I questioned the cross-eyed bit. This gentleman explained that you can tell by the gait of the tracks. If they amble along slant-wise that means the critter is cross-eyed. Naturally, anyone could tell if it's pigeon-toed, but how about the other characteristics? According to this expert, northern born game will walk a straight line and occasionally hop sideways to avoid traffic, out of habit. A southern born critter will walk a straight line then double back for a distance to take another look to see if it really wants to go where it was aimed. As for age, a young one will trip lightly along while an older one will slog along, dragging its feet and complaining about anything and everything. A female tends to hop up and down and take little side trips to shop around for various food sources while the male heads straight for its choice of food.

Grateful to him for sharing his years of experience, I tried to put it all to good use in my tracking. After a recent snowfall, I scouted the yard and found a number of tracks from a variety of critters. One set was obviously a deer, I think. Coming from the woods north of the house they stopped at the bird feeders where it milled around and probably ate at least two dollars worth of expensive bird seed. From there they crossed the yard and the road and headed for the lake. Carefully examining them I determined the following: it was a male of approximately ten years of age because it made a bee line (more or less) for the bird feeders. It had one pigeon-toed foot and was only slightly cross-eyed. Apparently it hailed from somewhere around Chicago because it was hopping sideways every few feet.

Feeling pretty smug with my new tracking abilities I tried another set. Obviously a raccoon, the tracks circled the house and up onto the front porch where it pulled down a leftover Christmas decoration my wife had been trying to get me to bring in since January 15th. From there it sidled out to the boat parked in the driveway, sniffed around the trailer tires, inspected the hull under the covers, found the remains of an old hamburger lying in the driveway and moved on. I couldn't tell anything about its physical condition from the tracks, but it was apparently slightly mentally retarded because that hamburger had been there for a couple of months and only had pickle and lettuce on it.

Now that my tracking skills are honed to a fine science I intend to expand on them by tracking nocturnal visitors this spring and summer where the evidence will be harder to interpret. However, I'll have to exercise caution while having my nose to the ground if I follow any tracks across the road. I'm still working on being able to skip sideways to avoid traffic.

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Hank's platoon in Germany after the war was over. Front Row from left to right: Unknown, Sergeant Kipp, R.G. (Texan) and The Cowboy (busted bronc's). Second Row from left to right: Unknown, Truck driver from Virginia, Radar (45 years old, oldest guy in outfit). Third Row from left to right: Unknown, Tiereena (Mexican) and Hank Stock (red arrow). The unknown's names have been lost with the passing of time photo was taken in 1946. (Hank Stock Photo)

Hank Stock

(Golden Eagle)

Veteran in the Spotlight

by Ray Dickerson

Hank Stock (Golden Eagle) - Veteran In The Spotlight

This story is in Hank's own words told to me at his home in Cincinnati in January 2010 and from a book of his memoirs.

I was eager to serve my country, so eager in the summer of 1943 I tried to enlist in the Marines, I was 17, but was turned down, they said I couldn't march because of my feet. As a child I wore a beloved pair of cowboy boots that were too small for my feet causing my little toes to grow overlapping the others. Then I read in the paper that the Coast Guard was looking for men who could ride horseback to patrol the east coast looking for submarines. At the time I was an accomplished horseman. So I tried to enlist, but again was turned down, this time due to poor eyesight. I tried to enlist in the Army, but was told no one could enlist in the Army, you had to be drafted and eighteen years of age.

On my eighteenth birthday, March 22, 1944, I was at the draft office, I said, "Here I am, I'm ready to be drafted into the Army. The person at the desk told me I had 30 days to get my business in order. I

replied, "how much business does an 18 year old have?" So I waited again.

I was finally sworn in the Army on June 6, 1944. As we were being sworn in we got the news it was D-Day, the day the allies landed at Normandy, France.

From Cincinnati we were sent over to Fort Thomas, Kentucky, they didn't have any uniforms for us, they issued us shoes. That was all we got on our first day in the Army. We had some free time so I caught a bus back to Cincinnati and went home to show my folks my new Army shoes. Then I returned to Fort Thomas in time to be checked in.

Then they sent us to Fort Blanding Florida, that's where we took basic training. I went in as a Signaller, Signal Corps, because I could send morse code, I had learned it in the Boy Scouts. But half way through basic training they decided they didn't need signallers, they needed infantrymen, so our whole camp was turned into infantrymen.

Anyway we were just about ready to finish our basic training, I got this terrible stomach attack, I had stomach problems since I was a kid, but the army called it c-ration stomach. They put me in the hospital. When I got out they said I was going to have to take my basic training all over again. I said, "oh, no!" I wondered what that would do to my career, so I appealed to the proper person after walking all over the base trying to find him, to get this changed. He said if I could finish the 30 mile hike that all graduating men had to take, then I could leave with my group. So I did. At the end of our 30 mile hike we

entered the gate of Camp Blanding, we were all pretty-well beat, but they had a band waiting for us, and when they struck up a march, we all straightened up and went in with flying colors.

After thirty-days leave, during which my mother tried to do some match-making, I took the train to Fort Benning, Georgia where I was assigned to the 66th Regiment. We were replacements for the 71st Infantry Division who had gone through Italy and were back in the United States being outfitted to go to the South Pacific. It was during this time that our Colonel rounded up all the members of the 66th Regiment who had theater backgrounds and formed the Regimental Chorus, known to the rest of the outfit as "the Colonel's Canaries."

Also while I was at Fort Benning, the Colonel found out that I was an Indian dancer. He wanted me to perform for the Regiment. He even sent for my father to bring all of my dancing regalia to Fort Benning from Cincinnati, Ohio for my performance.

When we got orders to move, we were all packed with tropical equipment, summer uniforms, and headed for the South Pacific. We were loaded up on a train all ready to go to the west coast. It was December 1944. The Germans made there last big push, which came to be called the "Battle of the Bulge." So here at Fort Benning they moved the engine from the front of our train and put it at the back of the train and we ended up in New York. We spent Christmas in New York.

Then in January we boarded a troop ship headed for France. We disembarked in Le Harve France



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Hank standing beside the Danube Sym-Follies bus that the “Colonel’s Canaries” used to travel all over southern Germany performing their show after the fighting stopped. Besides singing Baritone in the chorus Hank used his skills to “requisition” some costumes from the Munich Opera House, if you know what I mean. (Hank Stock Photo)

after 14 days on the Atlantic. On the trip over I didn't get very sick, I was smart, I stayed in one place and only left for chow (two times a day). The mess hall tables were held to the deck by screws. As the ship rolled everything moved but the tables.

When we got to France, the Bulge was going lickety split and they were afraid the Germans were going to break through so we were assigned to be the relief for the 102nd Infantry, paratroop division. We relieved them at a place called Bitche, France (pronounced Bitchay, the yanks called it a Bitch because that is what it sounded like).

We spent the next two months fighting the Germans in the only set of winter uniforms that they issued us back in Georgia. Thanks to the Red Cross and their knit caps and wool socks, we managed to survive. Finally, when things quieted down, we were pulled back, sent to the showers, and issued new winter uniforms.

I was a member of the anti-tank platoon, First Battalion, 66th Infantry. I was a bazooka man, we had two - two man teams who manned the bazooka's and the other fellas were cannon men. I fired the weapon and my team member loaded the weapon. I had to be careful before I fired the weapon, the loader had to be clear of the back, there was as much firepower leaving the rear that was in the front, if the loader wasn't clear, that was it for him. The nickname for the bazooka was stove-pipe. The bazooka was fired after a rocket was put in the rear, the rocket was launched by the ignition from a battery. A wire that was attached to the battery operated trigger and the wire was wrapped around the rocket at the

back of the bazooka, when the loader said he was ready I fired the weapon. Our objective was to shoot the wheels causing the tread to come off the tank, then our 57mm Anti-tank Cannon nearby would finish off the tank. We would set up our position on high ground on either side of the 57mm Cannon.

I was almost shot on my nineteenth birthday by one of our own men who tried to shoot himself in the foot so he could be sent home. He missed, and almost got me.

We had a 57mm cannon we hauled in the truck, we called it a "bouncing Betty," because it would bounce a lot in the back of the truck. Our truck was

loaded down with live bazooka ammunition, 57mm cannon ammunition, and 50 caliber machine gun ammunition for the anti-aircraft gun, if an enemy shell had hit our truck they wouldn't have been able to find enough of us left to bury. We were lucky, we pulled over to the side of the road one night, we were all sleeping under the truck. All of a sudden, German tanks in a field opened fire on us. The German Tiger tank was the most accurate military cannon used by either side during the war. We were ordered to take cover in the field, but I was tired and stayed in my sleeping bag under the truck. Fortunately for me they didn't hit us, otherwise I wouldn't be here to tell you the story.

The Germans had captured some of our planes, the army in order to tell if the planes were ours or theres had the Air Force put colored canopies on the planes, day-glow colors. We were having lunch in a field, our trucks were lined up on the road. All of a sudden a flight of planes appeared, they had the canopy so we assumed they were friendly, then they dived and strafed us with their machine guns. As I hit the dirt and dropped my lunch, I yelled to the others, "our air cover is raining on us!"

On another occasion, we were ordered to support an infantry company that was trapped in a field. They called up tanks to help, but the only way on the field was by a rickety old bridge. It was a black tank unit commanded by a little fat Second-Lieutenant who didn't want to risk crossing the bridge. His Sergeant took it on himself to take the tanks across the bridge and saved the infantry company from being wiped out. I heard later that the lieutenant was

decorated for the action. Near the end of the Bulge, we were transferred to the Third Army under General Patton. General Patton, you either liked or hated him. I liked him. He was my kind of officer, always charging forward, always there, he wasn't back in the rear end. He would ride up and down the column of trucks, standing up in the jeep, with a polished helmet, perfectly fitting uniform, and his two ivory handled - nickel plated revolvers. He always had Willie (ugliest dog you ever saw) in the jeep with him.

Patton's strategy and how he was able to move his troops so fast, was to leap-frog them; he loaded his infantry in trucks, sent them to the front of the column, unloaded them, sent the empty trucks back, picked up another load, leap-frogged the men he'd dropped off to extend his column. He would do this over and over again until the city or area he was ordered to take was accomplished.

We had this Mexican fella in our squad named Tijereena, (see photo), the most highly decorated man in our company. He believed that he would be killed in the war, so he would take all sorts of chances in order to put the German tanks out of operation. One of his favorite tricks was to hide until the tank passed, then climb on top of it and throw a grenade down the hatch and then roll off.

We were with Patton when we ran into a column of German Tiger tanks, the best they had, mounted with 88mm cannons that they aimed like rifles, first shot over, second shot under and third shot you better be gone. They were that accurate. We were in a defile (a road with cliffs on either side). We were about to enter an open area when we saw the Germans approaching. We were trapped in the area with little time to get ready. The bazooka teams climbed to the top of each side and prepared to fire on the tanks to slow them down. When all of a sudden the German tanks stopped, the men climbed out of the tanks and started walking in the opposite direction, they had run out of gas.

Patton's Third Army was the furthest east than any other Army, we were 5 miles into the Russian Zone so we had to fall back 5 miles and across a river. All the Germans wanted to swim the river and get back in the American lines, no one wanted to be in the Russian Zone.

Then our company was sent to release prisoners from one of the Stalag's holding Jewish and Polish slave laborers. They were all skin and bones; living skeletons. We gave them C-rations to eat. There was one man who wanted freedom so badly that he insisted on walking out of the gate unassisted. When he got out, he fell over dead. There was one woman who was well-fed and apparently had been a mistress to the camp commander. They shaved her head so that she would be marked as a traitor. The next day, the ex-prisoners began to loot the homes for clothes. We were ordered to clear them out. It seemed a shame that we had to do this, but orders were orders.

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by Don Bickel, Forester

Leasing a place to hunt

As I drove down the county road to Mr. ____'s farm, intending to renew my permission to deer hunt, I was thinking, "I've hunted on that farm for 25 years." And this year I will change locations of a couple of the ladder stands.

This is a fictitious situation, but yet not really. I have hunted for deer on an 80 ace wooded tract for nearly 30 years. In that space of time, the wood's lanes were maintained, the creek crossing was kept clear and in general, I was the caretaker of the property. Any out-lay of funds dealt with the maintenance of the property.

As you may assume, I did not own the property. The owner lived about 25 miles away and seldom visited the 80 acre woods. I knew I had a good deal, but I also knew the time might come when there would be an ownership change. When I arrived at the wood's owner's house, my premonition proved true.

There was a need for funds and the 80 acre wooded tract would sell at auction. As for this season's deer hunt, it would proceed as usual. The auction would be after deer season ended. The new owner - the successful bidder at the auction - may allow the continued permission to hunt or may lease the hunting privileges or may resell the property.

Lease hunting, relatively new in the Hoosier State but fairly common in other states, is definitely destined to become a part of the hunting scene. With leased hunting privileges or rented hunting comes a number of questions both the landowner and the hunter must consider.

Lease hunting will require the out-lay of funds - money. In this beginning stage, especially in a state with little history of a dollar amount which could be considered as an average payment, the hunter or hunters will need to set an amount to match funds available.

The landowner must decide what his fee will be. The landowner must also determine what priv-

ileges will be allowed with this lease. Since deer hunting will probably be the driving force, will hunting for other game - turkey, quail, rabbit, squirrel - be allowed? Will the hunters - the lease buyers - be permitted to use the property 365 days per year or will it be only during particular hunting seasons/

The hunter must determine how many fellow hunters will be included in the lease purchase. If the leased acreage is small - less than 100 acres - perhaps the number should be no more than three. If a portion of the leased property is in row crops, the huntable acreage will be somewhat decreased, possibly leaving only small woodland patches and brushy fence rows after harvest. In this case, the hunter or hunters should determine whether the existing deer numbers prior to harvest tend to drift to neighboring properties after harvest.

The landowner must determine what acreage within his holdings will be hunted. What limits will be set around dwellings and farm buildings? Will livestock be using some pastures or woodlots for grazing? Will these be off-limits to deer hunting? Will the landowner require that does(female deer) be taken in the course of the hunt? A hunter with only a short time to hunt may wish to devote the time to taking only an antlered buck.

The hunters must decide how many individuals will be involved when deer season rolls around. The landowner should require a specific number of hunters and upon agreement to the lease, should be given a named list of the hunters involved. The hunters should remember when decisions are to be made, a small number of voters can agree easier that a large number. The tendency may be to include too many in order to reduce the monetary load on each.

Will the landowner allow the establishment of food plots? Will there be some plants he will not want planted on his property? Will the landowner allow ladder stands to remain in place from deer season to deer season/ Assuming there are some lanes through the wooded areas of the lease, can additional lanes be made?

Is there a stocked pond on the to-be-leased property? Will the lease include fishing permission? How about mushroom hunting? There are many things that should be discussed and agreed upon between the hunters and the landowner. The determined agreement should be finalized in writing before the lease is offered or accepted.

The dollar amount of the lease agreement will depend upon the depth of the hunter's pockets and how much the landowner wants for use of his property. Both parties should research what the trend in lease pricing is, unless a set figure is already in the minds of each. A lease is a business deal and as such should be signed by the hunters and the landowner. Considered in the lease wording should be; compensation, liability, conduct, access, land use and trespasser problems.

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by Brandon Butler

Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable

Two of the most important Indiana conservation organizations have joined forces. The Indiana Wildlife Federation (IWF) has assumed administrative control of the Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable (ISR). The IWF and the ISR shall remain separate organizations, but they will be administered jointly. The goal is revitalizing the ISR and returning it to prominence as Indiana's strongest lobbying organization for sportsmen.

Indiana is home to numerous conservation organizations aimed at promoting and protecting hunting and fishing in our great state. Groups such as; Indiana Bowhunter Association, Dubois County Sportsmen Club and Indiana Smallmouth Alliance are just a few doing what they can individually to promote and protect Hoosier hunting and fishing. As most team players understand, efforts of a collective whole are usually stronger than those of individuals.

The IWF has over 50 affiliated member organizations already working together to support Indiana's wildlife. By combining the IWF and the ISR into a conservation lobbying group, the ISR begins its return to power with a solid foundation. "The goals of the new ISR are few and simple. It is our intention to build a large membership base, keep those members informed of issues that concern them as Indiana sportsmen and women and present their views on those issues to the Indiana Legislature and Indiana DNR," said John Goss, Executive Director of IWF.

The accomplishment of these goals shall be pursued through channels of active lobbying at the Indiana General Assembly, consensus building and issue position statements, representation with Indiana DNR rule and policy making meetings and regular communications with all ISR member organizations.

The newly formed Board of Directors for the ISR reads like a

who's who of Indiana conservation all-stars. Gene Hopkins, who has been an instrumental member of the Indiana Bowhunter Association for years, will serve as the new chairman of the ISR Board of Directors. The remaining board members include, Bud Dennemann, a longtime member of the National Wild Turkey Federation; Doug McPherson, the owner of The Outdoorsman Sport Shop in Greenwood; Greg Seketa, a founding member of the Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable; Eric Simpson, a dedicated fly fisherman and conservationist; John Goss, current Executive Director of the Indiana Wildlife Federation and a former DNR Director; and Kyle Hupfer, a former DNR Director.

In order for the IWF and ISR to effectively function, they need two things; members and money. Individuals can join for \$15 a year. Organizations join as a whole and prices are determined on a sliding scale. Organizations with 2 – 25 members pay \$50 per year, 26 – 50 members pay \$100, and 50+ pay \$150. These are per organization fees, not per individual.

Mail registration payments, as well as the name and address of your organization, and phone numbers and email addresses of two contact people, to: Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable, 4715 W. 106th Street, Zionsville, IN 46135. For more information, log on to www.indianawildlife.org, or contact the IWF at (800) 347-3445.

See you down the trail...

In the future, any organization that joins the ISR will also be an affiliate member of the IWF, unless they for some reason do not wish to be a member of both. for one membership paid each calendar year.

Sportsmen should be prepared for burglary

A little over a week ago, my home was broken into, ransacked and robbed. My neighbor, who was vacationing in Key West at the time, called to me tell a caretaker had discovered his house had been robbed, and warned me to be careful coming home from work.

Upon reaching my house, it at first appeared we hadn't been hit. My front door and garage, which doubles as my office, were intact. With initial relief of being spared, I hurried to my neighbor's place to see if I could help. When I returned home, and actually entered my house, I found my back door smashed open and my kitchen in complete disarray. Things just got worse upstairs.

The thief, or thieves, removed every draw in our bedroom, dumped them out, then rummaged for valuables. They must've only been looking for specifics—according to the police; money, jewelry, guns and prescription drugs—because they passed on valuable electronics and other items. All we lost, materially, was a bunch of wife's jewelry and my .357 handgun. Emotionally, we lost much more.

Thankfully, my wife and two young daughters were away visiting her family in Colorado. I was at work. When I called to tell her what had happened, it was hard to explain. I explained, we were lucky. That was hard, but true. The invader(s) passed on such items as my great-grandfather's World War I bayonet, a cheap but meaningful watch, and years of work

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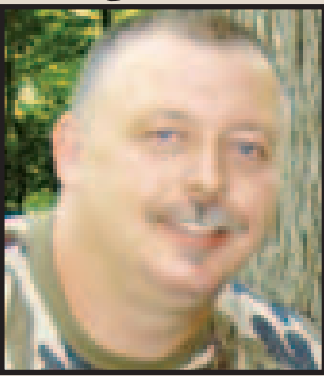

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Dog Tales



by Alan "Grizz" Smith

Hunting Coyotes

Well another coon season has came and gone. Waterfowl hunting is also over unless you hunt in one of the counties that are open for the late season on Canada geese. Rabbit season will also be out by the time you are reading this. A lot of you will be gearing up for the competitive events with your canine hunting companions. At this time you may want to consider doing a little predator control if you haven't already done so. You can hunt coyotes until March 15th or year around on your own property or with written permission from the landowner. Coyotes wreck havoc on most small game numbers. They also routinely cause problems for coon hunters by coming in and attacking hounds, not to mention the problems they cause farmers who raise livestock. Every coyote that you take out of your hunting areas now will surely help you see more small game during the upcoming season.

There are a lot of ways that you can hunt coyotes. Calling (both mouth and electronic calls), drives, hunting over bait and hunting with hounds have all put a lot of coyotes on stretchers. You are really only limited by the amount of money and time that you want to invest in the sport. I have personally killed my share of coyotes, mostly with mouth calls and a few over bait. I consider myself an opportunistic coyote hunter, as I had never real-

ly set out to hunt them. However when I'm out hunting squirrel, coons, deer or whatever you'll rarely find me without a predator call, as I cannot resist the urge to try and call in every coyote I see. I'll mess up a whole day of deer hunting just to take a shot at a coyote.

In recent years competitive predator calling championships have been gaining a lot of popularity. While the rules that I have seen or heard of seem to vary quite a bit from hunt to hunt. The basic concept is that the teams (usually two or three man teams) hunt over a specific time frame (most are 48 hours) and the team bringing in the most coyotes wins. Some offer big cash payouts and prizes, other are on a lot smaller scale with more emphasis on having fun and reducing coyote numbers. I recently participated in my first predator round up. This was also the first time that I ever went out hunting and specifically targeted coyotes. This competition was put on by a local group of deer hunters who thought that a reduction in coyotes would be beneficial to better deer hunting. It was run out of Poor Boyz Taxidermy shop in Spiceland, Indiana. The hunt had a \$20.00 entry fee per two-man team. It would pay back all but \$20.00 of the entry fees to the team winning first place. The second place team got their \$20.00 entry fee back. This hunt ended up with eight two-man teams entered at the 5:00pm deadline on Friday evening.

Now as I said before I had never really set out just to hunt coyotes before and neither had Patrick Shaffmaster (my partner on this hunt) so this was going to be a first time experience for both of us. Two hours into the hunt I called in our first coyote. My partner was armed with a scoped .22-250 and I was armed with a 10-gauge shotgun. This first coyote appeared within seconds out of nowhere. He busted us before we could get a shot off. Saturday morning at first light we called in a double. Patrick dropped his yote in its tracks. I hit mine with the 10-gauge, it rolled him but he made it to his feet and ran. A jammed empty shell kept me from finishing him off and he made it to a collapsed out building and we were unable to recover him. Later in the day we missed another opportunity to harvest a beautiful black coyote. The remainder of Saturday was uneventful as was most of the day on Sunday. Sunday

afternoon with less than an hour until the 5:00pm deadline we had another shot at the black coyote. A missed shot at 300+ yards had us checking in with only one coyote to show for 48hours of hard hunting. Our single coyote was not enough to win but we had a blast, we educated a couple of coyotes and a couple of coyotes educated us!

This hunt was won by the team of Bobby Chandler / Adam

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This is a coyote that my trail cam caught feeding on a road kill deer. A well-placed tree stand and I'll be adding another coyote to the fur shed. (Photo by Alan Smith)




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Selling Fur

It is hard to believe that the 2009-2010 fur trapping season has come to a close. Now we are left with fur hanging in our shed or stacked up in the freezer. Let's take a look at the basics on how to sell that fur.

Before I get too far, it needs to be stated that fur does not necessarily need to be stretched and dried prior to selling. Fur can be sold three different ways. The first is what fur buyers call "in the round" or "on the carcass". This is where the dispatched animal is taken to the fur buyer and sold as is. Plainly stated, the fur is still on the animal. The second way fur is sold is called "green". This is where the animal is skinned and it's pelt sold. The pelt has not been fleshed, stretched and dried. And obviously, the third way fur is sold is stretched and dried. This is the best way to get top dollar for your fur.

If selling your fur stretched and dried is the best way to get top dollar, why don't all trappers and some hunters sell their fur this way? There are several reasons for this. First, some simply don't know the proper way to handle fur, nor do they want to learn. Secondly, some feel that they don't have time to handle their fur from start to finish. This is true of those that work long hours at their full-time jobs or those trappers that run long traplines and catch a lot of fur. Thirdly, some feel that the time that it takes to completely put up their fur doesn't justify the monetary



Stretched and dried furs ready for auction. Note that the coyote pelts are fur side out. (Photo by Jack Turner, Jr)



An older photo of my daughter Maggie holding a beaver pelt. Beaver are sold in shapes of oval or round. (Photo by Jack Turner, Jr)

return when they sell. In the case of beginner trappers, perhaps they haven't yet purchased the necessary equipment to put up their fur.

Some trappers that run long traplines and catch a lot of fur hire a fur handler to skin, flesh and stretch their fur. Some fur handlers get paid by the hour, others are paid by the number of pelts that they skin, flesh and stretch.

Having stated the above what's the next step? The next step is for the trapper to decide how he/she wants to market his/her fur. There are three ways to market fur. The first is to sell to a local fur buyer. This person is often willing to buy your fur the way you brought it in; on the carcass, "green" (skinned) or stretched and dried. These local buyers are often preferred by young trappers, inexperienced fur handlers and raccoon hunters. The buyer usually pays the trapper or hunter for their pelts that day. However, there are a few buyers that will keep a running "tab" and pay the trapper or hunter at the end of the season if this is suitable with them.

The second way to market your fur is to take it to a fur auction. Both the Ohio State Trappers Association and the Indiana Trappers Association hold auctions in several parts of their states. In Ohio, auctions are held in Wooster, Xenia and Zanesville in January or February. Trappers and hunters are permitted to sell their fur on the carcass, green or stretched & dried. The seller goes home that day with a check in hand. However, usually a 7-10% commission is deducted and given to the State Trappers Association and National Trappers Association.

The third way to market your pelts is to ship them to a fur auction house in Wisconsin, Canada or other areas where they are auctioned off to international buyers. In this case, usually the trapper contacts an agent from one of the fur companies. This agent acts as a middle man seeing that your furs get to their destination.

Two of the popular international fur auction

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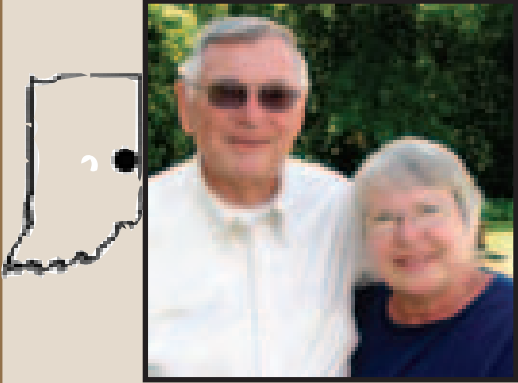
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Camping Here & Beyond



by John and El McCory

“Visitors Have Many Types of Questions”

As we look back over the last camping season at our campground, we had several new full time campers spend a night or more with us as they traveled through Indiana. Many, who’d never been through this part of the Midwest before are amazed at the thousands of acres of soybeans and corn. Among their first comments are those that revolve around “what do they do with all these beans and corn?” After 41 years teaching high school and college level classes in the biology, environmental science and earth and space science areas I’ve had the opportunity to study about, observe, and teach about the many uses of these very important commodities. Most of us who grew up with beans and corn realize that so many uses have been developed for these crops that it’s getting more and more difficult to keep up with the needs, instead of just using them for feed for the major meat animals.

As most of us realize, one of the most recent uses for corn is for producing ethanol. We have two new ethanol plants near our campground neighborhood, and we have yet to be able to completely access the impact of this product on land use, meat animals that depend on corn for food and other unforeseen uses in the future. Soybeans, on the other hand, seems to have a never ending series of developing uses in man industries and not just in animal and human food. This is just an example of the type of questions people (mostly from the cities) from all corners of the U.S., have about us in the Midwest. These types of questions provide a teaching moment for this old retired teacher.

Another interesting and humorous place this summer after I announced to some of our seasonal and overnight campers that we were stocking our pay ponds with a ton of channel catfish the next morning at 7 a.m. I said that if they would like to watch or help, they of course were welcome. The 63-foot tanker with several compartments of fish pulled in on time and parked in the driveway going back to the pay ponds. It was too large to pull up along side our ponds to unload. We always use a double layer of plastic in the bed of a pickup truck. Volunteers hold the plastic in place so water and fish stay together as we transport them to the ponds. As we backed up to the chute, the camper on his way north to visit family back home in the Upper



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Peninsula of Michigan asked if he could help as he’d never seen this done before. We told him to choose his spot and hold the plastic, and he chose to be just behind the cab of the pickup truck. The chute was opened and the water and 500 pounds of catfish camp splashing out. The visitor was drenched with the cold water but stayed to help with unloading the other three compartments. Later, on the way back to Florida from Michigan, he and his wife stopped by and said he’d really enjoyed helping with the fish and even his second shower of the day before 8 a.m. They said they would see us on the way to visit in the north this next summer.

During the Portland Antique Gas Engine and Tractor Show 3 or 4 years ago we were packed with campers for the full week as usual. A little elderly couple from Florida pulled up to the office with an A Liner (a type of pop-up camper) in tow. They needed an electric site near the rest room because “you can see we’re older and need to be close.” They asked why we were so packed mid-week with no sites available and we told them about the local show, the World’s Largest of it’s kind. The gentleman’s eyes opened with a gleeful look and El and I conferred. We strung an electric cord out the back of the recreation building and they chose to stay back by the wood pile for three nights so they could go to the show, not just a stay of one night as they had planned.

The next winter we just happened to be camping near the winter home of this couple, and we decided we’d surprise them with a short visit. We hugged one another and talked a while and excused ourselves since we had other plans up the road. The next summer, as we pulled in from a shopping spree on a Tuesday evening our hired work camper came out of the house and said a couple in a Road Trek from Florida had just pulled in and said they knew us. We had no idea who it might be but when we knocked on their camper van door, here was the couple again. They commented, “We decided we needed more facilities than just electricity so we bought this little camper with everything we need and don’t have to be close to restrooms anymore.”

These types of relationships with campers is what is going to make it very difficult to finally sell and retire somewhere, some day down the road. We’ll start

our 32nd season as campground owners/managers in just one month, April 15.

Contact us on our cell phone: 260-637-3524 or e-mail us at: jmacnut@yahoo.com if you have any anecdotes or topics you’d like us to write about in future issues of the Gad-A-Bout. John and El McCory at Hickory Grove Lakes Campground, Portland, Indiana.■



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by **Malcolm Greene**

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protest failed, they disguised themselves as Mohawk Indians and infiltrated the Boston Harbor and dumped overboard 342 chests filled with tea; hence came the event, we all know as the Boston Tea Party.

During the Revolutionary War, members of the Sons of Liberty joined Continental Army to fight for freedom and prosperity. After the Revolutionary War, the Sons of Liberty and several other secret societies, came together and formed Order of the Red Men. Within 30 years after the formation of the Order of the Red Men, membership was over 150,000; by 1920, there were over one half million members; members like George Washington, Samuel Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, Thomas Paine, Paul Revere, Theodore Roosevelt, Warren G. Harding, Franklin D. Roorsevelt, Richard M. Nixon. Today we have less than 17,000 mem-bers across the nation.

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Outdoors



With Rich Creason

Big Bird Is Still Here

Papaw! I saw a heron birdy today!

Several times a week, Benjamin, our four year old grandson, calls us with that sentence. He is referring to the great blue heron (scientific name, Ardea herodias) a commonly seen Indiana bird.

Usually, this bird is a year round resident of the Hoosier state. Similar to the Canada goose, the heron can withstand the cold weather as long as open water is available for him (or her) to find food. This winter has been colder and with more snow than usual for our area, and occasionally, a heron will succumb to severe weather or lack of food, or both. But, it is a hardy bird, sometimes



A telephoto lens shows fine details on this stately Great Blue Heron (Photo by Rich Creason)



A Snowy Egret looking for lunch. Smaller size, black bill, black legs and yellow feet are distinguishing markings. (Photo by Rich Creason)

wintering as for north as New England and southern Alaska.

Fort Wayne, where Benjamin lives, still has ponds, streams, and rivers which haven't frozen for various reasons. A pond in his neighborhood has a fountain running preventing the water from getting solid. Apparently, this small pond has fish in it, as a heron is almost always standing there when we drive by. Running water such as the streams and several rivers in this county have ice around the edges, but still have moving water in the center allowing the big birds places to search for food. I would think the long bare legs of the herons wouldn't be able to stand the cold, but apparently, their body sends heat to the legs or they just don't have cold sensors in that part of their anatomy.

In another month or two, the herons which decided to vacation in the sunny south (they must have been surprised this year!) will be heading back this direction. They will be greeted by plenty of open water. Their food sources will become more plentiful, and heron sightings will become more numerous, primarily because of the increased numbers.

Sighting of these spectacular birds is not difficult. They stand about four feet tall and while not pure white, they certainly are not camouflaged either. Their head is mostly white, with black feathers or plumes extending from above the eye on both sides, back several inches beyond the head, coming to a point. The yellow bill is extended coming to a sharp point enabling the bird to spear its prey. They have a long, "S" shaped neck with the back of it slate grey and the front part slightly lighter. The lower part of the neck and upper chest has extremely long narrow feather plumes or beard hanging loose away from the body. The back and body are blue-grey while the

legs are a drab grey. Both sexes and young look similar. The wingspan on this slow flying bird can be over six feet. While flying, the heron extends his legs and tucks its head back close to the body. This helps differentiate it from the sandhill crane which flies with neck extended.

Watching great blue herons hunting for food is either exciting or as dull as watching paint dry depending on your outlook. They usually stand in shallow water, neck crooked, remaining motionless. After a few minutes, you begin to wonder if they are stuck in that position. Then, when their quarry approaches close enough, a quick stab at the water captures the luckless fish, frog, or snake which the bird swallows whole. If you blinked, you probably missed it. The heron appears to be a glutton, occasionally trying to swallow a critter which is too large to handle and chokes itself.



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A Great Blue Heron and a Pelican square off over disputed territory, Sanibel Island, Florida, the Heron won. (Photo by Rich Creason)

Other than during breeding season, great blue herons are solitary birds. I have never seen two close together, even while expecting to see young ones with an adult. (In fact, I have never seen one noticeably smaller indicating a juvenile. Either they grow fast or remain secluded until almost adult size.) I have seen (at the same time) seven different herons standing in Fall Creek near Pendleton although they were widely spread.

For some reason, I have never gotten close to a heron in Indiana. But, in Florida, I have approached within 10 feet of the big bird on several occasions. While on Sanibel Island, my wife and I had a heron which staked out his territory on the back of a moored boat behind our cabin. He was there one day when a brown pelican landed on the other back corner of the boat. There immediately began a screeching match with much lunging at each other and a wild flapping of wings. Without any actual blows landing, the pelican flew away and the heron smoothed his feathers and resumed his dominance over the nearby area. A video camera would have been great at the time, but I did get a still photo of the fight.

The next time you see a heron standing in the water, if you have a lot of time to spare, watch him try to catch his next meal. But, don't blink.

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While I have never seen it personally, several bird guides say the heron will also hunt in fields, preying on insects and even small mammals. Mice and ground squirrels seem to be a popular choice and from the droppings below the nest area, these small rodents seem to be a favorite food for the babies. The adults eat the food and regurgitate it for the youngsters.

Years ago, I was on a field trip from Purdue to somewhere in southern Indiana, and the class was taken to a rookery (more precisely, a heronry). This was a wooded area of tall trees with

probably 150 nests in the tops. The trees were dead and the ground beneath the nests was bare of vegetation, having been killed by accumulated droppings from years of nesting activity. (The odor was extremely pungent also!) If left undisturbed, the herons will return to this area annually. The nests are a platform of limbs, twigs, and some grass, where they lay three to six, greenish blue eggs which are incubated 28 days and then hatch over a period of several days. Raccoons are the biggest predators of the eggs and young.

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still while I was bonefishing. I could chase them 7 days a week, all year long and look forward to every trip. I did that for 16 years.”

“Then my eyesight began to fail,” he explained. “I thought I was going blind, but several surgeries saved my eyes, though I lost the keen sight needed to excel as a bonefishing guide.”

“What about swordfish?” Stanczyk questioned himself. “I’d heard of a couple of fishing captains who had perfected the skills needed to reliably catch swords in the daytime in Venezuela. I went there, learned what they were doing and came back home determined to find out if it was possible to duplicate their success, here.”

“To make a long story short,” Stanczyk finished, “I used what I learned in Venezuela, adapted those tactics to our local conditions and we caught a swordfish the first time we tried it.”

At the end of our day of fishing Stanzyck told me, “My son is piloting a boat back from Aruba. When he gets here, we are going to sit down and have a serious talk about his responsibilities and my retirement.”

I wonder what world Captain Richard wants to conquer next?
THE END

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Yorkshire Terrier last year and is now ranked second most popular in the nation for the first time in more than three decades.

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My rat terriers didn’t make the top 10. But Augie and Tyler still top my list.

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HANK STOCK WW II

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After that, German units were surrendering all over the place. However the SS, the military branch of the Gestapo, never gave up. They would wait for our infantry to come down a road in single file, and then fire a rocket right towards the men. If it hit the first man, or the ground near him, it would take out the whole squad, ten men or more. After the war, they tried to frighten the civilians by calling themselves "werewolves." They would broadcast over the German radio and howl, warning that if they didn't resist the Americans, the werewolves would get them. This was in the Black Forest country of Germany, where people believed in werewolves. We patrolled the area on horses we captured when a Hungarian Calvary unit surrendered.

We weren't supposed to carry hideout weapons when we were off-duty, but we were all concerned about the returning German veterans. I was on my way to the Red Cross Club one night, when I saw a line of Germans that reached across the road heading toward me. I took the safety off my pistol and prayed that I wouldn't have problems. When they got to me, they swung around like a big gate, let me pass, closed the gate and went on down the road. I realized that all my clothes were now soaking wet because I'd been sweating so much.

The European War ended on May 8, 1945. At the end of the war I was stationed right between the American and French zones. I was in charge of a check point and we are allowed to hire a German woman to cook for us. We were still in Patton's army and boy you knew it. We didn't pay her, but she got the left overs of the rations and she in turn would provide potatoes, eggs and grease to cook with. So it was a pretty good deal.

I didn't gamble usually, but they conned me into playing blackjack this one time. We were sitting there playing, moneys on the table, somebody yells, "Here comes the Colonel, the Colonel's car is coming. So, I'm in charge of the check point, so I pick up my helmet liner full of money, put it on my head, hoping the money won't fall out, went out to report. I was moving on pure nerve and I didn't know what was going to happen. I hadn't seen the Colonel for awhile. Anyway the Colonel pulls up, he asks, "How are things going?" I replied, "we are having a little trouble with the French they won't stop at the check point." He said, "The next time shoot their tires out." So I said, "okay we'll do that." So here I am sitting there with the money still in my helmet liner on my head, the Colonel left none the wiser. So we ran back and dumped the money on the table and played one more hand of poker. I didn't do too well, it taught me a lesson, I never played after that. I've never played cards for money since then.

After the fighting stopped, the Colonel rounded up all of his "Canaries" and we formed a traveling show called the "Danube Sym-Follies." We were reassigned to a village called Dilligen and were quartered there. We performed in southern Germany, I was the costume master, we requisitioned some of our costumes from the Munich Opera House.

The first half of the show was done with us singing in uniforms, a variety of songs. The second half was a series of skits set in a radio studio.

General Patton had a dinner for the Russian commander and the Colonel's "Canaries regiment glee club," was asked to perform at the dinner. We carried carbines, without ammunition. One of the smart-

alecs in the chorus pointed his at the Russian general and almost got shot because the Russians' weapons were loaded! The song that was our biggest hit was the "Russian Army Song" which we sang in Russian, which impressed the Russian general very much. We were standing about 50 feet from Patton and the Russian general during the performance.

Patton and the Russian General had a drinking contest to see which one could drink the most vodka. Neither one won, because they matched each other, but they sure consumed a lot of vodka!

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body left. That's when I went on leave. Two other members of the chorus and I went to Paris first, then to England. We went to a little town called Tunbridge Wells, Royal in Kent, England. Back in the old days it was a resort town - salt, mineral water or something like that. There was a couple there who took in G.I.'s as boarders for a week, two weeks something like that and they got extra ration cards for that so they like to do it. He was a retired army officer who almost got killed in World War I, he was decorated and a local hero. She was a Welsh lady and she had almost a full mustache, which was rather disconcerting when you first saw her, but she was a lovely-lovely lady. Whenever she wanted something from the store, she sent him, if she went she would have to stand in line, he didn't, he always went to the head of the line because of this status in the community. They made very strong tea, but otherwise I enjoyed all their meals. Except the gooseberry pie.

Then my trench foot started acting up, I got it at the Bulge, while I was in England. When I got back to Germany they put him into an Air Force hospital. He had to bathe his feet in some kind of purple stuff every day. Consequently he didn't get to rejoin his outfit, he was put in a new one, the 14th Regimental Combat Team, that was an old unit, it can be traced all the way back to the Revolutionary War. The members were very proud of their heritage,

Because I was a Corporal and had trench foot I was given the job of CQ (Charge of Quarters) and sat in an office all week. Technically on the roster though I was called a bugler, I don't know why, but I was. One of my responsibilities was to wake up the Officer of the Day so he could take the morning report. I forgot one day. I'm in line with everyone else and I remember I forgot to wake the Officer of the Day, so I ducked out of line got to the tent, woke him up and got back in line, no one knew what had just happened because he was always late, we always got there early and he got there late.

They kept shifting me around, I was a prison

guard at a prison camp for awhile, which is a very boring thing, did a check point for awhile, and other odd jobs, they didn't really know what to do with me, I was a loose cannon whose outfit had already disbanded.

Then in May 1946 they came and told me it was time to go home, pack your bags and get ready. So those of us who were ready to go home went to La Harve France again, they put us on a boat called the "Explorer" it had been Admiral Perry's flagship for his explorations and that is how we went home to America. All the way home on the ship they played the song "Don't Fence Me In" over and over again. Again I was lucky, as a corporal I was in the middle, the sergeants were sergeants of the guard and the privates stood the guard, but they never got around to the corporals. So I made the trip back in style. It was a glorious sight as we pulled into New York harbor and saw the Statue of Liberty.

We went back to Camp Atterbury Indiana to be mustered out of the service, I signed up for a ten-year enlistment in the reserves before leaving Atterbury. I tried to enlist to go to Korea, but failed the physical. The cannon fire in Germany had ruined my hearing.

I took a solemn promise that I would never stand in line again. Then what did I do, I went to the bus station and had to stand in line to get my ticket. When I arrived at the Cincinnati bus station no one knew I was coming so I walked uptown to Orchard Street where we lived in Over the Rhine, I don't know how many blocks it was, I had my duffel bag over my shoulder. My folks were very happy to have me home.

Editor's Note: Next month be sure to read Hank's story from March 22, 1926 to the present. His father takes him to a Hopi Reservation in 1935 which changed his life forever. His father's grandmother was a full blooded Hopi Indian. While at the reservation Blue Sky Eagle told Hank's father that Hank had a 200 year old spirit, he named Hank Black Eagle.



The results of our coyote hunting competition, five dead coyotes. Pictured L to R. Patrick Shaffmaster, Alan Smith, James Turpin, Kyle Underwood, Walker Titus, Bobby Chandler, Brandon Cleek and Adam Wallace. (Photo by Alan Smith)

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Wallace with two coyotes. Also with two coyotes was the team of James Turpin / Brandon Cleek. The tie was broke by the weight of the harvested coyotes. I believe this hunt will become an annual event that will grow over time. You may want to consider entering next year. Whether you hunt in a competition or just on your own be sure to take the time to do a little Predator Control!

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stored in the hard drive of our desktop computer. What they took was peace of mind, our sense of security, and another fraction of goodwill towards our fellow man.

The police asked me for the serial number on my handgun, and I just shook my head. I'd owned the gun for 10 years, never thinking it would end up in the hands of a criminal. Now I know different. The officer was disappointed, but no where near as disappointed as I was in myself. I'm telling you right now, if you own guns, you need to take all of them out of your safe, or where ever you store them, photograph each one, and record the serial numbers. Store these photos and serial numbers in a safe place, away from where you store your weapons.

I should have had my gun in small, but secure safe next to the bed, like the ones made by GunVault.

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I didn't know about these safes before, but they allow quick entry, thus eliminating my old excuse of a safe inhibiting quick access to my weapon. I don't know what to tell you about jewelry. Most of what was taken from us was only relatively valuable, but some of it was quite emotional, like the antique diamond from Melissa's deceased grandmother. I suppose if you have valuable jewelry, it should also go in a safe, too.

In retrospect, I'm thankful no one was hurt. From what I understand, seven homes in all were hit in my neck of the woods that day, and there was no one injured. This invader(s) at least plans well to avoid people. We can only hope they're brought to justice, but until then, the streak of safety continues. I hate thinking about what may have happened had my family been home during the invasion without me there.

See you down the trail...

TRAP LINES

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companies are North American Fur Auctions (NAFA) located in Wisconsin and Fur Harvesters Auction Inc. located in North Bay, Ontario, Canada. Furs are auctioned four times a year. One good reason to sell this way is that your furs are generally guaranteed top market value. One negative side to this is that your furs might not sell for up to one year meaning that you will wait for a while for your check.

Each season the number one question I get from former trappers and hunters, and at times the general public, is "What are furs going for this year?" That is about as vague as asking a teacher what she is going to teach her kids this year. Seriously. "Whadda 'bout coon, how much?" And I'll have to answer something like, "For a #1, XXX, prime, good-colored, no-damaged coon the average is..." I could simplify that to "a #1, XXX coon" and most still look lost. The average person hasn't a clue what I just said.

To simplify things for the beginner trapper or non-trapper, I'll tell you what fur buyers look at when grading (examining) furs. They will look at the color of the pelt. They will look at the thickness & length (primeness) of the fur. They will look for damage to the pelt. And the fur buyers will look at the size of the pelt.

It is extremely difficult in an article to explain about fur grading which is the prelude to selling fur. Only after the grading process can one be given an offer on his/her fur.

I can offer a few helpful hints so that you may be able to get the most money from your furs. First, don't start trapping prior to the start of the season. Experienced trappers and fur buyers know the difference between a September caught raccoon and a December caught raccoon. Trapping and hunting seasons are established for several reasons, one of which is so that the animals are prime when harvested. Un-prime pelts are useless.

Secondly, never shoot furbearing animals with a shotgun. No fur buyer in his right mind will buy them. If you are going to shoot a furbearing animal, use a small caliber gun such as a .22 or .25. And shoot it in the head when possible.

Thirdly, a clean pelt is certainly more appealing to a fur buyer. Remove all mud/dirt, blood, excess grease, etc. prior to selling.

One last thing that is important to know is how fur buyers want pelts to be presented for sale. Fox, coyote, wolves and bobcats are to be dried fur side out. Initially, these will need to be placed on the stretcher skin (leather) side out. However, prior to being completely dried, they will need to be turned fur side out on the stretcher and allowed to finish drying. Raccoon, opossum, skunk, muskrat and mink are sold skin side out. Beaver are stretched and dried "open" and sold in shapes of oval or round.

Watching your fur go from a trap to market can be a very rewarding experience. But, at times, it could be disheartening. However, that's all part of trapping. The fur market is no more guaranteed than

tomorrow's stock market. In reality, they are one in the same. Personally, I find that, in the end, I still have a smile on my face. I do something that I love and make a few dollars at it. Most never make a dime at their favorite hobbies. I have. And even if I didn't, it wouldn't matter. Trapping is one of the most rewarding experiences and hobbies in existence. Go out and create memories that will last a lifetime.

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added hunting acreage is beneficial. Fishing prospects are great, as is all other water recreation.

*One item that I question the merit of is the closing of the complete area from the Dunlapville Causeway to the Yankee town bridge. It seems to me that closing the area from the Dunlapville Causeway to the bridge on SR44 would be sufficient. Most of the duck resting areas are on the upper reaches of the lake and not on the river above the highway bridge. The area above SR44 is a favorite fishing area for the people of Brownsville. It has been trapped for years and now it cannot be, when the resting area is closed October to April. I would like to hear from anyone who either agrees or disagrees with me on this matter.

Another item that makes little or no sense to me is the placement of the new buoy area north of the Fairfield Causeway. Here they are placing 290 buoys. There is no parking area, no ramp, and it is in a high use area of the lake. Anyone bringing his boat in will have to launch it at one of the ramps, and then either find some way to get back to the car or be sure to not come alone on the initial trip. The one promising fact for this area is the promised gas and supplies store.

Ramp fees will be collected this year, \$1.00 each time you launch your boat. This fee will either be collected by an attendant at each ramp or you may purchase it at the Reservoir office before arriving at the lake. Available to the person planning to use the lake more than a few times is the \$5.00 seasonal ramp pass. This pass is only good for one boat, a sticker is placed on the boat to be used. If more than one boat is used, a ramp pass will be required for each.

All visitors to the Mounds State Recreational Area on the east side of the lake will be required to pay the entrance fee of \$1.25 per vehicle each time they visit. Or if more than one trip is planned, a Indiana state park pass can be purchased for \$10.00. This pass is good for as many visits as one wants, and is also good for any other park or recreation area in the entire state. This pass, as is the ramp pass, is good for only one season. The ramp pass is also good for any other lake leased to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources in the state.

To date the Hannah Creek ramp and the Garr Hill ramp will be closed for most of the season. The scenic road is under construction and is not scheduled for completion until next year. Boom or bust, have fun this year and drive carefully, both on the water and highways.

*In 1977 I drew up a petition with a map illustrating the Waterfowl Resting Area at Brookville Lake to be distributed in all the areas around the Brookville Lake to ask the IDNR to only close the Waterfowl Resting Area from the Dunlapville Causeway to SR 44 and leave open the area from SR 44 to Yankeetown Bridge. Bobby Walton, the then owner of The Country Store in Liberty helped me. We gathered 1177 signatures and I took the petitions to the Natural Resource Commission meeting in Fort Wayne and plead our case for the residents of Union and Franklin county for them to be able to use the area from SR 44 north to Yankeetown year around. The then Brookville Property Manager Dave Turner was at the Commission-

ers meeting to explain why the area should be kept in the Waterfowl Resting Area. The Commissioners tabled the matter pertaining to our petition. Close to two years passed then one day I got a letter from Jack Costello, IDNR Deputy Director, telling me that the Natural Resource Commission



had voted to exclude the area from SR 44 to Yankeetown Bridge from the Waterfowl Resting Area at Brookville Lake. The Waterfowl Resting Area would close from the Dunlapville Causeway to SR 44 only.



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working that stretch of road yesterday and this morning, said "Between the 124 and 130 mile markers we had total whiteouts at times this morning. It was too dangerous to attempt to pull cars out last night or this morning. We just transported the people to the nearest exit with hopes of pulling out their vehicle later today or tomorrow."

Senior Trooper David Whiting worked several slide offs at the 128 mile marker this morning. Whiting stated "I-70 was mostly wet until you got to the 129 mile marker. It turned to solid ice there for about 3-4 miles because of the high winds and blowing snow. People were driving too fast when they hit that stretch of roadway."

Altogether units worked over 15 crashes and slide offs in Henry County on I-70 today. I-70 through Wayne County is now mostly dry to wet in spots. I-70 in Henry County is now mostly wet with slick spots at the 124-128 mile markers. Secondary roads remain hazardous with some being down to one lane.

Editor's Note: After reading the information provided to the media by Sgt. John Bowling it is clear to this writer that it must be very frustrating for Indiana State Troopers to be working these type accidents in hazardous conditions for both the involved drivers and troopers, especially when other drivers are still driving at high rate of speeds with little or no regard to their own safety and others.

As you readers read this information, do me a favor, use your common sense - slow down especially on interstates when conditions deteriorate due to weather related problems.

By the time you read this in The Gad-a-bout the snow storm of February 6th will just be a memory, but don't become just a memory to your loved ones, slow down and drive sensibly. The forecast as I am writing this is more snow tonight (Monday, February 8, 2010 with 4-6 inches more on Tuesday and 1-3 inches on Wednesday. Is Spring coming?

Below are two Indiana State Troopers who are receiving safe driving awards.

**INDIANA STATE TROOPERS
RECEIVE AWARDS**

**Connersville Troopers Receive
Safe Driving Awards**

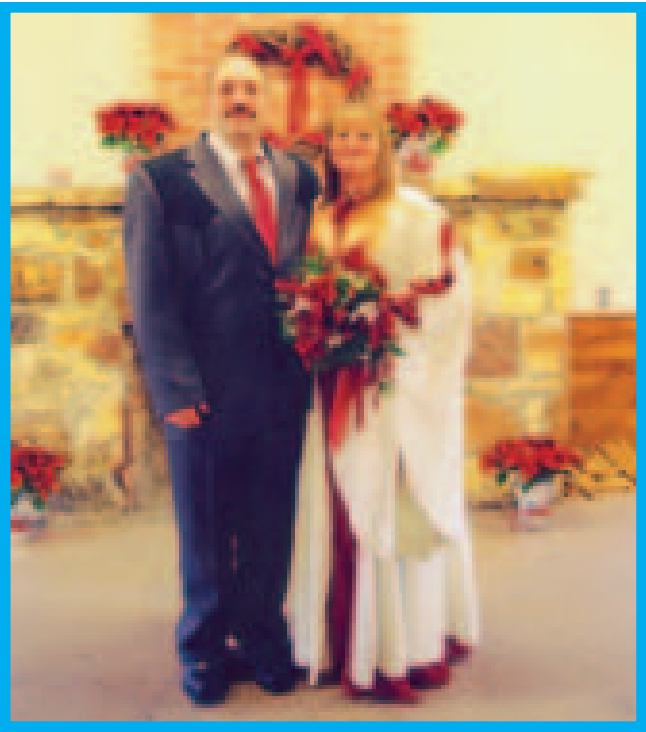
Connersville – Lieutenant Steve Comer, Commander of the Connersville Post, recently awarded two Connersville Troopers for their safe driving efforts.

Trooper Brian K. Gwinn

Trooper Brian K. Gwinn, a 9 year member of the Indiana State Police, was awarded a pin and certificate for obtaining 250,000 safe driving miles. Gwinn is assigned to Henry County.

Trooper Nick Razor

Trooper Nick Razor, a 2 year member of the Indiana State Police, was awarded a pin and certificate for obtaining 50,000 safe driving miles. Razor is also assigned to Henry County.



**VANCE WEIR AND LISA COPELAND
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The marriage of Lisa Copeland (owner of the Hymera Trading Post) and Vance Weir was January 1, 2010 at Shakamak State Park with 200 in attendance.

Standing by Lisa's side was her daughters and standing next to Vance was two male friends. Lisa's grand daughter was the flower girl she had a matching dress like the brides. The ring boy was also a member of the family.

Lisa's wedding dress was made from buckskin, ten hides to be exact. The style was Victorian. They had the Cherokee Wedding Prayer blessed that day. It was written on parchment paper (deer hide) with twisted sticks.

The happy couple, Vance and Lisa Weir, want to thank everyone for their good wishes.

Cherokee Wedding Prayer
*God in heaven above
Please protect the ones we love.
We honor all you have created as we pledge
our hearts and lives together.
We honor mother-earth
and ask for our marriage to be abundant
and grow stronger through the seasons;
We honor fire and ask that our union be warm
and glowing with love in our hearts;
We honor wind and ask we sail through life
safe and calm as in our fathers arms;
We honor water to clean and soothe our relationship
- that it may never thirst for love;
With all the forces of the universe you created,
we pray for harmony and true happiness
as we forever grow young together.
Amen*

**FRONTIER DAYS REUNION MAY 1-2 AT
LIONS CLUB SMOKE ON THE WATER**

Frontier Days Reunion at Treaty Line Pioneer Village back in June 2004. We had quite a few here for this reunion, I hope many of you who receive my invitation can make it on May 1-2, 2010.

The Liberty Lions Club is having their "Smoke on the Water" Barbeque Festival and Craft Show by the Lake on May 1-2, 2010 (Saturday and Sunday) at the Treaty Line Pioneer Village located adjacent to the Quakertown State Recreation Area at the north end of the Brookville Lake.

I called Carl Sharp last week and asked him if it would be alright with him if we held a Frontier Days Reunion at their event that weekend. He told me that would be great and wanted to know what I needed. I told him at this time I didn't know for sure. We wanted to have a reunion back in 2008, but it didn't

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Evening hunt took 5 Geese, 16 Mallards and 1 Black duck. Left to Right: James Hamilton, Rick Little and RonSmith. (Summit Lake Bait & Tackle Photo, Summit



Josh Grindstaff took this 8 point Buck on 11-24-09. (Trotter Sports Center Photo, Sullivan, IN)



Trent Cox took this 8 point Buck on 11-10-09. (Trotter Sports Center Photo, Sullivan, IN)



Jeff King took this 214 lb. Buck with a shotgun. (Dave's Triangle Photo, Brookville Lake IN)



Joel Lapham took this 218 lb. 8 point Buck with a shotgun on 11-21-09 - 1st 100.00 (Dave's Triangle Photo, Brookville Lake, IN)

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Russel Stapleton took this 190 lb. 8 point Buck. (Frame's Outdoor Photo, Liberty, IN)

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Remington McClain took this 150 lb. 8 point Buck on 11-14-09. (Red Barn Bait Shop Photo, Salem, IN)



Aaron Baker took this 230 lb. 12 point Buck on 11-14-09. It had 22" inside. (Red Barn Bait Shop Photo, Salem, IN)



Ron Zimmer took this 220 lb. 13 point Buck on 12-12-09 with in muzzleloader season. (Red Barn Bait Shop Photo, Salem, IN)



Dakota Chapman took this button buck. (Dave's Triangle Photo, Brookville Lake, IN)



Amy Bales took this, her first deer, a 185 lb. 11 point Buck. (Dave's Triangle Photo, Brookville Lake, IN)



Frontier Days Rendezvous 1994 (maybe 95) at Treaty Line Pioneer Village in Dunlapville, Indiana located at north end of Brookville Lake. Re-enactment of the Life Miami Chief Little Turtle and William Wells taking place at top of hill next to Log Cabin School house and Indian encampment. Those that I recognize in this photo are left to right, Dan Rothrock, Eugene Fannin, Golden Eagle, David Graves and Louise Jennings (arrow indicates re-enactors). (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

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pan out.

The theme for this reunion is “Celebrating the Life of Golden Eagle.” I have talked to Golden Eagle and he is eager to attend the reunion at Treaty Line on May 1-2, 2010.

I want to publicly thank my friend Carl Sharp for letting us be part of their “Smoke on the Water” event, its’ theme is reminiscent of life along the Whitewater River (prior to Brookville Lake) when the Delaware, Miami, Shawnee and other Indian tribes gathered around campfires on this very spot and traded with our fore fathers. The smoke from

their campfires would have been on the water.

If you were a re-enactor who came to Frontier Days from 1991 through 2001, you are invited to attend this reunion. Carl told me that it would be okay if you brought your tipi, baker, lean-to or other abode to sleep in if you wanted to spend Saturday night there. You can bring a trade set-up, but you will have to pay for your spot. I’m not planning a meal as there will be lots of food on the grounds or if you want to bring your own food, its okay. But I recommend your eating the food being sold by the Lion’s Club or other purveyors there. I will be sending out a formal invitation soon. I am sending a copy of this issue to all addresses I have in my files. If you’ve moved naturally you won’t get it. Maybe word of mouth will reach you from those who

receive an invitation and is still on the rendezvous trail. I am going to send Smoke and Fire a release on the reunion, maybe they will put in a small notice for me.

SMOKE ON THE WATER
Barbeque Festival & Craft Show by the Lake
MAY 1-2, 2010
Sponsored by Liberty Lions Club
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LOCATION
Treaty Line Museum area in town of Dunlapville (just south of Liberty, IN - in the area with the log cabins that is located just north of the Quakertown State Recreation Area on the west side of Brookville Lake.

RESTRICTIONS
No animals (except working guide/leader dogs), Alcohol, Used clothing sales, bicycles, or Golfcarts (except for event organizers) allowed on premises.

QUESTIONS
Contact Carl Sharp at **765-458-5574** (office) or **765-580-0215** (cell) or e-mail at Carl.sharp.c9mm@statefarm.com

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