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books or answering reference questions. But we were engaging with our community, getting to know many more people and drawing them into the library, teaching them new skills as they helped with projects. We were dispensing and promoting a valuable asset we have at the library – extensive archives of Centerville history. And we were doing what I feel happiest about, giving Centerville citizens many reasons to like their town, to take pride in it.

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contractor who headed the restoration project. Without his expertise the building wouldn't have looked as good as it does now. They opened the American House Antique Mall in April 2014.

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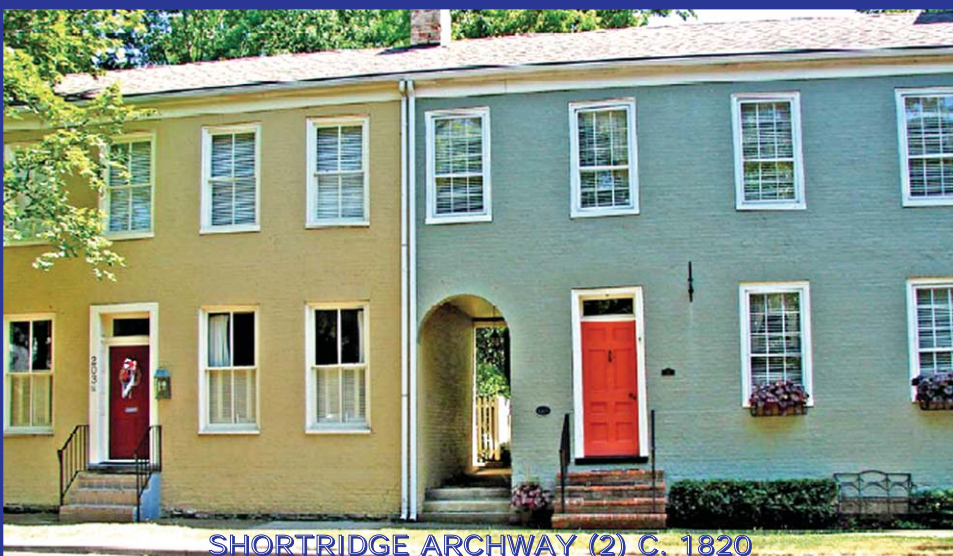
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**Bottom Left:** 14 year old Adam Cox caught this 17

inch 2 1/2 lb. Crappie May 10, 2014 in a farm pond in Rush County. The photo was taken at 6:45 p.m. See more fish and game photos on Page 27,30 & 31. (E-mail Photo submitted by Adam Cox)  
**Bottom Right:** On July 5, 2014 a Bicentennial parade was held entitled "All About Centerville, it was sponsored by Turner Insurance, Reid Hospital & Health Care Services. Grand Marshalls was Carol Rhodes and Jim Howell, who rode in the horse drawn surrey. Carol and Jim were both sitting on the left side, Carol in front and Jim in the back. Jim's wife Marge was sitting on his right. All were smiling and waving enthusiastically at the crowd. See Pages 8-9. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

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### GOLDEN EAGLE'S SPIRIT RELEASING CEREMONY HELD JUNE 22, 2014

See pages 8 & 9 for article about the Spirit Releasing Ceremony for the Late Hank M. Stock III, aka Golden Eagle held at LaBoiteaux Woods in College Hill Cincinnati on June 22, 2014. Hank wrote a column in The Gad-a-bout entitled "Talking Leaves" from 1995 thru May 2014. His last column was written before he crossed over and published after he crossed over into the mist. Hank's son, Michael Stock, his good friends, Malcolm Greene, Eugene Fannin, myself and Dallas Whipple dressed in period clothing to honor Golden Eagles wishes. Many friends and relatives witnessed and participated in the ceremony. See page 8 & 9, there are no photos of the ceremony itself, only photos before and after. In future issues I intend to do some writing about Golden Eagle, Frontier Days and the many memorable activities I have participated in thru my years publishing newspapers, a magazine and writing for other publications since 1972.

### 34th ANNUAL FARMER'S PIKE FESTIVAL LABOR DAY WE AUG 29 - SEPT 1, 2014

See page 13 for information about the 34th Annual Farmer's Pike Festival over Labor Day Weekend. In the September issue we will have a full page listing of all the entertainment and activities, directions and more. You don't want to miss Farmer's Pike Festival, we attend every year. For more information call Delayne or Shawne Land at 765-332-2576, their address is 1965 E. CR 200 S, New Castle, IN 47362. Check out their website: [www.farmerspike.com](http://www.farmerspike.com).

### 2ND ANNUAL 'HEAD FOR THE HILLS' PATOKA LAKE TRIATHLON AUG 23RD

Registration is open for the 'Head for the Hills' Patoka Lake Triathlon taking place at Patoka Lake beach on Saturday, August 23rd at 8:30a.m. Head for the hills and race for a cause. All proceeds from this event will go to support Patoka's non-releasable raptors; a red-tailed hawk, eastern screech owl and bald eagle. Swim 500 yards in open water at the beach. Bike 12.8 miles along 'hillacious' paved roads within the property. Run a 5K along groomed gravel roads and a paved bike trail. Go to [https://secure.getmergistered.com/get\\_information.php?event\\_id=10078](https://secure.getmergistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=10078) to register today! Visit <http://triathlons.dnr.in.gov/> for more information or call (812)685-2447.

### SR 38 CLOSURE NEAR HAGERSTOWN FOR CULVERT REPLACEMENT

The Indiana Department of Transportation will close State Road 38 on or after Monday, July 14 for up to 40 days at a culvert location 2.6 miles east of Hagerstown in Wayne County. Construction signs were posted earlier this week.

A state highway detour routes motorists around the closure via S.R. 38, Interstate 70 and S.R. 35/38.

Milestone is the state's contractor for this \$258,300 Greenfield District Small Structure Project. It is charged with removing and replacing the S.R. 38 culvert near Mattindale Creek with a 4 X 8-foot drainage structure measuring 40 feet in width.

Residents will have access to their properties on either side of the closure.

### CENTERVILLE BICENTENNIAL 1814-2014 & ARCHWAY DAYS AUGUST 23, 2014

The Centerville Bicentennial activities began on January 1, 2014. Prior to the beginning of the Bicentennial a contest was held to pick a Logo for it.

Fifteen year old Kyle Peters of Centerville said, "I had nothing to do one day so I just decided to draw something and enter it just for the fun of it. After a few weeks went by I got news that I won. I was very surprised and shocked."

On January 1, 2014 Boy Scouts raised the American Flag and the official Bicentennial Flag with Kyle Peters winning logo on it.

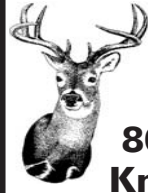
Thus began a year full of activities, they are listed here past, present and future:

- January 1 Raising of Flags 4 pm - Library
- May 29th Governor's Banquet 5:30 pm - Earlham College
- June 6-7 Centerville Lions Club Fish Fry
- June 28 Centerville Alumni 5 pm - Jr High Gym
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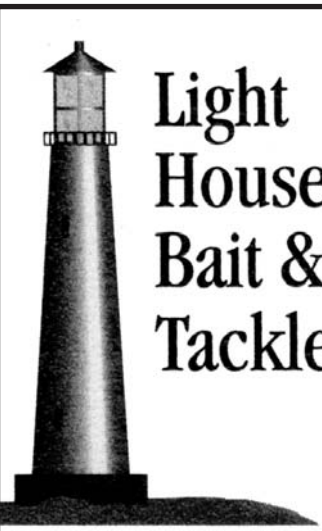


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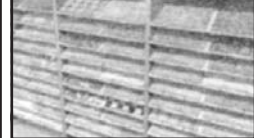
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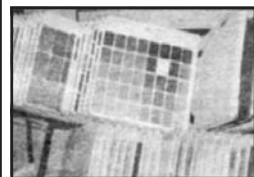
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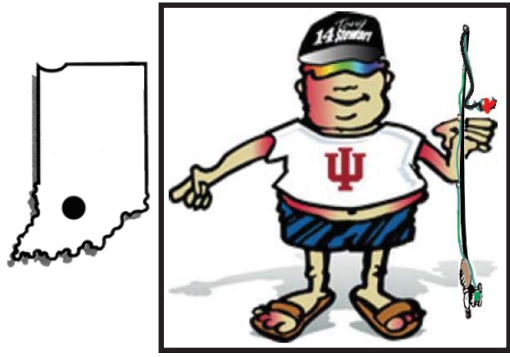


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# Vacationing In Southwest Indiana



by Jim Behrman

## New Techniques To Catch Fish

There are times when we go fishing that the fish don't bite and somebody at the ramp or at the bait shop will tell you "that's why the call it fishing and not catching". Hopefully when this happens to you it will be a wise old man, like myself, and not some smart alec young whippersnapper. Everyone that fishes knows there are times when we finally get on the water that for whatever reason we don't catch dinner. These are the days when we just enjoy the day, enjoy the companionship of our fishing buddy and make up lies about our reasons for no fish in the livewell. Some say these made up excuses was how catch and release was born.

These long days on the water with lots of excuses tended to happen about the time you will be reading this. The end of June is the start of these "dog days of summer". July thru August, when the Bluegill have bed, Bass have spawned and Crappie have spawned and water temperatures are in the higher 80's and the "have to be in the water" boating activities are going strong. Here on Patoka Lake the catching continues all through the long dog days. It continues because of new, to our lake, techniques of fishing for deep water suspended and bottom holding/feeding fish. These tech-



were fish if showing on their electronics. If they didn't catch or spot fish they were off moving slowly through the timber or along the channel debating if they should return to this spot again. We too were debating where to try next and pulling in poles, untying or raising the anchor and moving on after 30 or 45 minutes. They showed us how to cover the lake to find fish and when you find that species of fish you are fishing for to put them in the boat.

We watched, asked questions, and listened (the way us old people

were taught to learn) to those crappie fishermen about the new methods. We also learned about new baits from those dreaded bass fishermen who churned our lake every weekend. It started for me on the ramp here at Hoosier Hills. My buddy and I had a miserable day of fishing for crappie and were loading our boat when 2 bass fishermen came in to load up also. As 1 of the fishermen was going to get the trailer and backing it in the lake I watched his buddy throw 8 or 10 nice 12 to 13 inch crappie back in the lake. My friend and I waited until they had loaded up and then asked them about the crappie. They had fished the edge of the weed bed around the island by the beach most of the day and had caught several bass using a 1/2 ounce rattlin crankbait. Their problem was those panfish wouldn't leave their bait alone. They had caught 40 or more with over half of them in the magical (I'll clean them) 10 inch or better range. We too had fished that weed bed and several others with minnows, jigs and a beetle spin and had not caught a magical fish all day. They had kept a few for a fish fry but decided they were tired from catching fish to clean them. I was not tired at all !!!

The newest species to fish for in Patoka Lake is the elusive walleye. The DNR have released walleye fry in the lake for 7 years years and have planned to release 6 million per year. This year 15 million fry were released due to a great harvest at the hatchery on Brookville Lake. The oldest walleye have reached a 6 or 7 lb weight and are scattered all over the lake. These fish are a deep water and bottom hugging fish that will chase bait fish into the shallows especially around weed beds. Anyone casting a crankbait, hanging a night crawler, or a minnow or using a deep water jig can catch a walleye but they are most susceptible to trolling or jigging when found feeding in a small area. The walleye's eyes are very light sensitive (where they get the name) thus they will be found in areas not penetrated with sunlight or in those shaded areas to protect their eyes. These walleye and the hybrid wipers, also being stocked annually, and the new techniques of fishing have open up the "dog days of summer" into a time looked forward to for the walleye and wiper fishing and the gathering of friends to fry those walleye with all the fixins.

Here on Patoka Lake we first saw trolling heavily used by people coming to striper fish. As these people trolled around the lake with their down riggers, dippy divers, planer boards, large plastic baits and crankbaits they caught an occasional crappie, bass, and even catfish. Us simple bobber, minnow, cricket and worm fishermen noticed these non targeted fish being caught and started watching a little closer. Then here came a Crappie U.S.A. tournament to Patoka Lake and fishermen from all over the Midwest. These people targeted the very fish we fished for in the spring and fall months but they fished in far different ways than us. They bought minnows, shiners and reds by the pound and had tackle boxes full of different jigs in a rainbow of colors and sizes. They talked of brush piles, standing timber, creek channels, drop offs, wind and temperature, and a rising and falling lake as we did but they fished it entirely different. With 2 people in a boat and 6 poles (3 poles per person, Indiana law) they spider rigged, pushed, pulled and trolled through the area they wanted to fish. Where us old timers pulled up to a stick up and tied on or dropped an anchor and started fishing by casting slip bobbers, jigs or straight lining down to the bottom. They spent 10 minutes fishing the same area, using electronics to see if fish were there and adjusting their baits depth to where there

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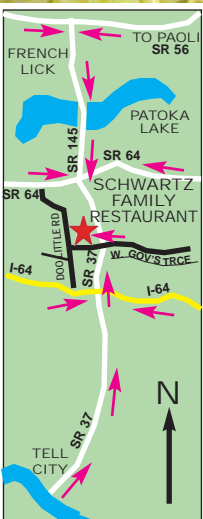
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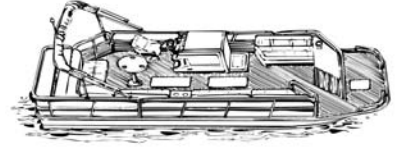
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## News from the Indiana State Police



by **Sergeant John D. Bowling**  
Public Information/Recruiting Officer

### Find Meth Lab Properties and Vehicles on New Website Link

In conjunction with Governor Pence's ceremonial signing of House Bill 1141, the Indiana State Police unveiled a new link on the meth website. The link lists properties that have previously been identified by law enforcement as the location of a clandestine lab. This site provides the user with the date of seizure, county, street address, type of lab and location of the lab on the property listed. In addition, labs seized in vehicles will have the vehicle identification number listed if the lab was seized after December 31, 2012. Only labs that have been reported to the Indiana State Police either through an ISP criminal incident report or via EPIC 143 report submission by another police agency will be listed on the website. The address lists have specific timelines and delisting requirements under HB 1141. If the address fits within the statutory timelines, users will be able to download the ISP Occurrence Report and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's Certificate of Illegal Drug Lab Cleanup submitted for a particular property. If it has been disclosed through a real estate transaction that a clan lab was on the property for sale but it is not listed on the website, contact the ISP Meth Suppression Section at 317-234-4591 or within Indiana 1-877-MSS-METH. ISP can determine if the property was delisted after cleanup or if a lab was never reported to the Indiana State Police for that location. Occurrence Reports will be available from ISP and Cleanup Certificates will still be available from IDEM for those delisted properties. "This project has been over a year in the making, and we are pleased that Representative Wendy McNamara and Senator Randy Head worked with us and the other entities involved to pass this legislation that protects Hoosiers from the dangers posed by meth lab contamination." stated ISP Meth Suppression Commander F/Sgt. Niki Crawford. "This is a victory for everyone involved." To visit the website go to [www.meth.in.gov](http://www.meth.in.gov). Inquiries regarding the website should be directed to F/Sgt. Niki



Traffic stop yields 450 pounds of Marijuana. (Photo by Sergeant John Bowling)

Crawford at [ncrawford@isp.in.gov](mailto:ncrawford@isp.in.gov) or (317) 234-4591. The above story was taken from the Indiana State Police Website.

### Secondary Crashes a Deadly Problem This Summer

So far this summer, as I write this in late June, we've already had three fatal crashes in the Pendleton District in traffic slowdowns or stoppages. These crashes, known as secondary crashes, traditionally comprise about 18 percent of all fatal crashes in Indiana each year.

Secondary crashes are crashes that occur after an initial event has caused a traffic slow down or stoppage. That initial event can range from a construction zone slow down or lane restriction, to a crash that may have traffic blocked or restricted, or a simple disabled vehicle that may be in the roadway or just off to the side.

The media has taken notice and continue to ask what folks can do to protect themselves and their families while out traveling this summer? As a driver, there are things you must remain vigilant in watching for.

Always watch for slowed or stopped traffic on the interstate, as it can happen at any time for a variety

of reasons. Don't be that driver that runs up on and into stopped traffic. Also, if in slow or stopped traffic, always watch behind you and be ready to take evasive action for that driver that is coming up too fast to stop, obviously oblivious to the slowed line of traffic ahead. Try to leave at least two to three car lengths between you and the car in front of you so you'll have room to take evasive action.

Obeys construction zone speed limits and increase your following distance when driving through construction zones, again giving yourself room to take evasive action if an event happens in front of you. Also watch for workers and equipment that can end up in your lane at anytime.

Most of all, watch for state police cars that are sitting in the median or on the side of the road with their lights on. If we're not on a traffic stop, chances are we're sitting there to warn you of impending danger ahead. Indiana remains a leader in using IN-TIME methods of opening roadways and of warning you of stoppages or slowdowns ahead.

IN-TIME stands for Indiana Traffic Incident Management Effort. It's a group of public and private sector stakeholders that develop and recommend policy and operational protocols for the safe and efficient mitigation of traffic incidents like crashes or construction slowdowns.

So, if you're out traveling this summer, watch for officers sitting with their lights on warning you of impending danger and drive accordingly. When you're out driving, even if in another state, always be prepared for slowed or stopped traffic on the interstate. Watch the road in front and behind your vehicle. Don't be a victim of a secondary crash in a traffic backup.

### A Traffic Stop Yields 450 Pounds of Marijuana

Wayne County – A traffic stop late on a Friday afternoon in southern Wayne County led to the discovery of 450 pounds of marijuana. Around 4 p.m. Friday, June 13th, Indiana State Police Trooper Jimmy Wells stopped a south bound Ford F250 utility bed pickup on US 27, about 6 miles south of Richmond, after clocking it in excess of the 55 M.P.H. speed limit. After speaking with the two truck occupants, Wells became suspicious. Wayne County Sheriff's Department K-9 Deputy Kerry Martin was

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# Indiana Department of Natural Resource News



by I.C.O. Gary Catron  
Master Conservation Officer



This is a photo which I took at the state fair a few years ago of a little boy with his fish caught at the fair. (Author Photo)

## Destination: Indiana State Fair

Mark your calendar. The Indiana State Fair is just around the corner. This year the fair opens on August 1st and runs through August 17th. Surely you'll be able to visit us at the DNR complex while you're there.

If you've not visited the DNR complex for many years you will find many changes have taken place. Our 'outback' (north side of the building) has been updated to include a shaded 150 seat amphitheater with presentations being given on various outdoor topics, all enjoyable for the entire family.

While 'outback' visitors will notice the recent addition of our concrete pond. One can't miss it. 'It' is 312,000 gallons large! This fishing pond provides catch and release fishing for visitors, costing nothing but perhaps a smile. All the equipment needed is provided and DNR personnel or volunteers will assist participants at their fishing stations. Yes, there are real fish to be caught.

If you've not been inside the DNR building for many years, by all means, come in! Our living room has been remodeled also, but many first realize and

comment about the air conditioning. Years ago I remember the need to keep the doors open in attempt to keep a breeze circulating through the building. No so now. Okay, perhaps I'm aging myself on this point but now that I've brought it up many of you remember it too, don't you? Browse the many indoor exhibits in comfort; the east wall still consists of built-in fish tanks for visitors to meet various native fish species in face to face fashion.

There is much to do while at our complex including hands-on activities, roving educational presentations and exhibits in abundance. It'd be a good idea to plan to spend at least a full hour while there. It'd be wise to allow for more.



Traffic stop yields 450 pounds of Marijuana. (DNR photo)

## DNR seeks qualified candidates for Conservation Officers

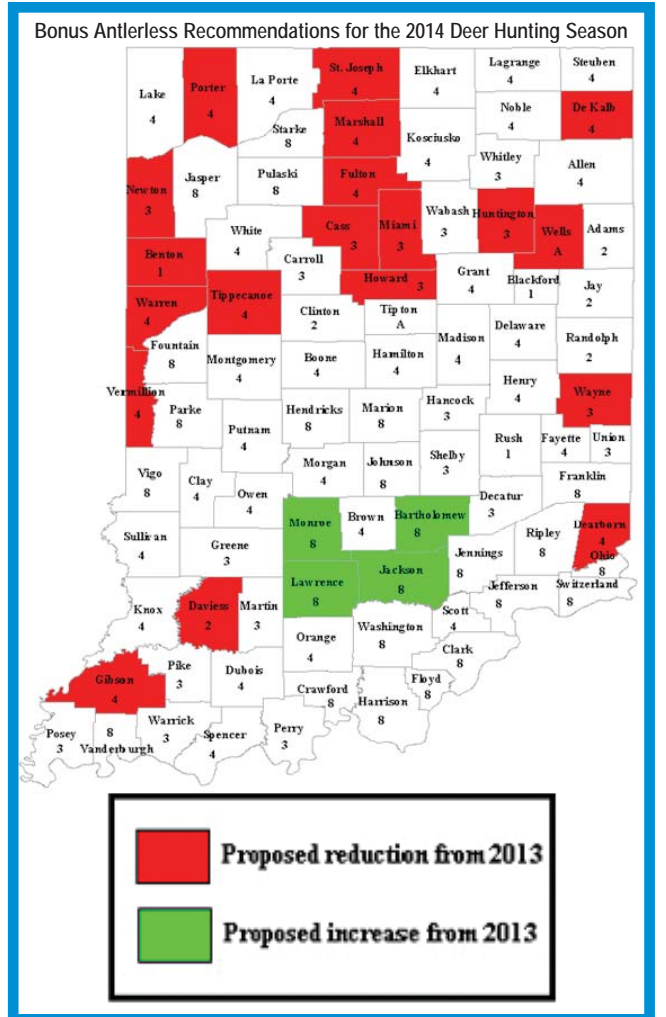
The Department of Natural Resources is seeking qualified applicants to become Indiana Conservation Officers.

Indiana Conservation Officers work in the DNR's Law Enforcement division. Founded in 1911, it is Indiana's oldest state law enforcement agency. Conservation Officers enforce all state laws but concentrate their efforts on laws affecting natural resources, state properties, and recreational activities such as boating, snowmobiles, and all-terrain vehicles. The recruiting phase ends Nov. 30, and only those registered by that date will be considered for the recruit school that begins June 2015. To be considered, applicants must successfully complete an on-line prerequisite test at [dnrlaw.IN.gov/2760.htm](http://dnrlaw.IN.gov/2760.htm). Indiana Conservation Officers are conducting recruiting events in various locations to explain the steps of the hiring process and how to prepare to be a successful candidate. Anyone interested in attending must register through the "Stay in Touch" form at the website listed.

Previously, applicants have been required to have an associates degree or 60 credit hours toward a bachelor's degree. The application process is now open to individuals who do not meet the college requirement but have four years of continuous military service and have earned an honorable discharge.

## Bonus antlerless quotas reduced in 19 counties

Bonus antlerless county quotas have been set for the 2014 Indiana deer hunting season, with



quotas being reduced in 19 counties and increased in four. The quota assigned to a county represents the number of antlerless deer a hunter may take in that county above the basic bag limits. A license is needed for each deer taken. Determining bonus antlerless quotas is based on a variety of factors—crop damage reports, deer-vehicle collisions, deer-vehicle collisions per billion miles driven, and landowner and hunter surveys that measure individual satisfaction level with deer numbers per county. "We also look at antlered and antlerless harvest and the proportion relative to each other, and we look at bucks killed per square mile of habitat," DNR deer management biologist Chad Stewart said. Data collection starts immediately after each season's deer harvest numbers are tabulated. Stewart develops his recommendations and provides the data to DNR district wildlife biologists for their input and recommendations. Indiana Conservation Officers also provide input. Each recommendation is presented to a panel of administrators from DNR Fish & Wildlife and Law Enforcement. The panel reviews the three sets of recommendations to establish the bonus antlerless quota for each county. If a county's bonus antlerless quota is changed, the new quota usually is left in place for a couple of years to evaluate impact. "If you change it year to year, you don't have a good feel for the impact of those recommendations," Stewart said. "We want to see a trend manifest itself over a period before making additional adjustments." As a result of the quota changes, 63 counties will be included in the 2014 late antlerless season, six fewer than in 2013. Only counties with a quota of 4 or above are eligible for the late antlerless season, which begins Dec. 26 this year.

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Hank M. Stock III aka Golden Eagle requested a Spirit Releasing Ceremony after he crossed over into the spirit land. It was accomplished by those he asked to do it before he crossed over. Participating in the Ceremony from L to R: Tina Stock Huffman, Malcolm Greene, Eugene Fannin, Michael Stock, Seth Gilbert, Dallas Whipple, Denny Thomas and Ray Dickerson. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

## Golden Eagles Request Was Full Filled June 22, 2014 at LaBoiteaux Woods

by Ray Dickerson

As I wrote last month in my column on page 4, Golden Eagles Spirit would be released in LaBoiteaux Woods in Cincinnati, Ohio on Sunday, June 22, 2014. It was a solemn ceremony witnessed by many relatives and friends of Golden Eagle and his family members.

Prior to Golden Eagle's passing Friday, May 9, 2014, he sent a letter to Malcolm Greene, "I am writing you as my good friend and brother to take on a task which is very important to me. The conducting of a Spirit Releasing Ceremony for me, after I have crossed over into the spirit land."

You may recall in June reading Golden Eagle's last article written just before he passed over into the spirit land.

Shortly after I got the July Gad-a-bout distributed I got a call from Malcolm Greene asking if I was going to be able to make it to Golden Eagle's Spirit Releasing Ceremony, I told him I was planning on it. He told me he needed someone who could do Indian sign language. I gave him Eugene Fannin's phone number and told him Eugene had been doing sign for some time.

A few days later Eugene got in contact with me, bringing me a copy of the ceremony procedure that Malcolm had given him to give to me. We decided to dress in our frontier buckskins for the ceremony. I wasn't sure I could still get in mine, having not worn them since my last Frontier Days event in



Family and friends gather at LaBoiteaux Woods. Hank arrived at LaBoiteaux Woods for the first time in January 1959, bringing his wife and children from Moline, IL to his new assignment. (Hank's story "My Life's Adventure, 2010)

2001. As it turned out it actually fit me better, the britches almost fell down, I had to wear a belt around my waist out of sight under my buckskin shirt.

I followed my Google directions to LaBoiteaux Woods and got there in short order, arriving earlier than I expected to. Before too long Eugene and Gladys Fannin arrived, followed by Dallas Whipple, Michael Stock, then Malcolm and Carol Greene.

We set about getting the ceremony area set up.

Malcolm Greene, the Intercessor (one who intercedes) and Michael Stock, the Guide were chosen by Golden Eagle in advance of his passing. He told Malcolm that Michael would need help with the Native ceremony. Golden Eagle provided a detailed description of the ceremony, many pages of appropriate Indian sign language and a Spirit Ceremony props list. See photos on next page to see how well everyone worked together to get ready for the ceremony.

The Ceremony was the, get it right the first time method. The only rehearsal was a quick run through prior to friends and relatives arriving.

I can see why Golden Eagle liked LaBoiteaux

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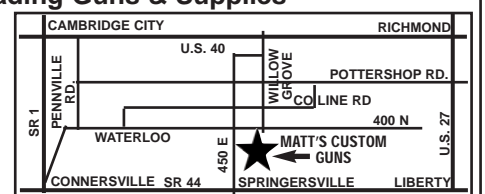
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Left Photo: The three key people performing the Spirit Releasing Ceremony. From L to R: Golden Eagles son, Michael Stock (Guide), Eugene Fannin (sign language interpreter) and Malcolm Greene (Intercessor). Middle Photo: Props needed for ceremony, sweet grass and/or sage, bark or bird's nest for tinder, corn meal, tobacco, principal pipe, blessed tobacco, pipe rack, painted skull, material for holy place, small shovel and rake. Right Photo: Michael Stock prepares Spirit Lodge, Tripod made with 3 8-foot poles, blanket and skins to sit upon.



Left Photo: Eugene, Michael and Malcolm rehearse for the Spirit Releasing Ceremony. Middle Photo: The Intercessor, Malcolm Greene places blessed tobacco into a special place prepared for it, two shallow rows that cross in the middle (See inset of tobacco cross) Right Photo: Dressed in the appropriate clothing, with Tina Huffman sitting in the Spirit Lodge (tri-pod), visitors and friends await to be ushered in from the East, Malcolm does one final run-through of presenting the pipe.

Woods, where he performed Indian programs for many years. It had a quiet, restful atmosphere, it reminded me of Treaty Line Pioneer Village in Dunlapville, IN.

Right on cue, close to 4 p.m., the Intercessor

(Malcolm Greene) and Sign language interpreter (Eugene Fannin) approached the Ceremonial Circle from the west, a solemn drum beat marked their every step.

The Intercessor takes up the pipe and offers it to the sky, then offers it to each of the four winds, west, north, east and south.

The Intercessor steps back and the Guide (Michael Stock) faces the people. Larry Higdon reads the Indian version of the 23rd Psalm, as he does this Eugene Fannin interprets the words in sign language. Then the Guide speaks to the people.

The members of the family and any others who wish say a few words to eulogize the Deceased can do so.

After the eulogizing the Intercessor takes up the Pipe, lights it, he passes it to the left among the spectators. Those who do not wish to smoke, should touch the Pipe with fingers of their right hand, and then pass it to their left. When the smoking is completed the Guide returns it to the Intercessor, who places it on the Pipe rack.

The Ceremony ends after the smoking of the Pipe. The Intercessor and Sign interpreter leave the same way they came, walking west.

The Guide leads the people out of the area towards the east, the way they came.

For a short moment I gazed up to the sky and thought about Golden Eagle and smiled. He left so quickly, being a military man he did everything so orderly, even in his passing. He may be gone from



Now waiting for their cue, Malcolm (Intercessor) and Eugene (sign language interpreter) wait to enter the ceremony area from the west. Denny Thomas is holding the drum he will beat when they walk to ceremony area.

Earth, but not from my mind. I wasn't able to say anything about him in that part of the Spirit Releasing Ceremony. But I will do it in my own way in due time.

Then we all parted, each heading in the direction from whence we came.

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# Misfires & Snags



by Dan Graves

## CRICK FISHIN'

Many times, on my way to a lake, river, or farm pond, I've driven across bridges over small streams that meander through the countryside. Signs at the bridges identify them as the Flat Rock, Brandywine, Little Blue and Big Blue, and in one case the Muscatatuck river. For years I drove over, walked around and flew over these potential sources of good fishing without giving a thought to seeing if they contained anything bigger than a chub minnow. Then one day while waiting for the results of my lottery ticket to be posted on the web site, I decided to try my luck at a local small stream. Armed with a seven foot fly rod, I flipped a bead head nymph into a small hole flowing under a bridge. Immediately, a ten inch bass snapped it up to be followed by a couple of scrappy rock bass. Well, Hello! Maybe I've been missing something, I thought. The hole wasn't that large, perhaps thirty yards long and half as wide and another twenty minutes of casting produced nothing. It appeared I had snagged the only three fish in that hole and I would have to wait a few hours until they forgot about being jerked out of the water and bite again. Without waders and a mud bottom, the rest of the creek downstream was unavailable. However, it did appear that there might be something other than snakes, frogs and tadpoles in some of streams in the area.

In spite of that flash in the pan I slid back into the old ways of flogging the lakes and ponds. A big contributor to this indifference is having a fair sized lake in my front yard and a fishing buddy who considers any fishing not including a bass boat bristling with rods and reels of various sizes, enough lures to open his own tackle store and enough electronic gear to attract the attention of a satellite isn't worth the effort. But in spite of modern technology developed by advanced thinkers to outsmart fish with the I.Q. of a bowling ball, I remember times when primitive methods worked, at least for a kid. I would hop my bike armed with an ancient casting rod with the flexibility of a steel fence post and ride to Leatherwood creek, a shallow stream that couldn't support anything more than four inches long. Wading in two feet of water I'd whip a popper fly out seven or eight feet and catch tiny bluegills

and thread them on a stringer. With a couple of dozen of them too small to droop, looking like a large pipe cleaner, I would present them to mom who would congratulate me on my skill and later bury them in her flower bed.

Years passed and I graduated from the bicycle to a car and my first fly rod, a whippy thing so flexible that the tip curled back in a semi-circle on the forward cast. I had to wait two seconds for it to unwind on each cast. Unfortunately, the fish weren't getting any bigger in Leatherwood so I moved to the local abandoned quarry holes and farm ponds. Creek fishing, with the exception of forays after trout in mountain streams, was forgotten. That is until recently. One of my grandsons, a ten year old, has proven to be an avid fan of fishing. He handles a rod fairly well but it's wise to give him room as he casts as I learned painfully last year. He used my head to break a rod tip and bury a hook in my scalp. However, I recently found out that I was more of a danger to myself. With Cade in tow we stood on the bank of a creek bordering a friends property, looking for a spot with room enough to cast around the surrounding tree growth. A few attempts had us spending more time jerking leaves out of trees than fish out of the water. Downstream was a spot that appeared to offer more casting room so I told him to wait while I checked it out. Wading through knee high poison ivy I considered ways to explain his itching to his mother as I edged my left foot over a muddy drop off down to the waters edge. The bank had the consistency of wet chocolate pudding and collapsed under my foot, causing me to start a terminal slide toward the water. Trying to regain my balance I fell backward, flat on my back into a patch of five foot high stinging nettles. If you've never had this experience, take my word for it and don't try it. Words cannot express the feeling of thousands of tiny needles assaulting your body.

Trying to keep my language to a low key for Cade's sake, I headed back to where he stood, scratching and squirming in agony. While my impressionable young grandson stood watching his highly skilled and experienced grandpa, my foot again slipped down the same small embankment, again throwing me off balance. As I waved my arms trying to stabilize the slide, my left foot caught under a loopy root, pitched me forward and like a drunken bum trying to keep from falling, I charged right into the creek. Standing knee deep in water, scratching burning nettles, I looked at Cade and announced that our creek fishing for the day was over. Apparently, he is mature enough not to stretch his luck by laughing at a thoroughly honked off old man.

I'm now back to fishing the safe way using the fancy gadgets on the lake. Hopefully, it isn't easy to fall out of a 20 foot long bass boat.

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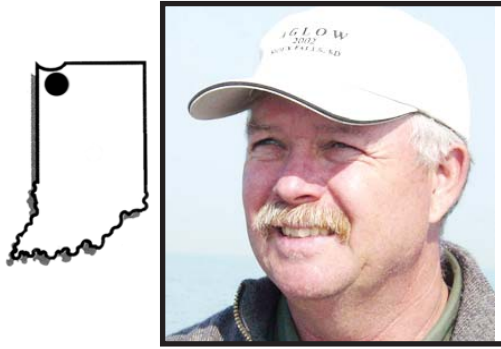
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**Fishing Lake Michigan**



by **Capt. Mike Schoonveld**

**MONO IS NOT MONOTONOUS**

Though most Great Lakes fishermen use lead core line, copper wire, stainless steel wire and braided line at times, if you kept track of all the fish caught in all the lakes, the old standby, monofilament line made from polymers of nylon, still accounts for more catches than all the others, combined. In an after-trip bull session with some other fishermen, one of the more seasoned in the group spouted, "Every reel I own is spooled with 20-pound test clear Ande line." Every reel? Wow.

Not that I have anything against 20-pound test line, or the line made by Ande. It's good stuff. But if there are dozens of brands of lines available, types of lines available and colors of lines available, picking one while shunning all the rest doesn't make sense. It's like having a smart phone that you only use to make telephone calls.

I may be a line geek when it comes to the types, brands and colors of monofilament line I use on my boat; but each one I use, I use for a specific reason. None of them put dozens of more fish in my cooler

on any given day, but each of them add a fish or two now and then. A fish or two now, a fish or two then, another few tomorrow and the next day and in the end, using a variety of fishing lines adds up to dozens more fish by the end of the season. Do you want dozens more fish or the simplicity of buying a bulk spool of 20-pound Ande (or Suffix or Trilene or....) and using it and only it through the course of the season?

Regular monofilament line made from nylon polymers tweaked this way and that by fishing line chemists has been the staple of the industry for over 50 years. It's available in everything from crystal clear to bright fluorescent colors and most brands carry strengths barely strong enough to pull a bluegill from a pond to thick stuff you could put on a weed-eater.

An offshoot of monofilament is fluorocarbon line. Using similar technology in manufacture, fluorocarbon employs a specific chemistry, a bit different from the molecules that are formed into conventional monofilament.

Most important in fluorocarbon's uniqueness, is that it's much less visible to fish underwater. Think of it this way. Sometimes, when you are looking out a clear glass window, it's easy to see the glass. Sometimes it's hard to tell if the window is open or closed. In some water and light conditions, it's easy for fish to see conventional monofilament. Sometimes when the fish see the line connecting to the bait or lure, they shun the offering.

Because of the special properties in fluorocarbon line, it's much harder for fish to see it. Most of the time, the difference is slight. But if adding a fish or two today, tomorrow or the next day is important to you, shouldn't you be using fluorocarbon line?

Almost as important as "hiding" your fishing line from the fish, is making it easy to see for you and your fishing partners. That's why most line manufacturers offer hi-visibility line in bright, sometimes fluorescent colors. The use of hi-vis line is commonplace in salt water, not so much in the Great Lakes. But the advantage to anglers is the same. Salt water specialists often troll with multiple lines. So do Great Lakes fishermen. Trolling with multiple lines ups the chances for tangles. The sooner a tangle is discovered, the quicker it can be untangled and the less "damage" it creates. If you can't easily see the line, you can't quickly respond and a slight twist in the line unnoticed soon becomes a disaster.

I actually use a variety of hi-vis lines on my boat. I use fluorescent green, bright yellow and hot orange on my planer board



The author uses several sizes and colors of monofilament line when fishing Lake Michigan. (Author Photo)

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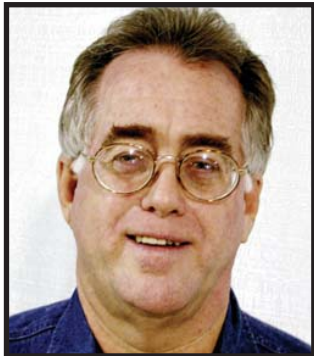


Susie landing the first walleye. She always gets to go first. (Author Photo)



Captain Dave introduces the landing net to my dinner. (Author Photo)

## Outdoors



With Rich Creason

### Lake Erie Walleye Heading for Skillet

While we were still setting out the six rods, three on each side of the boat, Captain Dave Spangler quietly said there was already a fish on rod number two. Ladies first, of course, so Susie grabbed the designated pole. We were fishing a somewhat different setup than we were used to, but Captain Dave walked her through, step by step.

Ordinarily, when we are trolling on large waters, we have small yellow planer boards on each side of the boat which keep the numerous lines away from the boat and each other so they don't get tangled. When a fish hits the lure, the line releases from the board and you immediately begin reeling. Today was slightly different.

A large, wooden outrigger was positioned on each side of the boat maybe 50 or 75 feet out. They were fastened to the craft by a lightweight rope. We released 65 feet of line from each rod on the port side, and 75 feet on the starboard side of the boat. This put them at slightly different depths. On the end was a salmon spoon miniature made by Gale Force Tackle. On the line at the tip of the pole, we fastened a rubber band. This was pulled back and fastened to a clip which had a shower hook attached. This hook

was clipped onto the rope going to the outrigger. The line from each rod was released to slide the clip down the line toward the outrigger and spaced about 10 feet apart. While this sounds complicated, we learned the sequence after two or three tries.

When a fish took the lure, he pulled the line loose from the small clip. We then waited a few seconds for that line to clear the other lines and get positioned behind the boat. Then, we began reeling the fish toward the net. If it was a walleye, 15 inches or longer, it went into the cooler. If it wasn't, it went back in the water. The limit was six walleye per person.

One factor which concerned us was we would be fishing during the late stages of the mayfly hatch. Mayflies are insects which begin life as eggs laid by the adult female, who then dies. (The adult male lives

for a day or two longer.) The eggs sink to the mud bottom of shallow Lake Erie. After a few days, or few months, depending on water temperature, they hatch and a nymph emerges. It burrows into the bottom where it remains for about a year or two. When the nymph is ready to molt, it leaves its burrow and rapidly swims to the surface. Its exoskeleton splits and an adult emerges.

This quick trip to the surface is often interrupted by a fish having the nymph for dinner. When the mayfly hatch is heavy, many of the fish have stomachs full of insects, making it hard to entice them to attack a lure. Fortunately, the fish we were catching didn't seem to have that problem.

I was keeping a list of

what kind, and how many fish we were catching. After I reached 40, I knew I had missed a bunch when we had two and three fish on at the same time, so I quit writing them down. We did catch a lot of walleye, some of which were young of last year, about seven or eight inches long. The captain said next year they would be keeper size. We also caught numerous white bass and white perch.

During the couple times Captain Dave was repositioning the boat, I jotted down some specifics about the equipment. We were on a 30 foot, Grady White boat with twin Evinrude 225's. The rods and reels were made by Diawa and Jet Diver Tru-Trips near the lure were what helped the lures stay close to the bottom. Braided line completed the outfit. Another item I noticed was his 2014 Captain of the Year cer-

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Susie and I enjoying the ride on the way back to the marina. (Author Photo)

tificate hanging on the wall. It was presented to Captain Spangler by the Lake Erie Charter Boat Association. I guess if you're going to go fishing, you might as well go with the best. He informed me he had been guiding on Lake Erie for 22 years and fishing it his whole life.

Besides Susie and I, and Captain Dave, we had another angler on the boat with us. He was Larry Fletcher, Executive Director-West of Lake Erie Shores & Islands. We had a long lunch with Larry before we got on the boat. If you read any of my travel



The infamous mayfly, can cause big headaches sometimes, but this year wasn't bad.

stories, I always mention contacting the local tourism bureaus before going anywhere. They know what is in their area and can answer all of your questions to make sure your visit is enjoyable. Larry spent much of his time answering our questions about his area and informing us about all the local history, activities, etc. Before planning any trip to western Lake Erie, go to [www.SHORESandISLANDS.com](http://www.SHORESandISLANDS.com) or call 800-441-1271. To book a charter with Captain Spangler, check him out at [www.drbugscharters.com](http://www.drbugscharters.com) or call 419-276-0929.

We left the boat at around 8 PM on Friday night.. We drove home, arriving in Anderson about 12:30 AM. I got up about six hours later, let the tailgate down on my truck, and began filleting a dozen fine walleye in the rain. Susie washed and bagged them, ready to go in the freezer until we had some company for a big fish fry.

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sets. I have reels spooled with bright red, hot pink and dark blue. I can see these lines better than clear lines. I can tell if they are running correctly and I often "color" coordinate line and lure color. A green lure goes on the green line, a bright yellow or chartreuse goes on the yellow line. When it dawned on me we aren't getting bites on a particular color of lure, I know which one to pull and switch.

So if the fish are sometimes off-put by clear mono, won't they be even more spooked of hi-vis lines? Absolutely! That's where a clear or even fluorocarbon leader comes into play. Learn to tie a blood knot or double uni and put several feet of clear line just ahead of the lure. You get the advantage of being able to see the line and the fish get fooled by the low-vis fluorocarbon.

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## August Fishing on Brookville Lake for Walleye

Brookville lake is 80 degree on the surface. The thermo cline is at 25 feet. The water clarity is low. Every fish in the lake has spawned out, there are millions of young of the year shad swimming everywhere, what should you do. That's a good question.

Well the first thing you should do is get yourself a good topo map of lake. You can pick these up at any bait shop around Brookville lake. If you can't find one stop in at 52 Pik-up we have them.

Open it up and get yourself familiar with it. What your looking for is off shore structure. Now this could be flats, humps, drop offs, ledges, rock piles, under water points. Just about any irregularity on the bottom has the potential to hold fish.

The dilemma fish are fighting in the summer time is hot water and low oxygen content. They have to breath so they will be above the thermo cline. I see fish on the fish finder a lot of times just above the thermo cline, but they just won't bite. My thought is that this is where the water is the coolest, but the oxygen content is just so low that they won't exert the energy it takes to feed. This is where the saying timing is everything comes into play. At various times through out the day fish will move up around structure and feed. This could be caused by the wind, cloud cover, approaching storms, the sun, the moon or a combination of



Josh Hooten on the left and his dad John Hooten on the right. They are both from Bright Indiana. Both fish are walleye. Josh's fish was 8 lbs and his dads was 4 lbs. (Author Photo)

things.

The dilemma we're facing as fisherman is that when fish move up on this structure to feed there are thousands of little bait fish living on this structure. What this does is make for a very short feeding time. When the feeding trigger strikes, the predator fish will move up from the thermo cline area into the shallow warm water around structure and gorge themselves. With the shallow water being so full of bait this feeding frenzy will not take long. When its over the predator fish will move back to the deeper cool water to cool down and rejuvenate till the next feeding trigger.

There are a couple of ways to fish structure. You can anchor up and cast to it. You can troll over it or you can drift a crossed it. A lot of this depends on how you like to fish. If its me and its windy I will drift a crossed it, but if there is no wind at all I will troll over it or anchor up and cast to it.

A great jig to fish with is a whistler jig or a weed weasel made by Northland tackle. Just tip it with a night crawler and cast and retrieve to the structure. Stick with light jigs to force yourself to retrieve slowly. The trick is to stay in contact with the bottom. When drift fishing do the same, stay light but have an array of colors. If the water is dark stick with colors like orange black chartreuse or green but if the water is clear switch to white chrome gold or blue.

If your going to troll you have to have an arsenal of crank baits. Good colors are black and chrome, black and gold, blue and white or fire

tiger just to name a few. Look for baits that dive from 5 to 7 feet 8 to 12 feet or 12 to 15 feet deep. You want the bait just ticking the bottom. Your speed should be between 1/2 and 2 mile an hour. Try stopping and starting zig zagging or speeding up and slowing down. When you catch one make a mental note on your speed, depth and position put a mark on your GPS or throw out a marker buoy and simply repeat.

What your going to

have to do is find some good looking places on your topo map. Motor out on the lake and find them, mark them on a GPS or simply find land marks that you can see that will help you relocate your spots. Try to have about five or six spots all over the lake and keep moving from spot to spot till you connect with the feeding fish.

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Beth Treaster, Director of the Centerville Library holding the Bicentennial Book, "Through The Archways of Time" Centerville, Indiana Celebrates 200 Years 1814-2014.



David L. and Beverly K. Nixon Co-Chairpersons of Centerville's 200th Bicentennial 1814 - 2014. (Shortridge Archway Pg 1)

### Centerville Library Is Spending Tax Payers Money

by Beth Treaster

Director of the Centerville-Center Township Public Library, Centerville, IN

Of course! That is exactly what the library is supposed to do! The question is – on what should they spend that money?

Ray asked me to write a story for the Gad-A-Bout about what the Centerville Library is doing for Centerville's bicentennial. This is a pleasure for me to write because it gives me the opportunity to ask all readers of the Gad-A-Bout to check out your local public library. Libraries have changed! They are no longer only a book repository. Visit your library and see what they offer that will help you, and see what they're doing that is helping your community to thrive.

At Centerville Library our board and staff are adamant about being involved in our town. Two years ago when planning for the bicentennial celebration began, I said, "Count us in!" How those two years have flown by. The first year and a half involved only monthly meetings and lots of brainstorming. Come January 2014 the pace picked up!

Each staff member of our library took responsibility for a project. Our children's librarian coordinated the bicentennial Children's Day, a day of crafts, games, and stories designed to teach children 19th century Centerville history. Our media specialist did the photography and graphic design for a tour of historic homes. Our maintenance man built a float to represent the library in the bicentennial parade. Our reference librarian wrote a script and directed a reenactment of a South versus North conflict that happened in Centerville in 1863.

As director of the library, I kept busy helping the others with these projects. I had my own project too; editing a book about the 200 year history of Centerville. Many community people contributed content for the book, including our own Gad-A-Bout editor, and I pulled the content together and added photos. The book is done (what a relief!) and is selling well.

So has the staff of Centerville Library been using their time wisely, thus making good use of the tax dollars that pay their salaries? While we were writing, building, recruiting volunteers, having meetings, etc., all for the bicentennial, we weren't shelving

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## 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CENTERVILLE ARCHWAY DAYS AUG. 23, 2014

### CENTERVILLE'S BICENTENNIAL 1814-2014

Article and Photos by Ray Dickerson

The 26th Annual Centerville Archway Days will be held on August 23, 2014. Anthony and Tammy Smith have volunteered to head Archway Days for 2014. They are being assisted by Marie Elstro and others.

There have been some major changes for this year. In previous years north Morton Avenue has been closed from North Street to Main Street with the booths set up on both sides facing one another. This year the booths will be set up on North First Street from Crown Creek Blvd south to Main Street, on East Water Street and within Maplewood Park.

The Festival will have activities in Maplewood Park including the **Peddle Tractor Pull**, **Chalk Art Contest**, **Money Pit**, **K-9 Demonstration** and **Children Games**. The **Quilt Show** at the Mansion House, Centerville Library will have its **Annual Book Sale** Fri. 8/22 10-5 & Sat. 8/23 10-4 and **Tyler Stroh** entertainment will be at the Performance Shelter. There will also be a **Water Ball contest** between area Fire Departments on Crown Creek Blvd.

See pages 16 & 17 to view a **Current Map** of Centerville showing where the activities are located, plus the location of all the Archways, **Historic**

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The **Bicentennial Celebration 1814 to 2014** activities are happening like clock work of a well oiled machine after David and Beverly Nixon became involved with the planning. David and Beverly accepted the responsibility of coordinating all the plans and became co-Chairpersons on October 15, 2012. They enlisted the help of Loren Vance in 2013 to raise the needed operating expenses and they purchased the building next door to Mainsource Bank to use as the **Centerville Bicentennial Reception Center** with their own money.

If you really want to know what has and will take place in our Bicentennial, stop by the Centerville Bicentennial Reception Center. While you're there you can find out not only what has already taken place but you can find out all the exciting things that are still coming including August 23rd (Same date as Archway Days) at 11 a.m. a **Classic Car Show** on West Water Street, at 8 p.m. a **Moonlight Parade** starting at the High School parking lot to Willow Grove Rd north to U.S. 40 (Main Street) turning right going east to Centerville Police Dept. (former INDOT property).

The Nixons are in the Bicentennial Reception Center daily opening at 8 a.m. They will gladly answer any question (s) you might have and can tell you all you want to know about the our 200th Bicentennial. Call 765-220-2383 or 765-220-3283.

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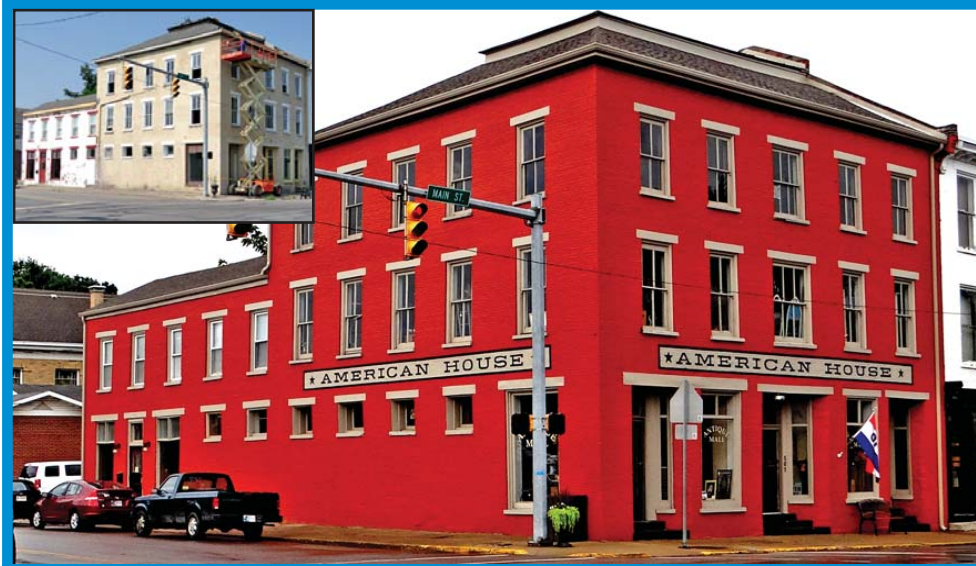
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Top Photo: American House Antique Mall as it looks today. The Inset photo upper left corner is what it looked like the spring of 2013, prior to Kyle and Mynde Turner purchasing the building in March 2013. Bottom Photo: Antiques on the first floor in the west room.

Top Photo: The Wheelhouse Grill, note the outdoor seating along the sidewalk in front. Bottom Photo: Inside the lounge section is a 1893 Victorian Back Bar that was designed for the Chicago World's Fair. There is seating for 130 customers.

## Centerville A Town in Forward Motion

Article and Photos by Ray Dickerson

Centerville Indiana is celebrating its Bicentennial 1814 to 2014, 200 years in existence since being platted in 1814. It's now the summer of 2014, I entitled this article "Centerville A Town in Forward Motion" because since 2013 we've seen two major renovations of businesses that have greatly affected the look of our downtown area. I chose to write about these two businesses because their owners are willing to gamble that Centerville will continue to go forward in the years to come.

### The American House Antique Mall 101 West Main Street

Over the years the 8,000-square-foot American House building saw many businesses and apartments come and go. When the last owner, Steve Knight, died the building sat vacant and neglected.

In the spring of 2013 Centerville town officials were overjoyed when they learned that the American House was bought by Centerville graduates Kyle and Mynde Turner who live in Centerville.

The Palladium-Item dated Tuesday, July 9, 2013 in an article written by Louise Ronald (Staff Writer). "A Centerville couple is working to change an eyesore into an asset. Kyle and Mynde Turner purchased the historic building at the southwest corner of Main Street and Morton Avenue in March and have been renovating non-stop ever since."

Kyle Turner owns and operates Turner Insurance located at 108 South Morton Avenue. I asked Kyle if they would like to advertise the Antique Mall. He told me I would have to talk to his wife Mynde about that, she takes care of the Antique Mall.

When I got there she was upstairs working so I waited until she came downstairs. I introduced myself and asked if she might be interested in advertising in my Archway Days issue of The Gad-a-bout. I showed her the centerfold layout and the ad space Kyle had taken, hers would be right above his. She was interested so she began showing me the Antique Mall.

She told me the building was built in 1836 and had three floors, but they were only selling antiques on the first and second floor. The third floor wasn't finished yet and was used for storage. As she showed me the different rooms I took photographs. She said they wanted to buy the building to preserve it, they didn't want to see it being bull-dozed down.

Mynde asked me if I could mention something about Todd Rees, the general

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### The Wheelhouse Grill 129 East Main Street

The Wheelhouse Grill is located at 129 East Main Street in Centerville Indiana, 47330. The building arose in 1900 and has housed several businesses and restaurants in its time. It was recently purchased by Jeff Wheeler, a native of Centerville who has lived in California for several years. It was renovated mainly by his brother Scott Wheeler and other members of the community. A lifelong friend, Kim Mason, is managing the restaurant.

I had an appointment to meet and talk to Kim Mason on Tuesday at 10 a.m. I made it there just about on time following my meeting with Mynde Turner.

The Wheelhouse Grill opened on February 24, 2014, it employs 30 people, it is closed on Monday, opens at 11 a.m. Tuesday thru Saturday and is open Noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday. The restaurant seats 130 people. It is a family oriented restaurant, the only exception is that children cannot go into the lounge area. The lounge area has an 1893 Victorian Back Bar that was designed for the Chicago World's Fair.

Some food selections from their Menu are Appetizers - House Nachos, Flying Wings, The Wheel Plate, Chips & Salsa; Salads - Grilled Chicken Salad, Cobb Salad, House Salad & Chili; Soups - Soup of the Day; Sandwiches - Southwest Burger, The Big Wheel Burger, Pulled Pork Sandwich, Deep Fried Tenderloin, Grilled Chicken Breast Sandwich & The Veggie Lover; Steaks & Chops - Choice Cut Ribeye, House Sirloin, Cut Fillet, Pork Chop Dinner; Chicken - Parmesan Crusted Chicken & Grilled Chicken Dinner; Spicy & Southwest - Buffalo Chicken Wrap, Chicken Quesadillas & Soft Tacos; Sides & Specialty Sides, Little Wheel Meals, Pizza, Beverages & Desserts.

They normally have music on Thursday and Saturday nights. Thursday is also Bike night.

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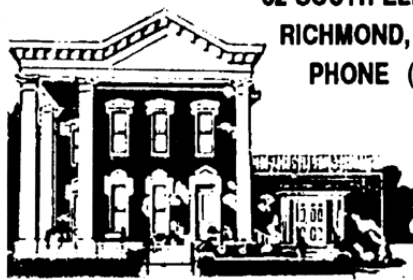
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# Indiana Outdoors



by Joe Martino

## The low-down on crank baits

As we slowly made our way along the shoreline of a local lake recently, my 14-year-old nephew asked how deep the water was so he knew which crankbait to tie on. When I told him we were in three to six feet of water, he excitedly replied, "Oh, okay, so I need a square-bill crankbait then." While I knew exactly what he meant, I also did not feel that he was exactly right. He was correct in that square-billed crankbaits and plugs usually are shallow running baits, reaching average depths of a few feet, but what he failed to consider was that there are a variety of rounded billed ones that are also designed for shallow water fishing as well. This, coupled with something else he mentioned about crankbaits earlier in the day made me decide that he could use a few pointers on how to select a crankbait. Now, I am absolutely no expert on fishing with crankbaits, and I have a lot to learn myself, but I feel I can offer the basics which can point you in the right direction – which is what I did with my nephew.

For starters, when choosing a crankbait, try to pick one that closely resembles what you think the bass in that particular body of water are feeding

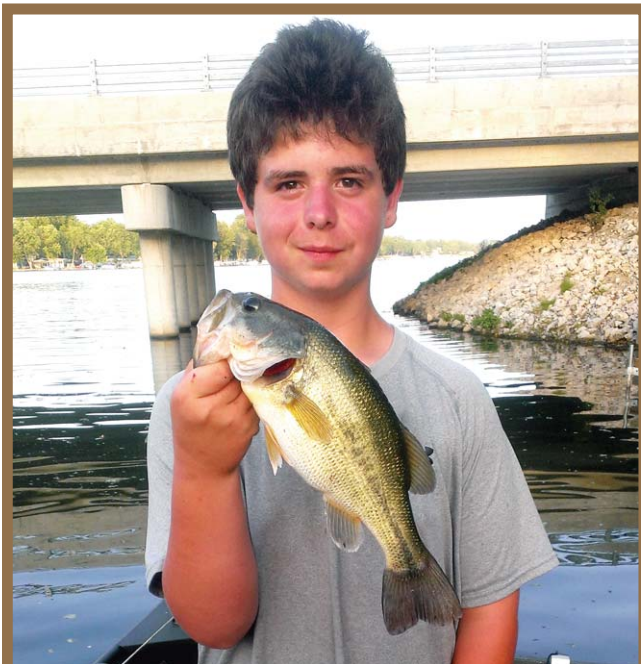
on. Simply put, in a farm pond that does not have any shad in it, I would start with a crankbait that mimics a bluegill in size and shape. Not that the others will not work, because they will, but it always helps to match the local prey of the fish you are going after as much as possible. And since bluegills are a shorter, taller fish, that is the type of lure I would start out with in this situation as well.

Now, let's talk about color. In general, the clearer the water, the less flashy of a crankbait I tend to use. If the water visibility is a couple of feet or more, look for me to throw a natural colored bait such as perch or crawdad. In murky or dingy water think of colors like chartreuse or fire tiger. Also consider using baits with rattles in them for added vibration.

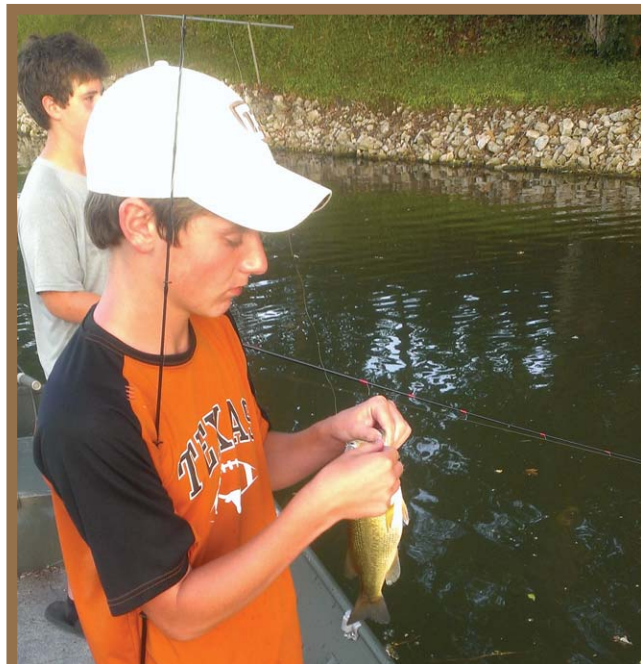
If fishing in six feet of water for instance, you are usually better off throwing a crankbait that will dive to around eight or more feet in depth. The reason; because crankbaits do not always have to resemble fish in order to be effective. Case in point; by using a bait that is designed to dive just deeper than the water you are fishing, the bill of the bait will dig into the bottom of the lake or pond and kick up debris – simulating the movement of a crayfish, which bass find delightful. Another reason to choose one that dives deeper is because at the beginning of your retrieve it takes a few revolutions of the reel handle at least before your plug reaches its potential depth range. And, towards the end of your retrieve as the amount of line out from the rod lessens and the bait gets closer to the rod tip, your bait will naturally begin to ascend in the last one-third or so of your retrieve. Obviously, however, if the bottom of the area you are fishing is choked with weeds, etc., then opt for a bait that will dive to a depth just above the weeds.

If a steady retrieve is failing to yield strikes, switch it up a bit. Try pausing your retrieve every so often, or, bouncing your bait off of dock or pier

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The author's son Nicholas caught this chunky bass on a crankbait recently. Rip-rap, like pictured in the background, is a great place to fish crankbaits. (Author Photo)



The author's nephew, Cole Stephenson, removes a crankbait from the jaw of a largemouth bass. A recent fishing trip sparked a conversation between them regarding crankbaits. (Author Photo)

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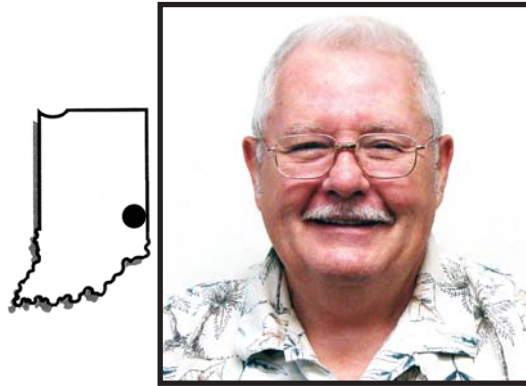
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**Mosin Nagant Sniper Rifles**



Mosin Nagant Sniper Rifle, 1943 dated barrel with import marking, mismatched numbers, and 1942 dated PU scope with canvas cover. With double magazine pouch, oiler and tool. This Mosin could have sold for nearly twice the \$600 it fetched had the numbers all matched and it had not been refinished but had its original finish in good condition. This sold in February of 2010 on lcollector.com.

I was looking through a few of my gun magazines and noticed several ads selling surplus Mosin-Nagant 1891/30 sniper rifles. The Mosin-Nagant sniper rifle was the star in the movie "Enemy at the Gate". Ever since the movie the sales of the sniper rifle skyrocketed. A large number of guns were built and used by the Russians up and into the 70s, and, were sold to countries all over Europe. Some are still

in use today. The sniper rifle was the most produced sniper rifle in the world according to the web site, guncollecting.com. In the 1960s, Finland upgraded its military firearm and its supply of Mosin-Nagants were sold and imported in large numbers into the United States. The supply of rifles at the wholesale level is nearly depleted and prices for existing rifles will be increasing. Beware though, it appears that many of the advertised sniper rifles may not be actual issued sniper rifles, but instead an entrepreneurial exercise by some smart importers, who converted or had converted, standard issue rifles to the sniper style rifles. The Russian PU scopes and mounts you see on the rifles here have been on the market for years in seemingly unlimited quantities. The scope design was pirated by China and is being sold for around \$150. If you find an original scope and mount you will pay about \$600 to \$900.

Today you can buy a new scope and mount (made in China) on the internet for \$150 plus shipping. Cut away a bit of the stock, drill and tap two holes in the 91/30 receiver, stretch and bend the bolt and Shazam! You've got a "genuine" Russian Mosin-Nagant sniper rifle. Well, at least it kinda looks like one. While a 91/30 is going for about \$300-\$350 on the gun auction web sites and slightly less in some of the sporting goods stores.. You may not want to tackle the stock work and machine work required to install even the Chinese version of the PU Scope. A gunsmith will probably charge you \$150 for the work, so you can't easily make one for less money than you can buy one. If you make one you'll have to completely sacrifice the illusion that a Russian sniper actually used the rifle, though. You may prefer to live the lie and let someone else put the scope on.

A cautionary note. Many of the surplus rifles being sold today in the stores are of suspect quality and condition. The supply of unissued guns is gone and the last of the issued rifles are all that's left. If you are buying your first Mosin-Nagant please inspect it thoroughly. The barrels are mostly shot out, corroded and pitted from the corrosive ammo, with poor or no rifling left. Some have been counter-bored from the muzzle about 2 inches in an attempt to clean up the look of the muzzle and the rifling without having to remove the front sight. I cut one of the counter-bored barrels back by 2 inches and recrowned the barrel with a 11 degree crown. The rifling was still bad but the rifle did hold a better group at 100 yards but wasn't anything to brag about. Of course the Mosin 91/30 was never meant to be a tack driver but if one is thinking of using it for long range shots then extensive accuracy work would have to be done.

That's all for this month. These notes are mine alone and do not represent the opinion or position of the Gad-A-Bout or any of its staff, just me. If you have a question or a comment on guns, gunsmithing, gun rights, or, would like to just make a comment email me with your comments at [PrarieWolfGuns@gmail.com](mailto:PrarieWolfGuns@gmail.com). I'll answer your questions as best I can and some answers may be included in this column. Protect your Constitutional rights, exercise your voice to be heard, contact your Congressional Representative and Senator and express your opinion. Be Informed, Be Heard. Be the squeaky wheel, demand your rights. Vote.

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The 34 youth that participated in the Indiana Slab Masters kids fishing day held on June 22, 2014 at (Author Photo)

## Indiana Slab Masters



by Ron Bilbrey

### KIDS DAY

On June 22nd I had the privilege of photographing the Kids fishing day for the Indiana Slab Masters. Registration started at 7:30am with fishing hours from 8am till 12pm. The first couple hours were a bit chilly with overcast skies which finally gave way to the sun and eventually ended up being a really nice day to spend on the lake. I spent the first few hours watching and photographing the kids and talking with most of them and their parents while they fished, they all seemed to be having a great time.

As I rode around the lake and watched how these kids were fishing, I was somewhat amazed at the techniques they were being taught. I wit-

nessed everything from casting bobbers and jigs to spider rigging, I even watched Parker Sikora and Chloe Scott fish a drop shot rig on deep water structure to catch the winning and second place stringers in their divisions. It is no wonder these young kids are so competitive when they start tournament fishing they already have the skills rivaling guys who have been fishing for years and have been taught these skills at an early age by some of the best.

There are a number of tournament trails out there that are not having the success the Slab Masters are, some are even disbanding not being able to get the support of local fisherman. The Slab Masters are not a tournament trail but a club for those who love crappie fishing that may be why they are successful, it is not all about winning tournaments but also about promoting fishing and educating those who want to learn to crappie fish especially the younger generations. There are several young competitors that fish with us on a regular basis and are very competitive. These kids are the future of our sport and educating them to be successful will keep them involved in fishing throughout their lives.

Following the fishing there was a weigh in and awards with all kids receiving participation medals and goodie bags from some of the great sponsors along with different awards for each category. Hamburgers and Hot dogs were also prepared and were followed by games with prizes

given from sponsors. The event was a huge success for the club and hopefully it becomes an annual event that continues for years to come.

On May 10th the Indiana Slab Masters were at Raccoon Lake in western Indiana, we were a little late for the spawn as it looked like most females caught were post spawn. There were a lot fish caught with 29 of the 33 teams entered bringing their limit of 7 fish to the scales. Raccoon Lake is unlike most reservoirs in Indiana it is predominately black crappie opposed to other lakes which are mostly white crappie. It was surprising when Joe Long and Dave Wright came to the scales with a monster 2.50 lb white crappie to beat the club record for big fish. It really shouldn't have been surprising this team has had a great year. This fish also boosted them into first place overall with a



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The Kids Fishing Day top finishers of their divisions and their awards. (Author Photo)



Chloe Scott and her medals for participation and 2nd place in her division. (Author Photo)

total weight of 6.87 lbs. Tom Hankins and Glenn Gill placed 2nd with a weight of 5.97 lbs. and the team of Bret Cunningham and Keith Lucas finished 3rd with 5.94 lbs. Congratulations to the top teams at this tournament and especially Joe for the new big fish record which by the way was released to be caught again.

I typically try to cover only one event in each column but it has been a very busy last few months and in some cases, I will have to cover more than one or get really far behind. I am sure the Crappie USA tournament on Mississinewa and Salamonie will be covered in another article in this or a latter edition. But with the opportunity to fish this tourney with my old partner Donnie Mandrell I figured I would write a few words about it. Especially to congratulate a good friend and his partner on their win, Bob Raymer and

Kevin Wells won the semi pro division with a weight of 4.47lbs and caught their winning fish on Mississinewa. Donnie and I finished 2nd to these guys and caught our fish spider rigging shiners on Double minnow rigs on Salamonie. Along with my sponsors I would also like to thank Gittin' Jiggy with it bait shop in Mooreland, IN. for supporting us in this tournament

Unlike last year when the heat of summer set in and we took a break with no tournaments for a couple months the Slab Masters decided to hold their first annual high stakes open tournament on July 19th at Tanners Creek in Lawrenceburg, IN. An ISM membership is not required to fish this tournament and is open to anyone who wants to fish. Visit the clubs website for more details on this and future tournaments.

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Parker Sikora won her division fishing a drop shot rig with live bait.. (Author Photo)

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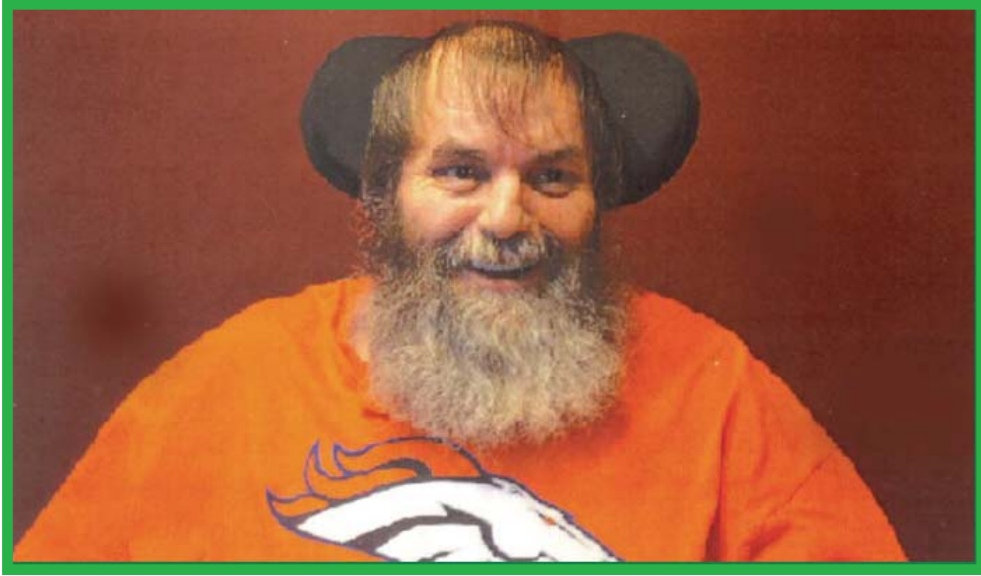
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Tony Hart above had ALS. He passed away March 2014. (ALS-Lou Gehrig's Disease).

# Spurring Down a Cure The 2nd Annual Tony Hart Ride to Buck ALS

Written by Kari King  
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The **Tony Hart Ride to BUCK ALS** has become one of the largest charity events held in Indiana. BUCK ALS started as a way to honor a great man, Tony Hart. He was a long time resident of Lynn, IN, where he, his wife, and three sons own a prominent trucking company. After being diagnosed with ALS in September of 2012, Tony, his family and friends wanted a way to contribute to helping find a cure for the disease that had affected all of those close to him.

What came out of much lengthy discussion was the idea of having a bull riding. As luck would have it a long time friend of Tony's, Steve King, just happened to be a very successful rodeo producer. So he has formed the **Ride to BUCK ALS**. Tony lost his battle to this always-fatal disease in March of this year.

The committee consisting of the Hart family, and friends, will continue the tradition, in memory of Tony and his passion for all things western. Their mission is to honor Tony, along with all of those affected by ALS, and to help raise awareness about this indiscriminate disease that is very difficult to live with. Having witnessed first hand the effects of

this disease, they hope to help empower the ALS Association of Indiana to serve patients statewide with the same care and compassion as they served to the Hart family.

ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, claims the lives of thousands of people nationwide each year. There is currently no known cause or cure for this neuromuscular disease. However, there is help for patients just like Tony. The ALS

Association is the only not-for-profit group that dedicates all their resources strictly to ALS. It is their mission to lead the fight to treat and cure ALS through global research and nationwide advocacy. All proceeds from BUCK ALS go directly to the Indiana chapter of this association, so that they can help connect patients with other services and goods that make living with this disease immeasurably easier to live with, just like they did for Tony. Also, to help with research and public awareness about this disease that so little is known about.

This year's event will be held **August 23rd**, at the **Wayne County Fairgrounds in Richmond, Indiana**. This event is brought to you by all of the generous sponsors including; Indiana Marujun LLC., LT Sales INC., Tom Raper RV's, and the Wayne County Fair Board, who not only donated the venue but also will have concessions. Kicks 96 FM radio will also be doing a live broadcast showcasing all of the exciting events of the day.

Gates will open to the public at 3p.m. There will be many fun family activities available. Some of these activities will include pony rides, a mechanical bull, numerous inflatable's for kids and adults, a 50/50 drawing, a silent auction, a meet the cowboy/cowgirl session, and the opportunity to have your picture taken with "Hookem" the rodeo bull or "Bandera" the rodeo horse.

The entertainment kicks off at 6 p.m. with a live band, followed by the headliner, a professional Bull Riding & Barrel Racing beginning at 7p.m. King Bros. Rodeo, the oldest traveling rodeo company in

the world, once again will be donating the entire top-notch production. Witness as the top cowboys, cowgirls, and bucking bulls of the Southern Extreme Bull Riding Association (S.E.B.R.A.) compete for bragging rights, and the chance to win a total of \$5,000 in prize money, and the coveted championship buckles. These daring athletes will also compete for points and a spot in Murfreesboro, TN at the year end finals, and over \$70,000 in prize money.

Ticket prices for adults are \$10.00, \$5.00 for children ages 6-13, and Kids ages 5 and under get in Free. This one low price gives you instant access to all of the festivities of the day. The event is handicap accessible, child friendly, and fun for all. What better way to support a good cause and spend a day with the toughest sport on dirt.

If you are a business owner and would like to become a proud sponsor of the **2nd Annual Tony Hart Ride to BUCK ALS** please contact the **BUCK ALS committee** at (765) 969-6029 / (765) 969-0487 or email inquiries to [tony.hart.trucking@frontier.com](mailto:tony.hart.trucking@frontier.com).

Be sure to like the **BUCK ALS facebook page**, [www.facebook.com/BuckALS](http://www.facebook.com/BuckALS). If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, you can do so on the ALS Association of Indiana 'One Dollar Difference' webpage (<http://webin.alsa.org/goto/BuckALS>).

This is sure to be the highlight of the summer, so bring the family and be prepared to spend a fun filled day helping with the fight to cure ALS.



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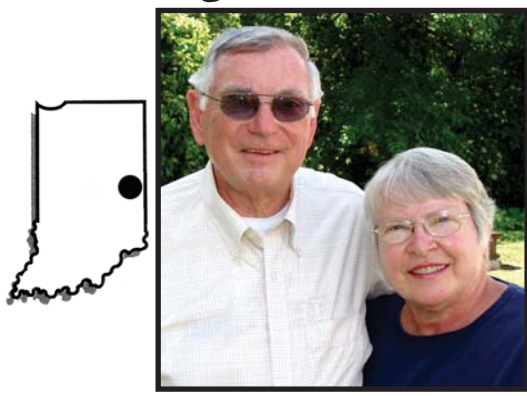
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## Camping Here & Beyond



by John and El McCory

## What Functions Do Camping Clubs Perform?

Several months ago we talked about how campers can plan their trips according to how close campgrounds are to natural and man-made sites they might want to consider visiting. There are those camping families who want to camp as inexpensively as possible and yet be close to things they've heard of or have read about and would like to visit. One such way is to belong to and USE the expertise of camping clubs most of which have discounts from ten to fifty percent off camping costs at hundreds of campgrounds throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. Of course there is an annual membership fee, and in some clubs one may obtain lifetime membership. If you would like to try out a, say fifty percent off club, just pay for one year and try it out. Usually one can pay for the annual membership in just two or three weekend outings if you use their membership campgrounds. Most clubs have extensive websites where campgrounds who presently accept club members keep you on track of present and new campgrounds, and also those campgrounds who drop out of accepting that club's members or are taken out of membership because of one reason or another.

Some clubs have thousands of members and have rallies at various times of the year at various locations both close to and sometimes far from where you might live. If your family might join one of these types of clubs that plans rallies, you'll find both older and younger folks attending. Activities are usually planned for all ages and youngsters are most times taken under the wings of older and more experienced campers. We've heard parents and grandparents tell of how well the younger set was accepted, and that they couldn't help but learn a lot about camp experiences from older folks. Again, you'd want to check to see if the rally is just for retirees.

Also within the camping clubs they may plan spring, summer and fall rallies just within your state and may be held at State Parks, fairgrounds and, if members have wooded areas or farms with a lake, they welcome club members from all over the state and they get to know one another real well. We know of clubs who go out to a different part of Indiana each month. These people get to be almost like a family especially if they are retirees.

Also, within the large national membership of

a club there are people who have the same interests and have rallies of their own. Maybe some family name like Smith or MacGregor might attract a number of people from across the country, interests in vintage car collecting or steam engines, clock collecting, wood carving, interests in leather work designs, avid bridge players, dog and/or cat fanciers and hundreds of off shoot groups who travel miles to rally with people with their own interests. After a significant other has passed we know of parents without partners and just singles who travel to rallies and meet with others like them who seek companionship and discuss solutions to problems they may be experiencing. When you've joined one of these national clubs, they post on their websites or send hard copy (magazines) to advertise up and coming events. A couple of larger clubs you might investigate for future membership would be Good Sam or Escapees. Just type in their name at the top of your home page, and much valuable information can be obtained about them. If you are a member of one of these clubs or any other camping clubs and want to start a smaller group, just contact their national offices and tell them about your request.

There are many positive attributes that these and other clubs portray in their organization. One of the most helpful is that if a member of the club sees another camper or a motorhome with a breakdown along the highway, many of them will stop and do what they can about the problem. On the websites of several clubs they have question and answers about many of the things people want to know about camping, various camping units, how to do some repairs of camping units, where to get good, reasonable camping equipment and questions like: "Where is a good, quiet, shady, friendly spot to camp near (whatever place you want to visit in whatever) state?" Others will jump to their computer or iPad and give you their rendition of where or where not to stop. The questioner many times wants places close enough to go back and forth and see everything without having to cook, etc. In other words, are their restaurants nearby? Other questions might be about various brands of towing devices for their car, whether so and so camp-ground can put a forty-five foot motor home in a site without much trouble, does the camp-ground we've chosen allow us to put up a tent or a fold down camper next to our motor home? Another topic would be what brand is good for your black and grey water holding tanks, and on and on. There is no limit as to what people talk about, and some of it just might be useful to you.

Maybe there may be articles about certain campgrounds or camp resorts that are chosen by large clubs. This presents a problem sometimes because the large club might have the recreation building reserved the same time your family is to be in the same campground. Always take note of some of the popular camping areas that might be full when you call, write, or e-mail so that next time you're out that way it would be advisable to get your reservation in earlier.

Other examples of things you might expect from camping clubs would be good clean camping areas, and, in their websites they may advertise good prices on tents, lanterns, dome tents, van tents, lightweight backpacks and camping food canisters.

To find out about camping clubs and what makes each one of them tick, just type in "Camping Clubs", "Discount Camping Clubs", or the specific name of the national club in the search space at the top of your home page, then touch Web Search. Some names of large clubs are: Escapees, Good Sam, Passport America, Happy Camper, Camping Road Trip, Roaming Times, Campground Knowledge Net-work, The Weekender-Rodney Huth, Coast to Coast, and National Campers and Hikers of America.

Have a great time camping the rest of the summer and fall. Remember that school has started some places and buses and kids are everywhere. If you have any questions you'd like us to write about concerning camping contact us at: **260-637-3524** or [jmacnut@yahoo.com](mailto:jmacnut@yahoo.com)

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by **Dr. Fred Philips, DVM**  
**Tuning Traps**

At our last Trappers Education Class, several of the students asked me about tuning traps. They said that they had read about it in magazines, etc., but did not really know what that meant. The term "tuning traps" means to adjust the trap so that it is at it's most efficient working status, mechanically. Let's get some terminology down. The **BASE** of the trap, is that portion that crosses the bottom and holds the jaws in place. The **JAWS** are fairly evident, and are those parts of the trap that hold the animal's paw when closed. The **PAN** is the trigger mechanism, that when the trap is set, lays between the open jaws. The **DOG** is the lever that lays over one of the jaws, and engages a notch on the pan, that keeps the trap set until it is depressed, presumably by an animal's foot, but your thumb will do it to. The jaw that is under the lever is called the captive jaw as opposed to the **FREE JAW** which will move freely while the trap is set. A **SET** trap is one that is ready to catch something while a fired trap is one that is closed, sometimes on a piece of one's anatomy, i.e. thumb. Some traps have a variation of the above where the dog goes under a part of the pan, or the pan has an extension that holds the captive jaw down and there is no dog. These are called dogless traps. I will discuss tuning the typical trap. The type of trap power, coil spring, long spring, or underspring really will not matter. If your trap doesn't have a part that I discuss, like an adjustable pan tension bolt, then don't worry about it.

Traps straight out of the box may have very sloppy, loose dogs, and trap pans that sit way to high, almost at a 30 degree angle up from the trap

base. Often the notch cut into the trap pan post is way too deep. The first thing that I do is to tighten up the dog by clamping down on it's attachment to the trap base. I generally use a larger vise grip because once I got the adjustment right, I can go right through the lot of them with the same setting on the vise grip. I want the dog to move freely, but not wobble excessively side to side. This procedure often extends the dog inward, lowering the pan, sometimes to the point where it will no longer function. I square up the dog, making a nice crisp end. Next I square up the notch and file back the overhang till I have between 1/16" to 1/8" of notch left. A penny makes a great gauge for determining this distance. The edge of a penny to the top of Lincoln's head is about 1/16". How deep you make this notch depends on how quickly you want your trap to release when the pan is moved.

You want the pan to be level with the jaws. If the pan, at level, will not allow the dog to engage the notch, then either the dog needs to be filed back to the correct position OR the frame that holds the dog may be gentle bent outward. Be careful bending the frame, it is easy to go too far, and then the pan is too high again. It is best to bend the frame as a course adjustment, and then file on the dog for the fine adjustment. Once the pan sets level, check it for wobble. If the pan wobbles back and forth, remove it from the slot that it sets in. You may now either squeeze the slot's "ears" together, or add a small brass washer, #10 I believe, along side of the pan's post, and reassemble the trap. Tightening this bolt assembly makes it harder for the pan to be depressed. A "stiff" pan will make the animal commit it's weight to the trap, catching it a little higher on the pad, and help to prevent unwanted animals, rabbits, cats, mice, etc., from tripping the trap. If it is too stiff though, you will miss your target animal. A "light" pan will trip faster, but if you come back the next day and your trap is fired, sitting in the trap bed, otherwise undisturbed, then the weight of the dirt, maybe collecting some moisture, was enough to set your trap off. That is too loose or light. Whether to use a light pan or a stiff pan is a very common campfire argument where each trapper has their own opinion of what works best for them. Once you have the pan level, with the right tension for you, you are ready to go.

Well, I hope that introduces you to trap adjustment. Whole books have been written about it. A good one is Charles Dobbin's book titled, "Trap Adjustment". You can find it on [Trapperman.com](http://Trapperman.com)

in the catalog section. May your traps be full and your fingers intact.

Till next time, watch your top knot. Keep your eyes along the skyline.

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Before is on the left. After is on the right. (Author Photo)



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Larry Middleton, owner of Middleton The Car Clinic & Tool Sharpening shop. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

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One of my salesmen sold Larry an ad in The Gad-a-bout quite a while ago, when that fella' moved to Florida I met Larry and his wife Karen soon there after. They have lived in Richmond all their lives. They have a son named Jason and a daughter named Sarah. Their grandchildren in the same order are Maggie, age 3 and Brayden, age 2. Up until a few years ago I talked to both Larry and Karen on my visits each month, but more recently Karen has been babysitting the grandchildren.

Larry works on imports and domestic autos,



Here Larry is preparing to sharpen a tool in his shop.



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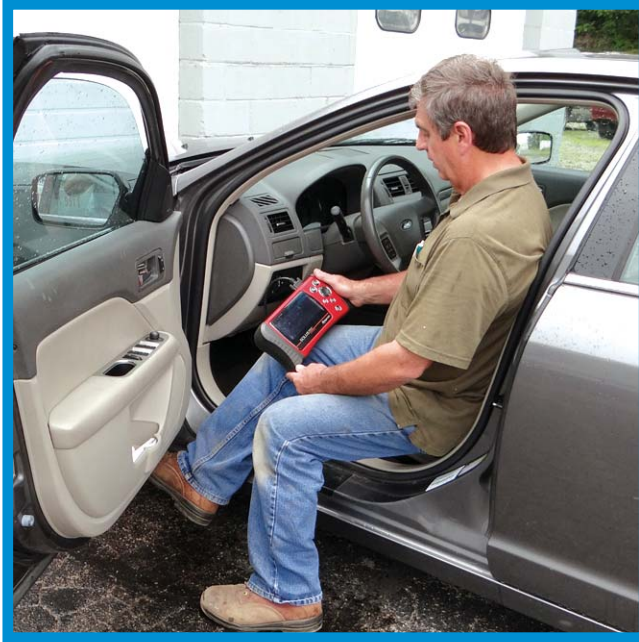
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## IDNR News

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"We made an effort in 2012 to begin reducing the deer herd, and that appears to be working," Stewart said. "The whole point of the late antlerless season is to provide additional opportunity for hunters to put extra pressure on the antlerless deer herd." Hunters harvested 10,091 deer in the late antlerless season in 2012, contributing to an overall record harvest of 136,249 deer. In 2013, the total harvest of 125,635 deer included almost 6,500 during the late antlerless season. "With the harvests that we've been seeing over the past couple of seasons, this pressure is no longer needed in some counties to get the deer harvest where we want it to be," Stewart said.

## HRI project continues piling up the numbers

Four years after it began, Indiana's Healthy Rivers Initiative is a story of numbers.

More than 31,000 acres along three state waterways are now under permanent conservation protection. That includes 1,563 acres purchased in the past year in the three HRI Conservation Areas — Sugar Creek (1,221 acres), Austin Bottoms (302 acres) and Wabash River (40 acres).

Other notable HRI numbers include:

- 8,242 acres open to public recreation.
- 57 miles of river frontage now under protection.
- 11 parking lots that provide public access.
- 1,000 tons of stone used to construct parking lots at access sites.
- 5,420 boundary markers posted at HRI sites.

"HRI is a true conservation success story right here in Indiana that shows the power of partnerships," DNR director Cameron Clark said. "Accomplishing something of this magnitude requires leveraging our conservation dollars and resources across numerous natural resource agencies and organizations. We are thrilled with what this partnership has accomplished in just four years."

HRI was launched in 2010 to secure permanent conservation protection of nearly 70,000 acres along Sugar Creek, the Wabash River and the Muscatatuck River.

The project partners work with landowners to provide a model that balances forest, farmland and natural resources conservation; connects separated parcels of public land to benefit wildlife; protects wildlife habitat and rest areas for migratory birds; opens lands to public recreational activities; establishes areas for nature tourism; and provides clean water and protection from flooding to downstream landowners.

The DNR's project partners in HRI are the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, The Nature Conservancy of Indiana, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service.

For more information, see [healthyivers.IN.gov](http://healthyivers.IN.gov).

## Indiana Outdoors

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pilings, rip-rap or any other structure or obstacles. A lot of times this gives the appearance of an injured or disoriented baitfish — something a predatory fish such as a bass may not be able to resist.

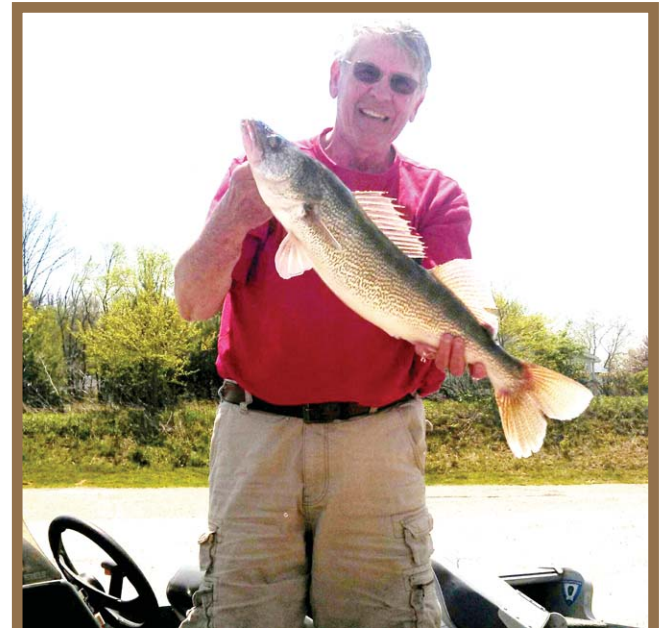
A final tip: yes, crankbaits can be great baits for a lot of fishing situations, and they are one of my favorites for finding fish. Why? Because they can be fished quickly, enabling you to cover large amounts of water in order to find active fish. And, even if fish are not active, a lot of times the vibration and/or sight of one can often trigger inactive fish to impulse strike at it. The result is the same — a fish in the boat. But a lot of times after I have fished an area with a crankbait, I will go back and fish it with a soft plastic lure like a jig or worm, just to see if I can pluck another fish or two that I may have missed with the fast moving crankbait. Or, if there are two of you in the boat, consider having one throw a crankbait while the other throws a soft plastic.

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Janie and her friend Don, from Vandalia, Ohio caught a 22" and 18" Walleye and 2 Largemouth bass on Brookville Lake. (Jay's Midlake Photo, Brookville Lake, IN)



Jud Costlow from Richmond, Indiana Caught this 26 inch, 7 pound Walleye in the Hannah's Creek Area of Brookville lake. (Jay's Midlake Photo, Brookville Lake, IN)



Centerville is celebrating its Bicentennial 1814 to 2014. The events are listed on Page 4 & 28. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

## Roaming The Outdoors

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- July 12 Richmond Orchestra 7 pm - Maplewood Park
- July 12-13 Garden & Home Tour
- July 13 March on Richmond 2 pm - Richmond City Building  
(Winning Cornhole Team Claims The Courthouse)
- July 14 Bicentennial Veterans Day All Day  
(Donuts, Coffee & American Flag for Veterans)
- Bicentennial Concert 7 pm - Maplewood Park
- July 14-18 Open House 8 am-4:30 pm - Centerville City Bldg
- Needle & Quilt Show 10 am-2 pm - Centerville Christian Church Family Center
- Bicentennial Cash Scavenger Hunt 4-9 pm
- July 15 Eaton Community Band & Choir 7 pm - Maplewood Park
- July 15-17 Senior Day - Centerville-Abington Senior Center, 15th Bingo, 16th Pool & 17th Eucre
- July 16 Children's Day 3-7 pm - Downtown Locations
- Academy of Art Players 7 pm - Maplewood Park
- Bicentennial Concert 7 pm - Maplewood Park
- July 18 The Bulldogs Concert 7 pm - Maplewood Park
- J.E.W.E.L.S. (Just Everyday Women, Encouraging, Loving, Serving) 5-8 pm - Centerville Christian Church Family Center
- July 18-19 Historic Home Tour 5-8 pm
- July 19 Civil War Reenactment, All Day - Soccer Field
- Butternut Reenactment 2 pm - Soccer Field
- July 19-20 Farm (Ag) Day, All Day - Soccer Field

- Craft Show - Soccer Field
- July (Entire Bicentennial Week) Recognize War Veterans - Crown Hill Cemetery
- August 22-23 Centerville Library Book Sale - 22nd 10-5 & 23rd 10-4
- August 23 Archway Days - Crown Creek Blvd, Park, 1st St
- Archway Days Quilt Show - Mansion House
- Archway Days Troop 16 Breakfast Buffet 6:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- Centerville Methodist Church-Advance tickets call Bob Nuss 765-969-8972
- Bicentennial Classic Car Show 11 am - West Water St.
- Moonlight Parade 8 pm - H.S. Parking Lot, Willow Grove Rd, Main St ends at Centerville Police Dept. on U.S. 40
- August 28 Centerville Alumni 5 pm - Jr High Gym
- September 13 Time Capsule
- Block Party & Wrap Up 4 pm - Main Street
- October 4 Operation Serve 9 am - 2 pm - Centerville Christian Church
- October 18 Pork Chop Dinner 4-7 pm - Centerville-Abington Senior Center
- October 25 Spaghetti Supper 4-7 pm - Centerville Fire Auxiliary - Centerville Christian Church Family Center
- October 31 Lions Club Halloween Celebration 6:30-8:30 pm Centerville Elementary Gym
- November 1 Pancake Breakfast 6:30-10 am - Promote Centerville - Centerville United Methodist Church
- The end of the Bicentennial Listing.

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Left Photo: The Bicentennial 4th of July activities included a Civil War Reenactment group, this photo was (taken with available light) of the reenactors camp at 9:35 p.m. following the fireworks program. I talked to a member of the Amherst Artillery, Army of Northern Virginia. They had a ten pounder cannon set up and demonstrated it during the day. I heard and felt it when they touched her off, at my house on East South Street. Right Photo: The Bicentennial Fireworks that took place was one of the best I've ever saw. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)



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Liberty and Abington Volunteer Fire Departments compete in July 4th Waterball Contest. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)



Top Left Photo: #581 Sean Kennedy, Age 27, from Fountain City, Indiana won First Place in the men's category with a time of 27:14. Top Right Photo: #502 Sarah Repp, Age 17, from Connorsville, Indiana won First Place in the women's category with a time of 32:24. Bottom Left Photo: Strange coincidence, I took this photo at the beginning of the race in Liberty, the race started and I wasn't ready to take a photo, just snapped this one. Note the number on this guy, 581, it is Sean Kennedy in Liberty, he won. Bottom Right Photo: Winners Sarah Repp and Sean Kennedy after receiving their first place trophies in Liberty.

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Brandon Herbert's 9 year old nephew, Gage Coomer, caught this 20 inch, 3 lb. 14 oz. Large-mouth bass on 6-21-14 around 4:30 p.m. using a Bass Pro XPS Super Shallow Crankbait. He caught it in New Castle, IN in a local retention pond. It was the biggest bass Gage had ever seen. (E-mail Photo submitted by Brandon Herbert)



At the age of 10, Sam Roszell took his first buck with a crossbow, it was a 8 pointer and field dressed at 157 lbs. (Photo by his grandfather, Stephen (Pete) Roszell)



Mike Cain took this Chocolate Black Bear in Winnipeg, Manitoba with a Ruger 44 rifle on May 15, 2014. (Big Daddy's Guns & More Photo, Hagerstown, IN)



14 year old Adam Cox caught this 17 inch 2 1/2 lb. Crappie May 10, 2014 in a farm pond in Rush County. The photo was taken at 6:45 p.m. (E-mail Photo submitted by Adam Cox)



On April 19, 11 year old Sam Roszell took his first turkey during the youth hunt. It weighed 25 lbs., had a 11 1/2" beard and had 25mm spurs. His dad, David is with him. (Photo by his grandfather, Stephen (Pete) Roszell)



Grandfather, Pete Roszell, had to hunt a little longer than Sam, taking his turkey on 5-7-14, it weighed 23 lbs, had a 10 1/2" beard and 25mm spurs. He said he heard who got the biggest turkey! (Photo by Sam's Dad, David Roszell) Ed. Note: See the rest of the story at right. →

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Kyle Collins took this 25 pound turkey, it had 23mm spurs. (Red Barn Bait, Guns & Deli Photo, Salem, IN)



6 year old Kailer Bennett won 1st Place for catching a 21 1/2 pound catfish in the 5-8 year olds. (Red Barn Bait, Guns & Deli Photo, Salem, IN)



Landon Snelling took this 23 1/2 pound turkey on 4-19-14, it had 18mm spurs. (Red Barn Bait, Guns & Deli Photo, Salem, IN)

**A LAD NAMED SAM ROSZELL**  
 I got the following letter from Stephen (Pete) Roszell (Game photos at left):  
 2013-14 Hunting seasons in Indiana proved to be a lucky year for a lad named Sam Roszell. At age 10 in August Sam took his first squirrel. October 14, 2013, he then scored with a crossbow, taking an 8 point buck that field dressed at 157 lbs. In Jan 2014 he took his first rabbit. Then this spring, April 11, he turned 11 years old and on April 19, 2014 during the youth turkey season which was April 19-20, but he only needed the first day, April 19th at 10:40 a.m. he took his first turkey. It weighed in at 25 lbs., had a 11 1/2" beard and 25mm spurs. Sam Roszell is the son of David Roszell and Grandson of Stephen (Pete) Roszell.  
 Grandfather Pete, had to hunt a little longer to get his turkey on May 7, 2014 almost running out of season he took a 23 lb. turkey, it had a 10 1/2 inch beard and 25mm spurs. In the letter Grandfather Pete said, "I did hear who got the biggest turkey!" (Photos sent in by Grandfather Stephen (Pete) Roszell from Greensburg, IN)

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