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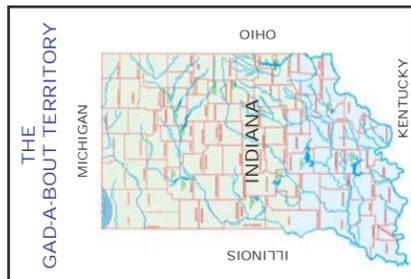
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Top Right: Army Vietnam Veteran, Sammy Davis, a Medal of Honor recipient spoke at the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park in Richmond, Indiana on Saturday September 24, 2016. His subject was serious, but he had an interesting way of disguising the real pain of war with his parents. See Page 14-15. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Bottom Left: Quite a few years ago I was driving just south of Springersville, Indiana at about daylight when in the road ahead of me seven deer entered the roadway. I braked hard missing six, but hit the seventh one. See Page 4. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Bottom Right: Steve Pershing pictured with some of his and teammate Tom Curtis winning crappie caught during the Bozarth Crappie Tournament on September 10th. Pershing and Tom Curtis won total weight with 5 lbs and also had the big fish with a crappie weighing 1.16 pounds. Steve is Ryan Pershing father. Ryan Pershing is the Manager of Bozarth Country Store and has been writing in The Gad-a-bout for some time. See Page 28-29. (Photo by Ryan Pershing)

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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN DEER MAY RUN IN FRONT OF YOUR VEHICLE IN A SPLIT SECOND ARE YOU PREPARED FOR IT?

Quite a few years ago I was driving just south of Springersville, Indiana at about daylight when in the road ahead of me seven deer entered the roadway. I braked hard missing six of them and came a few feet short of missing the seventh one. The impact wasn't severe, that deer kept on running, but he ran side-ways for awhile. I was lucky I only had minor damage to the front of the blue Cavalier station wagon I was driving.

Shortly after that Carl Sharp, my State Farm Insurance gave me a deer whistle like the one you see in the photo below. At that time I was driving all the way to Milford, Indiana (just north of Warsaw) where The Gad-a-bout was being printed in the middle of the night. Plus I was delivering The Gad-a-bout state-wide where I encountered deer all the time. I haven't hit a deer since, but have had many close encounters all ending happily for me and the deer. I found out also that this deer whistle caused every kind of wild animal to either leave the roadway or cause them not to enter the roadway when I approached them. In all the years since 2004 to my knowledge I have hit one raccoon, a couple squirrels and one cat in the thousands of miles I have driven since then. I have bought lots of these whistle during that time

putting them on every vehicle I have driven and given a lot of them to relatives and friends over the years.

Of course you also have to use common sense even with it on your vehicle. When I see eyes reflected in my headlights at night or see animals in the road I slow down, you never know what an animal will do in this situation. It is my opinion that speeds above 35 mph creates a loud whistle that hurts the animals hearing (see product explanation below). At 55 mph to 70 (legal speed limits in Indiana) the animals leave the roadway quicker or freeze in their path when approaching the roadway I am traveling along. I've saw deer stop in their path and start backing up from the roadway. Skunks amazed me at how pretty they were leaving the roadway alive. They looked like a black and white ribbon flowing away from the roadway, this in contrast to the way we normally view them squashed on the highway and leaving their smell behind.

Not too long ago on a open country road south of Abington, four squirrels quite a distance apart, in succession run from the road as I approached them.

In the years since telling readers about this whistle I've had quite a few stop and tell me how well the whistle has worked for them.

The only business I know in my area, other then the manufacturer that sell this whistle is Mendenhall's Hardware located at 125 S.W. 5th in Richmond, IN. You might want to call 765-962-4842 to make sure they aren't sold out before you go. This time of year they go quickly.

You can buy the "Save-A-Deer whistle at Living Products, LLC, P.O. Box 2357, Platte City, MO 64-79. Phone # 303-838-4083 or Online at their website: WWW.DEERWHISTLE.COM.

I have a testimonial on their website telling that I recommend its use any where you come in close proximity of animals near roadways.

I have found through the use of this whistle it is most effective when I place it as close to the center of the grille as possible. I have seen deer, raccoon, rabbits, squirrel, ground hog, fox, coyote, opossum and skunk leave the roadway or stop from entering the roadway in front of me.

Domestic animals I'm not sure if they react the same as wild animals to this whistle.

On the package the whistle comes in, it reads, "The Save-A-Deer Whistle is the latest technology in animal warning devices. At speeds over 35 mph air rushing through the Save-A-Deer Whistle omits a sound frequency which warns and may freeze deer, preventing them from moving into the path of your vehicle."

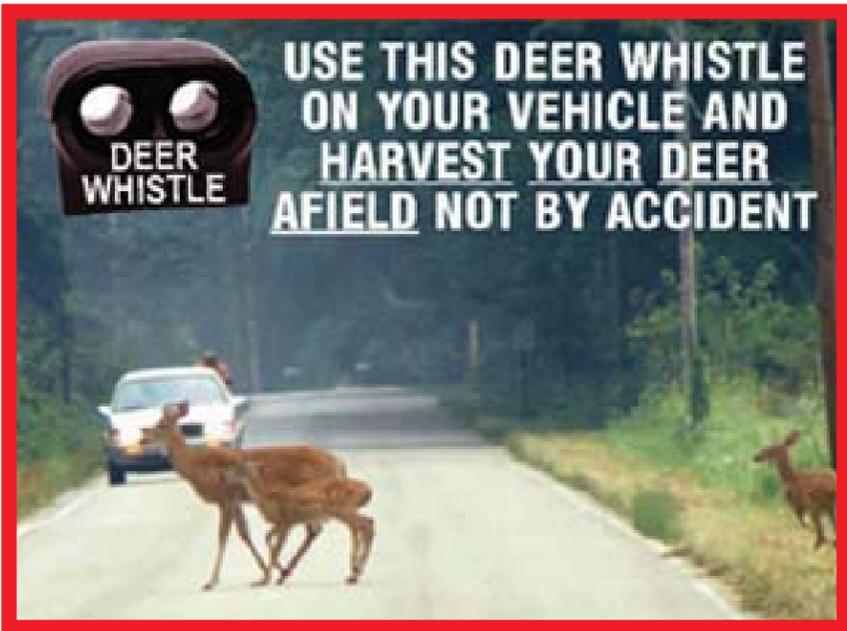
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warm water fish like largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, bluegill and crappie seem to be unaffected by the hot water. Catfish seem to bite better in the hot water. In the fall when the days get shorter the nights get longer, and the surface temperature of the lake starts to cool. This is the first sign to all the fish in the lake that winter is on its way.

What happens next is a lot of the fish that have been holding on deep drop off edges or holding just above the thermocline will move closer to the surface as the water temperature continues to get colder. The next thing to happen is fall turn over. This is mother natures way of helping the fish survive the cold water of the winter season. In the summer the water is warmer on the surface around 80 degree and the water down below the thermocline is around 50 degrees. As the upper layer of water cools it gets heavier then the lower layer of water and the water swaps places. Now the upper layer of water is colder and the lower layer is warmer. This is called fall turn over. What this does is re oxygenates the deep water all the way to the bottom. This enables the fish to go as deep as they need, to survive the cold water of winter

November Walleye Fishing

Finding and catching walleye in Brookville lake through out the year can be a difficult task.

In the spring they are going to be shallow and on the banks, that's a given. In the summer they are going to be 8 to 12 feet deep in the the middle of the lake living on flats, this is also a given. But in the fall it can be tricky. At this time of year the fish can be deep or shallow. This is all due to fall turn over.

In the summer the lake stratifies. This is were the upper warm water meets the lower cold water.

The area were the two meet is called a thermocline. Down below the thermocline there is not a sufficient amount of oxygen to sustain life. So all the fish are forced to live above the thermocline through out the summer.

Most years this is not really a problem. With the rain, wind and cool nights the thermocline will stay deep, usually in Brookville about 35 feet. But as the summer months take its toll on the upper layer of water the fish can be put between a rock and a hard place. For the last couple of years Brookville lakes surface temperature has been getting hotter reaching temperatures as high as 88 degrees in August. This is not a big deal as long as you have a deep thermocline. But if its shallow this is hard on cold water fish like walleye, and striped bass. Walleye will get blotchy red patches on them due to stress, but it doesn't really seem to bother them. Striped bass just can't take the hot water at all if you have a shallow thermocline they normally don't make it. Some of the

At this time of the year for a period the fish can be deep or shallow. I have caught walleye 55 feet deep on a jigging spoon, then turned around and catch them casting the bank using a count down rapala.

Places to look shallow: Any place you see bait fish on the surface. Look around fallen timber or rocky shore lines where the sun hits the bank all day. Main lake points are always a good bet

This pattern will last till the surface temperature gets down in the mid forty's. After this the fish will only be deep.

Places to look deep: Steep drop off ledges or deep water with slow current next to a main channel.

When fishing shallow a 6 foot 6 inch medium action bait caster or a 6 foot medium spinning pole is a good choice. But when you are fishing deep you need to use medium heavy rods and switch to braided line. I like to use 15 lb. Text Calcutta line that I buy from 52 Pik-up. When the water gets really cold the fish are kind of in a slow motion mode. Some of the bites are nothing more then a peck. The braided line will let you feel even the smallest of hits.

When fishing shallow choose baits that look like bait fish that can be fished very slow, or simply use live bait. Stay with bass or crappie minnows. These can be bought at 52 Pik-up all winter When fishing deep choose baits that look like bait fish that can be fished straight up and down. Remember you are trying to imitate what the fish are feeding on naturally at this time of the year.

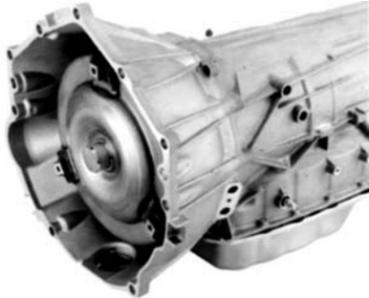
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News from the Indiana State Police



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

ISP Pendleton Holds Active Shooter Training Sessions

Centerville – Back in August the Indiana State Police Pendleton District conducted a Safe School/Active Shooter Training session at Centerville High School in central Wayne County. There were nine school corporations in attendance from Wayne and surrounding counties. Local public safety personnel were in attendance including area police, fire and EMS.

There were two sessions conducted by district Troopers Eric Fields and Aaron Edwards, with the intent to provide training for school administrators, local first responders and law enforcement on the response to an active shooter. The morning session was a power point presentation, which was followed by an afternoon session based on a mock active shooter drill, involving staff, students, local law enforcement, fire and EMS.

The scenarios were designed to give the administrators the feel of what it might be like during an actual active shooter situation; on the response to an active shooter situation by local law enforcement and first responders, and what school personnel can do to mitigate injury and the loss of life in an active shooter situation.

The Indiana State Police has been tasked to serve as the lead agency in coordinating active shooter training for school corporations and businesses throughout the entire state. Indiana State Police Superintendent Doug Carter, with the highest support of Governor Mike Pence, initiated this active shooter training program three years ago.

During the last few months, ISP has updated and evolved the training program. The program, Unarmed Response to Active Shooter Events, now includes specific information aimed at educating individuals and businesses, to better prepare them for an active shooter event. Presentation materials and learning aids, as well as videos, have been specifically developed for corporate environments, schools, school buses, and individuals. The resources are free and available online at www.in.gov/isp/3191.htm.

On that page “you will find a number of resources prepared or gathered by the Indiana State Police to assist the public in understanding how to respond to an active shooter event. Resources have been prepared for both [corporate environments](#) and [schools](#), with special resources for school bus drivers. For convenience, we have prepared a brief pamphlet describing this initiative and the available resources to share with administrators. The pamphlet may be downloaded by clicking on the following link”:

[URASE Training Program Pamphlet](#)

If your school, community or business lies within the eight county Pendleton District, you can schedule a training session, or learn more about the training, by contacting ISP Troopers Aaron Edwards for Fayette Union or Rush Counties; Trooper Eric Fields for Randolph, Wayne or Henry counties, or Trooper Ryan Davis for Delaware or Madison Counties, at **765-778-2121**.

If your school or business is interested but located in one of the other state police districts, call your local post to see about scheduling a program. The words of Theodore Roosevelt sum it up best- “In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing; the next best thing is the wrong thing, and the worst thing you can do is nothing.”

Speeding in a Construction Zone Leads to Felony Charges

Madison County – We all know how dangerous it is to speed through construction zones, but this guy is the epitome of why you always have to watch the other guy when driving. Early one morning in mid-September, just after 3 a.m., Pendleton Trooper Kendrick Donald was working traffic on I-69, around the 225 mile marker, when he clocked a south bound Chevrolet Impala at 98 M.P.H. in the 70 M.P.H. zone.

Trooper Donald activated his lights and caught up to the car. The Impala drove on at 100 M.P.H., refusing to stop and hitting some of the orange barrels as it entered into a 50 M.P.H. construction zone at the 219 MM. Master Trooper Shawn Cosgrove, who was working special INDOT project in the zone protecting the workers, also attempted to get the Impala to stop, but it continued on through the zone, weaving past the workers who were working.

At the 214 mm the vehicle exited to SR 13, where Cosgrove and Donald were able to box the vehicle in and get it to stop. The driver, later identified as Reginald Duncan, age 39 of Indianapolis, refused to identify himself at the scene and had to be helped from his vehicle. Further investigation showed that Duncan had a blood alcohol level more than twice the legal limit of .08% B.A.C.

Trooper Donald arrested Duncan, charging him with Resisting Law Enforcement with a Motor Vehicle, Level 6 Felony; Operating While Intoxicated with a Previous Conviction within Five Years, Level 6 Felony; Reckless Driving in a Highway Work Zone, Level 6 Felony; Operating While Intoxicated and Failure to Identify, both misdemeanor charges. Duncan was lodged in the Madison County Jail. Luckily no one was injured in this incident.

According to Nathan Riggs of INDOT, “This year through the end of August, there were more than 2601 crashes in INDOT work zones. Of those crashes, 411 were personal injury, with 581 people injured and 9 fatalities. Frequent instances of interstate drivers disregarding work zone traffic control and speed limits have led to an alarming trend of recent crashes and “close calls” with construction workers and law enforcement officers.”

Riggs went on to say “INDOT, its contractors, and our law enforcement partners, appreciate the cooperation, attention and patience of drivers who consider safety by slowing down, paying attention and driving

sensibly near construction zones.”

All Suspects Are Presumed Innocent Until Proven Guilty in a Court of Law

November 24th marks my 25th year anniversary with the Indiana State Police. Through good times and bad, there are a lot of things through the years that I’ve forgotten, and a lot things that I remember as if it were yesterday. One thing that I remember well is my first OWI arrest.

It was a cold Friday night in March, 1992, and I had been issued my well used 1990 Chevy just a couple weeks before. I was working in Randolph County, driving through Union City, when a motorist coming into town waved me down. He told me how a west bound Chevy Vega, just outside of town, had driven left of center and nearly hit him head on.

Now if you know anything about cars, you know that by 1992 there were precious few Chevy Vegas still on the road, so I was confident in finding the car. Not far out of town, I came up on the car just as it began snowing huge wet snow flakes. Sure enough, the car was well below the speed limit and was weaving all over both lanes of the road.

I got the car stopped, and as I walked up noticed in the rear floor board was a gallon jug of oil, (which is normal equipment for driving a Vega,) as well as a whole bunch of empty beer cans. Turned out the male driver and his wife had been out celebrating his birthday, and he was eating on a huge tenderloin as he drove down the road. He was even wearing a little mayo and onion on his face as we spoke.

He was a nice guy, but made a bad decision to drive after having drank so much. His highly intoxicated wife, being the good wife she was, insisted that if he had to go to jail on his birthday that she should go too. The gentleman and I tried every way to talk her out of it, offering to call her a ride, but she insisted on going to jail. So reluctantly, I took them both.

He tested well over the legal limit, and she seemed happy to be lodged for public intoxication. Now a few years later, I stopped a car about 2 in the morning for some equipment violation, on a desolate stretch of a state road. Turned out it was the same guy. He shook my hand and thanked me for arresting him years before, as he said it forced him to get his life straightened out.

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Trying to “Beat the Train” can be DEADLY..



Everyone knows what happens when an aluminum can is run over by a vehicle. A similar result can be expected when a vehicle is driven into the path of a train.

Indiana State Police

Misfires & Snags



by Dan Graves

OLD POTTERS SAL

(I wrote this poem a few years ago, I hope you like it.)

*There's a time when a squeaky rocker
Is as soothing as a smile
But rockin' by yourself don't count
When you need to jaw a while*

*So, I laced my shoes and donned my hat
Cut a piece of chewin' plug
And set off under a yellow moon
After corkin' a half full jug*

*I found him sittin' on the porch
Ol' Sal was by his side
That dog had been with Potter
Since Maude, his wife had died*

*He greeted me with a howdy
I knowed he's glad I came
He's been livin' by hisself so long
And I know, I feel the same*

*His smile was wide and friendly
For neighbors and for kin
He warmly welcomed anyone
With his wrinkled, toothless grin*

*We cut a chew and poured a cup
An' for a while there warn't a sound
I finally up an' asked him
How he'd come by this bony hound*

*"Found her down at Chatham creek one night
Where my dear Maude was laid to rest
She 'us cold an' seemed so awful lost
I brought her home, all wrapped up in my vest*

*At first she seemed too dumb to know
A r'coon from a cedar stump
But 'fore long she showed her nat'rl cut
"Let's go huntin'" would make her jump*

*She ain't purty, I know
With all them knobs and bone
But I'm glad she took to me, you know
'Cause now I ain't alone*

*I 'member hearin' Sal at night
When the hour was gittin' long
The lonely sound would echo
And repeat her mournful song*

*Her mellow bay brought memories back
When life was strong and free
Of fun we had, my Pa and I
And a r'coon run up a tree*

*We talked a while 'bout senseless things
Then quiet settled in
To let each of us just set an' think
'Bout a dog and two old men*

*When you've lived a lonely life, like us
Through many a day and night
Another friendly soul around
Makes everything seem right*

*A waning moon, a gentle breeze
While crickets sang their tune
The old man was softly snoring
This quiet night in June*

*I corked my jug an' stroked Sal's head
She looked up as though to say
Thank'e for stoppin' by tonight
You'all come back now, just any ol' day*

Most of us have a tale to tell about one of our dogs or one belonging to an acquaintance. As a kid I would believe anything told me by an adult. But, one instance tested my faith almost beyond the breaking point. Homer, a friend of my dad, was notorious for stretching the truth further than a rubber band around a rain barrel. He told of his fishing dog, a mixed breed he took with him on his river fishing trips.

"That dog would stand on the bow and watch the water in front of the boat. When he spotted a fish he would go on point. All I had to do was watch his tail. If it hung low, the fish was a little one, but he would raise his tail according to the size. When it was standing up like a flag pole I knew whatever he saw was a whopper. Then, he would move his tail to the right or left to tell me what direction the fish was swimming. One day, he got so excited that his tail was wrapped up over his back and he was standing on his front legs. He lost his balance and fell overboard. There was the gosh-awfulest commotion in the water and the old dog disappeared. I guess the fish must have swallowed him."

From then on I took anything Homer said with a grain of salt. After all, who had ever heard of a dog that could stand on its front legs. ■

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Left Photo: 1st Place 9-10, Steve Pershing pictured with some of their winning crappie caught during the Bozarth Crappie Tournament on September 10th. Pershing and Tom Curtis won total weight with 5 lbs and also had the big fish with a crappie weighing 1.16 pounds. Right Photo: 1st Place 9-24, Steve Jeffers and Bob Land pictured with their Bozarth Classic winning crappie. They had a total weight of 6.63 pounds and their biggest catch of the day was a 14 inch 1.32 pound crappie. These crappie were caught at the Salamonie Reservoir. (Author Photo)

Great Lakes of the Wabash River - Fishing News



by Ryan Pershing
Mgr of Bozarth Country Store

Bozarth Crappie Tournaments

The 2016 Bozarth Crappie Tournaments came to a close as we hosted events on Saturday, September 10th and Saturday, September 24th. The 2016 season turned out being a great year as we didn't have flood or drought like conditions to deal with like in previous few years. The lake levels at all three properties have maintained at the same level which has allowed the chance for all outdoorsmen to enjoy what these properties have to offer. Although the lake conditions have been ideal for the 2016 season, several of our tournaments have dealt with rainy conditions that have made for some challenging fishing.

Our third of four tournaments of the year was held on Saturday, September 10th and had a total of 9 teams participating. As with the previous tournaments, our fishermen had to deal with rainy conditions which made for tough conditions to fish. Battling through the conditions and still

managing to bring a respectable weight to the weigh in line was the team of Steve Pershing and Tom Curtis. Their winning weight for their top seven crappies was an even five pounds. On top of claiming the top honors for total weight they also netted the big fish of the day with a crappie weighing 1.16 pounds. Congrats to team Pershing and Curtis on a fine day of fishing.

Another individual having a good day on the lake was Mike Bowser. Fishing alone, he was able to catch 4.12 pounds of crappie which was good enough to take home 2nd place. Rounding out the top three was the team of Jason and Elijah Hunt with a total weight of 3.91 pounds.

For our season ending Bozarth Classic tournament held on September 24th, we had a total of 18 teams sign up to battle as this tourney allowed our fisherman to fish on the Salamonie or Mississinewa Reservoirs. Unlike our previous tournaments this day turned our being a great fishing day as the rain and bad weather stayed away throughout the day. Taking home top honors while fishing on the Salamonie Reservoir was the team of Steve Jeffers and Bob Land with a total weight of 6.63 pounds for their top seven fish. Team Jeffers and Land also had the third biggest fish of the day with a 14 inch crappie that weighed 1.32 pounds. Congratulations on a well-deserved victory as we fielded several great fishermen.

Taking home second place in total weight and also capturing the big fish of the day was Charlie Hildreth. Fishing alone and on the Salamonie Reservoir, Hildreth had a total weight of 6.22 pounds and his big fish was a 14 inch crappie that weighed 1.49 pounds. Congratulations to Charlie Hildreth on a

fine day of fishing! Coming in 3rd place overall was the team of Aaron Scott and David Pence with a weight of 6.01 pounds. Scott and Pence was fishing the Mississinewa Reservoir and also captured the second biggest fish with a 14 inch 1.42 pound crappie. Rounding out the top four with a total weight of 5.29 was the duo of Mike Eviston and Doug Clay. Congrats to all the winning teams as well as those who participated and made these tournaments an enjoyable experience.

As we conclude the 2016 Bozarth crappie tournaments I would like to take a moment and thank everyone who participated and fished in our tour-

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Left Photo: **2nd Place 9-10**, Mike Bowser posing with a few of his crappie that was good enough to take home 2nd place overall on September 10th. His total weight was 4.12 pounds for his top 7 crappie. Right Photo: **2nd Place 9-24**, Charlie Hildreth posing with two of his crappie that gave him a 2nd place overall with a weight of 6.22 pounds. Mr. Hildreth also caught a 14 inch crappie that weighed 1.49 pounds that made him the Big Fish winner as well. Hildreth caught his crappie on the Salamonie Reservoir. (Author Photo)



Left Photo: **3rd Place 9-10**, Jason and Elijah Hunt with their third place crappie on September 10th. They had a total weight of 3.91 pounds. Right Photo: **3rd Place 9-24**, Aaron Scott and David Pence with their third place overall crappie. They had a total weight of 6.01 pounds and also came in 2nd in the big fish award with a 14 inch crappie that weighed 1.42 pounds. They caught their fish on the Mississinewa Reservoir. (Author Photo)

naments. It is always a great atmosphere getting everyone together and hearing all the fishing stories from the happenings of the tourney day. We look forward to seeing everyone back again next year and would also like to invite anyone interested in fishing future tournaments to contact us for

more information. This is a great time to get with other fellow fishermen and for you to share your fishing tips and techniques as well as gather information and tips from the other anglers.

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by Marshall Smith
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Attention Deer Hunters

ATTENTION DEER HUNTERS – Firearms season for deer is November 12 to November 27, 2016. It was erroneously published as November 14 – 29 2015 in an earlier DNR Publication. To keep up-to-date on the latest DNR news go to www.IN.gov/dnr and sign up for email alerts.

HOUSE ENROLLED ACT 1231

I had planned on writing a piece on restoring a Czechoslovakian Mauser V24 rifle but I've had several inquiries about the new rifle cartridge law which went into effect June 30, 2016. Many of the concerns I've heard dealt with the new cartridges being so much more powerful than previously allowed. The author of the bill, Representative Lloyd Arnold, R-Leavenworth, gave as his reason for the bill that he had received so many grievances from his constituents and didn't see why we should limit what we use to hunt with.

House Enrolled Act 1231, authored by Rep. Lloyd Arnold, R-Leavenworth, was passed earlier this year by the Indiana General Assembly and signed into law by Governor Pence and became effective June 30, 2016. HEA 1231 authorizes the use of some additional rifle cartridges for deer hunting and to be used only on private land during the firearms season. I had and still have a lot of concerns on the use of the higher powered rifles than was previously allowed to hunt deer in Indiana. There are a multitude of arguments both for and against the use of the new cartridges now allowed with the passage of this bill. I'm not going to present those arguments here but hope to shed a little more information on the cartridges now allowed.

The new rule allows the cartridges to be used only on private land. They cannot be used on any public land. Rifles used must have a barrel length of 16" or more. There is no restrictions as to magazine capacity but the hunter is limited to carrying no more than 10 rounds into the field. None of those rounds may be full metal jacketed.

The Department of Natural Resources attempted to clarify the bill earlier this year but some didn't get the memo. "The new legal cartridges include, but are not limited to, the .243 Winchester,

.30-30 Winchester, .300 AAC Blackout, and .30-06 Springfield." The following list of cartridges are allowed. This may not be a complete list but I believe it covers most of the rifle cartridges allowed and that would be used by serious hunters. Note that no round between .243" and .300" is allowed. Cartridges not allowed under the bill include the .270 Winchester, .38-55 Winchester, .444 Marlin, and .45-70 Government.

- List allowed:
- 6mm-06
 - 6mm BR Remington
 - 6mm PPC
 - 6mm Remington
 - .240 Weatherby
 - .243 Winchester
 - .243 Winchester Super Short Magnum
 - .30 Carbine
 - .30 Herrett
 - .30 Remington AR
 - .30-06 Springfield
 - .30-30 Winchester
 - .30-40 Krag
 - .300 AAC Blackout (.300 Whisper)
 - .300 H&H Magnum
 - .300 Remington Short Action Ultra Magnum
 - .300 Savage
 - .300 Weatherby Magnum
 - .300 Winchester Magnum
 - .300 Winchester Short Magnum
 - .300 Remington Ultra Magnum
 - .308 Marlin
 - .308 Winchester
 - 7.62x39mm
 - 7.62x54R

The rifle cartridge case must be at least 1.16" in length. A hunter may now use a handgun that fires a commercially available bullet of ten (10) millimeters in diameter to hunt deer. All of the older laws and rules remain in effect. Rifles chambered for handgun rounds of .35" or greater may still be used. The .357 Magnum/.38 Special and .44 Magnum lever action rifles are still a great choice for deer hunting in Indiana.

I hope this helps and doesn't confuse any one more. If you have any questions or concerns you can call the Department of Natural Resources at (317) 232-4003 or email them from their web site. They will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Quote of the Month

"Know guns, no crime. No guns, know crime."-
Ralph Lauretano

That's all for this month. These notes are mine alone and do not represent the opinion or position of anyone, 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. I'll try and answer your questions as best I can and some answers may be included in this column.

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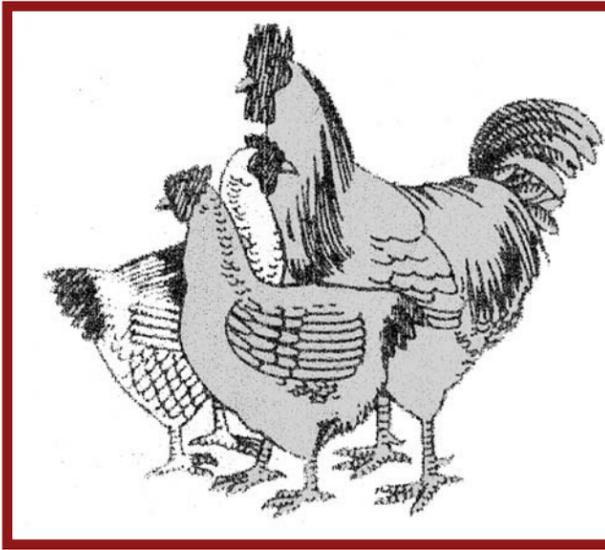
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50 lbs. or more \$.91 lb with cheese \$1.61
Less than 50 lbs \$1.01 lb with cheese \$1.72
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1/4 lb. Patties \$.37 lb
Nitrate & Sugar Free \$1.10 lb with cheese \$1.73

Beef Sticks

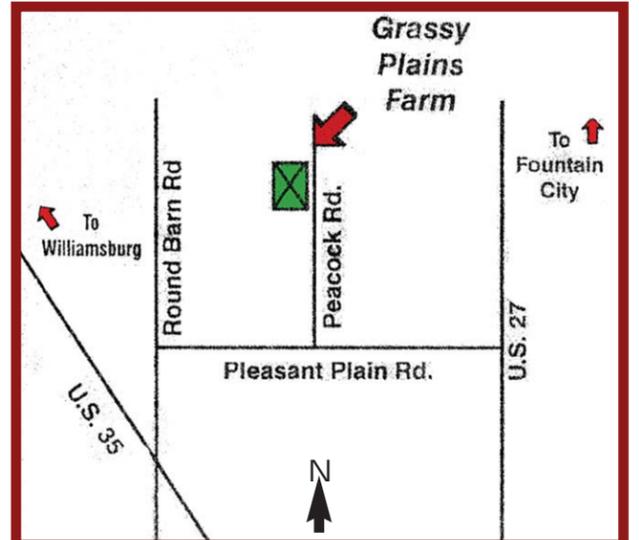
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Stew Meat \$.20 lb
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Organs \$.75 lb

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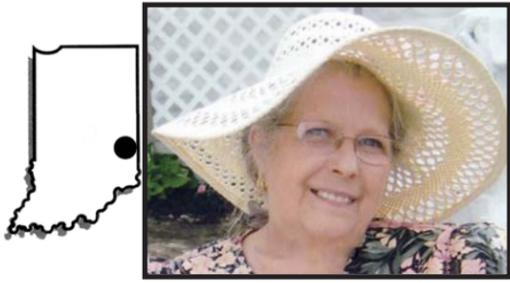
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by **Donna Schroeder**

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Our New Courthouse (1849)

As you know, I love stories of yesteryear. Even more, I love finding that history does, indeed, repeat itself. The following is an excerpt from "The Valley", a newspaper published in Connersville on October 4, 1849. It's rather difficult reading, but it reflects what happens practically every time a government entity decides to build a public building. It also shows that name calling and outright insults are nothing new. The article is titled "Our New Courthouse".

This splendid edifice is now about completed, and presents decidedly the best appearance of any building of the kind we have ever seen - except, perhaps, the Courthouse at Louisville, Ky and at Dayton in Ohio. It is our purpose to give, for the information of our distant readers, a slight description of this building, and, in doing so, we hope to be able to correct any erroneous impressions which may have obtained, either from published falsehoods, or the reports of busy-bodies and meddlers in reference to this work. And to those of our country friends whose prejudices have been excited against our County Commissioners for their action in regard to the building, by a few blundering, unprincipled demagogues and political gamblers and factionists, we would say, visit the building, examine it carefully for yourselves, from foundation to dome, and our word for it, you will be more than convinced that certain gas-bags have only exploded, without damage to any other than their own olfactory organs, which, from habit, have acquired a familiar acquaintance with the noxious vapors which arise from every little puddle-hole of discontent, jargon or bickering.

Our opinion has frequently been challenged with regard to the "New Court House", and we have been tauntingly asked, even upon the street, whether our lucid imagination could not conjure up a classic description of this conglomerated mass of brick, mortar, stone and boards, denominated the seal of Justice! Well, we want it distinctly understood by these very ass-tute interrogators and eight-by-ten "embodiments", that it is not at all in answer to their inquiries that this article is published - no-sir-ee, but, as before stated, for the information of those of our country friends who have not yet seen the superstructure.



Top Photo: Mike Mentz standing in his new Guns and Tackle Shop located at 1207 North Lincoln Street in Greensburg, Indiana. He's got a lot more space for both guns and tackle. He opens at 10 a.m. now.

Guns & Tackle New Store

Have you stopped in and seen Mike Mentz's new Guns & Tackle building. It is really nice, roomy and he offers a much wider range of guns, tackle and other things too. When I was delivering the October Gad-a-bout I took advantage of his opening earlier and spent some time talking to him about his guns and tackle. I like the way he has the American Flag with the guns fanned out on either side, very patriotic.

He showed me his new layout for his tackle. He handles Kelly's Bass lures, Knot Head lures, T.R. Fish, Lazer lures and has a lot of collectable lures too.

I was telling Mike that I use to have a guy that wrote about collectable tackle a few years back, Rich Dickman.

Mike opens at 10 a.m. now, which makes it a

lot better for me and a lot of other folks too.

Yes, he still has room for "Loafer's Corner" too, although when I visited no one was there.

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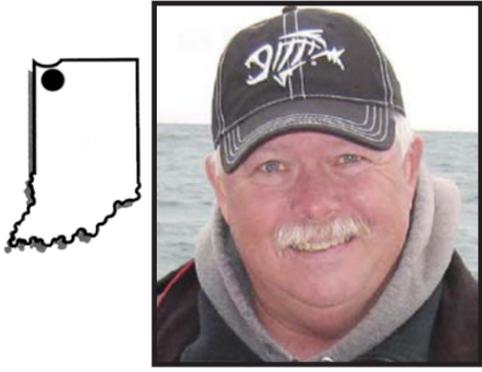
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Fishing Lake Michigan



by **Capt. Mike Schoonveld**

Leading Up To Coho

A well deserved celebration was held at the Platte River Fish Hatchery in Michigan celebrating the 50th anniversary of the bold, though somewhat secretive program leading to planting coho salmon in Lake Michigan. Bold, because it was thinking outside the box. Bold, because it wasn't a widely recognized solution to the problems Lake Michigan



Pat Frizzell caught this nice coho salmon on the author's boat recently. (Author Photo)

(and the other lakes) were experiencing. Secretive, because no one knew what would happen. No one likes to be on the wrong side of a failed project. These days such a proposal would be laughed out of the room before the end of the presentation.

The project wasn't a failure. In fact, the project succeeded beyond the wildest dreams of then fisheries chief, Howard Tanner and his assistant, Wayne Tody. Not only were cohos successful, their success began introductions of king salmon, steelhead, brown trout and launched an industry transforming towns and cities all along Michigan's Great Lake coast line.

It's an oft told story and rightly so. The story less well known is what happened in Lakes Michigan, Huron and Superior to bring on the conditions to force "Tanner's Folly" into being.

Historically, Niagara Falls effectively separated Lake Ontario, the St. Lawrence River and the Atlantic Ocean from the rest of the Great Lakes. Sure, fish and other creatures could travel downstream if they survived the plunge and subsequent rapids, but nothing could make it upstream - especially boats and barges.

Imagine the economic boon both upstream and down if boats could bypass Niagara Falls. It wasn't hard to imagine and in 1829 the first canal opened to

allow boats from Lake Erie and Lake Ontario to bypass the falls. A few years earlier, the Erie Canal had been completed connecting Lake Erie to the Hudson River.

This connection of the "waters" allowed boat passage and also allowed the passage of two more major players in this story, lampreys and alewife. No one knows for sure when these two species first made the journey from downstream to the upper lakes. No one much cared for the next 100 years or so.

The lakes were stock full of fish. Lampreys found a bountiful food supply but had little overall impact on the abundance of predator fish. Alewives barely found a foothold being surrounded by the abundance of predator fish.

When nylon gill nets replaced the tarred linen nets favored by commercial fishermen targeting Great Lakes lake trout, everything changed. Dick Eckel, one of the last commercial netters working around Lake Superior's Isle Royale told me in an interview many years ago, "When we switched to nylon nets and learned to suspend them near the spawning reefs, it was a massacre. I believe if they hadn't shut us down, we could have caught the last laker in Lake Superior. They were that effective."

The commercial netters didn't catch the last laker in Lake Superior, or in Lakes Huron and Michigan, but they came close. In 1944 six million pounds of lake trout were hauled out of Lake Michigan. By 1949 the catch had dropped to less than 400 thousand pounds and five years later the reported catch was 34 pounds.

When the lake was swarming with trout, they vastly outnumbered the number of invasive lampreys sharing the lake with them. Lampreys were little more than a nuisance. As the commercial fisherman depleted the lake of trout, lampreys became a nuisance and eventually a plague. Sometime in the mid to late 1950s lampreys killed the last laker in Lakes Michigan and Huron.

With almost no predators in the lake, the invasive alewives exploded. In a less than a decade they became the dominant species in the lake. One estimate was at their peak, 98 percent of the biomass in Lake Michigan was alewives.

Short lived, hundreds of tons of alewives died each year, many of them washing ashore, fouling and rotting on Michigan beaches. There were too many for humans to somehow remove from the lake so now we come to the beginning of this story.

Dr. Tanner surmised the solution was to introduce a new predator to the lake to eat the alewives - coho salmon. Wow did it work! At least for the last 50 years.

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Top Left Photo 1: The Vietnam Moving Wall sentry is Mark Stover. Top Right Photo2: Military Service themes played by Seton High School Band in this large tan colored tent. Bottom Left Photo 5: Raising the Colors - Vietnam Veterans Jerry Maule and Jimmie Chaisson. Bottom Right Photo 6: Riderless horse - Wayne County Sheriff Mounted Patrol. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park "Vietnam Moving Wall" Ceremony September 24, 2016

by Ray Dickerson

The "Vietnam Moving Wall" arrived in Richmond, Indiana on Wednesday September 21, 2016 after being escorted from the Fountain City Wesleyan Church and according to witnesses who saw it pass by their businesses said it was a sight to behold. Some said it was more like a parade. Joe and Barbara Goebel told me earlier that anyone who wanted to help escort The Wall to the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park was welcome to do so.

I wanted to join in the escort of "The Wall" but had to be out of town that day.

After arriving at the park the "Wall" was set up. At 6 p.m. Proclamations were read by Mayor Dave Snow and County Councilman Denny Burns. Prayer and Taps followed ending the program.

I arrived at the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park at 12:15 p.m. on Thursday September 22nd. It was a very enjoyable day, there was a lot of activity preparing for Saturday's ceremony. As I was parking my van I saw Eugene and Gladys Fannin on the

park's roadway. I stopped and talked to them for a while. As we talked Eugene told me as he was looking over toward the "Wall" he thought he saw Duane Reed. So we walked that way and sure enough it was Duane Reed and his wife Angela. We chatted for some time, Eugene and Gladys had to leave so Duane, Angela and I walked over toward the VFW 1108 shelter to get out of the hot sun. After Duane and Angela left I talked to several of the Veterans I knew and a few I didn't know. Wally Dudek was there, he is a very entertaining fella to talk to, he had a lot to say. I left around 4 p.m.

Thursday school classes were scheduled to visit the Veterans Memorial Park and at 6:00 p.m. prayer and Taps ended the days activity.

On Friday September 23, school classes were scheduled. At 6:00 p.m. a POW/MIA table ceremony was held followed by a prayer and Taps.

On Saturday September 24 the Main Ceremony began at 2:00 p.m.

I got there around 12:30 p.m. wanting to locate a good place to place my spare tape recorder up near the speakers podium. It had to be out of harms way, I waited until later when people began sitting in the chairs nearby to place it. A fella was sitting right next to it and asked I if he could keep an eye on it for me. He nodded okay. Then I positioned myself in a direct line with the podium to take the many photos I wanted to take and still be able to move quickly

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when I needed to move to an activity without tripping on people sitting close by. I attended the 2011 ceremony so I had a pretty good idea of where I needed to be. See photos of several of these events.

At 2:01 p.m. Vietnam Veteran Gary Franklin was at his post, the podium getting ready to announce the proceedings for the ceremony.

At 2:02 p.m. The Honor Guards began forming up to the right of Gary's position.

At 2:04 p.m. "Wall" Sentry guard, Mark Stover passed Gary on his way to take up his position directly behind Gary by the Wall.

Shortly there after the Seton High School Band began playing all the Military Service themes.

Then the air vibrated as the Huey 369 hovered overhead for a landing. I could only imagine how that sound would feel when heard by Vietnam

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Top Left Photo 3: Huey fly in, Huey 369 based in Peru, Indiana down the road from the Grissom Air Museum. Top Right Photo 4: Presenting colors. Several different Honor Guard Units. Bottom Left Photo 7: Vietnam Facts - Vietnam Veteran Gary Franklin. Bottom Right Photo 8: Wreath placement VVA, Joe Goebel & Ron Hill; POW/MIA, Wally Dudek & Ralph Rodandello; and the Gold Star Family Wreath by Marge Miller and daughter Kathy Kirtley a Gold Star Family. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

Veterans who actually experienced combat conditions. As soon as the Huey had landed at 2:10 p.m., three Honor Guard units came to attention as Vietnam Veterans Jerry Maule and Jimmie Chaisson began raising the Colors. While all military men and women saluted the Flag as it rose to the top of the pole. The Seton High School Band then played the

National Anthem with everyone standing saluting or holding our right hand over our heart.

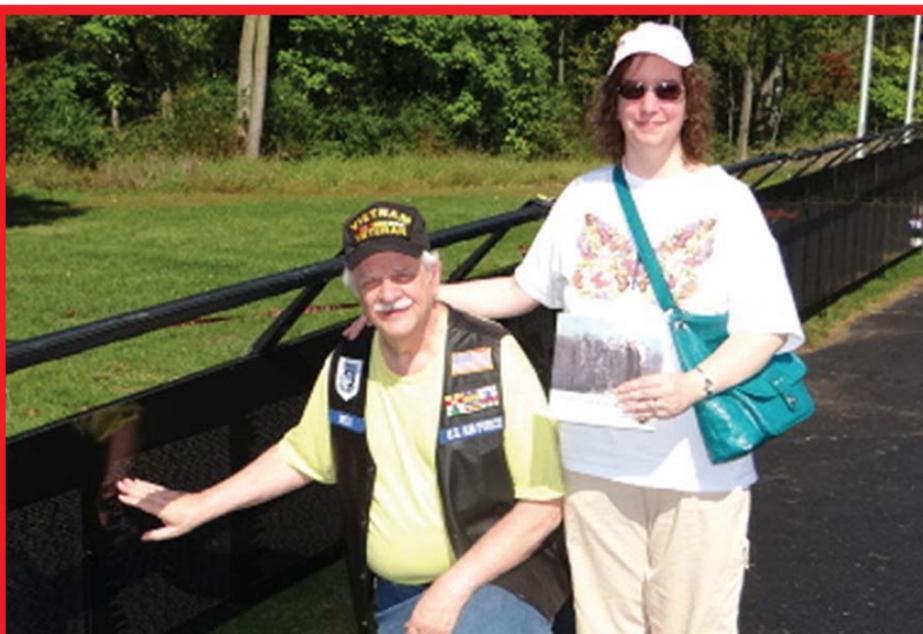
At 2:27 p.m. the Invocation was led by Deacon Jim Miller.

A Wayne County Sheriff mounted patrol person led the riderless horse along the "Wall" at 2:30 p.m. Vietnam Veteran Gary Franklin stood at the

speakers podium beginning at 2:38 p.m. and read the facts about Vietnam.

Gary then at 2:44 p.m. he described the placing of the Wreathes next to the Vietnam Memorial behind the podium and who was placing each of them. The VVA Wreath to be placed by Joe Goebel and Ron

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Left Photo: Vietnam Veteran Duane Reed and his wife Angela visiting the "Wall". Duane had found his friend, Steven Wright's name on the "Wall". Right Photo: Vietnam Veteran Mark Stover standing in his Vietnam War camp site. He explained to me, what I was seeing was the typical equipment you would find in his camp in Vietnam. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)



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Top Left Photo 9: "Were You There" sung by Cindy Slick. Top Right Photo 10: Bag Pipes - "Amazing Grace" by Indianapolis Public Safety Band. Bottom Left Photo 13: Welcome Home Roll Call - Wayne County 40 KIAs Yellow roses placed at the Wall. Gold Star family Wreath placement by Marge Miller & daughter Kathy Kirtley Gold Star Family. Bottom Right Photo 14: Speaker - Bob Doubek, co-founder of Wall in Washington DC. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

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Hill; the POW/MIA Wreath by Wally Dudek and Ralph Rodanello and the Gold Star Family Wreath by Marge Miller and daughter Kathy Kirtley a Gold Star Family

Then Gary introduced Cindy Slick who was going to sing "Were You There." She sang her heart out to the delight of the crowd. I think she sang the last time in 2011 also.

At 2:52 the sound of bag pipes filled the air, they have such a wonderful sound. I remember hearing many in unison in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1962. This time it was one playing "Amazing Grace" provided by the Indianapolis Public Safety Band.

A short time later, Gary Franklin got back on the podium and began introducing guest speaker Sammy Davis, Medal of Honor recipient. As Gary spoke emotion welled up inside him and he admitted he may have a hard time describing how Sammy Davis defended his position and his men in Vietnam (in fact there is a tear now running down my cheek). I taped Gary's description of the battle and Sammy's bravery in the face of insurmountable odds time and time again before succumbing to his injuries.

Gary asked Sammy to come to the podium, Sammy stopped as Gary saluted him briskly, Sammy returned the salute, a moment of silence prevailed as Vietnam Veteran and Medal of Honor recipient Sammy Davis walked to the podium at 2:59 p.m.

I don't have enough room here to tell Sammy Davis's whole story, but there are two things he talked about that have stuck in my mind that I can tell about and explains a couple other sides of his time in Vietnam and are connected to some extent.

Sammy failed to write home from Vietnam. As he admitted, how do you tell the folks back home about what they were doing there in Vietnam. The killing, the patrols, the fire fights, etc. Then one day his Sergeant came to see him all upset with him. Sammy thought he was about to be punished for something he had done. Instead the Sergeant asked him why he hadn't been writing home to his parents.

Sammy explained why, but his Sergeant told him to write home and let them know he was okay.

So Sammy began sending letters home everyday. He didn't write about the fighting, patrols, firefights, he wrote about day in and day out life on base.

A short time later Sammy received a box from home, opening it he expected to find cookies, cake or something he could share with his friends. Much to his surprise when he opened it, the box contained a harmonica. He was puzzled why they sent him the harmonica. He didn't know how to play one. It was explained to him by his parents since he had so much time on his hands there in Vietnam, he had the time to learn how to play it, give him something useful and fun to do. I think he told us there was someone in his family that played the harmonica.

To make a long story short, Sammy learned how to play the harmonica. A fellow soldier asked him one day if he could play "Shenandoah." He told the soldier no. The thought provoked him into learning the harmonica better as time went along.

Before Sammy ended his talk he placed the har-

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Top Left Photo 11: Speaker - Sammy Davis, Medal of Honor Recipient and Plays the Harmonica like a pro. Top Right Photo 12: Sammy Davis escorted from podium by Vietnam Veterans Joe Goebel and Ron Hill. Bottom Left Photo 15: Music - "God Bless the U.S.A." sung by Brent Meadows. Bottom Right Photo 16: 21 Gun Salute by Veterans Honor Guard firing squad. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

monica up to his mouth and the soothing sound of "Shenandoah" echoed across the Whitewater Gorge. He really had a captive audience as we listened to him playing that harmonica.

That concluded Sammy's talk. He was escorted from the podium by Joe Goebel and Ron Hill.

At 3:24 p.m. the Welcome Home Roll Call for the 40 KIA's from Wayne County began with families receiving yellow roses for them to be placed at the wall.

At 3:35 p.m. Bob Dubek, co-founder of the Wall in Washington DC talked about how that got done. Then Brent Meadows sang "God Bless the USA."

Then at 3:56 p.m. the Wayne County Honor Guard fired a 21 Gun Salute honoring all the Veterans within hearing distance of the park.

To conclude the day, Riley Bane a Seton Band Member played TAPS. The program ended at 4:00 p.m.



Left Photo: Raymond R. Brown, a U.S. Army Disabled Vietnam Veteran. He served with the 1st Signal Brigade. Ray was given this Trackmaster mobility so he can move around just about anywhere he wants to go. Right Photo: Tim Tetz, Director of Outreach here with a Service Labrador who will eventually be placed with a disabled Veteran once he has been fully trained. Here two children have taken a liking to him. Tim represents the VVMF (Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund) in Arlington, VA. He is also a very nice guy.

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Top Left: The Veteran Administration's Mobile Vet Center visited Whitewater Memorial State Park on September 25, 2016. It was parked in the parking lot next to the Gate office. They offered free information for Veterans who had questions about what was available to them. Top Right: Merl and Pat Gentry's 4 year old Great Grandson Aiden Kai Dennaker led the group in Pledging Allegiance to the American Flag. Bottom Left: Mark McLane from Brookville, IN a former teacher, a Veteran and author gave a very patriotic talk about who the Veterans were, the United States Service branches they served, the color of their skin and everywhere they served their country. It was very stirring and I urge anyone who has the chance to hear him to do so. Bottom Right: Paul Greene a member of the Veteran's Mobile Unit talked about the purpose of the Unit and invited Veterans and their families to visit the unit parked in the parking lot near the front gate office. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

Whitewater Memorial State Park V.A. Mobile Unit Visited on September 25, 2016 & Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony in Poplar Grove Shelter by Ray Dickerson

It was a busy weekend September 24-25 with the Vietnam Wall event in Richmond all day Saturday followed by this event at Whitewater Memorial State Park, but I managed to get to both.

This event at Whitewater Memorial State Park was planned and executed by Rhonda Alvey who is employed by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) at Brookville Lake. She has worked tirelessly putting together so many Veteran events at the Whitewater Memorial State Park. She does it with no thought of the amount of work she will have to do to be successful in her effort to help Veterans. She is retiring from the DNR in the not too distant future. Kristie Ridgway is taking Rhonda's place and she spoke at this

event about her plans to continue with Whitewater's Veteran events in the future. The next event will be on Sunday, September 10, 2017.

As reported last month the Veteran's Administration Mobile Vet Center was parked in the parking lot next to the front gate office on September 25th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Paul Greene a member of the unit spoke to us at the Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony in the Poplar Grove Shelter. He gave us a rundown on their activities and how they can help the Veteran.

The Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony was emceed by U.S. Air Force Veteran Bob Napier who did an excellent job, as he always does for his community and fellow Veterans.

Bob welcomed everyone to the ceremony then asked Reverend Soper to lead us in a prayer.

Then Bob introduced four year old Aiden Kai Dannaker to the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Everyone stood placing their right hand over their heart as Aiden recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Aiden is the great grandson of Merl and Pat Gentry.

Next Bob introduced his daughter Tonya Dare, who sang the National Anthem. She sang it beautifully.

Bob then introduced Steven DeLorenzo, Assistant Property Manager of Whitewater Memorial State Park. He spoke about the park, Veterans and the 100th celebration of Indiana Parks. He also assured everyone



Aiden Kai Dannaker, Merl Gentry's four year old Great Grandson led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

that the park will always remain a Memorial Park and he invited everyone to stay, eat lunch and enjoy the park.

Then Bob introduced Paul Greene a member of the Veterans Mobile Unit who told us all about the servic-



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Top Left: Veterans saluting as Bob Napier's daughter Tonya Dare sings the National Anthem at the Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony held in the Poplar Grove shelter. Top Right: Bob Napier introduced Steven Delorenzo, Assistant Property Manager of Whitewater Memorial State Park. Bottom Left: Bob Napier presented Merl Gentry a Plaque for his 30 years as Property Manager from 1961 to 1994. Merl served his country in the U.S. Marines from 1950 to 1953 plus 8 years in the reserve. Bottom Right: I stopped at Woodruff's Supermarket at 10 S. Main St. in Liberty, IN to get something for the pitch-in dinner at the Whitewater Memorial State Park. I decided on buying a cake. Bailey Jenkins on the left and Mandy Gonyer on the right decorated the cake for me. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)



DNR employee Allyson Ernst played TAPS after Tonya Dare sang two patriotic songs.



Front Row, my left to right: Tracy Havens-Jahosky, Jared Havens, Sarah Lykins, Ryan Wine, Rhonda Alvey, Steven Delorenzo, Kristie Ridgway, Scott Stevens, Shay Allen and Kim North. Back Row, my left to right: Amanda Sourbeer, Allyson Ernst and Justin Frasher. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

es the mobile unit provided for Veterans. He invited all the Veterans in attendance to stop and utilize the mobile unit before leaving the park.

Bob then introduced Mark McLane from Brookville, Indiana. Mark is a former teacher, an

author and a very enthusiastic Veteran who in his talk made it clear in no uncertain terms that the Veteran has served his or her country where ever, however, why

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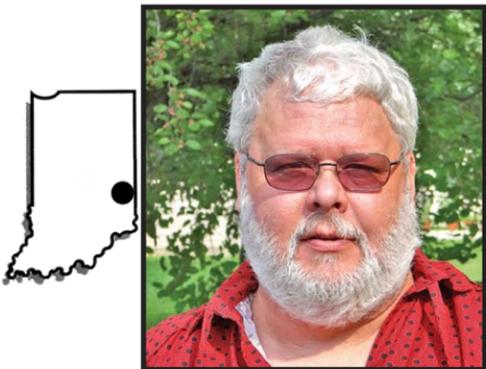
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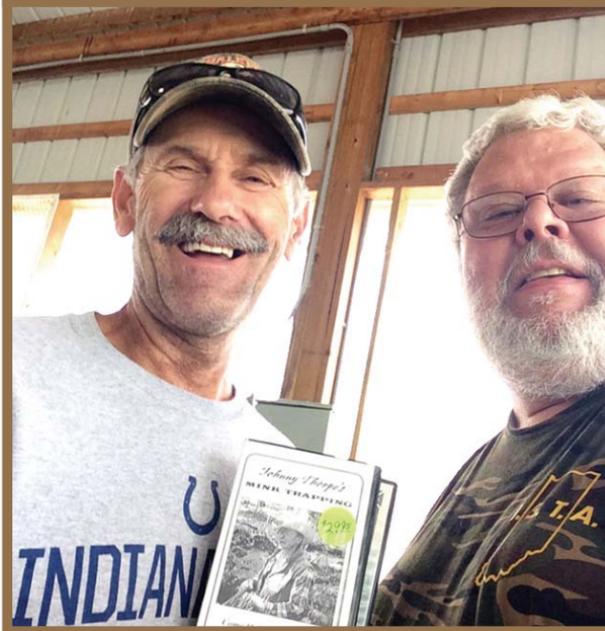
Indiana State Trappers Association



by Dr. Fred Philips, DVM ISTA 55th Convention And Rendezvous

This year's 2016 Indiana State Trappers Association's (ISTA) 55th Annual Convention and Rendezvous was held at the Union Mill's Conservation Club, in Union Mills, IN, the birth place of the Indiana State Trappers Association in 1961. The weather was perfect, sans one small rain in the evening, of about an inch, and the Park was in great shape. Ron Elliott did a great job as Boosway, even though he kept complaining that he did not know what that meant. Attendance was light as has been the case across the country, probably reflecting the low prices on furs. Those who did attend had a good time, with lots of camaraderie and trapping seminars going on all day and into the night. On Friday, Sept. 16th, Kenny Peregrine led off the demo schedule with a session on trapping, beaver (?), I think. Doyle Flory was next, talking coons, and then Jerry "Turtleman" Schilling did a turtle demo. Jeff Robinson, of JR & Sons, gave his take on catching coyotes and he was followed by an encore presentation by Kenny Peregrine, definitely talking beaver. Fred Philips, DVM, gave a short presentation on Zoonotic (diseases that cross between people and animals) Disease, referring everyone to the American Veterinary Medical Association website, www.avma.org. There, if they search the disease they have further questions about, or just search "zoonotic", they will be presented with more complete information. Fred also gave a demonstration of the Gopher Hawk gopher and mole trap. It is very easy to set, and easier to know when it has gone off. Friday concluded with Stu Grell giving a demo on his way of taking coons. Bob Hast once again provided traps, NEW DUKE 110s, and a bottle Hoosier Trapper Supply Muskrat lure, to be given to every child, 16 and under that attended the Convention, FREE, FREE, FREE. Bob Ford dropped off a Pack Basket full of used traps for the use of the ISTA as it sees fit.

Friday night there was a Pot-Luck dinner organized by Stu Grell and Melissa Mansfield, with Ron Elliott providing ear corn and Wilbur Cook pitching in his infamous Ham and Bean soup. Soft drinks and bottled water was also provided. A Free Will offering was collected to offset the costs for the serving service. Following the meal, the White Elephant Auction



Top: Jeff Park receiving the First Place Trap Setting Plaque for Adults over 16 years of age, from ISTA President Fred. Bottom: A happy trapper being presented his Door Prize by ISTA President Fred. (Author Photos)

was well attended and over supplied. We even had leftovers, some of which were used as Door Prizes or went into a Silent Auction on Saturday. Donations to the White Elephant Auction came from (In relatively alphabetical order): Albrights Meats & Deli, IN, Alert ADC, LLC., B.M.I., 110 trap, Dean Bartz, IA., Bill Blanchard, NY., Bob Boorsma, MI., Bridges Hides & Supplies, IN., John Bush, MI., Wilbur Cook, IN., Cedar Creek Traps & Supplies, IA., Doug Clayton, MI., Clay Creech, MO., Dakota Line Snares, SD., a WIEBE KNIFE, Frank DeBolle, MI., Demon Brand, KY., Jeff Dunnier, TX., BOOKS & DVDs, Fur Takers of America / Rick Schoonover, VT., DVDs / some for Trappers education Classes, The Elk Trader, (?), Bob Ford, IN: Backpack & Traps, Jeff Fulton, OH., Homemade Honey & Dark Maple Syrup (YUM), Epler Fur Co., INC., OH., Gallery of Nature Taxidermy, OH., Tom Geisler: Bill Lewis's traps, IN., Joe Goodman, OH., Grawe's Animal Lures, ND, (Sent a bunch of lures that I had to store in the garage. My dog loved them, the wife didn't.), Griff's Lures & Baits, IN., Hook & Arrow, IN., Hoosier's Trapper Supply, IN., MANY DVDs, Hoot's Furs, NY., Dave Ickes, MI., J&H Bones, MO., Phil Jacobs, OH., Mark June Lures, TX. (Actually he donated via Wilbur Cook at the NTA while his wife sent Fred Philips another package from TX. A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO MARK JUNE.), Kaatz Brothers, IL., Rich Kasper: Lure, IN., Knightstown Locker, IN: a free deer processing., Luther Valley Lures, PA., Melissa Mansfield & Stu Grell, IN, Home Canned Pickles, Randy McCullough, IN., donated a bunch of antique traps (We owe him a big THANK YOU!).

Mud River Baits & Lures, WV., Murray's Lures & Supplies, WV., Bob Noonan, MA., (Made a personal donation of DVDs as well as the Trapper's Post dona-



Top: Colt Doan receiving his First Place Plaque for the under 12 years of age category, from ISTA President Fred. Bottom: Tom Geisler presenting Keith Winkler of Sterling Fur his door prize DVD. (Author Photos)

tion below.), North America Trap Collectors, OH., Ohio State Trappers, OH., The Outpost, OH., P.A. Spring Trapping Supplies, MI., P.C.S. Outdoors, MI., Pennsylvania Trapper Association, PA., Fred Philips, DVM, IN., donated Bill Lewis' traps, earth anchors, bucket of snare parts, and snares, R.B.G, Bill Crum, IN. donated a #220 round trap, Renno's Animal Lures, PA., River Rat Trapping Supplies, MI, Rusty Johnson Predator Lures/Mark June Lures, TX, Joe Scharf, OH., Randy Stage, PA., Hal Sullivan, OH., Sy's Fur Shed, MI., Doug Wilson, OH., Tennessee Free Trappers, TN., Trapline Supplies, MN(?), Trapper's Post, MA, donated a one (1) year membership that was purchased and donated to Noah Wilson, Trapper's World, OH., Volker's Wire Cubbies and Trapping Supplies, IL., Welch's Lure & Baits, OH., AND Wolf Creek Products, OH. IF I forgot anyone, my profound apologies. There was such an over supply of items available for purchase, some were held back for a silent auction on Saturday and for use as Door Prizes. Every donated item is appreciated and will be put to good use raising funds to preserve our privilege of trapping. A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO WILBUR COOK FOR HIS ENERGETIC EFFORTS IN RECRUITING DONATIONS FOR THE ISTA WHITE ELEPHANT SALE. THANK YOU WILBUR!!!!

Saturday opened with a cool breezy day after a brief rain shower the night before. The Demos



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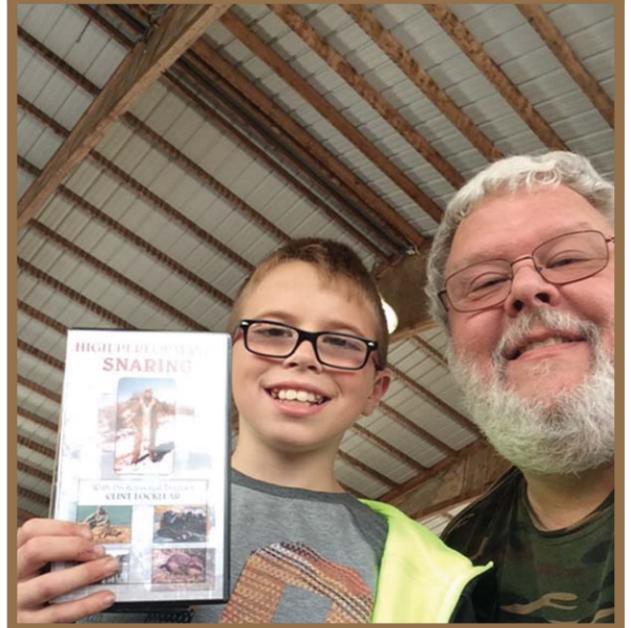
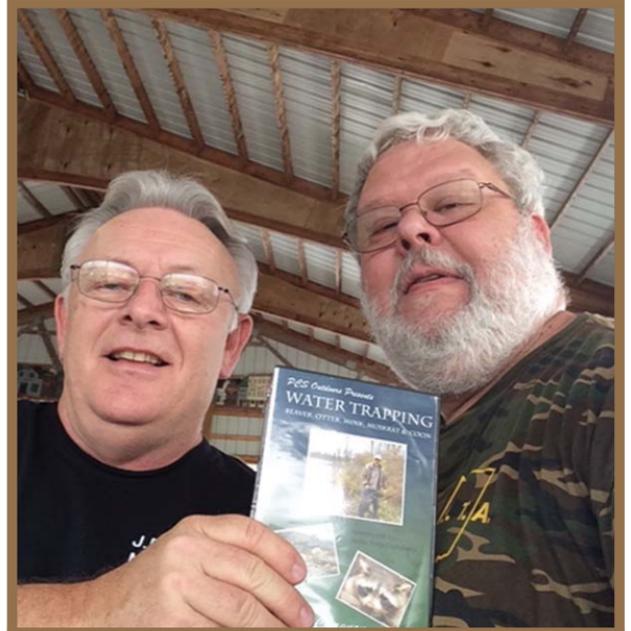




Top: Deric Beroshok receiving the ISTA Trapper of the Year Award from ISTA President Fred. Bottom: Byron Reichart Tail-Gating. (Author Photos)



Top: Jeff Fulton won the Dunn Knife Raffle and he received his knife from Doyle Flory, a long time ACTIVE member of the ISTA. Bottom: Beaverfoot receiving his "ISTA Hall of Fame" Award from Ron Elliott.(Author Photos)



Top: JR of JR & Sons receiving a DVD as his door prize. Bottom: A young winner of a door prize. Below: Mike Volker happy with his Door Prize Shirt. (Author Photos)



opened with Deric Beroshok talking about ADC work. (NOTE: the ISTA had ADC Continuing Education (CE) sheets available this year so that members who do ADC could file for CE credits. In Indiana, an ADC worker needs to have 16 hours of CE in four (4) years, OR re-take the ADC test every four (4) years.) Deric was followed by Dave Linkhart doing a demo on snaring. Amos Malstaff then skinned a few muskrats and Jeff Robinson, or JR & Sons, did an encore presentation of his coyote demo. Jerry Schilling showed the Saturday crowd his turtling techniques, and Ron Elliott talked about problem coyotes. Kenny Peregrine closed out the afternoon with his talk concerning Otters. Considering the crowd present, the demos were all well attended and much appreciate. Our indoor vendors included Volker's Trapping Supplies, Sterling Fur, Dave Ickes, Jeff Park, MMA/Tom Morelock, Big Game gut Glove, JR & Sons, Stu Grell Gunsmithing, as well as the NTA and the ISTA. Outside tailgating we had Sarah (?) with weaving, Wilbur Cook, Byron Reichart, Rodney Beauchamp, William's Trap, Jerry Schilling and PA Springs Trapping Supply. Several people camped overnight and listened to the trains go by, sat around the camp fires, and had a good time in general.

Many people won Door prizes throughout the day Saturday. (Please see the surrounding pictures.) I apologize that I do not have everyone's name. Jeff

Fulton won the drawing for a Dunn Knife. He got to select from the five (5) that we had available. I believe he took the Beaver Skinner. The Kid's Trap setting contest was run all weekend long. Colt Doan won the contest and received a first place plaque and a DP coon trap that was previously owned by Bill Lewis. Second place was taken by Mason Current and third place was taken by Jee Anne, an enthusiastic young lady. For the Adults, Jeff Park showed everyone how to set a #330 in 6.4 seconds! Tom Jackson tried to follow suit, but could only make it in 17.10 seconds. Fred Philips got his hands stuck.

At 4 pm we headed toward the Club House for the last item of the weekend, the Annual Members' Meeting. The Election committee announced that all of the Officers and Directors had retained their positions, and that we had a tie for the FTA Representative position. As soon as this position is settled, we will announce who our next FTA representative is. The Gun Drawings were then held in hushed anticipation. Tony Marks won the Fur Bearer's Unlimited Ruger .223 rifle. Dave Linkhart won the Taurus Judge .410/45 Long Colt rifle, and Arlo Eddy won the Cricket .22 rifle with the laminated stock. Next a couple of awards were passed out. Chuck "Beaverfoot" Iser was inducted into the ISTA Hall of Fame. Beaverfoot is generally found anywhere that an ISTA event is going on, and despite some health issues, he is usually right in the middle

of the hardest of the work. Thank You, Beaverfoot for all of your hard work. Deric Beroshok won the Trapper of the Year Award for his work to take on the Website, accept the Trapper Education Coordinator's position AND really getting into it, as well as initiating a Trappers Education Class in Kokomo. Deric has an ADC trapping business and is a Deputy with the Kokomo Sheriff's Department. Deric has been a
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Stormy Kromer retail display in front of factory. (Author Photo)



Around 20 large sewing machines are needed to keep up with orders. (Author Photo)

Outdoors



With Rich Creason

Behind the Scenes

As an outdoor travel writer, I am sometimes invited to visit areas not always open to the general public. In the past, Susie (my wife) and I have taken tours of many different outdoor product manufacturing facilities. Each place has their own regulations about which areas of the business can be viewed and whether photographs can be taken of the operation.

One of our first "behind the scenes" was the Pure Fishing factory in Okoboji, Iowa. They took our cameras and cellphones to insure we wouldn't be taking any pictures of sensitive areas. The Hummingbird factory in Alabama gave us a view of the making of marine electronics such as fish finders. We have taken other special trips like these in other states over the years. We enjoy seeing how outdoor products are made.

But, closer to home, a couple months ago, we

were lucky enough to take two of these tours in less than 24 hours. We were heading to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan for a fishing trip to the Timbers Resort in the town of Bergland. Our two stops were at the MEC (Mayville Engineering Company) in Wisconsin, and the Stormy Kromer factory in Ironwood, Michigan.

Mayville Engineering Company was founded in 1945. Their letterhead read "Tools, Dies, and Special Machinery". Ten years later they began the Shotshell Reloaders market. They became the #1 shotshell reloader in the world, selling over two million machines. Another 15 years and they were 100% employee owned.

MEC continued to grow and in 2012, they had 16 facilities in five states. They had over two million square feet of manufacturing with 2,000 employee shareholders. A year later, they acquired APEX Clay Traps and started MEC Clay Target Machine product line.

Then came 2016, and our visit to their Mayville facility. We had met Shawn Wozniak, MEC Shooting Sports Manager at a writer's conference several years ago. We kept in touch and he told me if we were ever in his area, stop by for a tour. So we did. The first thing we noticed was a huge banner stretched across the front of the building which said, "Now Hiring". How many employee owned companies, producing all American made products do you know which are hiring? MEC is expanding that rapidly.

Shawn met us inside and quickly showed us some of their products on display, and awards on the wall. We then followed him back to the factory floor. Bins along the aisle were filled with various parts of

reloaders. He picked up one and told us it was the base for most of their machines. Other pieces along the way were additional parts of their reloaders. Shawn explained these were in the order in which they were assembled to make the finished product. Workers were building new machines as we watched.

He explained the various series of equipment they built in 10, 12, 16, 20, 28 gauge and .410 bore. We learned some of the features of their reloaders include a Flip Top Measure to avoid spillage of the shot and powder, a Spindex Crimp Starter which rotates to perfectly align with the old crimp, a Cam Crimp to assure correct crimping and closing pressures, an Adjustable Rammer Tube to properly seat the wad column and many more special components.

We moved on to the other part of their operation, the manufacturing of the Clay Target Machines. They offer sizes from a recreational backyard model holding 135 targets which can be thrown 85 yard to the heavy duty commercial size which holds over 400 clay targets. These are all metal, in-house inventory machines with the electrical wiring also done in the building. More information on these great products can be found at www.mecshootingssports.com.

The next morning found us driving through Ironwood, Michigan and arriving at the Stormy Kromer factory. Tours are offered to the public daily,

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One stop on our tour of the factory. Notice the rows of reloaders on the shelves in the back. (Author Photo)



Three mid-size target throwers with more in the background. (Author Photo)



Plaid hats are being sewn in this area. (Author Photo)



This room was full of all styles, colors & sizes of hats in inventory. (Author Photo)

Monday to Friday, at 1:30 PM. Unfortunately, we were coming through at 9:30 AM. My contact, Gina Thorsen, who I also met at an outdoor writer's conference, took care of that problem. I showed an email from her at the reception desk and they found someone to take us on the tour.

While waiting for our guide, we wandered through their retail room and looked at the wide variety of products now offered. Stormy Kromer is not just hats anymore! Shirts, vest, bags, and various other products in numerous colors filled the shelves. We were led across the parking lot to a huge warehouse filled with aisles or various materials on two-story high racks.

When our tour began, the first machine we saw was cutting measured sections from a large roll of material about ten feet wide to be used for shirts and vests. Our next stop was at several embroidery machines with dozens of oversize rolls of colored thread for adding logos or names to the material.

We soon came to the area my wife wanted to see. Commercial sewing machines filled this corner of the factory. Each lady was sewing a different section of a certain product, which was passed on to the next step until the item was finished. Shelves and racks of finished hats, shirts, vests, etc. covered the floor waiting to go to the inventory room. After the tour was over, our guide showed us through another building full of finished products ready for shipping,

down hallways with photos and plaques on the wall, and back to the front entrance. There we got a quick history of the company.

In 1903, George "Stormy" Kromer was a train engineer who asked his wife, Ida, to sew him a hat which wouldn't blow off in the wind. She made him a hat suitable for cold weather, with six panels, a high crown, a pull down ear band, and a soft cloth visor. She made more for his co-workers.

Six years later, they had sold over 1,200 hats out of a shop in Milwaukee and moved to Kaukauna where they had three women working for them. Business flourished. In 1919, they returned to Milwaukee to a larger factory. 1930 and 1945 found them continuing to grow and moving twice. Employee count grew to 25-35 people.

In 1955 sales were declining, so they began making cotton hats for welders and pipeline workers. Sales climbed again. But, ten years later, Stormy Kromer's health began failing and the company reins were taken over by Richard Grossman. Dropping sales again at the start of the 21st century were about to end the company. Bob Jaquart of Jaquart Fabric Products in Ironwood, Michigan took over the company and saved it. Now, the business is thriving with new products appearing in the line almost yearly.

While most folks in the Midwest have never heard of Stormy Kromer, those living in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Canada have worn the products for years. Check out more information on this century old, American made company at www.stormykromer.com.

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He said he had finally gotten rid of the oil thirsty Vega, and unfortunately, had to divorce his thirsty wife, but that things were going great, as he had been sober for some time. You know, this wasn't the first time something like this had happened, and thankfully it wasn't the last. It's been good to know over the years that we often have "success stories" in this job; the public just doesn't get to hear about them very often.

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Indiana Outdoors



by Joe Martino

Rules Of Thumb For A Great Deer Season

Archery season is now in full swing. We have waited all year for this time and many can't wait to hit the woods and fence rows in hopes of wrapping their tag around a fat doe or a mature buck. Our hopes and dreams have brought us to this time of year. Many hours of practice and stand preparation have come down to this. Deer season. But whether during the early archery season, or more so with the coming firearms seasons, some folks out there can ruin it for all of us. Here are a few pointers to keep in mind and to help steer you in the right direction so you aren't one of those people.

Be prepared:

You've had all year to get ready, so there is no excuse, right? Well, life happens. Everybody is busy these days, so and sometimes being prepared costs money too, so it is always easier said than done. Be that as it may, things like practicing with your equipment, knowing your effective range and making sure your treestands are safe and secure are all musts before making that first hunt of the year. If you have not readied these things, do so before embarking out for the season.

Be respectful:

There are several things that fall into this bucket. Being respectful towards land owners is an obvious act of showing appreciation for their allowing you to hunt on their property. Being respectful to other hunters is also a crucial, yet sometimes overlooked aspect of it as well.

Placing your treestand on the property line of two properties if you only have permission on one of those properties may be legal, but it certainly is not respectful to those hunting the adjoining property. You would not like someone doing that to you, so you should not do it to others. Even if no one is hunting on the adjoining property, doing so without the neighboring land owners permission is not respectful to that landowner. Remember, even if you do set a stand on the line, without permission to hunt the other side, you are not allowed to



Any deer taken legally and ethically is a great accomplishment to be treasured. Always be prepared and hunt with morals and respect so that you can enjoy every aspect of your hunt. (Author Photo)

shoot over there either.

If you shoot a deer that runs onto property you do not have permission to hunt, you are not allowed to go onto that property to retrieve your deer without land owner permission either. This one baffles some hunters. As a responsible hunter, you are obligated to make very attempt at recovering downed game. Besides being morally correct, it is also the law. Not doing so results in wanton waste. However, if a land owner denies you permission to go onto their property to get your game, then you cannot. Always try to secure permission to do so by acting respectful and courteous, but remember, they do not have to grant you permission to do so.

Try to work with hunters on neighboring properties, rather than work against them. It is always much nicer when everyone works together and attempts to work towards a common goal. Sometimes that is not possible, but even then, remain cordial and do your best to at least keep a halfway civil relationship with them. Hunters should work together and be on the same page, not vice-versa.

Enjoy the experience:

Too often, hunters feel as if their worth as a hunter is directly related to the deer they kill. Hogwash. Hunting is all about enjoying the experience and, yes, occasionally, the taking of an animal. The earliest of hunters were only judged by their ability to cement their family's survival with game meat, not by waiting on the biggest buck. Some hunters in today's world seem to think that

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Left Photo: This is the cabin that we refurbished in 2009. Right Photo: This is only part of my insulator collection. As you can see, I need a little more room!. (Author Photos)

Adventures in Indiana



With Cole King

New To Our Property

When I was 8 years old in 2009, I wanted a tree house. I played military a lot, so I wanted a fortress. My dad ended up finding me an old shed that we brought home on our car hauler. Considering it was now a clubhouse instead of a tree house, we debated on the theme of the building. We ended up turning it into what looks like a log cabin, complete with a loft and front porch. Last year, we even put in an antique wood burning laundry stove. I have collected antiques for years, so I decorated “the cabin” with old oil cans, pop bottles, and collectable Coleman lanterns. I would pick up different things here and there, whether it be a road sign from Joe’s Salvage or an old car part from the junkyard in Modoc, IN. (Which I visited with my uncle Brian.) As my collection of these novelties grew, the cabin ended up as my showroom for my nostalgic pieces.

When I was in the eighth grade I did a school

project over the telegraph. While doing research I stumbled upon an article over how telegraph wires worked, and the large part of the article was over glass telegraph insulators. They showed pictures, and many were beautiful purple, blue, aqua, and green glass. After I completed my project, I looked further into the glass insulators, and found that they are collected by people all around the world. I started finding them at rummage sales, flea markets, and antique stores. I would pick them up for a dollar or two, and sit them on a shelf in the cabin. Before I knew it, I was fully involved in the hobby of insulator collecting. Many people make them into lamps, chandeliers, or they sit them in their landscaping. These are often done with common insulators, but the collectable ones are more expensive and unique. For instance, a dark purple glass insulator once sold for around \$22,000.

As my collection grew, the cabin started to be overtaken by insulators. I decided to start looking deeper into the hobby. Online, I found the National Insulator Association (NIA), and Insulator Collectors On The Net (ICON), I joined the NIA first, and then ICON a few months later. On the NIA website, I found information about the NIA National Insulator Show. It’s held annually, in different parts of the country. This year, it was being held in Muncie, where Hemingray glass insulators used to be made. Because it was so close, I had no excuse to not be in attendance. This was my first insulator convention, so I was very excited. Beforehand, I had only had access to the more common insulators, so this was opening up a whole new realm of collecting for me. I ended up buying so many new insulators at the show, I almost doubled my collection. When I was putting my newest pieces on display back home, I realized

that if I was going to keep collecting at this rate, I would have to find more space to fit them all.

Coincidentally, a few weeks later, our friend Jerry Fisher told us that his neighbors, Terry and Debbie, were wanting to tear down their old storage shed. We immediately asked them not to knock it down, we were interested in refurbishing it. We were planning on doing the same thing we did 7 years ago, and move a shed to our property. When we went back to take a look at what we had gotten ourselves into, we saw the rotten sides and broken window. It needed a little love, but it still had a few years left in it. As soon as we could, Jerry, my dad, and I, started knocking out the old floor, and preparing it for the move. A couple of weeks later, we rented a roll back truck, which made the move a lot easier. It was nerve racking, having such a tall shed on such a tall truck. It that shed fell over, it would most likely be obliterated. Our biggest fear was having to shovel up the debris into the back of my pickup. Luckily, it made it home, and we had it set right next to our garden. Later, we went to clean up the mess we had made where the shed had been, and return the blocks we borrowed from Jerry. When we were unloading the bricks on one of Jerry’s properties, we noticed that he had some old round fence posts stacked up. We decided they would be perfect for helping us roll the shed to the back of our property where we wanted it. The next weekend, we hooked up my old Chevy to one of the support beams, and rolled the shed on top of the round posts to the spot we had picked out. Now, the next step is to re-roof the old shed, and put in sheet metal where the bottom had rotted out. The plan is to have the building dedicated to my insulator collection, so we jokingly nicknamed it the “Madison County Insulator Museum.” When we get done with all of the serious work, I plan on making a plaque to put over the door, mocking the name. Hopefully I can have photos of the complete building for my next article. This is our fall project, so I will have to figure out how to work this into my deer hunting schedule. In the meantime, good luck to my fellow hunters this winter. ■

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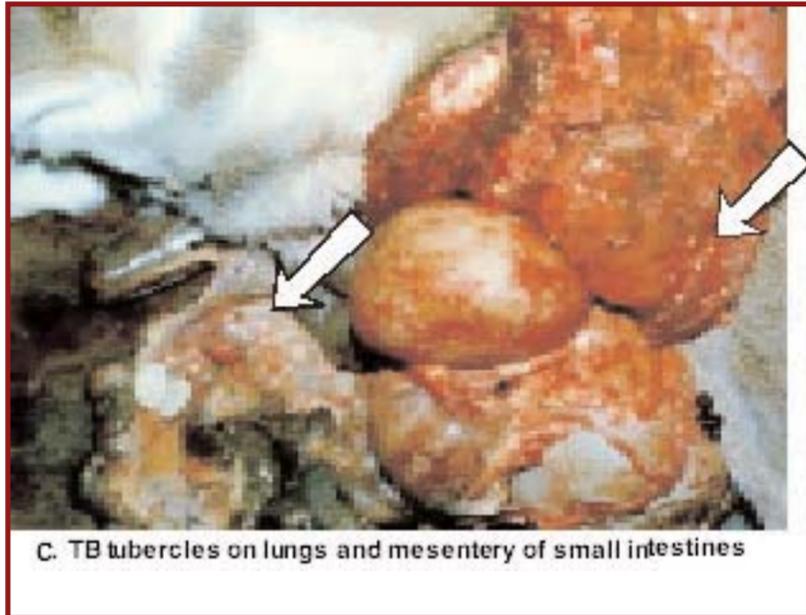
A. Normal lungs and rib cage

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A Normal lungs and rib cage.

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Top Right Photo:
TB tubercles (pea size)
on inside lining of rib cage.



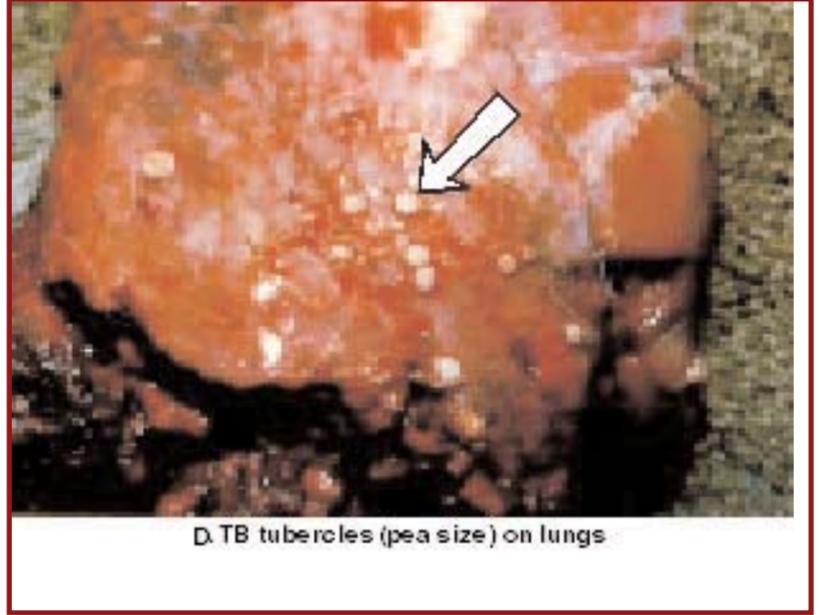
B. TB tubercles (pea size) on inside lining of rib cage



C. TB tubercles on lungs and mesentery of small intestines

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TB tubercles on lungs
and mesentery of small
intestines.

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Bottom Right Photo:
TB tubercles (pea size)
on lungs.



D. TB tubercles (pea size) on lungs



White-tailed Deer TB Survey

Tuberculosis (TB) is a serious, contagious disease caused by several strains of related bacteria. Of the three main types (human, avian and bovine) bovine (or cattle-type) is the most infectious, infecting most warm-blooded animals, including humans, livestock and wildlife. Indiana has been recognized as bovine tuberculosis-free in domestic animals since 1983.

Cattle-type TB has historically been very rare in wild white-tailed or mule deer. However, recent findings in white-tailed deer in northeastern Michigan have prompted the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) and Department of Natural Resources to launch a passive surveillance project locally. You can help with this effort to protect Indiana's domestic and wild animal populations by helping to verify Hoosier deer continue to be disease-free.

The photos above show some of the clinical indications of what could be tuberculosis. NOTE: These clinical signs could indicate other health problems, such as pneumonia or a secondary infection related to a wound. The only way to confirm the cause of the lesions is through consultation with a trained veterinarian and/or laboratory testing.

If you see any lesions, consult a veterinarian by calling Indiana State Board of Animal Health (toll-free) at:

877/747-3038

Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For inquiries on weekends and/or holidays, refrigerate the carcass, then call the next business day.

For more information on this program, contact Indiana State Board of Animal Health at **877/747-3038** or by email at animalhealth@boah.in.gov.

Information for Hunters

In the unlikely event you see lesions (white or red blister-like sores) on the internal organs or carcass of a deer, exercise caution in handling the animal. Do not proceed with further processing until the carcass is examined by a State Board of Animal Health veterinarian. By calling the toll-free number listed below, a veterinarian will advise you, free-of-charge, on the appropriate use of the animal, and possibly collect tissue samples for further testing. By reporting any suspicious lesion, you are helping the Department of Natural Resources protect the health status of Indiana's white-tailed deer resource.

If you see any lesions, refrigerate (or ice down) the carcass if possible. Keep the animal, including the head, intact until examined. If you submit your deer for further testing, DNR will replace your permanent/temporary deer tag to allow revalidation of your existing license.

Situations that arise on weekends/holidays and are not considered emergencies - call BOAH on the next regular business day.

If you see any lesions, consult a veterinarian by calling Indiana State Board of Animal Health (toll-free) at:

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Information for Processing Plants

Indiana state meat inspection laws do not apply to hunted white-tailed deer. However, as processors, you can assist the State Board of Animal Health in identifying any potentially infected animals. **If you see any lesions in the course of processing deer meat, contact BOAH's Meat & Poultry Division or your area field veterinarian for advice and possible collection of samples for testing.**

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SUMMIT LAKE BAIT SHOP



Cris and Bob Souther from Greenfield, IN, owners of Summit Lake Bait Shop located at 5180 Messick Road. The bait shop is just north of the intersection of U.S. 36 and Messick Road, the first place on your right. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Bob told me on the phone today they will be remodeling the buildings and will be open only on weekends until spring. Come spring they will be open daily.

You can contact them by calling **765-524-9700** on weekends for more information.

Grassy Plains Farm

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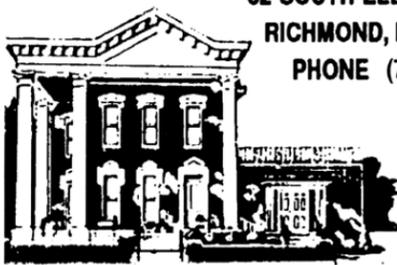
their lane is the second left. (Peacock is a dead end road)

From Winchester, IN take U.S. 27 south through Fountain City, watch for Pleasant Plain Road, it will be on your right, turn right (west), turn right onto Peacock Road, their lane will be the second lane on your left.

From Knightstown, IN go east on U.S. 40 to Centerville, turn left at first stop light onto Morton Avenue (also Centerville Road North) continue north across I-70, across SR 38 still going north to Williamsburg, at stoplight turn right (east) on U.S. 35, watch for Round Barn Road on your left, turn left onto Round Barn Road north, watch for Pleasant Plain on your right, turn right (east) watch for Glick's Butcher Shop sign on your left, turn left onto

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Peacock Road, their lane is the second left. (Peacock is a dead end road)

From Connersville, IN go north on SR 1 to U.S. 40 turn right (east) follow same directions from Knightstown, above) ■

Indiana State Trappers Association

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real asset to the ISTA Board of Directors and has even helped to keep its President on task. Thank you Deric, you have made my work with the ISTA much easier. Finally, we recognized one of our own that was award a prestigious Award at the NTA by NTA President Chris McAllister. Stu Grell was awarded the Trapper of the Year – East Award for “Outstanding Efforts on Behalf of Trappers and Trapping.” If you have been to any of the past several ISTA Conventions, Rockville / Raccoon lake TEs, or other events, then you have seen Stu, often with his dogs, and Melissa. Stu’s work and affect on the NTA as well as the ISTA has been profound and our organization is better for it.

At the Membership meeting, it was decided that we would have a Fur Sale in Peru, at the Miami County 4-H Fair Grounds on January 14, 2017. We would like to offer a few Vendors some inside space and may consider charging a \$5.00 registration fee on top of any commission. This will be discussed in a future Board meeting. The Next ISTA Board meeting will be October 29, 2016 at the NSSB in Danville, IN. Finally, next year’s 2017 ISTA 56th Convention and Rendezvous will be at the Decatur County 4-H Fairgrounds and Convention Center located at 1645 W. Park Rd., Greensburg, IN. 47240, Sept. 15 & 16, 2017. This too shall be finalized by the Board in the near future.

Watch your top knot. Keep your eyes along the skyline.

Fred “DR” Philips, DVM
 Pres. ISTA

PS: The website is up and running at www.indianatrappers.org. Deric Beroshok is the WebMaster for the ISTA. If you have something that you would like to put on line, get it to Deric. He has already listed the Trapper Education (TE) courses that we are aware of. If you have one coming, please let us know and we will get it listed on the website. If your TE is not listed by the IDNR yet, get to nagging your CO now so the public know that it is coming up. REMEMBER: www.PassItOnIndiana.com. ■

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in order to be a good hunter, you have to take a trophy deer. While there is nothing wrong with holding out for a big buck if you so choose, there is also absolutely nothing wrong with shooting any deer that makes you happy. Period. Any true hunter should realize this and only feel happy for you and congratulate you in the taking of any deer.

Likewise, don’t be that guy (or gal) who judges another by the deer they shoot. It is not it is not only disrespectful, it is dumb. Each hunter has the right to shoot any deer that makes them happy, and so we should also be happy for them. Period.



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Really, that’s it. The bottom line is to have fun. If you aren’t doing that, then you shouldn’t be out there. Don’t place pressure on yourself or feel like you need to live up to some standard. Other than safety, legal and ethical standards, the only other ones you have to live up to are your own. Hunt for yourself, not anyone else.

Have fun this deer season. The time is here. Stay safe and good luck! ■

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Debbie and Dave Stang manning their cooking station for the pitch-in dinner. Debbie works in the Whitewater Memorial State Park front gate office. I have relied on her a lot for information over the years I’ve left The Gad-a-bout there. She is always cheerful and ready to help visitors.

intend to listen to it again, he laid it on the line.

Then Bob introduced DNR Naturalist Kristie Ridgway who will be taking care of activities and Veteran events at Whitewater Memorial State Park in the future. The next Veteran event will be held at the park on Sunday, September 10, 2017.

Prior to this event Rhonda told me about a surprise ceremony for a very deserving person, telling me the name, but telling me to keep it a secret.

Next Bob invited Merl Gentry to the podium. Merl Gentry was the Property Manager of Whitewater Memorial State Park starting in 1961 and retiring in 1994. He served his country from 1950 to 1953 in the United States Marines. Then serving 8 years in the reserves.

Merl came to the podium, Bob handed him a Plaque explaining to him it was in appreciation for his tireless work at Whitewater Memorial State Park.

I will be doing a feature article on Merl in The Gad-a-bout. It seems I’ve known him and Pat for forever. It is going to be a real treat to tell his story.

Then Bob introduced his daughter again, this time she sang two patriotic songs with the help of her husband. Following her songs DNR employee Allyson Ernst played TAPS followed by a closing prayer from Reverend Soper.

Then came the best part, food! It was a pitch-in.

On the way down I stopped at Woodruff’s Supermarket to buy something to bring to the pitch-in. I decided on buying a cake. Helping me in the bakery

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department was Bailey Jenkins and Mandy Gonyer who went above and beyond the call of duty decorating it with red and blue colored sprinkles, an American Flag, three plastic do-dads with the words America, U.S.A. and Liberty on them, plus icing squeezed red and blue lettering that said, "Thank You For Your Service" (see photo on page 19).

There was two cakes, mine and a special 100 year centennial for state parks cake, hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans and more.

It was a very good day. I asked Rhonda to gather up all the DNR guys and gals for a photo, see it on page 19.

I got back in my van and headed for home, it had been one of the busiest weekends in recent memory.

NEWS RELEASE !!!

New Alsace Conservation Club

Hello,

I'm writing to tell you about our Sausage and Pancake Breakfast the New Alsace Conservation Club will be holding on Sunday, October 30th. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 am until noon at the New Alsace American Legion Post. The menu will consist of biscuits & gravy, sausage & pancakes, home fries, ham, eggs to order, fruit, coffee & juice. Cost is \$9.00 for adults, \$4.00 for Children under 10, and Children under 3 eat free.

The American Legion Home is located north west of New Alsace off N. Dearborn Rd. on Legion Rd. Watch for signs. For more information call **812-623-2431**. E-mail: backdale@gmail.com Enclosed is a flyer.

Our club is a non-profit organization and would very much appreciate, if you can announce this with your other current events.

Directions: Take I-74 west to St. Leon Exit, S. on St. Rd.1, right on N. Dearborn Rd. 3mi. to New Alsace, right on Legion Rd. 1/4 mi. Or, east of Sunman on Eastern Ave., thru "S" turns, 4 mi. on N. Dearborn Rd., left on Legion Rd.

Thank You,

Dale A. Back, Secretary, 10571 N. Dearborn Rd. Sunman, IN 47041, Phone 812-623-2431

Salamonie Preschool offers "Native Americans," Oct. 19

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "Native Americans" on Oct. 19.

The class will be offered from 10-11:30 a.m. and again from 12:30-2 p.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews.

Each program is designed to enhance the preschooler's basic education, including learning letters, crafts, social interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme.

"This month's theme honors the Miami Indian heritage in the reservoir area," says Teresa Rody, Interpretive Naturalist. Visitors will learn about Black Loon's village that was here at Salamonie and try a preschool version of ribbon work.

The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at (260) 468-2127.

For more information on other UWIS programs, see dnr.IN.gov/uwis or [facebook.com/upperwabash](https://www.facebook.com/upperwabash), or call (260) 468-2127.

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services (dnr.IN.gov/uwis) is at 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, 46702.

To view all DNR news releases, please see dnr.IN.gov.

2017 ISDA livestock grant applications now available

INDIANAPOLIS (Oct. 3, 2016) - The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) is now accepting applications for the livestock promotion and market development grants to foster growth within the Hoosier livestock industry. Applications are due by December 1, 2016.

"Indiana's livestock sector continues to be a driving force for food production and has a major impact on our state and local economies," said Ted McKinney, ISDA Director. "These grants create growth opportunities within the industry and allow livestock organizations to have a greater impact in Indiana through the development of educational programs, promotional events or projects to increase our processing and production capabilities."

Educational programs, livestock shows/exhibitions, conventions and similar events and projects are eligible to apply for livestock promotion funding. The market development grant provides funding for value-added feasibility studies, research projects, market development and other projects that encourage the development of business and industry related to livestock production, processing and distribution.

Both the livestock promotion and market development grants will reimburse up to 50 percent of the amount spent to conduct or support the projects, programs and events outlined in each of the grants.

The grants are open to non-profit organizations, commissions and associations with 501(c) status involving the following livestock species: cattle, swine, sheep, equine, goats, poultry, camelids, ostriches, cervidae, bison, aquaculture and rabbits.

All grant applications should be sent electronically to Kimmi Devaney at KDevaney@isda.in.gov by December 1, 2016. Award winners will be announced February 1, 2017. Applications are available at www.in.gov/isda/2474.htm. No applications will be accepted after the deadline.

In 2016, \$127,000 dollars were awarded to 15 organizations by ISDA to foster growth in the livestock industry throughout Indiana.

ABOUT ISDA

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) was established as a separate state agency by the Legislature in 2005. The Director is appointed by the Governor and is a member of the Governor's Cabinet. Administratively, ISDA reports to Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb, who also serves as Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. Major responsibilities include advocacy for Indiana agriculture at the local, state and federal level, managing soil conservation programs, promoting economic development and agricultural innovation, serving as a regulatory ombudsman for agricultural businesses, and licensing grain firms throughout the state.

Nearly \$80 Million Going to Rural Communities for Infrastructure Improvements Projects will Improve Roads and Bridges, Make Communities More Walkable and Bikeable

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Department of Transportation announced today that nearly \$80 million in federal transportation funding is being awarded to 64 cities, towns, and counties in rural portions of Indiana to invest in local road and bridge improvements as well as sidewalk and trail projects. Combined with local funds, almost \$135 million is being invested in infrastructure in communities receiving funds.

"Over the last decade, Indiana has demonstrated a commitment to investing in infrastructure that is nearly unmatched," Lieutenant Governor Eric Holcomb said. "Modern roads and bridges keep commerce moving at the speed of the 21st-century economy and sidewalks and trails help create the sense of place that sparks vibrant communities which attract businesses and talent to the Hoosier state."

For the first time, INDOT has set aside a portion of the funds awarded, approximately \$5 million, to sidewalk improvements in rural communities. The new sidewalk program for smaller communities is part of INDOT's "Common Paths" initiative. Common Paths unifies and implements the agency's transportation programs and policies regarding planning and design, including Complete Streets, bicycles, and pedestrians. Also, INDOT is investing \$2.5 million each year improving crosswalks and other sidewalk infrastructure along state highways in both rural and urban communities.

INDOT dedicates approximately 25 percent of its federal highway funds to supporting local projects each year. Metropolitan Planning Organizations distribute those funds to cities, towns, and counties within the state's larger urbanized areas while INDOT distributes funds outside MPO areas. Communities must pay at least 20 percent in local matching funds and meet other federal requirements to receive federal funding.

For this latest round of funding, rural communities will design, develop and purchase land for projects that would be bid during the fiscal year beginning July 2020. While the funds awarded now are dedicated to construction, INDOT will be financially participating in design, engineering, and right of way acquisition components of these projects.

A list of all communities receiving funds is online at www.in.gov/indot/3581.htm

Rural communities were invited to submit project applications to INDOT for potential funding during a call for projects announced in March 2016.

Stay Informed

Motorists can learn about highway work zones and other traffic alerts at indot.carsprogram.org, **1-800-261-ROAD (7623)** or **511** from a mobile phone.

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**Franklin County Road Closure Update,
US 52 Reopens Briefly**

Recent heavy rains damaged roads and bridges and resulted in several road closures. US 52 reopened between Brookville and Cedar Grove on Wednesday morning, October 5, to continuous one-direction-at-a-time traffic. At 7am on Monday, October 10, US 52 west of Holland Road will close for three weeks.

Commissioner Tom Linkel negotiated with the state for a re-opening to support local businesses and to facilitate traffic flow during Metamora's Canal Days Festival.

The official US 52 detour for truck traffic uses Interstate 74 and State Route 3. The Franklin County commissioners have asked the state for help in placing more barricades to prevent large semi-trucks from using local county roads. The unofficial detour for local residents to reach Brookville is St. Peters Road, Highland Center Road and Blue Creek Road.

Other closures:

The main streets in Metamora will be closed to general traffic during Canal Days festivities on Saturday, October 8, and Sunday, October 9. Local residents will still be able to drive through town. US 52 remains closed east of Elkhorn between Cedar Grove and New Trenton for culvert replacement. River Road is closed due to a bridge being destroyed by floodwaters.

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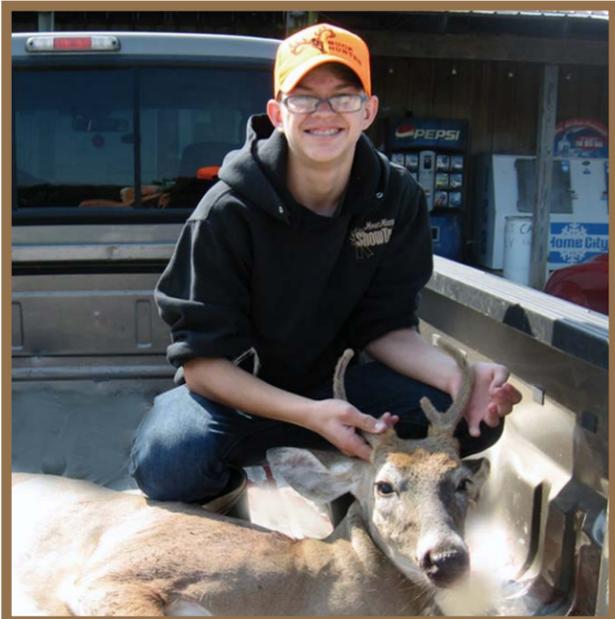
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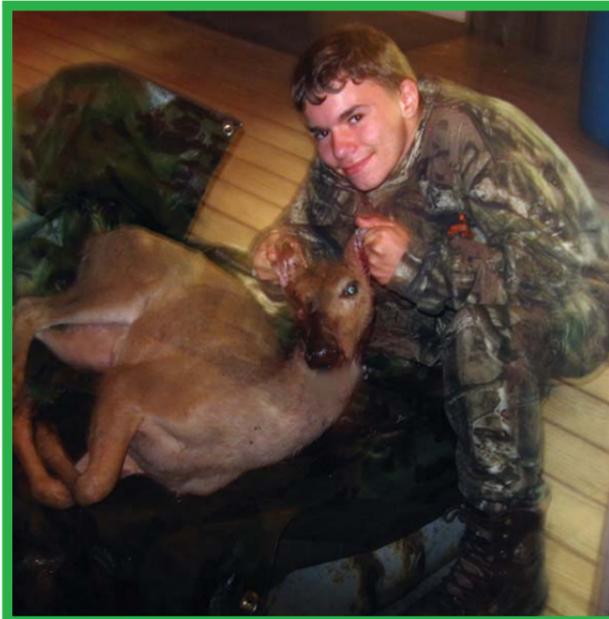
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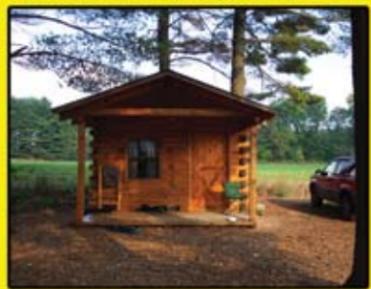
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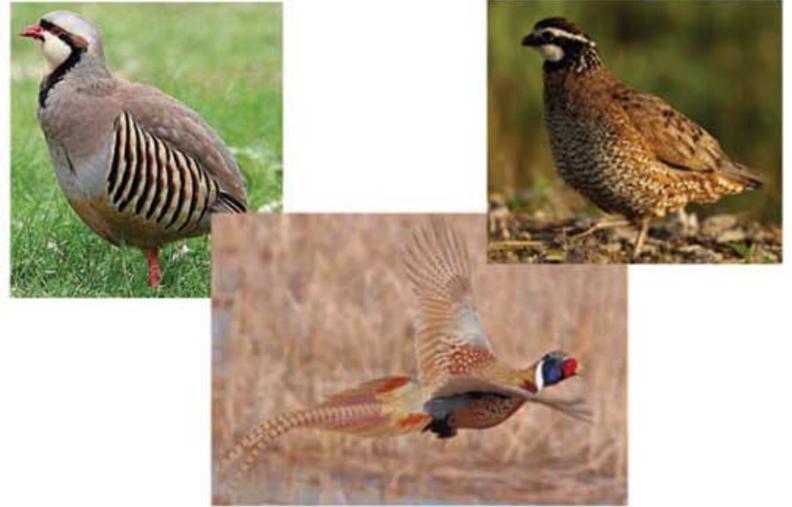
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