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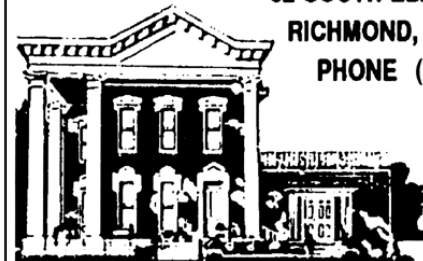
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Top Right: Don Heiber has a Bucket List of things he wants to do do. One thing on the list was to ride in a Seaplane. Well as luck would have it Conrad Tanksley who docks his boat at Quakertown Marina where Don lives also wanted to fly in a Seaplane and needed someone to go with him. Don and Conrad took off of Brookville Lake in a Cessna 170 on 8-20-2016 flown by Troy MacVey from Aurora, IN. See Page 16-17. (Photo by Conrad Tanksley)

Bottom Left: Indiana State Trooper Randy McPike, Mayor Giberson and Sgt. John Bowling at the Indiana

State Fair in August 2016. John wanted to thank everyone who stopped by the Indiana State Police booth who said Hello. He was in the north informational booth, he said if you've ever been to the state fair you know you'll see the Indiana State Police all over the grounds, as well as at three information booths. See Page 6. (Sgt. John Bowling Photo)

Bottom Right: On June 24th I picked our granddaughter Breanna Smock at the Indianapolis Airport, she stayed with us here in Centerville until August 8th. In this photo we were visiting the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, OH. Sherry, Breanna and Ray were in the WWII Gallery in this photo. See Page 28-29. (Photo by Raul Avarado)

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by Ray Dickerson

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Normally I write kind of a preview in this column about special things in The Gad-a-bout, but due to a lot of special articles in this one I have cut myself short on space. Some might say that is good! In what space I have here goes.....

I GOT MY DELIVERY VAN BACK AND WAS DOING REAL GOOD IN IT UNTIL ABOUT 10 MILES FROM HOME.....

Last month I wrote about getting my delivery van back from the body shop and finally since April 15th was able to deliver in it again. On August 17th I picked up the September Gad-a-bout and delivered it without a hitch until I got just north of Springersville. I delivered to Matt's Gun Shop, I drove north to a 4-way stop, when I stopped the brake pedal went all the way to the floor. Fortunately I was on an upgrade. I knew exactly what it was because several months prior the same thing happened to my back-up truck. So I drove the back roads to Best Stop Auto Care very carefully and made it. Same problem as the other one. Brake line tubing had rusted out. I picked it up two days later in time to finish delivering the September issue.

DUSTIN BANTZ WILL BEGIN SELLING ADVERTISING FOR THE GAD-A-BOUT BEGINNING WITH THE NOV ISSUE

A couple issues ago I announced here that I was looking for some new sales reps in three areas of Indiana. When I was delivering to 1 Shot Sports the last time the

owner, Dustin Bantz told me he might be interested in selling advertising for me in his area, he would think about it.

Well Dustin Bantz has decided to sell advertising for The Gad-a-bout beginning with the November issue. Dustin has advertised his business in The Gad-a-bout for several years. We will be talking about it more when I deliver papers to him next week.

**COMING EVENTS
September 21 - 25, 2016**

The Vietnam Moving Wall will be in Richmond, IN at the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park located in the Whitewater River Gorge. See Page 23 for all the details and program for this patriotic event. Special Note: For those attending the Main Ceremony at 2 p.m. on Saturday September 24, come early and park in County Offices parking lot, shuttle bus service will be available.

September 25, 2016

Whitewater Memorial State Park will have a V.A. Mobile Vet Center parked in the lot near the front gate. It will have free information for anyone who needs help. See Page 24 to read more about it. There will also be a Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony and pitch in dinner at 2 p.m. in the Poplar Grove Shelter.

September 30 - October 2, 2016

18th Annual Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Show at Indiana State Fairgrounds. See Page 22 for photos, information and contact information.

October 2, 2016

Klemme's Corner United Church of Christ is having their Annual Fall Festival October 2, 2016 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. They are having a Chicken Dinner, Hayride to the Pumpkin Patch, Kids Games, Music, Crafts, Bake Sale, Silent Auction, Basket Raffle and Painted Pumpkins. Directions: I-74 to St. Leon Exit, Go north on SR 1 and follow signs to 11001 Bossert Rd., Brookville, IN47012

BOAH RELEASE ON BOVINE TB FOUND IN WILD, WHITE-TAILED DEER IN FRANKLIN COUNTY

Dr. Fred Philips, DVM who writes a column in The Gad-a-bout sent me a release from the BOAH concerning TB found in Wild, White-tailed deer in Franklin County. See Page 26-27 for recent announcement. I subscribed to receive BOAH releases as this situation is monitored and hopefully rid of in Indiana.

IDNR NEWS RELEASES

This first one has already taken place, but is impor-

tant.

BLACK BEAR MEDIA CONFERENCE HELD AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK AUGUST 2, 2016

WHY: To educate the public and media about black bears because of recent black bear sightings in southern Indiana.

WHEN: 1 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 2.

WHERE: The Garrison at Fort Harrison State Park in Indianapolis, in the Lawrence Room. The address is 6002 N. Post Road, Indianapolis, 46216.

WHO: Taylor Rasmussen, Nongame Mammalogist, and Falyn Owens, Urban Wildlife Biologist, DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife, are speakers.

HOW: Rasmussen and Owens will give a short presentation and then be available for questions.

ON-SITE MEDIA CONTACT: Marty Benson, DNR Assistant Director of Communications, Cell (317) 696-9812.

VOLUNTEER AT SUMMIT LAKE STATE PARK SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

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October Fishing Brookville Lake

October is that time of the year where things in the lake start to change. Water temperature starts to drop, days get shorter, winds starts to blow, fish start to move from their summer homes to their winter homes. So if you want to continue to catch fish you have to move with the fish.

Most of the summer the water temperature has been in the mid 80's with a thermocline around 25 feet. A lot of the fish we caught this summer were from 10 feet down to 25 feet fishing on or around flats or under water points. But now with the surface temperature cooling off this will change the places, depths, times of day, and the way fish feed.

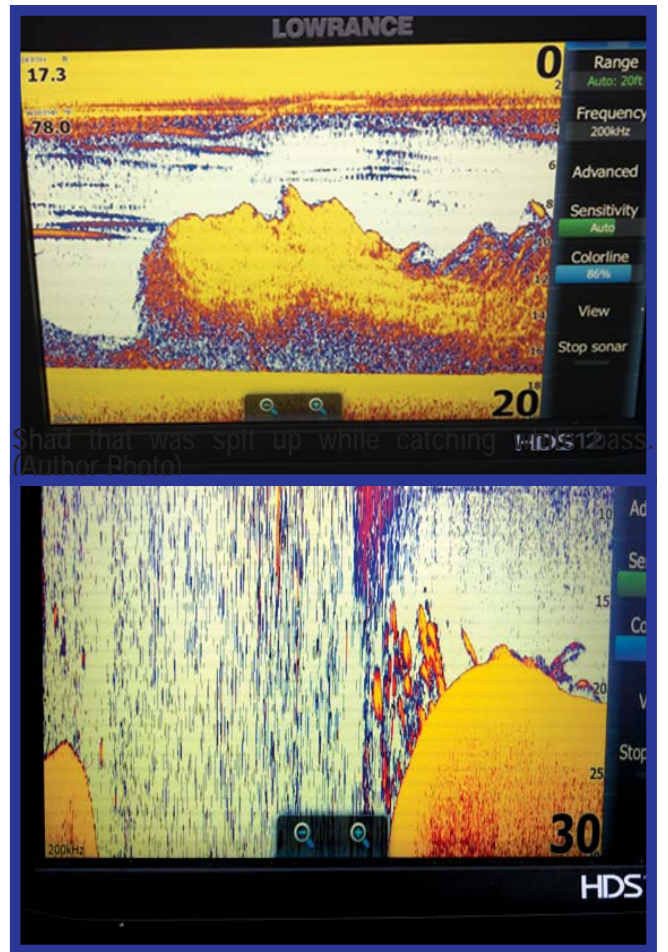
One of the first things to change is the water temperature. As it falls from 80 degrees on the surface into the sixties it will cause the lake to turn over. What this will do is make the thermocline go away and re oxygenate the deep water and allow the fish to go as deep as they want. Another thing that goes away is part of the food source. All the bugs worms and crawl dads go into hibernation until spring. So for the next 6 months the only food source is going to be a bait fish called a shad or each other. In the dead of winter I have caught largemouth bass and walleye with small blue gill and crappie in their stomachs.

Another thing that is going to happen is the winter draw down. On or around October 15th the lake level will be lowered 8 feet. Depending on the weather, this will usually take about a month. What this does to the fish is give them the idea that the lake is drying up. What they will do is pull out and suspend over deep water, and eventually hold next to deep drop off ledges.

I have fished every winter for the past thirty years and from day light till early afternoon is the best time to fish. For some reason that first light bite is hot all winter. Then after that it comes and goes. I think the fish meander around in big circles or just move through the area your fishing.

There are a few different ways to catch fish in the fall through out the winter, but my favorite way to fish is with a spoon or a blade bait. Now there are several different spoons and blade baits on the market, but the ones I like to use are the ones that we sell at 52 Pik-up. I have tried them all and some for what ever reason just don't work.

The best way to fish a spoon or blade bait is the straight up and down method. From a boat find the



Top: If you're looking for white bass this is what you want to see on your Lowrance depth finder. Bottom: Look for this type of thing on your depth finder steep drop off ledge with fish holding close to the bottom. (Author Photos)

fish holding close to the bottom with your fish finder. Simply let the spoon or blade bait free fall to the bottom and then just lift and drop the bait trying to stay in contact with the bottom. What your trying to look like is a dying bait fish. When you lift the bait that is the dart, that is what gets the fishes attention when the bait flutters back down to the bottom, that is what triggers the strike. I switch back and forth from a spoon to a blade bait and also switch colors and sizes. You have to try a few different things and let the fish tell you what they want.

Another good method is to simply cast to the bank. For a period in the fall when the water temperature gets cool, predator fish will push and trap bait fish against the shore. One fish that is notorious for this is white bass. Look for them around main lake points. A simple cast and retrieve of a white rooster tail is all that is needed

From late October through the end of December all the fish are in the same boat sort of speak. They are all trying to fatten up for that long winter that is just around the corner. With all the bugs, worms, and crawl dads in hibernation they are all feeding on some type of fish that is smaller then they are. So however you like to fish, just think bait fish.

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by **Sergeant John D. Bowling**
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Indiana State Fair A Fun Place to Visit

I wrote this in late August and wanted to take the opportunity to thank everyone who stopped by our information booths at the State Fair this year. I was in the north informational booth and had a lot of people stop in to say hello. If you've ever been to the state fair you know you'll see the Indiana State Police all over the grounds, as well as at three information booths. It's a popular but long detail for us.

A lot of the people that stopped by our booth wanted to thank us for our service, which is always refreshing to hear. Often in this line of work we deal with a negative element. Working events like these can serve as a reminder to all of us just what a privilege it is to be serving all of you.

I personally met folks from PA., NY, CA, TX, OH, IL, WI, TN and even from England, China and Japan. I've included a picture of myself and Trooper Randy McPike posing with the Mayor of Port Republic, New Jersey, who stopped by the north booth and wanted his picture taken with Indiana Troopers. It's proof that people come from all over to our Indiana State Fair.

Harvest Time Safety

It's the time of year to watch for farm equipment on roadways as farmers work to get in crops. The Indiana State Police offers the below safety tip reminders.

Tips for farmers:

- Have all lighting and placards on your equipment as required by law.
- When parking equipment along the road while in the field, make certain it is visible at night.
- Avoid traveling on state and U.S. highways during rush hour traffic.
- Wear reflective clothing when working at night so as to be seen by motorists and farm workers.
- Indiana Code 9-21-5-7 requires operators of vehicles being driven at a speed below the posted limit to move over to the right at their first opportunity if three or more vehicles are following to allow those vehicles to safely pass.

Tips for motorists:

- Be patient when traveling behind farm equipment; farmers have the same rights as automobile drivers to operate their equipment on the roads.
- When approaching farm equipment from the opposite direction, pull to the right of the traveled portion of the road and allow the equipment to pass.
- Always be cautious when approaching farm equipment parked on the side of the road. Someone may be getting into or out of the equipment or performing maintenance.
- Be especially vigilant in watching for farm equipment on two lane roads, and around dusk when conditions can make the equipment harder to see.

It's Fall-Time to Watch for Deer!

October begins my favorite time of the year with crops being harvested and the beginning of deer



Randy McPike, Mayor Giberson and John Bowling at Indiana State Fair. (Author Photo)

season. But the annual crop harvest coupled with the beginning of hunting season and the "rut," (deer mating season) makes deer movement more prominent and the number of car/deer crashes increase. So it's a good time to remind motorists to use extra caution when driving in rural areas of Indiana. Deer are generally more active in the early morning (pre-dawn) hours or the hours just after dusk but could be on the move at any time.

Motorists should take the following precautions when driving in rural areas to avoid having a crash involving a deer:

- When possible use high beam headlights at night and be aware that deer could be standing on or near the side of the roadway.
- Drivers should watch approaching vehicles and observe what may break their headlights beams; it could be a passing deer. This technique allows extra time to slow your speed and be alert for the deer.
- Watch for reflections from the deer's eyes.
- Where there is one deer there are often several. Do not assume you missed the deer because more could follow. **BE ALERT!**
- If your vehicle strikes a deer do not touch it. A frightened or wounded deer can cause you serious bodily injury. Remain in your car, make sure you and your passengers are safe, and call the police to obtain a crash report for your insurance company. You should report this as you would any other crash.
- Finally, as always, **BUCKLE UP!**

For more information concerning deer habits,

population, and trends in your area contact your local conservation officer or the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife at 317-232-4080.

This ends another month's installment. Thanks for reading and for letting all of us serve all of you. Stay safe, and take these tips seriously, so we can talk again next month.

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Misfires & Snags



by Dan Graves

Fishermen, It's Your Fault

Historically, boats or other floating devices are probably the oldest form of transportation used by mankind. Imagine a caveman standing on a sea shore, gazing out and wondering what lays on the horizon. Whether from curiosity or from running out of real estate when being chased by a large hungry critter, he probably straddled a log and paddled off into history. However, it didn't take long to realize that the big hairy thing that chased him offshore was soon replaced by scaly things that liked to chew on bare toes. So, he hollowed out the log which allowed him to keep all his body parts out of the water. After centuries of floating haphazardly without anything to say about where he would end up, he adopted crude paddles and now could more or less control his destination.

Time passed as mankind improved on the boat. Eskimos constructed hulls of seal skin while North American Indians advanced from dugouts to birch bark hulls for their canoes. Vikings built elaborate boats and were sailing vast distances long before passenger vessels introduced large numbers of land lubbers to sea sickness. Then, an enterprising dugout mariner began to wonder if perhaps, the aquatic life that had been nibbling on the toes of the log riders might be edible. A light went on. Why not sharpen a stick, dangle a foot overboard as bait and use the stick to spear his prey. The boat was now a means of securing a bountiful supply of food. However, the "harpoon" as it was called proved to be cumbersome and good only in the hands of a skilled user. Some

time during the Wang Ding Dynasty in China, a Chinese fisherman tied a length of string to a bamboo pole, attached a bone hook and a crude form of commercial fishing was born.

Along with the advent of fishing poles and hooks came territorial fishing rights as competing tribes quarreled over their selected waters. Inevitably, harpoons became spears as squabbles broke out in direct conflicts. Combatants soon found that trying to chuck spears while standing in wobbly dugouts necessitated more sophisticated designs of water craft. Wider and longer hulls were constructed to accommodate larger catches, more fishermen, and a greater supply of spears. They found that trying to row and squabble at the same time was too time consuming, so a tinker erected a pole amidships of a craft, attached a bed sheet and the sail was born. Now, former oarsmen could be used to hurl spears at the competition while one crew member manned the tiller for directional control, offering better firepower. Having proven the effectiveness of the boat in protecting territorial waters, they began using larger craft to transport greater numbers of fishermen in attacks on competing fishermen's villages, the idea being to snuff their foes before they could take to the water. Thus was born the assault boat.

As years passed, boats grew larger and with the advent of gun powder, spears were replaced by muzzle loading firearms and eventually cannons. Conflicts over fishing rights expanded to include entire territorial waters and crude navies battled to keep invading fishermen off their soil.

Technology continued to advance as boats, now called ships, grew in size and complexity which necessitated finding more powerful means of propulsion to move what were now hulls constructed of metals capable of withstanding attacks from the latest development of the torpedo. Sails were replaced with coal fired steam engines and then diesel power plants followed by nuclear energy. What had formerly been fishing rights was now "My boat's bigger than your boat" and true fishing vessels again shrank to wooden hulls powered by small gasoline pattering outboard engines and shouting matches between competing fishermen.

Today, boats come in a seemingly endless variety of styles, hull shapes, power plants and usage. Health and fitness followers have reverted back to canoes and kayaks. Pleasure boaters ply the waters pulling skiers while pontoon boats haul party goers as house boats and yachts satisfy the social needs of the wealthy. Meanwhile, our seas are constantly patrolled by sophisticated water craft, both above the surface and below, always on a vigil for any and all errant fishermen who would dare to violate their territorial waters. In the final analysis, because a cave man decided to hollow out a log to keep his toes intact and then sharpen a stick to spear the toe nibblers, we now have his descendants snarling at each other. In other words, all you fishermen out there, it's your fault. But on the other hand, if there hadn't been a little conflict over fishing rights, we'd all still be straddling logs and getting our toes nibbled on by our quarry.

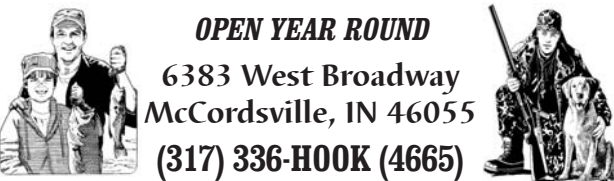
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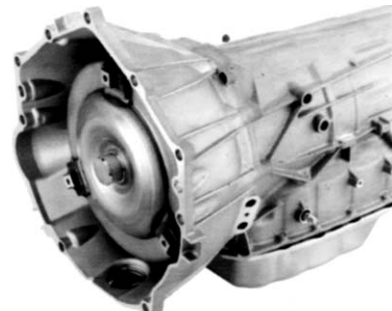
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Hunting Indiana Ginseng

While many harvesters of Indiana plants have been focused on the highly edible and very expensive morel mushrooms since early spring, many are unaware of another plant in the Hoosier state which is collected in the fall and is many times more valuable than morels—wild ginseng. In Chinese, the word “ginseng” is directly translated as “the essence of man”.

Unlike mushrooms which can be picked in our state whenever and wherever it grows (with permission), ginseng (*Panax quinquefolia*) has a definite season, specific regulations, and sometimes permits, to collect or sell it. September 1 to December 31 of each year is the magic time for ginseng hunters in Indiana.

This fleshy root perennial in the ivy family is found mostly in the eastern half of the United States and southern Quebec and Ontario, Canada. Its favorite habitat is well shaded, moist hardwood forests, usually on north or east facing slopes. Tuliptree, maple, beech, oak, and hickory are common trees in ginseng woods, while bloodroot, jack-in-the-pulpit, Solomon seal, trillium, and other wildflowers are often companion plants. Ginseng prefers growing in areas with sparse ground cover to minimize competition with other

species.

Ginseng begins as a seed. When it germinates, it has one stem and one leaf. It grows from two to five inches tall in its first year. In the second year, the small plant will reach five or more inches tall and have two leaves. These leaves, called “prongs” have five leaflets on one stem. When a leaf has multiple leaflets on a single stem, it is called a “compound” leaf. (Ash, walnut, locust, and some other trees have compound leaves.) Ginseng has five leaflets arranged in a hand shaped design called “palmate”. This is an arrangement similar to a buckeye tree leaf. The top of the main stem will terminate with one to four or these prongs. The leaves will die and drop from the plant in the late fall.

It can take many years for the ginseng plant to flower and set fruit. These berries begin green and turn to a bright red. These red berries are very important to the person harvesting the root. Only plants with these berries may be taken. Then, the red fruits must be planted in the area where the root was dug. This ensures the future of the ginseng crop.

Another regulation about harvesting ginseng in most states is it must have at least three prongs (three leaves with three to five leaflets) and be at least five years old. (Some states, such as Illinois requires the plant to be 10 years old with four prongs.) This means the person collecting the root must be able to tell its age.

This is more complicated than identifying the plant, but is necessary, just like knowing the legal length of most fish species to keep them. Between the bottom of the stem, and the top of the root, is a short section of the plant called the neck. This area will have a scar, called an “internode” for each year of age after year one. This scar looks like a heavy scarf or rope wrapped around the neck. A five year old plant will have four of these scars and this section will be around one inch long. So, a legal plant to harvest must have at least four scars. The digger must carefully expose this

section of the plant and count the scars before collecting the root. If it is not old enough, the plant must be re-covered and left to mature.

Of course, this eliminates using a shovel to dig the ginseng. A knife or small trowel is necessary. Even if the plant being harvested is of legal age, the plants around it may be too young and could be damaged by a careless digger. Since a good ginseng woods is a treasure, the collector wants to keep the plants safe and growing for future crops.

Why is ginseng worth all of this effort? There are a lot of claims about the benefits of this plant, not all proven. It is supposed to enhance fitness, memory, mental function, weight loss, and libido, lessen stress and fatigue, and many other ailments. It was used by various Native American tribes, and is highly sought in China and other Far East areas. And, of course, the fact it can sell for several hundred dollars a pound makes it popular too!

Gathering of this wild plant is regulated in 19 states. Indiana is one of those. It is prohibited or restricted in all the other states where it occurs. This control is necessary because of the limited amount of wild ginseng due to over harvesting and habitat loss. It is commercially cultivated in Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin, and China.

About this time next year, Wausau, Wisconsin will be holding the First North American Wisconsin Ginseng Festival on September 15-17, 2017. This will include vendors of all types, live entertainment, and food and drink prepared with ginseng. History of the plant, tours through ginseng fields and a chance to dig your own ginseng root are just a few of the activities scheduled for this festival. For details, email root@wisconsin Ginsengfest.com.

For more information on wild ginseng in Indiana, go to Indiana Department of Natural Resources, click on Division of Nature Preserves, and go to “Ginseng”. This site has all the rules and regulations about pursuing this elusive plant.

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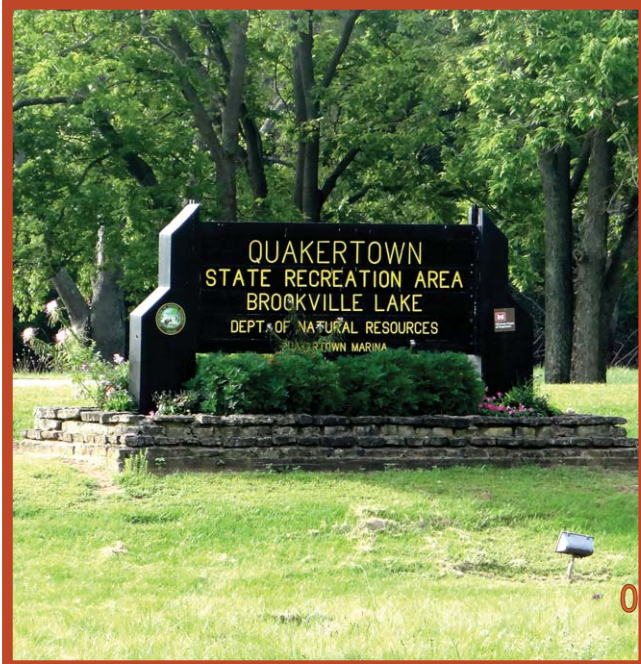
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Entrance Gate to the Quakertown State Recreation Area at north end of Brookville Lake. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)



Upon entering the road leading to Quakertown State Recreation Area you will be greeted by a Gate Attendant. Pictured here is Wanda Reese who had been attending this gate house since the spring of 2000. She retired on Saturday, September 3, 2016. Her shift was Thursday thru Sunday when the gatehouse was open. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Wanda Reese Gate Attendant Quakertown SRA for 17 years Retired September 3, 2016

by Ray Dickerson

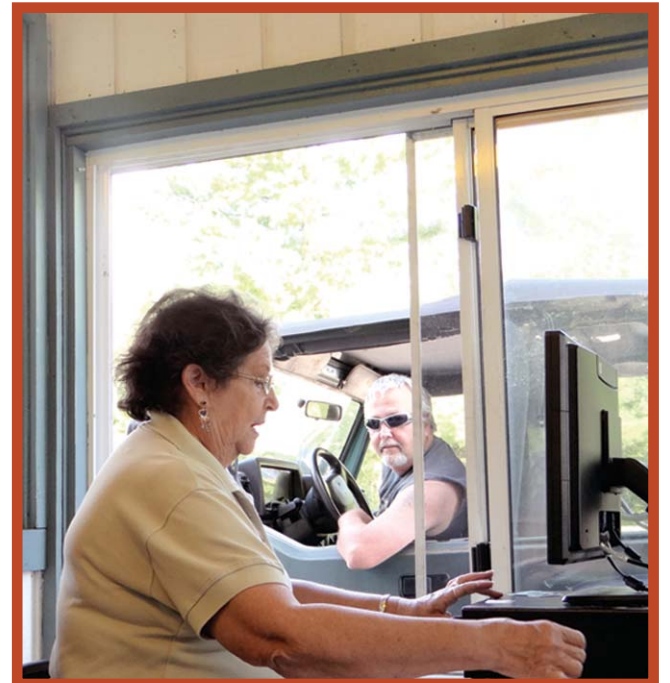
I had known Wanda Reese longer than I remembered. She set me straight on the facts of our friendship that spanned approximately 40 years.

In my mind I had known her for only the past 17 years. Every time I passed through the gate house at Quakertown State Recreation Area (SRA) on the days she worked, which was Thursday thru Sunday.

On August 19, 2016 I went to Brookville Lake and as I was entering the Quakertown SRA gatehouse Wanda Reese was in the gate house. We always talk for a little bit before I go in, I was at Brookville Lake to take some photos of Don Heiber who was going to fly in a seaplane for the first time (see his article in this issue). Wanda told me she was retiring from the DNR on September 3, 2016. I told her I would like to do an article on her, so we set the date of August 25th at 9 a.m. for my interview with



Left Photo: Wanda Reese standing where she would greet visitors. Right Photo: Wanda attending to her duties in the gatehouse. Chuck Campbell paying for his admittance, he was here to use the rifle range. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)



her in the gate house.

On August 25th I arrived at the Quakertown Gate at around 9 a.m., Wanda greeted me and we started our conversation. Getting back to what I said in the first paragraph about how long she and I had known one another. Wanda told me she had been a member of the Eastern Indiana Four Wheelers Association and she remembered when I attended one of their events at Haspin Acres in the late 1970's. I thought about that for a couple of seconds and told her I did remember that, it was when I published my first outdoor publication, The Outdoor Gad-a-bout 1973-78. I told her I got to know a fella by the name of Jim Tash who was also a member of that club. Jim overhauled my 1966 Chevelle at that time. I did several stories about that four wheel club.

Then she reminded me about when she worked at Brookville's Arby's restaurant when I came in there she waited on me. Again I thought about it for a second or two. I nodded, yes I remembered her from there too. In fact I think I remembered her from

Arby's when I first saw her in the gate house, maybe.

Wanda is originally from Cumberland, Kentucky in Harlan County. When she left Kentucky she moved to Scipio, Indiana on SR 252 at the fork of 129 & 126 just east of Brookville.

Wanda and Marvin Reese married in 1960, they had 2 daughters and 1 son. Marvin worked at Visteon in Connersville, retiring from there in 1996. Wanda worked at Jay Garment in Brookville, Richmond Glove, Franklin Casket of Brookville, IGA at Brookville and retired also in 1996.

With too much time on her hands, Wanda got a part time job at Arby's restaurant and then took the job with the DNR as a Gate Attendant in the Spring of 2000.

Marvin passed away in 2006, she misses him so very much.

Wanda lives in Blooming Grove now and is going to have lots of time to enjoy her retirement. I and countless others will miss seeing her smiling face as we pass through the Quakertown gate house, but we will know she's enjoying her new life at home. ■

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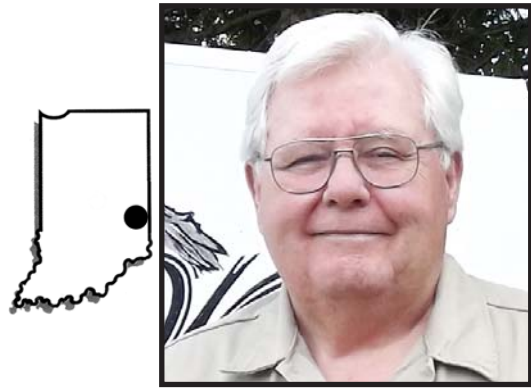
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by **Marshall Smith**

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GUNSMITHING

Davis Spot Shot rifle scope repair. A couple of months back a Davis Spot Shot 15x rifle scope was brought in for repair. The Davis Spot Shot rifle scope was the originally designed by R.A. Litschert. Available info from the internet and from talking to other locals found that he was a Winchester, Indiana resident. He apparently started in his garage taking low power scopes and making higher powered target scopes. He designed the scope with a spring to absorb the recoil shock to protect the optics and the zero of the scope. He was apparently very successful in his endeavors as the U.S. Military requested that he make sniper scopes for them during WW II. Sometime in the late 50's or early 60's he sold his business to his son-in-law Myron Davis who manufactured and sold the scopes under the Davis Spot Shot brand. The scopes were considered very good but not as good as an Unertl scope. The scope was movable. To adjust the scope the horizontal and vertical adjustments moved the scope within its mount. The Spot Shot used Unertl adjusters which were very accurate. It also had parallax and focus adjustments and a 5 inch sunshade. Davis closed the business sometime in the early 80's.

One of the crosshairs of the scope had broken away from its mounting point and needed to be replaced. Today's scopes don't use hair or wire for the cross hairs. A lens is etched with the reticle pattern to be used and installed within a movable carrier near the center of the scope tube. The scope's owner had purchased the scope new in the mid 60's and drove to Winchester to purchase the scope from Myron Davis. The scope cross hairs are very fine about 0.0002". The only wire I could find available to use was electro magnet wire but would have to buy large rolls of the wire at exorbitant prices. I began looking for a good substitute and found wire in a small phone charger which looked like it might work. It was 0.001" or about the thickness of hair on your head. I used the wire and it really looked good but was too thick and would obscure part of the target. One would think hair would work. I tried that too and it was brittle and kept breaking. I wasn't able to identify the material used in the original scope but could meas-



Top Left: The Davis Spot Shot scope was very long. About 30 inches overall. Top Right: The scope used Unertl micrometer mounts. Note the scope is moved to align the target. Not the cross hairs. Bottom Right: It's clear in this picture the vertical wire has broken away from the screw holding it in place. (Author Photos)



Beccaria), 1774-1776

ure it and that is where I got the 0.0002" measurement. Wire that thin is very easily broken. I finally stumbled onto wire which would work if great care was taken in retrieving it and installing it. #0000 steel wool. The wool is not round though and it is twisted in the bundle and needs straightened. After about a dozen attempts I finally was able to get both wires installed.

GUN RIGHTS

On July 22, 2016, the Obama Administration released a far ranging gun control measure by executive decree. The U.S. State Department's Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC), which is the agency responsible for administering the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) and implementing the rules of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) has ordered that commercial gunsmiths are now considered as "manufacturers" for performing relatively simple work such as drilling and threading holes for a scope mount, or threading a barrel for a muzzle brake or fabricating a small custom part for an older firearm. Under the AECA, "manufacturers" are required to register with DDTC at great expense (currently \$2,250) or risk severe criminal penalties (up to \$1,000,000 in fines and 20 years imprisonment). And now Homeland Security Secretary has joined the fray by announcing that "gun control" is a Homeland Security matter and will be dealt with. This sounds more and more like 1938 Germany. This administration appears to be disregarding the Constitutional process and disregarding Congress and the people. It has got to stop. Vote this November and protect your rights.

Quote of the Month

"The laws that forbid the carrying of arms are laws of such a nature. They disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes.... Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man."

— Thomas Jefferson, *Commonplace Book* (quoting 18th century criminologist Cesare

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 PrairieWolfGuns@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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Left Photo: Standing in front of JoAnn's Cafe, owners Michelle and Jamie Miller. They will be celebrating their 3rd Anniversary on October 1, 2016. Right Photo: Regular customers having their breakfast at JoAnn's Cafe located at 723 South 5th Street in Richmond, IN. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

JoAnn's Cafe Our Third Anniversary October 1, 2013 to October 1, 2016

by Michelle Miller

My husband Jamie and I have been together almost 20 years. We have 3 wonderful children, Cheyenne age 21 (who works at the Cafe), Haleigh age 10 and Coltyn age 6.

When we realized that JoAnn's Cafe was for sale we decided to take a giant leap of faith. And we are so glad we did! October 1st is our 3rd Anniversary owning the Cafe. JoAnn's Cafe has been around since the early 1950's. We are so glad to be keeping the "Mom and Pop" image alive all these years later.

We have learned a lot in 3 years! It takes a lot of hard work and dedication. It's a log of work, but we love it!"

We have met a lot of great people, from people traveling through, the more frequent and daily customers!

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Top Left: Michelle and Jamie inside their Cafe. In this room there is a picture display of hundreds of photos of customers, pets and more. Top Right: Another group of customers being served by Ann. Bottom Left: Michele's Split Ends Salon located at 744 South 5th Street in Richmond, IN. Bottom Right: Michelle taking care of one of her regular customers, Gail who lives in Richmond. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

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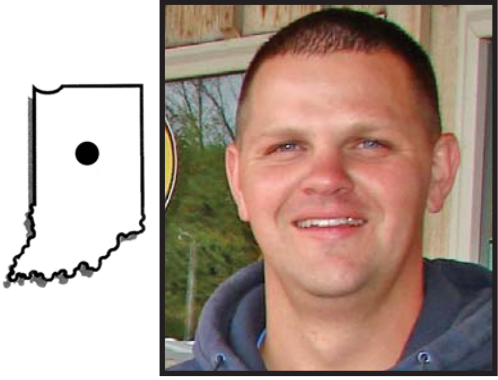
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Great Lakes of the Wabash River - Fishing News



by **Ryan Pershing**
Mgr of **Bozarth Country Store**

Great Lakes of the Wabash

Greetings from the Great Lakes of Wabash and unlike the previous few summers we have witnessed a summer season void of any major weather catastrophes that would hamper activities we are accustomed to enjoying here at the Salamonie, Mississinewa, and Roush Lakes. After enduring a flood shortened season last year which came on the heels of the drought from a few years ago, the 2016 summer season has been an outdoorsman's dream as we have continually had beautiful weather along with excellent lake conditions to enjoy all the activities these properties provide. With that being said, here's to hoping that the upcoming fall season will provide the exact same scenario as this proves to be one of the most exciting times for all outdoor enthusiasts. Whether you enjoy fishing, camping, hunting, or horseback riding we would like to invite you to visit these properties as this is one of the best times of the year to experience the beauties of nature.

As mentioned above, the fall season is a favorite amongst most individuals as the humidity and temperatures begin to drop, the leaves start their colorful change, and fall festivals kick in full gear and it all shows what a wonderful time of year it is. Here at the Great Lakes of the Wabash there are many exciting activities to involve your family and we are lucky to have the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services to provide these services. They host a variety of events that allows families to experience different aspects of nature.

The Salamonie Reservoir property will host their annual **Rider's Rendezvous from Friday, September 16th through Sunday, September 18th**. This event is \$5 per individual and pre-registration is encouraged. Several events are scheduled throughout the weekend and this is always a popular and fun time for horse riders to interact amongst ones and enjoy time together. This event will be followed up by the **Salamonie Fall Festival on October 14 and 15**. This has been an event that has grown each year and promises to be a family fun filled event. Site decorating, trick or treating, and hay rides are a few of the exciting

events planned for this weekend and is one you will not want to miss! The Mississinewa Reservoir property will have two different weekends to enjoy their fall festivals. **Autumn Camping weekend 1 will take place September 30th - October 1st** and then **Autumn Camping weekend 2 will take place the following weekend on October 7th - 8th**. Registration is requested to camp these weekends and be sure to bring your camping supplies and enjoy the some of the pleasures these properties provide.

The Wabash Interpretive Center located at the Salamonie Reservoir property also has a few other events you may be interested in and should mark on your calendar. The first one is the monthly event called **Senior Monday Luncheon**. This will take place on **October 3, November 7, and December 5th** and pre-registration is requested. This is for anyone over the age of 50 and includes a meal at noon and speaker to follow at 1:00 p.m. The main dish is provided for a \$1 donation and you are asked to bring table service and a dish to share. Another exciting event for the youngsters is the **Salamonie Preschool Program**. This event is for children ages 2-6 and their adults. This event is \$2 per child and involves a hand's on fun activity. The next event is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 19th and will discuss "Native Americans."** There are two time slots offered with the first one from **10 - 11:30 a.m.** and followed up from **12:30 - 2:00 p.m.** For more information you can contact the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at **(260) 468-2127**.

I would also like to remind everyone that the **Bozarth's 2016 crappie tournaments** will have its final two tournaments of the year in the month of September. Our 3rd of 4 tournaments will take place **Saturday, September 10th and we will conclude our season with our year end classic on Saturday, September 24th**. Look for tournament results and details in the November Gad-about that will be here around the middle of October. Also, the Salamonie and Mississinewa Reservoirs will host the **Indiana Slabmasters 2016 classic on October 1st and 2nd**. This event will have half of their tournament qualifying anglers fishing on one lake the first day then switching to the other lake the 2nd day. **The team with the best two day weight will take home top honors and be crowned the 2016 Indiana Slabmaster Classic champions.**

In closing, I would like to invite anyone that takes the time to come visit us here at the Great Lakes of the Wabash to be sure and make a stop at Bozarth's Country Store. Your trip wouldn't be complete without stopping and grabbing a sandwich off our delicious menu as well as shopping our many bargains located throughout our Country Store (you will not be disappointed)! Our address is located at 7309 E 400 S Lagro, IN 46941 and our number is **(765) 981-4522**.



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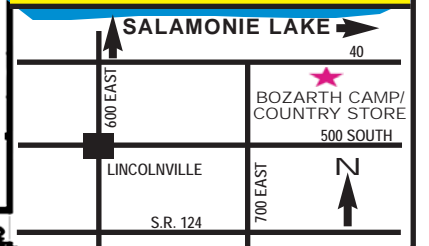
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Fishing Lake Michigan



by **Capt. Mike Schoonveld**

FISHING PARTY LINES

A friend and I shared an offshore fishing trip in the Gulf of Mexico with another angler a few years ago. We were after amberjack, red snappers, kingfish and groupers on one of few weeks the season was open for all of these species.

These aren't inexpensive trips and when I set it up I looked for a boat with the usual experience and safety record, but I was shopping by price as much

as anything. One of the captains had a base rate of \$600 for up to four people and our budget was \$200 per day. However, he advertised he would team parties of fishermen together. That's a common practice in some places.

I called and explained if he could find another person, great, another couple - even better. One extra person would put us on budget, two and we'd each have an extra \$50 to use elsewhere. He checked his schedule and said, "You are in luck! I have a single person already on the list for the day you want, also looking for fishing partners. If you want to join up with Larry, we can book it."

Save for the stiff wind, choppy waves and long boat ride to the captain's hot spot, it was a fun trip. I caught my first kingfish. The amberjack are as strong as any fish I've ever hooked. We caught snappers and groupers.

It was a great trip for my friend and me. Larry wasn't so lucky.

The ride out wasn't so bad but by the time the captain stopped and deployed the anchor, Larry was green. By the time the first bait was in the water, he succumbed to his nausea, then slumped on a cushioned cooler and spent the whole time there.

I'm not mean and if Larry had been one of our group, we may have aborted the trip or at least cut it short. At least he was both brave and understanding when the captain offered those options and we declined.

A situation like that is one reason few Great Lakes charters offer to combine groups to make a full "crew" of anglers. There are other situations, as well.

All fishermen don't fish for the same reasons. A father and young son may only want to spend some quality time together that includes boating, fishing and perfecting their angling skills. The next two or three guys may think a great outing is smoking cigars, catching a few fish and toasting them occasionally with a cold beer. Neither of these groups would be happy together.

I get both groups on my boat and enjoy both kinds. Neither are wrong, just different.

Not every day (these days) do most trips end up with limit catches or near limits. So how should a mixed group divide up who gets to catch the fish? How should a lost fish be tallied?

Some fish get off seconds after being hooked.



You can't always gather a full boat. There are options. (Author Photo)

Does the person who was up sit down and the next angler in line get ready? I'd say no. What if the fisherman is doing everything right but the fish makes a jump half way to the boat and it comes unhooked? Now what? What if the fisherman is a rank amateur and does enough things wrong to lose a fish that should have been caught? What if the fisherman does everything right and the mate tangles the hook when netting the fish? All of these are real scenarios almost every day. Making sure each person in each group catches the same amount of fish and has the same number of opportunities is nearly impossible.

Not every day (these days) is every fish or even most fish going to be the same size. What if one group ends up with a couple of mature kings mixed in with the cohos, lake trout or juvenile salmon in the catch. Is that fair? Should the captain have a list of boat rules?

On our Florida trip, we gave Larry a third of the fish we kept for the cooler. That seemed fair to my friend and me and Larry got something for his ordeal. Should the guy who only caught lake trout get any salmon?

Many skippers are finding new ways to market their fishing trips. Though most don't put groups together, many offer discounts to smaller groups, shorter trips or weekday specials. Additionally, there are increasing numbers of licensed small-boat skippers, with smaller fees operating on the Great Lakes, these days than ever before. Check several places to see if you can find the perfect fit for your "party" of anglers.

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by **Donna Schroeder**

President of Fayette County Tourism Bureau

Apple-acchian Heritage September 24-25, 2016

How many things can you do in a small town in one weekend? Just ask the folks in Fayette County! The weekend of September 24th and 25th is the time to visit us! We're celebrating our Apple-acchian heritage in a big way!

The fun begins on Friday night, September 23rd. Tractor Supply on Park Road is hosting an evening of family fun from 6 til 9 p.m. with free food, giveaways of rodeo tickets, photo opportunities and more! This is the kickoff for the Lions Club Bulls and Barrels Rodeo which takes place on Saturday. The gates open Saturday at the amphitheater in Roberts Park at 5 p.m., and the rodeo begins at 7. Admission to the rodeo is \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children. You can buy advance tickets at the Connersville Tractor Supply and receive \$2.00 off adult and \$1.00 off child admission.

The folks at the Farmers' Market and the Apple Dumpling Days festival committee are working closely to make September 24th a fun day for all. This is the first year for what is expected to become an annual event.

Saturday will be a big day with activities beginning at 8 a.m. when the Farmers' Market opens downtown. There will be more to see and do with additional craft and food vendors opening at 9 a.m. and remaining in place until 5 p.m.

Tours of historic sites from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday will include the Canal House, and the Hose House. The murals in the courtroom at the Courthouse will be open during that time, and the Conner Quilters will have a quilt show in the lobby at the courthouse. Historic Connersville will also have the Cord automobile in the parking lot at Canal House during those hours. The same sites will be open on Sunday with the addition of Historic Elmhurst.

Saturday also marks the opening of the Indiana Bicentennial Native American Trail. It's not the kind of trail that you're accustomed to, unless you do geocaching. You can learn more by visiting www.Geocaching.com. The trail follows the old trail that was here long before Connersville existed.

There will be a bike (motorcycle) show on Saturday, as well as games for kids and the opportunity to "Touch a Vehicle".

On both days, bring your partner and compete in the William Tell contest! You remember the story of William Tell who shot an apple off the head of his son? Well, this is the same idea, but we'll be using a lightweight apple and foam balls.

Saturday also is the time for bakers to show their skills. Three categories of apple dumplings can be



Indiana Bicentennial Logo

entered in the contest: Tastiest, Best Presentation, and Most Unique. Entries will be accepted from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. with judging at 2 p.m. There's a limit of 2 entries in each category per baker. Each entry should be displayed on a separate plate. The winners will receive a Sisters of the Skillet cookbook, courtesy of Historic Connersville, Inc.

On Saturday, at 3:30 p.m., be sure to attend the ceremony for the Bicentennial Torch Relay at the courthouse. The torch bearers will bring it in from Rush County on State Road 44 and, after a brief ceremony, it will continue on its journey to Union County and beyond.

There will be church service from the porch of Canal House at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday morning with Stan Howard officiating. Bring your lawn chair!

The historic site tours continue from noon until 3 p.m. on Sunday with the addition of Historic Elmhurst.

Sunday afternoon will be the judging for the dried apple contest. Carve your doll now and enter in one or more of the three categories: Ugliest, Prettiest, and Best Dressed. Winners receive a Connersvilleopoly game.

Weather permitting, there will be tours of City Cemetery, a local historic district, on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The Whitewater Valley Railroad will offer its Civil War train on the 24th and the Valley Flyer on the 25th. Both excursions leave the station at noon and return from Metamora about 4 p.m.

Fayette County is so excited to offer this weekend of fun! There will be music, in addition to the above listed activities. Imagine Performing Arts will be presenting musical numbers from their upcoming rendition of Godspell and there will be a bluegrass jam session! Many of the events have been designated as Indiana Bicentennial Legacy events which celebrate Indiana's heritage and her 200th birthday!

St. Gabriel Catholic Church will also be a busy place, too. You can get their famous fried chicken and visit their Oktoberfest.

Looking ahead to October, mark your calendar for the Whitewater Valley Railroad's Pumpkinliner on the 29th and 30th.

Also, there's a soil and water conservation workshop scheduled south of town on State Road 121 at Mahan Field. That's on October 20th from 9 a.m. til 3 p.m. More on that next month!

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 by Ron Bilbrey

Indiana Crappie Fishing Fall Turnover

Fall is rapidly approaching with it comes dramatic changes, leaves begin to change colors, daylight starts to dwindle into longer nights and most traumatic is cooler temperatures. The cooler temperatures cause an effect on the lakes here in Indiana and neighboring states known as Turnover. Fall turnover specifically happens to most lakes and reservoirs sometime throughout the fall when lake surface temperatures drop to 50°F. Typically it starts in the smaller shallow lakes and moves thru the bigger lakes and reservoirs, only some small, shallow lakes will not be affected by this phenomena.

The cause of the Turnover you could say, actually starts in early summer as water temperatures escalate and the Thermocline develops. Thermocline is a very distinct depth in the water column, at which oxygen saturation is the least it's not enough for some fish to be comfortable once below this depth. The thermocline develops do to the rise in water temps the lighter oxygen rich water rises towards the surface and the heavier oxygen depleted water sinks to the bottom.

To effectively catch fish during the Fall Turnover you must understand what is happening it typically happens very quickly and can last a day or a few days. Just like when the thermocline forms with warmer temperatures, the Turnover occurs with cooler temperatures. Surface water will cool to about 50°F as this happens the cooler water becomes heavier than the deeper warm water. This is the beginning of the Turnover as the heavier oxygen rich cooler water sinks to the bottom and the warmer oxygen depleted water rises to the surface bringing with it debris and stained water sometimes causing the water color to look inherently different.

How does Turnover effect your fishing? Once the turnover happens it is like taking a fish out of its natural habitat and putting it in a habitat with a different PH level, reduced oxygen and changing water temperatures the fish becomes dormant or lethargic not understanding what has happened and needs time to adjust to the changed conditions. Most times fish will adjust within a few days and continue with their desire to feed for winter.

You can still catch fish this time of year by understanding the lakes in your area. Try to avoid fishing a lake that is going thru the fall turnover if possible. Understanding the contour and depth of lakes in your area will help you decide where to fish. If you know a large shallow reservoir or lake is going thru the fall turnover, plan on fishing one of the bigger deeper lakes. If you know that bigger deeper lake is experiencing the turnover, look for a shallow lake that has

already experienced the turnover and is back to normal. There is always going to be that time where you show up and the lake is turning over. It can still be fished it just takes a little more than showing up to your favorite spot and catching fish. This is where understanding the turnover and what is happening becomes important.

While fishing a large tournament a few years ago we experienced a situation like this, two days before the tournament we caught good fish in an area landing a 9.5lb stringer without hitting it hard, went back on day 1 and struggled but caught a decent seven fish stringer, day 2 we quickly noticed a slight color change in the water and could not figure out why we were not getting bit. We didn't weigh in on day 2 and only on the way home did we figure out why this happened. The winning team figured it out and fished a different lake on day two catching a 10 lb. stringer while others struggled to catch seven fish. Had we understood the lake was turning over and what was happening we could have left the deep water brush piles and searched the lake or in this case even changed to a nearby lake. Knowing now what happens and how to recognize fall turnover I would have approached the second day with a run and gun approach hitting as many spots as possibly until I found an area not affected by the turnover, concentrating on water temperatures, water color and specifically watching for a thermocline on the electronics. The Thermocline indicating that the turnover has yet to occur and fish should still be feeding.

Fish can still be caught when a lake is going thru turnover but again it is not going to be easy, you may have to retaliate to methods you may not commonly use. First and foremost when fishing a lake turnover I would plan on moving a lot (run and gun) specifically looking for areas that may not be affected as much such as shallow flats in the back of creeks or creeks with incoming water that will replenish the oxygen. You have to also keep in mind when doing this you are looking for resident fish that never really leave these areas as most crappie will still be on the main lake or just transitioning to the shallower creeks from their summer patterns. Days of catching a limit while the lake is going thru its Fall Turnover is highly unlikely and I would be okay with a seven fish stringer for a weigh in.

With days getting shorter, temperatures getting cooler and leaves already starting to fall from the walnut trees, fall is inevitably approaching bringing with it the fall transition where crappie leave their summer haunts and return to the creeks to feed for the upcoming winter, eventually the surface temp will drop thus starting the Fall Turnover.

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Top Left: Don Heiber at left and Conrad Tanksley granted me an interview August 21st after their seaplane flight over Brookville Lake August 20, 2016. Don has a bucket list of things he wants to do before parting this earth, one of them was to take a ride in a seaplane. Thanks to Conrad Tanksley, who docks his boat at Quakertown Marina, where Don lives had that same desire. See below for the details. Top Middle: Don Heiber and Darlene, his significant other, leaving the dock where their houseboat is docked heading toward the awaiting seaplane. Top Right: Arriving at the public dock are Jim Girot, Darlene, Don and Angie Girot. Troy MacVey, the seaplane pilot and Bob Erbs, owner of Aurora Landing, prepare to get Don aboard the plane. Bottom Left: The Cessna 170 with Troy, Conrad and Don lifts off the lake and gains altitude. Troy then returned to circle the Marina, below boat horns and everyone gave a rousing cheer for Don and Conrad flying above them. Bottom Right: Don, outfitted with a life jacket, ear phones and microphone plus he's wearing sun glasses that have a video camera in them, he is recording whatever he looks at. (Conrad Tanksley took Don's photo)

BUCKET LIST

Article & Photos by Ray Dickerson

This article is to celebrate the life of a good friend, Don Heiber who lives on a houseboat at Quakertown Marina.

I learned from his daughter Angie Girot that her father has a list of things he wants to do or would like to see happen before he leaves this earth. Angie called it his Bucket List.

Don Heiber is only 72 years old, quite young in this day and age. But as life would have it, he's experiencing some difficult times, hospice has joined him in his houseboat, where he lives at Quakertown Marina on Brookville Lake. He is the father of Angie Heiber Girot, who along with her husband, Jim Girot, Jr. and Jim Girot, Sr. operate Quakertown

Marina. Darlene, Don's significant other, keeps him company and happy in their life together. On Don's bucket list of things he wants to do is to fly in a seaplane.

As luck would have it, Conrad Tanksley and his wife Theresa, who dock their houseboat in the Quakertown Marina happened to mention to Angie (Don's daughter) that Conrad wanted to do something different for their wedding anniversary, he wanted to go for a seaplane flight. He had the flight already scheduled, but needed a second person to go with him and wanted to know if she knew of anyone who might be able to accompany him on the plane. Angie told Conrad about her father wanting to ride in a seaplane. The die was cast.

I learned about the flight on Friday, August 19th when I was delivering Gad-a-bouts to Quakertown Marina. I told Angie I would be back on Saturday to take photos of their historic seaplane flight.

The next day, August 20, 2016 I witnessed the

seaplane land and taxi to the north public dock near the Quakertown ramp. As soon as the seaplane was secured a group of people headed to the plane including myself and professional photographer, Amber Wilber, Don's granddaughter. Pilots, Troy MacVey and Bob Erbs waited for Don and Conrad at the dock. Soon Don, Angie, Jim, Darlene, Conrad and Theresa arrived at the seaplane. As soon as Don and Conrad reached the seaplane they were each given a life vest. They were instructed how and when to activate the vest should something happen during the take-off or landing. I didn't know it at the time, but Don had sun glasses on that had a video camera in them and everywhere he looked he was recording it on the video. We took lots of photos, then the seaplane floated away from the dock and began taxiing south. I got real lucky and snapped a telephoto pic-

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Top Left: After circling Quakertown Marina Troy then headed south toward the Brookville Lake Dam and other areas of the 5,260 acre lake. I took this telephoto shot and yes it has been touched up in photoshop to make it show up better, they had climbed much higher. Top Right: Here Troy has landed just north of Quakertown Marina and is taxiing to the public dock near the Quakertown Ramp. Angie Girot is standing on one of the courtesy dock bridge taking a photo of the seaplane with her father in it. Bottom Left: Conrad Tankley (back to camera) assists Troy and Bob in getting Don out of the seaplane safely. Bottom Right: Standing on the dock from left to right, Jim Girot, Don Heiber, Angie Girot, Bob Erbs owner of Aurora Landing and Troy MacVey, pilot of the seaplane and owner of Mac's Seaplane Service out of Aurora, Indiana.



Angie Heiber Girot sent me this photo, she downloaded it from the video Don was taking from inside the seaplane. The sunglasses he was wearing had a video camera in them. Here Don was looking at Quakertown Marina as he flew over it in the seaplane. (Photo by Don Heiber taken from Troy MacVey's Cessna 170 Seaplane)

ture of the seaplane lifting up from the lake and disappearing around a bend. As the seaplane was going through the buoy field well wishers sounded their boat horns and hollered their congratulations to Don and Conrad. But no sooner had it been out of sight, the pilot returned and did a couple fly bys above the buoy field, again the boat horns blew and cheers followed. Then the seaplane headed south for a trip to the Brookville Dam and other lake areas.

I readied myself for a drive to Portland, Indiana to see a customer. I was just

about ready to leave when I heard Jim Girot holler that the seaplane was seen again heading our way. So I grabbed the camera, tape recorder and ran for the hill above Quakertown Ramp to see if I could get a photo of the plane landing and approaching the dock. Unfortunately the pilot landed it just around a bend, but I was able to catch him as he cleared the bend and took several photos of his approach to the dock. Then I ran down the hill and over to the dock, arriving in time to record Don's exit from the seaplane. He was grinning widely, he had loved the take-off, the flight and then landing on the water again. His family greeted him with loving arms and congratulations galore. Again the boat horns blew and a rousing cheer came up from the buoy field and houseboat docks.

I returned to Quakertown Marina Sunday afternoon talking to Don, Conrad and Angie and got plenty of information on Don. Other things on Don's bucket list is riding a motorcycle on Route 66 from Chicago to California. Conrad added in a side car. Don corrected him saying, "no I want to be operating it!" Another item on the list was to sky dive and another thing on the list was to take his twin sister to see a ocean, he accomplished that not too long ago taking his sister to Florida where she walked on a beach.

There is one item on his list I was hoping to help him get. Don is a Navy Veteran, having served in the U.S. Navy from 1960 thru 1966. He served aboard the U.S.S. Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42), an early aircraft carrier 1943 - 1977. The U.S.S. Franklin D. Roosevelt was deployed to the Caribbean in March 1962 and participated in the Cuban Missile Blockade through April 1963.

While serving aboard the U.S.S. Franklin D. Roosevelt Don earned five medals but never received the medals. He said he got paper certificates for them. Angie told me she can't find those certificates anywhere. They found his DD214 but the medals aren't listed on it. Without a list of medals to go by there's not much hope of his getting them. Can anyone reading this offer any suggestions on how to go about helping Don get his medals, while he is still living? ■

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Indiana Outdoors



by Joe Martino

There is no place for Judgement in deer hunting

To each his own when deciding what deer to take

While in the treestand one morning last year, I had an epiphany. At legal shooting light, a nice buck cautiously made his way in front of my position within easy gun range. The tangle of thick growth he was maneuvering through made it difficult to tell exactly how nice he was. I could tell he was a beautiful buck, and a good sized one, but I could never get a good enough look at his rack to see just how big his antlers really were, so I passed on the shot, wondering if I had made a

mistake. This is when I got to thinking. Most hunters would have shot that deer and been thrilled to have had the opportunity at a buck like that. In fact, not having even fired a single shot at that point in the season, I even questioned myself as to what the Heck I was doing out there anymore if I wasn't going to shoot.

But I did intend to shoot, at some point, I hoped. Although it did get frustrating now and then, I still enjoyed my time in the woods and remained optimistic that a deer I was targeting would give me an opportunity. It did not turn out that way, although I had a close encounter.

I find it funny, and a bit sad, that in today's deer hunting world, we place a perceived value on a buck or the status of a hunter based on the size of the deer's head gear. We are all guilty to one extent or another.

I don't consider myself a trophy hunter. I do choose to hunt the biggest bucks on the properties that I have permission to hunt on, however. Let me explain to you where the line gets crossed.

As the saying goes, beauty truly is in the eye of the beholder. Any deer taken by legal and ethical means is one to be proud of. Mature deer (be it buck or doe) are even more so. But the bottom line is that if a hunter takes a deer in a sporting manner and is happy with the deer and consumes or puts the flesh and hide to good use, then who are we to judge him or her?

I read it on Facebook today in fact. A trophy hunter was peeved because a hunter on another property had killed a buck that his so called "hunting group" had all elected to pass up. The deer was a magnificent 10-point buck and as huge as he was, his group felt that the deer needed another year to really blow up into something world class. Well, his behavior was childish. Look, I understand his frustration - to a point. But I also understand that the hunter who shot the buck is likely on cloud nine as it might well be his best buck ever.

I actually see both sides. I mean, I try to hunt the biggest bucks on the properties that I have. Not only in the hopes of tagging a buck with impressive antlers, but because older bucks are less in numbers, more cagey and elusive. I enjoy the challenge, but sometimes I just

want to shoot a deer. It can get frustrating seeing bucks all season long, but not one you are willing to pull the trigger on.

Take into account another scenario. We generally have no hard feelings when a hunter shoots a yearling doe, but if that hunter shoots a yearling buck, it is not as generally accepted. I have seen hunters literally be verbally abused for shooting a buck that others did not feel was adequate. Often times this happens within the hunting industry as well. Really? A hunter shamed for shooting a deer that he otherwise would have been elated with taking had he not been ridiculed for doing so? It's a shame.

The bottom line is this; there is absolutely nothing wrong with choosing to hunt mature bucks. In fact, it makes sense in many ways. It is even nicer when the hunters on neighboring properties do the same. It can make for some great hunting opportunities. But that does not mean that it is for everybody. And when it turns from working together for the betterment of everyone into deceit and ill-will towards others and of hunters being judged for what they shoot, well, then it is not only not fun anymore, it is wrong. ■



The legal taking of any deer is triumphant, indeed. We as hunters should only feel pride and joy for those who take a deer that they are happy with, not bring them down because we feel that they should have waited. Who are we to judge? The smile on this young boy after taking his first buck says it all. He dreamed of taking a buck - any buck - for years before finally getting the chance. (Author Photo)

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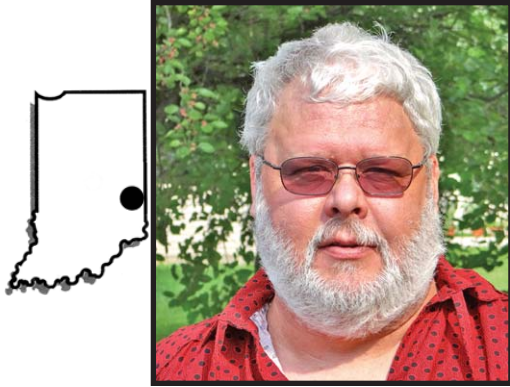
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by **Dr. Fred Philips, DVM**

MY INTRODUCTION TO TRAPPING

[Side Note: As you read this column, this year's ISTA 55th Annual Convention and Rendezvous will probably be going on at Mill Pond Park, 100 Mill Pond Rd., Union Mills, IN., Sept. 16 & 17, 2016. If it is before that date that you get this, come on out. It is not too late. If it is after that time, sorry, you missed it.]

My introduction to trapping came from my Grandfather Philips, who had some problems with squirrels in his root cellar. He had bushels of apples and pears in there and he would arrange them so that there were little passage ways between the wooden baskets. In the passages he would place #1 long springs, here and there, with the chain tied off to the shelf supports with wire. The squirrels would get in the trap and then throw themselves off the shelf only to find themselves hanging in mid-air with nothing to grab onto or tear up. If need be, Grandpa finished them off with a solid thump to the head.

When I asked Grandpa about those #1 traps, I discovered that they were my father, Philip's, and my uncle, Carl's, who had trapped some as kids in the mid to late 1940's. They had a few dozen, but over the years, they had been loaned out and not returned to the point of there just being a few left. My father and Uncle trapped muskrats primarily, but took a few mink, raccoon, and skunks. Carl, being the older brother, wore the rubber hip boots and was in the river. Phil walked along the bank and carried the catch. They would skin the muskrats out and dry them on wire Newhouse forms. Those forms and the remaining traps were eventually passed on down to me, and began my trap collection.

My father, Philip never talked much about growing up on the farm, gardening, trapping, or taking care of animals. I know he did not care to garden at all. Grandpa had about an acre of garden in divided between two plots, as well as many fruit trees, grape vines, sheep, and bees. When I started becoming interested in trapping, he talked about catching the muskrats some, setting the #1 long springs at the bottom of bank runs, or shoved into den entrances. Mostly, he told me to talk to his brother, Carl, who really did most of the setting and handling of the catch.

Uncle Carl didn't remember what they used to get for the muskrats, but he distinctly remembered getting \$5.00 each for a family of skunks he trapped out in the early 40's. It seems that skunk fat was perfect for the basis of nitroglycerin and they were in high demand in the carcass, no skinning necessary. A family, of five (5) skunks, was raiding their chicken coop, so he took on the task of trapping them out. Afterwards, he says he spent weeks sitting in the far back, back row in the one-room school house. No one wanted to be anywhere close to him, but they envied his earning \$25.00 in less than a week. You have to understand, that was BIG money back then. More than the average man may have made in a couple weeks of hard labor. You can hardly give a skunk pelt away these days.

Around 1972, I went to the local Conservation Club where a Trapper's Day was going on. (I suspect that some of the original founders of the ISTA were involved with this, but I do not remember seeing anything to that effect.) There were "experienced" trappers showing how to weld bolts onto angle iron to make a stake for your fox traps. They showed the typical dirt hole set, nothing else. There were no tailgater's or vender's that I remember. It was only for the Saturday afternoon. There was an impromptu trap setting contest, and I saw a Conservation Officer set a big 330 conibear in less than 30 seconds using techniques derived from stringing a bow. He put his leg through that conibear, compressed the spring, and set the safety hook, spun that trap around and did it again with the other spring. Before you could blink, he had his leg out of it, and the trap set and ready to go. He had no other safety latch when he was done. I was impressed.

In the mid to late 1970's, a raccoon was worth over \$40, a red fox was over \$70, even if you split the belly, as I did one trying to turn it from skin side out to fur side out. The occasional mink brought \$30, and muskrat were \$3.00 and over. Gas was under \$0.50 per gallon, and the old '64 Ford Galaxy got near 20 miles per gallon. In northern Indiana, Art Bair took anything that you caught, any way you brought it in. But, he preferred buying in the round. Actually he preferred it that way because he could get uniform skins that way. If you did not know what you were doing, he was willing to teach you. He spent plenty of time with me, so I wouldn't split any more fox bellies. It wasn't long before I had acquired a half-dozen #2 Victor double long springs from Penny's Co. in Michigan City, and a couple of dozen #1 Victor long springs, for @\$12 a dozen from a catalog. An Aunt, on the Bartz side of the family, found a #2 Victor coil spring along with an old yellowed manuscript about catching fox dating from the 40's that showed how to make anchors out of sickle teeth. I soon acquired a couple of dozen of those square jawed #2 Victor coil springs at around \$2.00 a trap, and set about trapping fox.

I was a trapper, and Jeremiah Johnson had just been released. Ah, them was shining times.

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Troyer's Country Store & Bakery

Photos and Article by Ray Dickerson

I met Norman and Mary Troyer for the first time in March 2016 when I was delivering the April Gad-a-bout after trading delivery areas with Rich Creason. (See Editors Note below)

Troyer's Country Store and Bakery has been advertising in The Gad-a-bout for quite a long time. As you have read below this is part one of a three part series I'm writing.

I spent the better part of September 6th interviewing Norman and Mary plus taking the photos you see

Editor's Note:

Surrounding the Milroy area of Indiana are many Amish families and businesses. Some time ago Rich Creason, one of my sales representatives, sold advertising and delivered The Gad-a-bout in this area.

This past spring Rich and I traded part of his and my delivery area due to our paths overlapping in the Wabash Valley Reservoir (Wabash/Kokomo area) up north. He took over that area for me and I took over his area south of U.S. 40 which includes Milroy and other towns in this vicinity.

I have always been interested in knowing more about the Amish way of life and I'm finding through my visiting them often, as I have three Amish businesses who I visit monthly in that area. I'm enjoying the relationship immensely. Within a short distance south of Troyers is Tree City Metal Sales owned by Steve Wagler and just north is Milroy Shoes owned by Rob Keim. This issue begins a three part series.

on these two pages.

When Norman and Mary opened their business in 1996 the building was quite a bit smaller. Looking at the photo of the building just above, back then the front was the same as now, but it had only three small rooms. Norman pointed to the front and back wall that looked to be maybe 26 feet between them, we were standing in what used to be a harness shop.

I asked Norman how long did it take to reach the size it is now. He said they had added on two times, the first addition of 20 feet was in 2000 and the last time they added 34 feet at the end of 2012 into early 2013.

I asked if he had any intentions of adding on again. He said if he did it would be a frying room.

I asked them if they were originally from Indiana. Norman said he and his parents moved to Indiana in 1975. Mary said she came to Indiana from Wisconsin in 1974 with her parents moving onto the farm where the store is now located. This is where they live and work.

Norman told me he took a job in Indianapolis for eighteen years, he started in framing and then did interior trim for thirteen years. He took that job in order to earn the money to open their own business on the farm. In 1996 Mary began selling fabrics.

We were talking about Mary's family when her father came into the room. I shook his hand saying I was glad to meet him. I asked him his name and he said, Willis. I spelled it out loud W-i-l-l-i-s, before I finished he said quickly "and don't put, i-e, on there." We all laughed. Willis Miller laughed too.

I asked Willis when he moved to that farm. He said they moved there in 1974 and his wife passed in 1976.

I asked him how old he was and he replied he was 81. I told him I was 75.

I asked Willis if when he and his family moved



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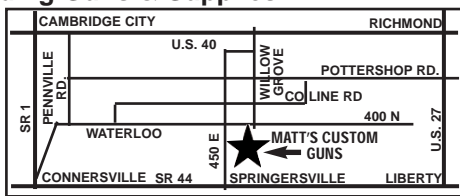
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here was the store building here also.

He, Willis, said no, he built the original building to open his harness shop in 1976.

I told them when I was driving up the lane there was a horse jumping around in the corral next to the barn. It looked very excited and was running all around. I hoped it was okay.

Willis said the horse was a yearling and got that way.

Surprised I replied, "that horse is just a yearling?"

I continued, "he is very big, what's his name?"

Willis thought for a moment and answered, "Ten Straight."

I replied, "Ten Straight, what kind of a name is that?"

Willis said, "he was a race horse, a standard bred race horse."

Willis breeds race horses.

I thought for a moment and told him about a movie I saw once with Jimmy Stewart in Pennsylvania, he and his family was going to church in a buggy. He was approaching a crossroad and on another road heading for the same crossroad he saw a neighbor with his family in a buggy and the two of them raced for the



Left Photo: We stock a wide variety of fabric, cloths, sewing accessories, ribbon and a lot more. Right Photo: DS Energy Max Stoves instock.



crossroad, with Jimmy winning the race. Then Jimmy's wife chastised him for racing.

Willis replied, "they usually do!"

I thought for a moment wondering if Willis had ever had that happen to him, after hearing his response.

About that time duty called breaking up our conversation for the moment. Norman, Mary and Willis had work to do. I excused myself, turned on my camera and started taking photos of their store.

After I had taken the photos I asked Norman if I could list the names of the people who worked there. He talked to Mary about it, she talked to the girls and they said it was okay too. Owners: Norman and Mary Troyer. Employees: Ruby Hochstetler, Amanda Wagler, Betty Hochstetler, Emma Wickley, Suzetta Troyer, Lori Spurgin, Lyle and Clara Troyer.

Norman and Mary told me, "We give a lot of cred-

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Article and Photos by Ray Dickerson

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Adult admission is \$5.00. Tickets are good for all three days. Children under the age of 16 are admitted FREE.

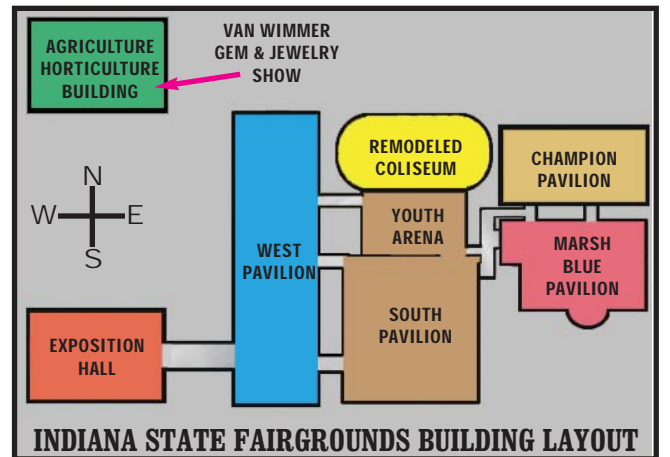
Hourly Door Prizes. Custom work and repairs while you visit, food is available. This show has a larger building with more dealers, more choices and more to see and do. Collectors and jewelry enthusiasts will be able to find some of the most unique gems and beads from around the world at this show. For additional information on Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry show log onto their website: www.toteshows.com and new e-mail address is : vanwimmer@comcast.net.

You will find Jewelry makers, goldsmiths and silversmiths from all over the United States who can construct, repair, design or make original jewelry from customer-selected gems, stones, opals and crystals. Gem trees, wire wrap, wire sculpture, pearls, stone beads, stone setting, amber, opal, mineral and fossil dealers.

I have attended Van's Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Show at the Indiana State Fairgrounds many, many times and really enjoy being there. Van has given me a booth to set out Gad-a-bouts on for visitors to pick up. His show is held in the Agriculture/Horticulture building (see map of State Fairgrounds at right). It is easy to get to, there is always ample parking near the building. Inside the building it is clean, well lit and enough room for lots of booths. His 19th Annual Indy Spring Show will be March 31 - April 2, 2017. See you there.



Bryan & Amber Wood selling tickets at Spring Gem Show.





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Left Photo: Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park looking toward the flags and war memorials. This is the area the Main Ceremony of the Wall programs will take place. Right Photo: As you ride the shuttle or walk into the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park you will see these WWII tanks and the flags in the distance. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

THE VIETNAM MOVING WALL WILL ARRIVE IN RICHMOND 9-21-16

by Ray Dickerson

Barbara Goebel told me Wednesday morning (9-7-16) a meeting was to be held that evening to finalize the activities that would take place at the Veterans Memorial Park September 21-25. Barbara told me I could pick the list up at her home Friday.

I picked up the following information from Barbara Goebel last Friday afternoon at her home. She even took the time to type it up for me.

We would certainly be in a world of hurt if not for Veterans like Joe, his wife, Barbara and the other who give their time, time and time again helping keep Veteran activities alive and well here and where ever they are needed. I am honored to be able to call them my friends. You can help their cause too.

The Wall That Heals Programs

Wednesday September 21, 2016

The Vietnam Moving Wall will arrive in Richmond Wednesday morning September 21, 2016. The Escort ride will start from Fountain City Wesley Church, line up begins at 9:00 a.m. Anyone who wants to escort the Moving Wall to Richmond may do so. After the Wall arrives at the Veterans Memorial Park it will be set up.

At 6:00 p.m. proclamations will be read by Mayor Dave Snow and County Councilman Denny Burns, followed by a prayer and the playing of Taps.

Thursday September 22, 2016
School classes visit 6:00 p.m. followed by a prayer and the playing of Taps.

Friday September 23, 2016
School classes visit. At 6:00 p.m. POW/MIA table ceremony followed by a prayer and the playing of Taps.

Those planning on attending the Saturday program are encouraged to come early and park in the County Office lots. There will be shuttle bus service into the park.

Saturday September 24, 2016

Main Ceremony 2:00 p.m.

- Wall Sentry — Mark Stover
- Military service themes by Seton High School Band
- Huey 369 from Peru, IN fly in Presenting colors. Several Honor Guard Units
- Raising the Colors
Jerry Maule & Jimmie Chaisson
National Anthem by the band
- Invocation — Deacon Jim Miller
- Riderless Horse
Wayne County Sheriff Mounted Patrol
- Vietnam Facts
Gary Franklin Vietnam Veteran
- Wreath placement
VVA, Joe Goebel & Ron Hill
POW/MIA, Wally Dudek & Ralph Rodanello
Purple Heart, Roger Kimball & Jerome Marcum
- Music - "Were You There" Cindy Slick
- Bag Pipes - "Amazing Grace" by Indianapolis Public Safety Band

Speaker - Sammy Davis, Medal of Honor Recipient

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

Speaker - Bob Doubek
Co-founder of Wall in Washington, DC

Music, "God Bless the USA" sung by Brent Meadows

21 Gun Salute by Veterans Honor Guard firing squad

Taps - played by Seton band member Riley Bane

Sunday September 25, 2016

Indiana Bicentennial Torch to be carried through the Park by Vietnam Veteran Joe Goebel about 2 p.m.

6:00 p.m. 40 Bells of departure & Taps

Donations Needed, Please Help

The Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park Committee and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 777 is making this all possible bringing The Wall to Richmond September 21-25, 2016.

In order to make this happen the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park Committee and Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 777 are in need of donations. This is one cause that deserves to be supported by every Veteran and American who believes in keeping our freedom and help those who have laid their lives on the line to do so. The estimated cost for the five days is \$20,000.00.

The Wayne County Veterans Park Committee is a 501 (c) (3). Please help by donating today. As you can see by reading the activities in the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park this year they are extensive and well planned. Please help the Veterans donate today.

Make your check payable to the Wayne County Veterans Memorial Park Committee and send it as soon as possible to P.O. Box 2401, Richmond, IN 47375.



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- Benefits
- Substance Abuse Therapy
- Mental Health Therapy
- Military Sexual Trauma
- And so much more



Poplar Grove Shelter at 2:00 PM for a Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony and pitch in dinner. The public is invited and there is free entrance to the park.

Then come to Whitewater Memorial State Park Office Parking lot on

Sept. 25, 2016 10am-4pm

Whitewater Memorial State Park
 1418 State Road 101
 Liberty, Indiana 47353
 No fee to enter the park from
 1:00 to 3:00 PM

Whitewater Memorial State Park V.A. Mobile Unit Visiting Park September 25, 2016

from Rhonda Alvey, IDNR Account Clerk Brookville Lake & Whitewater Memorial State Park

Hi Ray,

I'm sending a copy of the flyer for the Veterans event at Whitewater Memorial State Park. The Veteran's Administration is sending their mobile unit on Sunday September 25, 2016 to the office parking lot. We hope that by having it there, local veterans will stop by and seek help for employment, education, benefits, substance abuse therapy, mental health therapy and so much more.

It's a great thing to have this unit visit this rural area. The V. A. has been working very hard to improve the way they provide help to veterans. Our hope is to let the public in this area know a couple of weeks in advance so they can stop by the mobile unit. We hope we can count on your help.

There will also be a Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony the same day at 2:00. You are welcome to bring your family and join us as we thank our veterans. The pitch in dinner will start right after the ceremony.

Indiana State Park's 100 year celebration at Whitewater is on the same day. It is sure to be a great time and a lot of fun.

I hope we can count on you to put the V. A. mobile unit announcement in the paper prior to the event. If you have any questions or need more pictures let me know. We also have a lot of pictures of Whitewater when it was being built and when it first opened. I would be glad to share them with you. We

are also having a surprise ceremony for someone who you might want to do an article afterwards.

Editor's Note: Yes Rhonda, I will contact you about the person you are surprising, I definitely want to do the article about that person.

A personal note: Rhonda Alvey has been responsible for 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. The important thing for her is to help Veterans. I think Rhonda Alvey deserves to be honored in the near future at Whitewater Memorial State Park with thanks from all who have benefited from her tireless efforts.



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Fields Outdoor Adventures Shooting Preserve

Fields Shooting Preserve is taking reservations now for the upcoming hunting season which will begin after October 1, 2016.

The Licensed Shooting Preserve is owned and operated by Fields Outdoor Adventures, LLP. Ryan Fields is the manager, Mark and Jason Fields are co-owners. See map on this page to find the them.

The preserve has been managed to provide food, cover and challenging shots for your hunt.

There is a mixture of corn, sunflowers, sorghum and food plots everywhere on the 50 acre hunting area.

The birds you can hunt for are Bobwhite Quail, Ringneck Pheasant and Chukar.

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Since safety is their primary goal, alcohol will not be permitted on hunts. Hunters will be turned away for alcohol use prior to or during the hunt. Hunters may be turned away for any reason at the manager's discretion. All hunters will be provided the rules before each hunt.

Their Licensed Shooting Preserve is owned and operated by Fields Outdoor Adventures, LLP.

Ryan Fields is the manager, Mark and Jason are Co-Owners.

To hunt at their Licensed Shooting Preserve you must make a reservation with them at Fields Outdoor Adventures. To contact Fields Outdoor Adventures Shooting Preserve: Their address is 27061 U.S. Highway 52, Laurel, IN 47024. Call Ryan Fields



Fields have added Chukar to their list of game birds.

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Payment may be made with cash, check or pre-payment through Fields Outdoors. Following are their rates.

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Hunting Fee - \$15.00.

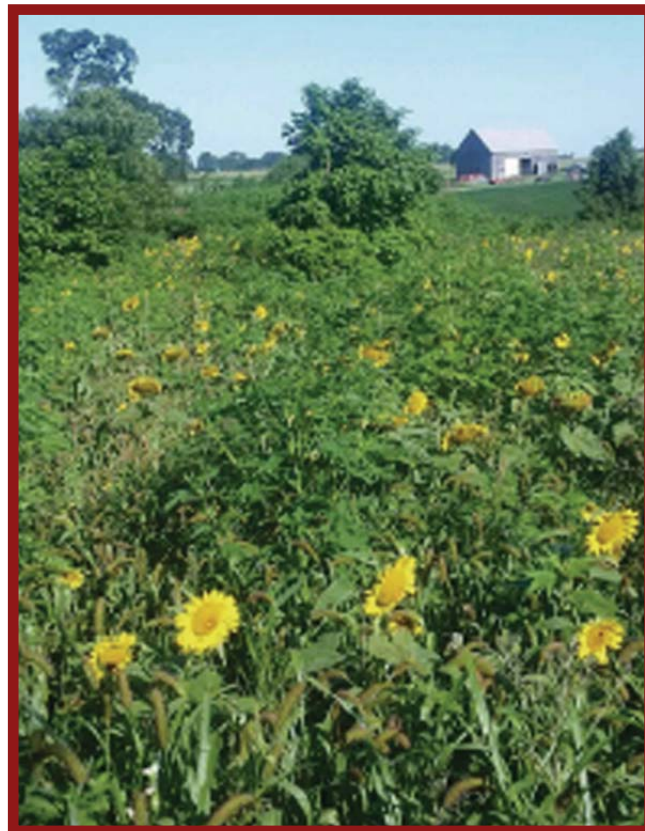
Guide & Dog - \$25 per person.

Minimum Hunt \$100 per hunter (Not including guide or hunting fee).

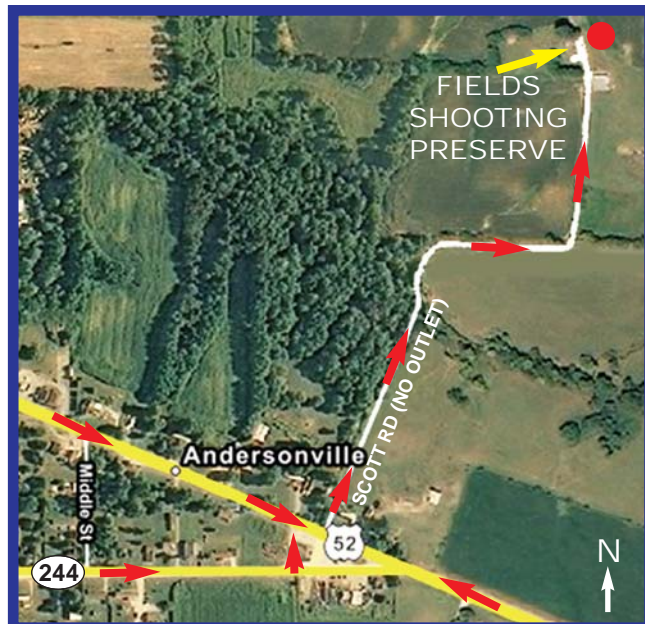
Maximum 4 hunters per group.

Hunts by Reservation Only.

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Fields Shooting Preserve has been managed to provide food, cover and challenging shots. A mixture of corn, sunflowers, sorghum and food plots abound on the 50 acre hunting area. (Fields Outdoors Photo)



Aerial view of Fields Outdoor Adventures licensed shooting preserve, located just north of Andersonville, Indiana. Follow the red arrows leading the from U.S. 52 and SR 244. There are a gas station and restaurant close by if you need assistance of any kind.

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Bovine TB Found in Wild, White-tailed Deer

I got the following Press Release from Dr. Fred Philips, DVM who writes a column in The Gad-about bringing it to my attention.

It certainly got my attention!

This is important information to deer hunters and hunters in general. If this can be contained and eradicated everyone will benefit, but if it spreads it can have detrimental consequences to both wild deer and farmers live stock. I have taken a subscription to BOAH and am getting all of their releases on this matter.

Below is the original release and subsequent releases.

If you want to keep informed you can subscribe also, go to the BOAH website and sign up. <http://www.in.gov/boah/2396.htm>.

Bovine TB Found in Wild, White-tailed Deer

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS (16 Aug 2016)—Bovine tuberculosis (TB) has been diagnosed in a white-tailed deer in Franklin County, Ind. This marks the first time the disease (more formally known as *Mycobacterium bovis*) has been found in a wild animal in Indiana. This finding means significant changes in disease monitoring requirements for cattle owners and deer hunters in the area.

The Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) has been working with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to test wildlife on a Franklin County cattle farm where TB was diagnosed in April. The 2-year-old doe that tested positive for TB was culled as part of the surveillance effort on the cattle farm.

Under federal requirements, finding TB in a free-ranging wild animal means testing of all cattle must expand from 3 miles to 10 miles and surveillance in hunter-harvested deer will intensify.

For cattle owners in Franklin County and portions of some adjoining counties, BOAH staff will be reaching out to determine if cattle in the 10-mile circle are test-eligible and, if so, schedule herd testing. BOAH's premises registration program has approximately 400 farms registered in the 10-mile testing zone.

For deer hunters in the region, that means whitetails harvested in a specific zone must be sampled for laboratory testing. DNR will be providing more information to hunters in the coming weeks.

"This is an enormous undertaking that cannot be completed overnight," said Indiana State Veterinarian Bret D. Marsh, DVM. "Farmers and hunters in this area have been extremely cooperative and supportive of our efforts over the years.



Cervid Lesion

Photos in the BOAH News Release dated August 30, 2016 meeting in Franklin County regarding TB. Above photos give a graphic look at how it looks in deer and cattle. The Cervid Lesion is one of six photos and the Cattle Lesion is one of four photos on the release. The website address I found these is <http://www.in.gov/boah/2770.htm>. (BOAH Photos)



Cattle Lesion

We need their help now more than ever as we widen our surveillance efforts. If this disease is out there—either on farms or in the wild—we need to find it. Our status as a TB-free state is critical to our growing and thriving cattle and dairy industries in this state."

Indiana has officially held a bovine tuberculosis-free status since 1984 with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Under federal guidelines, that status remains. BOAH has found four individual cases of TB in three cattle herds and a cervid farm in this region between 2008 and 2016.

About Bovine TB

Bovine tuberculosis is a chronic bacterial disease that affects primarily cattle, but can be transmitted to any warm-blooded animal. TB is difficult to diagnose through clinical signs alone. In the early stages of the disease, clinical signs are not visible. Later, signs may include: emaciation, lethargy, weakness, anorexia, low-grade fever and pneumonia with a chronic, moist cough. Lymph node enlargement may also be present. Cattle owners who notice these signs in their livestock should contact their private veterinarian.

Hunters should take precautions to protect themselves, including wearing gloves when field dressing animals and fully cooking all meat. Deer can be infected without noticeable signs of disease, like the positive 2-year-old doe. Hunters who notice signs of TB in wildlife should contact the DNR at **812-334-3795**. Hunters who see signs of bovine TB while processing wildlife should contact BOAH at: **317-544-2405**.

More information about the disease and the investigation, as it develops, will be available on the BOAH website at: www.in.gov/boah/2396.htm. Site visitors may subscribe to email updates about the current TB situation by visiting the webpage.

For additional information, contact:

Denise Derrer at 317-544-2414

dderrer@boah.in.gov

About the Indiana State Board of Animal Health

The Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH), also known as "the Office of the State Veterinarian", has primary mission areas of: animal health, food safety (Dairy, Meat and Poultry Inspection), disaster preparedness and animal care.

For more information, visit www.boah.in.gov.

Update August 25, 2016 E-mail

BOAH to Host Bovine Tuberculosis Informational Meeting

Cattle owners, others welcome to attend August 29 at 6 p.m.

INDIANAPOLIS (25 August 2016)—Cattle owners in Southeastern Indiana are invited to attend a public meeting about the current bovine tuberculosis (TB) situation in the region. During the meeting, staff from the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) will explain plans for expanded disease surveillance in area cattle after the discovery of TB in a wild, white-tailed deer. Representatives with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will also speak to the impact on the upcoming fall deer hunting season.

The meeting was held:

Monday, Aug. 29 at 6 p.m.

Auditorium of Franklin County Community High School

1 Wildcat Lane, Brookville, IN 47012

In mid-August, bovine tuberculosis (commonly called "TB") was discovered in a wild white-tailed deer in Franklin County. The 2-year-old doe was culled on the same premises where the disease was diagnosed in beef cattle in April. This marks the first time TB has been found in a wild animal in Indiana. The discovery of the infected wild deer means BOAH must expand the testing zone from 3 miles to 10 miles, as well as a corridor along the Whitewater River where the likely presence of infected deer is greater.

Based on premises registrations with the Board of Animal Health, nearly 500 cattle farms are located in the surveillance zone. The 10-mile surveillance circle extends from the southern portion of Fayette County to encompass most of the western half of Franklin County, including a portion of the eastern edge of Rush and Decatur counties. The zone also includes a 2-mile-wide swath of properties along the Whitewater River as it extends into Dearborn County, all the way to the Ohio state border. Farmers with registered cattle premises in the surveillance zone should receive a letter from BOAH this week.

The goal of this initiative is to maintain Indiana's bovine TB-free status, which the state has maintained since 1984. Under U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirements, surveillance testing must expand. Free status allows beef and dairy cattle farmers to move their animals with fewer restrictions.

For more information about bovine tuberculosis and the current situation, visit the BOAH website at: www.in.gov/boah/2396.htm. Web visitors will be given the option to subscribe to email updates in the future.

Update August 30, 2016E-mail

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BOAH's presentation from the Monday August 29, 2016 meeting in Franklin County regarding Bovine TB is available on BOAH's website at: <http://www.in.gov/boah/2770.htm>. Facts and photos of lesions illustrated in both cattle and deer.

Information on Bovine TB is available on BOAH's website at: <http://www.in.gov/boah/2396.htm>.

Update September 6, 2016 E-mail

The list of veterinarians who are approved to test cattle in the surveillance testing area has been updated. To view the updated veterinarian list go to: <http://www.in.gov/boah/2770.htm>.

Last Update Received September 6th. ■

Roaming The Outdoors

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3 p.m. to remove invasive species from a prairie at Ziegler Woods Nature Preserve. Volunteers should meet at the park's main office.

Volunteers should bring bug spray, sunscreen, water and a sack lunch, and should wear pants, long sleeves and sturdy footwear. The park encourages volunteers to bring loppers, bow saws and work gloves.

Summit Lake State Park stateparks.IN.gov/2967.htm is at 5993 N. Messick Road, New Castle, 47362.

AS PLANNED THE YEAR BEFORE OUR GRAND DAUGHTER BREANNA VISITED US ON HER SUMMER BREAK

Our Granddaughter, Breanna Smock, spent 45 days with us this past summer, arriving here on June 24th and she left for home in Worcester, Massachusetts on August 8, 2016.

I picked Breanna up at the Indianapolis International Airport, she flew here from Worcester, Massachusetts by herself on a Southwestern Airlines Jet. I used the Cell Phone parking lot to fetch her.

We didn't have a lot of time to spend with her, but what time we had we made it worthwhile.

On pages 28 and 29 I picked out 20 photos of the 901 photos I took over the course of her stay with us. Part of her time here she had homework to do for over her summer, the rest of the time was hers. The two pages of photos are laid out from left to right one layer at a time down both pages.

The photos began when we took Breanna to the Texas Roadhouse Restaurant in Richmond (1 Photo).

Our second time out we went to the Liberty July 4th Festival in Liberty, Indiana on July 2nd (1 photo).

Next we left on a short trip leaving Centerville on the afternoon of July 25th and spending the night at the Abe Martin Inn in Brown County State Park (4 photos).

From there we traveled to Holiday World near Santa Claus, Indiana, we stayed two nights at a Baymont Hotel near Dale, Indiana. Holiday would have been a lot more fun for Breanna had the weather been better. Thunder storms were in the area so most of the rides were shut down for the day. We were given free passes to return later (6 photos).

Next our good friend Raul Alvarado who lives in Texas came to visit us too in Centerville (1 Photo).

Next the four of us visited the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio (4 Photos).

The next day Raul, who is a very good cook, cooked up the last of the walleye we had in our freezer since June 2015 when I brought it home from Lake Erie. (1 Photo).

The last day, August 8th we took Breanna back to the Indianapolis airport to board another airplane taking her home to Worcester, Massachusetts (2 Photos). Next month, October, our daughter, Amy will be coming home for the first time in six years. We've visited her in Massachusetts about every year since she moved there in February of 2008. ■

So You Wanna' Catch More Fish

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Fields Shooting Preserve

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DIRECTIONS TO FIELDS SHOOTING PRESERVE

From Cincinnati, OH take I-74 west to Exit 169, U.S. 52 through Brookville to Andersonville, See map on Page 18.

From Indianapolis, IN, from I-465 take Exit 47 onto U.S. 52 go east to Andersonville. See map on Page 18.

(Alternate route if U.S. 52 still under construction between Indianapolis and Rushville) Off I-465 take Exit 49 onto I-74 go past Shelbyville to Exit 119 turn onto SR 244 go east to Andersonville. See map on Page 18.

From Louisville, KY take I-65 north to Exit 50 turn east on U.S. 50, take North Vernon Bypass, go left onto SR 3, go north stay on SR 3 past Greensburg then north to SR 244, turn right onto SR 244 go east to Andersonville. See map on page 18.

From Fort Wayne, IN take I-69 to Exit 286, go east on SR 224 to Markle, turn right onto SR 3, go through Hartford City, bypass Muncie, go through New Castle, at Rushville, turn onto U.S. 52 south-east to Andersonville. See map on Page 18. ■

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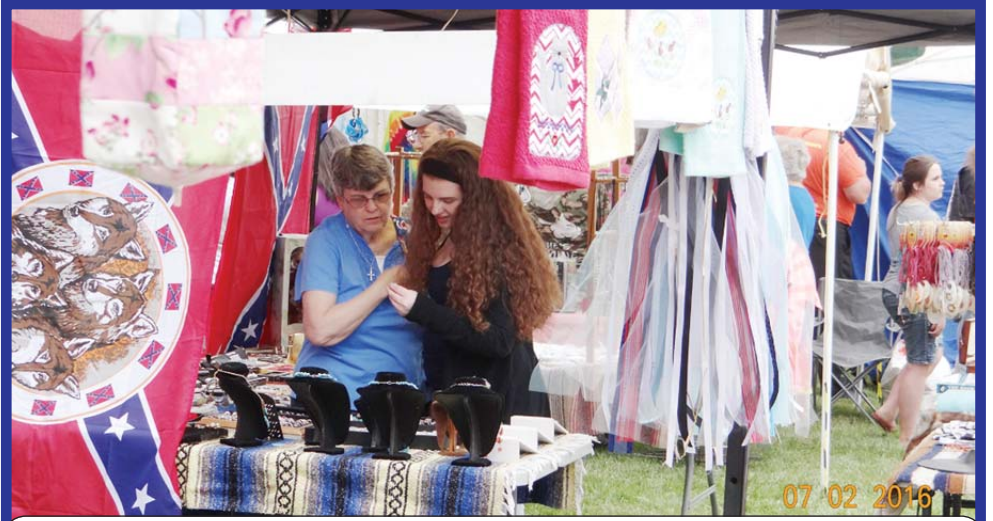
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RAUL COOKED THE WALLEYE I'VE HAD IN THE FREEZER SINCE JUNE 2015

Photo 1, At Roadhouse restaurant in Richmond, IN. Photo 2, In Liberty, IN at July 4th Festival. Photo 3, In Abe Martin Inn game room Nashville, IN. Photo 4, In Abe Martin Inn. Photo 5, At Holiday World near Santa Claus, IN. Photo 6, In Holiday World. Photo 7, At our home in Centerville, IN. Photo 8, At Air Force Museum in Dayton, OH. Photo 9, Sherry resting in Air Force Museum. Photo 10, We asked Raul Avarado from Texas, who was visiting us, if he could cook the Walleye that had been in our freezer since June 2015, it was real good.

TWO PAGES OF MEMORIES



BREANNA AND SHERRY CHECKING OUT SOUVENIRS AT ABE MARTIN INN



I USE TO BE PRETTY GOOD AT PING PONG, WHERE DID THE BALL GO?



OH, NO! IT'S GRANDPA TAKING MY PICTURE AGAIN! GO AWAY, PLEASE.



HA, HA, GRANDPA YOU CAN'T TAKE MY PICTURE NOW!



SHERRY DRIVING WITH BACK SEAT DRIVER, LOOK OUT!!



BREANNA AND SHERRY TRY OUT THE SCRAMBLER



SHERRY, BREANNA AND ME IN WWII GALLERY (PHOTO BY RAUL)



SHERRY CHECKING OUT THIS C-47 (MY FAVORITE PLANE)



ALL GROWN UP, CHECKING ON HER FLIGHT



SAYING GOODBYE TO MO MO, THE SADDEST PART OF THE VISIT.

Photo 1, Breanna & Sherry in Abe Martin Inn looking at souvenirs. Photo 2, In Abe Martin Inn game room. Photo 3, Holiday World ride. Photo 4, Holiday World same ride. Photo 5, Holiday World you drive old car around track. Photo 6, Holiday World Scrambler ride. Photo 7, Inside WWII Gallery at Air Force Museum in Dayton, OH. Photo 8, Inside WWII Gallery also. Photo 9, At Indianapolis International Airport Southwest Airlines Check in. Photo 10, Indianapolis Airport Sherry and Breanna saying Goodbye.

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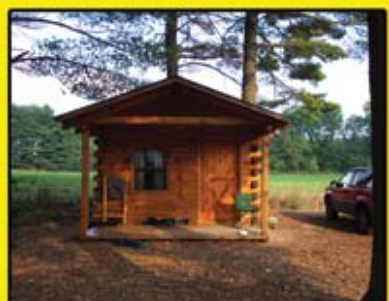
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