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**Top Right:** I've been wanting to write about my cousins Weeb and Lucy Ewbank for several months, mainly because I needed to correct a serious mistake I made in the last article I did on them following the death of Weeb Ewbank on November 17, 1998. That article appeared in my January 1999 issue. Plus I wanted to write the article because I think Weeb and his wife Lucy were such a wonderful couple who made a difference not only to football but to everyone they came in contact with. That one mistake was how he got the nickname "Weeb." (Composite Photo by Ray Dickerson)

**Bottom Left:** George Godfrey dedicates Potawatomi Trail of Death Regional Historic Trail sign at Marshal-Fulton county line, Indiana, 2005. (Photo from [www.potawatomi-tda.org](http://www.potawatomi-tda.org))

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## BOVINE TB PROGRAM ENTERS NEXT PHASE: GREAT PROGRESS MEANS SCALED-BACK PLANS

INDIANAPOLIS (6 January 2017)—The ongoing bovine tuberculosis (bTB) surveillance in Franklin County is about to enter a new phase, as cattle herd testing winds down and wild white-tailed deer sampling scales back to a special permit program. Thanks to great support from area cattle farmers, deer hunters and landowners, state officials are optimistic about closing out this surveillance effort by the end of March.

Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) and Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) plans to host two public meetings in Brookville to outline next steps in moving forward, as well as answer questions. Meeting information

will be forthcoming.

After jointly assessing the current status of the initiative, BOAH and DNR are pleased to announce plans going forward into 2017:

### CATTLE SURVEILLANCE

The number of TB-infected herds remains at two. Testing is nearly complete in the 10-mile radius circle in Franklin County and the Whitewater River corridor to the Ohio state line. BOAH has identified 375 herds (with more than 5600 head of cattle) in the surveillance zone. As the USDA-required 6-month window to complete testing comes to a close this month, fewer than 20 remain to be tested to meet USDA's deadline—an accomplishment that seemed overwhelming in August.

BOAH is still working to trace and test cattle that have moved out the second infected herd. All neighboring farms within 3 miles have already tested negative as part of circle surveillance. Wildlife, including deer and raccoons, on the site must still be collected for testing.

BOAH will submit a bTB management plan to US Department of Agriculture in February. That plan, which is still under development, will address future surveillance for farms and wildlife near the three infected sites. This will likely include retesting of herds in the core surveillance area where positives have been found. Livestock owners in the core area will hear more from BOAH as plans are finalized.

### WHITE-TAILED DEER SURVEILLANCE

Hunter-harvested white-tailed deer surveillance has been an overwhelming success. Outstanding cooperation from deer hunters resulted in the testing of nearly 2,000 whitetails, including a greater-than-expected number of animals older than 2 years of age. All tested negative for bovine tuberculosis.

The excellent turnout of high-quality samples means DNR can cancel previous plans to use sharpshooters to cull deer throughout southern Fayette and Franklin counties. A scaled-back plan will help obtain the remaining, needed deer from specific areas.

The revised collection plan allows landowners to remove a limited number of deer under DNR-issued special disease control permits through March 31. Permits will be issued only to landowners within the core surveillance area established in the 3-mile circles around the bTB-affected sites. Permits will allow a

limited, specified number of deer to be taken to prevent over-culling of the whitetail population in the area.

When mapped, the sampled hunter-harvested deer were generally taken throughout the entire three-county area. However, some gaps were evident in the core surveillance area, where additional animals are needed to verify that the disease is not prevalent in the highest-risk population. The disease control permits are designed to help fill in these gaps. To avoid over-culling, permits will allow taking of no more than 15-head of whitetails per square mile.

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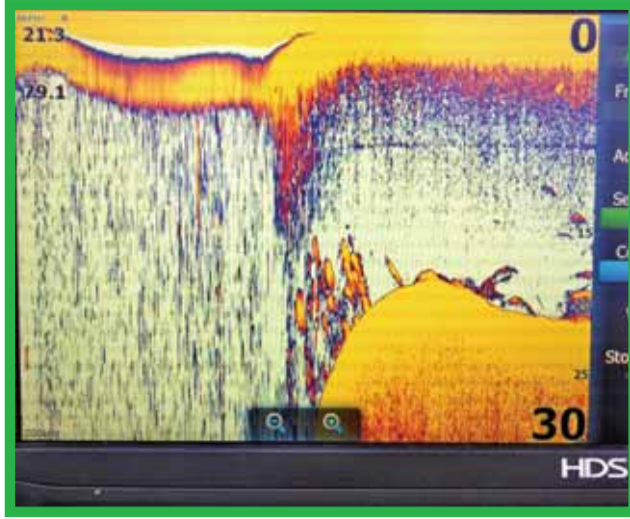


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Left Photo: Blade bait, Jigging Rap and spoon. Center Photo: Fish holding on a drop off ledge. Right Photo: Small mouth bass caught on a blade bait. (Author Photos)

## So You Wanna Catch More Fish



by Tag Nobbe

Professional Fishing Guide

### Fishing in February

February fishing is not for everybody, but if you love to fish your gonna' go no matter what.

You could fish Brookville lake out of your boat all winter if not for 2 little things, ice and snow. I have tried to fish out of my boat in both and trust me it was not my finest hour. If you drive to the lake just to find out that the lake is frozen don't sweat it. Drive down to the tail water grab a couple rods out of the boat and fish the stilling basin. It could be as cold as the dickens out, but the water coming off the bottom of the lake is about 45 degrees. In the fall when there drawing the lake down to winter pool you just can't fish here because there is just too much water, but in the winter the stilling basin is usually pretty calm. What you want to fish with are spoons and blade baits. The reason for this is that you want something that resembles a dying bait fish. This is really all they have to eat in the winter months. What you do is a simple under hand pitch, and let the bait fall to the bottom and frog hop it back to you while trying your best to stay close to the bottom.

Now if you get to the lake with your boat in tow and the lake is not frozen, and the road leading to it is not covered in snow, by all means have at it. A few things you need to know. If you put in at the dam and there is no ice on the lake, be aware of ice on the surface as you go up the lake or back in some of the coves. At times the shallower parts of the lake will be frozen, while the main body of the deeper water is not. Another thing is shallow water. There are a lot of flats on the lake that are 8 to 10 feet deep in the summer time. But with the lake drawn

down 8 feet in the winter those same flats are now 6 inches to a foot deep. A few good things to have in your truck is a shovel, a couple bags of sand/salt and a rope or chain. In your boat you should have an extra set of coveralls and some type of propane heater for those unexpected mishaps. Always have a cell phone, tell somebody where your going, and when your going to be back. In the summer time there is always somebody around, but in the winter when you need help there is nobody around.

On your boat in the winter time what you're going to want is a good Lowrance fish finder/depth finder/GPS to help you locate what your looking for. In this day and age it really doesn't matter how big your Lowrance unit is, they will all work about the same. The difference is a lot of the mapping will come preloaded on the bigger more expensive one, and the smaller less expensive ones you will have to buy the maps and put them on yourself. At any rate once you get the boat on the lake immediately start looking at your depth finder. What your doing now is hunting not fishing. As you move around the lake pay attention to main lake points that you can see with your eyes. Look for drop ledges you can see with the depth finder all the while looking for signs of fish close to the bottom. What you're trying to determine is how deep the fish are holding. In the winter this could be anywhere from the surface down to 50 feet.

Once you've located fish with your Lowrance unit throw the electric trolling motor in the water and grab a rod. What you want to do is get a bait at the depth they are and keep it there all the while looking like you're injured. Some of the best baits to do this with are spoons, blade baits, and jigging rapalas. If you see fish on the bottom and they just are not interested start changing colors and types of baits. If this don't work move on to a new spot, but save that spot in your GPS and try it again later.

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## News from the Indiana State Police



by Sergeant John D. Bowling  
Public Information/Recruiting Officer

### Capitol Police

Capitol Police are a division of the Indiana State Police and are tasked with providing the protection for elected officials, visiting VIPs, and 20,000 state employees and visitors daily along with the enforcement of state laws. The Capitol Police have frequent hiring processes, and in fact, just recently had a process, taking applications online through January 8th. <https://myweb.in.gov/ISP/Recruitment/application/index.php/users/login>

The highest priority of a Capitol Police Officer is the physical security of the buildings, properties, and personnel in and around the Government Center Complex. Therefore a considerable amount of a CPS Officer's time will be spent ensuring the physical security of buildings. Officers may routinely be assigned to an entry control point which will typically last two hours each rotation. Officers are also required to walk through the buildings where they physically check for open doors or security vulnerabilities.

Duties may also involve stationary observation of a facility from a car or the monitoring of video cameras. Campus security is unique from the perspective that there is a huge influx of visitors and dignitaries. Officers are frequently asked questions and are the most visible and highly recognized aspect of State government.

Due to the sprawling nature of the campus which includes White River State Park and over two miles of canal frontage, officers may utilize a variety of methods of transport. Foot patrols are perhaps the most common form of covering the campus, but officers may also find themselves in a car, on a bicycle, or on a gator/golf cart type vehicle.

If you're looking for employment and would like a start in law enforcement, check our web site at <http://www.in.gov/isp/2367.htm#> for more information on the Capitol Police.

## Driving Tips for Snow and Ice Conditions

### Driving Tips for Snow and Ice Conditions

It's the time of year again to remind folks about driving on slick roadways. I get asked by TV and radio stations all the time, "What advice can you give people for driving on slick roadways?" There is one simple thing you can do to protect yourselves and your families, more than anything else, on slick roadways: SLOWDOWN!

Leave early and give yourself extra time to reach your destination, and most of all slow down and drive to your abilities on the slick roadways. You can get a ticket for speeding even when going under the posted speed, if you crash because you were driving too fast for the existing conditions.

First Sergeant Tim Kaiser, the Assistant Commander at the Pendleton District, notes that "The most common cause of crashes during snow or icy weather is speed too fast for the existing road conditions. Remember, slick roads don't cause crashes-it's your driving behavior on those roads that causes the crash. Please slow down and be patient. Plan your trip according to weather and traffic conditions."

The Indiana State Police offers the following driving tips for inclement weather;

- Allow extra time to get to your destination.
- Clear all windows of ice and snow and remove snow from hood, roof and head lights and tail lights.
- Beware of bridges, overpasses and intersections where ice tends to form first.
- Don't use cruise control on slick roads.
- Avoid abrupt stops and starts, slow down gradually and keep wheels turning to avoid losing traction.
- Use headlights even during daylight hours.
- INCREASE the following distance between you and the vehicle in front of you.
- DECREASE YOUR SPEED according to the road conditions.
- Make sure everyone in your vehicle is properly restrained.
- DON'T BE DISTRACTED-Pull over and stop to use electronic devices.
- MOVE OVER and SLOW DOWN for emergency vehicles, snow plows and highway service vehicles.

For up to date Road and Weather Conditions, please call 1-800-261-7623, or visit INDOT's web site [TrafficWise at https://indot.carsprogram.org/](https://indot.carsprogram.org/) PLEASE DO NOT CALL your local City, County or State Police for road conditions .Leave our phone lines open for emergency calls.

## Cold Weather Travel

With the frigid cold temperatures and high winds we can have in the late winter months, a disabled or stranded vehicle could make for a life or death situation for the driver and passengers.

Following the few tips listed below could save your life:

- Before leaving check the weather forecast and let someone know your route of travel.
- Always keep your gas tank full when driving in cold weather.
- Carry a winter survival kit in your car which is to include: blankets, extra warm clothes, flashlight, extra batteries, brightly colored cloth, sand or a bag of cat litter, shovel, candles and matches, nonperishable high calorie foods, (nuts, raisins, and protein or energy bars), newspapers (for insulation), a first aid kit and jumper cables.
- Do not leave your car if stranded, it is your best protection. Do not panic, an idling car only uses an average of one gallon of gas per hour.
- Roll down a window a very small amount for fresh air.
- Make sure the car's exhaust pipe is not blocked to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.
- At night, leave your dome light on.
- Always have your cell phone and a charger so you can call and let us know where you're located.

These simple tips along with items placed in your car could save your or a family member's life. Motorists are also reminded that with the frigid temperatures, gusting winds and blowing snow also comes the possibility of intersections, bridge decks and overpasses icing over. Please keep this in mind and drive with caution in the extreme cold. For up to date Indiana road conditions call 1-800-261-7623 or visit the INDOT TrafficWise web site at <https://indot.carsprogram.org/>

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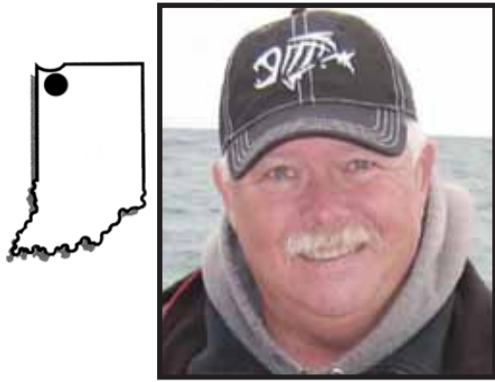
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# Fishing Lake Michigan



by Capt. Mike Schoonveld

## I See You, Fish-Face

I don't know how accurate scenes were in the latest spy thriller movie I watched, but I think the part where they used facial recognition software to identify a terrorist was pretty close to reality.

A closed circuit camera caught a glimpse of the bad guy's face as he snuck into a supposedly secure facility. The computer wizards at the CIA



Commercial nets are non-selective about what they catch.. (Author Photo)

dumped the photo into their computer and it almost instantly scanned millions of possibilities and came up with the identity of the perpetrator.

Wow! A grainy glimpse of a face was as good as a finger print.

Hopefully, this type of artificial intelligence will soon be available to fight a different but pervasive type of crime - illegal fishing. Rather than picking out faces, the software will track the movement of fishing boats to root out illegal behavior. As important, using a twist on facial recognition, the computer will be able to recognize when a boat's haul includes endangered or protected fish.

It's no secret I'm no fan of commercial fishing. I would have little problem with it if all commercial fishermen operated above the law. I'd accept it if by-catch, where non-target species of fish are caught, was rare or eliminated. I'd be okay with it if species commonly sought by sports fishermen were off limits or at least the allocation between sportsmen and commercial netters was fair. I'd like it if commercial fishing methods injurious to the natural environment were eliminated. I believe many species of fish could provide a sustainable harvest but in almost every case, commercial fishermen operate well past what's sustainable.

Too bad few, if any, of my contentions are met, inland, on the Great Lakes or in salt water. Most

fisheries managers will secretly or openly agree with me and efforts to correct the abuses of commercially harvesting wild fish are on going.

An effort to use artificial intelligence to fight illegal fishing is coming from Virginia-based The Nature Conservancy (TNC). TNC recently launched a contest on Kaggle - a crowdsourcing site based in San Francisco that uses competitions to advance data science.

TNC hopes the winning team will produce computerized cameras loaded with software capable of identifying specific species of fish much the same as facial recognition programs identify spies in the movies and then documents the catch being hauled aboard.

Currently, some commercial vessels are already required to have cameras videoing what's being caught. However not every video actually gets watched since doing so is very time consuming. Even in the videos being watched, it's impossible for the human viewer to positively ID many of the fish being caught.

It's hoped the software will do a better job of identifying what's being caught and can then put an electronic marker at each point in the video when a protected fish is hauled out. Inspectors will then be able to go directly to those moments and check a fishing crew's subsequent actions to determine whether they handled the catch legally.

TNC expects this approach could cut review time by up to 40% and increase the actual monitoring on commercial boats. Despite rules that call for government-approved auditors to be stationed on commercial fishing boats in some areas; in practice, catch auditors are found on only 2% of the fishing boats in salt water. There's no requirement for commercial boats on the Great Lakes, tribal or otherwise, to have spotters aboard or even stationed at the docks to see what's off loaded.

It's estimated world wide, illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing represents up to 20% of all seafood. There's no estimate about IUU fishing on the Great Lakes, but it certainly exists.

"If using facial recognition software to track fish were easy, we'd already be using it," says Matthew Merrifield, TNC's chief technology officer. "Whereas images from security cameras installed inside banks or other buildings are consistent and predictable, the data from cameras on boats is inconsistent because the ships are always moving and the light keeps changing."

The winning team of this contest will earn a prize of \$150,000. Then, as part of its campaign to reduce by catch and illegal fishing, TNC will work with the governmental agencies to install the equipment and software for free on selected fishing boats.

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Sherry Dickerson spinning wheel game. At right her winnings, some pretty rocks.



EIGGS members Mary Ann Morse and her husband are demonstrating the Lapidary Process.

# 44th Annual Spring Show Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, Fossil Show & Sale Wayne Co. Fairgrounds March 3-5, 2017

Article and Photos by Ray Dickerson

The Eastern Indiana Gem and Geological Society's (EIGGS) 44th Annual Spring Gem, Mineral, Jewelry and Fossil Show will be held at the Kuhlman Center located on the Wayne County Fairgrounds on **March 6-8, 2015**.

The show opens at 10 a.m. Friday & Saturday and closes at 6 p.m. On Sunday it opens at 11 a.m. and closes at 4 p.m.

A Donation is collected at the door, Adults \$5.00, Seniors 60 and older \$3.00, Youth ages 7 to 18 \$1.00, Under 7 FREE. Scouts & Leaders in uniform, Free.

This year they will be holding raffles and will be giving door prizes out every hour

The Gem Club has been putting on the rock and gem show since 1973, this is their 44th annual show. The purpose of the Gem Show is to promote knowledge and interest in the earth sciences and the Lapidary arts. The show is also a fund raiser for club

expenses and provides money for a college scholarship awarded each year.

The Gem club was founded as a nonprofit group in April 1966. Of the some odd 80 members, 30 to 35 members are active. The Gem club is for anyone who is interested (not necessarily experienced) in earth sciences, collecting minerals, crystals and fossils; polishing stones, silversmithing and related activities.

The Gem club sponsors rock- and fossil-hunting outings, offers classes and does educational demonstrations at local schools.

Lapidary classes for members can be arranged for those who wish to use the equipment at the workshop in their clubhouse. They have equipment for sawing, shaping and polishing stones into finished pieces ready for mounting as jewelry. The workshop is open most Tuesday and Thursday evenings by 6:30 pm (weather permitting) for use by members who have completed the training.

Dues are \$20 per year for a family membership (1 household) or \$15 for a single membership (age 16 and over). Dues are paid at the start of membership and at the beginning of each year to continue membership in good standing.

The clubhouse is located at 5199 US 40 East, Centerville, Indiana.

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Van and Rose Wimmer photo taken at Bush's Bean factory in Chestnut Hill, TN in Dec. 2016.

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## Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Show at Indiana State Fairgrounds March 31 - April 2, 2017 19th Annual Show

Article by Ray Dickerson

The 19th Annual Spring Bead, Gem, Mineral and Jewelry show will be held at the Indianapolis State Fairgrounds in the Agriculture/Horticulture Building at 1202 East 38th Street in Indianapolis, Indiana on March 31, Friday 10 am to 6 pm, April 1, Saturday 10 am to 6 pm and April 2, Sunday 11 am to 5 pm.

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

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- May 26-28, 2017 Salem, VA  
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- Sept. 29-Oct. 01, 2017 Indianapolis, IN
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# Indiana Outdoors



by Joe Martino

## Buck one of author's most memorable Author thankful for last-minute opportunity

It's been a tough deer season. Not just for me – and not just in Indiana – but for several hunters I have talked to throughout the Midwest. There have been some hunters who have had a banner season, for sure, but for the most part, I think a lot of folks have struggled.

My season was a tough one from the start. Prior to the early archery season beginning, I had high hopes of connecting on a mature buck, but as the season progressed, it became apparent that it was going to be tougher than I figured. I did have one crack at a good buck in archery season, but I missed.

The opening day of firearms season again found me hopeful that I would not have much of a problem wrapping my tag around a boss buck. Again, I was wrong.

The season had become a lesson in humility. I was doing my best to put myself in proximity of a trophy-class buck and coming up short each time. I was okay with that.

In fact, I wasn't even seeing a lot of does. I just was not seeing a lot of deer overall. I was happy just being able to play the cat and mouse game, but I also would have liked to see a few more deer.

I shot a doe earlier in bow season and my son, Nick, got a great buck in archery season also, so I wasn't upset in any way, but I still hunted as hard and often as I could to see if I could eventually score.

As muzzleloader season rolled around, I planned to stick it out, even though mentally, I was kind of over it. I had hunted too hard all season to give up at that point. Had I not hunted as hard as I did all season, it would have been easier to sit out the cold temperatures indoors, but like I said, I had given it too much effort at that point to slow down by that point. I was going to hunt hard for the remaining two weeks of the muzzleloader season; as hard as I could with the crazy cold days that were predicted anyway.

The first weekend of muzzleloader season, I traveled to southern Indiana for a change of pace, but it was just an extension of the rest of my season up to that point. It was more of the same. Few deer sightings and hours spent in the stand or blind.

I returned home after the weekend and figured it was going to be a long-shot, but with plans still to hunt when I could in a last-ditch effort to put a nice buck on the ground.

On Tuesday, December 13th, I made plans for an afternoon hunt. Colder temps were coming and I



The author got this buck in December, with little time remaining in the 2016 season. The deer, and the hunt, is one which will forever be one of his favorites. (Author Photo)

wanted to get out before they hit. I asked a friend if he wanted to go, but he had other plans and couldn't make it, so I decided to sit in the stand where I was going to put him.

This was actually the first time I would hunt that particular stand. My brother hunted it a few times before. I wanted to see some different scenery, so I gave it a go.

After being in the stand for a couple hours, and with the temperature dropping quickly, I began getting cold; really cold. With about an hour of shooting light left, I began thinking of how comfy it would be back in the truck, but I knew this could be a last-minute game. I was hoping to catch the deer as they made their way to the picked corn field behind me to feed so I knew just how important that last hour of daylight could be and I was going to stick it out.

It wasn't long after that that a little buck made his way across the field right to me. I was glad to see him, but had no plans of shooting. I was holding out for a nice buck or none; even during the eleventh hour.

Ten minutes later I saw a nice buck. He was on the ditch about 125 yards in front of me. As I watched him rake some limbs with his antlers, I remember thinking, "I can make that shot." But common sense took over (which is honestly rare for me in such a situation) and I talked myself off the cliff, convincing myself that waiting would be best. If it became obvious that the buck was not going to come any closer, then I would shoot.

After ten minutes of watching him stay put, he slowly stepped into the field, and when he did, he headed my way at a trot!

Before I knew it, he was 25-yards away. I grunted to get him to stop and let my Thompson Center Strike do the rest.

Seconds later the buck was mine. What a relief. I can-

not fully explain how grateful I was at that moment. To have hunted harder than I have in two decades and to have it all come together in the end like it did was a true feeling of triumph and thankfulness.

The buck is not my biggest. Nor is he my second, or even third. In fact, I have a handful of bucks bigger; but likely none of which I am more proud of. This deer was earned. Through sheer grit, guts and determination. That's a great feeling. It was also great to know that after decades of deer hunting that I still possess the drive and stick-with-it-ness that is often required in taking a wild whitetail.

After settling down and coming to grips with all of the emotions that coursed their way through my veins, I realized another thing; That I didn't have to sit in the cold anymore!

I could enjoy the remaining days of muzzleloader season doing other things. After the year, I've had, that felt pretty good too.

I didn't rub it in too much to my friend who couldn't join me that afternoon. After all, had he been able to go, the buck would have been his. Perhaps that is another reason I earned this deer. I wasn't being selfish, even in the final days of the season.

This buck will forever be one of my favorites and most memorable. Here's hoping you were successful in taking one of yours this year too, or if not, that you were at least able to have the chance to give it your best. ■

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Left Photo: After taking the plunge in the frigid waters of Whitewater Memorial State Park you are invited to Frames Outdoors Archery Range for the After Bash Splash party.. Right Photo: Whitewater Memorial State Park. Sonie Snow holding sign on a perfect day for "Freezin' For A Reason" by plunging into the lake. See below for details. (Photos provided by Lonnie Snow)



## The Polar Plunge is coming to Liberty: Be ready to take the Plunge Part 2

Photos and Article by Lonnie Snow

Well, you wouldn't know it outside, but winter is here and so is the Special Olympics Polar Plunge. The Polar Plunge is a Signature event for Indiana Special Olympics. There will be 18 different locations across the State of Indiana hosting this event. Special Olympics Indiana provides 20 different Olympic -type Sports to over 12,000 adults and children with intellectual disabilities. Indiana Special Olympics raised over \$650,000 last year to support athletes with intellectual disabilities. We are pleased this year to host our plunge at Whitewater Memorial State Park, Liberty, Indiana.

Wayne County, along with Rush, Fayette, Union, Decatur, Shelby, and Franklin Counties will join as a team to host this event in our area.

We will be providing locations on site to dress for your plunge and to change back into warm clothing

after. After taking the plunge in the frigid waters of Whitewater Memorial State Park you are invited to Frames Outdoors Archery Range for the After Bash Splash party. Here awards will be given out and food and drinks served to our sponsors, plungers, and guests. There is a \$5.00 cover charge if you didn't take the plunge. There will be a silent auction for a Yeti, 65 quart cooler, Yeti thermo cups and other items. Items will be at Frames Outdoors beginning January if you want to stop in and place a bid before the Plunge on February 25, 2017.

We would like to have your support. Ray Dickerson has opened his heart to get this information out to you through The Gad-A-Bout. I hope you will take the time to support this event that helps our local Special Olympics programs and athletes across Indiana. Some of the funds raised this year will be used to start a new Special Olympics Program in Union County. I know there are many of you outdoor enthusiastic folks that can handle a little cold water for a great cause. Think about those you know with intellectual and physical disabilities that will benefit from your generosity. This is a historic event for Liberty and Whitewater Memorial State Park. There will be plenty of news media to cover this

event. Don't miss being part of the history.

This will be a family Fun Day. Come out, take the plunge or watch others with warm hearts and cold feet take a dip. Plan on taking a walk and just enjoying the beauty of the park. Take pictures with our mascot, Paw Bear. There is no parking or entrance fee. Kids are welcome but must be over 12 years of age to plunge.

Some local business will be hosting a Plunge night with special discounts offered to those who sign up for the plunge. You may want to consider being part of their Team. We will send out the information once we confirm the dates and businesses.

You can go to [polarplungein.org](http://polarplungein.org) or visit us on facebook at Wayne county Indiana Special Olympics. call Lonnie Snow, 765-732-3636 for more details on the Liberty Plunge. If you would like to donate an item for the silent auction, it would be appreciated.

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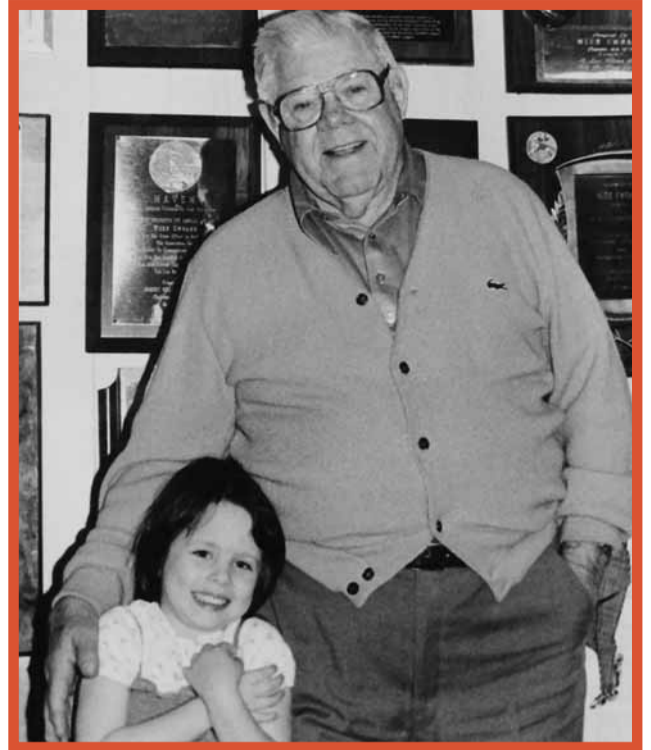
Only for the bravest souls and the warmest hearts, the Super Plunger program dares participants to go beyond the call of duty. Contact Scott Furnish to learn more about the Super Plunger program and meet a few of our Hall of Famers who plunged multiple times in one year and raised more than \$4,000 to benefit Special Olympics Indiana.



Lucy and Weeb Ewbank at their home in Oxford, OH. Sherry, Amy and I spent the day with them. We got to visit Weeb's basement and view his football memorabilia.



Sherry listening to Weeb as he was searching for photos to show us. The basement walls had posters, awards, photos, a lamp shade with photos of Baltimore Colt players etc.



Our daughter Amy was four years old and mightily taken with Weeb and Lucy that day. Here she poses for this photo with Weeb. Behind him are awards he received.

## Football Legend Weeb Ewbank And his wife, Lucy

Article & Photos by Ray Dickerson

Weeb was my second cousin. I didn't really know him on a first name basis until 1983. Prior to that when I was very young he would visit our home in Centerville with his mom and dad, Uncle Charles "Chod" and Aunt Stella (Dickerson) Ewbank. I remember them visiting our home in Centerville, vaguely, I was quite young back then. Aunt Stella Ewbank and Guy Raymond Dickerson, my grandfather, were brother and sister. Uncle Chod owned and operated two grocery stores. As a boy, Weeb drove a horse and wagon while delivering groceries from the store his father operated on Ridge Street in Richmond's Fairview section. His nickname came about when a younger brother couldn't pronounce Wilbur correctly, it sounded more like Weeb. So he grew up with the nickname Weeb and carried it the rest of his life.

While Weeb was still in this area he visited mom and dad occasionally here on South Street.

My brother, Bob Dickerson, told me about an incident that happened when he was younger here at home on East South Street in Centerville. He was playing pitch and catch with a friend or relative (I can't remember which), but anyway Weeb came for a visit. Bob was catching a hard ball with his bare hands. Weeb asked him if he would like a baseball glove and proceeded to get one out of his car and gave it to Bob. It was a first baseman's glove, a good one, Bob played baseball with it from then on. It was the first and only baseball glove he had ever used. Bob never forgot this act of kindness from Weeb.

I remember when I was in the Air Force, stationed near Newburgh, NY in 1963, my dad tried to talk me into going down and visiting Weeb and Lucy when they lived on Long Island. I told dad that I didn't really follow football and at the time I didn't know Weeb well enough to go visit him.

Dad met Weeb and Joe Namath in an airport up east once by accident, dad was returning home from

a truck delivery. Dad delivered new trucks all over the U.S.A. for Kenosha Auto Transport located in Lima, Ohio. He made a great number of deliveries to Bridgeport, CT.

Some background information on Weeb's and Lucy's incredible lives in Football 1924-1975

Weeb attended Morton High School in Richmond where he played percussion instruments in the high school band. Athletics though was his first love. In his Senior year he was quarterback and captain of the football team. He was also captain of the baseball team, playing outfield and sometimes catcher. He also played forward on the basketball team even though he was only 5 foot, 7 inches tall.

After graduating from Morton High School in 1924, Weeb enrolled at Miami University in Oxford. He signed up for studying business, but switched to a professional coaching course. On the football team he played second string quarterback and also played outfield on the baseball team.

He and Lucy were high school sweethearts and were married June 23, 1926. They had three daughters Luanne, Nancy and Jan Ewbank, eight grandchildren and fourteen great grand-children. Weeb graduated from Miami University in 1928.

Here is a short version of his life-long football career.

**1928 -1929** Coached Football at Van Wert High School in Van Wert, Ohio

**1930 - 1943** Head Football Coach at McGuffey High School in Oxford, Ohio

**1943 - 1945** Joined U.S. Navy, Assistant Coach Great Lakes Naval Station football team.

**1946** Backfield Coach for Charles Engle at Brown U. & Head Coach of Basketball team

**1947 - 1948** Head Football Coach at Washington U. in St. Louis

**1949 - 1953** Assistant to Paul Brown's Cleveland Browns to oversee tackles by the linemen.

**1954 - 1962** Head Coach Baltimore Colts (NFL)

**1963 - 1973** Head Coach New York Jets (AFL)

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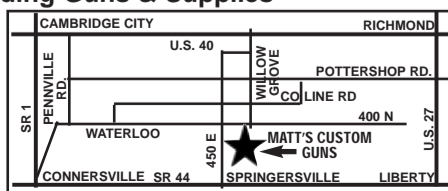
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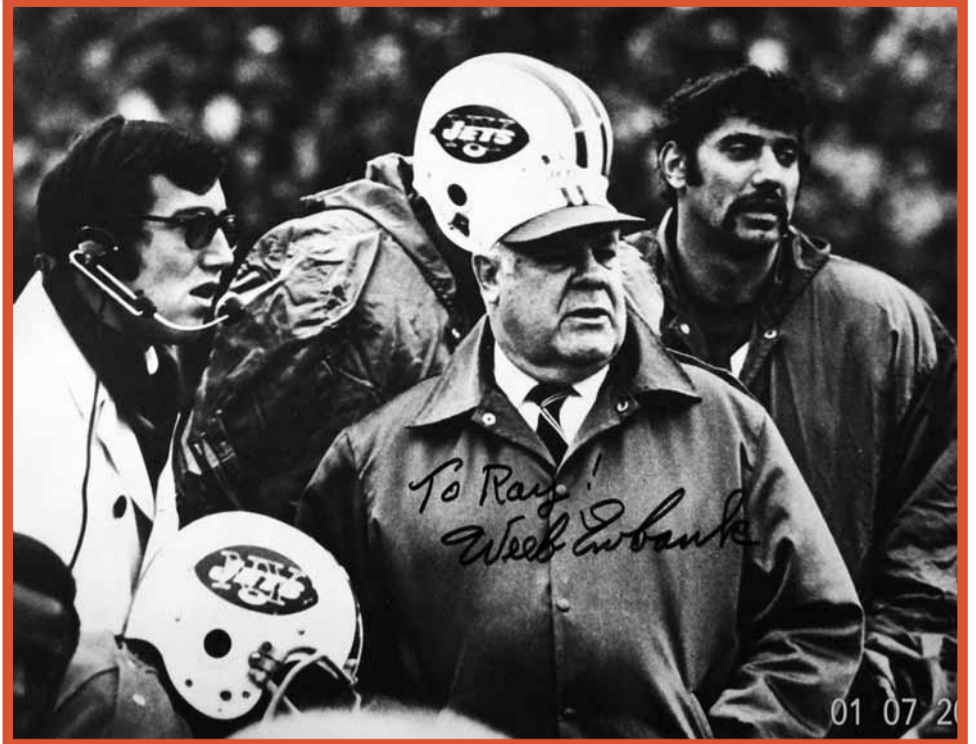
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Weeb's basement was chock full of football memorabilia he earned and received during his 20 years coaching football. Left to right, Ray Dickerson, Lucy Ewbank, Weeb Eubank, Sherry Dickerson and in front of Lucy is our daughter Amy Dickerson.



This photo was given to me by Weeb on March 18, 1983. We were sitting in the basement. He took it from a stack of photos and signed it, "To Ray Weeb Eubank." Then he gave me a walking tour of his football memorabilia that filled the basement.

In 1975 with a career record of 130-129-7 (the 11th best record of any football coach in the NFL), Weeb and Lucy retired to Oxford, Ohio where they continued to be active in NFL and Miami University alumni activities.

The following article was written by Weeb Ewbank shortly after he retired from the New York Jets in 1975. I obtained this copy in 1983 while visiting Weeb at his home in Oxford, Ohio. He thought the world of football and gave it his life's blood literally. This article appeared in several publication

including the New York Times shortly after he retired from football.

Hindsight being 20-20 I wish I had followed Dad's advice to visit Weeb and Lucy in 1963 when Weeb was coaching the New York Jets. But I didn't.

**In Weeb Ewbank's Own Words**  
By Weeb Ewbank

"In my 20 years as a coach in pro football, I was fortunate in having two great quarterbacks in John Unitas and Joe Namath. John's records, of course, speak for themselves. Joe never has gotten the records because of his bad legs. But I wouldn't say one is better than the other. I think they're both great.

When they first started out, I knew more about Joe because I was able to see more of him in college. We knew he would be great. But once John was in our camp in Baltimore, it was evident to all of us that it was just a matter of time before he would be No.1 and would be great.

The first thing that impressed me about both was their strong arms. They were both good athletes and both studied their football diligently. They came to me with God's gifts of being outstanding athletes, but I'd like to think I contributed from there and taught them the rudiments of pro football.

Both came from basically the same area, but where John went to a small college, Joe went to a big college and was exposed to bigger things. Joe never married while John married early and had several children. Both have had great careers and some day will be Hall of Famers.

I know some coaches have a tougher reputation than I do, but I expect we have as many fines as anybody. The thing I'm not, though, is a screamer. I don't think anyone can do a good job if you continually scream at him. It's the nature of some coaches to scream and yell and holler, but I just don't think you have to be a screamer.

Paul Brown, whom I consider a great coach, rarely will raise his voice. But you still have to make corrections. When I coached with Paul, I put his players to bed and I don't think we have as many players on the Jets who are rowdies as he had. Sometimes I wonder if we shouldn't have more. I'm

serious. Maybe we don't have enough roughnecks. **Wouldn't Change**

Looking back, I wouldn't change the way I treated players. I treat people the way I like to be treated. I wouldn't ask anyone to go out on the field and do anything I wouldn't do or I wouldn't ask a son of mine to do. But I would expect a player to do the things that I would do that are necessary to win. When I find someone who continues to take advantage of the way I treat him, I tolerate him until another good player comes along to replace him.

The players in the game today are different in some ways from those in my earlier days of coaching. I recognized this different breed of cat early. Some people laughed at me when we went to the Super Bowl and I permitted wives to come down. But I think it was the best thing I ever did. The old-time coaches wouldn't have thought it was a good idea, but I was pleased to have the wives.

I've noticed there has been an increase in the number of players who are interested only in themselves, but I don't think you can blame that on the players. I think this is true of our whole country. The thing that hurts me most is this isn't the way our country became great. It became great through competition but not complete selfishness.

The only thing that makes it harder to coach now than in the past is when you get people who are individualists, players who aren't team men. We've had more individualists recently, but again I think it's the times and outside influences rather than the players themselves. Nevertheless, when you get those players, you have to weed them out as soon as you can.

I think high school and college football coaches still would like to feel they're building character and building men who think along the straight and narrow. After all football is a team game. But it's been more difficult for them because of outside influences.

I guess I'd have to say my coaching career has been much different from other people's. My first job in high school was in a situation where all the seniors had graduated and I had to start over. Then I took a college that was amateur at Washington University in St. Louis. One of my assistants said they wouldn't

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Sherry and I visited the Cradle of Coaches area adjacent to Yager Football Stadium on 10-26-2013. Miami University placed life size bronze statues of eight football coaches who graduated there, Weeb was one of them. See photo of statue on page 1 and 15.

even give a kid the time of day there. Yet in two years we won 14 games and lost four.

When I went to Baltimore it was an abominable situation, and when I came to the Jets it was even worse. But I managed to win three championships in 20 years, which I think is a pretty good average when you consider teams like the Steelers and the 49ers never have won one.

Without mentioning names, there are some people who have much better records over all, but they inherited their teams. They never had to put a team together, and that, I think, is the most difficult problem.

**Three Reasons**

I think I've been successful at building teams for three reasons: I think I've been able to recognize talent and see the potential in a young guy; I've had the patience to stick with players and I've been able to place them in positions where they do the team the most good. I also feel I've been able to instill confidence in players, and that's very important. For the most part, players have given me all they've had.

This season was very disappointing to me because I sincerely felt we had a good team. But we got hurt right in the guts of it when we lost both our quarterback and our middle linebacker. That's just like a baseball team losing its players up the middle — the catcher, the double-play combination and the center fielder.

Naturally, I would've liked to go out a winner, but if I don't go out a winner, I wanted to leave our owners and our great fans with a reasonable opportunity to have a good team, which I think we have. There will be no necessity to make any wholesale changes.

Football's been the only job I've ever had. It's been enjoyable and it's been great to me. I think it's a great part of our American life. There's one thing, though, that's come about in football that I'm concerned about. Football is a contact game, but it shouldn't be a violent game. I'm concerned that there's some element of violence in the game now. You'd like to think rules changes aren't necessary, but in some cases, changes must be made." The End

**THE BEGINNING OF OUR KNOWING WEBB**

Weeb was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on July 29, 1978. He attended practices of the Miami University football team sitting quietly in the stands, offering advice only when he was asked to give it.

My first encounter with Weeb Ewbank since childhood was in 1979.

My very first contact with Weeb was on a whim in 1979. Believe it or not I think I found his telephone

number in the Oxford phone book. My reason I called Weeb was I had originated an idea of a way to help keep the Zoo in Glen Miller Park from leaving Richmond. The Zoo had received national attention from the United States Humane Society and other agencies wanting park superintendent, Don McBride, to close the park zoo. I was writing a column in The Graphic at that time and wanted to help keep the Zoo in the park. I wrote several articles about keeping the Zoo in the park. I had even went so far as to initiate an organization I called Zoo-op. The name Zoo-op stood loosely for Zoo Cooperative of Concerned People to help the zoo. I then proceeded to get some folks on board to help save the zoo, through the column. Our first big effort was Zoo Day, October 20, 1979 to be held at Glen Miller Park 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with Don McBride's permission. One of the events was the Zoo-athon, I wrote about a celebrity being contacted to start the race. Guess who the celebrity was! If you guessed Weeb Ewbank you are right. I called Weeb, amazingly, he answered the phone. I introduced myself and why I called him. Unfortunately he wasn't available on October 20th. I thanked him and hung up, thinking that was a dumb idea and I wouldn't ever do that again.

Mom and Dad got a Christmas card from Weeb and Lucy, postmarked December 25, 1981. It read, "Hi Folks! Best wishes for a Joyous and Healthful Holiday Season! Regards to all! Coach Weeb. I'm not too sure how I got it, it was addressed to Ray Dickerson & Family. Post Office must have sent it to wrong Ray Dickerson. Dad's name was Ray too, but the card was addressed to his P.O. Box, not mine. The only difference in our names was our middle names, his was \*Eugene and mine is Earl.

On March 9, 1983 Weeb and I had a brief first time meeting as he was following Don McBride through Earlham's athletic office as I was waiting for another fellow to return to that office. I recognized him immediately and introduced myself. He looked at me and said, "You must be \*Eugene's boy." I acknowledged, and as quick as he appeared he had left.

In my Graphic Column for March 23, 1983 I wrote, "For many years now I have heard the familiar stories of the famed football coach from Richmond, Weeb Ewbank. I'm not much of a football fan, I tend to lean more towards fishing and hunting. However he and I are second cousins and I had the distinct pleasure of visiting him at his home in Oxford, Ohio, on Friday, March 18, 1983."

I was in Oxford that day getting information on Craft and Hobby shops who might be interested in setting up at my 1983 Mid-West Sport Show coming in April at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. I decided to try to find

Weeb. I got his address off the Christmas Card he sent dad. I found Patrick Drive by asking for directions. I parked on the street and walked to their front door. I rang the bell and waited, no response. I rang the bell again and then began to leave. As I was walking back to my van, a lady came to the door and asked me who I wanted to see. I introduced myself and asked if Weeb Ewbank might be home. She said yes and invited me in. She led me to the basement stairs and told me to go down to see him.

I found Weeb sitting in a comfortable chair looking at a football scrapbook. He told me to pull up a chair. As he looked at the book, he explained that he was looking for some pictures for a writer who was writing a book. Across the room was a couple of large screen televisions. (On one of my later visits he had both televisions on with two different football games in progress.)

Weeb finished what he was doing, and we started to talk about something we both liked - fishing. On his wall he had a trophy Barracuda he caught and another big fish.

I told him about my upcoming Mid-West Sport Show to be held at the Wayne County Fairgrounds April 21-24, 1983. I asked him if he might come and cut the ribbon that would open the show on Thursday April 21st. He thought about it for awhile, then he indicated that he would like to come on the first night, to see some of the fishing exhibits.

He then got up and gave me a walking tour of the basement explaining the different mementos and pictures. He pointed out Joe Namath, Johnny Unitas and others too numerous for my mind to remember. One thing that caught my eye and I remember to this day, a

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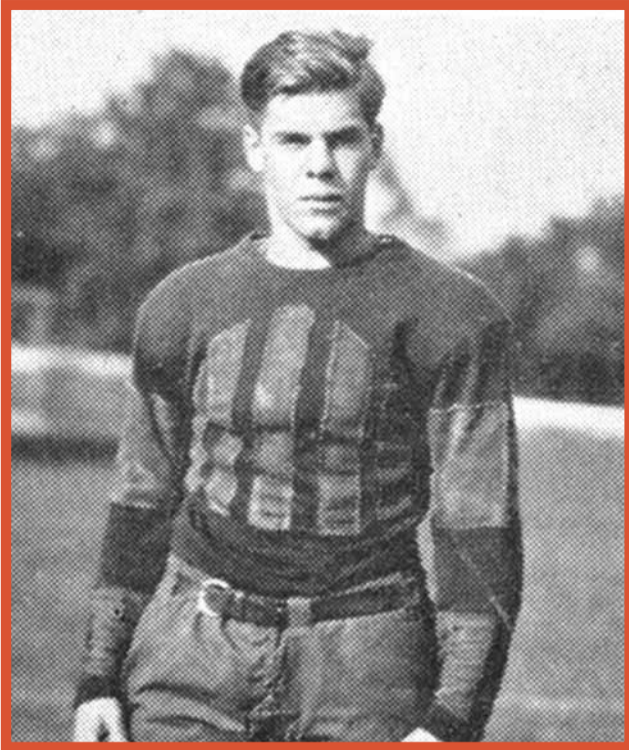
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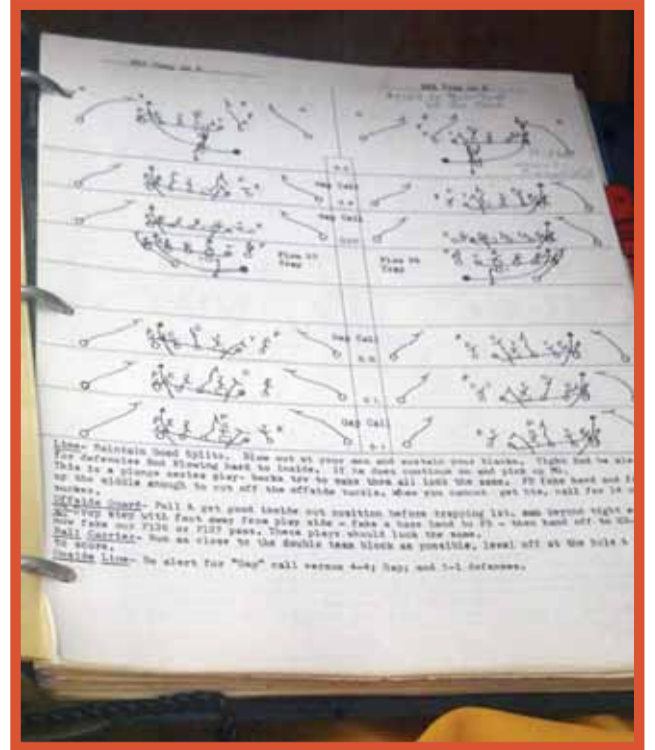
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After graduating from Morton High School in 1924, Weeb enrolled at Miami University in Oxford. On their football team he played second string quarterback.



Life size bronze statue of Wilbur Charles "Weeb" Ewbank located adjacent to the entrance of Miami University's Yager Football Stadium in Oxford, Ohio.



One of Weeb's football play books he used when he coached football. It was one of these he picked up and was looking at when he left us on November 17, 1998.

lamp shade with his and members of the Baltimore Colts photos on it. As I scanned the walls of the basement. The walls reflected scenes of his life in chronological order starting from his days at Morton High School until his retirement as coach of the New York Jets. Although not being schooled in football, I was awed at the sight of all those awards, pictures and novelty memorabilia of his past. I read in one of the clippings I have of him that he was meticulous in keeping records, football stats and everything that he dealt with in football.

I asked him about the Bob Hope show I had saw him on and what it was like meeting Bob Hope. He indicated that he had met Mr. Hope several times.

It seemed strange, I felt so at ease standing there talking to Weeb, as if I had known him all my life. He and Lucy both made me feel very much at home in their house. He took out one of the many photos he had in a stack, signed it and handed it to me. Pictured in it and standing behind him and to his left was a burly looking Joe Namath. He had written "To Ray! Weeb Ewbank" on the photo he gave me.

While I was visiting them, when asked, I told them I worked for General Telephone in Richmond. Weeb told me their phone wasn't working, would I look at it. I told him I would (that put me on the spot because I worked inside at the Control Center, not outside on telephone

equipment). I picked up their phone, it didn't have a dial tone. I really didn't know how to fix it, the problem could have been in the C.O. or outside plant. I removed both caps and moved the ear piece and mouth piece - lo and behold I heard a click, some static and I got dial tone. I replaced the caps and handed the phone to Lucy, told her it was working okay. Talk about a coincidence, it had to be a loose wire or something simple. I thanked Weeb and Lucy for letting me visit after I came unannounced like I did. I really enjoyed visiting them and told them I would like to visit again with my wife and daughter some time.

In my Graphic column dated Wednesday, March 23, 1983 I titled it "Writer Meets Legend" I put the photo he autographed to me of he and Joe Namath in the article too.

As luck would have it, Sherry, Amy and I visited Weeb and Lucy a few days later. We all got to sit and visit, talking about family, activities and of course football. Amy was four years old at the time, too young to realize the enormity of our visiting Weeb and Lucy Ewbank. I asked Weeb if he had considered my request to cut the ribbon at my Mid-West Sport Show & Rendezvous opening night April 21, 1983. He said he would, both he and Lucy would enjoy being there to cut the ribbon. I told him the "Richmond Red Coats" a group from the Richmond Chamber of Commerce would be there also at the ribbon cutting.

Then Weeb and Lucy

invited us to go to the basement so Sherry and Amy could see Weeb's memorabilia. On this visit I brought my camera and Weeb let me take all the photos I wanted to take. We spent the better half of the day visiting with them.

We enjoyed our visit immensely. Both Sherry and Amy enjoyed listening and learning a little bit more about Weeb and Lucy's love for football. It had been Weeb's life ambition with Lucy being right there with him through thick and thin, the winning and losing - finishing on top of a hard climb getting there. We went home feeling really good about our visit and couldn't wait to see them again when they came to cut the ribbon, opening the show in April.

(I learned something from Weeb during my first visit with him March 18th that happened to him after winning the Super Bowl in 1969. It happened when the excited team members and well wishers carried him off the field on their shoulders. They pulled his legs in two different directions a bit too far and pinched a nerve which in turn reduced the use of his right hand. He had trouble reeling in a standard fishing reel with his right hand. Since he was going to cut the ribbon at our 1983 Mid-West Sport Show and Rendezvous I decided to give him a fishing reel especially equipped to make it easier for him to reel in a fish. I knew just the man who could help me, Joe Landwerlan, owner of Gator Grip fishing equipment, at the time in Shelbyville, Indiana. I called Joe

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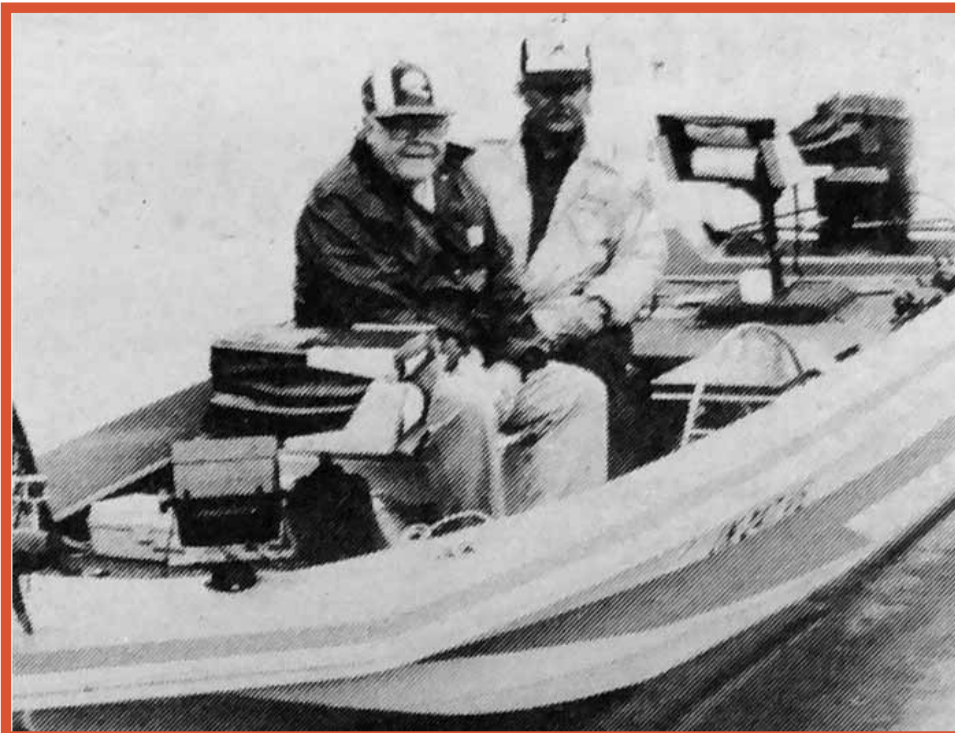
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June 6, 1983, I took this photo at Bonwell Hill Ramp on Brookville Lake after Weeb told me he would like to go bass fishing. Foster Goshorn took the two of us fishing for Striped Bass. Weeb caught two to my one, Foster caught several more. See story.



Weeb here with Foster, our guide. Weeb told me in a telephone call the next day, he was really impressed with Foster, not only with his fishing skills, but also his interest in football. The two continued fishing after I had to leave to go to work.



It wasn't but a few minutes before Weeb's tip of his pole bobbed briefly. Seconds later Weeb's pole tip dove and he instinctively drew back hooking the first striper for the day.

and told him what I wanted to do, explaining Weeb's problem and telling him I needed to get it fixed before my upcoming sport show. I bought a good casting reel and drove to Shelbyville. Joe removed the casting reel retrieve handle. Then he took a round knob handle he took off a wooden drawer and secured it to one end of the retrieve handle he had removed from the casting reel. Joe put the retrieve handle back on the casting reel. The wooden knob stuck out just far enough so that Weeb could press his right palm firmly against it and retrieve the line. It worked real well.)

In my Graphic column dated, March 30, 1983 entitled, "Ribbon Cutter."

I wrote, "We have had a little change in the schedule of our 1983 Mid-West Sport Show & Rendezvous. The Grand Opening ceremony will be held on Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. Cutting the ribbon to officially open the show will be Weeb Ewbank, former coach of the Baltimore Colts and New York Jets and his wife, Lucy. Weeb, as you found out in this column last week, is related to me and has graciously accepted my invitation to be here for the ceremony. He is an avid fisherman

and has fished many places. Sherry, Amy and I had a very pleasant and entertaining visit with Weeb and Lucy the week before.

Following the ribbon cutting, we will have a special presentation and then the National Anthem and Back Home Again in Indiana will be sung by my sisters, Kathy Miller and Wilma Walter. The tentative schedule is as follows: I've had several people ask about the hours of the show, they are as follows: Thursday, April 21, 5 to 11:00 p.m.; Friday, April 22, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.; and Sunday, April 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Activities: Thursday - Birthday Party, Music Show featuring CB Express (Songs of the 50's) and Country & Pop songs sung by Wilma Walter; Saturday — Fishing Clinic, Greenville Treaty Re-enactment, Horse Show, Music Show featuring Hard Times, a Blue Grass Group and Country & Pop sung by Wilma Walter. Accompanying Wilma Walter will be the Silver Strings music group. Sunday — Fishing Clinic, Greenville Treaty Re-enactment and 4-Wheel Flat Drag Competition.

The 1983 Mid-West Sport Show and Rendezvous opening night, April 21st was a huge success. Weeb and Lucy arrived right on time and the Richmond Red Coats were there also. The Red Coats held the ribbon while Weeb and Lucy cut the ribbon, opening the show. After the ribbon was cut I made the presentation of the casting reel to Weeb and showed him how to operate it. He was really pleased and accepted it graciously. He and Lucy spent quite some time visiting the exhibits and eating some of Linda and Bill Paddock's food, prepared for the show.

I can't find the photo but on another visit, Sherry, Amy and I stopped by to visit Weeb and Lucy at their home in Oxford. Lucy told us Weeb was down at the baseball field to watch a game. She told us how to find him so we drove to the baseball diamond. Weeb was sitting on a bench. Amy walked over to him and sat down next to him. I took a quick photo of the two, he had his arm around Amy so she wouldn't fall off the bench. It was one of those photos you don't get to take everyday.

We visited with Weeb and Lucy several times that year. I learned that he liked spring more mushrooms and took him several batches that year and continued to do so whenever I found them in the years since.

On one of my visits Weeb told me he would like to go bass fishing with me on Brookville Lake some time. I told him I would get one of my friends to take us. I talked to Foster Goshorn, who operated a Guide Service

for striper and walleye at Brookville Lake. He was head-quartered at Garr Hill Bait & Storage near the Garr Hill Ramp. Foster told me he would be honored to take Weeb Ewbank and me too, striper fishing. I told Foster I had to get with Weeb and see when he could get away to go fishing with us.

June 6 found Weeb Ewbank, myself and Foster Goshorn at Garr Hill Bait & Storage at 5 a.m. (Ohio time) meeting for our fishing trip.

Weeb and I drove to Bonwell Hill Ramp and Foster put his boat in at Garr Hill Ramp. The reason for this

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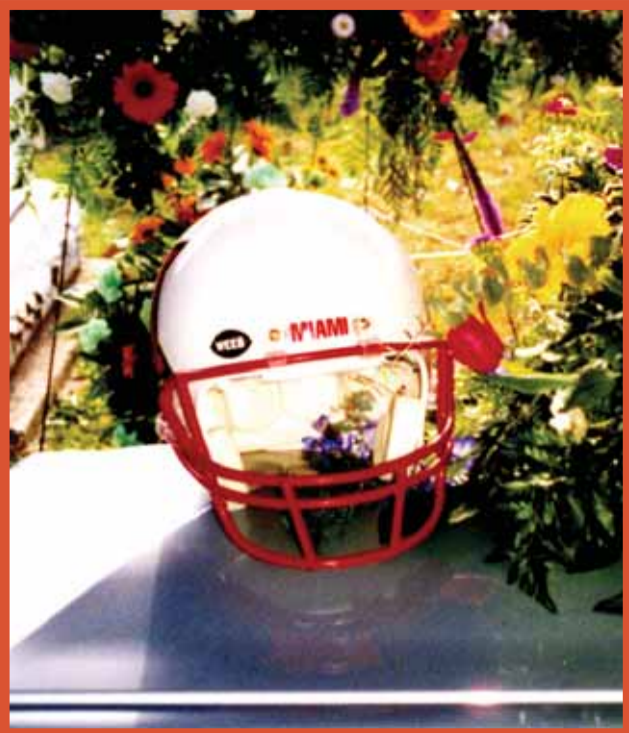
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Wilbur Charles "Weeb" Ewbank died peacefully at his home in Oxford, Ohio on November 17, 1998. This Miami football helmet rode with him from the church to the cemetery.

weird arrangement was because I had to leave for work at 8 a.m. and since we were going to fish at the dam Foster wouldn't have too far to go to leave me off at my truck.

By the time Foster pulled into Bonwell it looked like it could rain anytime.

Weeb and I got on board and Foster headed toward the dam. Once we were in position Foster turned on his depth graph reader and we immediately sighted fish suspended at about 20 feet. The graph showed a great mass of fish. Foster said they were stripers. Patiently he showed Weeb and I how to bait up our live minnows

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Adjacent to Weeb's casket stood this Baltimore Colts beautiful horseshoe shaped bouquet in honor of Coach Weeb Ewbank. The banner reads, 1958, 1959 World Champions.

(the bait was about as big as the fish I normally catch). Before too long we all had our lines in and down to the 20 ft. depth to correspond with the fish.

Foster told us how the striper would go for the bait and how to respond without spooking it.

In the two and a half hours I could fish we caught and turned loose about seven stripers about the size shown in the picture. Weeb caught the first two. Then Foster caught three in a row. When I caught mine, I was thrilled because I told another writer in one of the local papers that I would catch one before he did, and as far as I know I did, sorry Ed.

I did another first that day, fishing with live minnows. Normally I use artificial lures, night crawlers and foot crawls.

Before I had to leave it began to rain, so we got a little wet. But Weeb enjoyed it so much that he and Foster stayed fishing after I had to leave.

In a telephone conversation the next day Weeb told me he enjoyed the trip in spite of the rain. He really was impressed with Foster and not only with his fishing skill, also his interest in football. We had talked about a lot of things while fishing. Weeb had been a guest of the Hulmans at the Indianapolis 500 last month. He said he had a good time there meeting old friend Phil Harris and Paul Newman, too. Phil is from Linton, Indiana.

They kept two stripers that afternoon and Weeb took them home. He indicated that he kept one and gave the other to a friend. I think he was quite impressed with Brookville Lake, too.

The very last time I talked to Weeb was mid-summer 1998 on the telephone, he was 91 and I asked him if he would like to go bass fishing on Brookville Lake again. He said he would so I made arrangements with Quakertown Marina to take him out on a pontoon boat, thinking he would be a lot more comfortable fishing on that type of boat rather than a bass boat like when we fished with Foster Goshorn back in 1983.

Unfortunately due to Weeb's busy schedule and other constraints we didn't get to go fishing that summer or fall. I figured we could go in the spring of 1999.

Sherry and I were shocked when we read that Weeb had died on November 17, 1998.

Wilbur Charles "Weeb" Ewbank died peacefully at his home in Oxford, Ohio on November 17, 1998. His funeral was held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, November 21, 1998 at the Oxford Presbyterian Church at 101 North



Johnny Unitas, famous quarterback who led the Baltimore Colts to victory in 1958 and 1959 under the leadership of Weeb talking to Lucy and other family members.

Main Street in Oxford. Officiating was The Reverend Barbara Barnes, Mark Barnes and Robert K. Foster. Weeb's interment was in the Oxford Cemetery. Sherry and I attended the service and also followed the procession to the cemetery.

The Order of Worship for Witness to the Resurrection of Weeb Ewbank born May 6, 1907 - died November 17, 1998 was followed by a tribute from a Grandchild, Cinda.

Cinda's tribute to Weeb was pure heart felt feelings for her Grandfather that day. I don't know about Sherry, but tears welled up in my eyes listening to the way she lovingly talked about him. I taped the service on my tape recorder, but have long since forgotten if I still have it. I still have Weeb's Service and Funeral Service pamphlets. Following the singing of "Amazing Grace" (words included to the song), a tribute to a Coach was given by Murray Peters followed by a tribute to Weeb by former Baltimore Colt quarterback Johnny Unitas. Followed by New York quarterback Joe Namath.

Later I recognized Art Donovan at the cemetery from seeing him on the Dave Letterman show. Art was quoted as saying in a ABC Sports news feature November 18, 1998 following Weeb's death, "Any success I've had in pro football is due to him," Donovan said. "He taught me how to play football."

At the Oxford Cemetery resting on Weeb's casket was a white with red trimmed football helmet with the words Miami and Weeb printed on the front of it. Adjacent to the casket was a large white horse shoe shaped bouquet with blue flowers spaced equally (see photo), and a blue banner across it that read, "1958, 1959 WORLD CHAMPIONS."

On his tombstone just above his name Wilbur C. is his nickname "Weeb" Ewbank 1907 - 1998.

After the service I talked with Lucy for a short time, she invited us to come to their home after the funeral. But I told her we had to get back home, we would visit her later on.

To much time passed and I really felt bad for not taking the time to visit Lucy. I knew she would be quite busy both with playing bridge, which she had loved to do all her life, football activities and her daughters would keep her busy.

I saw Lucy Ewbank in the photo on the front page of the October 24, 2010 Palladium-Item standing next to the unveiling of Weeb's Cradle of Coaches statue adjacent to the casket.

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# Outdoors



With Rich Creason

## Return to the Timbers Resort

August of last year found us on the road through Wisconsin to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Once again, we were traveling to The Timbers Resort on beautiful Lake Gogebic. We made our first visit in the fall of 2015 and enjoyed it so much we decided to return.

We first met Sarah Long, owner of Timbers Resort along with Tim her husband, at the Boat, Sport, and Travel Show in Indianapolis, in February of '15. Tim was not there with her. Since Timbers is a year round resort, he had to stay in Michigan and run the facility. We talked with Sarah on several different days at the Show, read their literature, and looked through their pictures. Since my job as an outdoor/travel writer requires me to visit a variety of places offering outdoor activities, we decided this camp would be on our list that year. It turned out to be a great choice and we returned again in 2016.

Lake Gogebic is Michigan's largest inland lake, covering almost 14,000 acres in the far northwest corner of the Upper Peninsula. The Timbers Resort is located on the northern end of this large lake, in the town of Bergland. Gogebic offers outstanding fishing for walleye, small-mouth bass, northern pike, and jumbo perch. Open water or ice fishing will produce a lot of angling opportunities here. As you read this, ice anglers are probably pulling in huge perch within sight of the camp, snowmobilers are zipping across the lake, and skiers are enjoying their sport.

The Timbers offers 11 completely furnished cabins accommodating up to 10 persons. They include indoor plumbing, showers, and full kitchen facilities with fridge, sink, stove,



A nice mess of walleye in Timbers Resort fish house.



Two jumbo perch from Lake Gogebic ice.

microwave, and, I think, a coffeemaker. (We don't drink coffee, so I'm not sure about that.) Comfortable beds are in various rooms, and of course, TV's are included if anyone decides to spend any time indoors. (Other than sleeping, we were never in the cabin.)

If you encounter high wind and waves as we did our first year, there is still a lot of nearby activities to keep you busy. Within 20 miles of the resort, we visited dozens of small and large waterfalls, most along the road, or just a short walk down a trail to scenic beauty. You can hear the roar of the falls as you get close.

We drove a bit further and arrived at Lake Superior. We found a parking spot and walked the shoreline picking up colorful rocks, driftwood, and beach glass. The wind, which made fishing difficult, caused the waves crashing along the shore to remind us of our walks along the ocean. After we left the Great Lake, we drove through the Porcupine Mountains. This was a beautiful drive. We were alone on the road and I was able to drive slowly while we looked for wildlife. We saw deer, squirrel, a few grouse, and lots of other birds.

This year, the lake was fairly calm and we were able to fish with no problem. Tim guided us one day and took us to several of his "hot spots". (He

threatened to blindfold us, but figured we wouldn't be able to find our way back anyway!) We caught lots of walleye and some nice bass. As usual, we threw them all back since we seldom bring any home with us. The biggest disadvantage of this is we never have a big stringer with which to take photos.

Food is always high on my list of attractions. This year, as last, we visited several great local eateries, including Antonio's, Hoop N Holler, JW's BBQ, and Gogebic Lodge. We also tried a new (to us) restaurant called Konteka. Tim and Sarah recommended this and actually accompanied us to this unique place.

Konteka is actually a restaurant, bowling alley, and motel. But, its main attraction is the bears. Just outside the dining room window, you can see, and take photos of lots of wild bears, from cubs to large adults. When a bear wanders out of the woods to partake of the food conveniently placed just a few yards from the diners, everyone rushes to find an

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**Top Photo:** Some of the Timbers Resort cabins.  
**Middle Photo:** This sign makes it easy to find the resort when coming into Bergland.  
**Bottom Photo:** Three of the 10 bears we photographed while eating at Konteka restaurant, just a short drive from Timbers Resort.

empty spot near the window to take pictures. This only lasts until hunting season starts. Then the bruins stay in the woods until after dark. We returned a couple nights later and saw a sow with four cubs, a very rare sight. And the food was great!

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# Misfires & Snags



by Dan Graves

## Winter Months And T.V.

(These days the idea of t.v. entertainment seems to involve something bizarre, like an appendix being removed or a tattooed, hairy knuckle dragger re-possessing someone's car. Kinda makes you wish for a return of the Benny Hill show.)

I hate to harp on a well worn subject, but now that we're into the cold winter days, the lake is frozen over, the fish are in hibernation and I'm spending time in front on the television. I'm also beginning to develop an attitude. And, it's not a good one. As kids we used to scare each other with tales of the boogeyman. For years I wondered how those creatures of the night made a living, other than hiding in closets and under beds and scaring me. Now I know. They went to work for the TV networks as program directors and devised what is known as Reality TV. Now, instead of lurking in the shadows and terrorizing kids, they ply their trade in the open and call it Homes And Garden TV (HGTV), Overhaulin', Monster House, The Bachelor, and the king of all, Survivor. I envision these ex-boogeymen squatting around a smoldering fire at night, cackling and conjuring up more and more "entertainment" for us unsuspecting house bound victims.

We sit like bugs attracted to a light as supposedly everyday people slice and chop, beat and hammer, tear down, and rant and rave at each other. After a few hours of this fare I sit in a corner in the fetal position with my thumb in my mouth muttering "There's no such thing as boogeymen". But now I know better. They've simply shed their smelly, ragged clothes and are now dressed in custom tailored suits and Italian calf skin shoes. Perhaps this fare wouldn't be so bad if they weren't sponsored by products that scare the viewer more than the main program. For instance, a treatment for flaky skin finances a show about the emergency room at a major hospital. After watching an arrow being removed from a posterior, being put there by a care-

available. If you are interested in hard water fishing, Guy Sibley, ([www.fishwithguy.com](http://www.fishwithguy.com)) guides ice anglers from Timbers during the winter season.

If you want to learn more about The Timbers Resort, you can meet Sarah and talk with her at the Timbers Resort booth at the Deer and Turkey Expo the second weekend of the Indianapolis Boat, Sport and Travel Show on February 23rd through the 26th. If you can't make the Expo, con-

less deer hunter, a commercial flashes on extolling the merits of avoiding the public humiliation of having skin like lizard scales. Then, the announcer takes thirty seconds to warn about the potential side effects of using the product. The final analysis; this stuff can kill you. By the time the commercial ends, I need to relax by watching the remaining procedure in removing the errant arrow. Such common fare kind of makes the old werewolf movies seem like nursery rhymes. Inevitably, the day will come when the home shopping channels will join in the fun. I foresee the following products being advertised.

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For the gear head, one of the more popular shows is one called "Overhaulin' where a poor unsuspecting victims car is supposedly stolen and completely customized over a seven day period. Then the lucky owner is re-united with his or her custom amid a storm of happy tears and exclamations of gratitude. As for me, after being told by a fake customs agent that my car had been found in a Mexican hack shop, whoever pulled off the hoax had better be able to out-run a load of OO buckshot.

Perhaps the day will come when the average guy can buy his own Overhaulin' kit.

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Somewhere in this vast waste land there has to be a ray of hope much like we had as kids when threatened with the boogeyman. Where are Roy Rogers and Howdy Doody when we need them? ■

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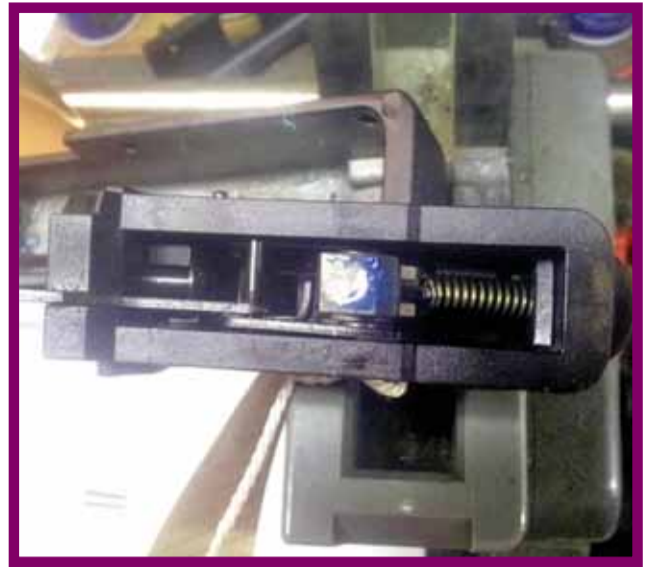
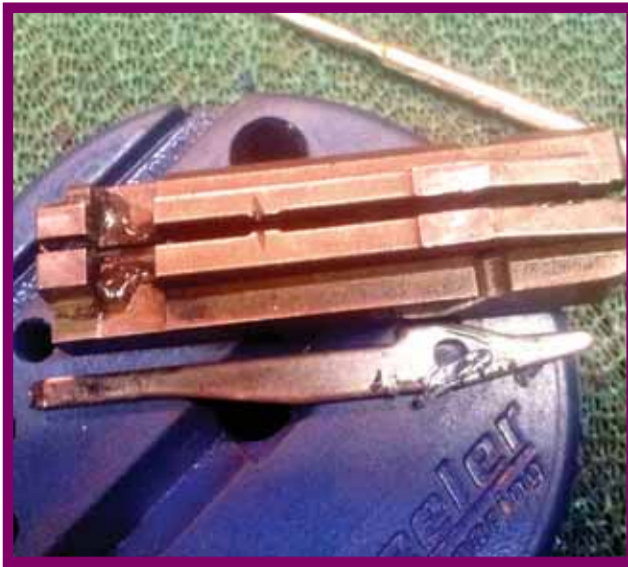
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Left Photo: Here is a picture of the blue Loctite® inside the receiver and on the bolt. Center Photo: This is the bolt and firing pin. The pin was cemented inside the bolt and wouldn't budge. Heat was needed to loosen the firing pin for removal. Right Photo: This picture is looking down into the trigger group. The blue loctite has migrated onto the top of the hammer. Luckily it had not gotten further into the trigger group. (Author Photos)

## Random Notes from: Prairie Wolf Gun Repair



by **Marshall Smith**  
Gunsmith, NRA Life Member, Retired LEO

### GUNSMITHING

The bolt in your shotgun or rifle is frozen. You can't open or close it. What happened?

I've seen this in the shop with rifles and shotguns. Thankfully, none of the guns required major parts replacement. So, what happened? In all but one case the bolts were glued into the position I found them. A complete disassembly revealed that the gun recently had screws in the receiver cemented in place with Permatex® or Loctite®. Blue thread locker, which is a medium hold thread locker, is commonly used to lock the screws in place and avoid backing out during the hunt or at the range. Rifles and shotgun receivers that have been drilled and tap at the factory for a scope mount will have been drilled through the receivers except when drilled and tapped over the chamber. The Chamber and Barrel are never drilled through. These guns had not been disassembled when the thread locker was applied to the screws and into the tapped holes of the receiver and that blue glue just loves to spread itself over every-

thing it can find. The bolt, firing pins, main springs, locking lugs, and receiver walls being excellent candidates through those open holes. Either Permatex® or Loctite® is an excellent choice for thread locking screws and bolts and works well on gluing some metal parts together. The blue Permatex® or Loctite®, will harden whenever there is air present and can wedge a bolt body against the receiver walls and make it unmovable. So when using a thread locker on your guns to secure a screw, disassemble the gun first, apply the Permatex® or Loctite® and clean up the excess per the manufacturer's instructions and let it set for 24 hours before reassembling the gun. That may save you a trip to the gunsmith. I've included a few pictures of how well the thread locker Blue can get into all the cracks and crevices in a receiver and the bolt.

Cautionary note! Permatex® and Loctite® are sold in Green, Purple, Blue, and Red formulations. The Red formulations require heat to soften it for removal or disassembly of the parts. The Loctite® Red 271® is a permanent thread locking adhesive. I use it to permanently bond metal parts, such as when I've made knurled thumb screws on the lathe. Unless the parts are subjected to extreme heat, 420 degrees Fahrenheit or more, they won't be coming apart. There are other thread locking adhesives available on the market that work just as well and require just as much or more heat to soften. Be sure to read the directions carefully. Some appear to be removable but are not. Some gun enthusiasts will use fingernail polish to lock a screw or part in place. Another cautionary note here, DO NOT PUT ON THREADS. Like any permanent adhesive, the fingernail polish will harden when dry and will be very difficult to remove without heat. I know you are thinking "I can just use fingernail polish remover." That will work if the nail polish is just on the surface and not on the screw threads. If it is on the threads it

dries to a solid bond similar to the permanent thread lockers. Whatever you use to stop the screws from backing out, use it sparingly.

#### Gun Control and Constitutional Carry

The Constitutional Carry movement in Indiana will have another chance at getting a bill passed and sent to the Governor in 2017. State Representative Jim Lucas, Republican from Seymour, Indiana, plans to reintroduce his bill allowing Indiana residents to carry a handgun without having to apply for a "License to Carry Permit". My feelings on this bill is conflicted. Having sworn to uphold and defend the U.S. Constitution and the Indiana Constitution of which both guarantee certain rights, I feel that there should be some way to insure that the people carrying a handgun concealed or otherwise, has the training to effectively and safely use a handgun. All the laws in the nation can't ensure that someone is responsible, and trained in when to use and not to use a lethal force. Current Indiana License to Carry permit holders and applicants are not required to show any proof of training in the use of firearms or even a working knowledge of Indiana law. I would like to see everyone who intends to own a firearm be trained in the safe handling of a gun. The law as to when and when not to use a gun. I guess what I'm saying is that it doesn't matter if there is or isn't a permit requirement. It's more important that there be some type of training required to possess a gun. Maybe a gun driving test? What do you think?

#### Quote of the Month

*"God grants liberty only to those who love it, and are always ready to guard and defend it."*

- Daniel Webster

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

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This is looking into the receiver with the bolt and trigger group removed. It's easy to see the 4 screws and where the blue Loctite® has hardened wedging the bolt and receiver together. (Author Photo)

comment on guns, gunsmithing, gun rights, or, would like to just make a comment email me with your comments at [PrarieWolfGuns@gmail.com](mailto:PrarieWolfGuns@gmail.com). I'll try and answer your questions as best I can and some answers may be included in this column.

Remember, Be Safe, Be Aware, Be Responsible Marshall



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## Indiana State Trappers Association



by Dr. Fred Philips, DVM

### Only Beaver Season still Open

If it is early February or late January, Please note that there will be an ISTA fur sale on FEBRUARY 11, 2017 at the Miami County 4-H Fairgrounds, 1079 W. 200 N., Peru, IN 46970. The doors will open at 8 am with a setup similar to last year where the fur moves toward the sellers sitting at the east end. Everything else should work out as it did last year. Bring that extra skin or two to donate to the ISTA so that we will be able to continue to do what we do. Also, we are looking for eight (8) vendors / tailgater's willing to pay \$25 for a @12' X 12' spot inside the building to sell whatever they have to offer. Tables and chairs will be provided. They will be against the north and south walls of this building. Their fees will essentially pay for our use of the building. Tube steaks, buns, condiments, coffee and soft drinks will be provided as usual and Free Will offerings / donations toward them will be accepted. We could use some new blood to help run this event, especially, a couple of teams to list the fur and help out in general in moving the fur. Let us know at the door or give me a call at 765.938.1806.

As January comes to an end, the only seasons left open are for Beaver, and maybe Otter. You need to be paying attention to the Otter total as the IDNR is only allowing 600 for the season. Last year, the Otter season closed right toward the end of

February, first of March, while beaver continued on till March 15th. Everything else was done January 31st. That gives you 10 days to get your furs in order for the Fur Sale. We will accept thawed animals in the round, (those that have not been skinned), green skins, (That is those that have not been scraped / stretched/ or dried) , and of course completely stretched and dried skins that are ready to go to market. Don't forget your belly sticks / wedges, if you are using solid wood fur forms. If you do not have at least one belly stick, the skin will probably dry tight to the form and you may have a hard time getting it off the form. I have even seen people put a stick on the belly and the back to be sure that they can get the skin off the form. Sometime they put a wedge from the bottom, up, AND from the top, down. If you forgot, and the skin is tight to the form and you cannot budge it, the best remedy is to take a towel, soak it with warm water, and wrap the skin and form up in it. Leave it be for 10 to 15 minutes and then try to remove the skin again. Repeat as necessary to soften the skin and get it to come off the form. Now once you have the skin off the form, put it back onto the form WITH a belly wedge, or two, and let it dry again.

Usually each wooden fur form comes with a belly wedge. The belly wedge is just a smooth piece of wood, maybe 3/8" thick and tapering from @1/2" tall to a rounded point at the other end. Once you have your fleshed skin pulled over the form, snugged down, and pinned into place, the belly wedge is slid between the skin and the form, usually on the belly side of the skin, from the rear to the nose, to raise a bit of a tent the whole length of the skin. If you still are having problems getting the fur off of the forms, try placing another wedge, alongside the first, only going from the nose to the tail. If you run out of wedges, 3/8" smooth fiberglass electric fence posts will work. The corners of plastic clothes hangers are great for opening up the legs on coyotes and fox. Any long, small diameter, non-rusting material will work. Be imaginative. You got this.

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

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## Weeb & Lucy Ewbank

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cent to the entrance to the Miami University Yager Stadium. Lucy pulled the red sheet to reveal Weeb's statue. Lucy said, "It's great. It looks exactly like him."

Under the statue is says, "1907-1998 Wilbur Charles "Weeb" Ewbank (1928 Graduate) Miami University, Three-Sport Star at Miami. Served in World War II. Only coach to lead teams from both National and American Football Leagues to World Championships: Baltimore Colts (1958 & '59) and The New York Jets (1968). NFL Coach of the Year (1958). Inducted into Pro Football Hall Of Fame in 1978."

(See photo on cover of Sherry and I standing next to Weeb's statue.)

We got a Christmas letter from Lucy Ewbank sent out to Family and Friends on November 26, 2010.

"Dear Family and Friends,

I recently moved to my own apartment in assisted living at the Knolls of Oxford.

I am very comfortable in my new home and am enjoying someone else cooking and doing my laundry. At 104, I think I deserve that! I have many friends at the Knolls, so I have lots of visitors each day.

2010 has been a wonderful and busy year. Not only because of the move, but also Weeb was honored twice in the past few months. First by the New York Jets, Weeb was recognized as an inaugural member of their "Ring of Honor." Although I couldn't attend several family members were there to represent Weeb. The Jets did send a film crew to Oxford to record my inputs which were shown at halftime as part of the induction ceremony. Additionally, Miami University here in Oxford is honoring members of the Cradle of Coaches with life size bronze statues and Weeb was one of the first 3 of 8 coaches to be honored. It was wonderful weekend with my 3 daughters and other family members in attendance.

I am in good health and still keep busy playing bridge and attending various social functions at the Knolls.

I enjoy hearing from family and friends although I can't guarantee a written response as it has become more difficult for me to write. However, please keep the correspondence coming as I look forward to hearing from you.

I wish you and yours a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season and a rewarding 2011.

Fondly,  
Lucy"

In late summer 2011 I was returning from a trip to Cincinnati to visit Hank Stock (aka Golden Eagle) one of the writers who appeared in The Gad-a-bout. I decided to find the Knolls of Oxford and see if Lucy was home. I found the Knolls, went into the office and inquired if I could visit with Lucy Ewbank. I explained to them I was Lucy's cousin from Indiana and wanted to stop by and visit for a spell. The lady gave me directions, so I drove to her area, finding her apartment, which was very nice. I rang the bell, but evidently Lucy was out. The lady in the office had said that Lucy belonged to 3 different bridge clubs. So I got a copy of the latest issue of The Gad-a-bout, wrote a short note on it that I had been there to visit. I left my phone number and signed my name. Then I left for home. A few days later when I got to my office there was a message from Lucy telling me she had been away from home playing bridge, she asked me to call her.

She didn't record her phone number and I didn't have it either. I got busy with the paper and time passed.

Lucy passed away on January 16, 2012 at the age of 105. Lucy and Weeb had been married for 72 years.

I didn't find out about Lucy's passing for quite a long time afterwards. I have come to the conclusion I let too many things go and live to regret it later.

I printed the following off the internet.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, January 21, 2012, at the Ogle & Paul R. Young Funeral Home, Oxford, with reception immediately following the service at the Knolls of Oxford Clubhouse. A private burial was held at the convenience of the family.

Resting peacefully now side by side is Weeb and Lucy Ewbank. I visited their grave site shortly there after in the Oxford Cemetery.

This past Tuesday, January 3rd, I was in Oxford on purpose to try to find Luanne, one of Weeb and Lucy's daughters. My purpose if I could locate her, I wanted a family member to read my story. I remembered she lived in Oxford at one time. I had no clue how to find her. There wasn't any listing in the phone book. I knew where the Oxford Presbyterian church was where Weeb's service had been held in 1998, so I stopped at the

church. A nice young lady asked if she could help me. I showed her Weeb's funeral service pamphlet and the listing of Luanne, asking her if she could help me find Luanne. I asked if the Reverend Barnes or Foster was still at the church, but they weren't there any longer.

Bridgite, the young lady, said the name wasn't familiar, but she could take my information and have it checked in the church record. I retrieved a copy of my January Gad-a-bout from the van and circled my contact information on page 3 so she could contact me. I thanked her and left for home.

The next day at my office I got an e-mail from Bridgite Dickerson, the young lady at the church. I noted quite astonishingly the young lady's last name at the end of the e-mail was the same as mine, Dickerson. What a coincidence!

Her message told me that Luanne had passed away.

I sent a reply to Bridgite thanking her for her quick response. I also told her I was surprised to find out her and my last name was the same. I told her I would drop off a copy of my February issue next week on Friday the 13th, when I was in that area delivering.

There is one mistake I can't ever correct, once I got to know Weeb and Lucy Ewbank I let their friendship go, by not taking the time to visit them more often. Precious time passed and I was too busy to notice it until it was too late, especially with Lucy when I didn't return her call.....! ■

## Roaming The Outdoors

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### COMMUNITY SUCCESS STORY

"When we diagnosed bovine TB in the first herd in April, we saw the 3-mile surveillance program as a challenge," said Dr. Bret Marsh, Indiana State Veterinarian. "When we found the TB-positive whitetail that expanded the circle to 10 miles in August, this job seemed overwhelming.

"But the community truly came together to help our team make this happen. The cattle producers and private veterinarians stepped up when we told them we need all eligible cattle tested by year-end. And, with their help, we met that goal. We also identified more, non-registered herds, which we are working to finish in our January buffer period."

Marsh extended his gratitude to the local officials and community partners who helped with logistics, from securing funds to providing staging space at the local fairgrounds. Beyond the BOAH team, who worked hundreds of hours in the surveillance zone, USDA teams were deployed to help, along with low-level offenders from Indiana Department of Correction.

### DNR Director Cam Clark added praise for the deer-hunting community.

"The deer hunting community truly made this initiative a success," Clark said. "Their willingness to answer the call by presenting their harvested deer for testing was astounding. This significant response eliminated the need to hire outside shooters to assist with collecting samples.

"I also want to thank all of the DNR staff who worked tirelessly to manage this program. I am very proud of their effort."

### 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.

More information about the disease and the investigation, as it develops, including email updates, is available on the BOAH website at:

[www.boah.in.gov](http://www.boah.in.gov).

### INDIANAPOLIS BOAT, SPORT & TRAVEL SHOW FEB 17-26, 2017

Renfro's Indianapolis Boat, Sport and Travel Show happen again at the Indiana State Fairgrounds February 17-26, 2017. To find out more details go online and log onto their website <http://indianapolisboatsportandtravels.com/show-info>. I won't have a booth at the show this year, however



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I am in contact with some outdoor booths who may want to have The Gad-a-bout at their booth. I will list them in my March Gad-a-bout which will be printed February 14th just prior to the beginning of the Indy show. I will list the booth (s) on page 4. You can log onto my website [www.thegadabout.com](http://www.thegadabout.com), open the March issue on page 4 to see who will have copies of the February and March Gad-a-bouts at the Indy Sport Show.

Following are some photos from the 2016 Renfro's Indianapolis Boat, Sport and Travel Show.



The Trout Pond is always popular with the children visiting the Indy Sport Show.



The Indiana Department of Natural Resources is a big part of the show showing many wild creatures for you to view.



Speaking of wild creatures, here is my lovely wife Sherry, who recently retired from Reid Health in Richmond, IN. She is standing next to a stuffed Bison in the 2016 DNR display. This one reminds me of the Buffalo Riders of long ago. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)

**EASTERN INDIANA GEM & GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY (EIGGS) 44TH ANNUAL SPRING SHOW MARCH 3-5, 2017**

The EIGGS Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, Fossil Show & Sale will be held at the Wayne County Fairground March 3-5, 2017 in the Kuhlman Center. Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. See Page 8 in this issue for an article on this years show with pictures from the 2016 show. The advertisement is also on Page 8.

**19TH ANNUAL INDIANAPOLIS SPRING TREASURES OF THE EARTH GEM & JEWELRY SHOWS MARCH 31 - APR 2**

Van and Rose Wimmer, owners of the Treasures of the Earth Gem & Jewelry Shows are having their 19th Annual Indianapolis Spring Show at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis March 31 - April 2, 2017. See Page 9 in this issue for an article on this years show with pictures from their October Fall show in 2016.

Hope to many readers of The Gad-a-bout at these two Gem shows in 2017.

**The Potawatomi Trail of Death is a Regional Historic Trail**

**Part 2**

**By Shirley Willard**

They traveled nine miles and camped at Mud Creek the second night. There the first death occurred, a Potawatomi baby. From the diary we can't be certain if the baby was buried beside the road at Mud Creek or was taken with them to Logansport, the next evening's camp. George Winter, the frontier artist, sketched the camp at Mud Creek and did not record anything about a burial. Winter's sketch shows Indians sitting by cooking fires with iron tripods holding small kettles. These cooking irons were probably placed in the wagons during the day, as Tipton recorded that there were 286 horses and 70 wagons.

The Indians with their escorts camped beside Horney Creek at the south edge of Logansport, where the hospital stands today. So many Indians, over 300, were sick that a temporary tent hospital was set up and physicians were called in. Four children died while at the Logansport camp. On Sunday Bishop Simon Brute and Father Benjamin M. Petit held Mass for the Potawatomi, and George Winter sketched that scene also. On the wooden stage erected for the Mass is Abram Burnett, assisting with the Mass. He was a full-blood Potawatomi, the same age as Father Petit and a close friend to him.

On Monday September 10 they started west, leaving behind a family of sick Potawatomi in a cabin they built especially for them. (Letter by John Tipton Sept. 10, 1838, Camp Logan) George Winter again sketched the Potawatomi as they marched out of Logansport, following the north side of the Wabash River and then the towpath of the Wabash & Erie Canal. They traveled 10 miles and camped that night at Chief Winnemac's old abandoned village in Carroll County on Towpath Road.

The Trail of Death diary kept by Jesse C. Douglas, who later was editor of the Logansport Telegraph, does not go into great detail, but it does state the location of each camp, the distance traveled, and how many died each day. The diary is sometimes ascribed to John Tipton and William Polke, but not having good handwriting, Polke hired Douglas as his personal secretary or scribe.

On September 11 they traveled 11 miles in Carroll County and camped at Pleasant Run, a tiny stream situated at the edge of present Pittsburg.

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Trail of Death ceremony at Chief Menominee monument, Plymouth, Indiana, 1988. From left: Father Georges Mattieu, George Schricker, and Bill Wamego. Mattieu was Prairie Band Potawatomi, oldest Potawatomi priest in U.S. Schricker wrote a song about Menominee. Wamego is descended from Chief Wamego who was on the 1838 Trail of Death. (Photo from [www.potawatomi-tda.org](http://www.potawatomi-tda.org))



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George Godfrey dedicates Potawatomi Trail of Death Regional Historic Trail sign at Marshal - Fulton county line, Indiana, 2005. (Photo from www.potawatomi-tda.org)

## Potawatomi Trail of Death

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defeated in 1811, which was 27 years previous. Some of the marchers had been in that battle.

For September 12 the diarist Douglas wrote "at half past 8 o'clock we struck our tents and started on the march. At 11 we reached and forded the Tippecanoe River. A little after 12 we passed the Battle Ground and at 1 arrived at our present encampment.... A very old woman -- the mother of the chief We-wiss-sa -- said to be upwards of an hundred years old, died since coming into camp."

As they marched near Lafayette, Sanford Cox and other settlers rode out and watched. In 1860 Cox wrote a book, Old Settlers, and included a sad description of what he saw that day, the tears on the cheeks of the maidens, the old men glancing toward the sky to implore their Creator. It was as sad as a funeral procession, he wrote.

The following day, September 13, they continued, traveling 18 miles and that night they camped at the village of LaGrange, a town which no longer exists. It was on the banks of the Wabash River on the county line between Tippecanoe and Warren counties. Heat and excessive dust made the journey unpleasant. Two physicians were called in and reported 106 cases of sickness.

Still following the Wabash River, they entered Warren County September 14. The diary records: "Our party continues to mend in health. Occasionally, however, and indeed not unfrequently, persons thro' weariness and fatigue take sick along the route. This occupies much of our time. We place them in the wagons which are every day becoming more crowded and proceed." At 4 p.m. they reached Williamsport, making 18 miles of travel. Two deaths took place in the evening.



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Early on the morning of September 15, they were on their way and traveled till 12 noon, when they camped at a filthy looking stream, where they felt forced to camp as no other water was available. This place is near the Gopher Hill Cemetery, three miles south of Johnsonville, on 900 West, which is only a mile and a half east of the state line. The diary said they traveled about 10 miles and that two children died along the road.

When we dedicated the historical marker there at Gopher Hill Cemetery, Mrs. Cable Ball attended, as well as several Potawatomi who had ancestors on the Trail of Death. Mrs. Ball's husband was the great grandson of George Winter, the artist. Through her efforts, the Winter sketches and paintings have been saved and published in books, including Indiana and a Changing Frontier - The Art of George Winter by the Indiana Historical Society in 1993.

On September 16 when they left Indiana, the diary states: "At 8 o'clock we were loaded and in our saddles. Seven persons were left sick in camp, among the number a woman who was about to be confined (give birth). A few minutes travel brought us to the Grand Prairie, a portion of which we passed over, arriving at our present encampment at Danville, Ill., at about 3 o'clock. The heat along with the dust is daily rendering our marches more distressing. The horses are jaded, the Indians sickly and many of the persons engaged in the emigration more or less sick. The whole country through which we pass appear to be afflicted - every town, village and hamlet has its invalids. We traveled today 15 miles, passing the dividing line between the two states about 11 1/2 o'clock. We find provisions and forage, the further we advance, demanding most enormous prices. It is worthy of remark, perhaps, that such a season for sickness in this country is almost unparalleled. In the little town, adjoining which we are now encamped, containing a population of from eight hundred to a thousand, four persons died yesterday."

Douglas, the diarist, must have had a foreboding of what was to come. As they crossed Illinois, "their throats dry as cork", as Father Petit put it, two or three of the elderly and the babies died every day. They were buried in unmarked graves beside the trail.

Father Petit caught up with them west of Danville, hurrying on a stagecoach and then on horseback from South Bend. General Tipton's power, as head of the Hoosier militia, expired at the state line, and he went back home to Logansport, leaving William Polke, Rochester, and Father Petit in charge. Polke was the federal-appointed conductor. He put Father Petit in charge of ministering to the sick and dying. Dr. Jerolaman, Logansport, went with them and did the best he could but had only tea and sugar to offer for medicine against typhoid, caused by the drought and stagnant water. Modern medicine had not been invented yet. They did not even know that boiling the water would kill the germs. They marched on across Illinois, burying their dead by the roadside in unmarked graves. Father Petit kept records and wrote many poignant letters to Bishop Brute describing the hardships and sadness of the trip. With the soul of a poet, Petit wrote beautiful heart-wrenching descriptions in his letters to the Bishop and to his family in France telling about the terrible trek:

"Nearly all the children, weakened by the heat, had fallen into a state of complete languor and depression. I baptized several who were newly born - happy Christians, who with their first step passed from earthly exile to the heavenly sojourn."

"When we quitted this camp later, we left behind six graves in the shadow of the cross."

"We soon found ourselves on the grand prairies of Illinois, under a burning sun and without shade from one camp to another. They are as vast as the ocean, and the eye seeks in vain for a tree. Not a drop of water can be found there - it was a veritable torture for our poor sick, some of whom died each day from weakness and fatigue."

Father Petit's letters and his baptismal records from Notre Dame University were gathered, translated from French to English, and published in 1941 by the Indiana Historical Society. Long out

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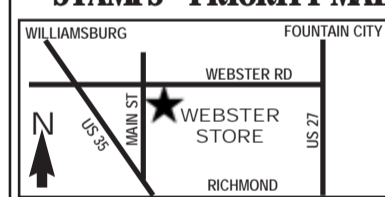
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of print, they were reprinted in 2003 by the Fulton County Historical Society, edited by Shirley Willard and Susan Campbell, in Potawatomi Trail of Death – 1838 Indiana to Kansas. This 440 page book brought together several scattered Trail of Death records never published together in one book before, including the muster roll, selected letters of John Tipton, sketches by George Winter, and brief histories of some of the Potawatomi families whose ancestors were on the 1838 forced removal. (See [www.potawatomi-tda.org](http://www.potawatomi-tda.org).)

The emigrating Potawatomi and their escorts marched across the Grand Prairie of Illinois, the hills of Missouri, and into the tree-less plains of Kansas. They used steam-powered ferry boats to cross the Illinois River at Naples, the Mississippi River at Quincy, and the Missouri River at Lexington. They arrived November 4, having lost 42 loved ones to death.

"We have now arrived at our journey's end. The government must now be satisfied. We were taken from homes affording us plenty, and brought to a desert -- a wilderness -- and are now to be scattered and left as the husbandman scatters his seed. -- Pe-pish-kay at the end of the Trail of Death in Kansas Nov. 5, 1838

Nearly a hundred Potawatomi had escaped and struck out on their own, some retaining their Potawatomi identity and others blending in with various populations. Winter was coming on, and they had no houses. But they found that God had not forgotten them.

When Chief Kee-wau-nay and Chief Nas-wau-kay and other Potawatomi from Fulton, Cass and Pulaski counties emigrated west in 1837, conducted by George Proffit, the first thing they did was to call for a priest. Father Christian Hoecken came and established a mission at Sugar Creek, south of Osawatomie, Kansas. While living there the Potawatomi from Indiana, sometimes called the Mission Band and sometimes called the St. Joseph Band, were helped by the elderly nun who became known as "She Who Prays Always." She taught the Indians to sew and pray, and was canonized as St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, the first female saint west of the Mississippi River in 1988.

Over 600 Potawatomi died at the Sugar Creek Mission over the next 10 years. In 1848 the Potawatomi moved further west to St. Marys, Kansas. In 1861 they signed a new treaty that gave them citizenship and land in Indian Territory, (which later became Oklahoma) so the former Mission Band became known as the Citizen Band Potawatomi of Oklahoma. They were the second band of Native Americans to be given citizenship and the right to vote and the right to own property as individuals. Their 1861 treaty even gave women the right to own property, a power most white women did not have at that time. It is believed this was because of the influence of Mas-saw that the treaty contained that clause. Mas-saw was a chieftess at Kee-wau-nay's village and was sketched by George Winter at the treaty in 1837. She and her daughter went west in 1838 on the Trail of Death. Mas-saw was the grandmother of Jim Thorpe, the World's Greatest Athlete, who gained Olympic fame in 1912.

In 1988 the eastern Kansas diocese bought 400 acres and created the St. Philippine Duchesne Memorial Park. Later they erected seven wooden crosses with metal plaques listing the names of all the Indians who died there. Among the names is Alexis Menominee, who died April 15, 1841, age 50.

**Trail of Courage Living History Festival**

The Fulton County Historical Society founded the Trail of Death Rendezvous in 1976 as a Bicentennial project. The name was changed to Trail of Courage in 1977 in order to focus on the early 1830s when northern Indiana was still Potawatomi territory, and to show a happier time more appropriate for a festival. After all, the very name "Trail of Death" is depressing. The Trail of Courage Living History Festival is held the third weekend of September on the FCHS grounds four miles north of Rochester on US 31 and the Tippecanoe River.

The Trail of Courage includes historic encampments representing the French & Indian War, Voyageurs, Revolutionary War, War of 1812,

Western Fur Trade, Plains Indians teepee's, and Woodland Indians wigwam village. There is also a recreation of Chippeway, the first trading post, post office and village in Fulton County in 1832. Food purveyors and traditional craftsmen set up in wooden booths to demonstrate and sell their wares. Craftsmen also sell pre-1840 trade goods from blankets spread on the ground and in large historic merchant tents, offering a variety of items from clothing and jewelry to knives and candles, everything needed to live in frontier days. Canoe rides, muzzleloading shooting and tomahawk throwing contests add to the pioneer activities. Two stages with frontier music and dance present programs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Indian dances are held in an arena marked by teepee's from 2 to 3 p.m.

At the Trail of Courage each year, special ceremonies honor the descendants of the Trail of Death. A different Potawatomi family is selected each year to be honored. They are presented with a Key to the County by a Fulton County official or a Key to the City by the Rochester Mayor or other city official. Their family history is published in the Rochester Sentinel. Honored families include Wamego, Burnett, Metea, Aubbeenaubee, Citizen Band Potawatomi, Slavin and Pearl, Wabaunsee, Vieux, Bourassa, Navarre, Kabanseh and Optageshic, Menominee, and Prairie Band Potawatomi.

In 2002 Edna Carpenter, Kewanna, Indiana, and Badger Wahwasuck - former chairman of Prairie Band Potawatomi. In 2003 the honored family was descendants of Jim Thorpe whose great-grandmother was Mas-saw, who was on the Trail of Death. 2004 - George Godfrey and his Bergeron family. 2005 - Chief Shipshewano descendant Rudy Vallejo. 2006 - Chief Keesis. 2007 - Smokey McKinney, Prairie Band. 2008 - Tracy Locke and daughter Erin, descendants of Abram Burnett. 2009 - Eddie Joe Mitchell - descendant of Chief We-wis-sa. 2010 - Potawatomi Trail of Death Assn. 2011 - Michale Edwards, descendant of Doga and Chief Nas-wau-kay. 2012 Edna Carpenter for her 100th birthday. 2013 - John Anderson family - his descendant David Anderson designed the logo for Potawatomi Trail of Death Assn. 2014 - Jon Boursaw, descendant of Joseph Napoleon Bourassa. Indiana Governor Mike Pence issued a proclamation declaring Sept. 20, 2014, as Potawatomi Trail of Death Remembrance Day. 2015 - Matt Wesaw, former chairman of Pokagon Band. 2016 - John "Rocky" Barrett, chairman of Citizen Potawatomi Nation or other CPN tribal official.

A memorial to Father Petit and the Trail of Death is in front of the Fulton County Museum. It consists of five big boulders with the names of the four states and one from St. Louis, where Father Petit died on his way back to Indiana. The boulders were hauled from the places named, donated by interested persons along the Trail. Plaques show the map and tell the story of Father Petit and the Trail of Death.

In 1988 for the 150th anniversary of the Trail of Death, Shirley Willard, 1971-2001 president of the Fulton County (Indiana) Historical Society, and George Godfrey, member of the Citizen Band Potawatomi, first met to plan appropriate commemorations of this sad historic event, with help from descendants of the Trail of Death and interested persons and historians. Chief White Eagle, (Cayuga/ Mohawk) Rochester, planted the Great Peace Tree at the Trail of Courage. (A Great Peace Tree is a pine tree planted on top of two crossed tomahawks as a symbol to "bury the hatchet" and not go to war anymore.) William O. Wamego, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and his son and nephew rode through Rochester in a horse-drawn jail wagon to re-enact the 1838 trek. Their ancestor was Chief Wamego who had a village on the Fulton - Cass county line and was on the Trail of Death. Wooden plaques with a condensed version of the Trail of Death diary were made. These plaques are displayed each year by the Great Peace Tree during the Trail of Courage.

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**Editor's Note:** Due to the length of Shirley's story it will take several issues of The Gad-a-bout to publish the entire story.

# Gad's Corner

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Malachi Moore took this 9 point, approx. 200 pound buck on 11-13-2016. (Red Barn Bait & Guns Photo, Salem, IN)



Cheyenne Ferguson took this Doe, her first deer on 11-12-2016. (Red Barn Bait & Guns Photo, Salem, IN)



This is Shayne Shipley pictured with his 8 point buck taken in 2016 deer season, near the Salamonie Reservoir. (Bozarth Country Store, Photo by Ryan Pershing, Lagro, IN)



This mother and son were truly blessed this hunting season. Left Photo, Denise Springmeyer, took this 184", 10 point buck on 11-13-16. Right Photo, Brant Springmeyer took this 178", 13 point buck on 11-25-16. (Submitted by: Chris Springmeyer via e-mail)



This is Chad Meadows pictured with his 8 point buck taken on November 12, 2016. (Bozarth Country Store, Photo by Ryan Pershing, Lagro, IN)



Left Photo: Whitney Frame took this 8 point buck on Friday, November 18, 2016 in Union County with a .243 rifle. Right Photo: Marcia Frame took this 8 point buck on Sunday, November 13, 2016 in Wayne County with a .243 rifle. (Frame's Outdoor, Tyler Frame Photos, Liberty, IN)



Duane Begley, age 11, took his first deer, a button buck in Union County that weighed 110 lbs on 11-13-2016. (Dave's Triangle LLC, Hazel Wilcox Photo, Brookville Lake, IN)

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