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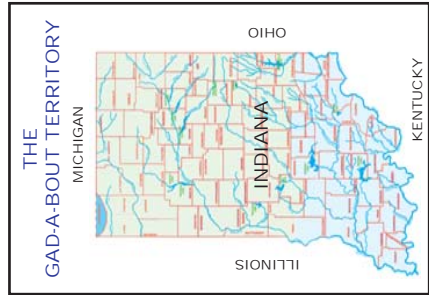
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Roaming The Outdoors



by Ray Dickerson
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Ralph Ed Jeffers of the Punkin Holler Boys from Indianapolis, they will play on Saturday. (Photo by Geoff Ginther)

20 YEARS OF MUSIC ALONG THE HISTORIC WHITEWATER CANAL

Metamora Music Festival celebrates the **20th anniversary** of the free two day event held on the Saturday and Sunday of Labor Day Weekend. Every year bands and musicians from the region gather at the Back Porch of Lane's End on the historic Whitewater Canal and share their talents with the community and visitors in Metamora, Indiana's Canal Town. Primarily focused on traditional acoustic music from the bluegrass, old time, Americana genre; the festival offers performances from 10 am to 8 pm on Saturday, Sept 1st and noon to 5 on Sunday, Sept. 2nd. Workshops will be held in the Making Music area on Lot 10 along Lover's Lane, introducing participants to a variety of instruments and styles.

The monthly Grist Mill Slow Jam will take place at the Metamora Grist Mill from 1 to 4 on Sunday, Sept. 2nd. Led by Larry Wayt, the session will begin with his "Jamming 101" workshop and then move into the normal jam routine following that. All levels of expertise are welcome to participate. Sponsored by the SongFarmers of Metamora, an affiliate of the Woodsongs Songfarmers effort, the jam is held monthly on the first Sunday of the month, from the Grist Mill's opening in April until September.

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Archway Days Parade Honor Guard from Left to Right: Randy Raper, Sue King, Dennis Rigsby and Mark Stover. (Photo Provided by Phil Bedel)

ARCHWAY DAYS FESTIVAL & CENTERVILLE BLUE REGIMENT BAND FEATURED IN 4-PAGE CENTERFOLD SPECIAL SOUVENIR PULL-OUT SEE PAGE 15 THRU 18

This issue has something special, I teamed up with Phil Bedel Vice Chairman of the Archway Days Festival Committee and the Centerville Senior High School band Director Charles M. Roesch to make up a 4-Page Centerfold special Souvenir pull-out featuring the Archway Days Festival on pages 15, 16 & 17 which includes a map of Centerville showing route for the Archway Days parade from beginning to end and the map also has the locations of the Archways, Historic Buildings and community services, I made it many years ago when I began publishing The Gad-a-bout and needed a map for a 4-page centerfold for Archway Days back then. It's been upgraded many times.

On page 18 is a photo of the Blue Regiment band members getting some well deserved rest at the end of a rehearsal. Band Director Charles M. Roesch provided me with the photo and all the band details you can read on page 18 (with one exception of a small segment I found on Wikipedia). One detail that I think is extraordinary about the Centerville Blue Regiment Marching Band and all those who helped them achieve this year's remarkable 7th Class AA Championship in a row since 2012 is what Band Director Charles M. Roesch told me "it took 220 hours preparing for a 5 minute - 20 second performance!"

See Pages 15-18 in this issue to enjoy all the work it takes for you to enjoy Archway Days and the Centerville Senior High Schools Blue Regiment Marching Band.

Below is a photo of the Archway Days Festival parade Honor Guard. The photo in the upper right hand corner of the front page is a photo looking north as the parade was coming to me. The problem there was the Honor Guard was hidden by the police car driven by Centerville Police officer Matt Wright.

Fortunately for me Phil Bedel had the photo you see below in with the photos he let me borrow from the Archway Days Facebook page.

Come out and enjoy Archway Days August

24-25, 2018.

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So You Wanna Catch More Fish



by **Tag Nobbe**

Professional Fishing Guide

Fishing Brookville Lake in September

This is one of those months where you must keep an open mind. Don't be afraid to do something different. I generally fish with a jig and night crawler, the reason being it works perfectly for imitating a crawdad. But at this time of year I may troll or pitch a spoon. In September, the lake is so full of bait fish. Many of the bait fish are shad, but a lot of the predator fish also have young swimming around in the lake as well. The shad schools are constantly on the move. Some days they are on flats, some days they are on the surface, and other

days their suspended. One thing that I do every day I am on the water is keep my eyes open for any disturbance on the surface as well as keep my eyes on the fish finder. I call this hunting, not fishing.

What you're looking for on the surface is small splashes, and what you're looking for on your fish finder is clouds of bait fish. This is a good place to start. Check around with your depth finder. Look for a hump, a drop off ledge or some type of irregularity on the bottom that could be holding fish. If you find something like this, position your boat in the deep water or just about a cast length away and start by casting a jig and night crawler. Fish it slow on the bottom. After a few casts if you don't get bit, tie on a spoon and frog hop it along the bottom back to the boat. If this don't work tie on a crank bait cast and retrieve it across the same hump. This is just a simple process of elimination.

We were doing this very thing a couple of weeks ago on my guide boat. We caught 15 catfish and 4 walleye on a jig and night crawler. One guy picked up a pole that had a 1/2 ounce blade bait tied on it. His very first cast he let it fall to the bottom and started to frog hop it back to the boat when a white bass hit it. I think we caught about 30 white bass that day. Another day we were fishing a jig and night crawler, the fish were biting but it was slow. So, we tied on a couple of crank baits and trolled around on the drop off edge of a flat and caught 10 walleye.

This is what I mean by an open mind, you can't go by what worked yesterday. If they are not biting, it might just mean they're not biting what your trying to feed them. If you do troll, try not to over think it. Stick with a medium to medium heavy pole. It can be a spinning outfit or a bait caster. Use crank baits that dive 8 and 10 feet deep or 10 to 12 feet deep. I stick with crank baits that look like fish or crawdads. If you use monofilament try to stay with 8 to 10 lb. test. Heavier lines will just not let the bait work to its full potential. If you use braid use 15 to 20 lb. test. There are few differences in the 2 lines. Mono is thicker and stretches, braid is thinner and doesn't stretch.

Mono feels like your dragging a wet t-shirt. Braid you can see and feel the crank bait vibrating in the rod tip. This can just be a personal preference, but I like to use braid for trolling. As far as how much line to let out, just let out enough where the bait is ticking the bottom. I just start out at an idle. As I idle along I just open the bail and start letting out line. As I'm doing this I count in my head to about 75. From here I watch my rod tip as I move a little shallower. When I see my crank bait start ticking the bottom, I check my depth, and this is the depth I want for this crank bait. I might adjust my crank bait in or out a little or make wide S turns with the boat to speed the crank bait up or slow it down. This is all there is to it.

When I'm frog hopping a spoon or blade bait I like to use a medium heavy 6 ft. spinning rod or a 6'6" bait casting rod spooled with 17 lb. test mono. And for fishing with a jig and night crawler I use 6 ft. medium light spinning rod spooled with 6 lb. test mono. All these poles and methods have the potential to catch fish so give one of them a try and you may be pleasantly surprised.

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News from the Indiana State Police



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

"Do I Have to Stop for that School Bus?"

In Indiana, late July and early August brings hot weather, the State Fair and also the start of a new school year. Every school year the Indiana State Police receives numerous complaints about school bus stop arm violations from school corporations around the state. The Indiana Department of Education surveys school corporations annually for stop arm violations on one given day, and reports those numbers to the National Association of State Directors for Pupil Transportation Services (NAS-DPTS).

There are just over 16,000 school buses on the road in Indiana, and according to the yearly statistics, as the number of school buses on the road has increased, so has the number of school bus stop arm violations.

The Indiana State Police would like to remind motorists of the Indiana law concerning school buses, flashing lights and stop arms. Remember, when approaching a school bus from any direction, which is stopped with its flashing red lights activated and its stop arm extended, motorists are required to STOP, even on multiple lane highways if there is no barrier or median separating lanes of traffic.

Motorists who are on a highway that is divided by a barrier or unimproved median (i.e. a concrete or cable barrier or a grass median) are required to stop only if they are traveling the same direction as the school bus. If there is no unimproved median or barrier, then all lanes of a highway, in all directions must stop for a school bus stop arm.

When approaching a school bus always be prepared to stop and watch for stopped traffic.

Disregarding a school bus stop arm is a serious moving violation and one that school bus drivers are quick to report. Violation of this law is a Class "A" infraction and is punishable by a maximum fine of up to \$10,000.

The Indiana State Police is committed to the safety of our children, motorists and highways, and will continue our enforcement and education efforts to ensure that safety. To learn more about national stop arm violation statistics you may access the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services web site at <http://www.nasdpts.org/StopArm/index.html>.

Pendleton District Trooper Promoted to Detective

Pendleton – Indiana State Police Superintendent Doug Carter announced in late July the promotion of Trooper Eric Fields to Detective to serve in the Internet Crimes Against Children unit. Fields was chosen for his new position after competing in a process that included written testing, oral interview, seniority, education, and past job performance.

Fields, a Randolph County native, graduated from Union City Community High School in 1999. After high school Fields attended Ivy Tech Community College and completed an associate degree in Business Administration before going to work for the Wayne County Sheriff's Department as a road deputy in 2002. In 2008 he applied for and was accepted into the Indiana State Police Academy.



Indiana State Trooper Eric Fields, a Randolph County native was promoted to Detective in July. (Author Photo)

Fields graduated in December of that year and was assigned to the Connersville Post.

While at the Connersville and Pendleton Districts Fields served as a defensive tactics instructor and driving instructor. In 2011 he applied for and was assigned to the Mustang traffic enforcement unit. Last year Fields conducted over 40 presentations to local area schools and businesses regarding the Indiana State Police Unarmed Response to Active Shooter program as well as numerous Internet Safety presentations, with topics including but not limited to, sexting, texting and human trafficking.

In May of this year Fields received an award as a "Pediatric Hero." The Indiana Emergency Medical Services for Children organization recognized Fields as a "Pediatric Hero" for his work to "protect, enhance and save lives of children in our communities." In his new position Fields is assigned to the Indiana State Police Special Investigations Section to investigate Internet Crimes Against Children.

Indiana State Police Department's K9 Yana Receives Body Armor

Pendleton – In July Indiana State Police Pendleton District's K9 Yana received a bullet and



K9 Yana received a bullet and stab protective vest in July by an anonymous sponsor. (Author Photo)

stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. The vest was sponsored by an anonymous sponsor and embroidered with the sentiment "This Gift of Protection Provided By ChiverHood KCCO".

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c(3) charity located in East Taunton, MA whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States.

The non-profit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially life-saving body armor for their four-legged K9 officers. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provided over 2,800 protective vests in 50 states, through private and corporate donations, at a cost of over 2.4 million dollars.

The program is open to dogs actively employed in the U.S. with law enforcement or related agencies who are certified and at least 20 months of age. New K9 graduates, as well as K9s with expired vests, are eligible to participate.

The donation to provide one protective vest for a law enforcement K9 is \$950.00. Each vest has a value between \$1,744 – \$2,283, and a five-year warranty and an average weight of 4-5 lbs. There is an

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by **PIO Travis Stewart**

**The 2018-19 Deer Season
 Is Quickly Approaching**

I can remember it like it was yesterday. I was sitting in the woods not too far from a field edge. To my back was the field, recently picked (although I can't remember what kind of crop was planted). To the front was a wooded area. The same area that I hoped I would lay eyes on a deer, my first deer on the ground.

I was seated on the ground, leaning against a tree. Not too far from me was my father, who was seated in a tree stand out of sight. He was watching the field edge, and I was probably 100 yards or so away.

I was partaking on my first deer hunt, or the one that I remember anyway. I sat there with my heart pounding with excitement. The slightest movement caught my attention, but my movement wasn't slight nor subtle in that time. The first few times I heard a noise it was only a squirrel. Each time my heart wanted to jump out of my chest, and when I looked and only seen the squirrel running around I didn't know if it was going to fall through the ground or not.

So I continued to sit there, wanting to be mad at the squirrels for getting me excited and thinking they had ruined my hunt. The day was drawing to an end,

but the sun had not started to sit on the horizon. I heard some noise coming from in front of me, in a thicker part of the woods. I had about wrote it off as nothing more than the squirrels, but I kept my eyes peeled in the direction of the sound. Not too long later, I noticed some brown moving towards me. Eventually that turned into not one deer but three does. They moved with ease towards me as I watched them.

I had a muzzleloader across my lap, loaded, and ready to be used. Once they were within about 15 yards or so I had all intentions of placing one of them on the ground with that muzzleloader. When it came down to it, I knew that if I had moved I would spook the deer and I would lose the chance to put a deer on the ground. So I sat there and watched as they walked right past me, but didn't know that I was there. They exited the woods, entered the picked field and disappeared from my vision.

This may not have been an ideal hunt, but there is always something to learn from every hunt.

The 2018/2019 deer season is quickly approaching. I am excited about it, as I'm sure most of you are. If you have not already picked up a new hunting / trapping guide I would highly encourage you to do so. There are a few slight changes to this season.

I have noticed that some counties bonus antlerless quota had changed. With those that have changed, the number of bonus antlerless deer has reduced. There are multiple ways to look at why this was done, which I am not going to get into. The biologist are the ones who set the quotas. The reason I point this out is because some counties quota was reduced to below 4, which would remove them from the late antlerless firearms season. So make sure to check on the county you plan to hunt prior to season, or the later antlers firearms season to keep from having a run in with a Conservation Officer.

Also make sure to check around for a local hunter education class for the new hunter to partake in. Anyone born after 1986 is required to take hunter education prior to purchasing a hunting license, or anyone planning to hunt in another state.

The 2018 youth deer season will be at the end of the month as always, so make sure to get your kids or young hunters in the woods. Don't forget that when a hunter is 17 or younger hunts during the youth weekend they are required to hunt with an adult with a valid license.

There are also a couple free hunting days for youth. September 8-9 and November 24-25.

As always Stay Safe Indiana! And good luck this deer season. ■

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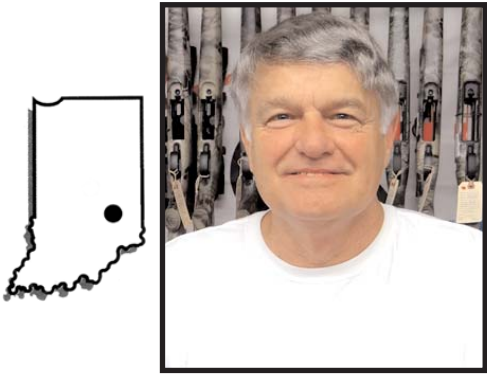
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Left to Right: Back Row: Steve Dake, Nickolas Bray, Jerry Riley, Shane Riley, Dylan Thoman, Alex Richie, Marissa Sullivan, Zayne Ficklie, Foster Wilson. Front row Juriah Riley, Wyatt Mc Daniel, Porter May, Blake Anderson, Conner Evans, Aspen Dennison, Wyatt Hamilton and Logan Buckanan. (Author Photo)

Blue River Outdoors



by Steve Dake

Quail Forever Banquet September 8, 2018

Big Blue River Chapter 3049 of Quail Forever in Shelby County will host their 12th annual Quail Forever Banquet Sept. 8, 2018 at the American Legion, 1125 Miller Ave. Shelbyville In. 46176. The chapter is led by chapter president Dave Dennison. Doors will open at 5:00 with dinner at 6:00. There will be food, silent auctions, auction, games and raffles. Tickets are \$60.00 for couple, \$50.00 for singles, and \$15.00 for kids under 16 years of age, which includes meal and membership. Membership only is \$35.00. All youth goes home with a prize. Money raised stays with the local chapter and is used for habitat work, youth firearm/gun safety, shooting sports and for promoting hunting. Everyone interested in conservation, hunting, and wildlife is encouraged to attend.

The chapter has a pre banquet gun raffle to help with costs to be drawn at banquet. Tickets are



Randy Bray and Steve Dake (Owner of The Gun Den) standing behind counter. This is Steve's first article appearing as a regular contributor in The Gad-a-bout. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

\$20.00 each and only 400 tickets will be sold for a chance to win up to six prizes. 1st gets a 30 gun safe and a Tri Star o/u 20ga, 2nd is a Weatherby SA-08 Deluxe 12 ga auto, 3rd ATI AR 556 rifle, 4th Ruger 9MM auto, 5th Ruger 243 bolt rifle and 6th Savage 22 cal auto rifle. Tickets can be purchased from members or at The Gun Den.

Quail Forever is dedicated to the conservation of quail and other wildlife, through habitat improvements, public awareness, education and land management policies and programs.

Big Blue River Chapter 3049 of Quail Forever in Shelby County is also dedicated to the education of our youth, the conservation and preserva-

tion of wildlife, wildlife habitat and outdoor activities. Important to note, is that quail habitat is also great habitat for other species, such as rabbit, deer, dove, song birds, and most other wildlife in general. It provides food, breeding/nesting grounds, and protection from predators. Quail Forever is not just about hunting, but also preservation, conservation and education. Dave Dennison said the chapter has a seed planter that can be used to plant food plots for habitat. Seed can also be furnished from the club.

The chapter also hosts a gun safety / hunter education class for whoever like to come at no charge. It's a 2 day course on a Sat. and Sun. State

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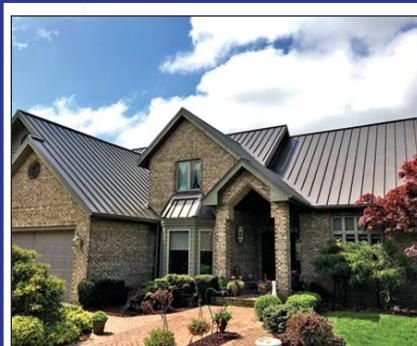
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Left to Right: Preparing for the Youth Pheasant Hunt is Seth Oatel, Adult Tommy Dennison, Dave Settles and Nickolas Bray. (Photo by Dave Dennison)



Left to Right: Wyatt Hamilton, Steve Dake and Nickolas Bray with dog, Buddy Lee hunting pheasant at the Youth Hunt. (Photo by Dave Dennison)



Left to Right: Alac Richie, Dylan Thoman and Adult Tim Weaver with pheasant Alac and Dylan took in the Youth Hunt. (Photo by Dave Dennison)



Pheasant Youth hunters from left to right, Jerry Riley, Zayne Ficklie, Alex Richie and Porter May with pheasant they took in front of them. Adult Tim Weaver (second from right) hunted with them. (Photo by Dave Dennison)



Another view of The Gun Den showing just some of the thousand different firearms in stock at all times. The Gun Den can also help you with all kinds of fundraisers, see article below "The Gun Den" written by Steve Dake. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

certification will be issued after passing class for purchasing hunting license. Mandatory for obtaining licenses.

The Chapter also hosts a shoot in July at Dave Settles residence south of Shelbyville which includes donuts, milk and coffee, safety briefing and shooting of firearms. Big Blue River Chapter furnishes firearms, ammo, clay birds, and instructors for a fun day of shooting at no cost to anyone. We encourage anyone who interested in shooting to come out.

Big Blue River Chapter 3049 of Quail Forever in Shelby County, its big event is our youth live pheasant hunt held on November 10th. It is held west of Shelbyville on a farm leased to the club. Parents and youth are required to come to our banquet and be a member of Quail Forever. It starts off with breakfast (pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits and gravy, juice, and milk, then a safety meeting, shooting clay birds, and hunting live pheasants over dogs. Parent are required, licenses for youth and hunter orange. The Charter members try there best to get every youth a pheasant to take home to eat or have mounted. Every youth gets a chance to harvest one. Big Blue River Chapter picks up the bill for the entire event. No youth pays for anything. Chapter will provide firearms and ammo if needed or bring your own firearm and ammo.

Dave Dennison said this is what we spend a large part of our proceeds from our banquet, gun raffles and donations on.

The Gun Den, 337 Roosevelt Dr. Shelbyville In. 46176 (317) 398-3852 has been a proud member and sponsor for many years.

(Editor's Note - I've asked Steve Dake, owner of The Gun Den, to write in The Gad-a-bout beginning with this issue. Steve will be writing about the outdoors and other subjects of his choosing. Below is an introduction to Steve's business, The Gun Den - Ray)

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See Page 2 Official Banquet Ticket & Registration Form

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Two Gatling guns at Dixie Gun Works. Small one in foreground, larger one in back.. (Author Photo)



A wall of antique rifles at Dixie Gun Works. (Author Photo)

Outdoors



With Rich Creason

When Travel Plans Go Awry

Over the last 50 years, my original plans on a trip away from home have often been changed. Whether because of time constraints, illness, conflicts with destination businesses, or usually, weather, the activities we had originally scheduled had to be altered. I usually have backup plans in case of a situation beyond our control.

The most common problem encountered is when high winds keep us off the water when on a fishing trip. The bigger the water, the more severe the problem. We have been blown off Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, and Lake Erie several times. Lake of the Woods on the Minnesota/Canada border can also cause big wave problems. We have watched huge waves travel the length of Big Canon Lake in northwest Ontario many times in the 30 some years we visited there. And, of course, many trips scheduled for ocean fishing along the eastern coast of the US were canceled or shortened because of the weather.

The most recent outing we had to change our plans because of bad conditions was this March at Blue Bank Resort on Reelfoot Lake in Tennessee, (www.bluebankresort.com). The Resort and fishing are both outstanding and we have visited here many times. We were planning three days of fishing for big crappie on this lake, but high winds, rain, and temperatures in the thirties on the first day changed our minds. Instead of sitting in the dining area looking out the window, we decided to drive a half hour and visit Dixie Gun Works

in nearby Union City, TN.

For many years, I had seen their advertisement in many of the outdoor magazines, offering their catalog of shooting supplies, antique gun parts, black powder guns and accessories, and much more. I never thought I would actually visit this business. I would recommend stopping here if you are ever anywhere near the area. As we entered the store, we immediately noticed it was not only a retail outlet for their products, but also a museum of old time weapons.

The walls were lined with both antique black powder firearms and new replicas. Some were for sale while others were for display only. Aisles had do-it-yourself- kits for most of these guns. One glass case had over 200 derringers all from southern states. Another case had a shiny new cannon about two feet long.

But, the items which impressed me most were two, new looking, shooting condition, Gatling guns. I had seen these when I was young in western movies, but had never before seen a real one. After flashing my writer's business card, I persuaded the owner to tell me about these guns. He informed me all of his employees were given the opportunity to shoot some rounds through this great weapon. At several dollars a shell, that was an expensive outing.

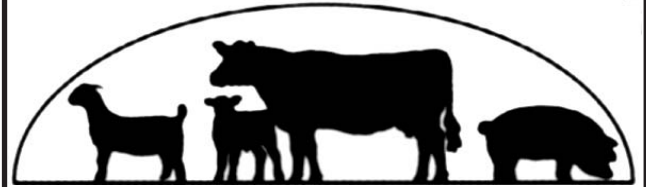
He then gave Susie and me a quick tour through the store and warehouse, telling us a story of the history of the business. He then turned us loose in another part of the building which housed an antique car museum which included old bikes,

boats, and other items. If you can't make the trip to see them in person, go to their site at www.dixiegunworks.com and order one of their 600 page catalogs.

On our recent striper fishing trip, we booked seven hours with the guide. We caught our limit in one hour. That left us a lot of extra time before we headed home. Susie had seen a big sign for a quilt and fabric shop so we spent some time (and money) there. As always before heading out, we contact the local Convention and Visitor's Bureau in the state we are traveling for other activities in their area. You can also stop at the welcome center on the highway when you enter a new state. You can pick up stacks of brochures for things of interest when in that state.



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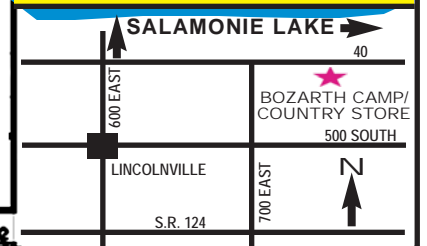
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Display case with one large and 2 small cannons at Dixie Gun Works. Author Photo)



Among all the guns, supplies, and more at Dixie Gun Works was this fine scrimshawed powder horn. Author Photo)



In the antique car museum at Dixie Gun Works was cars, bikes, boats, and more. (Photo by Susie Creason)

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If we have additional time on any of our trips which are near big waters, we walk the beach picking up driftwood, shells, beach glass, and other interesting items. We always have a couple metal detectors with us. If we get blown off the water, or other plans fall apart, we look for a park or beach to detect. If hunting a park or similar area, I stop at the local police department and get permission first.

Another occasion where a backup plan worked out well was when we were digging dinosaur bones with the Indianapolis Children's Museum. We were near Faith, South Dakota and the road to

the dig site became too muddy to drive on due to rain. We drove to nearby (100 miles) Rapid City to visit a dinosaur museum and local souvenir shops. Another year when we had a one day rain out, we drove to Mt. Rushmore. On both of these trips, a problem turned out to be a great time because we planned ahead.

Almost any problem, short of injury or illness, can be turned into a fun adventure if you leave home prepared to encounter a change in plans if necessary.

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Sites and Sights at ICAST

It's called ICAST by people in the "fishing industry" because it's too hard to remember for what the acronym really stands: International Convention of Allied Sportfishing Trades. What's that?

Other than being a cumbersome name, it's the largest fishing oriented trade show in the world. I could find the exact statistics, but it's something



New and re-imagined old product are all on display at ICAST. (Author Photo)

At ICAST it's the same. There were multiple dozens of different clothing companies on display - established ones like Columbia and HUK - as well as many more upstarts hoping to become established.

The hottest clothing items are lightweight gloves, face shields, pants and particularly long sleeve shirts made from lightweight materials with UPF (ultra-violet protection factor) of 50 or more. A UPF 50 shirt blocks 98% of the harmful UV rays when fishing (or golfing or hiking or....). Even more

apparent are those high UPF shirts and shorts decorated with "sublimated" patterns featuring wild, whacky and wondrous patterns. My favorite was a white shirt with bluish looking octopus apparently draped around the neck and shoulder.

BIG BOXES

If I'd been writing this column last year I'd have included how many companies were attempting to jump on the YETI cooler bandwagon. No doubt an ice cube will last longer in one of the high tech, heavyweight plastic coolers, but I always questioned if the ten-fold increase in price between a roto-molded model and the injection-molded coolers outdoorsmen used for decades is worth a few pounds of frozen water? Some would say yes, but enough have said no the abundance of Yeti-clones on display was greatly down this year. Even more was the Yeti-clone stainless steel drink-cups. Evidently more outdoorsmen are doing what I do - drink the cold beverage or hot coffee quickly enough it doesn't get too cold or warm.

SHARK TANK ITEMS

A few of the hundreds of booths are manned by entrepreneurs and inventors who are sometimes betting it all on their innovative idea of a new or improved product. Perhaps a few will become the new Yeti Cooler Company or Rapala Lures. Most won't, but what they are betting on is fun to see. One guy has made and is marketing the ultimate five-gallon bucket. Thicker, stronger, better handle, better lid, you can drop a concrete block on it. Will it sell?

I'll let you know next summer when I come back with the other gazillion people to walk the miles of aisles at ICAST 2019.

THE END

like a quarter million booths with about a half million vendors peddling and showing off something like a bazillion different products to a gazillion attendees. The show itself is held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL and covers about a hundred acres of (thankfully) well air-conditioned floor space. Simply said, it's more than big, it's huge, and anyone who is anyone in the fishing business is there.

I was there for three days and if I'd been wearing a beanie with a propeller on top, it would have been spinning like the blades on Marine One hovering over the White House. Some observations for those of you doing different or better things in mid-summer, like going fishing or camping in a shady location.

KAYAKS

Kayaks are hot. A few years ago there was only a couple of serious players in the fishing kayak business. Now, names associated with other watercraft, such as Old Town canoes are putting more marketing resources into kayaks than in their other product lines. More evident is the dozens of companies building and selling their own brand and models of kayaks. Even more evident are product lines nearly everywhere designed and targeted specifically for kayak anglers - from special kayak tackle, storage boxes, lights, clothing and electronics.

CLOTHING

I'm not a retailer, but common sense should tell you there's big bucks to be made selling clothes. Walk into a Bass Pro Shops store or Cabela's for the first time and you will be amazed at the amount of space given to apparel. Sure, some warm camo-coats, waterproof boots or garb specifically made for outdoor sorts to wear while recreating makes sense, but a quarter of the store?

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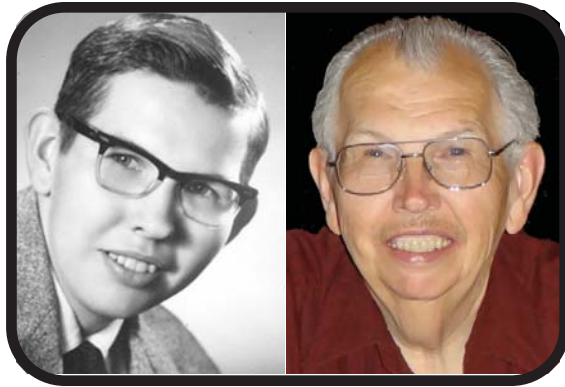
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CENTERVILLE ARCHWAY DAYS FESTIVAL AUGUST 24-25, 2018



Centerville's Blue Regiment Band in 2017 Archway Day Parade. Read about their spectacular 2018 Band Day at Indiana State Fair on Page 18. (Photo by Ray Dickerson)

Centerville Archway Days Festival August 24-25, 2018

by Ray Dickerson
Assisted by Phil Bedel

Vice-Chairman of the Archway Days Committee

The Archway Days 2018 planning is well under way thanks to Phil Bedel, Vice - Chairman of Archway Days Committee.

Phil says, "The 30th annual Archway Days in Historic Centerville, IN will begin at 5:00 pm 8/24/18 at Maplewood Park. You will find food and craft vendors, Car Show and games for the kids; including the annual favorite, 'money pit'!

Bring a chair, sit back and enjoy the *Comedy Magic of Rory Rennick* musical performances by Blue Leaf Crew. Come out for a fun-filled weekend! Be sure not to miss the parade on Saturday followed by a night of dancing under the stars to music by Muzic Masterz DJ service.

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Saturday August 25th!

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Adoption prices: Shell \$5-\$40, Cake \$50-\$190, Specialty item \$15-\$1,500 or Finale \$200-\$1,500. Consider adopting one, two or three fireworks and then during Archway Days, sit back and watch YOUR show! Make check payable: Centerville Archway Days Festival, Inc. Mail to: P.O. Box 367, Centerville, IN 47330 or Visit online at www.archwaydays.org or www.facebook.com/centervillearchwaydays.

Ray here, I've got a story to tell here about how inspiring beautiful fireworks were in the sky over Centerville that began unexpectedly - beckoned myself and practically all of my neighbors to the fire station at the south edge of Centerville. I don't know the exact time, but I was working on my September Gad-a-bout in the quiet of a peaceful evening. I was in deep thought trying to write when all of a sudden a loud boom echoed behind my office. I stopped typing, thinking what was that! I resumed my typing, then a succession of booms followed. I ignored them for a short time, but soon I went outside. Over Temple's, above their trees was fireworks exploding in crescendo of beautiful colors in the night sky. I noted that the scene was probably similar to what Francis
CONTINUED ON PAGE 16



You can help to make this year's 30th Annual Archway Days Festival a memorable celebration as brilliant and spectacular as the fireworks pictured above by adopting fireworks that will be fired on Saturday August 25th. See details at left. (Photo by Phil Bedel)

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Left Photo: Booth spaces in park and along walking path and Crown Creek Blvd, booths in this photo are from 2017. Right Photo: Phil told me they are expecting over a 150 vehicles for this years car show, vehicles in this photo are also from the 2017 Archway Days Festival. (Photos provided by Phil Bedel).

Scott Key saw when he witnessed the American Flag still flying over Fort M’Henry after the bombardment causing him to take pen in hand and write the “Star Spangled Banner.”

Without thinking about my task of writing I walked over to Morton Avenue and was joined by many other people all heading in the direction of the fireworks still booming in the night sky. The sight was over-powering the booms kept up with few seconds between them when a sudden burst of staccato booms echoed over us. It was like dozens of finale’s all at once. So I walked over to where some men were standing by the fire station. About that time the fireworks ended. I asked one of the fellas, who happened to be fireman Phil Bedel who was celebrating with the fireworks. He said the Centerville Youth League. I could see there was a lot of activity over at the Centerville Youth League ball diamonds nearby. It was at that moment I discussed with him that I wanted to put Archway Days in my September Gad-a-bout which comes out in mid August. He told me he was Vice Chairman of the Archway Days Committee. He then went to print out some information for me about Archway Days.

I’ve been in contact with Phil ever since. Their activity schedule is on this page too. A map of Centerville appears on page 17. The map illustrates the Parade route from Blue & White Blvd north on Willow Grove Road to U.S. 40 (Main Street), turning east on Main Street to Morton Avenue, turning south on Morton Avenue to West South, turning west on West South Street and ending at the Elementary School (Annex).

See Map Legend in upper left hand corner. You will see a Red Star inside a Red Square, where you see this on the map it shows you where the Archway Days Activity areas are located.

Also in that Legend Box are Cross Reference Codes for the following:

Historic Buildings & Sites (A black circle with a white background with black numbers 1 thru 9.)

Community or Public Services (A black square with a white background with black letters A thru D.)

Archways (A round black circle with white letters 1 thru 5.)

Brown Square (All the Brown coloring on the map is Centerville School Property.)

Green Square (All the Green coloring on the map is inside the town of Centerville.)

(Note: The cross reference codes are as close to the actual location on the map as possible. The map

(Most activities are held around Maplewood Park, east of North Morton Ave. between E. Plum St. and Crown Creek Blvd.)

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30TH ANNUAL CENTERVILLE ARCHWAY DAYS
AUGUST 24-25, 2018
FRIDAY 8-24-2018

- Food & Vendors Open
- Inflatable bounce houses & obstacle courses (\$5.00 for all weekend pass)
- Car Show (Crown Creek Blvd & 1st St.) (Sponsored by Laser Creations)
- High Energy Music from Centerville Christian Church
- Fam Jam - Fun interactive family show for all ages (Performed by Centerville Christian Church)
- Outdoor Movie “MAX” (Provided by Muzic Mazterz) (Bring a blanket or lawn chair)

SATURDAY 8-25-2018

- Food & Vendors Open
- Inflatable bounce houses & obstacle courses (\$5.00 for all weekend pass) (Sponsored by First Bank Richmond, First Financial Bank)
- Kid Zone (Puzzles and crafts)
- Pedal Tractor Pull (Sponsored by Centerville Police)
- Joy unspeakable Living Statue (Police costume) and 2-4 (Firefighter costume)
- Balloon artist Dan Rambo (Sponsored by Muzic Mazterz)
- Centerville Police Department K-9 and Taser Demonstration
- Performances by *Comedy Magic of Rory Rennick*
- Cookies with a Cop, Free Child DNA and fingerprint kits available (Sponsored by Cinnamon Spice Bakery and Centerville Police Dept.)
- Money Pit
- Musical Performances by David Wayne
- Joy unspeakable Living Statue (Firefighter costume)
- Performances by *Comedy Magic of Rory Rennick*
- Parade on Main Street (See Map on page 17 for Parade Route)
- Performances by *“Blue Leaf’s Band”*
- Money Pit
- Fireworks By Legendary Entertainment (Sponsored by J.E. Minnix Well Servicing, Ambassador Health Care, First Bank Richmond, First Financial Bank, El-Rodeo, Lanes Home Improvements)
- DJ music and dancing (Provided by Muzic Mazterz)

(Other Events Around Town That Weekend)

FRIDAY 8-24-2018

- Centerville Public Library Used Book Sale - \$1.00 or less

SATURDAY 8-25-2018

- Boy Scout Troop 16 Pancake Breakfast at Methodist Church (South Morton Ave. West Side)
- Centerville Public Library Used Book Sale - \$1.00 or less
- Historic tours of Mansion House & Wayne Co’s. first Courthouse \$2/Adult, Main St. (See Pg 17)
- Adult Beverage (Provided by Main Street Centerville, Inc. and Ugly Mug)

Don’t forget to “like” us on [Facebook @ Centerville Archways Day Festival](#)

Questions, e-mail us at archwaydays@gmail.com

For Information Contact the following: Phil Bedel (Vice - Chairman of Archway Days) 765-967-6094

is for general use, it does not comply to general mapping standards.) I hope everyone reading this issue gets to come to Centerville, Indiana for our

Archway Days Festival and help us celebrate one of the most historic town in our great state of Indiana. I hope to see you on August 24-25, 2018. ■

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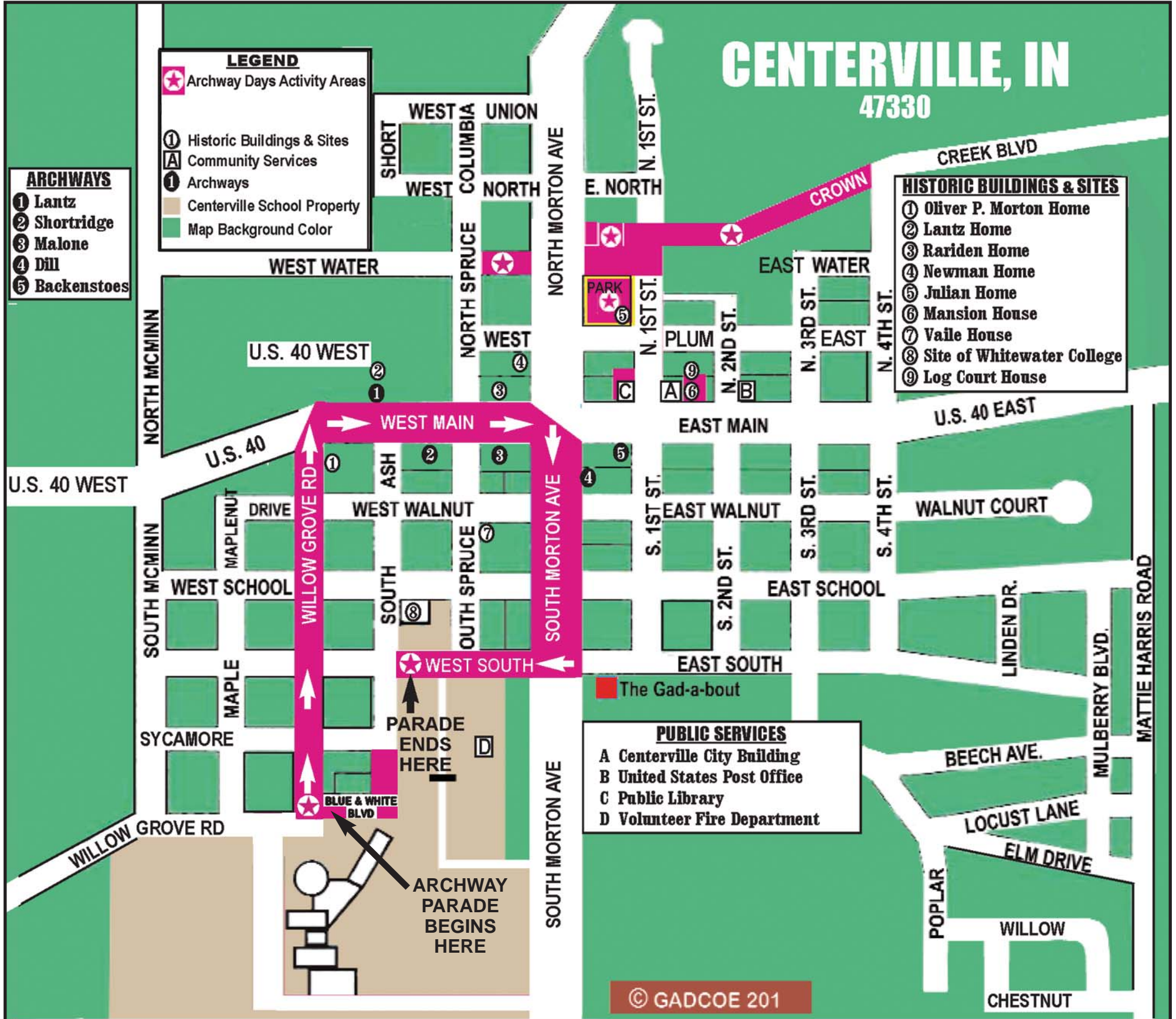


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Left Photo: Winners of the Pedal Tractor Pull at Archway Days in 2017. Presenting awards was Centerville Police Officers Josh Milsaps, Officer Dan Wandersee and Police Chief Ed Buchholz. Right Photo: Centerville Chief of Police Ed Buchholz finger printing and taking DNA of a child for his parents. (Photos by Ray Dickerson)



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CENTERVILLE BLUE REGIMENT BAND WINS CLASS AA 7 TIMES AT INDIANA STATE FAIR BAND DAY 2012 THRU 2018



The Centerville Senior High School Centerville, Indiana The Blue Regiment Marching Band. (Photo Provided By Band Director Charles Roesch)

Centerville Senior High School The Blue Regiment Performed "Angeli"

by Ray Dickerson

The following information was sent to me by Director - Charles M. Roesch August 9th after I e-mailed him asking for a photo and the names of the band members. I have additional information gathered from (http://www.indianatrackmarchingbands.com/The_Bands/centerville.htm).

Mr. Roesch's reply, "Here's a recent photo of our 2018 group and additional information you requested. Thanks for the publicity. We are proud to represent our community! Mr. Roesch.

Angeli

Director - Charles M. Roesch, **Assistant Director** - Brian Cheek; **Color Guard** - Lisa Mullen, Percussion - Casey Raizen; **Woodwinds** - Erin Roesch, **Brass/Visual** - Amber Hall, Emily Arndt; **Music Booster President** - Jimmy Lawrence; **Superintendent** - Mr. Phil Stevenson, **Assistant Superintendent** - Mr. Mark Campbell; **Principal** - Mr. Mikel McCoy, **Assistant Principal** - Tim Hollendonner.

Band Members Listed By Instrument or Other

Flute: Bailey Owen, Emily Tedder.
Clarinet: Juliana Baldwin, Ellie Brown, Josh DeHoff, Elizabeth Longnecker, Lillian Marsh, Cassy Owens.
Alto Saxophone: Alyssa Clark, Kasey Johnson, Jacob Marcum, Aubrey Morgan, Carlos Perez, Payton Rose.
Tenor Saxophone: Dalton Girdley, Grace Olive.
Baritone Saxophone: Austin Moore, Jackson

Troutwine.
Mellophone: Samuel Roesch, Hannah Scales.
Trumpet: Katie Arndt, Cole Farlow, Allison Grimes, Dominick Locke, Lydia Nevels, Jolie Rusznak, Chloe Scales, Ray Wright.
Baritone: Cassi Bergfield, Jackson Crossley, Mason Hinshaw, Connor Salo.
Tuba: Robert Holt, Cameron Salo.
Percussion: Aaron Desena, Kevin Desena, Ben Hawk, Cedric Jenkins, Evan Linde, Alex Markley, Ashtyn Miles, Destiny Moses, Jace Rusznak, Ray Siler, Daniel Stuckey.
Color Guard: Abby Calderon, Gracie Fox, Jayden Marshall, Nancy Perez, Aliyah Raynor, Lizz Siler, Caribbean Smith, Harley Wintrow.
Drum Major: Grace Arndt.

Performance Indiana State Fair Band Day

Director: Charles M. Roesch
Assistant Director: Brian Cheek
Additional Staff: Lisa Mullen, Casey Raizen, Erin Roesch, Amber Hall, Emily Amdt
Drum Major: Grace Amdt
Show Theme/Title: Angeli
Repertoire: Vitae Aeternum
Total Members: 55
Band Day: 5th Place
Band Day Scores: Finals - 86.275; Prelims - 83.775 (6th Place)
Other Band Day Awards: Class AA 1st Place; Best Music, Visual, General Effect, Percussion, Auxiliary.

(Reprinted from Wikipedia on Centerville Senior High School, **Blue Regiment (Marching Band)**.)

"Centerville High School is home to the Blue Regiment marching band, has 55 members. The band is led by Charles Roesch, who has led the band since 2002. The band is in the Class AA division. The band is currently the record-holder for the most Class AA championships won (7).

Overall, the Blue Regiment has claimed 16 class titles since 1999."
 "The Blue Regiment is also the only State Fair band to have swept all 5 caption awards, including music, visual, general effect, percussion, and auxiliary. The group has accomplished this feat four times (2006, 2013, 2014, 2018)."

Competing at the State Fair: The Blue Regiment Class AA Championships are as follows:

Year	Show Title	Director
2012	Mosaic of Creation	Charles Roesch
2013	The Witch & The Saint	Charles Roesch
2014	One Small Step the	Charles Roesch
2015	Balance	Charles Roesch
2016	The Golden Lamp	Charles Roesch
2017	Skyward	Charles Roesch
2018	Angeli	Charles Roesch

Editor's Note: In a short interview with Band Director Charles M. Roesch this morning he told me the Blue Regiment's Marching Band and Color Guard members spend 220 hours preparing for a 5 minute - 20 second performance. I thought to myself that's takes a lot of pride in their school and band leader to work that hard to win.

I wanted to take a photo of Mr. Roesch, but he told me the students deserve all the credit. I agree with him to a certain point, but without Charles M. Roesch, his school staff of hard working individuals and countless band boosters; would we be celebrating the record 7 years of Class AA Championships from 2012 to 2018? It takes leadership to guide any worth while project forward. In my mind we have been blessed having Band Director Charles M. Roesch leading the Senior High School band since 2002.

We look forward to his leading the Blue Regiment Marching Band for many years to come. ■

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Van Wimmer visiting Bones and Artifacts booth set up at his show in the Horticulture Building at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, IN. As you can see by their tables these fellas have found a lot of bones. This year could be your best year if you set up at this show. See information below on how to get set up in the Fall show.

20th Annual Indianapolis Fall Bead, Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show September 28-30, 2018

by Ray Dickerson

The 20th Annual Indianapolis Fall Bead, Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show on September 28-30, 2018 the hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Their show will be held in the Agriculture/Horticulture Building located in the Indiana State Fairgrounds at 1202 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The adult admission is \$5 per ticket. Ticket is good for all 3 days.

There is no admission charge for children under sixteen (16) they are admitted for free.

You can find out more information by visiting their website: <http://www.toteshows.com> or by calling (540) 384-6047.

You won't find a better Gem and Jewelry in the U.S. The Wimmers travel here from their home in Virginia for both Spring and Fall.

See their list for the rest of 2018 and the 2019 list also listed at the end of this article. The Gad-a-bout can also be picked up at their show. They will be on a table behind Van and Rose's setup right across from where you enter the building.

I've attended Van and Rose's show for many years now and I am amazed at the quality of workmanship shown at the many different booths. It's one thing to see a rock and gem show, but it's a much more interesting show when you can watch the craft person's demonstrate their talent before your very eyes.



Rose and Van Wimmer are on their way to Indiana, keep tabs on them by reading The Gad-a-bout. (Van Wimmer Photo)

While growing up here in Indiana I've always been captivated by rocks and fossils, picking them up whenever I've gotten the chance. I remember one time when Dad and I was hunting squirrels southwest of Centerville. I probably should correct that statement Dad was hunting squirrels. He came looking for me, I was down in creek bed holding up a fossil when he found me. He just shook his head and resumed hunting.

Van and Rose Wimmer's Spring and Fall Bead, Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show show in Indianapolis makes it a lot easier to not only see thousands of rocks and fossils, but you get to see them after they have been crafted into something you will want to buy and keep.

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Wire wrap, wire sculpture and gem trees, some of which the dealers demonstrate making at the show. Show go'ers often bring stones to have them mounted and much, much more.

Classes will be available.

Mineral and fossil dealers, who will sell rocks from \$1 and up.

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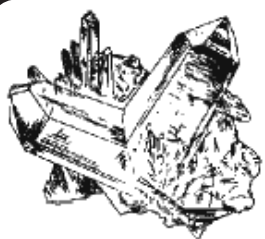
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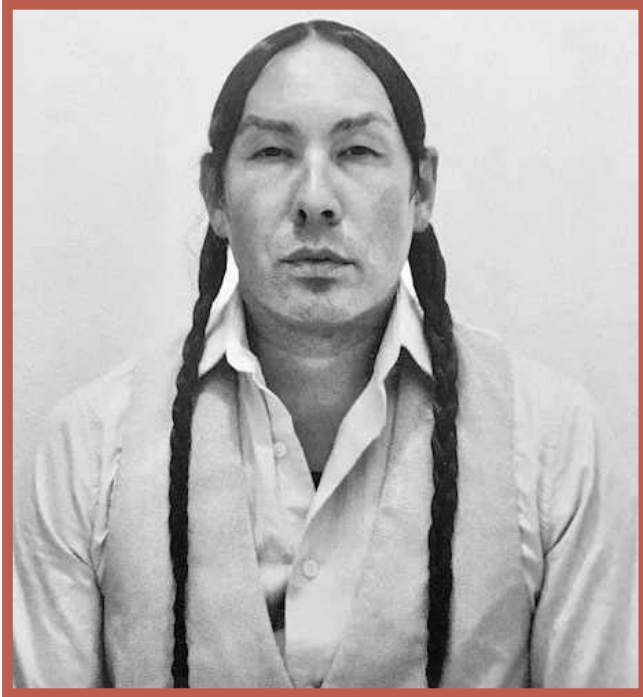
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Gary Wiskigeamatyuk is an enrolled tribal member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation of Kansas. A direct descendant of Chief Abram Burnett and is the great grandson of Potawatomi Holy Man Chief Wiskigeamatyuk whose son, James Wahbnosah, a respected Prairie Band ritual leader, was Gary's grandfather. He has worked as a Native performer at Knott's Berry Farm American Indian establishment for over 26 years in presentations of social Native American song and dance and in the education department presenting lectures of native history to hundreds of schools, anthropology departments and museums every year. Among the dances he performs is the famed hoop dance, which he will do at the Trail of Courage September 15-16, 2018. See below for more details. (Photos Provided by Author)



News of Native American Indians in Indiana



by Shirley Willard
Fulton County Historian, Rochester, Indiana

Trail of Courage has extra Attractions in 2018

A hoop dancer is flying here from California, a new book Two-Moon Journey, Trail of Death caravan from Indiana to Kansas, honoring St. Philippine Duchesne - missionary to the Potawatomi in Kansas, new foods and booths - the Trail of Courage Living History Festival will have extra attractions Sept. 15-16, 2018. The festival portrays frontier Indiana at the Fulton County Historical Society grounds four miles north of Rochester on U.S. 31. The museum, round barn and living history village are at the north end of the grounds, and the Trail of Courage is at the south end by the Tippecanoe River. It is open

Saturday 10 to 5, and Sunday 10 to 4. Admission is charged.

Each year a different Potawatomi family is honored and their history published in a folder at the replica 1832 Chippeway Village post office. The honored Potawatomi family had ancestors on the Trail of Death or lived in Indiana before the forced removal of 1838. This year the honored Potawatomi family is Gary Wiskigeamatyuk, who performs hoop dances at Knott's Berry Farm in California. His ancestor was Abram Burnett on the Trail of Death - see Chief Abram Burnett website. Gary and his wife and two children will take part in the Indian dances 2 - 3 p.m. with Gary as Head Man Dancer. Gary will perform the hoop dance on the two stages, which present pre-1840 music, dance and history all day. Other programs include bagpipers, fife and drums, string band, guitar and flute, Aztec dancers, Frontier Frolic, and a historic Russian fashion show.

Two-Moon Journey by Peggy King Anderson tells the story of the Trail of Death through the eyes of a little girl whose father was locked in the jail wagon as they traveled across Indiana. Father Petit caught up with them at Danville, Illinois, and the chiefs were released, as the 850 Potawatomi continued their emigration march across Illinois, Missouri and Kansas, a two month (moon) journey. The girl learned how to forgive the mean soldier who mistreated them on the way and begin a new life in Kansas.

Immediately following on Monday morning the Trail of Death Commemorative Caravan will begin its 660 mile one-week trip, Sept. 17-22, following the 1838 route taken by the Potawatomi to Sugar Creek in Linn County, Kansas. The caravan is available to all interested person as each pro-

vides his own vehicle, motel and meals. To register to go, print and mail the form found on www.potawatomi-tda.org. Caravan members will stop at some of the 80 historical markers, give programs, and dedicate new historic highway signs along the way. Several nuns will be traveling with the caravan to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the arrival in America of Philippine Duchesne, who was a missionary to the Potawatomi at Sugar Creek 1841-42. She became known as "She Who Prays Always" and was canonized in 1988, the first female saint west of the Mississippi River.

Also new for the Trail of Courage are the Rochester Masonic Lodge serving pancakes and sausage for breakfast. The Anderson Marching Highlanders will add pulled pork to their Scottish pies booth which they built new last year. Other foods include biscuits & sausage gravy breakfast, apple sausage sandwiches, buffalo burgers, ham & beans & cornbread, vegetable soup, chicken & noodles, Cherokee tacos & fry bread, venison chili, apple dumplings, ice cream with fruit toppings, homemade root beer, corn popped in big iron kettle, turkey legs, pork chops, sweet corn roasting ears, potato chips fried in big iron kettles, pastries and fudge. All cooking is over wood fires.

Re-enactors come to the Trail of Courage, setting up tents in the camps depicting French & Indian War era, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Plains Indian teepee's, Miami Indian wigwams and Potawatomi long house. More than 30 booths made of old barn boards or log siding will showcase traditional crafts such as basketry, spinning and weaving, historic clothing, jewelry, knives, kettles - nearly everything needed to live in frontier Indiana. Canoe rides on the Tippecanoe River. **CONT'D To PAGE 21 Under Top Right Photo**

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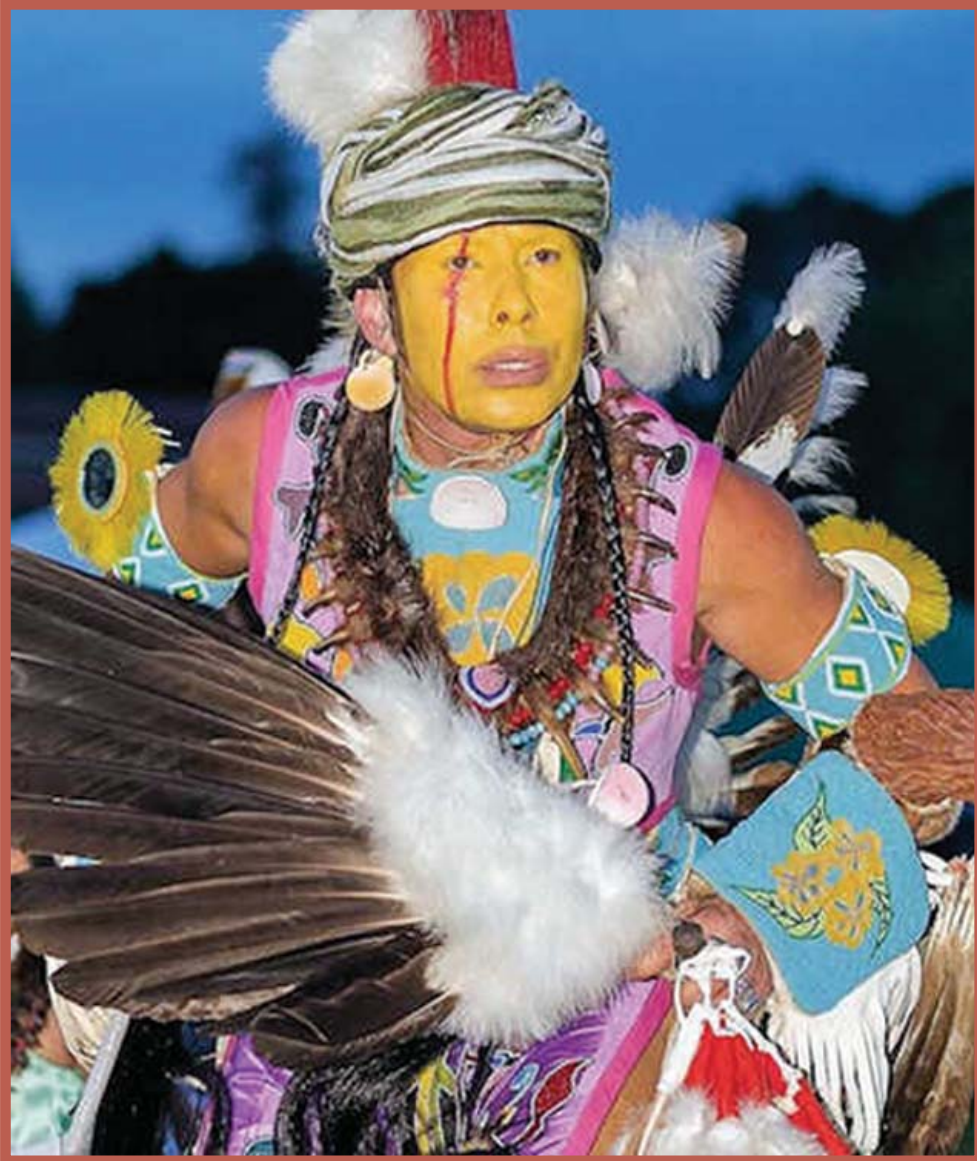
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 Mountain Man tug-of-war, candle dipping - all enthrall the children. Cannon demonstrations, muzzleloading matches and tomahawk throwing contests are held.

This is a big festival that attracts 14,000 or more. Free parking, free admission to the museum, round barn and living history village called Loyal, Indiana, at north end of grounds. Admission to Trail of Courage is \$8 adults, \$3 children age 11 to 6, free for age 5 and under.

For more information see www.fultoncountyhistory.org or call 574-223-4436. ■

20 Years of Metamora Music

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Schedules for the performances and workshops at this year's Metamora Music festival can be found on line on the Metamora Music Festival Facebook page, or on the Music Festival link from the Metamora Performing Arts website www.metamoraMPA.org Metamora Performing Arts is able to present this event without charge thanks to the generosity of sponsors, advertising in the festival program, and donations from our community. Without the support of our performers who appear for a nominal fee, we

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Some new bands taking part this year are; Shivelight, Wake the Baby!, and Sugar Cream Pie. Perennial favorites such as My Brother's Keeper, Punkin Holler Boys, Jason & Ginger, Dean Phelps, Brian Wallen, and Catrina & The Baggy Bottom Boys will be on stage again. Returning from a baby-induced hiatus will be Shiny & the Spoon.

If you have not attended the Metamora Music Festival before, you'll find the Back Porch at the east end of town, down Lover's Lane and near the Duck Creek Aqueduct. There is free parking in the field adjoining the stage area, look for the yellow sign on US 52 east of town. Metamora is located on US 52, about halfway between Cincinnati and Indianapolis. ■

Roaming The Outdoors

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Details on page 30.

Page 4 & 22 Metamora Music Festival Labor Day Weekend. Saturday Sept. 1st Back Porch of Lane's End Primarily focused on traditional acoustic music from the bluegrass, old time Americana genre 10 am to 8 pm on Saturday and Noon Sept. 2nd to 5 pm on Sunday

Grist Mill Slow Jam 1 to 4 on Sunday. Some of the bands Shivelight, Wake the Baby, Sugar Cream Pie, My Brother's Keeper, Punkin Holler Boys, Jason & Ginger, Dean Phelps, Brian Wallen and The Baggy Bottom Boys. For those not attending the Metamora Music Festival, you'll find the Back Porch at the east end of town, down Lover's Lane

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Summit Seat-o-the-Pants harness. (Author Provided Photo)

Indiana Outdoors



by Joe Martino

Just how good is your safety harness and gear good for?

(Utilizing a safety harness or vest should be essential when hunting off the ground. An added layer of protection is via a Lifeline or climbing system, since the majority of falls occur while either climbing into, or out of, the stand.)

We buckle into our harnesses, climb into our stands and never give it a second thought. But there are things to keep in mind when it comes to your safety gear, like well, playing it safe with it too.

I bet you didn't know that you should replace your harness or vest and lifelines, etc. every so often, did you? Yep. So, that ten-year-old harness you've been using needs tossed out and replaced. The same goes for any other safety devices you may use. Read on for some great information, tips and advice on how to stay safe, even when you thought you were.

Michael Wydner, National Sales Manager for Hunter Safety System, says that their vests have a five-year life span – from the date of purchase – not of manufacture, as long as a warranty card is filled out and submitted. Honestly, until he said this, I had no clue. I'm glad I do now. If

you should happen to take a tumble from your perch and actually use the vest, don't wear it again to see how many lives you have, replace it immediately after having using it in the event of a fall. "The harness absorbs about 1,000-1,500 pounds of force during a fall, even from a fall of only 16-18", notes Wydner.

When it comes to their lifelines, the best practice is to hang them at the start of the hunting season and take them down at the end of the season. Then, replace them ever two seasons. Do not leave them up year-round (Guilty) as the elements will certainly take their toll on the rope and stiffen and weaken it. Since there is no certification for the rope throughout the industry, there is no warranty on the rope, but do yourself a favor and practice what Wydner preaches.

As for their quick-connect straps, there really is no true life-span on them. "They are made out of seat-belt material, so how do you know when it goes bad?" adds Wydner. As with your lifelines, only leave these straps in the tree during the hunting season. As the tree grows, it will stretch and weaken the straps.

Keith Jones, retired New Product Manager at Summit Treestands backs up Wydner's comments about not leaving straps, lines, etc. in the tree during the off-season. As long as you do this, he feels that you should be able to get 2-3 years out of your climbing system, maybe more depending on whether it is primarily in the sun versus the shade, and things like that.



Summit climbing system. (Author Provided Photo)

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Hunter Safety System vest. (Author Provided Photo)

The folks at Muddy say to replace your harness every 3-4 years, depending on use, condition, etc. Another good point from them is to continually inspect your harness throughout the season, looking for any tears, rips, etc. that could compromise its integrity. Obviously, if you see any signs of weakness, ditch the guideline and replace it immediately.

Their safe-lines and straps fall in line with the others. Put 'em up and take 'em down at the start and end of each season.

The peeps at Gorilla echo the rest of the industry's sentiment, but throw in a bit of extra, albeit

Misfires & Snags



by Dan Graves

CITY SLICKER TEENAGER & FISH

I remember as a nine year old that a cat fish looked like something straight out of the stone age (which they probably are) and I wouldn't touch one with a ten foot pole. On one fishing trip my dad finally convinced me to take it off the hook. His reasoning was, either take it off or spend the rest of the trip with it dangling off my rod. I gingerly gripped it behind the head and it promptly lashed out and drove the spine in its back into my finger. Even to this day, I handle them with care, making sure to trap their daggers in a firm grip. I've tried holding them by the lower lip, but they take offense at that and clamp down firmly on your thumb, which I don't consider any more enjoyable than being stabbed.

Our fourteen year old grand son recently spent a few days with us. Born and raised in a big city, his normal form of entertainment is sitting in front of the t.v. with his X-Box playing shoot-em-up, stab 'em, blow 'em up games like the rest of today's young generation. After using our entire months supply of data usage in three days, I decided it was time to divert his attention to something else. I also planned to send his parents a bill for the extra data we had to buy to keep our t.v. operational. Arrangements were made for Rollin and I to take him out on the lake for a day of fishing. In a cove where we normally find monstrous crappie of the 7 to 8 inch size range, I rigged Cades rod with a jig and explained the method commonly used to produce fish. It turned out to be a slow day and after fifteen minutes with no fish, Cade lost interest. He laid on his back on the stern of the boat and watched buzzards circling overhead while dabbling his hand in the water. Finally, Rollin and I caught a couple of tackle busting 8 incher's and Cade

possibly over-the-top, precaution. They suggest never leaving a treestand, line, strap, etc. in a tree for more than two-weeks. While it is true that sunlight, ran, etc., can and do play a part in the life-span of gear, unless you are using a climber, I can't see taking everything down every two weeks. In order for this to be effective, you would need to place a fresh stand or harness/lines, etc. in that spot and let the other sit in the shed. Who has that kind of inventory? And anyways, I'm not replacing stands and everything every two weeks! In fact, until I did my research for this column, I was

But realize that they are just saying this would be best in a perfect world. They realize that none of us live in one, which is why their suggestions are every 3-4 four years on harness and every

took an interest in trying his luck. Cade followed with three fish, each time swinging them around for me to take them off the hook. Even though I explained how to grip the fish to avoid the spiny dorsal fin, he still refused to touch them, putting them in the same category as rattle snakes.

Another fifteen minutes passed with no further action and again, Cade was now lying on his stomach with his hand dangling in the water, probably thinking how to overcome the Mongo warriors that attacked his fortress in one of his games. With a day of fishing a bust, we tried other diversions. First was a movie about resurrected dinosaurs on a volcanic island that went from one knock down, drag out scene after another. I came out of the theater with spittle drooling out of my mouth and a permanent eye tic. Next, we took he and his nine year old sister to an indoor archery range where they spent an hour punching holes in paper targets. To my wife's and my surprise, both kids handled the bows fairly well, neither one putting an arrow into the back wall. Then, an afternoon was spent on the beach here at the lake with no I-Pads or I-phones, just a lot of sand packed in shorts and bathing suits. However, my wife and I, being "older" people, began to feel the strain of trying to keep up with an active 9 year old and a video game addicted 14 year old. After hanging around the house and watching Cade, who was forbidden to play his games at least until he got home, mope around, I decided to try the fishing game again. This time I took him to a local pond that I had fished a few years ago and had always produced hungry bass and blue gills. Surprisingly, Cade handled his rod well, getting good distance on his casts. I immediately hooked a 12 inch bass and followed that with something that no doubt had a periscope and torpedo tubes. It boiled to the surface and spit out the lure. Cade then hooked a large hump backed 'gill and swung the fish toward me.

"Go ahead. Take it off and throw it back" I said. He then explained how his vision of sticky fish hadn't changed even though I tried to convince him that he probably wouldn't lose more than two or three fingers off his hand. He steadfastly refused and I spent the next hour unhooking eighteen of his and fifteen of mine. But I didn't mind. For that time, he couldn't care less how the battle between the Mongo's and the Super Heroes came out. At least he had a brief encounter with something other than a control box with levers and a glassy stare at a t.v. set.

Hmm. Maybe I should get the equipment and try his method of wasting time and a life when the fishing is dull around here.

couple of years on lines, given they are taken down during the off-season.

In closing, remember this, as Michael Wydner pointed out, 86% of falls don't actually happen while you are perched in your stand scanning the terrain. Nope, they happen while either ascending or descending the tree. For this reason, it is definitely a good idea to use lifelines, safety straps, etc., or at the least, maintain three-point contact until you are strapped in.

This doesn't mean skimp on a harness though either. While fewer falls happen from the stand, the ones that do are brutal.

Given this information from those in the know in the industry, do you need to give a little more thought into your safety gear and how you use it? I know I do.

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Outdoor Scenes & Verse



by Anita McFalls

Growing up is only half the fun ~ It's the learning that's the best!

Growing up I was always a daddy's girl. My brother Mike is two years younger, and we were dad's shadow. He taught us so much about fishing, and nature as a whole, and the respect of it!

We loved fishing so much that we would drag lumber out of the garage, and use it to outline our make believe pond. We'd fish till dad came home, and then beg him to take us fishing for real. Being kids, we were oblivious to how hard our father worked, and how tired he must have been when he got home. He always took us though. Sometimes we would fix bologna sandwiches and eat them on the way to the fishing hole, instead of having the supper mom had cooked. I don't think she minded that much, she was probably glad to get us out of her hair!

Half the fun of fishing was catching our own bait. In the evenings we would spray the back yard, and when it was dark enough, head out with our flashlights to fill our bucket full of crawlers. We would dig drift worms, and catch crickets and grasshoppers, as well as catalpa (Catawba) worms. Those bright yellowish green striped caterpillars were worms to us, but in actuality, they are the larvae of the Sphinx moth. They feed solely on the plate sized leaves of the catalpa trees, and sometimes leave only the stems of the leaf. They don't actually harm the tree however, the leaves regenerate quickly.

We couldn't wait to get to our favorite stand of catalpa trees and shake those fellas to the ground! We filled our cage full of worms and leaves, and headed to the lake to catch "the big one!" There are so many different ways to fish them, but I remember dad tearing their heads off, turning them inside out with a match stick, and threading them onto the hook. Horrid, yes, but what a fish catcher! Although many used them exclusively for catfish, we used them for anything.

Over the past several years, it seems they have nearly disappeared around here. My brother and I have checked the same trees for 5 years, and found nothing! Many customers who come into our bait store have experienced the same thing. We've have many conversations about them, so I decided to



Undisturbed catalpa leaves. (Author Photo)



Catalpa tree ravaged leaves. (Author Photo)



Ceratomia catalpae (Boisduval)

Sphinx Moth. (Author Photo)



Catalpa Worm. (Author Photo)

find out why, even though I have my own theory.

It seems that scientists discovered that the trees "cycle" about every 5 years or so. This is a form of protecting themselves. They bring forth a bitter leaf that will keep the moth from laying her eggs, or feeding on them. Well, that makes sense. God made a plan for all of His creations.

Not all trees cycle at the same time, so the moths find one that is not cycling.

Another theory is predators. A small wasp attacks the larvae by penetrating it's skin, and laying eggs. The wasp larvae then feed and develop inside them, emerge, and spin a white silky cocoon on the skin. Yuck!

I believe both are factors, but I also believe that too many pesticides are killing off many of the creatures that used to be plentiful, including the Monarch butterfly.

Speaking of butterflies, the life cycle of the sphinx moth is like a butterfly, it develops in stages. Over winter, these moths burrow into the ground. They usually reappear around June, and deposit their eggs on the underside of catalpa leaves. They hatch within 5-7 days, and there is no mistaking whether they are present on the trees or not. When they are, you can see them long before

you reach the tree. Their striped, fluorescent bodies show from a good distance. This fluorescence is also what makes them attractive to fish. Once on the hook, with a little squeeze, they release a sweet, spicy scent, and yellow/green juice flows out into the water, making them irresistible to fish! They also have a tough skin, which makes it hard for the fish to get them off the hook.

If the caterpillars have left the trees, you will see skeletal leaves, sometimes leaving only the stems. Even if you have no desire to fish with them, you should find a tree when in bloom, and enjoy the beautiful clusters of flowers which resemble orchids.

This year, my brother and I were so discouraged that we didn't even check for them. I wanted to get a picture of the leaves for this article, so we drove out to our favorite spot, and the evidence was undeniable! As you will see in the photos, those rascals had come and gone this summer without any suspicion from us!

We now can only look forward to next year, and they won't sneak past us again! We will start looking in June, and continue the search into July, (which is when we used to find them.)

I guess there is a moral to this story. NEVER GIVE UP! Keep an eye out next year, and catch yourself some of the most effective bait you will ever use!

Note: Frozen worms can be ordered online, but we never liked the mushy texture of them. ■

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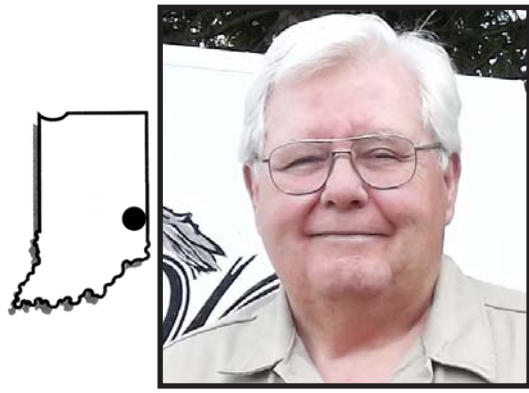
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Gunsmith, NRA Life Member, Retired LEO

Gunsmithing

How many times has an old slotted screw been too tight to remove without bugging up the slot so that the screw driver can't get a bite and remove the screw. Here are some tips on repairing and removing the screw. Some of these tips work sometimes. Screws in guns are generally made from soft steel and it's easy to wreck the slot or the crossed slots of a phillips head screw with an ill fitting screw driver. Use a screw driver that fit the slot and isn't less than about 75% as wide as the screw slot. Do not use a slotted screw driver that is larger than the slot is wide or the tip of the screw driver is thinner than the slot. A screw driver which is too narrow won't have as much bite on the screw and will slip to one side and round out the slot of the screw. A phillips screw driver that is smaller than the screw head will strip the center of the screw out. A #3 phillips forced into a #2 screw will strip the outer edges of the screw head. If you have a good set of multiple sized screw bits for a driver handle try different ones to find the best fit for the screw you are trying to remove.

There are several backyard methods of removing screws with stripped slots, and most of them work some of the time, but not always. The methods I have had the most success with is to first try and repair the head of the screw. If the screw has been removed and can be mounted in some type of holder, I use a metal screw thread checker from Brownell's to hold the screw whilst I beat on it with a hammer. That's right, I said beat but mean to tap the edges of the slot or phillips cross to straighten the slot and save the screw. As is often the problem with older guns, the original screws may not be available and saving the old screw is best. Modern day screws have fallen into a standard of practice and doesn't support some of the non standard tpi of older guns. Case in point, Winchester shotguns made from about the 1890's up through the 1960s had slotted screws with a size of a #10 screw with a tpi of 48. By today's standards that is not a tpi in that size screw that fits today's standards. Specialty orders can be made to obtain that size but can be expensive.

If the screw is still in the gun and you haven't

been able to remove it, try repairing it in place using a small flat tipped punch to remake the slot. Be sure and put a good penetrating oil like PB Blaster, Liquid Wrench, WD-40, or other penetrating oil on the screw while working on it. The tapping around the head will also loosen the screw. If the outer edge of the slot is partially intact even though it may be rounded over, use a small punch to move the screw counter clockwise to loosen. It may need to be tapped clockwise to loosen any rust under the head of the screw. Which is usually where the rust forms and locks the screw in place.

If unable to repair the screw I have used a Dremel tool with a small cutting disk installed to make a new slot perpendicular to the original. The same can be done with phillips head screws, hex head screws and bolts, star screws, etc. Be careful not to put a slot in the piece you working on. A very small cutting disk can often be the way to go. I save my cutting disks that I have worn down to 1/2 inch just for such a need. I also have a set of diamond coated cutting disks that work very well.

When all else fails it time to consider drilling the screw out. Here I'm not referring to drill a hole in the center of the screw or bolt and using an E-Z Out to remove it, but actually drilling the screw out of its threads or even making the hole larger and rethreading it to a new size and tpi. Here's a tip, if the screw can be accessed from its threaded end and opposite the head, center punch the end and use a drill bit smaller than the screw, carefully begin drilling and you may be surprised to have the screw remove itself without damaging the threads.

When drilling a screw out be cautious. If the screw size is already known, good. Most often the actual size is unknown. Center punch the screw head and use a center drill to start a hole. The using the smallest drill bit in your tool box drill a hole. Inspect the hole and determine if it is going in straight. If it's off, that is leaning to one side the hole will be off and making a new larger threaded hole will not be pretty. Don't drill very deep. Try and determine how thick the screw head is and only drill the pilot hole that deep. The step up to a larger drill bit and again only go as deep as you think the screw head is without getting into the threaded portion of the screw. As the drill bits are increased in size they will slowly enlarge the hole until the head separates from the screw. If the drilling has been accurate, the the body of the screw will be exposed with a perfectly centered point to begin drilling out the screw body. Using a drill of the appropriate size, drill out the screw body and thread it to the new size screw. A good, solid Drill press is and excellent tool for this type of work. It is very easy to make a mistake here so be careful.

Update on My Garage Sale 10-22

I cleaned up the barrel to reblue and then decided to have a friend parkerize the barrel. His parkerized finished is more on the gray side rather than black, and I believe, will make an interesting custom 10-22. I've stripped the receiver and draw filed and sanded the scars out of the top and rear of the receiver. My plan is to finish the receiver with a gray camouflage coating. After all, I am a Navy Veteran and it should be gray camouflage. The parts I ordered have arrived and new box magazines have been ordered. It's coming right along.

Quote of the Month

As for gun control advocates, I have no hope whatever that any facts whatever will make the

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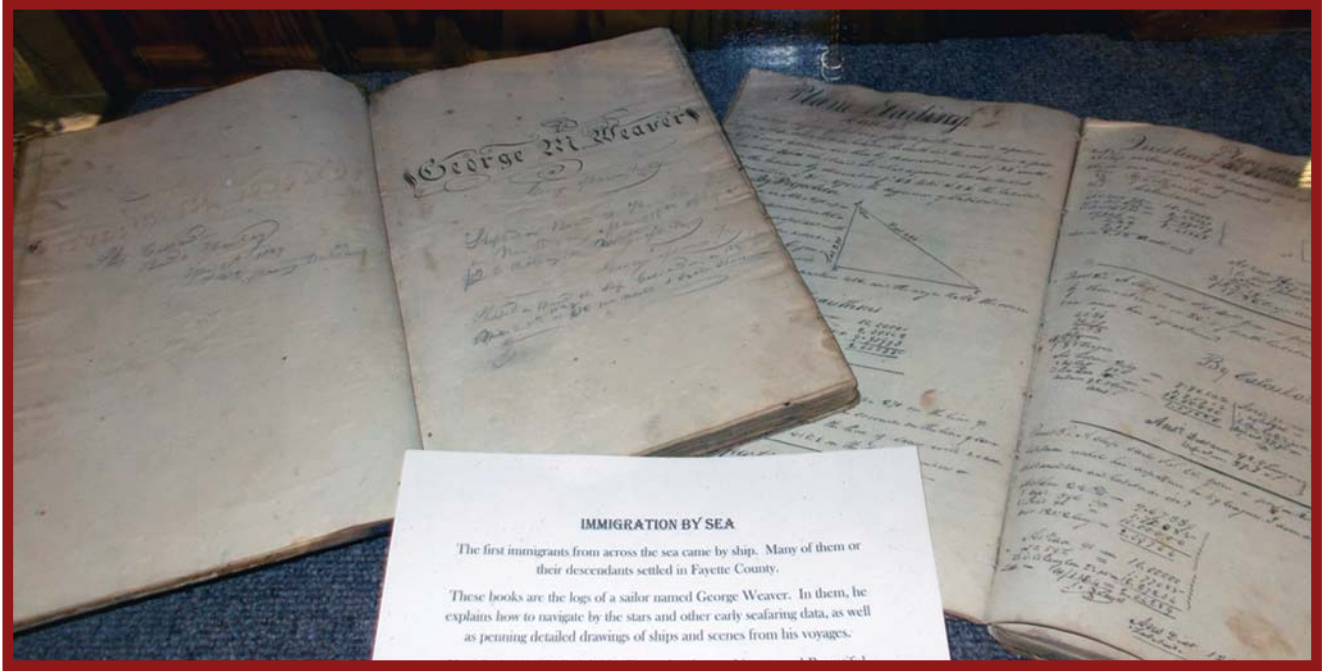
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Left Photo: George Weaver wrote these two log books in 1822 through 1827. He was born in Virginia, but he spent those years on the sea. Right Photo: These are the journals of George Weaver, sailor turned farmer, who lived and died in Fayette County. (Author Photos)

Whitewater Valley History



by **Donna Schroeder**
Fayette County Historical Museum

The Sailor

While we continue to move the museum, we find more and more items that we can now make room to display. My favorite of the past couple of weeks are a couple of log books written by George Weaver. These books were written in 1822 through 1827 or thereabouts. The script is beautiful, and the accompanying artwork is impressive. George was born in Virginia, so the census says, but he spent those years on the sea. The books are filled with calculations and instructions on how to navigate by the stars.

He doesn't tell anything about the faraway places he visited, but he does tell when he left here to sail to Hamburg, St. Thomas, and the south of France among others/

The books were stored away among the many other volumes in our collection. They are as clear as the day he penned them. When I found them, I knew I had to learn more about George, so I started to search. I found him, I think, in Pennsylvania, but it's hard to discern which George Weaver was which. There are several in the old census records, but the census didn't offer much information until 1850. I felt he had to have a connection to Fayette County, and the only George here in the 1850 census lived in Posey Township. He was a farmer. How did an adventurous sailor become a farmer with a family in Indiana?

I was sure that he had a connection to the fam-

ily that donated our beautiful Shrader Weaver Nature Preserve, but how could I be sure? I went to Findagrave, a site that contains millions of burial records, and there he was! He was buried with his wife, Catherine Hiser Weaver.

But was this the same George? This George had lived near Hiser Station Road. Could he have come here with his wife's family? There were no more clues, so I went back to his books. I scoured the pages for any hint. There were dates, destination, drawings, and poems. Suddenly, there it was! Catherine Hiser! He had written her name twice. If you've ever been in love, I'll bet you've done it. Somehow, writing the person's name can make you feel closer to him or her. I can imagine young George pining away for his Catherine while the soft sea breeze took him to faraway lands.

George's books are just one of the great things you can see when you visit the Fayette County Historical Museum.

I won't take a stand on immigration. I know opinions vary, but all of us are immigrants. George, I'm sure, helped bring some of our ancestors to America. Connersville will celebrate its diversity on September 29th with the first ever "Taste of Fayette County, an International Festival", sponsored by Community Voices. You won't want to miss this fun filled event!

Connersville's City Parking Lot is the site where various local restaurants will sell samples of their food, vendors from the Farmers' Market will display their wares, and "PASSPORT" stations will provide learning activities and hands on projects for the kids. There will also be some great giveaways and door prizes.

The evening will end with a street dance. You can stay updated on what's happening at <https://www.facebook.com/events/871895803020957/ti=cl>. That's the page for Community Voices.

It all happens between 4th and 5th Streets on Central Avenue in Connersville. This is a great



Andrew Neff, Civil War soldier. His memoirs are on sale at the museum. (Author Photo)

opportunity to learn more about different cultures and "cut a rug" at the end of the evening. The event runs from 2 p.m. til 9 p.m. We invite you to come and share the day with us!

It will also be a great opportunity to visit the museum at 200 West 5th. We will be there from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. We've been working hard to make this a destination for you!

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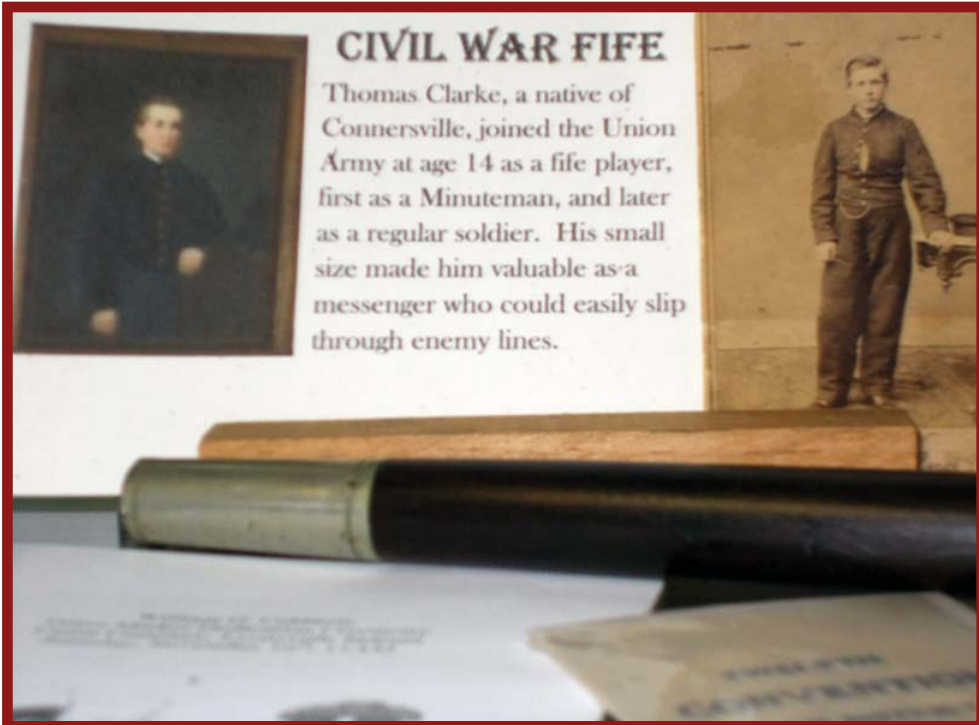
Left Photo: The Manlove cradle was brought to Fayette County when the northern part of the county was opened to settlement. It was hand made in North Carolina. The first white child born in Posey Twp. slept in it. Right Photo: The cabin has many items from pioneer life in the Whitewater Valley. (Author Photos)



The museum has a great selection of textile related items. Pictured are an early electric sewing machine, a "fluter" that was used to make pleated ruffles on clothing, and a hand driven sewing machine from about 1860. We also have an antique loom and other articles of early days. (Author Photo)



Store contains many of the items that would have been available in an early county store. (Author Photo)



The Thomas Clarke joined the Union Army at the age of 14 as a Minuteman. In theory, males under the age of 16 weren't allowed, but many young men weren't honest about their ages. The Minutemen served for about ten days and were mustered under the treat of Morgan's Raiders. After that service, he joined again as a musician. He served with honor and went on to become an extremely successful telegrapher, having become interested in the telegraph during the war.

(Editor's Note: I left The Gad-a-bout I published from 1973 to 1978 in a building in Nulltown that had the Faikert Bros. name on it. It was south of Connersville on SR 121.)

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Prairie Wolf Gun Repair

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slightest dent in their thinking - or lack of thinking. - Thomas Sowell

I must apologize for no pictures this month. I looked around the shop for any bugged up screws but I fix 'em or ditch 'em and I must have ditched all I had.

That's all for this month. These notes are mine alone and do not represent the opinion or position of anyone, just me. If you have a question or a comment on guns, gunsmithing, gun rights, or, would like to just make a comment email me with your comments at PrairieWolfGuns@gmail.com. I'll answer your questions with the most up to date information available. Some answers may be included in this column as I'm sure there are others with the same question. No question dealing with guns or self-defense is a bad or stupid question. Only those questions not asked.

Remember, B SAR (Be Safe, Be Aware, Be Responsible)

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Roaming The Outdoors

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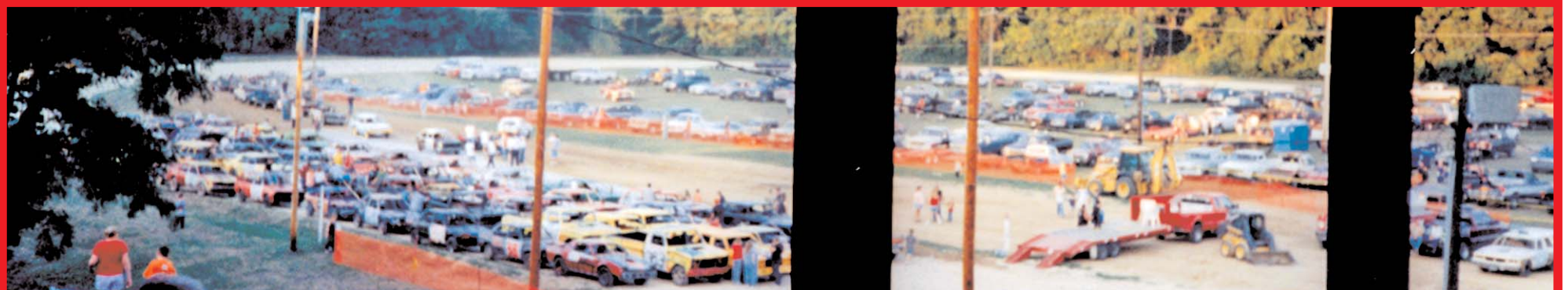
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Fed RTP	.22 LR	500 rds	40 Gr CPRN	\$28.99
Fed Range Pack	.22 LR	275 rds	40 Gr LRN	\$13.99
Fed Auto Match	.22 LR	325 rds	40 Gr LRN	\$22.99
Rem Golden Bullet	.22 LR	100 rds	36 Gr CPHP	\$6.99
Hornady 17 HMR	.17 HMR	50 rds	17 Gr V-Max	\$11.99
Hornady 22 Mag	.22 Mag	50 rds	30 Gr V-Max	\$11.99



**Marion Township
(Millhousen) VFD**

75 Gun Raffle
September 8th, 2018
Doors open at 4:30, Drawing Starts at 6:00
7935 S CR 250 E. Greensburg, IN 47240

Early Bird Special:

Buy your ticket before August 13th and be entered in a special drawing for a custom engraved Henry Golden Boy .22 long rifle!

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!!!

Dinner for 2 is included with your ticket.

Other raffles happening throughout the whole evening!

See any MTVFD member for tickets.

For more information contact:
Ian Hammond (812) 593-6271
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Ron Fry (812) 614-8388

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G42NG	\$139.99	Viewer	\$99.99

Scope Sale

	Vortex Crossfire	3-9	\$149.99
		4-12	\$169.99
		6-24	\$279.99
	Bushnell Banner	3-9 Blister Pack	\$49.99
		3-9 Box	\$79.99
	Trophy	3-9	\$74.99
		4-12	\$174.99
Legend	3-9	\$149.99	

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FEDERAL PREMIUM AMMUNITION			Sale Price per 1000 RDS
Manufacturer	Caliber		
CCI Blazer Brass	.9MM 115		\$200
CCI Blazer Brass	.45 ACP 230 Gr		\$350
CCI Blazer Brass	.40 S&W 165 & 180 Gr		\$320
Federal	AE223J, .223 55Gr FMJ		\$300
CCI	Federal XM193 5.56 55 Gr FMJ		\$350
Federal	RTP .38 SPL 130 Gr		\$280
Federal	RTP .380 ACP 95 Gr FMJ		\$280
Federal	RTP .5.56 55 Gr FMJ		\$300
			\$2.75/5 Rds
Remington	Sluggers 20 Ga		



Reloading Powder Sale

WC760	\$17.99	IMR4320	\$18.99
WSH	\$16.99	CFE223	\$17.99
H4831	\$19.99	HI-SKOR 800X	\$17.99
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