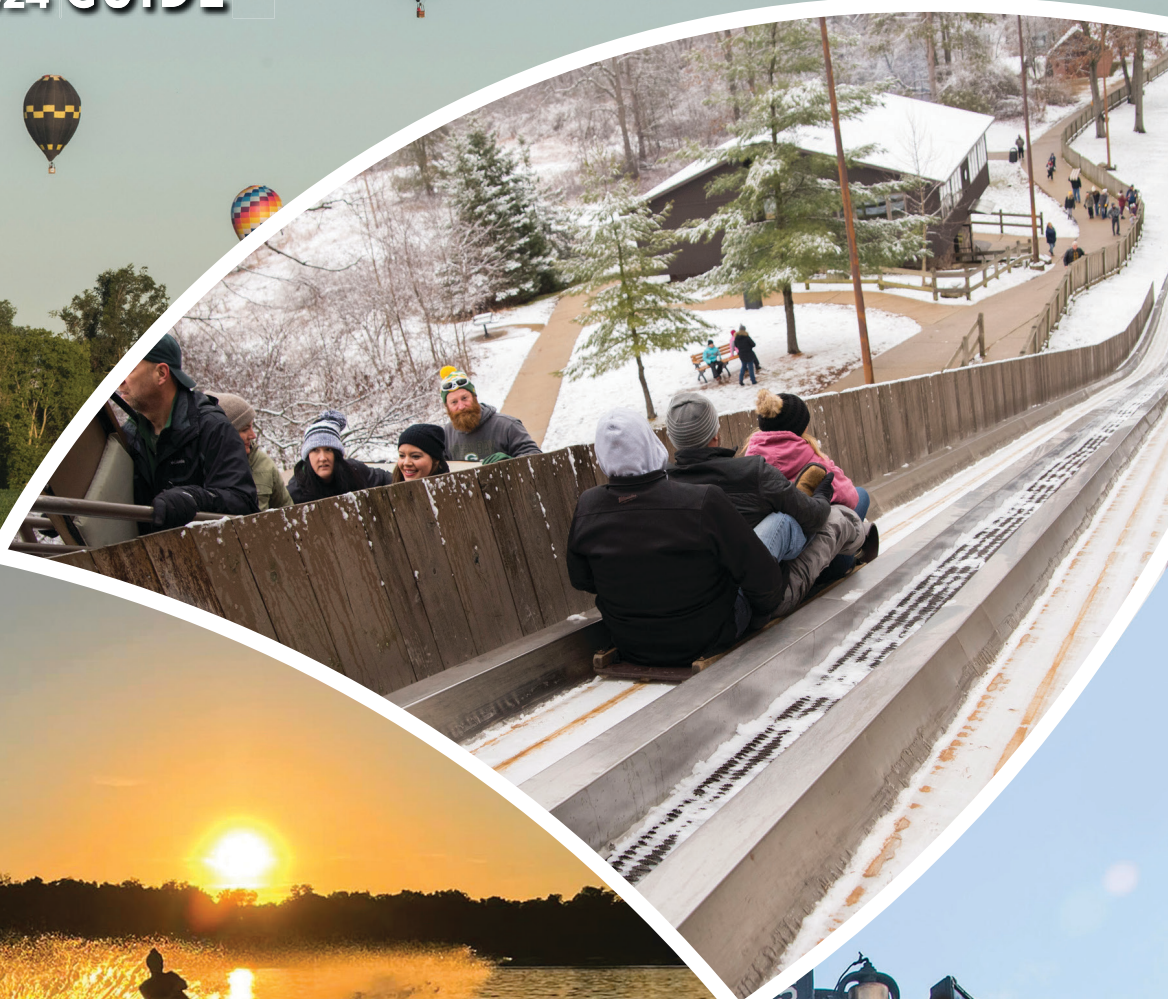


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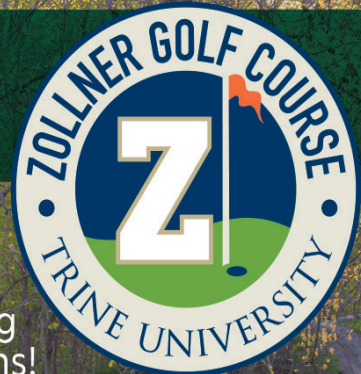
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# Welcome

## TO NORTHERN INDIANA LAKES COUNTRY

With more than 101 natural lakes and the state's most beautiful park, Pokagon State Park, Steuben County is a recreational wonderland. Whether you're here for a day or an extended visit, this guide can provide you with the information you need to plan your stay.

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### FARMERS MARKETS

A variety of fresh fruits and vegetables plus local honey, hanging baskets, fresh-cut melons and fresh baked goods can be found at the farmer's markets in the county.

The Steuben County Farmers Market is open Saturday from

8 a.m. to noon, May through October, at the Steuben County Community Center, 317 S. Wayne St., Angola.

A market is open Wednesday from 8 a.m. to noon, July through October, at 206 N. Wayne St., Angola.



# Pokagon State Park

A variety of recreational opportunities awaits you at Pokagon State Park, Indiana's most beautiful state park. Located on State Road 127, just off Old 27, Interstate 69 Exit 354 and near Interstate 80/90 (the Indiana Toll Road), the park draws more than 750,000 people annually. Its 1,260 acres of picnic and hiking areas, camping facilities and the highly acclaimed Potawatomi Inn promise fun in Steuben County.

An annual entrance permit, good at any Indiana Department

of Natural Resources property, is \$50 for Hoosiers and \$70 for non-residents. A Golden Hoosier passport for Indiana residents 65 and older is \$25.

The entrance fee into the park is \$7 for Indiana residents and \$9 for out-of-state vehicles. The fee is \$2 per person on a bus, bicycle, walk-in entry or commercial van.

Pokagon is open 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily throughout the year.

## CAMPING

Number of sites: 273. Electrical sites: \$32.10/night Thursday-Saturday; \$24.61/night Sunday-Wednesday and \$35.31/night holiday weekends. Non-electrical sites: \$20.33/night Thursday-Saturday; \$17.12/night Sunday-Wednesday and \$23.54/night holiday weekends. Premium sites are available for \$26.75/night Sunday-Wednesday; \$34.24 Thursday-Saturday and \$37.45 on holidays. Between Nov. 1 and April 1, campground 3 will be open for winter camping and restroom shower facilities will be available. Electric sites are \$24.61 per night. Premium sites for winter camping are \$26.75/night.

Youth tent camping also is available for \$2 per person per night. Aside from chaperones, all campers must be under the age of 21. The capacity is 100, with 20 campers per site. A minimum of \$20 per site will be charged. Reservations are taken up to six months in advance.

A group camp also is available for up to 120 people between

April 1-October 31. Facilities include 12 cabins with bunks, a counselor's cabin, craft room, two bunk houses, full kitchen and dining hall, 1/2 basketball court and sand volleyball court. Camp rental is \$513.60 including tax per night. A reservation and deposit are required and the camp may be reserved in advance up to one year to the day. Between Nov. 1 and March 31, the group camp is available for up to 50 people for \$513.60. Facilities are limited in the winter. A reservation and deposit are required and the camp may be reserved up to one year in advance to the day.

All camping reservations can be made by calling toll-free 1-866-6CAMPIN. Hours are noon to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Reservations can be made online at [www.camp.in.gov](http://www.camp.in.gov)

Pokagon's office is open daily 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Call (260) 833-2012 for additional information.

## TRINE STATE RECREATION AREA

The Trine State Recreation Area is on the opposite side of I-69 from Pokagon State Park. Trine SRA is nearly 200 acres and features Gentian Lake, a 23-acre kettle-hole lake.

Boat rentals, licenses, and bait are available at the Trine Welcome Center. Only property-owned boats are allowed, which helps regulate traffic density on the water and prevents the unintentional introduction of exotic plants and animals. Paddleboats, kayaks and fishing boats with electric motors can be rented at the property. Fishing is allowed from rental boats and from a public fishing pier with permit.

The original Wing Haven resort on the property from the early 1940's to early 1970's has been remodeled

and updated. The resort's dining lodge is now the Swenson Lodge, a meeting and conference center available for rent. Twelve cabin units, including two pet-friendly cabins, with accommodations ranging from two to six persons and the Wild Turkey picnic shelter accommodating 160 people are also available.

The wooded grounds, scattered wetlands and open meadows offer excellent hiking and nature study opportunities. The 2.5-mile Rolling Oaks multi-use trail is open for hikers and bikers. When there is enough snow, tubing and sledding are available.

Trine SRA property and Welcome Center hours vary seasonally. For more information, call Pokagon State Park at (260) 833-2012.





## PICNIC AREAS

Tables, grills, toilet facilities, playground equipment and play fields are provided. All trash carried in must be carried out. Picnic areas are first come first serve.

## BEACH

Pokagon offers two beaches that are open for sunning or swimming. Swim at your own risk sunrise to sunset.

There is no additional cost to visitors, although an entrance fee is required to enter the park. The bathhouse at the main beach is open Memorial Day through Labor Day 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The main beach also features a concession stand, playground equipment and a sand volleyball court. The beach in front of the Potawatomi Inn is open at your leisure and also features two sand volleyball courts.

## STABLES

Visitors may take a guided horse ride along some of the park's trails. Riders must be at least 8 years old and 52 inches tall. There is a weight limit of 250 pounds. Stable hours are weekends 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 1 through Memorial Day; daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day and weekends 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Labor Day through late fall. Trail rides are \$30 per person. Prices are subject to change.

The saddle barn staff also conducts pony rides for children over the age of 1 and weekend hayrides. Pony and hayrides are \$5 per person. For more information and same day reservations call (260) 833-6007.

## SHELTER HOUSES

Five shelter houses are available at various rental fees.

These can be reserved up to one year in advance to the date of arrival and as early as 48 hours prior to the date of arrival. Prices range from \$30 to \$55. Call 1-866-6CAMPIN for reservations or visit [www.camp.in.gov](http://www.camp.in.gov).

## BIKES

Bike rental is available at the Potawatomi Inn for \$8 an hour, \$20 for a half-day and \$25 for all day. Pokagon offers a 1.6 mile hard-surface bike trail. Prices are subject to change.

## BOAT RENTAL

V-bottom row boats are available to rent for \$6 per hour or \$25 per day. Paddle boats are \$8 per hour, plus \$8 per each additional hour. Kayak rental is \$8 per hour or \$30 per day plus tax. Double kayaks are \$16 per hour or \$60 per day. Fishing boat rental is \$40 per hour for a 14-foot boat, \$12 per additional hour or \$100 per day. Life jackets are required for all types of boats. You may use one of the park's free of charge or bring your own approved boat cushion. The rental is located in front of the Potawatomi Inn. Pontoon boats are available Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. An advanced deposit is required. Contact the Potawatomi Inn at (877) 768-2928 or (260) 833-1077 for reservations and information.

## WARMING CENTER

From April to November, the warming center next to the toboggan slide can be rented for \$107 to \$112.35. Tables and chairs are provided, along with a small refrigerator and three deep sinks. For reservations call 1-866-6CAMPIN or visit [www.camp.in.gov](http://www.camp.in.gov).

## NATURE CENTER

Pokagon's Nature Center is open Wednesday-Sunday year-round from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Interpretive nature programs are available on weekends, fall to spring and daily during the summer. The schedule may be viewed at [www.dnr.in.gov](http://www.dnr.in.gov). Follow the links. For more information, call the park office at (260) 833-2012.

# Pokagon State Park



## REFRIGERATED TOBOGGAN

Traveling at speeds of 40 miles per hour, the refrigerated toboggan takes about 40 seconds to reach the end of the track. The slide is closed on Thanksgiving and opens from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. the day after Thanksgiving. It's open 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve and closed Christmas.

The slide has come a long way since the days when there was nothing but a large hill for people to use. As time passed, a platform was built, and then replaced by the raised tower of today. In the early 1970s, the slide was refrigerated, making snow and cold weather unnecessary.

Riders can enjoy coffee, snacks and a warm fire at the warming center next to the toboggan run. It's open when the toboggan's operating.

Slide hours are Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. During Christmas break, the slide is open during the week extended hours. Call the park office at (260) 833-2012 or visit [www.tobogganrun.com](http://www.tobogganrun.com) for more information.

Park personnel may close the slide when temperatures fall to zero or below.

Sleds are \$20 per hour including tax and hold up to four people. Prices are subject to change. A driver's license is required as a deposit for every four toboggan rentals. You must rent a park sled. Hours are subject to change.

## SNOW SHOE RENTAL

Snowshoes are available to rent at the toboggan rental room when the toboggan is open. Snowshoes and poles will be rented when there is a minimum of 4 inches of snow. The rental fee is \$10 per hour. A driver's license will be held as a deposit and four sets of equipment may be rented with one driver's license. Snowshoes may be rented at the same time as a toboggan using the same ID as a deposit for both. The driver's license will be returned when all equipment is returned and rental charges are settled. Equipment may be

rented from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and must be returned to the rental room by 6 p.m. Snowshoes and poles may be used on all Pokagon trails. All sizes are available in limited quantities. Rental is first come, first served. There are also specialty snow shoes for kids, including monster feet and light-up shoes, available for children under 12. For information, call the park office at (260) 833-2012.

## CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

At Pokagon, you don't have to worry about bringing your own equipment. Visitors may rent equipment at the toboggan rental room. The rental is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday only and extended weekdays during Christmas break when snow conditions are favorable. Ski rental is \$10 per hour per set. Prices are subject to change. A driver's license is required as a deposit. If you have your own skis, you may ski anytime.

The beginner (novice) trail is the easy to moderate trail, scattered with slopes and gentle curves. It provides a variety of terrain and runs through the woods and past the nature center where skiers can grab a drink and short rest before returning to the shelter. The moderate trail heads north over wooded hills, back along wetlands and past the historic Spring Shelter. It then enters the hushed cover of an old pine forest and back into the campgrounds toward the shelter, following the sweeping landscape of open woods and winter-quiet campsites. For the adventurous skier, we have a third trail. The advanced-rugged loop departs from the far side of the moderate trail and heads out to the rolling Bluebird Hills of trails 7 and 8 before returning to the moderate trail.

All skiers must be off the trails by 5 p.m. All persons under 16 must be accompanied by an adult who is skiing, when renting equipment. Skiers with rented equipment must stay on the marked, groomed trails designed for them.

For more information or to check snow conditions, call (260) 833-2012. The office is open daily 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

# Pokagon Bird Watching

Against a summer blue sky, two magnificent birds soar over Lake James before descending onto the lawn of the Potawatomi Inn. For the couple enjoying their morning coffee on a nearby park bench, the sight of these Sandhill Cranes is an unexpected delight. The pair—each standing more than three and a half feet tall—are actually regular visitors at Pokagon State Park. One of two known nesting pairs that arrive in March and head South in November, these birds enjoy poking around the lawn for their morning meal. As the Sandhill Cranes can tell you, Pokagon is home to many native birds and makes for a perfect stopping ground for those migrating through.

Between Pokagon State Park and nearby Trine State Recreation Area, visitors can explore 1,460 acres of woodland, prairie, wetlands, and lakeshore. These different landscapes—shaped by receding glaciers more than 10,000 years ago—provide diverse habitats for many resident and migrating birds.

Along Trail 3, visitors can walk a wetland boardwalk to look for yellow warblers, redheaded woodpeckers, or the clucking call of a Virginia Rail. Continue on the trail and hike to the highest peak in the park, Hell's Point where a viewing platform allows hikers to see the tree tops of the hardwood forest.

On Trail 7, walk along Bluebird Hill where an Eastern bluebird is likely to be nesting in one of the many birdhouses. Take a break on the bench overlooking the wetland where it is not uncommon to see geese, ducks, and a busy beaver swimming through the water.



Just a few minutes from Pokagon State Park is Trine State Recreation Area—a quiet and tranquil property along Gentian Lake. Here, birders can have the joy of seeing an osprey catching fish or hear the screech of a red tail hawk soaring over a meadow full of wildflowers.

For those looking for a guided hike, the Pokagon State Park Interpretive Naturalists lead bird walks in all four seasons. Approximately 90-minutes, the hike is perfect for birdwatchers of all experience levels. Regular attendees also get a chance to watch the park change through the seasons and see different bird species depending on the time of year.

Another popular place for birdwatching is at the Woodland Window inside the Pokagon State Park Nature Center. Visitors can observe birds and other wildlife through a 20-foot long window overlooking numerous bird feeding stations. The sounds of the birds are even brought indoors with the use of a microphone placed outside. In winter, the stunning Pileated Woodpecker makes a regular stop at the suet feeder while colorful rose-breasted grosbeaks visit in the spring. Aside from birds, many squirrels and chipmunks also take advantage of the bird buffet!

If you would like more information on upcoming Interpretive Programs available at Pokagon State Park, including the guided bird walks, visit <http://on.in.gov/pokagon>.

— *By Pokagon Nature Center Staff*



# Fun on the Lakes

ENJOY THE BEAUTY AND RECREATION OF MORE THAN 101 LAKES

With more than 101 lakes and three navigable creeks and rivers, Steuben County offers a variety of water activities.

There are 16 public access sites in the county that offer free access, plus a handful of paid sites. Visit [lakes101.org](http://lakes101.org) for a complete list and directions. More detailed information on the public access sites is available at [www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild](http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild). Some of the free access sites include the Lake James chain, Big

Bower, West Otter and Fox lakes.

Pontoon, ski and fishing boats are available at some area marinas, while Pokagon State Park offers fishing, kayak, pontoon and paddleboat rentals during the summer.

Steuben County has public beaches on the following lakes: Pleasant, Hamilton, Clear and Crooked plus two at Pokagon State Park. There are no lifeguards on duty at the beaches.



# Get Hooked on Fishing

Steuben County, with 101 natural lakes, has numerous places to fish. Here's a look at just a few of the species available throughout our area.

## LARGEMOUTH BASS

Hamilton Lake, the Lake James chain, Lake George and the Pigeon River chain of lakes are hard to beat. Lake George is divided by the Michigan/Indiana state line at the public boat ramp. Lake George is one of five border lakes included in a reciprocal fishing privileges agreement between Indiana and Michigan. The agreement provides licensed resident anglers of either state, as well as minor resident children, may fish in any part of the five lakes with a valid resident license. However, you must follow the regulations of the state having jurisdiction over that portion of the waters in which fishing is done.

## SMALLMOUTH BASS

Clear Lake, Lake James, Crooked Lake and Lake Gage are good choices. Generally the best fishing for smallmouth bass is in May during the pre through post spawning period. In these clear water lakes, don't hesitate to fish in depths of 10 feet or more.

## NORTHERN PIKE

Hamilton, the Lake James chain and Clear Lake provide good pike fishing. Hamilton is known for numbers of pike while Clear produces fewer but larger fish. Clear Lake holds the current state record pike at 30 lbs. 2 oz. While trolling produces its share of fish, it's hard to beat fishing a live sucker along the deep side of the weed beds.

## WALLEYE

Clear and Crooked lakes both provide good walleye fishing. However, Clear Lake is tougher to figure out. If time is short, try Crooked. Most weed beds in 10 or so feet of water hold walleye. Various crank baits, jigs tipped with a minnow or a half of a night crawler or a crawler fished below a slip sinker all produce fish. You can also slow troll a nightcrawler on a spinner blade harness. Casting the shallows at night with floating/diving slim minor style crank baits is another popular method.

## BLUEGILL

There are simply too many choices for this popular fish. The Lake James chain is high on the list. Fox Lake and the Pigeon Creek chain of lakes are also good choices. If you are after size over numbers, give Clear Lake a try. If you want to get away from the boat traffic, give Marsh Lake west of Fremont and Fish Lake north of Fremont a shot.

## REDEAR

Lake George, Snow Lake, Lake James and Fox Lake are hard to beat.

## CRAPPIE

Hamilton would top the northeast Indiana list. In the natural lakes crappies are cyclic by nature. One or two large year classes can carry the fishery for several years. However, the fishery can nearly disappear as the population drops out at the bottom of the cycle. Golden Lake and Long Lake near Clear Lake both offer good crappie fishing.

## YELLOW PERCH

Lake James, Clear and Fox Lake are top perch picks.

## TROUT

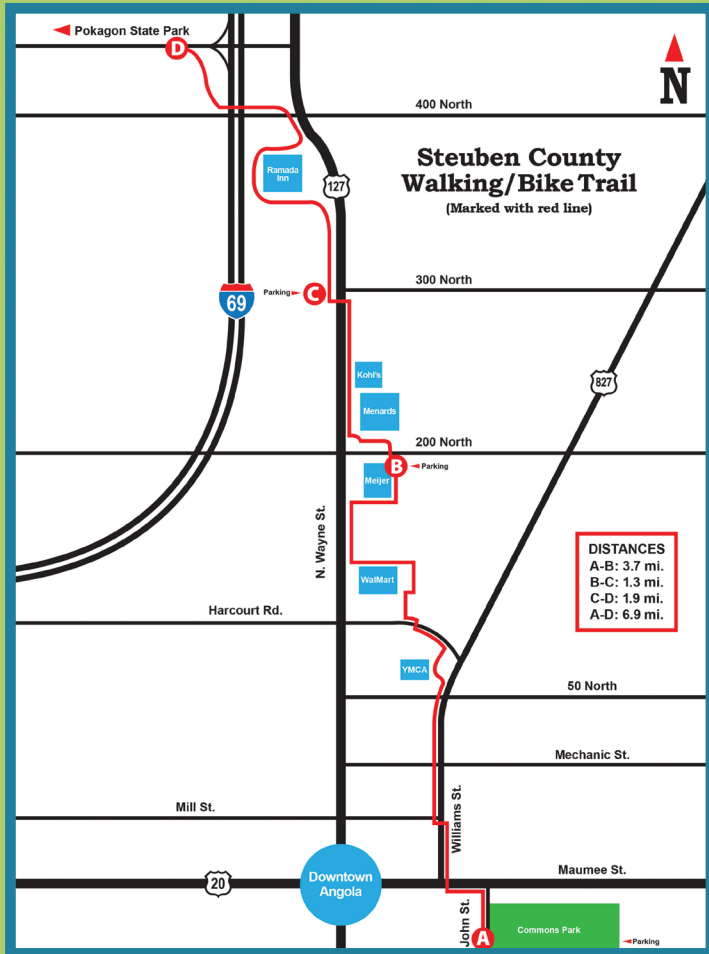
Lake Gage annually is stocked with rainbow trout. This has been a Steuben County favorite for years. The Pigeon River also is annually stocked with trout. The stream season opens on the last Saturday in April and runs until the end of the year.

For a complete list of seasons and fishing regulations, be sure to check out the annual Indiana Fishing Regulation Guide. The guide and additional information on fishing can be found at the IDNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife home page, [www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild](http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild).

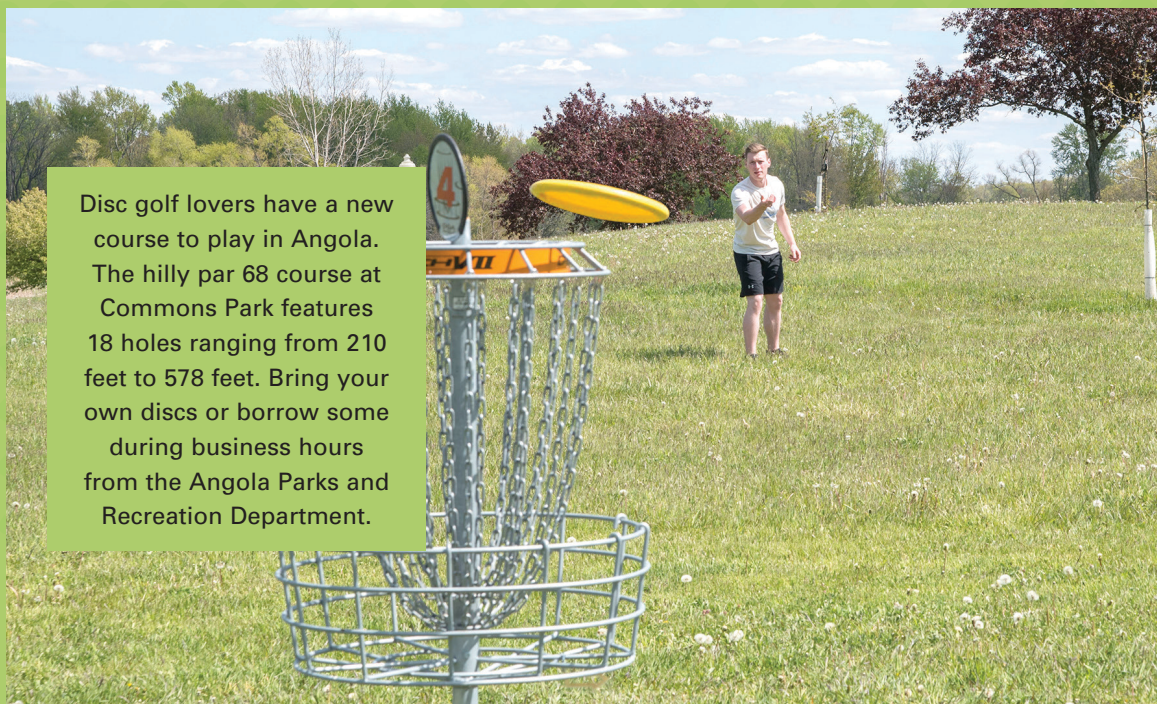
— *Larry Koza, Indiana Fisheries Biologist at the Fawn River State Fish Hatchery in Orland, contributed to this article.*



# Stay Active IN STEUBEN COUNTY



The Steuben County Multipurpose Trail takes walkers and bikers between Angola and Pokagon State Park. The nearly seven-mile trail starts near Commons Park in Angola, winds along Williams Street, then runs parallel to State Road 127 and into the park.



Disc golf lovers have a new course to play in Angola. The hilly par 68 course at Commons Park features 18 holes ranging from 210 feet to 578 feet. Bring your own discs or borrow some during business hours from the Angola Parks and Recreation Department.

# Natural Wonders

## THE BEAUTY OF LAKES COUNTRY ABOUNDS

Wing Haven, part of the nonprofit organization ACRES Land Trust, is open to outdoor enthusiasts daily. A historic log building on the site where local artist Helen Swenson housed her art studio is open for special events.

One of 16 ACRES preserves in Steuben County, Wing Haven is ideal for hiking, birding, nature study and photography. Located off State Road 127 at 180 W. 400 N., Wing Haven has glacially carved kettle lakes and a wetland fen system.

The following preserves are open daily, dawn to dusk, for hiking:

Marion's Woods, ACRES' newest area preserve, is nestled between residential neighborhoods in Angola. A half-mile trail loops through a mature woods of oak, hickory and black cherry. The preserve is located at 805 Calvary Lane.

Adjacent to Pokagon State Park, Beechwood Nature Reserve is located near Little Otter Lake at 5145 N. State Road 127 in Fremont. It has a mixture of lakes country habitats, including a beech-maple forest, rolling meadows and a fen. A good choice for a longer hike, the nearly two miles of rolling trails connect to Pokagon's trail system. Two other small preserves, Foster and Majneri Nature Preserves, are also accessible from Beechwood.

High ridges of woodland surround a small glacial lake at Ropchan Memorial. Located two miles east of Orland at 6830 N. 750 W., the 1.5 mile trail skirts a low wetland area and has a variety of birds and wildflowers.

Similarly-named Ropchan Wildlife Refuge is south of Fremont at 4990 N. State Road 827. The 3.5 miles of trails travel through an oak-hickory forest, fields in different stages of succession and the wetlands surrounding Cemetery Lake. The wildlife and birds are as varied as the habitat.

The Brammall Nature Preserve features portions of Pigeon Lake and Pigeon Creek and all of Pigeon Pond. Located east of Angola at 2630 E. U.S. Highway 20, the preserve's 1.5 miles of trails pass through rolling meadows and wetland forests. There are opportunities to spot wildlife such as white tailed deer and wild turkeys. The adjacent Richard Bruner nature preserve is accessible by canoe.

Hamilton has two ACRES preserves. With a panoramic view

of Ball Lake, Robb Hidden Canyon has a steep-sided ravine with a clear stream running through it, almost two miles of trails and a variety of birds and wildflowers. The preserve is located at 425 Lane 201 Ball Lake. On the north side of the lake, explore Ball Lake at 180 Lane 101 Ball Lake. It features a low wetland forest with marsh marigold and skunk cabbage along the quarter mile trail.

Wing Haven and other ACRES nature preserves are listed with maps and directions at [www.acreslandtrust.org/preserves](http://www.acreslandtrust.org/preserves).

Other areas that are ideal for hiking include the Pigeon River State Fish & Wildlife Area located south of Orland and south of State Road 120, west of State Road 327 North on County Road 300 North.

The Anspaugh Wildlife Habitat Trust Area is open to the public on a limited basis. The 80-acre tract on Loon Lake south of County Road 100 North west of Loon Lake public access off Landis Road includes lowland woods, wet meadows, shrub wetlands and lake frontage.

The Clear Lake Township Land Conservancy has a variety of properties around the lake. For more information, visit [www.clearlakeconservancy.org](http://www.clearlakeconservancy.org)

Vistula Park, located in back of the Fremont Public Library off State Road 120, features 56 acres, with nearly half in a natural state. There's a 10-foot wide paved trail which meanders through a high-quality woodland and wetland complex. Picnic tables are provided.

The 2.1 mile Fish Creek Trail in Hamilton is accessed on the south side of Bellefontaine Road, across from Gnagy Park.

# Historic Places

## OUR HERITAGE AND HISTORY

For 103 years, visitors to Steuben County have been greeted by the Soldiers' Monument in downtown Angola. Built in 1917, the monument commemorates the men who fought in the Civil War.

Columbia, the heroic-sized figure that stands atop the 70-foot-high monument, can be seen holding a flag and a wreath of peace. The four lower statues represent the four branches of service and are known as Infantryman at Parade Rest, Cavalryman, Artilleryman and Sailor.

A conglomeration of architectural styles, the Old Steuben County Jail is also included in the National Register. The brick and concrete structure, completed in 1877, cost \$21,144 to build and housed the jail, sheriff's residence and office. At one time, four-star General Lewis B. Hershey resided in the old jail with his father, the sheriff.

One of five Steuben County buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the Steuben County Courthouse is located on the southeast side of the public square in Angola, the county seat. Built in 1868, the brick structure with ornamental brackets under the cornice is trimmed in dark green ivy in the summer.

Located at 313 E. Maumee St. in Angola, the Cline Memorial House Museum is a memorial to Cyrus and Jennie Cline.

The museum is open Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day.

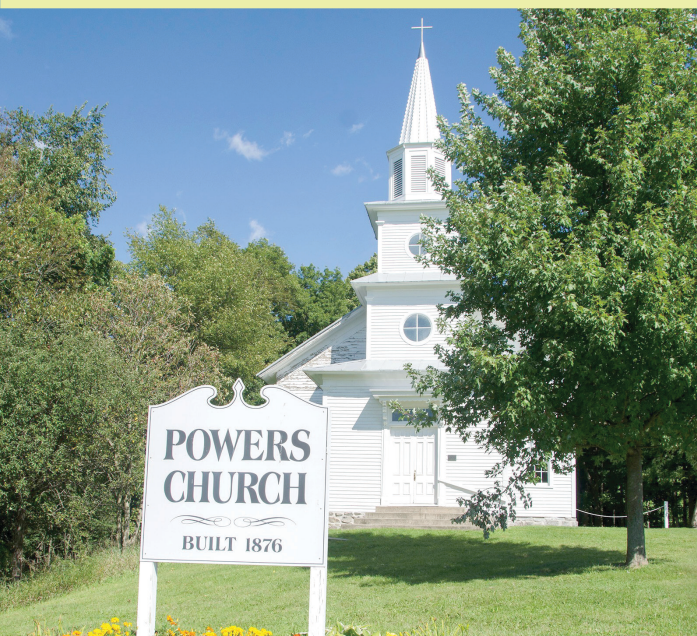
Call the Steuben County Historical Society at (260) 833-9852 for information.

Powers Church is located 1/4 mile north of U.S. Highway 20, nine miles east of Angola on Old Road 1. The church was built in 1876 and regular services were held there until the 1920s. Renovations began in 1976 and the church now features original oak and butternut woodwork, kerosene lamps and an original pump organ. Summer services are still being held.

Built in 1877, the Collins Schoolhouse housed students in grades one through eight with one teacher until 1943. Located on State Road 120 between Fremont and Orland, the school is open Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m. June through August. Call Sharridee Collins at (260) 667-7216 for more information. Group tours are available by appointment.

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The Pleasant Lake History Museum features artifacts relating to the town's history. Various individuals, organizations and businesses are highlighted throughout the museum, located at 1265 W. Main St. It's open Sundays between 2 and 4 p.m. and by appointment by calling (260) 403-1803.



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### JUNE

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### JULY

4- "Hometown Heroes" 4th of July Parade  
11AM Downtown Angola

### AUGUST

5- Angola Art Festival  
9AM - 2PM Downtown Angola  
24- Trine Fest  
5:30PM - 9:30PM Downtown Angola

### SEPTEMBER

20- Cruise to the Monument  
5PM - 8PM Downtown

### OCTOBER

28- Downtown Spooktacular  
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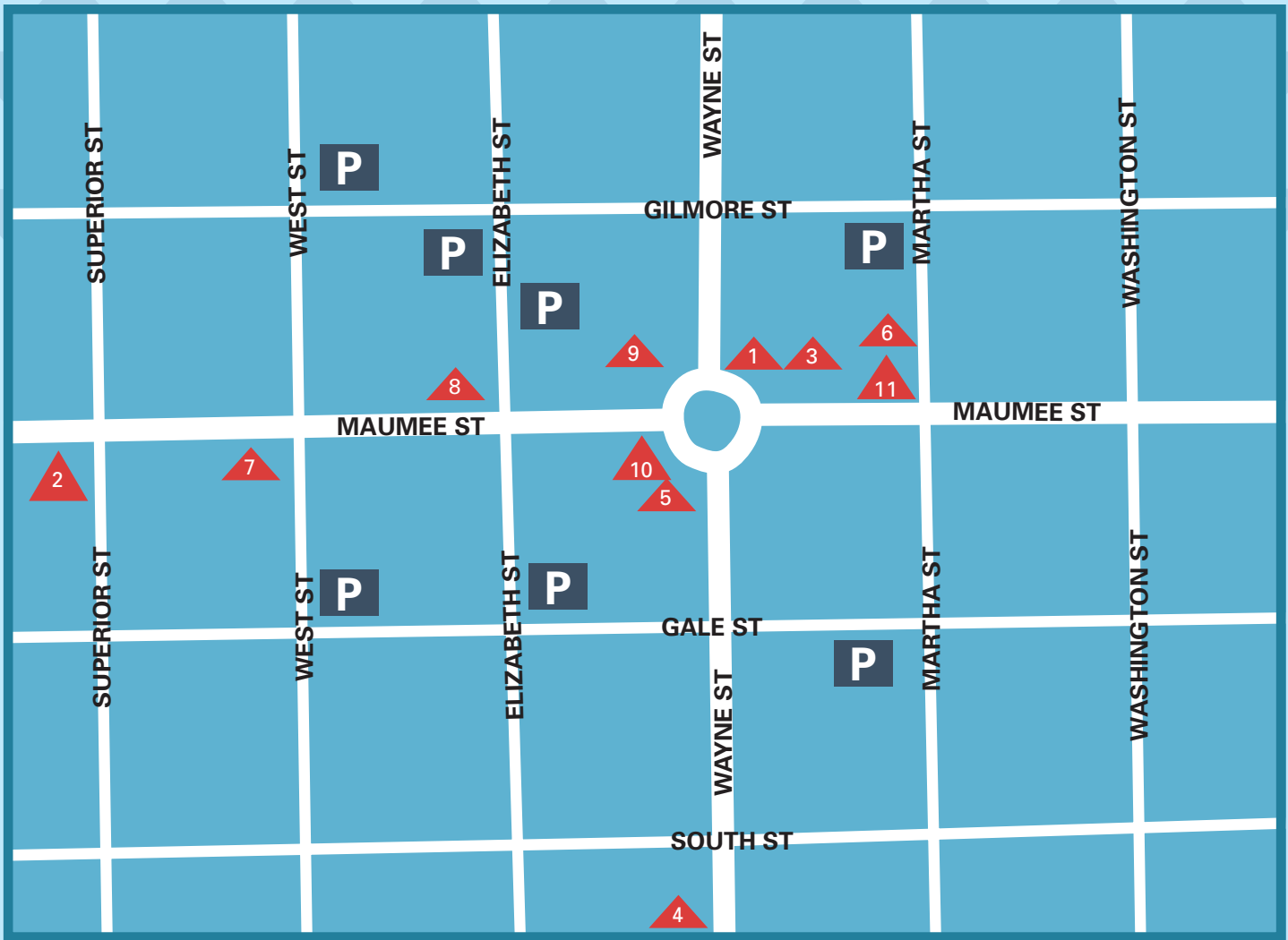
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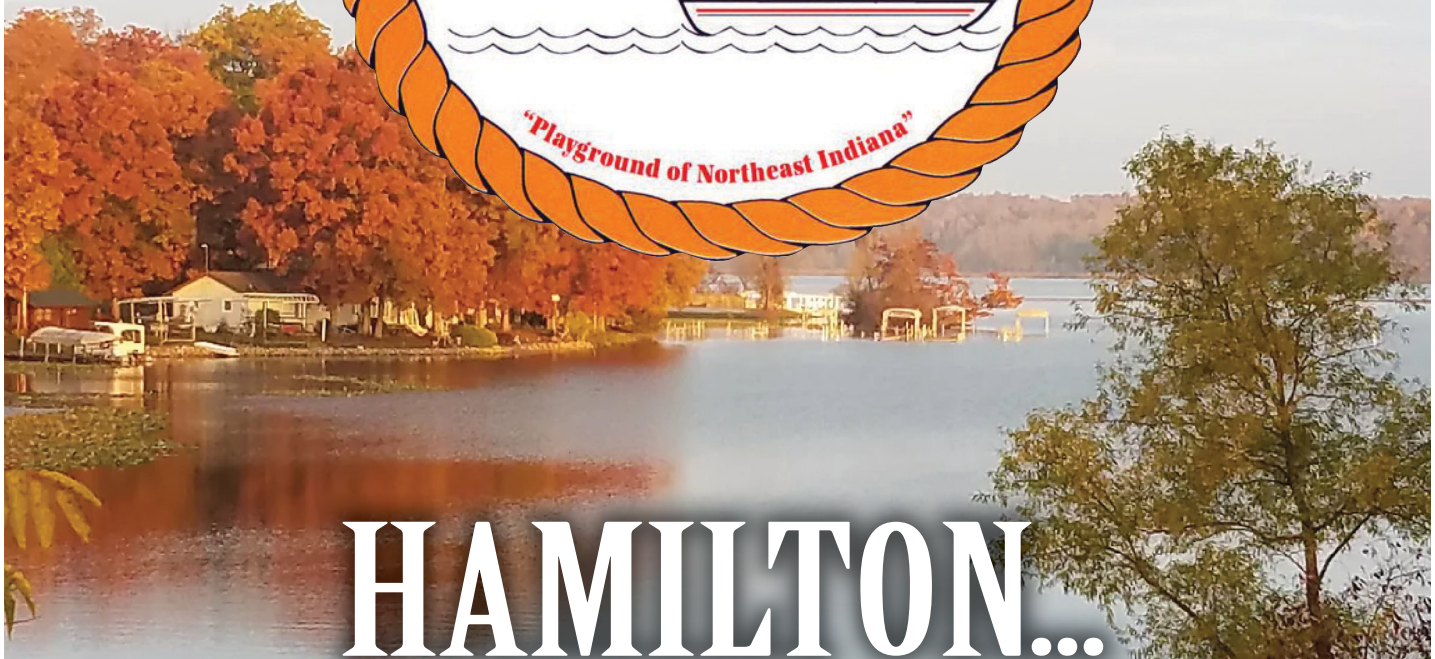


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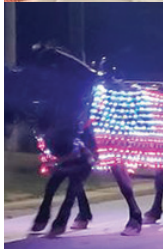
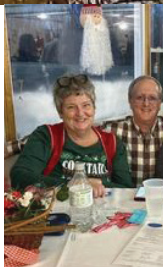
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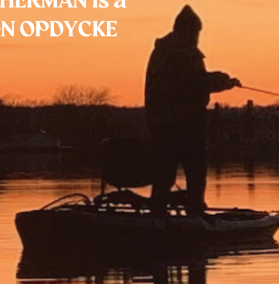


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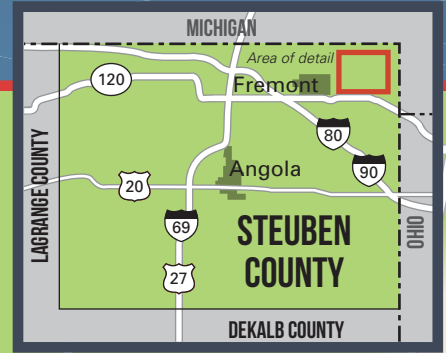
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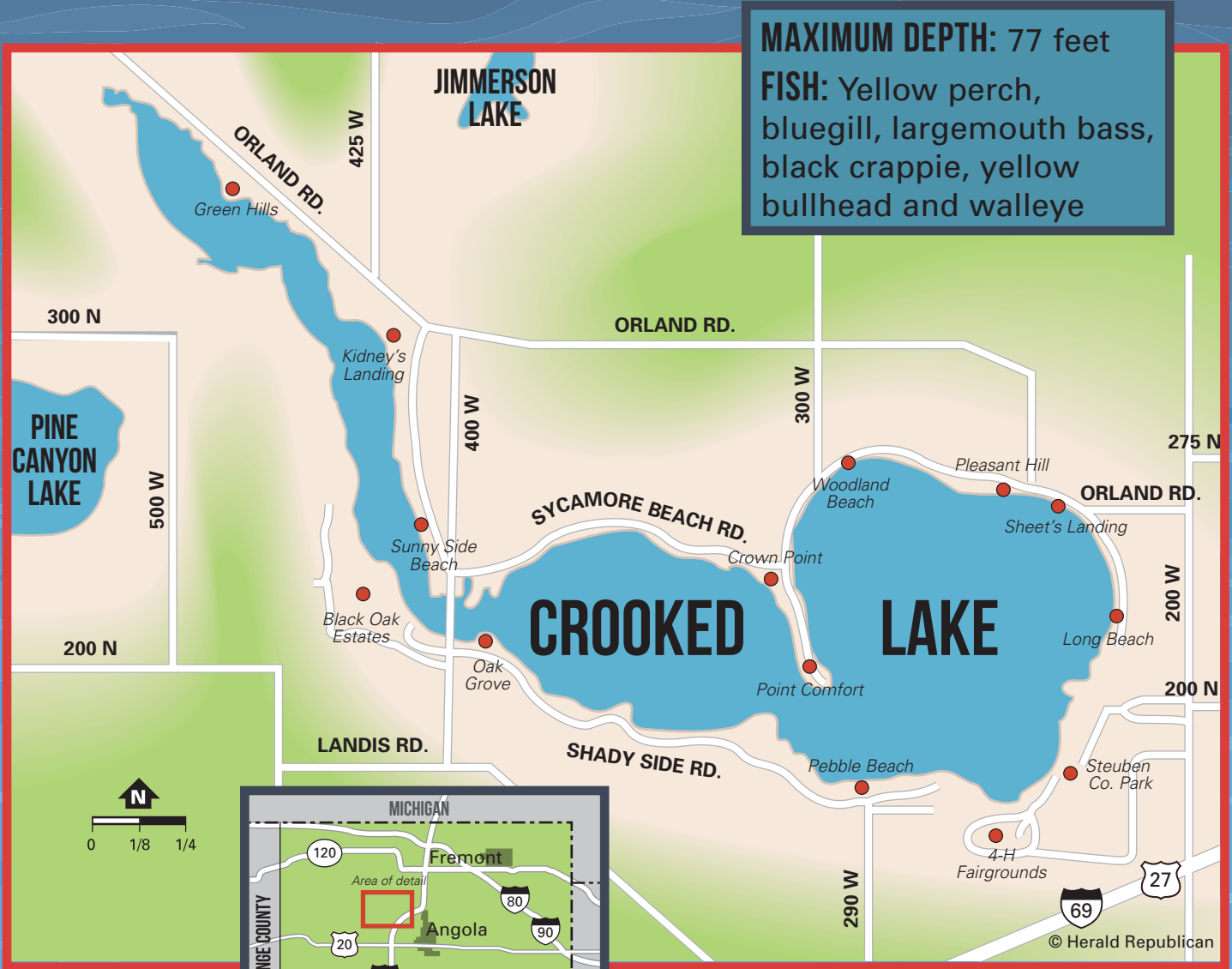
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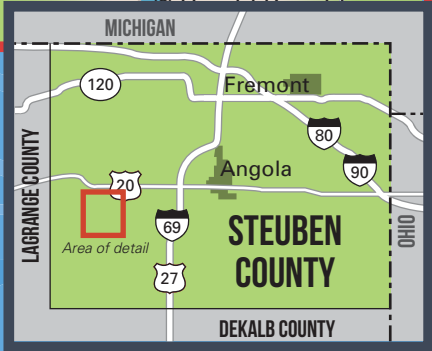


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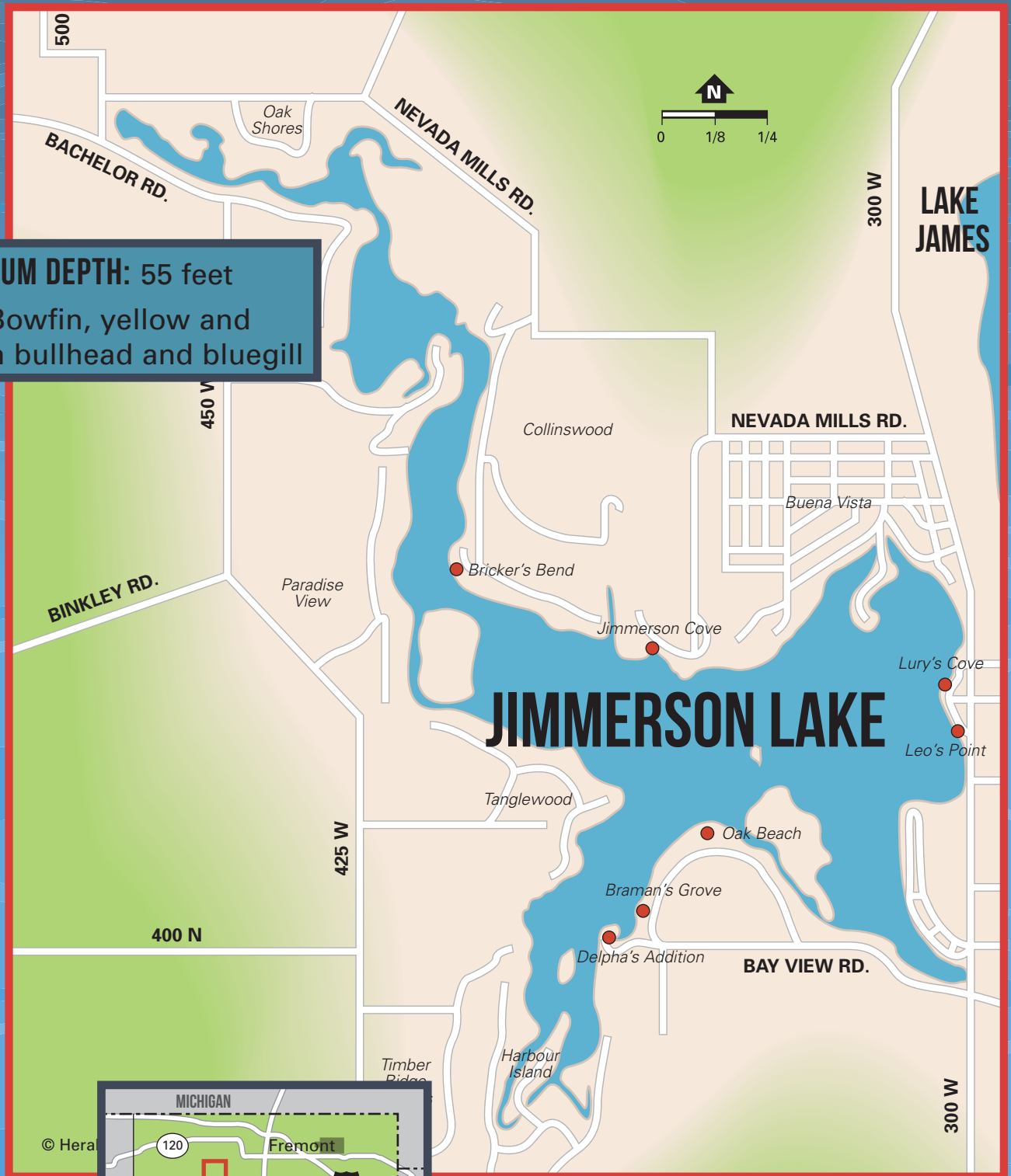
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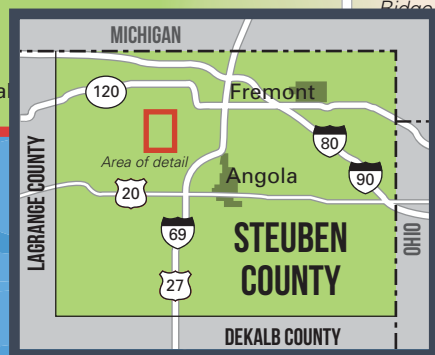
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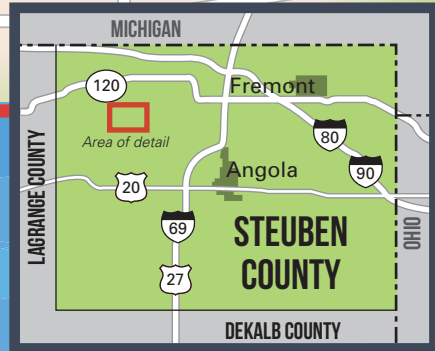


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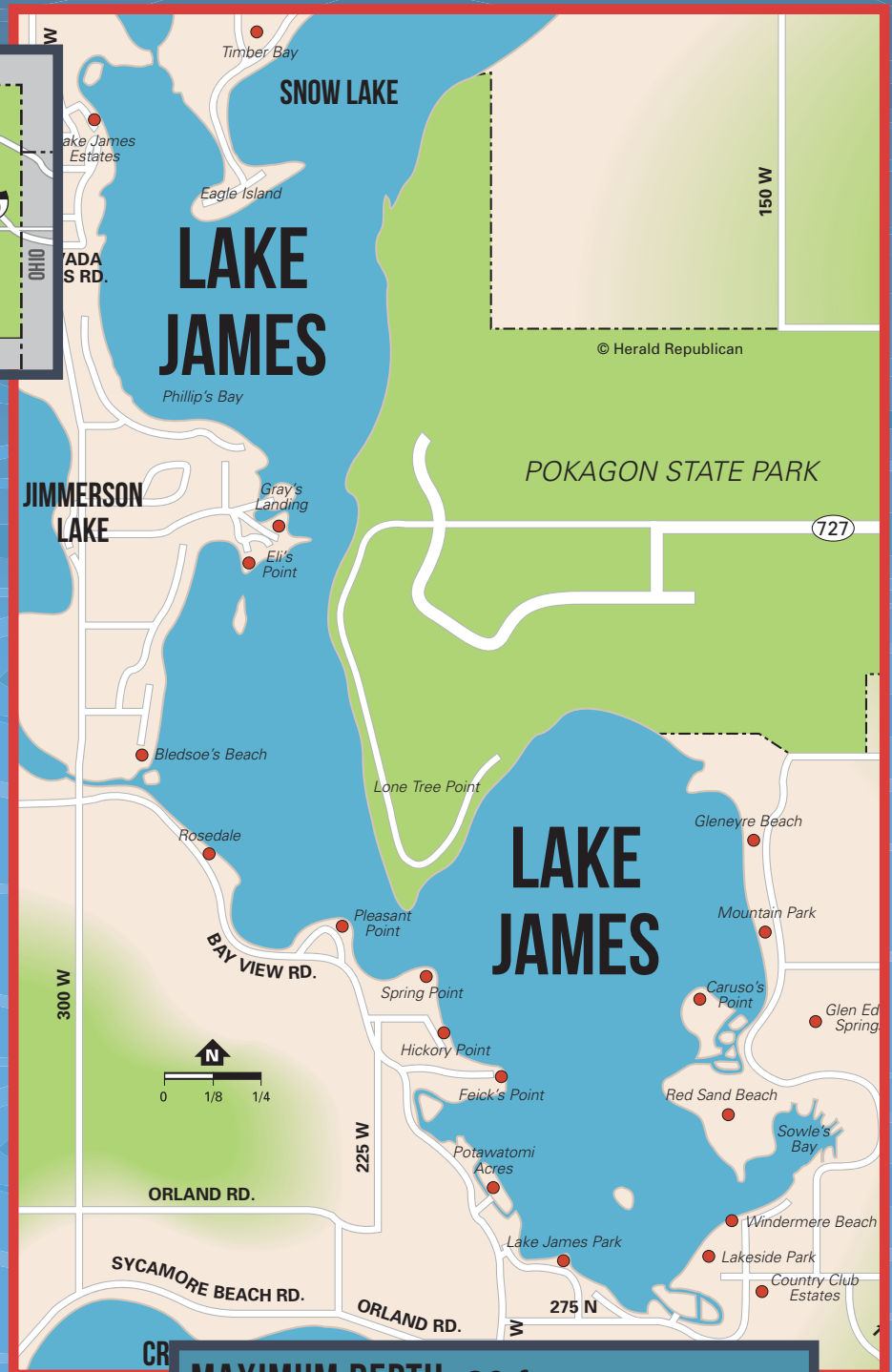
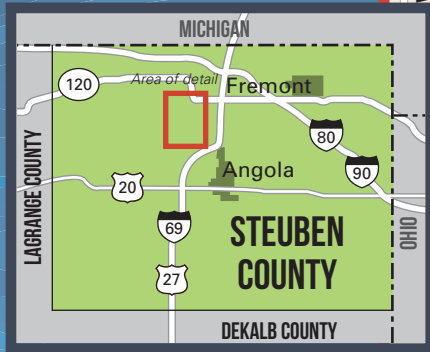
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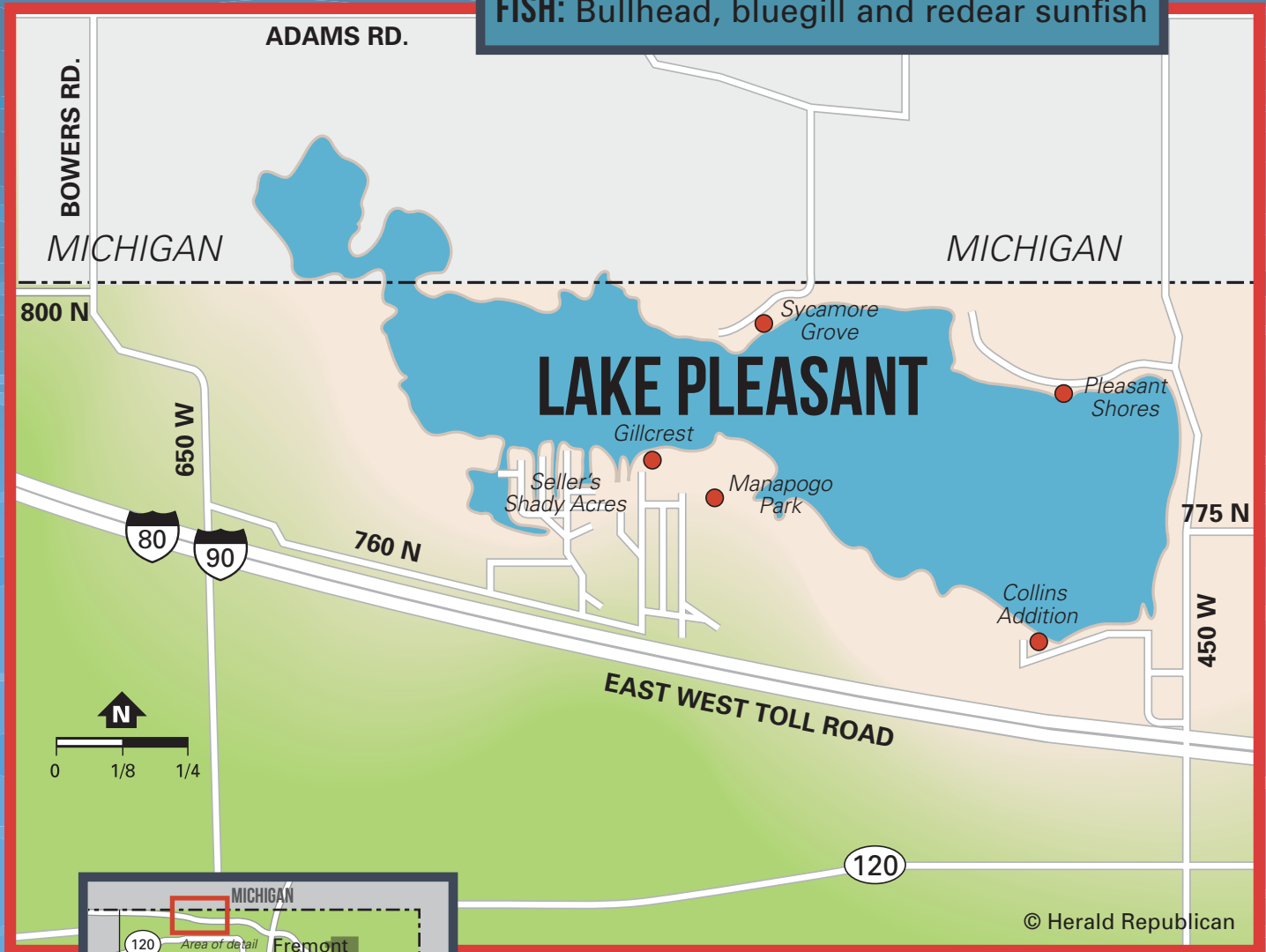
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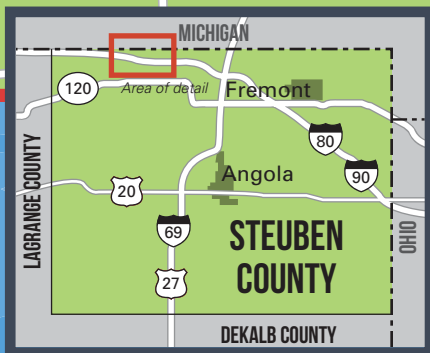
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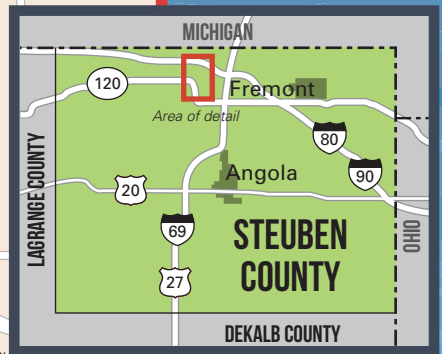
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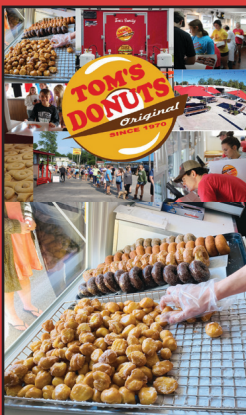
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