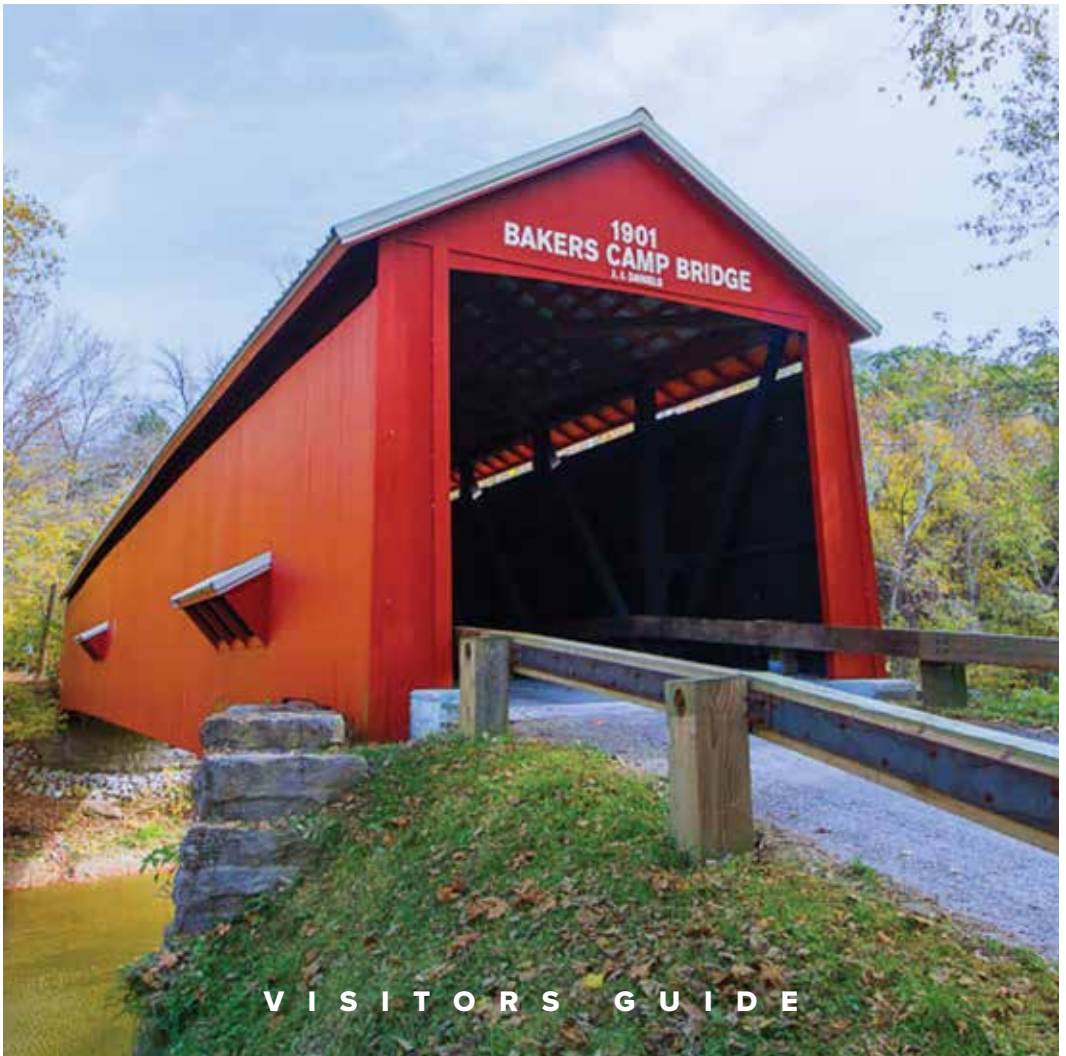


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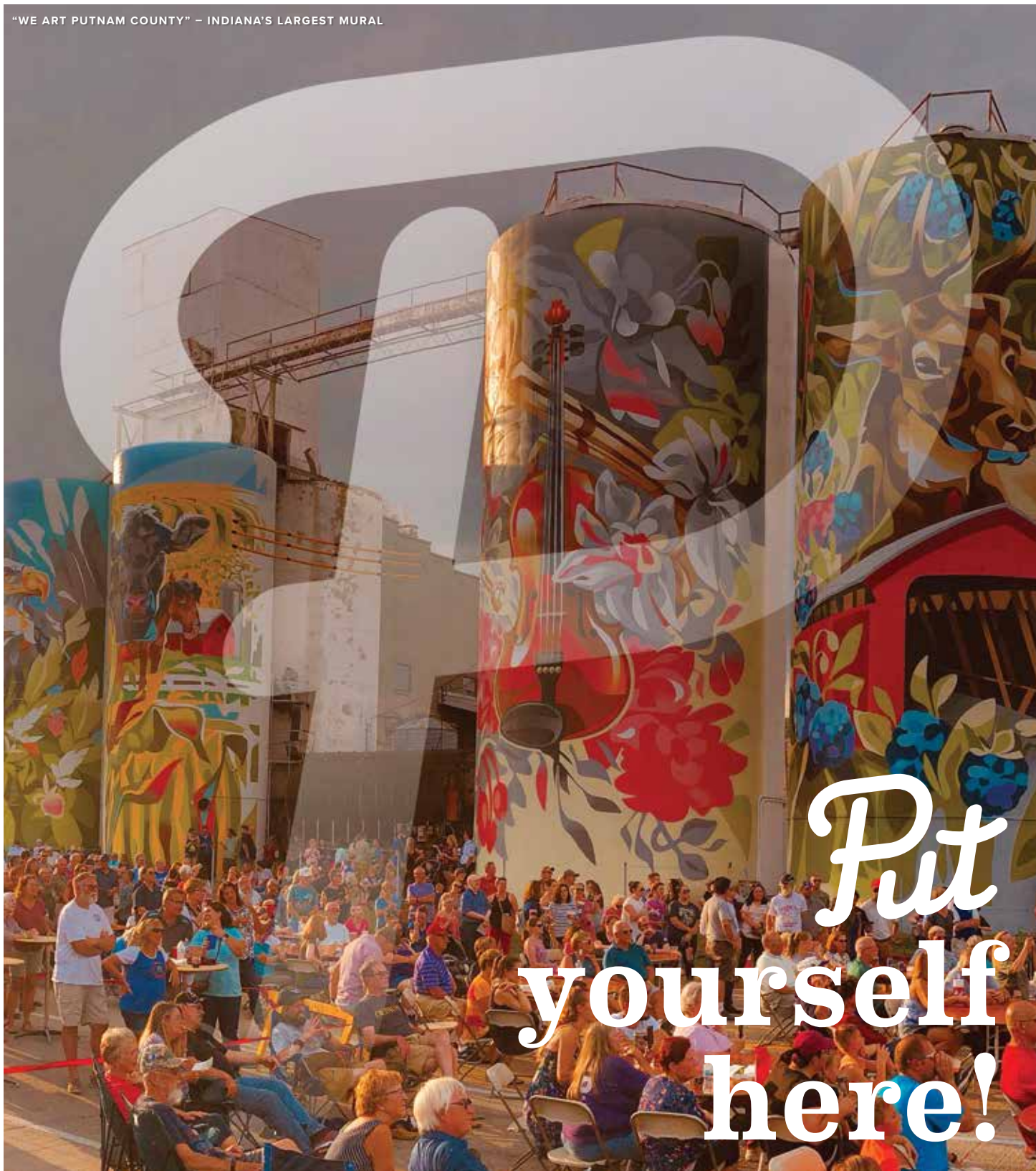
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"WE ART PUTNAM COUNTY" – INDIANA'S LARGEST MURAL



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With more land in protected nature preserves than any other in Indiana, Putnam County is ideal for hikers, bikers, horse-back riders, star gazers, and plant lovers. Enjoy more than 20 miles of riding trails, the largest equestrian arena in the state, Indiana's largest maple syrup producer, and Indiana's largest mural.

Forty 19th century covered bridges dot the countryside and scores of restaurants offer expansive local food and drink. In Greencastle, some are nestled along tree-lined streets with awesome boutique shopping, hand-made candies and ice cream, all walkable to DePauw University, with its Peeler Arts Center, Green Performing Arts Center and an incredible, wooded campus dating to the 1830s.

GO PUTNAM.COM





The historic architecture is remarkable. Eight historic districts highlight it, and **People Pathways** walks you through it. Great B&Bs, smart and funny innkeepers, second-story lofts, inviting campgrounds, and family-friendly hotels abound.

**Put yourself in Putnam County,  
and put it all behind you.**







## RETAIL THERAPY RETAIL THERAPY RETAIL THERAPY RETAIL THERAPY

Leather moccasins and cowboy boots, truly unique art and craft from regional artisans, a college bookstore with the aroma of coffee, the latest in women's wear, eclectic and thoughtful gifts.

Park your car (*for free*) and your busy lifestyle (*also for free*), bring your friends and make a day of it.

In Greencastle, a local ice cream parlor, one of two, along with two coffee shops and the DePauw bookstore, are on the same streets. So are eight local restaurants, with everything from white tablecloth dining to wood-fired

oven pizza to fine wines in a new wine bar, strawberry pizza, and more.

In Bainbridge, the charming gift shop The Rustique Boutique offers timeless hand-made decor and customized items for a one-of-a-kind experience. On Main Street, Cloverdale's New Moon Divination offers crystals and stones from around the world.

Incense, candles, paintings, and books line the walls to meet your metaphysical needs.

It's great shopping, variety and food at a great pace. Take it slower and make a week-end of it. The fireplace in the front room of the Inn at DePauw is as warm and cozy as its guest rooms.





RTM UNIQUE COUNTRY GIFTS &amp; GARDEN SHOP

### Conspire: Contemporary Craft

[ConspireIndiana.com /](http://ConspireIndiana.com/)  
765.719.2476

Conspire is the retail home of more than 150 local and regional artists, with a juried collection of pottery, fine art, prints and paper-craft, candles, textiles, and more. Its Art Bar is always open with a variety of craft supplies for every project. Make something cool to take home or add your work to the art wall.

### Cowpokes Work & Western Wear

[CowpokesOnline.com /](http://CowpokesOnline.com/)  
317.829.1199

The anchor store at Cloverdale's C Bar C Expo Center, Cowpokes is an outfitter with a complete line of men's, women's and children's work and western wear, with tack and embroidery/screen printing departments.

### Creative Castle

[CreativeCastleGC.com /](http://CreativeCastleGC.com/)  
765.525.2233

Creative Castle is a community – an artisan market, a connection point for creators throughout the county, a place where local makers and producers sell their goods that renew and cultivate Putnam County arts and craftsmanship.



BURDGE BOOTS AND BOUTIQUE

### RTM Unique Country Gifts & Garden Shop

[Facebook.com/RTMUniqueCountry-GiftsAndGardenShop](https://Facebook.com/RTMUniqueCountry-GiftsAndGardenShop)  
765.795.2575

In the enviable location at Cloverdale's busiest intersection, RTM has it all – country gifts and home decor, seasonal plants and items, statuary, chimes, lanterns, everything for the patio, garden and yard.

### The Rustique Boutique

[Facebook.com/TheRustique-BoutiqueIndiana](https://Facebook.com/TheRustique-BoutiqueIndiana)  
765.246.4890

With affordable and adorable infant, toddler and women's clothing in sizes small through 3X, TRB also has accessories and top-notch customer service, purses, shoes, jewelry, handmade candles, body care products, candies, and home decor.

### Shady Dale Chic Boutique

[ShadyDaleChic.com /](http://ShadyDaleChic.com/) 833.634.6252

This Cloverdale boutique offers a wide range of apparel to fit every woman's unique sense of style, with clothing and accessories carefully curated to provide the latest fashions.

### Silver Bell Flowers

[SilverBellFlowers.com /](http://SilverBellFlowers.com/)  
765.630.8115

This shop's name is a reboot of the owner's great grandparents' Silver Bell Antiques store, which today houses its Cloverdale location. In Greencastle, the store continues the traditions of Eitel's Flowers, which operated for well over a century.



THE RUSTIQUE BOUTIQUE

## Put online shopping on pause!

### The Bearded Painter

[Facebook.com/](https://Facebook.com/groups/1868836060074665/about/)  
[groups/1868836060074665/about/](https://groups/1868836060074665/about/)  
Rick Johnston had never been artistic. Recovering from something akin to a stroke, that left him unable to walk or talk, his speech therapy with a paintbrush led to a new talent. Today, his Greencastle gallery features his extensive line of hand-painted canvases.

### Blushing Beaus Boutique

[BlushingBeausBoutique.com](http://BlushingBeausBoutique.com)  
765.276.3145

This family owned and operated women's clothing boutique makes women feel confident, with sizes from small through 3x, a mother-and-two-daughters staff, a beautiful Courthouse Square location, and online.

### Britt's Blooming Boutique

[Facebook.com/BrittsBlooming-BoutiqueVIP /](https://Facebook.com/BrittsBlooming-BoutiqueVIP/) 765.301.9213

Specializing in women's clothing, jewelry and accessories, offering a unique, comfortable shopping experience, Britt's carries a variety of women's sizes from small to 3X, as well as children's clothing, accessories, a men's clothing line, and home goods.

### Burdge Boots and Boutique

[BurdgeBoots.com /](http://BurdgeBoots.com/) 765.630.8247

One block off Greencastle's Courthouse Square, walk in and smell the leather. Family owned and operated, Burdge Boots and Boutique offers work, western, hunt, and casual footwear, in addition to apparel and accessories for the whole family, boot/shoe repair, and even tuxedo rental.



NEW MOON DIVINATION

### Eli's Books

[DePauw.edu /](http://DePauw.edu/) 765.653.0618

Adding definition to "Community," and celebrating history, DePauw University's bookstore is on Greencastle's Courthouse Square, on the same corner Col. Eli Lilly, an avid book collector and founder of the Indianapolis pharmaceutical company Eli Lilly & Company, opened his first drug store in 1861. Eli's Books features a full-service Starbucks café with mezzanine-level seating.

### Keith & Kane Women's Apparel

[ShopKeithAndKane.com /](http://ShopKeithAndKane.com/)  
765.484.3007

Named for her sons, Aubrey Robinson's boutique pursues her passion for fashion and home décor. Filled with goods she personally curates, the store provides shoppers

with timeless, trend-conscious, quality items.

### Marcy's Jewelry & Repair

765.795.2998

Custom-designed jewelry and engraving meets the rare art of repair and restoration at Marcy's Jewelry in downtown Cloverdale. The beautiful store, behind a wall of stained glass windows, specializes in fine jewelry in silver, gold and precious and semi-precious stones.

### New Moon Divination

[NewMoonDivination.com](http://NewMoonDivination.com)  
765.795.6666

This Cloverdale boutique offers hand-selected stones and crystals from around the world, jewelry, incense and books, work by talented local artists, and unique items that make memorable gifts.





“Farm to fork” meant something here before the phrase was cool. More than 70 restaurants offer food and drink for every taste. The **Ullem Campus Farm** provides fresh produce to local restaurants, and local farmers supply eggs, pork, beef, maple syrup, strawberries, apples, and everything that makes a meal healthy and memorable.

“Family” is the important word in **The Putnam Inn Family Restaurant**. Managed by the third generation of the family that started it, its four enormous food bars make it as popular for breakfast as it is for lunch and dinner. **Almost Home Restaurant** has been owned and managed by the same chef for more than 30 years. **Lou’s Diner** is so busy with locals it’s hard to get a seat for any meal, and it’s strange that **Bert & Betty’s Kitchen** is known for pie when so few have room for dessert.

With a food scene that rivals any college town, Greencastle is home to **TapHouse Burgers**, with regional beers on tap and great food on the table. **Moore’s Bar and Grill** has the best breaded tenderloin you’ll ever eat, and **Myers’ Market** offers hand-sliced local meats and sandwiches. **Bridges Craft Pizza and Wine Bar** sports a wood-fired oven from Italy



and rooftop dining with a view of the county. **2 West Bistro** is known for steaks, its outdoor patio, multiple music series, and its **Fluttering Duck** bar. Mexican and Italian fare, family dining, garlic cheeseburgers, an exceptional bakery, and much more might cause you to stay another day or two just for the food. For the full menu: [GoPutnam.com/eat-drink-putnam-county](http://GoPutnam.com/eat-drink-putnam-county)

## Put your diet on the back burner!

**2 West Bistro / The Fluttering Duck**  
[InnAtDePauw.com/dining.html](http://InnAtDePauw.com/dining.html)  
**Greencastle / 765.658.1000/1006**  
 Inside the Inn at DePauw is The Fluttering Duck, a bar known for live music and a fun time.

**9 East Bar & Grille**  
**Roachdale / 765.522.1134**  
 Famous locally for its “comfort food” and wings, 9 East visitors most often comment about the burgers made from locally sourced beef. This downtown location offers lunch specials, live music on weekends and dart tournaments on Thursday nights.

**Almost Home Restaurant**  
[AlmostHomeRestaurant.com](http://AlmostHomeRestaurant.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.5788**  
 For 30 years, Greencastle’s fine dining on the Courthouse Square. Known for its extensive chef-designed menus and extraordinary Strawberry Pizza.

**Backwood Barbecue**  
[Facebook.com/BackwoodBBQ](http://Facebook.com/BackwoodBBQ)  
**Fillmore / 765.246.6600**  
 On Main Street, this epicenter of Fillmore’s finest food is family-owned, offering savory sides and smoked meats slow-cooked to perfection.

**Bert and Betty’s Kitchen**  
**Fillmore / 765.246.6124**  
 This uber-comfortable country location is known for pie, but few have room for dessert.

**BreadWorks by Bridges**  
[BreadWorksByBridges.com](http://BreadWorksByBridges.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.8890**  
 This upscale bakery features pastries, donuts, cakes, and morning buns.

Breads include baguettes, focaccia and other artisan loaves. An upstairs bistro features soups, salads, sandwiches, beer, wine, a demonstration kitchen, and expansive windows with beautiful views of downtown Greencastle.

**The Breakfast Company**  
[TheBreakfastCo.net](http://TheBreakfastCo.net)  
**Greencastle / 765.630.3959**  
 Open 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., this is the marriage of one of the very best breakfast made-to-order restaurants and an exceptional full lunch menu.

**Bridges Craft Pizza and Wine Bar**  
[BridgesWineBar.com](http://BridgesWineBar.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.0021**  
 Wood-fired oven pizza and incredible atmosphere, with rooftop, wine cellar and street-level dining.

**Dairy Castle**  
**Greencastle / 765.653.9222**  
 Homemade ice cream and customer service all summer long!

**Don Julio’s Mexican Cantina**  
[Facebook.com/MexicanDonJulio](http://Facebook.com/MexicanDonJulio)  
**Greencastle / 765.630.8525**  
 Sumptuous Mexican fare on Greencastle’s Courthouse Square.

**El Cantarito**  
**Cloverdale / 765.795.2388**  
 Great portions, great salsa and great prices.

**Final Approach Family Restaurant**  
[PutnamCountyRegionalAirport.com/restaurant](http://PutnamCountyRegionalAirport.com/restaurant) / **765.655.1600**  
 Home-cooked breakfast, lunch and dinner inside or on the patio. Great

views of the Putnam County Regional Airport runway.

**Harrison Street Tavern**  
[Facebook.com/HarrisonStreet-Tavern](http://Facebook.com/HarrisonStreet-Tavern) / **Russellville / 765.435.2711**  
 Guests talk about “comedy night,” “dapper dan band,” the “awesome bagpiper,” and “nice bartenders.”

**Hayden’s Bainbridge Tap**  
[Facebook.com/1GHayden](http://Facebook.com/1GHayden)  
**Bainbridge / 765.522.6814**  
 Chicken and noodles, beef manhattans, French dip. You know the place. Great local music.

**Hoover Hall Bon Appetit**  
[DePauw.CafeBonAppetit.com](http://DePauw.CafeBonAppetit.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.658.4322**  
 Enjoy dining in a Harry Potter-esque building with college students all around? Hoover Hall welcomes guests for every meal.

**Lou’s Diner**  
[LousDiner.Food90.com](http://LousDiner.Food90.com)  
**Cloverdale / 765.795.2474**  
 You know it’s good when it’s packed with locals, and Lou’s always is. The restaurant was voted as having Putnam County’s best hamburger.

**Lost Hollow Beer Company**  
[LostHollowBeerCo.com](http://LostHollowBeerCo.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.655.0115**  
 A life-long dream of three best friends came true a block east of the Courthouse Square when



the county’s sole brewery began sharing its passion and the artistry that goes into all of its meticulously crafted beers.

**Marvin’s**  
[Facebook.com/MarvinsGreencastle](http://Facebook.com/MarvinsGreencastle)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.9200**  
 THE DePauw student favorite for decades. Get the garlic cheeseburger and fried mushrooms to go, and enjoy them in a quiet spot on campus.

**Moores Bar & Grill**  
[MooresBarAndGrill.com](http://MooresBarAndGrill.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.9939**  
 The tenderloin is awesome! So is everything else!

**Myers’ Market**  
[MyersMarketLLC.com](http://MyersMarketLLC.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.1335**  
 This butcher shop makes sandwiches fresh from the meat case. The meats and extensive selection of local foods lets you create your own unique meal.

**The Putnam Inn Family Restaurant**  
[PutnamInn.com](http://PutnamInn.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.8777**  
 Three generations of the same family are behind this Greencastle mainstay, with extensive cafeteria-style dining for every taste.

**Rizzo’s Restaurant**  
**Cloverdale / 765.795.4910**  
 The lunch, dinner and children’s

menus of house-made pastas, soups and salads, sandwiches, burgers, ribeye, New York strip, sides, and desserts pair with fast service, a casual environment and lots of regulars in this hot spot on Main Street.

**Scoops Ice Cream Parlor**  
[Facebook.com/ScoopsGreencastle](http://Facebook.com/ScoopsGreencastle)  
**Greencastle / 765.323.8903**  
 Outstanding everything year-round, especially the waffle cones and sundaes.

**TapHouse Burgers**  
[TapHouseBurgers.com](http://TapHouseBurgers.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.301.9326**  
 24 beers on tap, an extensive burger and hot dog menu and to-die-for milkshakes.



**Wally’s**  
[Facebook.com/wallysfoodtrailer/](http://Facebook.com/wallysfoodtrailer/)  
**Greencastle / 765.630.3138**  
 Wally’s is the intersection of live, local music, fantastic ribs, and pastrami, Philly steak, pulled pork, breaded tenderloin, and a full menu of hearty, outstanding sandwiches.

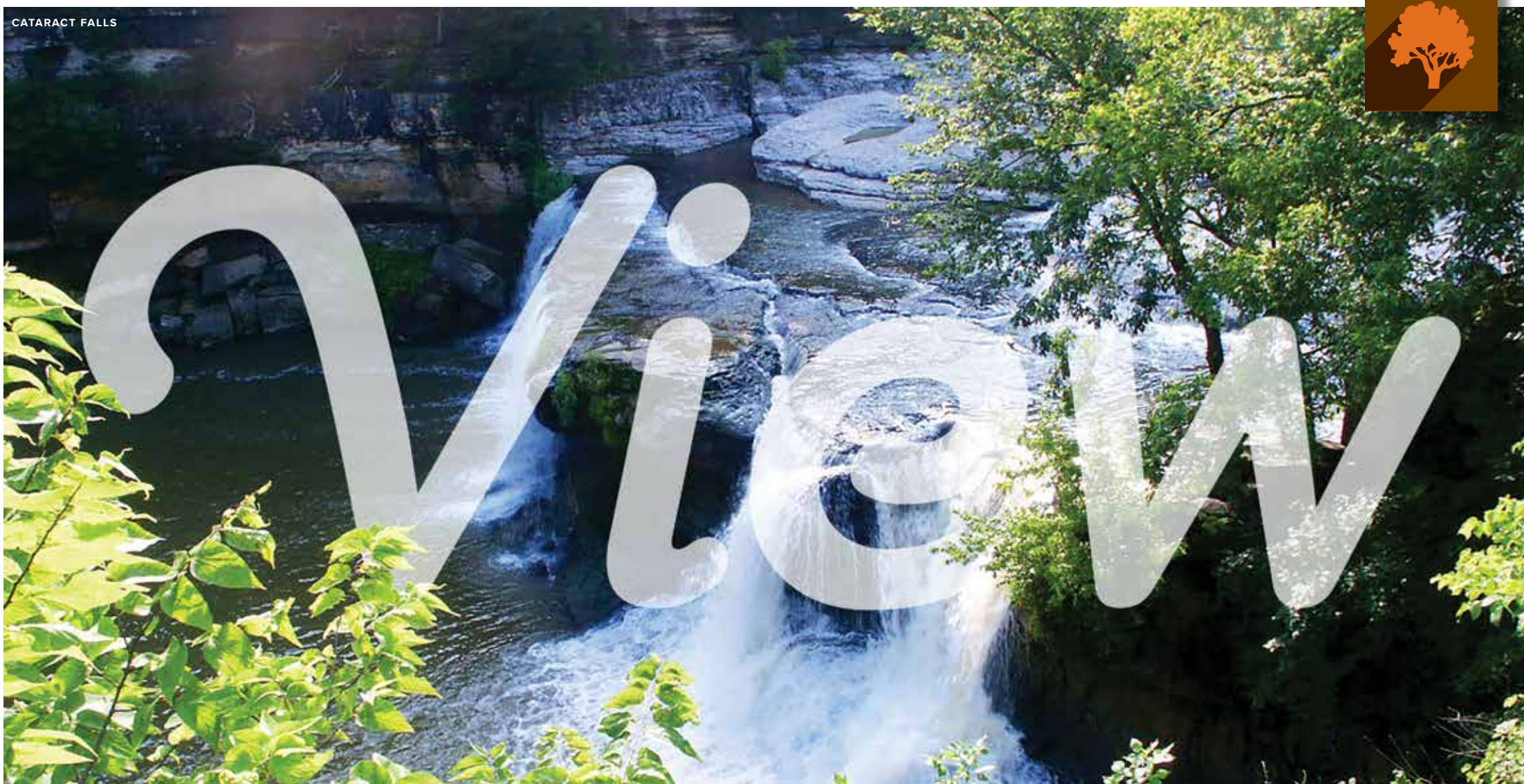
**The Whisk**  
[TheWhiskGreencastle.com](http://TheWhiskGreencastle.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.653.6700**

The name is a play on whiskey as much as it is a symbol of bringing things together. This “garden level” establishment is an organic extension of the consummate hosts’ love for sharing weekend brunch, small plates, fine whiskies, and memorable cocktails.

**The Wine Merchant**  
[BridgesWineMerchant.com](http://BridgesWineMerchant.com)  
**Greencastle / 765.301.9224**  
 A wine and craft beer shop in one of downtown Greencastle’s most historic buildings, The Wine Merchant offers walk-in wine tastings, craft beers and great complements – charcuterie, cheese, nuts, breads, olives. Private, guided wine tastings with a sommelier are available for eight people, as is a wine-of-the-month club.

**Ye Ole Inn**  
**Cloverdale / 765.795.5533**  
 Many say the bartender is the best in Putnam County.





## FUN & SUN FUN & SUN FUN & SUN FUN & SUN FUN & SUN FUN & SUN FUN & SUN

Wide walking paths, biking paths, old-growth woods, ravines, creeks, and animals & plants of all kinds occupy a large portion of our topography that begins where Ice Age glaciers melted.

Indiana's hills, fun and memorable outdoor experiences start here.

**Hobbit Gardens** celebrates the solstices and equinoxes and offers workshops on growing, harvesting, using herbs, organics, weeds, edible landscape, plant medicine, and more.

The 500-acre **DePauw Nature Park** was the site of a limestone quarry. Bird watchers use it extensively, and its **Prindle Institute** for

**Ethics** and **Bartlett Reflection Center** provide beautiful, quiet places to enjoy the environment. The **Manning Environmental Field Station** and **Rolland Welcome and Activities Center** offer educational programs that make this not just another walk in the park.

**Fortune Woods**, part of the **Big Walnut Nature Preserve**, features a two-mile trail fittingly called **Tall Timbers**. Hikers pass through

old-growth stands of towering hardwoods, but the name overlooks one of the dog-friendly trail's most attractive features—a wealth of wildflowers along the Big Walnut Creek floodplain in spring.

**Fern Cliff Nature Preserve**, a registered National Natural Landmark, contains a mesic upland forest dominated by oak, beech, hickory, sugar maple, ash, wild cherry, tulip, and other





BIKE RIDERS ON PEOPLE PATHWAYS

People Pathways is a more-than-20-mile linear park through the county, with a wide hiking/biking path that is part of the cross-Indiana, multi-use **National Road Heritage Trail**. Envisioned to stretch 160 miles, from the Illinois state line near Terre Haute to the Ohio state line near Richmond, the trail uses the former Pennsylvania and Vandalia railroad corridors where possible, closely following the Historic National Road for much of its route. Putnam County features the longest continuous portion of the Indiana section of the trail that, in Greencastle, runs alongside **Big Walnut Sports Park** and the **DePauw Nature Park**.

trees. Sandstone ravines and cliffs support ferns, liverworts and mosses. Its abandoned sandstone quarry was the source of the greenish glass that made the first Coca Cola bottles so remarkable.

**Cataract Falls** is Indiana's largest waterfall by volume. Part of the **Lieber State Recreation Area**, it features two sets of waterfalls on Mill Creek, both consisting of a series of drops. The Upper Falls is 45' high, and the Lower Falls about 30'.

Locals call it **Chandler's Orchard**. More than 200 varieties of apples, cider, homemade doughnuts, and apple butter add to the raspberries, peaches,

tomatoes, corn, honey, and beans, fall hayrides, straw mazes, bonfires, and the pumpkin patch.



CHANDLER'S FARM & COUNTRY MARKET

## Put this on your schedule!

### Big Walnut Nature Preserve / Fortune Woods

East County Road 950 North  
Bainbridge, IN 46105  
765.653.8743

Tall Timbers, the two-mile looping trail through this National Natural Landmark, offers flat, wide paths to Big Walnut Creek, scenic ravines and old-growth beech, maple and oak. Wet feet are a possibility before staircases rise out of the valley. Expect abundant wildflowers in spring and, in summer, the chick-burr of scarlet tanagers. The Nature Conservancy maintains thousands of acres and has planted tens of thousands of trees in this preserve.

### Buck and Dumb Bass Outdoors

BuckAndDumbBassOutdoors.com  
765.795.2009

This General Store is in the middle of nowhere and in the center of everything if you're on the way to, or staying at, Lieber State Recreation Area. Offering camping supplies, hunting equipment, minnows and bait, fishing supplies, and cabin décor, this only-game-in-town includes a diner with an extensive menu locals travel to enjoy.

### C Bar C Expo Center

CBarCExpo.com  
765.795.4768

C Bar C Expo Center is Indiana's largest indoor equestrian facility, offering horse and livestock shows 48 weekends each year, a horse motel for travelers, with 500 10-by-10-foot box stalls, shavings, riding trails, and camping. Located just south of I-70, it is home to some of the most exciting and interesting equestrian events in the U.S., nearly all with no admission charge.

### Camp Friend

4690 South County Road 325 West,  
Greencastle, IN 46135  
CampFriend.org

A wooded, 62-acre primitive campground among farmland south of Greencastle, Camp Friend is open year-round, offering trails, a playground and basketball court. It's ideal for larger groups wanting an outdoor venue with bird-watching, star-gazing and lots of amenities of interest to active young people.

### Chandler's Farm & Country Market

ChandlersFarmMarket.com  
317.539.6255

Open April 1- December 22, this family-operated farm in Fillmore has nearly 200 varieties of apples, giving guests a wide and diverse selection. The Country Market offers apple slushies and local foods. In the fall, the farm features a pumpkin patch, horse-drawn hayrides, bonfires, and more for kids of all ages.

### Deer Creek Fish and Wildlife Area

IN.gov/DNR/FishWild/6297.htm  
765.653.0453

Near Putnamville, the 2,000-acre Deer Creek Fish and Wildlife Area, managed by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, features excellent hunting, fishing and hiking.

### DePauw Nature Park

DePauw.edu / 765.658.1076

The layers of animal remains are observable in the walls of rock that began forming 350 million years ago in this 500-acre park that was an active limestone quarry. Included are outdoor classrooms, miles of trails, an amphitheater, and the Prindle Institute for Ethics. It and its Reflection Center host insightful programming year-round.

### Fern Cliff Nature Preserve

West County Road 375 South  
Greencastle, IN 46135  
317.232.4200

Lush ravines fill this 157-acre preserve, designated a National Natural Landmark.



DOGS ON LEASHES ARE WELCOME!





PORTLAND MILLS

Owned by The Nature Conservancy, it contains a mesic upland forest with an understory of dogwood, hydrangea, pawpaw, and greenbriar. A botanist's floral paradise, particularly interesting is an abandoned sandstone quarry in the northern part of the preserve that is slowly filling with sphagnum moss.

**Fern Station Nature Preserve**  
[ConservingIndiana.org/Fern-Station](http://ConservingIndiana.org/Fern-Station)  
 317.631.5263

**Glenn Flint Lake**  
[LittleWalnutDistrict.IN.gov](http://LittleWalnutDistrict.IN.gov)  
 765.739.6722

The 379-acre Glenn Flint Lake is home to game fish, particularly spunky panfish, channel catfish, largemouth bass, bluegill, and white crappie. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife manages the fishery at Glenn Flint, noting that "Bluegill fishermen do well in the spring, and the fall bite can be good, too."

**Hall Woods Nature Preserve**  
 3301-3727 East County Road  
 675 North  
 812.200.4040

Hall Woods is a State Nature Preserve. A microcosm of the Big Walnut Natural Area, of which it is a part, it includes a loop trail through a mature wood known for wildflowers, ferns and songbirds, and offers access to Big Walnut Creek, one of the highest-quality streams in the state.

**Harris Sugar Bush**  
[HarrisSugarBush.com/765.653.5108](http://HarrisSugarBush.com/765.653.5108)  
 One of Indiana's largest maple syrup producers, Harris Sugar Bush is open every day in syrup season – the last week of January through the first week of March. Tours year-round by appointment. Its log cabin store offers local foods, pancake and waffle mixes, maple cream and candy, and of course syrup from the sap of the farm's hard maple trees.

**Hobbit Gardens Erth Gatherings Center**  
[HobbitGardens.blogspot.com](http://HobbitGardens.blogspot.com)  
 765.246.6315  
 Hobbit Gardens operates on seasonal hours and organically and sustainably grows herbs, perennials and vegetable plants to create produce for its shop. Its Erth Gatherings Center hosts symposia, apprentice programs, ecological celebrations, and workshops on growing, harvesting, using herbs, organics, weeds, edible landscape, plant medicine, and more.

**Jaycee Park**  
[CityOfGreencastle.com](http://CityOfGreencastle.com)  
 765.653.3100  
 A 22-acre preserve, owned by the City of Greencastle, Jaycee Park features a fishing pond, picnic areas and a shelter house.

**Lieber State Recreation Area – Cataract Falls / Cagles Mill Lake**  
[IN.gov/DNR/ParkLake/2960.htm](http://IN.gov/DNR/ParkLake/2960.htm)  
 765.795.4576  
 This 8,000-acre state park features a 1,500-acre lake, campsites, swimming beach, swimming pool, and picnic areas. Three other state parks – Shakamak, McCormick's Creek, and Turkey Run, plus the Owen-Putnam State Forest – are within a 40-minute drive of Putnam County.

**Portland Mills**  
 County Road 900 West and  
 County Road 800 North  
 On the Parke and Putnam county lines, once the thriving rural town of Portland Mills that was settled in the early 1800's, the low-traffic boat ramp offers easy launch for kayaks and canoes to access Raccoon Lake.

**Robe-Ann Park**  
[CityOfGreencastle.com](http://CityOfGreencastle.com)  
 765.653.3100  
 This 25-acre park features an Olympic-size swimming pool with water slide and diving well, the Emerald Palace super playground, picnic areas, lighted ball diamond and tennis courts, historic areas, and an architecturally stunning band shell.



HARRIS SUGAR BUSH



## Putnam Parks & Pathways

People Pathways, for walkers, joggers and cyclists, is part of the National Road Heritage Trail, revealing the unique beauty of the entire area through a network of 20-plus miles of dedicated and shared routes through Putnam County. With a goal of developing connections within and between communities, highlights include the Greencastle to Fillmore Trail, the Sports Park link from the east side of Greencastle to Big Walnut Sports Park, a loop trail at Big Walnut Sports Park, and the Putnam Nature Trail.

[PutnamParks.org](http://PutnamParks.org) / 765.653.8743



Music makes this place hum year-round. **ParkFest**, for more than 25 years, attracts music lovers to free concerts in **Robe-Ann Park**. **Roachdale's annual Rib & Blues Fest** is a fall tradition blending great food and sound.

Eateries on **Greencastle's** tree-lined **Courthouse Square** have permanent stages. The permanent Courthouse stage is across from the performance/practice venue **Music on the Square**, opened by famed cellist Yo-Yo Ma, who performs regularly at **DePauw University** . . . which hosts the **Summer Music Festival** series of free concerts.

**The Fret Set**, an eclectic mix, gathers during winter months on Thursdays outside **The Fluttering Duck**, inside the **Inn at DePauw** . . .

which hosts **Jazz at The Duck**, in winter, and "**Acoustic Sunsets**," a Friday summer and fall series, on its outdoor patio.

Extensive year-round programming at **DePauw's Green Center for the Performing Arts** and the **Putnam County Playhouse** add theatre to the county's music scene. The stunning **Peeler Art Center** exhibits new and classic work by the country's most thought-provoking artists. **The Putnam County Museum** is a trove of rotating exhibits highlighting what makes

this region so remarkable.

**First Fridays** bring thousands together to enjoy up-and-coming musicians, foods, arts, authors, storytelling, kids games, and the culture that defines the uniqueness of Putnam County.

The musical year crescendos at **Greencastle Music Fest** in August, a weekend of live music, outdoors on multiple stages. The beat goes on almost daily, year-round.



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THE RICHARD E. PEELER ART CENTER

## Putnam County Museum

[PutnamCountyMuseum.org](http://PutnamCountyMuseum.org)

765.653.8419

Ceramics, model railroading, weaving, arrowheads, fossils, architecture tours, fine arts then and now, Sunday Dinner at the Old Trail Inn gastronomic experience, Round Barn Kids Encounter, an extensive bookstore and gift shop. This museum is extremely engaging.

## Roachdale Revitalization Cooperative Alliance

[RoachdaleRCA.org](http://RoachdaleRCA.org) / 765.522.1532

This town of 900 is Small Town America. An energized community that hosts the annual Rib & Blues Fest, a Community Farm, an annual Music Series, and a summer Community Market, also promotes three nearby historic covered bridges, quaint retail, down-home foods, and friendly charm.

## Russellville Community Center

765.435.3615

The Community Choir's Christmas Program attracted thousands for so long that it's now a multi-day event. The Annual Country Store and Smorgasbord, the Halloween Social, Russells' Roundup, Community Jam, Easter Egg Hunt, and much more round out the calendar . . . in this town of 350 people.



PUTNAM COUNTY PLAYHOUSE



GREEN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

# Put thoughts in your head!

## YEAR ROUND

### Green Center for the Performing Arts

[DePauw.edu](http://DePauw.edu) / 765.658.4827

Home to the DePauw School of Music and DePauw Theatre, both with year-round programs, the Center's Kresge Auditorium, Moore Theatre and Thompson Recital Hall accommodate every variety of performance and lecture – nearly all open to guests.

### Heritage Preservation Society of Putnam County

[HeritagePreservationSociety.org](http://HeritagePreservationSociety.org)

765.653.4978

Some of Indiana's most abundant historic architecture, easy exercise and People Pathways are best enjoyed with the Society's walking tour guides. Residential architectural tours, restoration workshops and an annual haunted cemetery tour are among many fascinating programs.

### Music on the Square

[DePauw.edu](http://DePauw.edu) / 765.658.4571

This DePauw School of Music community music space is home to the community of music lovers. Programming includes Communitivity, Storytellers, faculty recitals, and student performances. It opens into Bridges Craft Pizza and Wine Bar, serving as an indoor performance venue and support space for performances on Greencastle's Courthouse Square.

### The Richard E. Peeler Art Center

[DePauw.edu](http://DePauw.edu) / 765.658.4336

Three state-of-the-art galleries host a dozen annual exhibitions featuring the work of regionally and internationally acclaimed artists, in addition to that of DePauw students and faculty. The Peeler houses a 90-seat auditorium, classrooms and studio space for pottery, sculpture, painting, and photography.

### Townsend/Layman Museum

765.721.6980

The restoration of historic Putnamville features the 1828 brick building constructed by James Townsend, an abolitionist who traveled to Putnam County after freeing his inherited slaves. The building, home to freed slaves and a summer kitchen for the Townsend Inn, launched the Townsend/Layman Museum when it joined the restored 1834 Putnamville United Methodist Church. History buffs enjoy this area's restoration of early Hoosier life.

## SEASONAL

### Big Walnut Sports Park

[CityOfGreencastle.com](http://CityOfGreencastle.com)

765.653.3395

Eighty acres for youth sports come alive on evenings, weekends and throughout the summer at Big Walnut, featuring several lighted fields, baseball and softball diamonds, soccer fields, a walking trail, disc golf, dog park, and picnic areas.

### Clover Meadows Golf Course

[CloverMeadowsGolf.com](http://CloverMeadowsGolf.com)

765.795.6001

Clover Meadows' 18-hole layout is challenging, enjoyable and a great value for all ages and golfing skill levels.

### First Fridays

765.653.8743

April through October, then again in December, sometimes thousands enjoy bands on five, six or seven



FIRST FRIDAYS

outdoor stages. The "Taste of Putnam County" is September's First Friday, and great foods, drinks, music, kids' games, art, crafts, produce, and an enjoyable time are parts of each monthly celebration.

### Putnam County Playhouse

[PutnamCountyPlayhouse.com](http://PutnamCountyPlayhouse.com)

765.653.5880

For more than 50 years, June through September, the Playhouse presents two musicals and two plays in 16 weeks. Every other year, a children's workshop/play is also produced and performed in the intimate 220-seat Hazel Day Longden Barn Theatre.

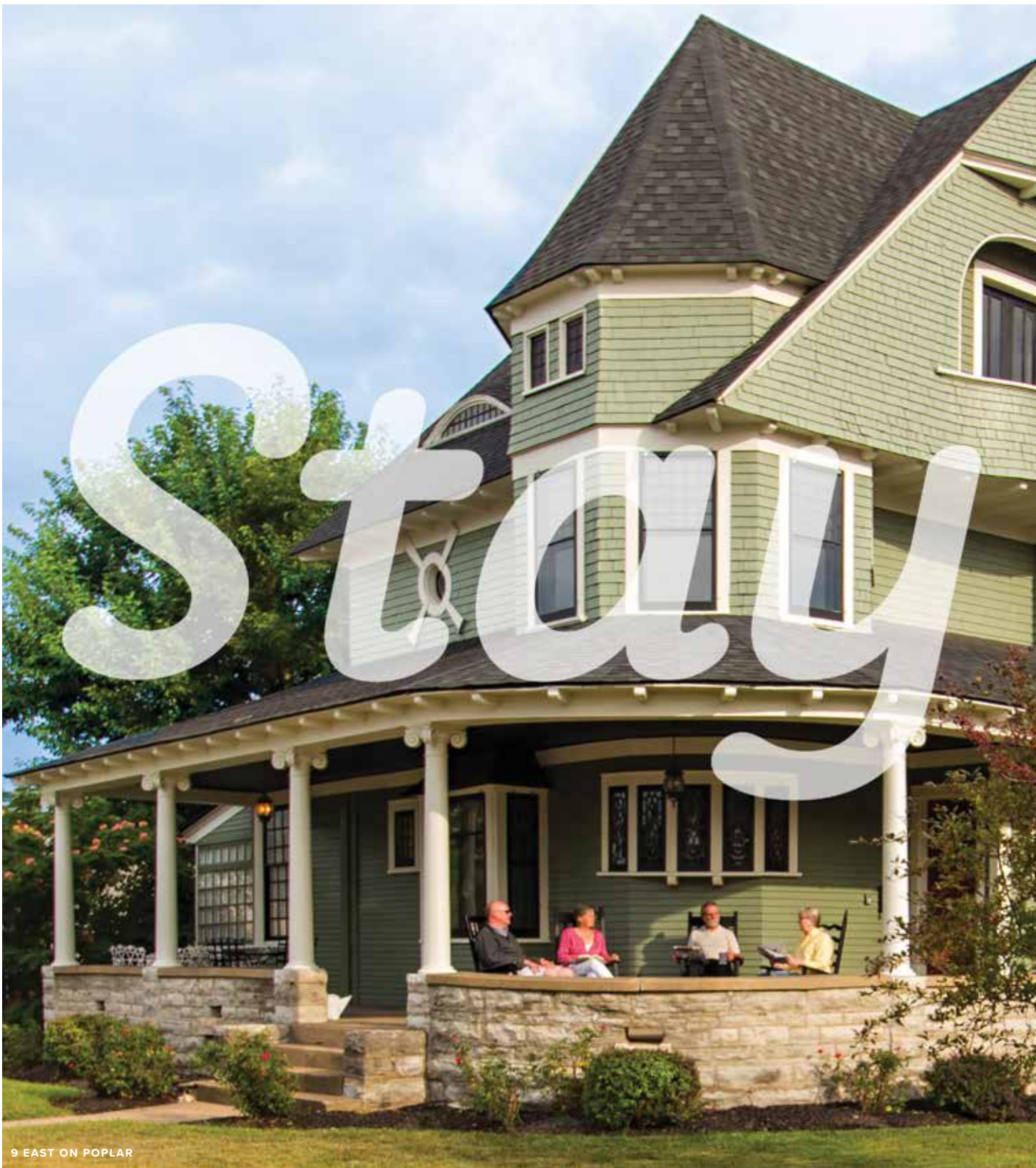
### Tiger Pointe Country Club

[TigerPointeCC.com](http://TigerPointeCC.com)

765.653.5470

A nine-hole, semi-private course atop a beautiful rolling hill, offering a driving range, guest rates, pro shop, golf instruction, outings, and a new clubhouse and event center accommodating 200+ seated guests.





9 EAST ON POPLAR

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From beautiful second-story lofts to wooded campsites tucked among equally beautiful rolling hills, there are ideal getaways for couples, families, groups looking for meeting venues and wedding guests looking for their own fun.

## *Put* down some roots!

### **Airport Hotel and Conference Center**

**PutnamCountyRegionalAirport.com/Business-Center-Hotel / Greencastle / 765.655.1658**

Spacious rooms with great views of the runway and airplane action at Putnam County Regional Airport and easy access to the Final Approach restaurant.

### **Days Inn**

**WyndhamHotels.com / Cloverdale / 765.274.0866**

Equidistant to great basketball at Indiana University or Indiana State University, guests also catch auto racing at Lincoln Park Speedway and fish at Lieber State Recreation Area.

### **Doc's Inn**

**TheDocsInn.com / Greencastle / 765.301.9068**

This 100-year-old Queen Anne Victorian, registered as a National Historic Site, is two blocks from both the heart of downtown Greencastle and the DePauw campus, offering three large, elegantly furnished rooms and an innkeeper to help with local information, recommendations and reservations. The main floor offers guests an open-concept area, with living room, dining room, music room, grand staircase, and fireplace, to entertain and relax.



### Econo Lodge

[ChoiceHotels.com/EconoLodgeCloverdale](http://ChoiceHotels.com/EconoLodgeCloverdale) / 765.795.6900

No need for a kennel; Econo Lodge's 47 guestrooms are pet friendly – an exceptional place for groups wanting to stay together.

### Holiday Inn Express

[IHG.com/Cloverdale](http://IHG.com/Cloverdale) / 765.795.5050

Business travelers enjoy one of 80 attractive and comfortable rooms. Mom's and dad's, traveling with kids, enjoy the awesome pool, fitness center, whirlpool, and free and delicious Express Start Breakfast Bar.

### Motel 6

[Motel6.com/Cloverdale](http://Motel6.com/Cloverdale) / 765.795.3000

Affordable rates and comfortable, clean rooms make this a great option for families because kids stay for free.

### Super 8 Motel

[WyndhamHotels.comCloverdale](http://WyndhamHotels.comCloverdale) / 765.558.3367

Amenities abound in this pet-friendly hotel that offers complimentary Super-Start Breakfast and indoor pool. Suites and group rates are available.

### Blackhawk Campgrounds

[Cloverdale](http://Cloverdale) / 765.795.4795

A family-friendly RV park with everything you need on the grounds - convenience store, dump station, laundry, propane station, recreation center, and outdoor pool.



### Cloverdale RV Park and J.C. Campground

[Cloverdale](http://Cloverdale) / 765.795.3294

A heavily wooded, quiet campground with 72 RV lots. Free WIFI, laundry room, dog walk area, trails, grocery, fishing lake, swimming, and a covered bridge are among the amenities.

### 9 East on Poplar

[9EastOnPoplar.comGreencastle](http://9EastOnPoplar.comGreencastle) / 765.653.7896

Unwind in the grandeur of this 1887 Queen Anne Victorian guest house with unique architectural elements, a stately dining room, gathering room, game tables and games, fully equipped kitchen, and laundry facilities. The entire first floor is yours for a short or extended stay.

### College Inn

[CollegeInnGreencastle.usGreencastle](http://CollegeInnGreencastle.usGreencastle) / 765.653.4167

Simply furnished, spacious rooms have seating area and en suite bathroom, free WIFI, mini-fridge, and microwave.

### Greencastle Inn

[GreencastleInn.comGreencastle](http://GreencastleInn.comGreencastle) / 765.653.8424

Fifteen simple and clean rooms are on an outside corridor. Each offers the convenience of microwaves, refrigerators and cable TV.

### Harvest Moon

[GreencastleAccommodations.comFillmore](http://GreencastleAccommodations.comFillmore) / 765.653.7896

Choose from three uniquely designed private en suites and enjoy a farm to table breakfast in this private rural setting. Relax on the deck, find a retreat in the woods or gaze at the stars on the front porch of an original 1800s-era cabin.

### The Inn at DePauw

[InnAtDePauw.comGreencastle](http://InnAtDePauw.comGreencastle) / 765.658.1000

Boutique-style guest rooms, full-menu dining, lively bar, and special event/conference space are on the edge of the DePauw campus and steps from downtown Greencastle. The Inn is a frequent home to weddings, receptions, meetings, and conferences. 2 West Bistro is known for steaks and, a central Indiana mainstay since 1870, the Fluttering Duck Bar & Grill offers pub-style and fast-casual favorites, plus a rotating selection of regional beers on tap.

### The Lofts at Bridges

[BridgesWineBar.comGreencastle](http://BridgesWineBar.comGreencastle) / 765.653.0021

Two elegantly decorated lofts offer a perfect getaway for couples wanting to be in the center of downtown charm. Located above one of Greencastle's most noteworthy restaurants, the lodging rivals the extraordinary food.



### Namaste Lofts

[GreencastleLofts.comGreencastle](http://GreencastleLofts.comGreencastle) / 765.721.7692

Two distinctively designed lofts exude a sense of calmness in the bustling downtown, each reflecting architectural features from the 1800s with a mix of urban and modern furnishings.

### South College Condos

[StayGreencastle.comGreencastle](http://StayGreencastle.comGreencastle) / 765.341.0900

Truly, this is your Putnam County home-away-from-home, with apartment-like suites in one of Greencastle's beautifully restored homes for short-term, weekend and extended stays.

### WEDDING/EVENT VENUES

**3 Fat Labs Wedding and Event Barn** is a three-story venue that seats up to 600, with an outdoor patio in the treetops, a separate Bride's Cottage, groom's room, and a six-room bed and breakfast. / 765.653.0308

**The Den Event Center at Tiger Pointe Golf Club**, in an American Craftsman-style clubhouse for 200 seated guests, features the Windy Hill bar, golf course vistas, wrap-around porches, and access to the historic Major Dunbar home, with four bedrooms, and the Courthouse Square Loft. / 765.653.5470

The barn at **Harvest Barn Wedding & Event Venue** was built in 1849, with hewn beams, barnwood interior and a loft overlooking farm fields. With seating for 250+, it dresses in simple, rustic or elegant décor. / 765.720.2010

**The Inn at DePauw Event Center** offers indoor seating for 275+ in connecting ballrooms, with outdoor patios seating 300, a full-service bar and restaurant, and 52 guest rooms. / 765.658.1000

**Owl Ridge Event/Wedding Venue** overlooks Owl Creek, with panoramic views, a bridal suite, groom's room, large bar area, and enormous stone fireplace, with seating for 300. / 765.247.9255







DEPAUW UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

## Put on your “thinking cap!”

Greencastle is the quintessential college town because **DePauw University** has made it so since 1837. A liberal arts and sciences institution dedicated to creating leaders, its beautiful campus, two blocks south of downtown Greencastle, is in the heart of Putnam County, creating a “communiversity” among students and residents.

DePauw’s coeducational undergraduate enrollment of 1,750 students hail from 38 states and 35 countries. Roughly 20% of each class are first-generation college students. Domestic students of color make up 21% of the student body and international students make up 15%. More than three-quarters of classes have fewer than 20 students; the 8-to-1 student-faculty ratio ensures students receive personal attention from their 222 full-time and 33 part-time instructors.

DePauw is 100% residential; students live in campus residence halls and apartments and Greek chapter housing. The campus, listed by *Conde Nast Traveler* magazine as one of the 50 most beautiful in America, features the iconic East College and includes the 520-acre **DePauw Nature Park** and the **Ullem Campus Farm and Center for Sustainability**, where students grow food for use in campus dining facilities and local restaurants.

The community mingles at **Eli’s Books**, DePauw’s student bookstore located on the **Courthouse Square**. With an attached **Starbucks** coffee house, it’s popular with students, residents and visitors. **Music on the Square**, a performing arts center that’s also on the Courthouse Square, hosts adult and student learners who share the space with music makers, instructors and performers. DePauw also invites the community to numerous musical and theatre performances and events featuring guest speakers from around the globe.



EAST COLLEGE LAWN

## Put the pedal to the metal!



KRAMBO'S MOTORCYCLE SERVICE & PAINTING

While all roads lead to Putnam County, some are just for auto and bike aficionados.

**Putnam Park Road Course** is a 1.78 mile, 10-turn haven open year-round for club events, professional team testing and auto and motorcycle enthusiasts. The perfect track, with challenging corners, smooth surface, and ample runoff room, plan a visit with your car or motorcycle club. The circuit can be configured 15 different ways, making it perfect for suspension testing or simulating a street-circuit. **The Short Course**, at .528 miles and only four turns, is perfect for pit-stop testing.

**Krambo's Motorcycle Service and Painting**, maker of custom-built bikes and offering a wide assortment of accessories, is best known

for high quality painting and award-winning shines. With awards from *Easy Rider* and *International Motor Show (IMS)*, owner **Chris Krampe** and his staff have nearly 100 years of combined experience and certifications from Harley U. They are Techno research certified to tune bikes and reset Harley controls, trained in maintenance, electrical and fuel systems with certificates from **ICAR**, **Martin Senior Paint School**, **PPG**, and more.

Every Saturday night, April through September, the track at **Lincoln Park Speedway** features Super Stocks, UMP Modifieds and Bombers from around the U.S. The 5/16-mile dirt track has built a more-than-50-year reputation for being one of the most competitive in the Midwest, and the often-full seating for 6,000 fans is proof.



PUTNAM PARK ROAD COURSE





## Put it “past” you in these historic covered bridges!



Nine historic covered bridges make the Putnam County countryside both educational and relaxing, and our Parke County neighbor offers 31 more. Uniquely beautiful in spring and fall, traveling the bridges is particularly fun for motorcycle and bike riders. The road now winds around, not through, Houck Bridge, which offers parking, a great view of the hilltop cemetery where Daniel Boone’s brother and family rest and the peaceful flow of Big Walnut Creek.

Five covered bridges facilitate northern Putnam County “traffic.” The single-span

- 1. Cornstalk Bridge** was built in 1917 and gets its name from the creek it crosses.
- 2. The Pine Bluff, 3. Rolling Stone** and **4. Baker’s Camp bridges** are within 10 minutes of each other. Pine Bluff is a Howe Truss bridge built in 1886. Baker’s Camp, built in 1901, is 128’ long with a 10’ overhang at each end. Rolling Stone’s name came from a boulder in Big Walnut Creek, which it spans. Built in 1915, it’s the shortest at 13’ high.
- 5. Edna Collings Bridge** is the “newest” of the nine, built by Charles Collings in 1922. Local lore claims it’s haunted. The Burr Arch

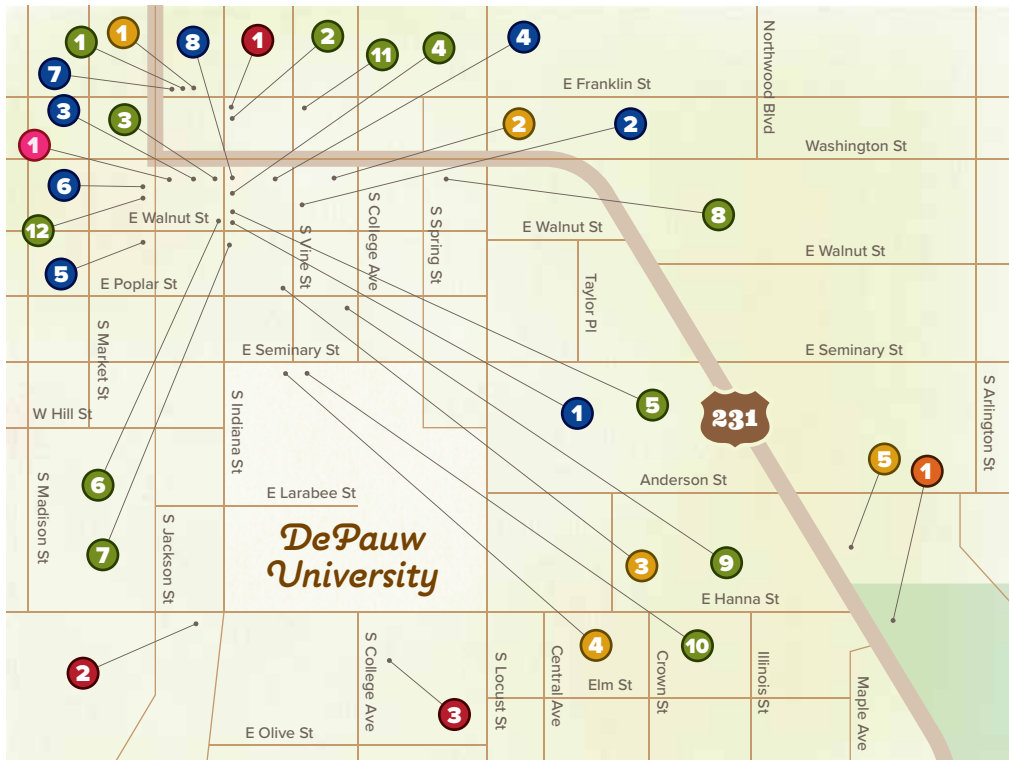
bridge over Little Walnut Creek is also the shortest at 80’ long.

The **6. Dunbar** and **7. Oakalla bridges** are in the center of the county. Dunbar, a Burr Arch, two-span bridge, is one of the three oldest, built in 1880 by farmers with timber cut on the Dunbar farm. Oakalla, built in 1898, gets its name from the former Oakalla Station along the old Big Four Railroad.

In southwest Putnam County are the **8. Houck** and **9. Dick Huffman bridges**, two of the three oldest that were built in 1880. Houck takes its name from the owner of the surrounding land. A Howe Truss, two-span bridge, it ties with the tallest at 15’ high. The Dick Huffman Bridge was called the Wekty Bridge when it was built, taking its name from the nearby Wekty Mill along Mill Creek. Covering 265’, this two-span bridge is Putnam County’s longest.







## Put yourself at ease in Greencastle!



### FOOD & DRINK

- 1 Almost Home** / 765.653.5788
- 2 Bridges Craft Pizza & Wine Bar**  
765.653.0021
- 3 The Wine Merchant**  
765.301.9224
- 4 Scoops Ice Cream Parlor**  
765.323.8903
- 5 Moores Bar & Grill**  
765.653.9939
- 6 TapHouse Burgers**  
765.301.9326
- 7 Breadworks by Bridges**  
765.630.8469
- 8 Myers' Market** / 765.653.1335
- 9 Marvin's** / 765.653.9200
- 10 The Fluttering Duck**  
765.658.1006
- 2 West Bistro**  
765.658.1000
- 11 Lost Hollow Beer Company**  
765.655.0115
- 12 The Whisk** / 765.653.6700



### RETAIL THERAPY

- 1 Britt's Blooming Boutique**  
765.301.9213
- 2 Silver Bell Flowers**  
765.630.8115
- 3 Blushing Beaus Boutique**  
765.276.3145
- 4 Conspire: Contemporary Craft**  
812.340.2259
- 5 Burdge Boots & Boutique**  
765.630.8247
- 6 Creative Castle**  
765.525.2233
- 7 Keith & Kane's Women's Apparel**  
765.484.3007
- 8 Eli's Books (DPU Bookstore)**  
765.653.0618



### FUN & SUN

- 1 Robe-Ann Park**  
765.653.3100



### SOUND & VISION

- 1 Music on the Square**  
765.658.1063
- 2 Richard E Peeler Art Center**  
765.658.4336
- 3 Green Center for the Performing Arts**  
765.658.4827



### ROOM & BOARD

- 1 Namaste Lofts** / 765.721.7692
- 2 Doc's Inn** / 765.301.9068
- 3 9 East on Poplar** / 765.653.7896
- 4 Inn at DePauw** / 765.658.1000
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### INFORMATION

- 1 Putnam County Visitors Center**  
765.653.8743

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