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Two New Land Projects



Photograph by Richard Fields

Dear ACRES Members,

We all believe in land protection or we would not be involved with ACRES. I am asking your help to acquire two properties that buffer existing nature preserves and are in prime development locations.

Addition to Wing Haven 36 acres-Steuben County

Recently, 36 acres of rolling woods, wetlands and fields that adjoin the northeast corner of Wing Haven came up for sale. To assure that the area will remain natural and not be subdivided for development, we have a limited time to complete a fund drive. ACRES needs \$89,000 to acquire the property. Wing Haven is 160 acres in size and this is a rare opportunity to buffer the preserve and the Seven Sister Lakes system. Many plants and animals are dependent on the area being sheltered to continue to thrive. (see Sandhill Crane article on page 8)

If ACRES Members give \$25 each, we can raise \$20,000 which will help to ensure the property's protection. When ACRES approaches foundations with grant applications, the foundations first look at the enthusiasm of the ACRES Members, as shown by their willingness to contribute to land acquisition.

Many of us have fond memories of visiting Wing Haven. It deserves our protection.

Little Cedar Creek Wildlife Sanctuary - 20 acres Addition to the Jerry and Molly Mackel Conservation Easement.

Located in the rapidly developing area north of Fort Wayne, the property protects 1/4 mile of Little Cedar Creek. Blue flag iris, marsh marigolds, and skunk cabbage edge pools in the lowlands with oak and hickory on the higher slopes. Little Cedar Creek flows fast and clear, with towering cottonwoods and sycamores, graceful hornbeam and redbud along its banks. ACRES needs to raise \$68,000 to protect this area.

In recent years, biologists have documented that a healthy and vital ecosystem requires a large, contiguous tract of land. Please join us in protecting these worthwhile and significant properties. We have enclosed a remittance envelope for your convenience to help with these projects.

Carolyn McNaghy — Executive Director

**Make Us Smile!
Renew Your Membership**



Cover: Great Trillium *Trillium grandiflorum* photograph by William C. Bloch. An ACRES Founder, William was instrumental in establishing the 576 acre Bloch Oxbow Natural Area and Pines Primeval Natural Area in Wisconsin.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD



Photograph by Mike Scott of Perspective, Inc.

For 17 years, Ted Heemstra has served as President of ACRES, giving his time and talents with unwavering dedication. Managing a land trust takes a person who can handle the hundreds of legal and technical questions that require attention. When Ted became president in 1980, ACRES had 14 nature preserves totalling approximately 680 acres. Today, ACRES manages 40 nature preserves, protecting more than 2,500 acres.

Ted Heemstra and Dave Gall have worked closely on land acquisition since Dave joined the Board of Directors in 1990. A realtor with Phillips, Rousseau and Gall, Dave has been instrumental in the acquisition of 12 nature preserves and handled 6 separate acquisitions to add 200 acres to the Art Hammer Wetlands Nature Preserve. Devoting many hours to The Bicentennial Woods project in 1994, Dave led the fund drive for the purchase of the old-growth woods. Dave is the new ACRES President as of 1998.

Thanks to both men for their leadership to ACRES!

ACRES Welcomes New Members!

Peggy Apper
Michael and Heather Bedwell
Donald and Susan Bell
Lisa Boroff
Jeffrey and Kimberly Bowman
Edward J. Campau
Ed Carr
J. Robert and G. Edwards

James and Sandra Heit
James Mercer
Deborah L. Owen
Gregory and Kathryn Reader
Kenneth and Johnna Scheele
David L. Schnepf
Mark A. Schobert
Stephen and Paulette Shambaugh

Dick and Doris Stresser
First National
Bank Northwest Ohio

A BOTANIST'S VIEW OF FOGWELL FOREST NATURE PRESERVE

By Paul E. Rothrock, Ph.D. Taylor University,
Professor of Environmental Science and Biology



Fogwell Forest Nature Preserve, acquired by ACRES, Inc. in 1976, is a 28-acre, second growth flatwoods located in southwestern Allen County.

This opening sentence provides a dry, profes-

sional description of a place. It hides a wealth of ideas about what makes Fogwell Forest unique, beautiful, fragile, and treasured. I have visited the Preserve several dozen times over the past 5 years. I have seen it with the eyes of a professional botanist but, hopefully as well, with the eyes of one who simply loves nature. Fogwell can enchant; it can surprise; it can teach. Maybe the vignette that follows can entice a few fellow nature lovers to discover it as well.

Before its rebirth as a nature preserve, this acreage had been part of the Fogwell family farm for three generations. As such, it carried them through good time and bad. The first generation of Fogwells sold some mature timber from the western half of the present day Preserve. During the 1920s, the state Forester Charlie Deam encouraged the family to enter the woods into the "Classified Forest" program. Under this agreement, a property owner received some tax considerations in exchange for following sustainable-use practices. Specifically, mature trees (those greater than 12" in diameter) could be harvested down to 1 foot above the ground. The soil and smaller trees had to be left undisturbed. During the 1930s, according to Glenn Fogwell, the family did take advantage of the income afforded by selling mature trees on the eastern side of the Preserve. After that, aside from removal of dead wood for fuel, no

further standing timber was harvested from the woods. As a result, the Preserve had only minor disturbance over the 40 year period preceding its donation to ACRES, Inc. Ecological succession, the recovery processes of nature, did much to return the area to its current condition—a species rich, lush flatwood community. It was in that form, as a mature second growth forest, that Glenn Fogwell and his sisters Mabel Corville and Mildred Klopfenstein, generously donated the land in 1976.

That brings us to the question "what is a flatwoods and who makes their home there?" Southwest Allen County lies within Indiana's Central Till Plain natural region. The region stretches from south of Indianapolis to the Fort Wayne area. Overall it is characterized by relatively flat topography shaped by the advance and withdrawal of glacial ice. Fogwell Forest developed on the gently undulating topography of this plain. Some areas of the Preserve form shallow "vernal pools." These spots fill with water in the spring but dry out as the season progresses. The trees in vicinity of the pools tend to be swamp white oaks. These are often tall, straight individuals more than 20" in diameter. The herbaceous growth around the vernal pool, though sometimes thin, is dominated by sedge species (e.g., *Carex bromoides*, *C. grayi*, and *C. muskingumensis*) and ferns such as sensitive fern, several woodfern species, and lady-fern. With very slight increases in elevation, the composition of the woods and herbaceous flora changes markedly. The dominate trees become sugar maple and old American beech. The mixture also includes many other hardwood species such as red oak, white oak, and black walnut. Furthermore, one encounters a rich spring wildflower display that defies description. There can be drifts of large-flowered trillium, toothwort, wild geranium, wild ginger, Jack-in-the-pulpit (one of my personal favorites), and forest phlox, to name but a few.

By autumn one should look for the most bizarre of flowering plants Fogwell has to offer—beech drops. Standing approximately 10" tall, beech drops are flowering plants that grow parasitically on the roots of beech trees. The above ground portion of the plant consists of only a non-green inflorescence. It



can frequently be found around the base of mature trees. One other parasitic flowering plant, love-vine, is occasionally spotted in the Preserve. Love-vine, structurally most closely related to morning-glory and bindweed, entwines stinging nettles (note the irony) and sends tiny finger-like outgrowths deep into the nutritious tissue.

In an urban area, the 28 acres of Fogwell Forest sounds spacious. In some ways, though, it really is a small parcel of ground. The Indiana landscape has been deeply fragmented by settlement of the land during the past 150 years. As a result, the once more or less continuous mantle of forest, swamps, and prairies has been converted into biological islands. Island biogeography theory demonstrates that over time, islands reach a level of species diversity which is dependent upon the size of the island. That is, a very large island has, on average, more species than a very small one. Of course, the biological islands of Indiana are not as isolated as oceanic islands. Some migration of spores, seeds, and gravid animals between islands does occur. This can, to some extent, obscure the expected island pattern. Nonetheless, biologists suggest that it will be more difficult to maintain the biodiversity of a small preserve than a large one.

At Fogwell Forest, there are some plant species represented by only a few individuals. Thus, even small accidental loss can impover-

ish the Preserve. For example, I would expect a good size woods to contain some orchid species. However, I have been unable to locate any examples in the Preserve; these rare plants may have been lost from the island. Perhaps the loss was due to natural disturbance or maybe foot traffic. Or maybe the plants happened to be situated near an edge created when the land was first cleared and these plants found the new "microclimate" unsuitable for their needs. (There is, by the way, no historical recollection of purposeful or commercial collecting of any wildflowers from the woods).

In spite of the lack of orchids, though, 28 acres is enough to provide refuge for many plant species. My records now list more than 240 vascular plant species in and adjacent to the Preserve. The area is particularly diverse in fern and woodland sedge species. Long term stewardship of the Forest can maintain these riches. The job will be made easier as ACRES, Inc. succeeds in acquiring an additional buffer provided by nearby wooded and unwooded areas. As a botanist, I am impressed with the beauty of this forest carrel. I am also inspired by the caring that goes into the preservation of wild places. Through the legacy of three generations of Fogwells, coupled with the vision of the present, this flatwood preserve promises long-lasting enjoyment for many generations of human visitors.



Photographs by Bob Weber

Join Paul Rothrock on
Sunday, May 3rd. for his hike
"Wildflowers of Fogwell Forest"
2:00 p.m.

(see page 6 for more information)

Field Trips & Special Events

Saturday, April 25. Ninth Annual Adopt-A-Tree Festival.

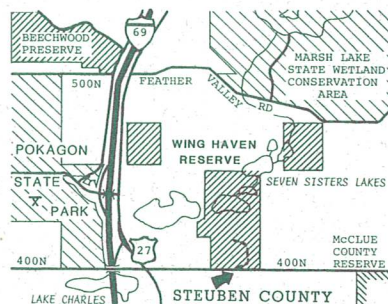
Take home a native tree to plant, build your own bird house or log feeder, listen to music by Laurie Eberhardt and Peter Martin and enjoy the outdoors.

Art and Marion Eberhardt, John Ellenwood, Jim Shearer, Dave Syler, and Dave Snyder host this yearly event!

When: 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Where: Wing Haven, Steuben County. Take I-69 to Exit 154 (Pokagon State Park Exit), turn south on SR 127 and then take an immediate left onto 400 N. Wing Haven is 1 mile down 400 N on the left.

Contact: Art and Marion Eberhardt (219) 665-2421 or ACRES Office (219) 422-1004



Saturday, May 2nd. Tiptoe thru the Trillium.

Edna W. Spurgeon Woodland Reserve Work Day and Wildflower Hike.

Hike and Work Day Leaders: John and Rosemary Rouch, Stewards.

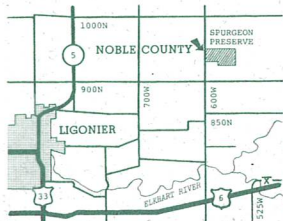
We need to complete a major trash pick-up along the road and pull the pesky garlic mustard. The tornado damage from last spring has been cleared away, but there is some minor trail work. John will be leading a wildflower hike and this is one of the top wildflower preserves in the state.

When: 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. (Come at 11:00 for the wildflower hike)

Where: Edna W. Spurgeon Woodland Reserve, Noble County. Take SR 6 west of Kendallville to 600 W, turn north on 600 W and preserve is located between 900N

and 1000 N on 600 W. **Bring:** Gloves, buckets (for trash), trail work equipment -clippers, etc. and a picnic lunch.

Contact: ACRES Office at (219) 422-1004 for more information.



Dutchman's breeches

Sunday, May 3rd. Wing Haven Open House (1 - 5 pm)

Sunday, May 3rd. Wildflowers of Fogwell Forest.

Hike Leader: Paul E. Rothrock, Professor of Environmental Science and Biology, Taylor University.

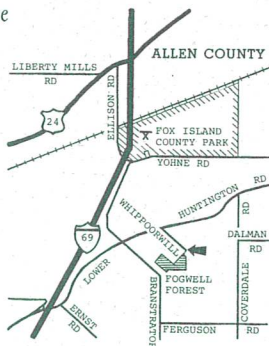
Join Dr. Rothrock for an intellectually challenging presentation! Investigating the flora of Fogwell Forest for 2 years, Dr. Rothrock identified over 250 species of plants. Learn the kind of biological community and the natural history of the area in this 1-hour hike.

When: 2:00 p.m.

Where: Fogwell Forest, Allen County. Take Lower Huntington Road south of Fort Wayne to Whippoorwill Drive and park at end of road. See Map.

Bring: Wear boots. Preserve is wet!

Contact: ACRES Office at (219) 422-1004 for more info.



Field Trips & Special Events

Saturday, May 9th. NEW PRESERVE!

With Melvin and Joan Larimer as our honored guests, join us for a day of celebration and fun! The Larimers wanted to see their land protected and it is a wonderful addition to the ACRES' nature preserve register. Music, food, nature scavenger hunt, and wildflower hikes are planned. Dave Gall, ACRES new President, will give the dedication ceremony.

When: 10:00 a.m. until Noon

Where: Fawn River Nature Preserve, LaGrange County. Take SR 120 to 1100 E, turn north towards Greenfield Mills, continue on 1100 E across 80/90 and then turn west on 800 N (at Mich./Indiana line). Look for signs. **Bring:** Friends and family! Wear hiking boots and bring camera.

Contact: Carolyn McNagny, ACRES Office at (219) 422-1004 for more information.



Open House at the Fawn River Nature Preserve!

Photograph by Art Eberhardt

Sunday, May 10th. Mother's Day March.

Hike Leader: Else Matott, Naturalist and Artist

The Acres along the Wabash Nature Preserve, a gift of Catharine and Roland Maxwell in 1973, has two wildflowers found at none of the other ACRES Preserves: Wild Hyacinth (*Camassia scilloides*) and Shooting Star (*Dodecatheon meadia*). We hope to catch them blooming!

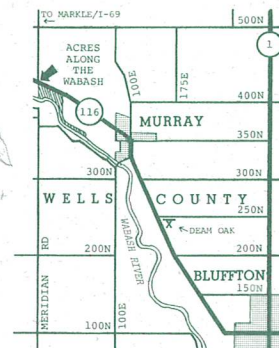
When: 1:00 p.m.

Where: Acres along the Wabash, Wells County. Take SR 116 north of Bluffton 4 miles, preserve on south side of SR 116 immediately north of tiny town of Murray.

Bring: Hiking boots, preserve can be muddy, and camera.



Jack-in-the-pulpit



Sunday, June 7th. Wing Haven Open House (1 - 5 pm)

Special Event: Kinnegad Ceili Band

In what has become an Annual Event, the Kinnegad Ceili Band will play their lively Irish music in the beautiful setting of Wing Haven. Bill, Connie, and Jeffrey Reeder will entertain you with their fiddle penny whistle, and Uilleann pipes (Irish bagpipes). Come out for a toe-tapping time!

When: 2:00 p.m.

Where: Wing Haven, Steuben County. Take I-69 to Exit 154 (Pokagon State Park Exit), turn south on SR 127 and then take an immediate left onto 400 N. Wing Haven is 1 mile down 400 N on the left.

Contact: ACRES Office at (219) 422-1004. Refreshments served.

Sunday, July 5th. Wing Haven Open House (1 - 5 pm)



SANDHILL CRANES



RETURNING TO NORTHEAST INDIANA

by Carolyn McNagny,
Executive Director

There is a shallow lake, not much to look at, in southern Noble County.

It is called Crane Lake, which puzzled me when I was growing up. My grandfather told me, that before they drained Long Swamp, which encompassed Big, Crooked, and Crane Lakes, the small lake would be black with cranes in the spring and fall. In the rush to "improve" the area in the

early 1900s, farmers laid tiles and drained the swamp. The cranes disappeared from the small lake and only the name was left.

What price do we pay for the things we no longer see? Never having seen or heard a Sandhill Crane, I did not regret their being absent from Crane Lake. Eight years ago, standing in a shopping mall parking lot in Indianapolis, I heard ringing calls in the sky. I looked up to see hundreds of cross shaped birds circling slowly south. It was the first time I saw Sandhill Cranes.

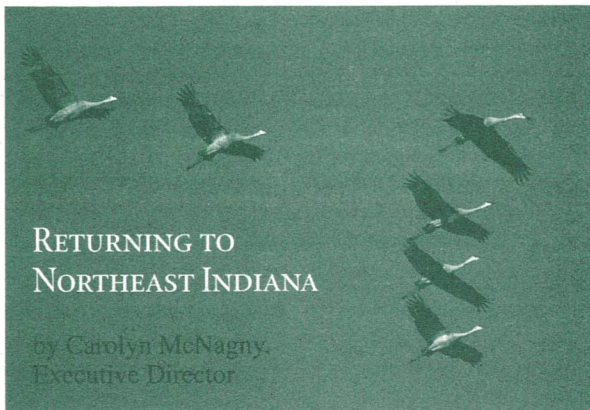
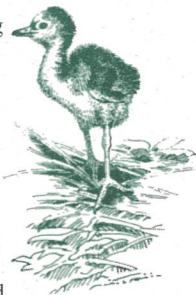
For decades, Sandhill Cranes have been infrequent visitors to northeast Indiana. They have not nested in Indiana since 1929. Slowly, pairs are building nest sites near undisturbed marshes in Kosciusko, LaGrange, Noble and Steuben Counties. Their mating dance is memorable, with four-foot birds, wings outstretched and feet thrown forward, leaping into the air. Bowing to each other, they repeat the dance with loud, rattling calls. It is thought that the dance reinforces bonds between the pair.

The cranes pull up aquatic plants and grass in the marsh and build a mounded nest. Laying two brown-spotted buff eggs, the parents are usually successful in raising one chick. Unlike the nestlings of other tall waders, young cranes can walk right after hatching. The young do not develop the distinctive red patch of skin until they are nine months old. Depending on where they are nesting and feeding, some cranes have brighter red foreheads than other, influenced by the amount of iron in the water.

With an impressive wingspan of seven feet, Sandhill Cranes fly with their neck outstretched and with the upstroke faster than the downstroke. The closest bird in size is the Great Blue Heron, but it flies with the distinctive crook in its neck. Another difference is that herons may brave out a inter along open rivers, while the cranes always head south to Florida and Georgia.

Migrating in great flocks, the cranes leave Indiana in late October and early November. They assemble in areas where they can rest and find food. Cranes are omnivores, eating waste grain and insects in farmers' fields, berries, roots, frogs and small animals. Returning briefly to Indiana in February and March, the majority of cranes continue north to their nesting range of southern Canada, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan.

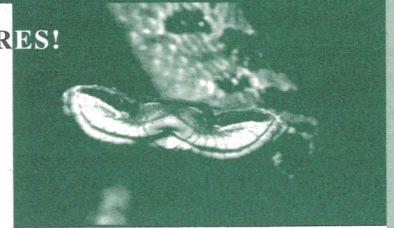
Fred Wooley, Naturalist at Pokagon State Park and the Caretaker at Wing Haven, said that Sandhill Cranes began nesting on the Seven Sister Lakes several years ago. Sensitive to human disturbance, the cranes are one of a handful of pairs nesting in the state. By acquiring the 36 acre addition to Wing Haven, ACRES hopes to provide a quiet, remote location for the Sandhill Cranes and the other animals dependent on that ecosystem.



Remember to Renew!

Make us smile at your commitment to ACRES!

ACRES Membership has reached more than 800 for 1997-1998. Our goal is 1,000 Members by the year 2000. Please consider renewing at a Share-the-Expense, Patron or Benefactor level.



Hognose snake photograph by Bruce Plew

Your Membership helps ACRES to:

-  acquire new preserves,
-  manage our existing preserves (40 and counting!),
-  provide havens for our native plants and animals,
-  give special events, hikes, concerts, and canoe trips,
-  publish the ACRES Quarterly, Brochure and Field Guide.
-  offer environmental education program to area schoolchildren,

If you would like to recommend a friend to the organization, call ACRES at (219) 422-1004. We will be happy to send them Membership information. Your remittance envelope has a box to check if you would like to receive a receipt for tax purposes.

For the first time, we will be dropping non-renewing members in June. We will send out a reminder notice. We don't want to lose you, so please renew today!

Mary Anna Entwisle, ACRES Membership Secretary



Spider lily photograph by Lee Casebere

1998 Field Day Events Indiana Division of Nature Preserves

April 25, 1998

Portland Arch, Fountain County 10:00 a.m. until noon

No registration required; simply show up for this free Nature Preserves staff guided tour. An excellent time for spring wildflowers and early migrants! Towering cliffs support native white pine and other boreal species.

June 13, 1998 Clark and Pine, Lake County 10:00 a.m. until noon

Registration required as this is a fragile site (hike will be limited to 15 people). Call Division of Nature Preserves to register and receive map to site. Lots of rare species occur in this very rare remnant of the "ridge and swale" topography.

August 15, 1998 Bloomfield Barrrens, Spencer County 10:00 a.m. until noon

No registration required. Site consists of poorly drained flatwoods with post oak and other natural openings. The spectacular spider lily should be in bloom!

Clark and Pine is the only trip requiring advanced registration. Call Division of Nature Preserves for map to the site or additional questions regarding these hikes: (317) 232-4052. All hikes are led by Nature Preserves ecologists and are FREE to the public.

In Memory

ACRES' NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER
DURWARD L. ALLEN

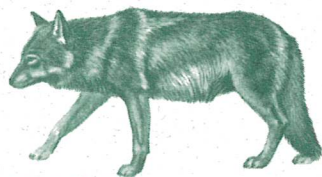
Professor Emeritus Durward Allen, internationally known wildlife ecologist, conservationist, and author, died October 17, 1997. Dr. Allen was born in Uniondale, Indiana in 1910 and his interest in wildlife was evident at an early age. Graduating from North Side High School at Fort Wayne in 1928, he received an A. B. in zoology from the University of Michigan in 1932 and a PhD in vertebrate ecology from Michigan State College in 1937. Interestingly, Dr. Allen never had a wildlife science course at either college, for none were offered.

Dr. Allen's first professional job was game research biologist with the Game Division of the Michigan Department of Conservation. In 1946, he took a position with the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service. During this period, he authored *Our Wildlife Legacy*, which set out many principles of modern wildlife management.

In 1954, Dr. Allen accepted a position with Purdue University's Department of Forestry and Conservation. He became interested in the relationship between predators and their prey, particularly wolves and moose. Dr. Allen's interest was stimulated by the news that wolves had recently reached Isle Royale in Lake Superior. Neither animal had lived on the island until this century.

Moose, which are strong swimmers, crossed the 20-mile channel from the mainland around 1900. Wolves crossed over to the island during the harsh winter of 1949 and the island became a near perfect laboratory for the study of predator-prey relationships. Dr. Allen began what became the longest running study of its kind in the world. Dr. Allen's research culminated in his book, *Wolves of Minong*, published in 1979, which detailed the life histories of both the wolf and the moose and their impacts on the island's ecosystems.

Durward Allen was one of the most important figures in wildlife ecology in the 20th century. ACRES was honored to have him serve on our National Advisory Board for over 30 years.



In Memory

Fleta Moody

*Sister of Robert C. Weber
Jane and David Griggs*

Lucia Harley

*For "the trails" who meant so
much to her.
Else Matott
Carolyn McNagny*

Harley Winkleblack, Jr.

*Laura Van Meter and Family
Mary Nailor
Paul Nailor Jr. and Family
James and Gwen Seely
Brent Tarr
John and Jennifer Tarr
Myron and Joyce Tarr
Scott Tarr*

Grey Stone

Tom and Jane Dustin

J. Preston Moody

*From his wife,
Mary Elizabeth Moody*

Winifred A. Poe

*Karen and Logan Jordan
Karen gives in fond memory of her grand-
mother.*

Devota Bolen

*Randy and Margaret Bolen
Randy and Margaret gave a memorial gift in
honor of his mother, Devota, to the Ropchan
Wildlife Refuge. Devota loved nature and had
a special fondness for lilacs. A bench will be
built in her honor at the preserve.*

A 25 Ft. Boardwalk for Fogwell Forest

Andy Basner completed his Eagle Badge requirements by building a 25 foot boardwalk and repainting the preserve sign at Fogwell Forest.. The well-built boardwalk takes hikers over a wetland area in the preserve. Andy, Troop 1 and Scout Leader Tim Kearney worked several days on the project. Thanks to Andy and Troop 1!



WILDLIFE WATCH



Pileated Woodpecker-
Crooked Lake Nature Preserve
David Rezits



Sharp-shinned Hawk-
Mengerson Nature Preserve
Ken Millikan



ELSE & ART MATOTT'S PLANT SALE

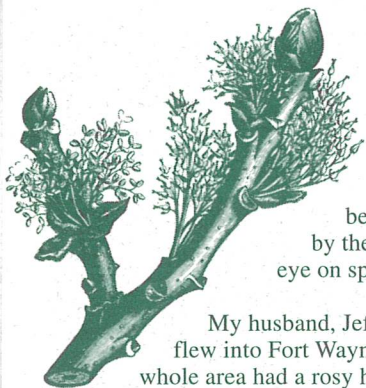
Plant Sale May 9th
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Proceeds will benefit the
Fawn River Nature Preserve



Thanks to our Home and Garden Show Volunteers!

Karlann Bieberich
Sean Carroll
Joy Christman
Flaim Cupp
Dave Deimling
Mark, Cricket, Mark Jr &
Renee Dolezal
Art and Marion Eberhardt
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Joyce Gottschalk
Ethel Klopfenstein
Don McCormack
Skip McKlem
Kathryn Moore
Everitt Padgitt
Susan Plum
Dick Sorg
John and Tam Vogel



The Back Page...

You've got to be quick to catch spring coming. The first shoots of wildflowers do not announce their arrival with trumpet voluntaries. Instead they hide under the leaf litter from last fall, as if they are ashamed of something. You go to bed one evening only to find that some new leaves have appeared by the very next day. That's what happens to you if you don't keep an eye on spring.

My husband, Jeff, described to me his first real sense of spring this year as he flew into Fort Wayne in late March. It seemed that as the plane circled to land the whole area had a rosy hue. He realized that the tree buds were gathering all their strength for the sneak attack that was to come. Fort Wayne was nearly bursting at the seams with spring. With a mere mortals point of view he would have missed it. Sometimes, to get an overall view of spring you need God's perspective.

This week I was leaning on my rake, staring at the three acres of leaves I hadn't gotten to last fall. (I told myself I was enjoying the moment, but really I didn't know where to start.) I heard a rustle in the leaves and froze. Suddenly the smallest little furry creature I had ever seen darted out from the leaf litter, grabbed a small brown worm in its voracious little jaws, looked up at me and was gone back from whence he had come. It was either a least shrew or a very rare pygmy shrew at the southern edge of its range. But I'll never know. I just wasn't quick enough to catch it.

Spring happens...don't miss it! Get outside, enjoy an ACRES preserve and see the action for yourself!

The ACRES Quarterly welcomes letters, articles, artwork, photos, and anything else of interest to our readers. Send any and all items to Susan Britton, Editor, ACRES Quarterly, 2000 North Wells Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46808-2474. Deadline for Summer issue is June 1, 1998.

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