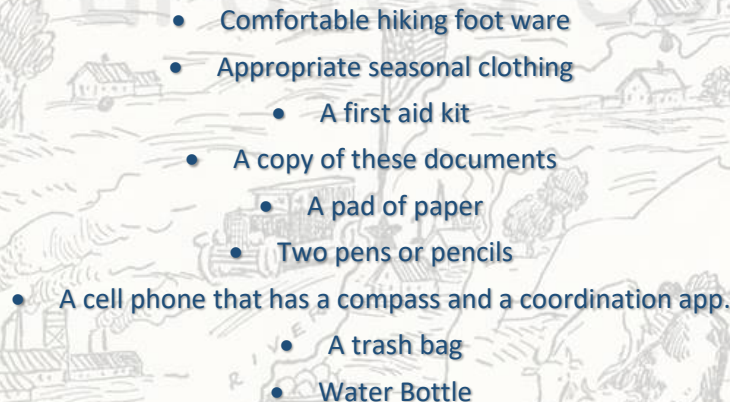


# Welcome to the Hoosier Historical Hike.

This hike was created by Scouts from the Wapahani District and the Hoosier Trails Council. This experience is a great way to learn about the history of Bloomington, Indiana. You will enjoy a three-phase hike that totals 5.5 miles in some of the most beautiful parts of the state. You can complete these hikes all at once or in different segments. The segments will include the downtown Bloomington area, Rose Hill Cemetery, and the Indiana University Campus. You will find 43 stops along these scenic routes. Please use the attached coordinates to find all the great locations and just for fun, we have added some great questions that you can research along the way!

**Keep in mind: One person should in charge of the documents and writing down the answers from the other members of the group.**

**You will need the following for this hike:**

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- Comfortable hiking foot ware
  - Appropriate seasonal clothing
    - A first aid kit
    - A copy of these documents
      - A pad of paper
      - Two pens or pencils
  - A cell phone that has a compass and a coordination app.
    - A trash bag
    - Water Bottle

It is recommended that you wear your Scout Uniform or Class B's. Remember, you are Scouts and during this hike you are representing the Scouting movement. You will be walking through neighborhoods so please respect private property. Do not litter and if you see litter please place it in your trash bag and properly dispose it. Remember leave no trace, take only photographs and memories. During this pandemic some of the buildings will be closed. If you are required to go inside do it later when all buildings are open.

**If you have any questions or comments please send them to Tony Mitchell, Activities Chair, Wapahani District at [P121tm@yahoo.com](mailto:P121tm@yahoo.com). Be careful, be safe and enjoy the hike.**

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## DOWNTOWN

1. **MONROE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, SOUTHSIDE ENTRANCE. 39 degrees 10' 1" N 86 degrees 32' 1" W** - What year was the Courthouse built? 1907. If the Courthouse is open go inside and look up at the dome. Find who the Contractors were that build the Courthouse?

DRAKE AND CAULDWELL – This company also finished building the West Baden Hotel and the Palace of Agriculture in the 1904 World's Fair at St. Louis Missouri. What year was the Courthouse built? 1908

2. **SOUTH OF THE COURTHOUSE 39 degrees 10' 1" N 86 degrees 32' 3" W** - There is a stone circle in the ground that reads "Center of Population" What year was Bloomington Indiana the Center of Population for the United States? – 1910 The actual site was in front of the Showers Building 320 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street but was moved to this spot in 1960 by Fred Seward

3. **CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL 39 degrees 10' 0" N 86 degrees 32' 2" W** - What is the name of the Civil War Captain that the memorial was named after? Captain William Alexander. Looking at the panels carved on the side what U.S. President do you see holding an American Flag? Abraham Lincoln.

4. **WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL 39 degrees 10' 2" N 86 degrees 32' 2" W** - Statue titled "Spirit of the Fighting Yank". What is the soldier holding in his right hand? A hand grenade. Look closely above his wrist. Do you see the break line? This occurred in 1987. During the celebration of the Indiana University Men's Basketball team winning the National Title someone placed a basketball over the soldier's right hand.

Unknown to everyone cement had been poured into the cavity of the basketball. When the attempt was made to remove the ball, it was discovered. The original hand had to be cut off and a new one carved and placed on the soldier.

5. **KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL 39 degrees 10' 3" N 86 degrees 32' 4" W** - Also called the Four Freedoms Memorial. What are the Four Freedoms? Freedom from Fear, Freedom from Want, Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Speech. The names of the soldiers from Monroe Co. that were killed in the Korean War are on the south side of the monument. How many Monroe Co. soldiers died during this conflict? 15

6. **VIETNAM MEMORIAL 39 degrees 10' 2" N 86 degrees 32' 4" W** - This memorial honors the over 4,000 men and women who served in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam war who were from Monroe County, Indiana. How many names of fallen soldiers are on this Wall? 25

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7. **WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION FOUNTAIN 39 degrees 10' 1" N 86 degrees 32' 4" W** - In 1913 this fountain was erected by the Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU), a group that opposed alcohol. Who is the fountain dedicated to? Elizabeth Loudon. The fountain was originally on the sidewalk at the SW corner of the Courthouse square.
8. **PEACE STATUE 39 degrees 10' 1" N 86 degrees 32' 4" W** - Dedicated in 1979 to those who strive for peace. What is written on the book? Blessed are the peacemakers.
9. **WEATHERVANE ON TOP OF THE COURTHOUSE 39 degrees 9' 53" N 86 degrees 32' 24" W** - The weathervane on top of the courthouse has an animal on it. What is the animal? It is a three-foot-long, gold gilded fish made in 1826. It has been on top of the last two courthouses in Monroe County and is named Hoagy.
10. **BLAIR-DUNNING HOUSE 39 degrees 10' 10" N 86 degrees 32' 11" W** - Built around 1845 the Blair-Dunning House was the former home of Paris C. Dunning, the Governor of Indiana 1848-1849. What business is currently housed here? The Law Offices of Bauer & Densford
11. **BLOOMINGTON CITY HALL 39 degrees 10' 10" N 86 degrees 32' 11" W** - Formerly the Showers Brothers Furniture Factory. At one time they produced over 700,000 pieces of furniture a year in the 1920's, over half of the furniture made in the US. They were famous for their "Hoosier Cabinets". Look at the top of the building. What do you see? A Sawtooth roof. This was the first factory in the world that used this design. The skylights allowed sunlight into the factory which both helped the employees see but the sunlight made them feel better.
12. **MONROE COUNTY HISTORY CENTER 39 degrees 16' 75" N** - This building currently houses the Monroe County History Center and the Monroe County History Museum. This is the third organization to house this site. Look at the history marker to name the three previous organizations. Center School, built in 1854, which converted to The Colored School in 1881 and the Carnegie Library, which was one of 2,509 built across the United States. The building was built in 1918. Go inside the Building and ask to see the Bear. What is the Bear's name? Monroe, a 9'4", 1,200-pound Kodiak Bear. See the square of fur? This is Kodiak fur. You may touch this but please do not touch the Bear.
13. **BUSKIRK-CHUMLEY THEATRE -39 degrees 9' 60" N 86 degrees 31' 59" W** Build as a Vaudeville theatre in 1922 and when silent pictures were created it became a movie theatre. It was built in the Spanish Mission Revival architecture style. Currently is

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called the Buskirk-Chumley Theatre. What was this theatre called prior to BCT? The Indiana Theatre.

## ROSE HILL CEMETERY

14. **GRAVESITE OF ANDREW WYLIE 39 degrees 9' 54" N 86 degrees 32' 42" W, Old Spencer Addition** – First president of Indiana University (1789-1851) died due to a wood chopping incident. His home, the Wylie house, which was built in 1835 is now a historic house museum located at 307 E. Second Street.
15. **GRAVESITE OF PARIS C. DUNNING 39 degrees 9' 52" N 86 degrees 32' 40" W, Old Spencer Addition** – (1806-1884) Held the following political positions in Indiana: State Representative, State Senator, Senate President, the 10<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Governor and 9<sup>th</sup> Governor of Indiana. He was one of the first Anti-Slavery Governors. His house is located at 608 W. Third St., Bloomington, IN
16. **GRAVESITE OF ANDREW FERGUSON 39 degrees 9' 52" N 86 degrees 32' 40" W, Old Spencer Addition** – (1765-1855) The only known Monroe County African-American who served in the US Revolutionary War
17. **JOHN BERTRAM CRAFTON 39 degrees 9' 54" N 86 degrees 32' 46" W Section C** – (1853-1912) Made his fortune in the Limestone business. Was known as 'The Stone King'. Was visiting Europe in 1912 to "take the waters" for his arthritis. Had passage back to America on the Kaituma Victoria on April 17 but exchanged his ticket for a 1<sup>st</sup> Class ticket on the Titanic. When it sunk on April 14 Crafton drowned and his body was never recovered.
18. **EITHEL JULIAN "LEFTY" GALLOWAY 39 degrees 9' 53" N 86 degrees 32' 54" W Section F, Lot 54** – (1919-1938) A local baseball star, captain of the BHS Baseball Team and was being scouted by both Indiana University and some Major League teams. Was working in Evansville in 1938 to raise money for college when he was killed in a trucking accident.
19. **GEORGE "RABBIT" SHIVELY 39 degrees 9' 54" N 86 degrees 32' 51" W** - (1893-1962) Played in the American Negro Baseball league, with the Chicago Leland Giants, the West Baden Sprudels, the Indianapolis ABCs, Atlantic City Bacharach Giants, and the Washington Potomac's. In 1918 he batted .408 with a lifetime average of over .300. He was a seven-time All-Star and twice the division's Most Valuable Player.

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- 20. Hoagland Howard "Hoagy" Carmichael 39 degrees 9' 54" N 86 degrees 32' 58" W Section G, Lot 216 - (1899-1981)** An American singer, songwriter and actor, he wrote "Stardust" and "Georgia on my Mind" among others. Born in Bloomington, attended BHS and Indiana University. Wrote the song "Stardust" at the Gables on Indiana Avenue. Sometimes people leave pennies on his gravestone. It is believed that this is because some people think he wrote "Pennies from Heaven".
- 21. ROSS FRANKLIN LOCKRIDGE JR. Section O, Lot 103 - (1914-1948)** Famous author, born in Bloomington attended both Bloomington High School and Indiana University. Wrote "the Great American Novel" "Raintree County" Was later made into a movie starring Elizabeth Taylor, Montgomery Cliff and Eva Marie Saint.
- 22. 1<sup>st</sup> LIEUTENANT HERMAN "GERRY" KISTERS - Section G, Lot 47 39 degrees 9' 55" N 86 degrees 32' 59". (1919-1986)** Attached to the 9<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division during WWII. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery while a Sergeant near Gagliano, Sicily. His citation reads "On July 31, 1943 a detachment of 1 officer and 9 enlisted men, including Sgt. Kisters, advancing ahead of the leading elements of U.S. troops to fill a large crater in the only available vehicle route through Gagliano, was taken under fire by 2 enemy machineguns. Sgt. Kisters and the officer, unaided and in the face of intense small arms fire, advanced on the nearest machinegun emplacement and succeeded in capturing the gun and its crew of 4. Although the greater part of the remaining small arms fire was now directed on the captured machinegun position, Sgt. Kisters voluntarily advanced alone toward the second gun emplacement. While creeping forward, he was struck 5 times by enemy bullets, receiving wounds in both legs and his right arm. Despite the wounds, he continued to advance on the enemy, and captured the second machinegun after killing 3 of its crew and forcing the fourth member to flee. The courage of this soldier and his unhesitating willingness to sacrifice his life, if necessary, served as an inspiration to the command. He was presented his Medal of Honor on February 8, 1944 at the White House by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Previously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, he was the first American soldier in World War II to be awarded both medals. He was also awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.
- 23. CAPTAIN WILLIAM JAMES ALEXANDER - (1836/37-1921)** At 19 enlisted as a Private with Co. I, 17<sup>th</sup> Indiana Infantry. By 1863 he was appointed into the Secret Service by Brig. Gen. O.B. Wilcox. The Memorial on the SW corner of the Courthouse Square is

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named after Captain Alexander. At this time, we are still searching for Capt. Alexander's burial spot.

**24. CIVIL WAR MONUMENT 39 degrees 9' 58" N 86 degrees 32' 50" W Section A. -**

**Erected** in 1900 by the Women's Relief Corps (WRC) to honor Civil War Veterans. It was designed by John Nichols. The bronze statue of the Civil War soldier, standing at Parade Rest, was cast by W.H. Mullen of Salem, Ohio. There is a bronze relief of a battle scene and references to the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and the WRC. At least 158 men from Bloomington, Indiana serviced in the Civil War.

**25. WORLD WAR I MONUMENT 39 degrees 9' 57" N 86 degrees 32' 50" W Section B. -**

**Erected** in 1923 and paid for by donations, especially the families of the 34 soldiers who are honored on this statue. The statue is called "The Spirit of the Doughboy" and was designed by E.M. Viquesney.

**26. JOHN LINCOLN NICOLS 39 degrees 9' 57" N 86 degrees 32' 55" W, Section I, Lot 63 -**

(1859-1929) Architect. Born and raised in Bloomington Indiana, designed the Bloomington Town Hall, The Harris Grand Theatre, the Princess Theatre, The First National Bank Building, the Book Nook, the Allen Building, the Von Lee Theatre, Kirkwood Observatory and Wylie Hall.

**27. JAMES D. SHOWERS 39 degrees 9' 58" N 86 degrees 32' 51" W Section B, Lot 13 -**

(1841-1939) Along with his brother, William N. Showers (1846-1919) founded the Showers Furniture Factory. At its peak in the 1920s it produced 700,000 pieces of furniture a year, enough to fill 16 train carloads a day. They invented the process of laminating.

## INDIANA UNIVERSITY

**28. SAMPLE GATES 39 degrees 9' 60" N 31" 37" W -**

Built in 1987 and funded by Edson Sample in memory of his parents, is the official entry to Indiana University. Who was president of Indiana University when the Gates were dedicated? John W. Ryan.

**29. STATUE OF ERNEST "ERNIE" TAYLOR PYLE 39 degrees 9' 60" N 31" 37" W' - (1900-**

1945} was a Pulitzer Prize-winning American journalist and war correspondent who is best known for his stories about ordinary American soldiers during World War II.

Born in Dana, IN and attended Indiana University. Was the most famous War Correspondent during WWII was killed by a Japanese sniper on the Island of Le

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Shima, April 18, 1945. The Indiana University Welcome Center is named after him. What patch is he wearing on his left shoulder? War Correspondent

**30. INDIANA MEMORIAL UNION** -39 degrees 10' 4" N 86 degrees 31' 21" W – Built in 1931-1932 this building is one of the largest Student Union buildings in the World. It contains a hotel, restaurants, a bookstore, a bowling alley, a movie theater, a beauty salon, an electronics store and gathering spaces for lecturers, meetings, conferences and performances. The building also houses IU's student government offices within the Student Activities Tower, where as many as 50 campus organizations conduct regular meetings.

**31. Oliver P. Morton Statue** - Civil War Governor of Indiana. Located inside the SW corner of the Union Building.

**32. T.C. Steele painting 1914 The Strength of the Hills** - Celebrated Hoosier Artist. His studio is a historic site on the way to Nashville, Indiana. The painting is located on the second floor, Eastern end of the Union Building.

**33. BILL GARRETT FIELDHOUSE** 39 degrees 10' 10" N 86 degrees 31' 20" W -  
– Enter on the SW Corner. Look at the tiles on the wall. What are they?

"This wing of the HPER building was built in 1917, before the Nazi party popularly adopted the swastika as its national symbol of world domination. This symbol has been found in many cultures through the world. At various times in history, it has been associated with agriculture and points of a compass, the action and original of the universe, or the succession of the generations.... Only with the rise to power was the meaning of the swastika associated with abusive power and horrible domination. These tiles are not intended to be associated with such meanings. They were placed here with the original intent of wishing health and prosperity to all. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation."

**34. ESKENAZI MUSEUM OF ART** 39 degrees 10' 6" N 86 degrees 21' 12" W – Originally built in 1941. Remodeled in 1982 by I.M. Pei. Houses over 1,400 pieces of art ranging from ancient jewelry to modern day paintings. I.M. Pei also designed a famous pyramid in Paris. What art museum is it built by and what popular movie, starring Tom Hanks, can you see it in? The Louvre and The DaVinci Code.

**35. WOODBURN HALL** 39 degrees 10' 6" N 86 degrees 21' 12" W – Built in 1940 by the Works Project Administration (WPA) is not the Political Science building. In the auditorium on the far right are murals by Thomas Hart Benton. How many murals are in the room?

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36. **ELI LILLY LIBRARY 39 degrees 10' 6" N 86 degrees 31' 8" W**– Dedicated in 1960 houses over 450,000 rare books and 8.5 million manuscripts. Included are Thomas Jefferson's personal copy of the first printing of the Bill of Rights, Eli Lilly, Orson Welles, Sylvia Plath and Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. archives, a first folio of the works of William Shakespeare, the first printing of the American Declaration of Independence and the original manuscript of J.M. Barrie's Peter Pan. It is currently under renovation and will reopen December 2021.
37. **SHOWALTER FOUNTAIN 39 degrees 10' 7" N 86 degrees 31' 9" W**  
"The Birth of Venus" designed by Ralph Laurent and brought to IU in 1958. How many dolphins are in the fountain? Five.
38. **INDIANA UNIVERSITY AUDITORIUM 39 degrees 10' 7" N 86 degrees 31' 7" W** – Built by the WPA and opened in 1941 this 3200-seat theatre has hosted famous bands; Broadway shows and lecturers from around the world. It is home to Thomas Hart Benton's mural "A Century of Progress"
39. **HOAGY CARMICHAEL STATUE 39 degrees 10' 8" N 86 degrees 31' 3" W**– Hoagy Carmichael, song writer and actor, was born in Bloomington Indiana and attended both BHS and Indiana University. Two of his famous songs were "Stardust" and "Georgia on my Mind". The statue was made by sculptor Michael McCauley. McCauley was raised in Bloomington Indiana, attended Bloomington High School South and Indiana University. He was in Scouts as a young boy. What song is Carmichael playing? "Memphis in June".
40. **Old 10<sup>th</sup> Street Stadium 39 degrees 10' 7" N 86 degrees 31' 9" W** - Home of Indiana University's Football team from 1925-1959. The stone entry way on 10<sup>th</sup> street was the original ticket entryway. The stadium was demolished in 1982. What famous movie, about Bloomington, IU and bicycles was filmed here in 1979? Breaking Away
41. **Cook Hall 39 degrees 10' 48" N 86 degrees 31' 19" W**- Indiana University Men's and Women's Basketball training facility. In the front of the building is a small museum. How many National Basketball Championship Trophies are in the Hall? Six; five men's one women's.
42. **Assembly Hall 39 degrees 10' 51" N 86 degrees 31' 23" W** – Home to the Indiana Hoosier Men's and Women's Basketball Team. Built in 1971 it has 17,222 seats. Who were the Architects for this building? Eggers and Higgins who also designed the Thomas Jefferson Memorial, IU's Fine Arts Building, Lilly Library and the Auditorium.
43. **Memorial Stadium 39 degrees 10' 51" N 86 degrees 31' 38" W** - Built in 1960 it is the home of the Indiana University Football Team. One the west side of the stadium are

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three naval items. What are they? The bow and two anti-aircraft guns of the Battleship USS Indiana. The Indiana participated in the Battle of Iwo Jima and earned nine battle stars.

**When you finish the hike come to the Scout Service Center at 5625 State Rd 46, Bloomington, IN 47401 to ask for and pick up your patch.**

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