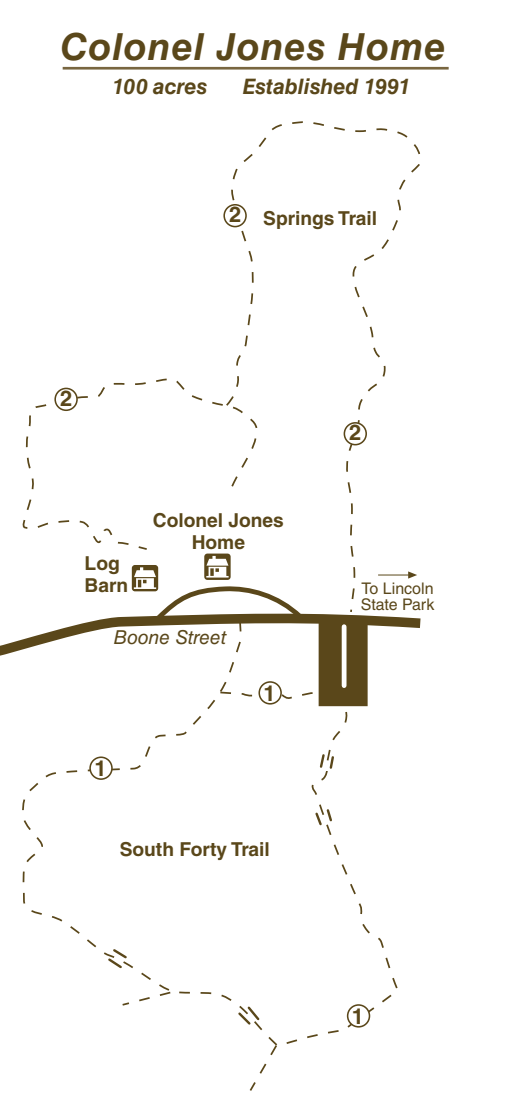
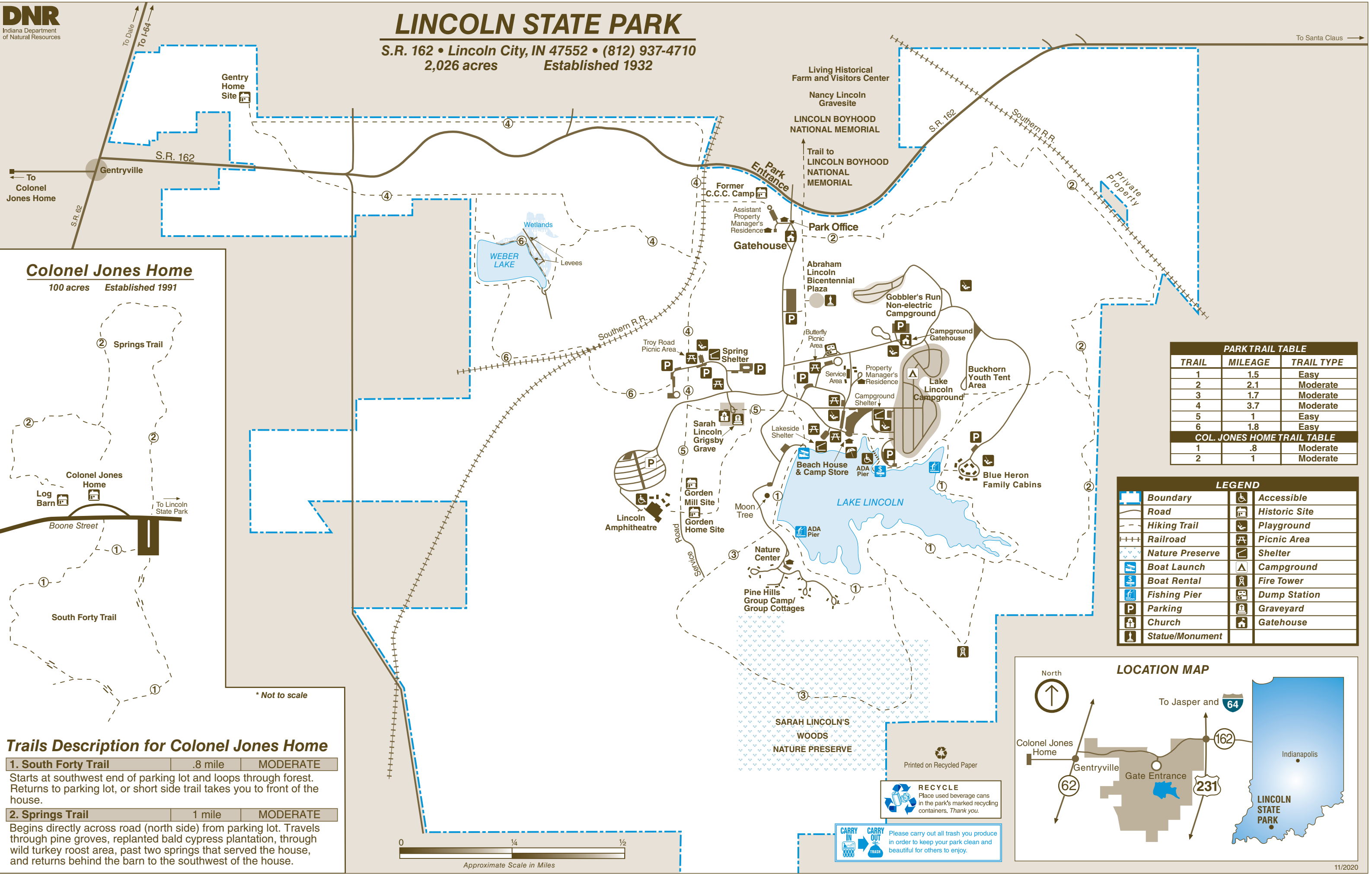


# LINCOLN STATE PARK

S.R. 162 • Lincoln City, IN 47552 • (812) 937-4710  
2,026 acres Established 1932

To Santa Claus →

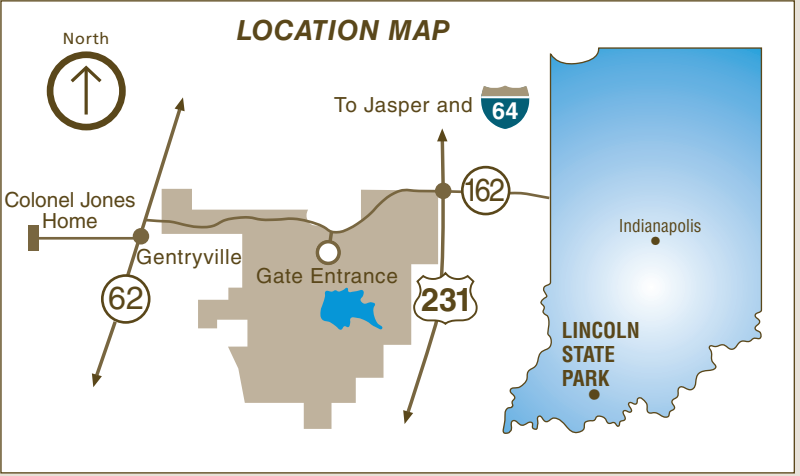


### Trails Description for Colonel Jones Home

Trail	Mileage	Difficulty
<b>1. South Forty Trail</b>	.8 mile	MODERATE
Starts at southwest end of parking lot and loops through forest. Returns to parking lot, or short side trail takes you to front of the house.		
<b>2. Springs Trail</b>	1 mile	MODERATE
Begins directly across road (north side) from parking lot. Travels through pine groves, replanted bald cypress plantation, through wild turkey roost area, past two springs that served the house, and returns behind the barn to the southwest of the house.		

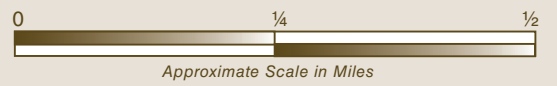
PARK TRAIL TABLE		
TRAIL	MILEAGE	TRAIL TYPE
1	1.5	Easy
2	2.1	Moderate
3	1.7	Moderate
4	3.7	Moderate
5	1	Easy
6	1.8	Easy
COL. JONES HOME TRAIL TABLE		
1	.8	Moderate
2	1	Moderate

LEGEND			
	Boundary		Accessible
	Road		Historic Site
	Hiking Trail		Playground
	Railroad		Picnic Area
	Nature Preserve		Shelter
	Boat Launch		Campground
	Boat Rental		Fire Tower
	Fishing Pier		Dump Station
	Parking		Graveyard
	Church		Gatehouse
	Statue/Monument		



**RECYCLE**  
Place used beverage cans in the park's marked recycling containers. Thank you.

**CARRY IN CARRY OUT**  
Please carry out all trash you produce in order to keep your park clean and beautiful for others to enjoy.



\* Not to scale

they use Lincoln's family cabins, the electric campground and group camp facilities.

The Sarah Lincoln Woods Nature Preserve is located in the southernmost part of the park. This nature preserve protects a rare southern Indiana plant community called the oak barrens. Oak barrens are marked by small populations of prairie plants growing in very open oak woodlands with dry, sandy soil. Early surveyors described these sandy ridge tops with clearings as "barrens, some oak, hickory, grassy."

In addition to the Lincoln relics, the property's federal style brick farmhouse of William Jones, merchant, farmer, politician, and Union Army Colonel, depicts life in the mid-19th century. Visitors can tour the house and a restored log barn, moved to the site in 1995. Tours and programs run from April through October. Request the naturalist schedule for times.

Enjoy your stay. Please disturb nothing. Take only pictures and leave only footprints. Abe could be watching.

## THIS IS YOUR PARK

Visitors shall observe the rules, which are designed to fulfill the purpose for which state parks were established, namely, to preserve a primitive landscape in its natural condition for the public's use and enjoyment.

For a list of park events, visit [interpretiveservices.IN.gov](http://interpretiveservices.IN.gov)

## DNR PROPERTIES NEARBY

- Ferdinand State Forest**—boating, boating ramps, boat rental, camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, group camp, mountain bike, play/sports area, picnicking, shelter house, swimming beach, trapping
- Interlake State Recreation Area**—motorized OHV trails, bridle trails, mountain biking, fishing, hiking, boating, dog training, hunting, trapping
- Pike State Forest**—camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, horseback riding, shelter house

Pick up an Indiana Recreation Guide for more information.

## ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES

**ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL PLAZA**—Designed by Will Clark and George Morrison, the plaza contains several pedestals and markers illustrating various milestones in Lincoln's young life in Indiana. The monument came about through a cooperative effort between the DNR, the Indiana Arts Commission, the Indiana Historical Bureau, and the Indiana Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

**BOATS**—Canoes, paddleboats and rowboats are rented by the hour. Privately owned boats may be launched. State launch permit is required. Only electric trolling motors, powered by no more than two 12-volt batteries, are permitted.

**CAMPING**—Campgrounds are equipped with flush toilets, hot water and showers. Occupancy limited to 14 consecutive nights. Sites will accommodate trailers. Reservations are available for both Electric and Non-electric sites through the Central Reservation System.

**COL. JONES HOME**—Historic home tours and programs available throughout year.

**CAMP STORE**—A snack shop and grocery operate in the upper level of the beach bathhouse daily from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. Firewood sold spring and fall weekends.

**FAMILY CABINS**—Family cabins sleep six persons and are available all year. Cabins may be rented for a maximum of 14 consecutive nights. Reservations are available through the Central Reservation System. *\*All cabins are non-smoking and no pets.*

**FISHING**—Bass, bluegill, etc. A state fishing license is required and available at the park office.

**GROUP CAMP**—Pine Hills Group Camp accommodates 157 people with its sleeping cabins, dining hall, kitchen, restrooms, showers and playfield. It is available from April to October. Reservations available through the Central Reservation System.

**GROUP COTTAGES**—Located in Pine Hills Group Camp and available when the group camp is not reserved. Reservations available through the Central Reservation System. *\*All cottages are non-smoking and no pets.*

**HIKING**—Miles of hiking trails available, rated easy to moderate in difficulty.

**LINCOLN AMPHITHEATRE**—Presents productions and concerts that vary each year and a "Lincoln" theatrical experience unlike any other. See [LincolnAmphitheatre.com](http://LincolnAmphitheatre.com) or call 812-937-2329.

**NATURE CENTER**—Operates five days a week from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Full-time naturalist. Visit [InterpretiveServices.IN.gov](http://InterpretiveServices.IN.gov) or (812) 937-4710.

**PICNIC AREAS**—Tables, grills, toilet facilities, playground equipment and a playfield. Picnic shelters may be reserved through the Central Reservation System.

**SWIMMING**—Swim at own risk from dawn to dusk. The bathhouse and beach are open from the Saturday before Memorial Day through Labor Day.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Do not injure or damage any structure, rock, tree, flower, bird or wild animal. Do not gather limbs, brush or trees (either dead or alive) for firewood because they rebuild the natural humus.
- Any firearm (except lawfully possessed handguns), BB gun, air gun, CO<sub>2</sub> gun, bow and arrow, paint gun or spear gun in possession in a state park must be unloaded or un-nocked and stored in a case or locked within a vehicle, except when owner is participating in an activity authorized by written permit.
- Dogs and cats must be attended at all times and kept on a leash no longer than 6 feet.
- Vending or advertising without permission of the Department of Natural Resources is prohibited.
- Camping is permitted only in the campground. Youth groups must be under adult supervision.
- Fires shall be built only in designated places.
- Motorists shall observe posted speed limits and park only in designated areas.
- Contact the park office for rules affecting motorized carts.
- Swimming is limited to places and times designated by the Department of Natural Resources.
- Drinking water should be taken only from pumps, hydrants or fountains provided for that purpose. This water is tested regularly for purity.
- Report lost or found articles to the park office.
- All motorized vehicles shall remain on paved roadway. Snowmobiles are prohibited.
- Bicycles are to be ridden on paved surfaces only.
- Use of metal detectors is prohibited.
- Park closes from 11 p.m. until 7 a.m. No one is allowed in the park, except for campers using their sites between these hours.

For a complete list of rules and regulations, inquire at park office.

### Please let wild animals remain wild.

Feeding deer is prohibited. Feeding of wild animals can result in harm to both animals and people. Animals who depend on handouts become a nuisance to visitors and a danger to themselves. Please lock up all food and coolers inside cars or campers. Roll up car windows tightly.

## CENTRAL RESERVATION SYSTEM



Reservations for all types of camping, family cabins, and shelters at state parks, reservoirs and forests can be made online or by calling toll-free.

Call: **1-866-6campIN** (1-866-622-6746)  
Online: **camp.IN.gov**

Reservations for the Indiana State Park Inns and Inn-operated cabins can be made online or by phone.

Call: **1-877-lodges1** (1-877-563-4371)  
Online: **IndianalInns.com**

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

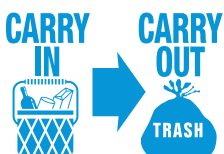


Write: Lincoln State Park  
Box 216, S.R. 162  
Lincoln City, IN 47552

Call: 812-937-4710  
Online: [on.IN.gov/lincolnsp](http://on.IN.gov/lincolnsp)  
Mapping Address: 15476 N. CR 300 E  
Lincoln City, IN 47552

## SPECIAL NOTE

Receipts from admission and service charges are used to help defray the operation and maintenance costs of the park. List of fees available in the main office.



Please carry out all trash you produce in order to keep your park clean and beautiful for others to enjoy!

*¡Saque toda la basura que produzca para mantener su parque limpio y hermoso para que otros lo disfruten!*

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## DESCRIPTION OF HIKING TRAILS

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	DIFFICULTY
<b>1. Lake Trail</b>	1.5 miles	Easy
Starts at the boat rental building (CCC ranger cabin) and goes around the south shore of the lake. This is one of the oldest remaining CCC ranger cabins in Indiana. A short-side loop leads to the fire tower (CCC built, 1935). The trail returns via the dam, back to the beach area.		
<b>2. John Carter Trail</b>	2.1 mile	Moderate
John Carter was a Lincoln family neighbor. This trail starts east of the gatehouse and proceeds through beautiful pines, past an old strip mine area before connecting with Lake Trail east of the campground. A short hop across S.R. 162 from the start of this trail is the Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial. Stop in and talk with the interpretive staff and tour the visitors center and "living farm." Fee required.		
<b>3. Sarah L. Grigsby Trail</b>	1.7 miles	Moderate
Takes you through the Sarah Lincoln Woods Nature Preserve, the park's most pristine and unusual area. You may find many prairie plants unusual to the area. The dry upland forest has many steep slopes. Sarah, Abe's older sister, died during childbirth at a nearby homestead.		
<b>4. James Gentry Trail</b>	3.7 miles	Moderate
Takes you across-north of S.R. 162 along the northern border of the property to the site of the James Gentry home. As a young man, Abraham worked at the Gentry store. It's also where the Lincolns slept their last night in Indiana. A historical marker designates the site. Passing through mature forest, the trail returns south of S.R. 162 to the Spring Shelter. A short side trail takes you to the Weber Lake Trail.		
<b>5. Mr. Lincoln's Neighborhood Walk</b>	1.7 miles	Moderate
Young Abe spent many hours at the Gorden Mill waiting to mill grain. This trail branches off Trail 1 at the picnic shelter just west of the beach. You will pass Little Pigeon Primitive Baptist Church and the gravesite of Sarah Lincoln Grigsby, the Gorden Home and Mill sites. By connecting with Lake Trail on the south shore, you can continue around the lake. (Brochures available at the park office, Nature Center or box office.)		
<b>6. Weber Lake Trail</b>	1.8 miles	Easy

This hike takes you along the remnant of the Troy-Gentryville Road to Weber Lake. The 1.8-mile hike consists of old field succession stands of trees, a CCC pine grove, and the reclaimed Weber Lake. The lake is testimony to the reclamation efforts of the DNR and federal government. Weber Lake went from a "dead" lake to one that purifies water and supports a variety of wetland plant and animal species. You may walk the levee, scale the "high wall," and look for reminders of the old mining days while viewing wildlife species.

PLEASE STAY ON MARKED TRAILS.

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**LINCOLN STATE PARK**

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Young Abe Lincoln spent part of his youth in the woods and fields of this region and the 2,026 acres of today's park, which was established in 1932 as a memorial to the 16th president's mother, Nancy Hanks Lincoln. Honest Abe once recalled his childhood home with these words, "The very spot where grew the bread that formed my bones, I see. How strange, old field, on thee to tread. And feel I'm part of thee."

A trail called "Mr. Lincoln's Neighborhood Walk" highlights the park's Lincoln-era sites, such as Noah Gorden's mill and the grave of Abe's sister, Sarah Lincoln-Grigsby. Many of the structures here are part of history, too. The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) was instrumental in establishing the park's recreational facilities, building Lake Lincoln, the Lakeside shelter house, the boat rental building (formerly a ranger cabin) and many trails.

Many of the park's trees were planted by the CCC. Within these groves of green, visitors can find cool respite from the summer sun, as