Robb Hidden Canyon Nature Preserve

County: Steuben Size: 28.66 dedicated acres
Ownership: ACRES Land Trust

Location and Access
Parking and a 1/5 mi trail. From I-69 N, take exit 140 at Ashley and go east, toward Hamilton, on CR 800 S about 7.0 miles. Turn left (north) onto S Homestead Dr. At E. Bellefountaine Rd turn left (west) and go about 1.0 mile to Ball Lake Rd 201 (on the left). Follow the lane to the ‘T,’ then left (east) along the lake. Park in the lot at the property entrance.

Description: There are panoramic views of Ball Lake from a high grassy meadow. A clear stream forms a ribbon along the floor of a steep ravine, with impressive beech and oak trees forming the forest canopy. Kentucky coffee trees grow along the west side of the ravine. The wildflowers on the slopes of the ravine make a carpet with bishop’s cap, jewelweed, rue anemone, wild phlox, black cohosh, spring beauty, virginia waterleaf, and trillium. Fish Creek is the north boundary to the property. Scarlet Tanagers, Indigo Buntings, and a variety of warblers are seasonal visitors.

This preserve was a gift to ACRES Land Trust from Dr. Robert and Mrs. Phyllis Robb. Members of Scout Troops 354 and 27 built the trail.

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