

A Child's Guide to Historic

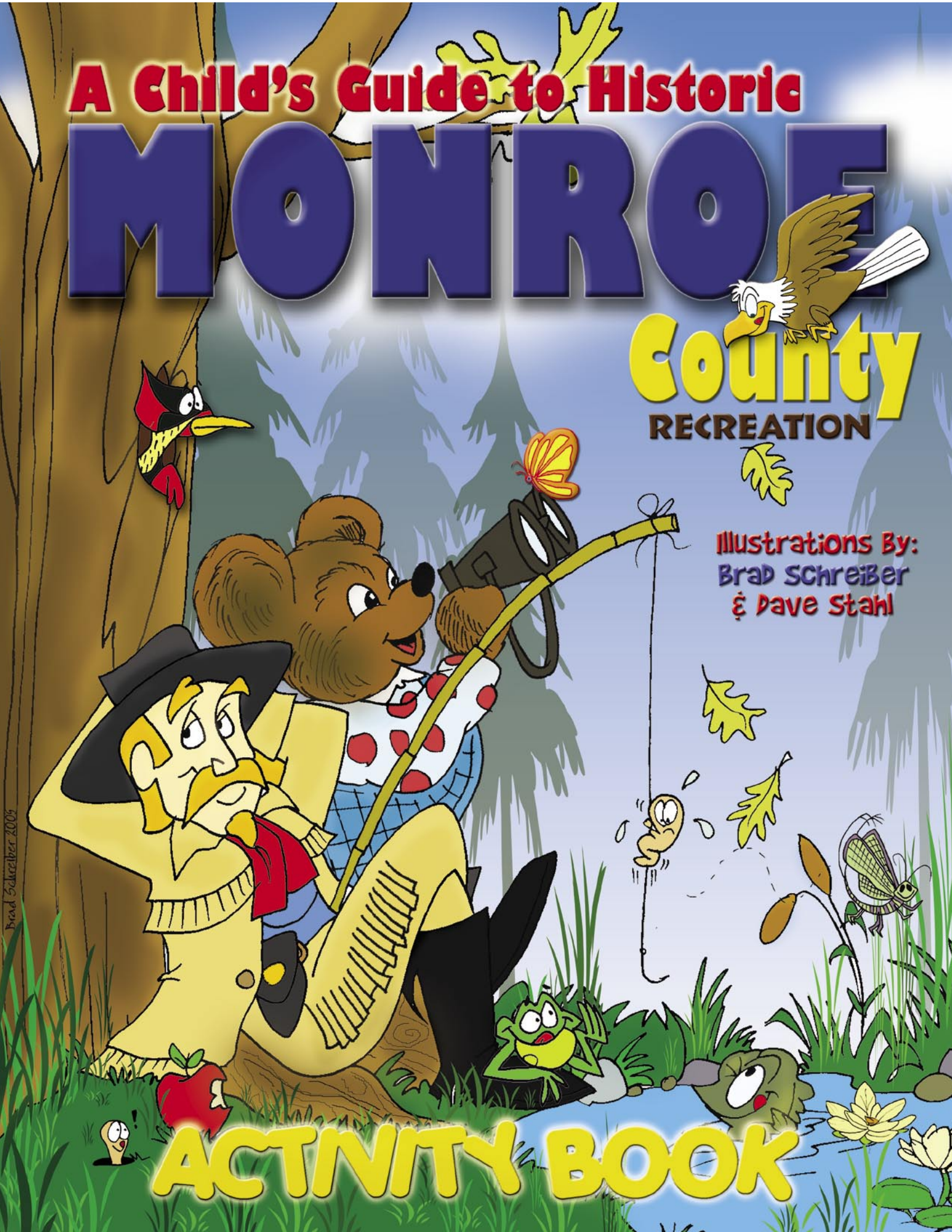
MONROE

County
RECREATION

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ACTIVITY BOOK

Brad Schreiber 2005





A letter of Introduction The Honorable John D. Dingell U.S. House of Representatives

Greetings and Welcome to the 2nd Edition of the "Child's Guide to Historic Monroe County".

I am particularly pleased to be a part of this project, as it focuses on recreation, an area of special importance to me personally and professionally.

Inside, you will make your way through wonderful picture stories, exploring many of the exciting recreational activities available to you and your family and friends throughout Monroe County. This book is an excellent resource for children of all ages and should be shared as a fun, family activity promoting reading and artistic skills as well as physical activities that can be enjoyed for a lifetime.

Our community is filled with many exceptional things including blues skies, green grass and lots of recreational opportunities. I am especially proud of our International Wildlife Refuge and the ongoing benefits it will provide to all of us in the years to come. As you and your family flip through the pages and put your own artistic touches on these great landmarks, I encourage you to visit these places and participate in the activities offered there in the near future. Monroe County is a great place to live, work and recreate and I hope you will explore all it has to offer...discover new and exciting things and share your knowledge with family, friends and visitors to our community!

It is an honor to serve as your Congressman in the United States House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John D. Dingell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

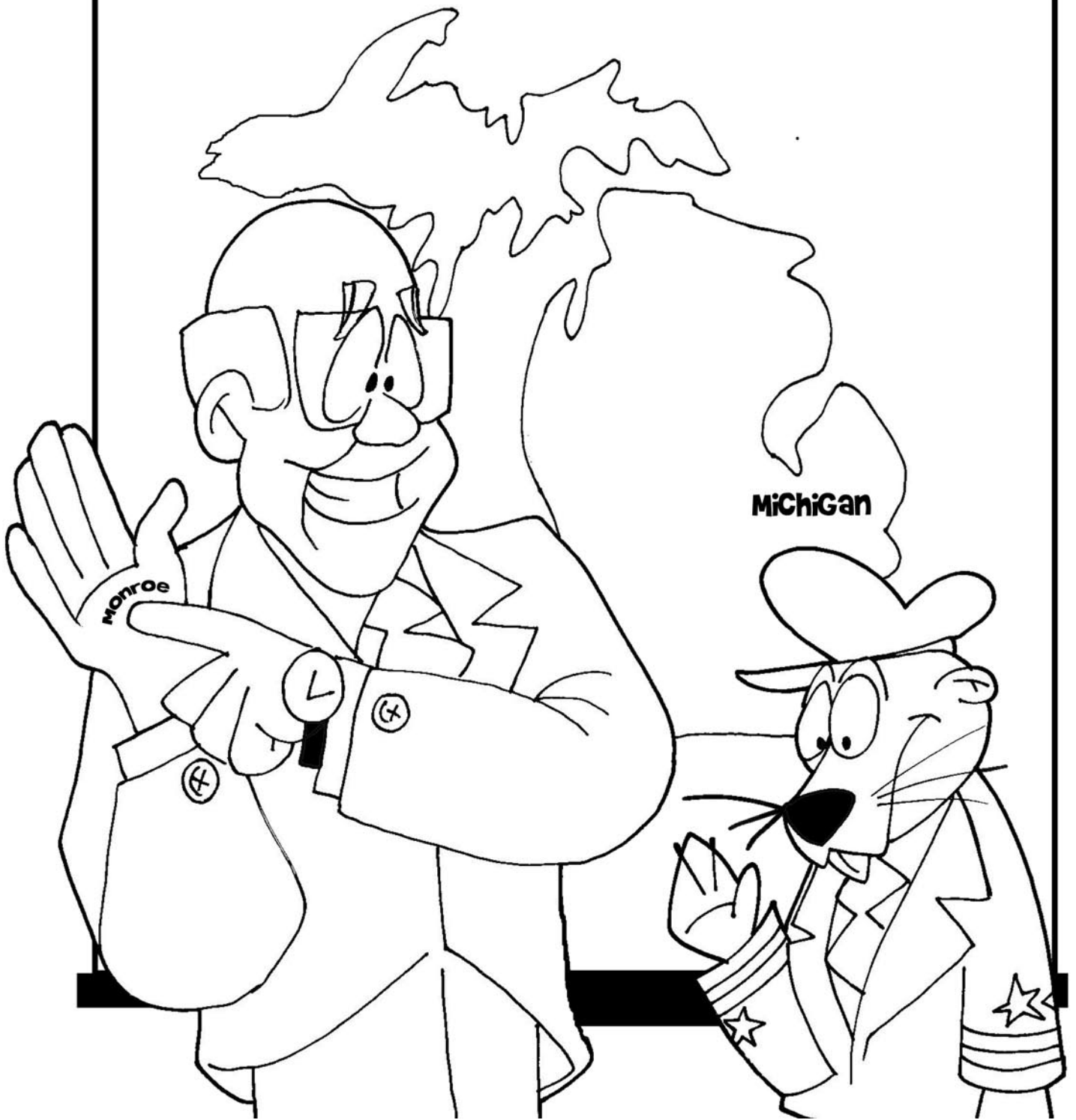
The Honorable John D. Dingell
U.S. House of Representatives



The Great Lakes

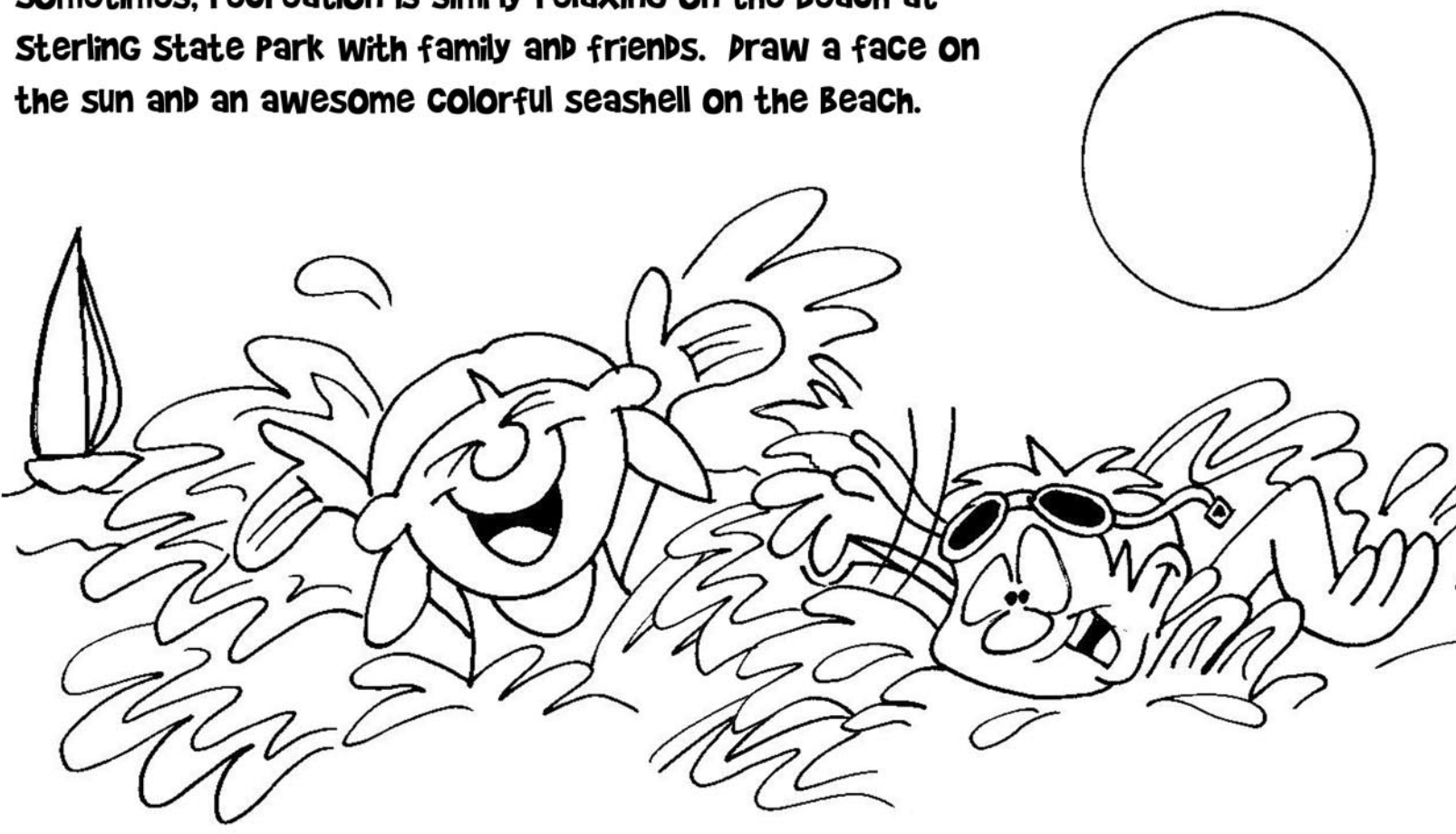
are ideal outdoor playgrounds.

Michigan is known as the
"Winter, Water Wonderland".



Sterling State Park

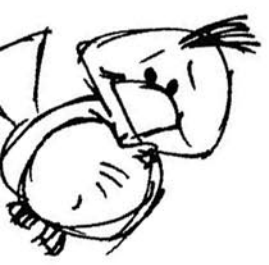
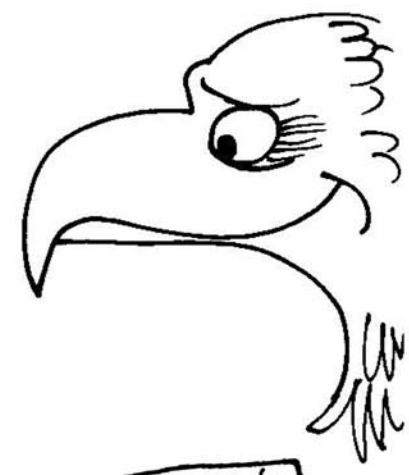
Sometimes, recreation is simply relaxing on the Beach at Sterling State Park with family and friends. Draw a face on the sun and an awesome colorful seashell on the Beach.





Bird Watching Or "Birds Watching"?

MONROE COUNTY IS ONE OF THE
BEST PLACES IN THE
UNITED STATES FOR BOTH!
(DRAW A BIRD HOUSE HERE)



ROBIN'S
RULE!
WOO HOO!



GOLFING

What could be better than a relaxing game of golf with Dad. We've got many scenic courses to choose from... Monroe County is the "Golf Capital of Michigan".



Walleye King!

ACCORDING TO THE U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE, PEOPLE EAT MORE FISH FROM LAKE ERIE THAN ALL THE OTHER GREAT LAKES COMBINED. MONROE COUNTY IS THE "WALLEYE CAPITAL" OF THE WORLD...AND WALLEYE IS KING.



HAPPY Trails

walking, jogging or Biking along our miles of trails is a Great way to have fun in the outdoors...and get a little exercise too!



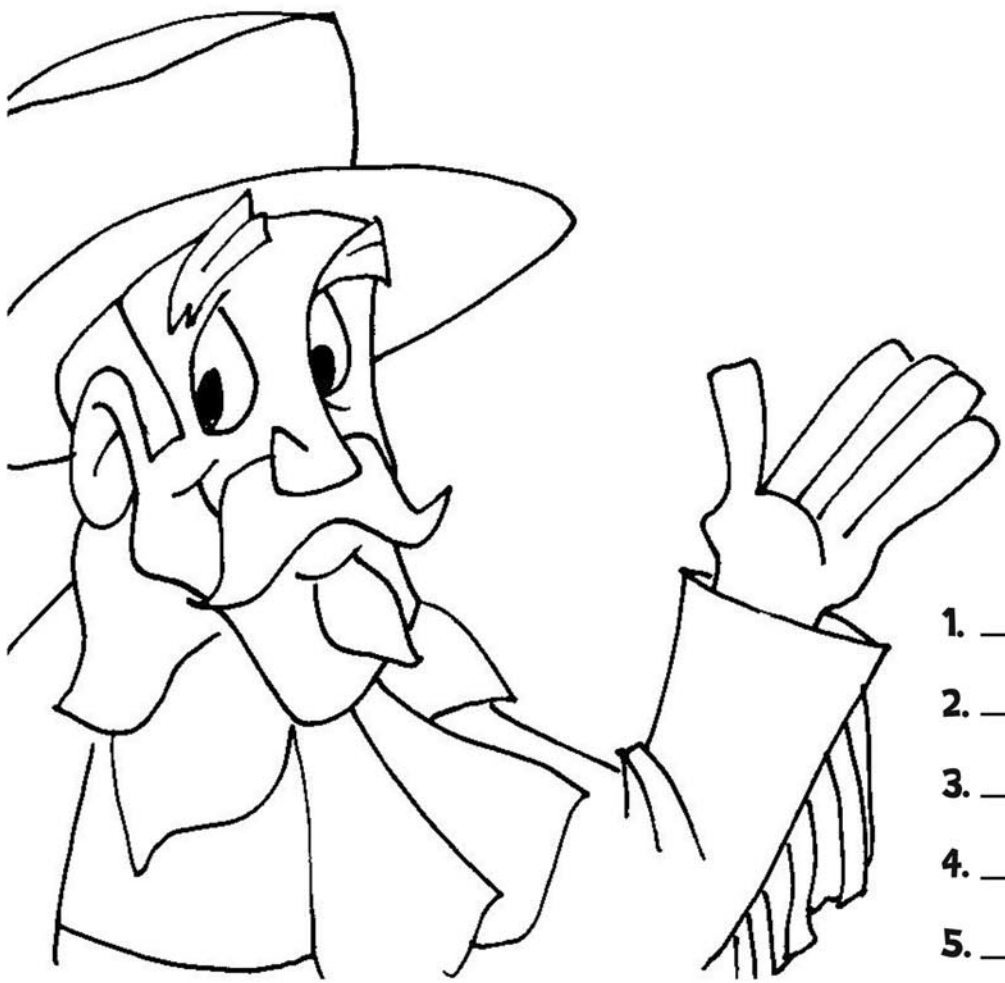
MULTI-SPORTS COMPLEX

S*C*O*R*E*S of Great fun can Be had By kids of all ages skating or Playing hockey at the Monroe Multi-Sports Complex.



The Great Lake Erie

How many ways can you think of to enjoy the outdoors on our Great Lake...
Name and draw them on this page.



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

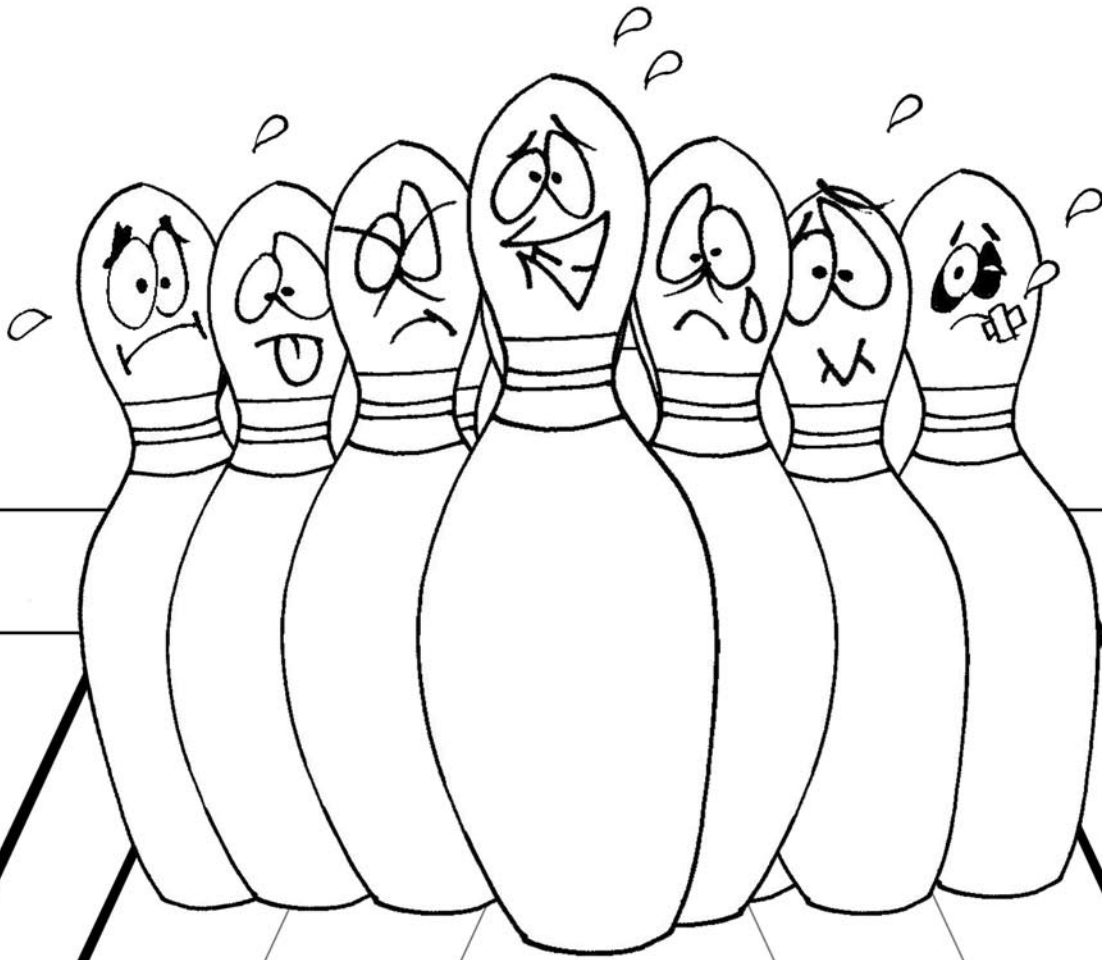
RollerBlades & SkateBoarding

Blading and Boarding are awesome pastimes, especially in Monroe County's new skateparks at Munson Park and the Monroe Multi-Sports Complex.

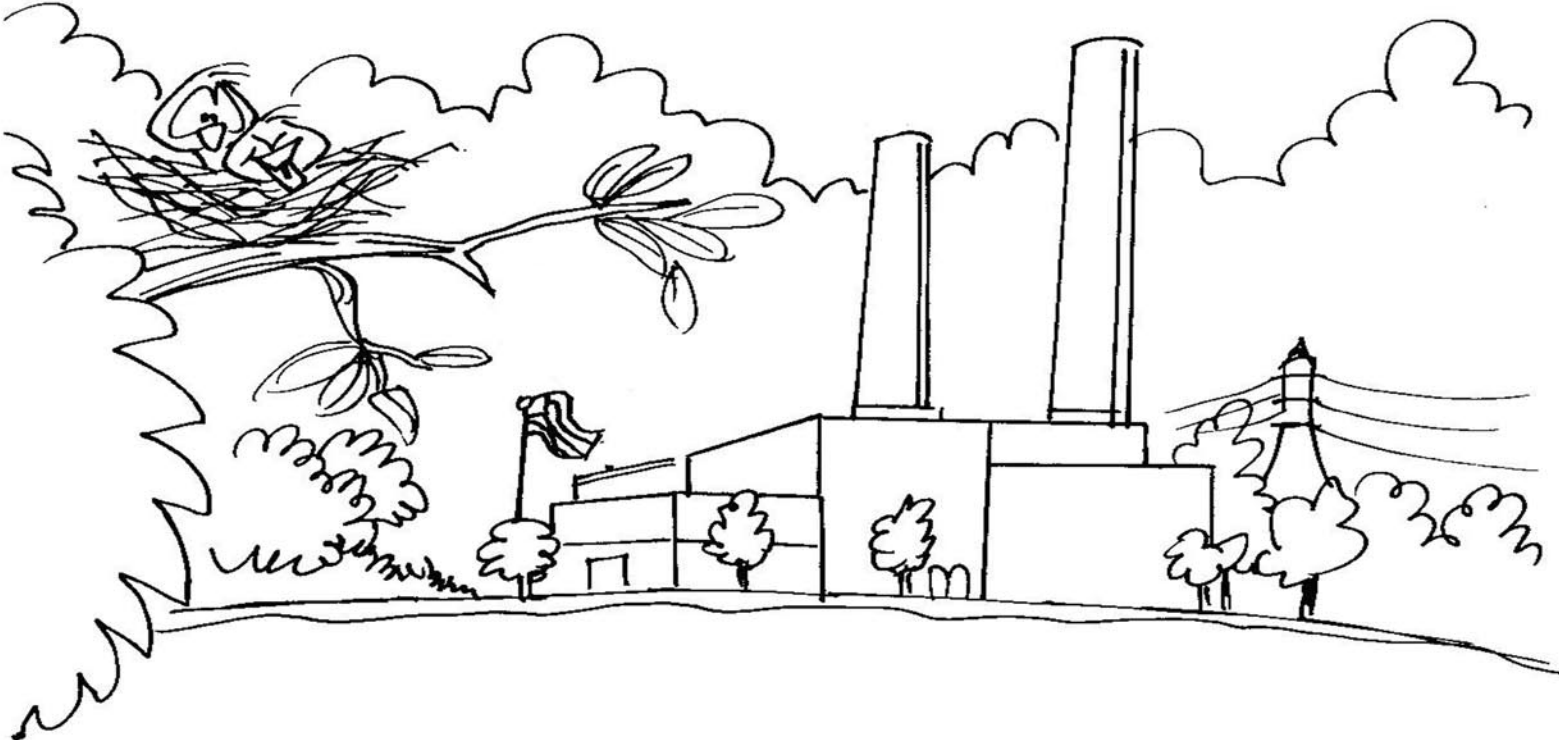


BOWLING

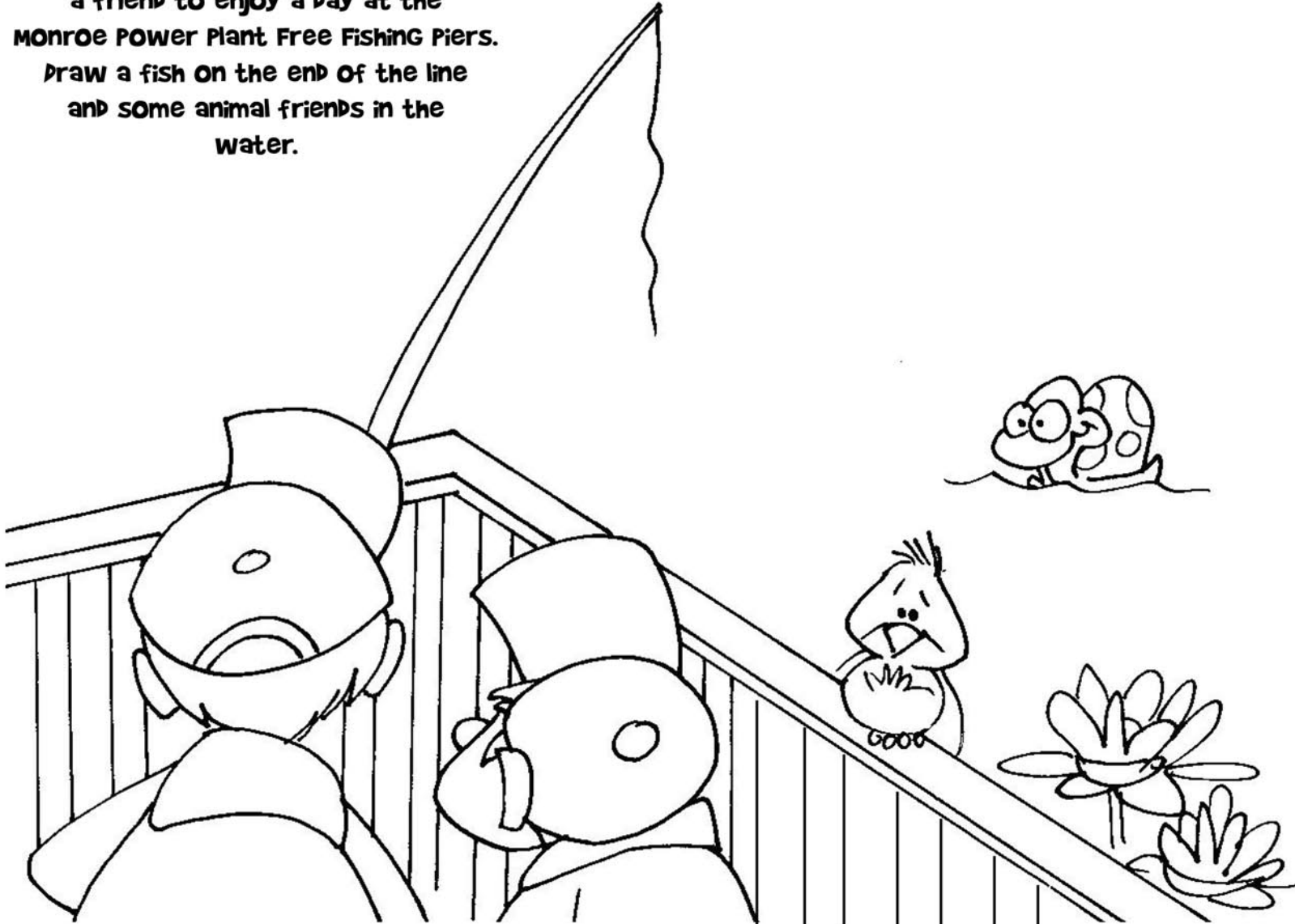
When family & friends are looking for an exciting activity to share together...MONROE county has awesome BOWLING facilities at Nortel Lanes, MONROE Sports center and Forest View Lanes.

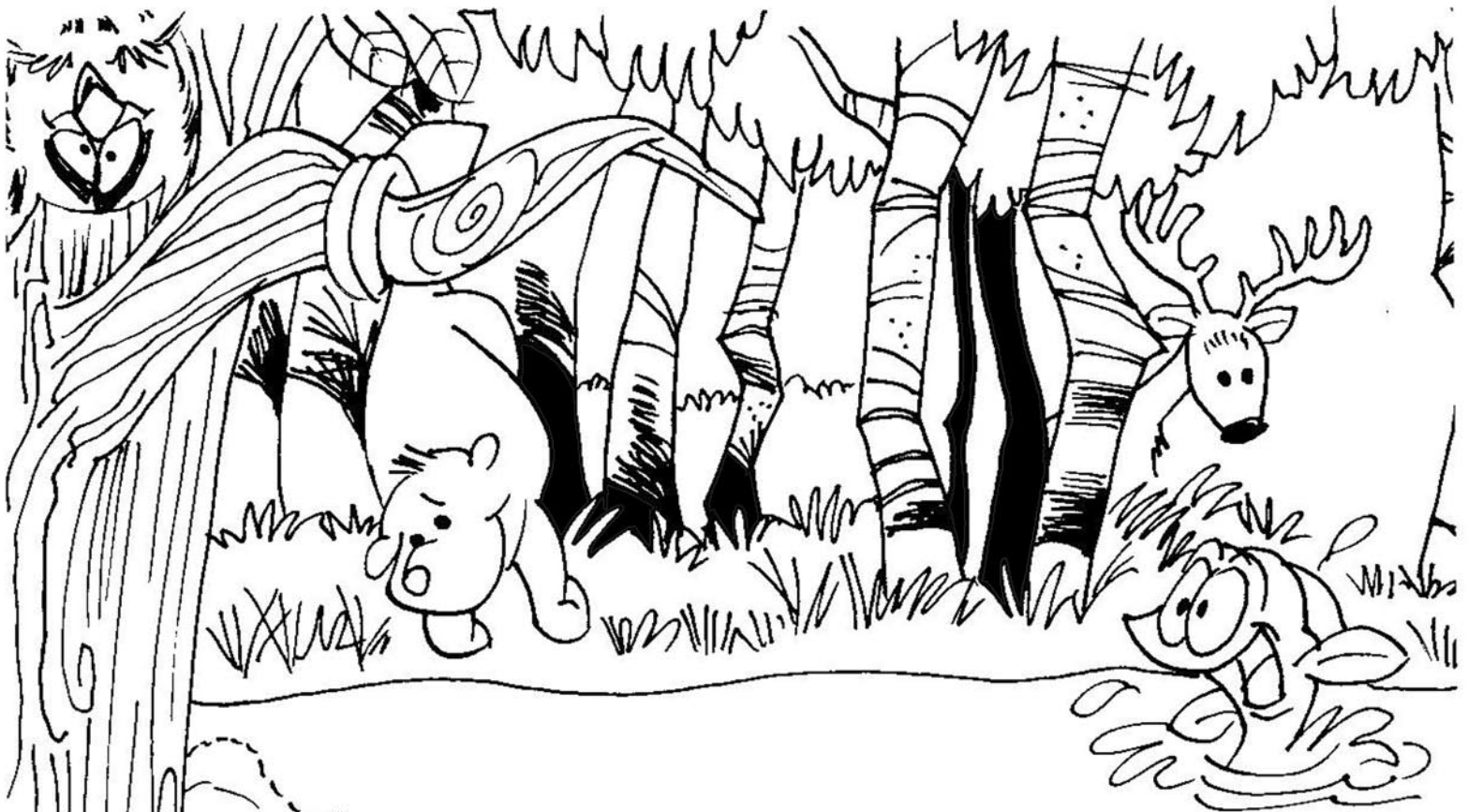


DTE Energy Monroe Power Plant Fishing Pier



All you need is a fishing Pole and a friend to enjoy a Day at the Monroe Power Plant Free Fishing Piers. Draw a fish on the end of the line and some animal friends in the water.





International Wildlife Refuge

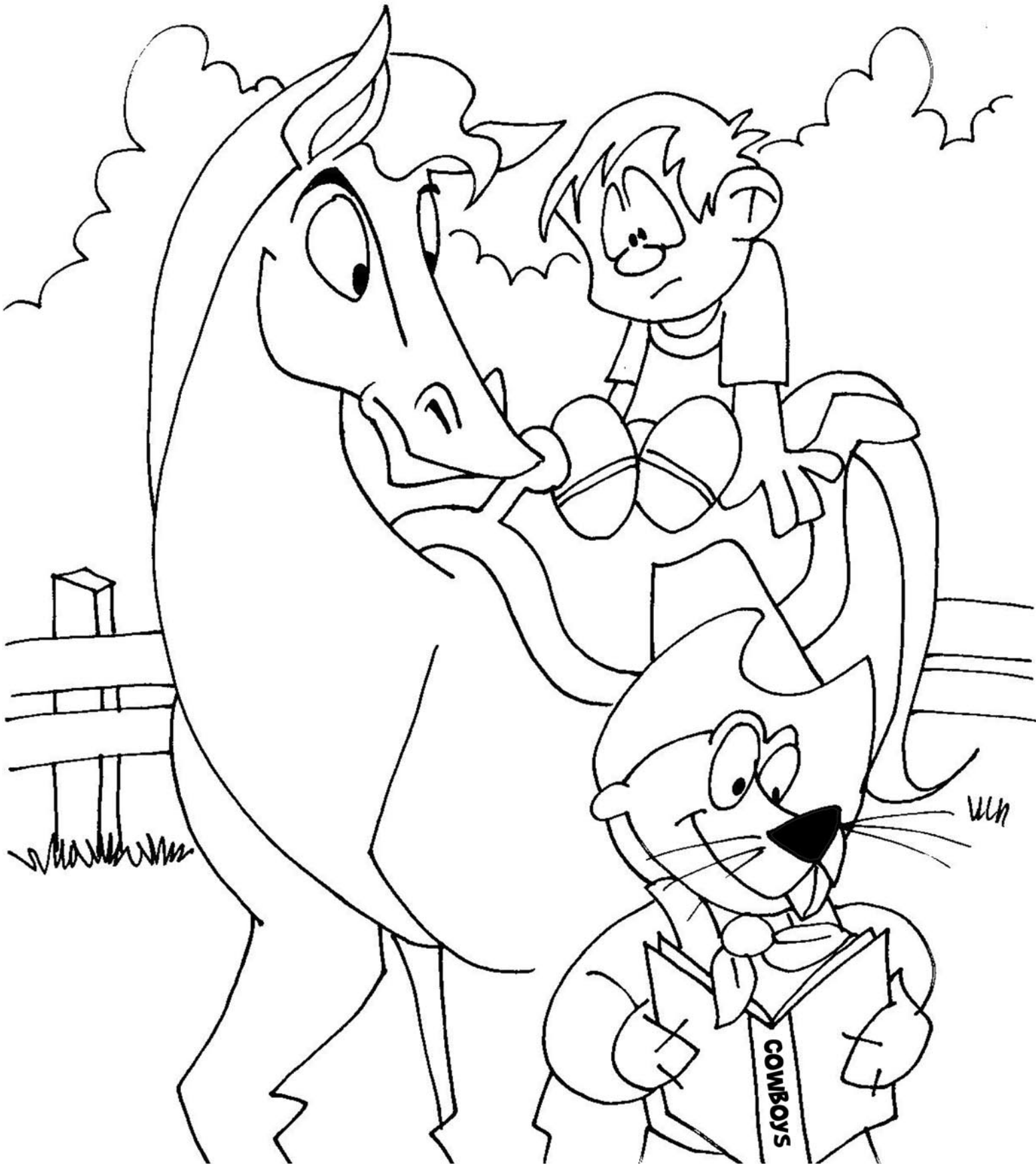
Congressman John Dingell established North America's first International Wildlife Refuge right here in our own Backyard. This wonderful collection of thousands of acres of land along Lake Erie's Shoreline will protect "homes" for hundreds of Birds and animals who live there.





HorseBack Riding

There's no Better way to Go "off road" than on horseBack at one of Monroe county's riding stables.



Recreational Vehicles

Monroe County has some of the finest facilities available for traveler's with Recreational Vehicles (R.V.'s) who are here to vacation...or just passing through.



CAMPING

CAMPING is a very POPULAR OUTDOOR activity for individuals & families and MONROE has some AWESOME CAMPGROUNDS all around the county.



Sledding

A sled, a hill and a couple of friends makes for an afternoon of fun in the snow!



Have A Ball

Strikes, Spikes...Passes or Kicks...you really can "have a Ball" in the Great outdoors. Just about anywhere!



Bicycling

Everyone loves to ride a Bike on a warm summer Day! It's a Great way to Get around...awesome exercise...and just Plain FUN!



color this Picture, and Bring it to
Jack's Bicycle & Fitness Shop at 225 N. Telegraph Rd.
Monroe and receive \$10.00 off a youth helmet!

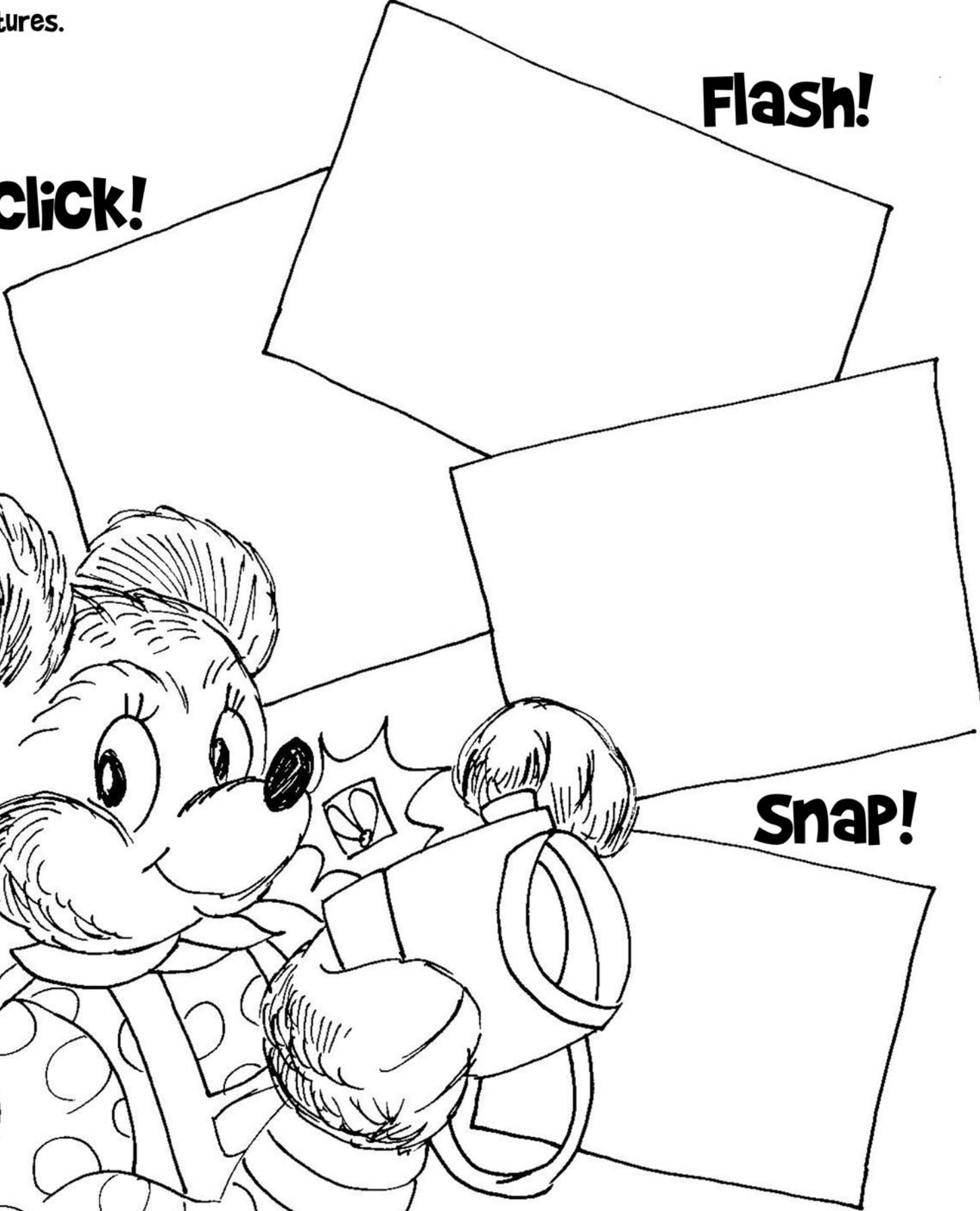
Photography

Picture this! Recording wonderful memories of our experiences is as easy as keeping a camera close by! Draw pictures of your family and friends and favorite places in the pictures.

Click!

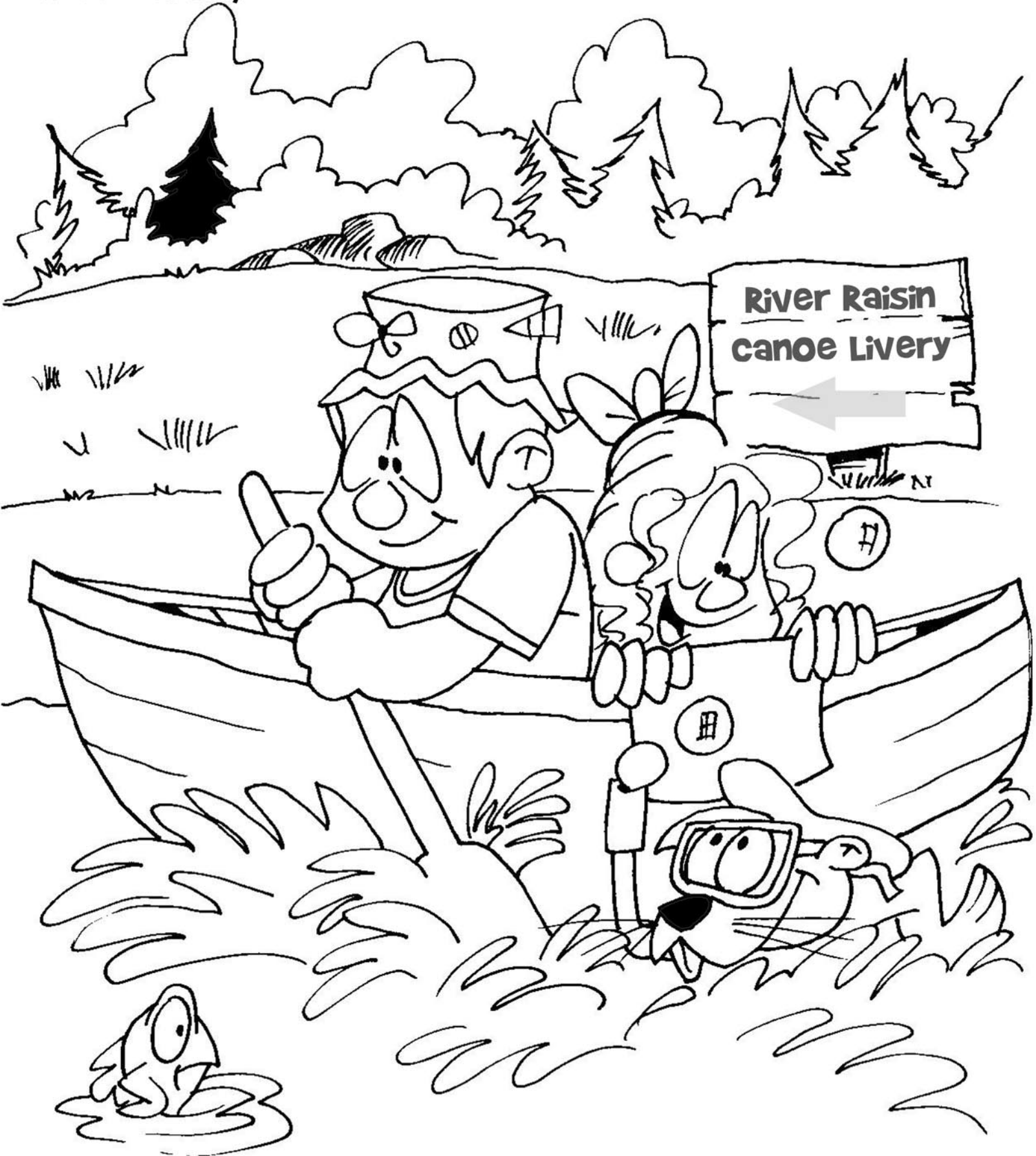
Flash!

Snap!



canoeing

Some of the most Beautiful scenery in Monroe county can only Be seen from a canoe traveling Gently Down the Historic River Raisin (especially During Fall colors)



BUG catching

Ask MOM and DAD for a CONTAINER (Be sure to POKE HOLES in the LID) and GO OUT and EXPLORE the art of BUG COLLECTING! AND Don't forget to turn them loose! Draw the BUGS you have CAUGHT in the jar.



YOUR Backyard

you Don't need to leave the comfort of home
to enjoy the Great outdoors.





**We HOPE you will enjoy A Child's Guide to Historic Monroe County
"Recreation Edition"**

**SPECIAL thanks to our friends at the Monroe Publishing Company for producing
this wonderful publication for our children.**

**For lots of fun information on all kinds of recreational activities,
check out these web sites**

Monroe County Convention & Tourism Bureau

[WWW.MONROEINFO.COM](http://www.monroeinfo.com)

Travel Michigan

[WWW.MICHIGAN.ORG](http://www.michigan.org)

Michigan Department of Natural Resources

[WWW.MICHIGAN.GOV/DNR](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)

United States Fish & Wildlife Service

[WWW.FWS.GOV](http://www.fws.gov)

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Pictured: Susan Vanisacker - La-Z-Boy Inc, Doug Chaffin - MB&T, Molly Luempert-Coy of DTE at the DTE fishing pier on Lake Erie.



La-Z-Boy Incorporated is honored to be a sponsor of the second edition of "A Child's Guide to Historic Monroe County". We are proud to be a part of this community since 1927 and hope that children of all ages will enjoy this look at some of Monroe County's most valued resources.

L A Z B O Y Susan Vanisacker

Dir. of Organizational Effectiveness and Community Relations

Monroe Bank and Trust is proud to be a sponsor of this year's "A Child's Guide to Historic Monroe County". The history of MB&T dates back to the original Dansard State Bank, founded in 1858. Our history has closely followed that of Monroe County for the past 147 years. We hope that you enjoy this entertaining approach to learning more about our community.



H. Douglas Chaffin
President / CEO, Monroe Bank & Trust



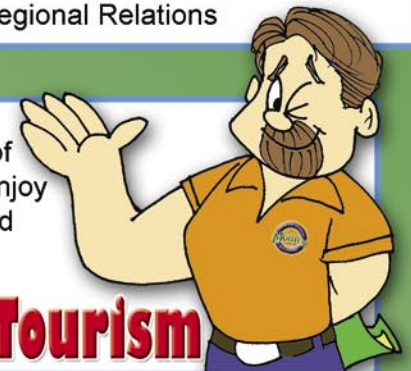
DTE Energy is pleased to be a sponsor of the second edition of "A Child's Guide to Historic Monroe County". In this edition our young readers will tour and color some of Monroe's most beautiful environmental treasures. DTE Energy is proud of the Monroe Power Plant's continuing support and stewardship of these treasures.

DTE Energy



Molly Luempert-Coy, Manager
Regional Relations

Hey Kids... this second edition of the guide rocks! I hope every single one of you will take Mom & Dad, brothers and sisters, friends and neighbors and enjoy some of Monroe's awesome things to do! We are so proud to live, work and play here... and we love to show it off! Have a blast! You're the best!



Johnnie Tourism



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The Monroe County Library System

thank you!

hunting fishing running biking soccer

baseball swimming birdwatching

jogging skateboarding bowling camping

hiking ice skating snowmobiling sailing

ski basketball skating golfing exercising

table tennis walking tennis volleyball

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