

I wanted to go to Spain, but decided that due to COVID restrictions it would not be a good time. Instead, I decided to go to Indiana and continue on my 100KM/ state goal. On this trip I rented a car and drove about 1629 miles in my rental car. I cycled about 400.1 miles (644 KM).

### **Day 1, Friday, October 1, 2021**

I walked from my house to the max with my luggage. I just missed the max at both Rosa Parks transit center and Rose quarter transit center. A loud homeless man got on the max at Lloyd center and got off at 82nd avenue. He yelled and everyone looked at me, when one man was getting off the max at the airport, he asked why I yelled, I told him it was this other man. I was glade when the other man got off at 82nd, he was cussing at no one and was not wearing a mask like he was supposed to per COVID max rules. When I arrived at the airport no one was at the Sprint airline counter. There was a sign that said the counter opened at 4:45 PM, I was there by 3:00 PM. I walked around and came back to find someone there at about 3:45 PM and checked in my bags and was able to enter the main terminals. When I was waiting for my flight, I noticed I did not have a seat for my second flight, I asked the lady at the gate terminal and she offered to see what my random selected seat would be and it was an aisle seat. Therefore, I took the random seat. I would have had to pay more if I wanted to select a seat. The flight to Las Vegas was late (Original departure was 6:10 PM, new departure time was 6:57 PM), but went quickly once the plane arrived. That plane was packed and I was crunched into a window seat with 2 big seat mates, they were courteous, just too big for their seats. We arrived in Las Vegas with plenty of time to spare, I walked all over the airport and boarded the plane to Indianapolis and it had tons of empty seats, it appeared that flight was about 30% full. The middle seat was empty, but I decided to go to an empty row so I could sleep with my head resting on the window. I took a sleeping pill before boarding this leg of my flight. I felt like I was not sleeping on the plane, but the flight went so fast that I must had been sleeping for most of the time on that flight.

## **Indiana**

### **Day 2, Saturday, October 2, 2021**

Once in Indianapolis no one was at the Alamo spot, I noticed someone self-checking in, but the other self-check did not work. When the other man was done, I used his machine (I had tried pre checking in online before leaving for my trip, but the web site could not find me). I paid the extra for car tolls, it turned out very helpful to prepay the tolls when I

went to the east coast. This time I paid the extra and never went on a toll road. I guess I wasted the money this time. Once in the car, I could not find the Android App, but I was able to use my cell phone as a GPS (luckily, I brought the car mount for my cell phone), I could have rented a GPS at an additional charge. Luckily, at the last minute I had brought my magnetic cell phone car holder so I could see my cell phone map, I could not get the voice working.

## **Wisconsin**

The drive to Monroe Wisconsin went very smooth. Once in town, I went to the visitor center and they did not know anything about the trail I wanted to bike. I quickly found the Badger State trail and then went to see about getting a room at the Super 8 or American hotels, they were both booked per Orbitz. I asked at the Super 8 and they had one room, they said it was only available because someone had left early. I took the room and then I biked around town and then started biking the Badger State Trail. There were signs saying you needed to buy a pass to use the trail. It said the parking area should have sign telling you were to get passes or have a place to buy passes. I could not find a place to get a pass, I asked a man walking on the trail and he said he had been periodically walking on that trail for the past 7 years and had never had a pass or never been asked for a pass. So, I biked about a 40-mile round trip ride on the trail. It was a great hard packed dirt trail. In Monticello there was a sign saying where you could get passes, the places in Monroe included the visitor center I went to that did not know about the trail and a bike shop I had seen that closed 15 minutes before I had gotten there. I went to where they said I could get a pass in Monticello and the store name was not the same as on the sign. I went back to Monroe without getting a pass and then cycled a little passed Monroe on the trail. Then I went back to my room, dropped off stuff and went to Piggly Wiggle to buy groceries. None of the customers in the store (except me) were wearing a mask, the employees were wearing masks. Once back at my hotel I ate a lot of my groceries (Bought food to cook in my hotel microwave) and worked on my journals. I went to sleep around midnight.

### **Day 3, Sunday, October 3, 2021**

I woke up around 6:30 AM and got ready for cycling, sunrise was at 6:58 AM, I started cycling just before sunrise and cycled 10 miles north on highway 81, checked out Pleasant View Park (with helicopter and tank) and then I cycled back to my hotel. I wanted to leave Wisconsin earlier, but needed 20 more miles in Wisconsin. By the time, I returned

to my hotel I had completed my Wisconsin mile, I left my hotel room at about 9:20 AM. Then I got gas and then started driving south to Illinois.



Bike route Ted took near Monroe, Wisconsin.



Ted at Monroe visitor center/ cheese museum.



Ted and his bike at Monroe visitor center/ cheese museum.



Ted feeding a plastic cow at Monroe visitor center/ cheese museum.



Ted and his bike at courthouse square in Monroe.



Ted with his bike at the courthouse in Monroe.



Ted and his bike at Badger State Trail in Monroe.



Ted with his bike on Badger State Trail not far from Monroe.



Ted with his bike on Badger State Trail not far from Monroe.



Turtle Ted help cross the highway near Monroe.



Ted with his bike on Badger State Trail not far from Monroe.



Ted with his bike on Badger State Trail not far from Monroe.

## Illinois

About 10 miles into Illinois, I noticed a sign for Jane Addams bike trail. I decided to check it out and cycled from that trailhead to the Wisconsin border, then back to my car, then south to the bridge and then to mile 0 of the trail, Tutty's crossing trailhead, in the town of Freeport.





Bike route Ted took near on Jane Addams Trail in Northern Illinois.



Ted with his bike on the Jane Addams trail in Illinois.



Ted's bike on the Jane Addams trail in Illinois.



Ted at the Jane Addams trailhead near Freeport, Illinois.



Ted's bike on the Jane Addams trail near the Wisconsin border.



Cornfield in Illinois.



Orangeville, Illinois.



Ted on Jane Addams trail entering Orangeville, Illinois.



Ted on the Jane Addams trail in Illinois.



Ted with his bike on the Jane Addams trail in Illinois.



Ted and his bike on the Jane Addams trail in Freeport, Illinois.



Ted's bike at mile 0 of the Jane Addams trail in Freeport, Illinois at Tutty's crossing.



Then I drove to Langley and cycled 10 miles each way on the Hennepin Canal parkway trail. It was a very nice trail along a canal that had locks and water dams. I cycled until sunset and then drove to about 60 miles north of St Louis to get a hotel for the night. It was a lot of driving and I did not get to the hotel until after 8:00 PM. I tried going to sleep around 11:00 PM.



Bike route Ted took on the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted with his bike on the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.





Ted's bike on the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted and his bike next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Lock on the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted and his bike next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



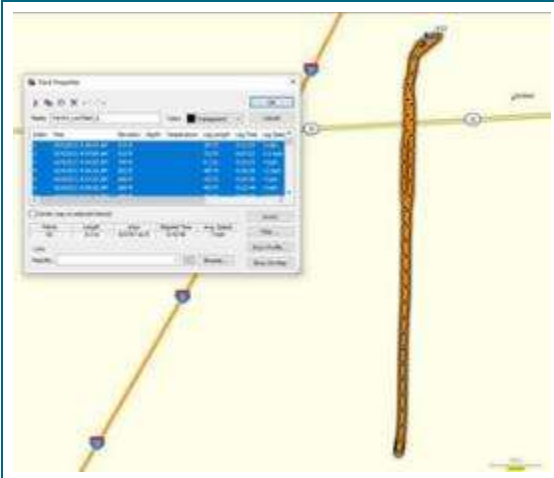
Ted and his bike next to the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.



Ted with his bike on the Hennepin Canal parkway trail in Illinois.

#### **Day 4, Monday, October 4, 2021**

I had a horrible night of sleep. I woke up around 6:40 AM and cycled my last 5 miles in Illinois. Then I got my hotel-included breakfast. A lady with four of her kids was in the breakfast area of the hotel, she seemed nice. She was not wearing a mask and none of her kids were wearing masks. It seemed like a COVID dangerous environment. The lady was making waffles for all her kids and I had to wait until she was done to make my waffles. I left the hotel by about 8:00 AM and started driving towards Missouri.



Bike route Ted took in Litchfield, Illinois.



Ted and his bike route 66 near Litchfield, Illinois.



Ted and his bike route 66 near Litchfield, Illinois.

## Missouri

Once in St. Louis I parked in a garage in the downtown area and checked out the waterfront bike trail near the famous St Louis Gateway Arch. You can take a train like thing across the arch, but I was not interested in doing that. I cycled about 10 miles in the downtown area and then drove to the freebee golf area at Unger Park.





Bike route Ted took in downtown St. Louis, Missouri.



Ted and his bike with the Gateway Arch behind him in St. Louis, Missouri.



Ted with the Gateway Arch behind him in St. Louis, Missouri.



Church in St. Louis, Missouri.



Abandon building in St. Louis, Missouri.



Ted and his bike with the Gateway Arch behind him in St. Louis, Missouri.

I parked and cycled that portion of Meramec Greenway bike trail to Fenton City Park and beyond. At one end of the trail, I cycled this road along the river, which had almost no traffic. I did that a few times and then was bored with that short trail and decided to look for another place to cycle. I ended out driving about 10 miles to the other side of the river and found another section of the Meramec Greenway bike trail. It had a little more trail, but also required multiple laps to get any miles. I finally got the 100 KM of cycling in Missouri and then found a room at the red roof hotel. It was a rundown hotel and more expensive than previous night.



Bike route Ted took on the Meramec Greenway bike trail near St Louis, Missouri.



Ted and his bike on the Meramec Greenway bike trail near St Louis, Missouri.



Ted's bike on the Meramec Greenway bike trail near St Louis, Missouri.



Ted and his bike on the Meramec Greenway bike trail near St Louis, Missouri.



Ted and his bike in front of the Frisco Train Store near the Meramec Greenway bike trail.



Ted and his bike on the Meramec Greenway bike trail near St Louis, Missouri.

I wanted to eat at Wendy's. I walked there from the hotel and found the dining room was not open due to COVID restrictions. They only had the drive through open at Wendy's. Then I walked over to the Hardees fast food and found the dining room was open, but it was crowded with people not wearing facemask. I decided not to go into the Hardees dining room due to the perceived risk of getting COVID. Then I walked back to my hotel to get my rental car, I drove over to Wendy's, there was about 20 cars in the drive though line and they did not seem to be moving. Therefore, I went to the Hardees drive through for dinner. I got my food and ate in my hotel room. I ended up going to sleep around 10:00 PM.

### **Day 5, Tuesday, October 5, 2021**

I slept great, woke up to my alarm at around 5:30 AM, packed up the car and then checked out of the hotel. I was on the road a little after 6:00 AM. I left early enough and was able to get though St Louis quickly. I stopped at a McDonalds and it was not open yet. I was there around 6:40 AM and the drive-up had a sign saying it opened at 7:00 AM. Therefore, I continued driving until I found a McDonalds after 7:00 AM and was able to get breakfast. The drive to Louisville seemed like it was going to take forever, so I stopped at a rest stop to see if I could get to Kentucky



sooner. The rest stop had no free map (all sorts of other brochures) and the map on the wall did not show any of the roads from Indiana to Kentucky. It looked like the only bridge prior to getting in the Louisville area over the Ohio River into Kentucky was on Interstate 69. I started down interstate 69 and realized it was going to take much longer to get to Louisville, so I pulled off an exit and used my cell phone to look for other bridges that crossed the Ohio River into Kentucky, I found one closer to Louisville and returned to the quicker route on interstate 64. I then continued to exit 105 and went over the bridge to Brandenburg, Kentucky.

## Kentucky

I was expecting bike trails all along the Ohio River, but could not find one. Once I was at West Point, I parked my car and biked all around there, I cycled to near Ft Knox and to within 15 miles of Louisville. When I was cycling in West Point, I cycled around a mobile home park and a man in a landscape truck stopped to see why I was in the trailer court. He said he had not seen me in the area and thought I might be a criminal type person. That man seemed like some sort of a Hill Billy, he was nice, but thought I was a low life.



Bike route Ted took in West Point, Kentucky.



Sign about Ft, Knox near West Point, Kentucky.



Tank near West Point, Kentucky. This display related to Ft. Knox.



Ted and his bike at Fort Duffield Park near West Point, Kentucky.



Welcome Caboose in West Point, Kentucky.



West Point Hotel in West Point, Kentucky.



Ted and his bike at Ft. Knox sign near West Point, Kentucky.



Ted's bike on historic sign related to Abraham Lincoln's father in West Point, Kentucky.



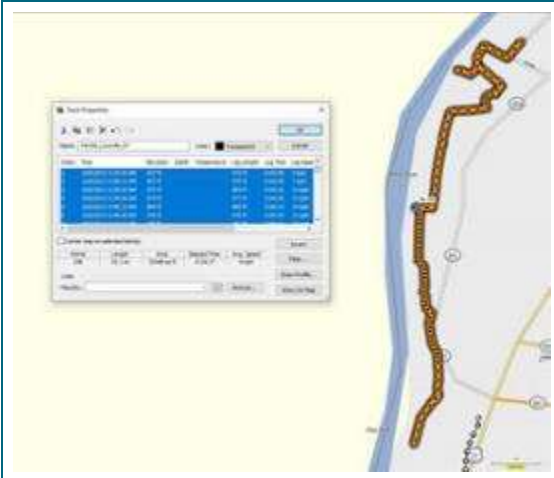
Ted, his rental car and his bike in park at West Point, Kentucky.

Then I drove to mile 0 of the Louisville loop trail, I wish I would have gone there sooner, looked like a great trail, but it was close to sunset. I should have probably biked there anyways. I still wanted 20 more miles in Kentucky. I went back there the next day. I ended up getting a very good room at the Comfort Inn at 4444 Dixie highway in Louisville. The weather had been nice all day, but started raining when I got to the hotel. It rained hard for a while. I lost my cell phone charger and had to get a new one, I found it that night with my laptop (I think I looked through all of my other stuff). I forgot to turn on my Car GPS when I left the Louisville Loop mile 0 parking lot. I turned the GPS on after a few miles (this is the first time I forgot to turn on the Car GPS in this trip – I recorded my car route)

### **Day 6, Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

I had my hotel included-breakfast and took a lot of time getting out of my premium hotel. It was a great room with lots of space. I did not leave the hotel until after 8:30 AM and drove to the park with mile 0 of the Louisville loop trail. First, I started cycling the levee trail away from Louisville. I saw a lot of turkeys and almost no people on the trail. I then cycled towards my car and past it towards Louisville. I came across a man on a bike that said his neighbor found the bike he was riding in some bushes on his land. He told me he used to bikes without wires (no gears cables or brake cables). He was bringing the bike to another person's house to see about selling it to him. It seemed like a nice bike, I thought someone would be missing it. He said the bike had been abandoned in the bushes on private property and the man that owns the property gave the bike to him and did not want it on his property. I continue biking to the trail's river overlook. It was a spot with mile signs to it on the Louisville loop trail, but not much of an overlook. Then I cycled to Rivers Garden (another marked spot on the Louisville loop trail), but I never found it. Then I biked back to my car and started driving to Ohio.





Bike route Ted took on the Louisville loop trail in Kentucky.



Turkey near the Louisville loop trail in Kentucky.



Ted and his Bike on the Louisville loop trail in Kentucky.



Ted and his Bike on the Louisville loop trail in Kentucky.



Ted at River Overlook next to Louisville loop trail in Kentucky.



Ted and his Bike on the Louisville loop trail in Kentucky.

# Ohio

It was a long drive and once I got to West Carrollton, I realized I did not know where to park to start cycling the Great Miami River trail. I should have used the trailhead instead of West Carrollton on my GPS for that day's drive. I almost started biking from a city park in West Carrollton and then looked up the trailhead on my cell phone. It showed it as another 5 miles away, so I drove there. Then I biked south to the end of that section of the paved trail (to Trenton Trailhead). Then I biked back to my car and continued north, there were several joggers on the trail, it was some sort of jogging event. Then I biked back to my car and found a room at the Red Roof hotel. The first room that they gave me a key to was already occupied (the door was open, the bed was not made and the TV was on). I went back to the hotel office and told the lady the room was occupied. She said it should not be occupied and that she would have to look into why someone was in that room. Then she provided me a second room and that one was being remodeled. I again went back to the office and told the lady the second room was being remodeled. She said the hotel should tell her when they are working on the rooms. Then she gave me a third room and it was fine. That final room was large and nice. Not a great hotel, I went by the Quality Inn before that hotel, but decided on the Red Roof, since it had separate doors (seems safer for COVID). The Quality Inn had a shared door with hallways and I like the outdoor entrances as they had at the Red Roof hotel to provide better social distancing to prevent catching COVID. I walked from the Red Roof to a nearby store and bought a microwave burrito, which I cooked in the microwave in my motel room. I went to sleep around midnight.

## **Day 7, Thursday, October 7, 2021**

I woke up a little before sunrise. That day sunrise was at 7:39 AM. I packed up my car and left the motel before the sun came up and got breakfast at McDonalds. I arrived at the trailhead in Miamisburg at about sunrise and cycled to Dayton. Before Dayton, there was a place where the Wright Brothers did some of their flights along the Miami River. They had a pontoon plane (Model G "Aeroboat") to fly from the Miami River. The trail was great until about 2 miles before Dayton and then the bridgework caused minor trail closures. I cycled into Dayton city center and at one point, a man was calling for me. He looked like trouble so I looked at him and continued biking. I cycled back to my rental car and then loaded my bike into my rental car.



Bike route Ted took on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted and his bike with first log Cabin Post Office in Franklin, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.





Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio,



Mural on building in Franklin, Ohio.



Ted in front of building with mural on building in Miamisburg, Ohio.



Ted's bike with mural on building in Miamisburg, Ohio in background.



Mural on building in Miamisburg, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Power plant next to the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Historic sign about Wright Brothers next to the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Historic sign about Wright Brothers Seaplane next to the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted and his bike on the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Ted with his bike in downtown Dayton, Ohio.





Ted's bike in downtown Dayton, Ohio.



Birds in Miami River next to the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Turtle in Miami River next to the Great Miami River Trail near Dayton, Ohio.



Mural on building in Miamisburg, Ohio.



Old building in Miamisburg, Ohio.



Ted in front of building with mural on building in Miamisburg, Ohio.





Old building in Miamisburg, Ohio.



Ted next to mural on building in Miamisburg, Ohio.



Historic theater in Miamisburg, Ohio.

## Indiana

I then drove to the Cardinal Greenway bike trail in Richmond, Indiana. I biked to mile post 82.5, it started lightly raining, the rain stopped after about an hour, the rain was so slight that I really did not get wet without my rain gear. I think this was my first rain on this trip. Overall, I had great weather on this trip. I saw Amish horse drawn carriages a couple of times going down the highway. I cycled back to the trailhead (@ milepost 63). Then I biked the river trail where I found ruins from Gennett record company (Some famous people in the 20 recorded records there - Louis Armstrong, Jelly Roll Morton, etc.) and around town. By that time, the sun was going down. So, I made my way back to my car. I drove to the Comfort Inn and got a great room for the night. I went to sleep around midnight.







Ted and his bike on the Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Richmond, Indiana.



Ted and his bike on the Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Richmond, Indiana.



Ted and his bike on the Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Richmond, Indiana.



Ted, his bike and tanks at the Veterans Memorial Park in Richmond, Indiana.



Ted, his bike and Civil War Cannon at the Veterans Memorial Park in Richmond, Indiana.



Emblem on building of the historical recording studio, Gennett, in Richmond, Indiana.





Louis Armstrong plaque at Gennett recording studio in Richmond, Indiana.



Ted and his bike at historic Gennett recording studio in Richmond, Indiana.



Sign telling about the historical recording studio, Gennett, in Richmond, Indiana.



Jelly Roll Morton plaque at historic Gennett recording studio in Richmond, Indiana.



Sign pointing to site of historic Gennett recording studio in Richmond, Indiana.



Historic building in Richmond, Indiana.

### Day 8, Friday, October 8, 2021

I woke up around 7:00 AM and got my hotel-included breakfast. I slowly ate, packed up my car and left the hotel at about 8:00 AM. Then I drove to Muncie and I found a Cardinal Greenway bike trailhead parking lot. From there I cycled south slightly past the trail's mile marker 96.5. It is amazing how few people I saw on the very nice, smooth, paved, long, straight bike trail. Then I cycled back to where I parked my car and then cycled north on the Cardinal Greenway bike trail until I reached mile marker 107.0. Then I biked back towards my car and stopped at the historic Train depot (Now parks headquarters with a gift shop). They had brochures and I asked the man that worked there what a tourist would want to see in the area and he had me bike back to the river trail and then to town. I wanted to stop riding since I had enough miles, I do not want to go too much over on miles this year. However, it made no sense to not go, so I cycled the way he said, it was not that great. Then I biked back to my car.



Bike route Ted took out of Muncie, Indiana.



Trail marker on Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Muncie, Indiana.



Ted and his bike on Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Muncie, Indiana.





Ted and his bike on Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Muncie, Indiana.



Ted and his bike at old train depot in Muncie, Indiana.



Rail-trail sign next to Cardinal Greenway bike trail near Muncie, Indiana.



Mansion in Muncie, Indiana.



Grey Heron in White River at Muncie, Indiana.



Ted and his bike at Tuhey Park in Muncie, Indiana.



I could not figure out what to do after I was done cycling the six states I wanted to cycle in the Midwest. I decided to go to the birthplace of Wilbur Wright. I had to drive miles of farm roads to get to the location of Wilbur's birth. The museum and grounds seemed OK. The house was not the actual house where Wilbur was born, but it was the same location as the original house. The Museum was fair, but I really am not much of a museum person.

The following photos were taken at the Birthplace of Wilbur Wright near Millville, Indiana. Wilbur was born there in 1867. The buildings are replicas in the location of their original estate,



The premium 2 seat outhouse at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Replica of the barn at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Photo of Wilbur and Orville Wright in the museum at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Ted in the museum with a replica of a Wright Brothers plane at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Museum with a replica of a Wright Brothers plane at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Part of the display of the Wright Brothers bike shop in the Museum at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Part of the display of the Wright Brothers bike shop in the Museum at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.



Part of the display of the Wright Brothers bike shop in the Museum at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright. – Wooden bike rims.



Part of the display of the Wright Brothers bike shop in the Museum at the birthplace of Wilbur Wright.

I then drove back to Richmond. I liked the hotel I stayed in the previous night. Therefore, I went there to get a room, but they had no rooms available for that night. I ended up going west and getting a room at the Super 8 in Centerville. I was at the hotel by 6:00 PM, I believe this was my earliest night in a hotel for this trip. I went to the gas station nearby and bought a Dairy Queen Burger meal. I went back to my hotel and ate my burger meal while watching TV. I went to sleep at about midnight.

### **Day 9, Saturday, October 9, 2021**

I woke up around 7:00 AM and had my motel-included breakfast, not much – microwave waffles, toast, coffee, oat meat and sweet rolls. There was nothing else available in their motel breakfast. I packed my car, left the hotel around 8:00 AM, and drove to Cataract Falls state Park. On the way to the falls, I made one slight mistake and then stopped at a rest stop. My Car GPS was off, I was sure I turned it on. I turned it back on and it turned off again. I then changed the batteries (first time I changed them on this trip) and the GPS stayed on. Once at the falls I first checked out the upper falls and then I hiked to the lower falls. It was a nice, but a short hike. Then I hiked back to the upper falls and went behind the boards enclosing on the far side of the covered bridge. There was a slightly overgrown trail to the far side of the upper falls. I am not sure they really want you going that way, but I was not the only one hiking on that trail. Near the falls, there were a couple of people in hammocks with a great view of the falls and they had a Doberman Pinscher dog that was barking at me. They said the dog would not bite and held on to the dog as I hiked around them. I then hiked behind upper falls and on the way, back the couple in the hammocks held the dog back again. They told me they had hiked part of the application trail the previous year. I told them about the Pacific coast trail. The man said something about when he turns 40 ... and the girl said she would be really old then. I am going to guess the man was in his late 20s and she was in her early 30s. Then I hiked back towards my car, when going through the boarded area a man had a Pit-bull, that dog looked mean and was seriously growling at me as the man held his dog back. He held back his dog as I snuck past.





Ted overlooking Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted overlooking Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted with covered bridge behind him, near Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted with covered bridge behind him, near Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted inside covered bridge, near Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted overlooking Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted overlooking Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted overlooking Lower Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted next to Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted behind Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted behind Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted next to Upper Cataract Falls west of Indianapolis, Indiana.



Then I drove to Indianapolis and checked into the Motel 6 I had reserved the previous night. This was my first pre-paid nights of lodging of this trip, all the other nights on this trip I found a place to stay after I found a general location to spend the night. Then I drove to downtown Indianapolis. Parking in a garage was \$7.00 for the first hour, there were plenty of roadside meters and they only cost \$1.00/ Hours. Therefore, I paid \$3.50 for 3.5 hours of parking. Then I walked around for a little over 3 hours. When I left town, I forgot to turn on my GPS for about the first 5 miles, prior to this day the car GPS was almost always on (I think I only had it off shortly one other time during this trip).



Beer bike party in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted in front of Soldier & Sailor monument in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Capital building seen from downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.





Theater in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Status in front of the capital building in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Historic sign about Abraham Lincoln in front of the capital building in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted in front of the capital building in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted on river trail in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted near museum in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted on water canal in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted in front of Abraham Lincoln statue in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted in front of the capital building in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Italian restaurant in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted in front of Soldier & Sailor monument in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



Ted in front of the Indiana World War Memorial in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.





Ted on the steps of Indiana World War Memorial in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



View of Obelisk Square from Indiana World War Memorial in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.



View of Obelisk Square from Indiana World War Memorial in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana.

Then I drove back to my hotel and got ready for my flight home. I went to sleep around midnight.

### **Day 10, Sunday, October 10, 2021**

I woke up around 5:40 AM and did not sleep great for the rest of the night, I was monitoring my alarm clock to make sure it went off in time to get up for my flight. I ended out getting out of bed at about 7:15 AM, putting everything together and dressing for my flight home. My alarm did go off at 7:39 AM, the time I had it set to go off. I left the hotel a little after 8:00 AM, returned my rental car and went to check in for my flight. No one was there to check in my bags, I noticed it said max weight of 40 lbs. for checked bags. When I had looked up the baggage limit on-line, I thought it said 50 lbs. per bag. I moved stuff from my bike suitcase to my stuff duffle bag. I knew it would be slightly over 40 lbs. based on weighing it fully loaded prior to going to Indiana. I also noticed the price for luggage was higher than if I pre-paid, so since no one was at the check-in terminal yet I got on my cell phone and paid for my luggage on line, I saved about \$20.00 on my bags and paid for my seats. Then I went through security and walked all around the small airport. Then I worked on this journal as I waited for my flight. My flight to Minneapolis was on time. The flight from Minneapolis to Portland left about 45 minutes late. The plane had been in the gate for well over an hour, not sure why



they had a delay. Once in Portland I decided to take the max home. At 82nd, the max stopped for longer than the normal amount of time for some sort of medical emergency ahead. The max was not running from 60th to 7th avenue for some sort of road repair and I had to take a shuttle bus for that part of my ride home. It took a long time to get home, but I finally got home at a little after 8:00 PM. The tri-met commute took over 2 hours to get home. I did stuff around the house and went to sleep at about 10:00 PM. I have been sleeping a lot better than normal. I think I am finally getting over Marty. I am definitely not ready to find someone new, I know someone from the rambles that is interested in me, but I am not ready to go there.

**Day 11, Monday, October 11, 2021**

I woke up around 7:00 AM and was back to work by about 8:00 AM.