



IN THE 1920'S, A YOUNG FARM BOY OFTEN SAT ON THIS ROCK Pondering his future. NOW AGE 78, HE RECORDS HERE THAT LIFE IS WONDERFUL BUT SURPRISINGLY BREVITY HE CHOSE TO BE CREATED THROUGH A TREE LEAD. TRUST THE BIBLER NATURE PRESERVE EXIST FOR MILLENNIA. IT IS HIS WISH THAT IN 2 BILLION YEAR OLD GRANITE VISITOR FROM ONTARIO, CANADA, DROPPED THAT 1000 YEARS AGO. HOLD WITH IN THE NATURAL FOREST UNTIL RESUMING ITS ICE-BOUND JOURNEY OR CRUMBLING TO SAND. MAY READERS OF THESE WORDS SO LIVE THAT EARTH BECOME MORE BEAUTIFUL BY THEIR LIVES.

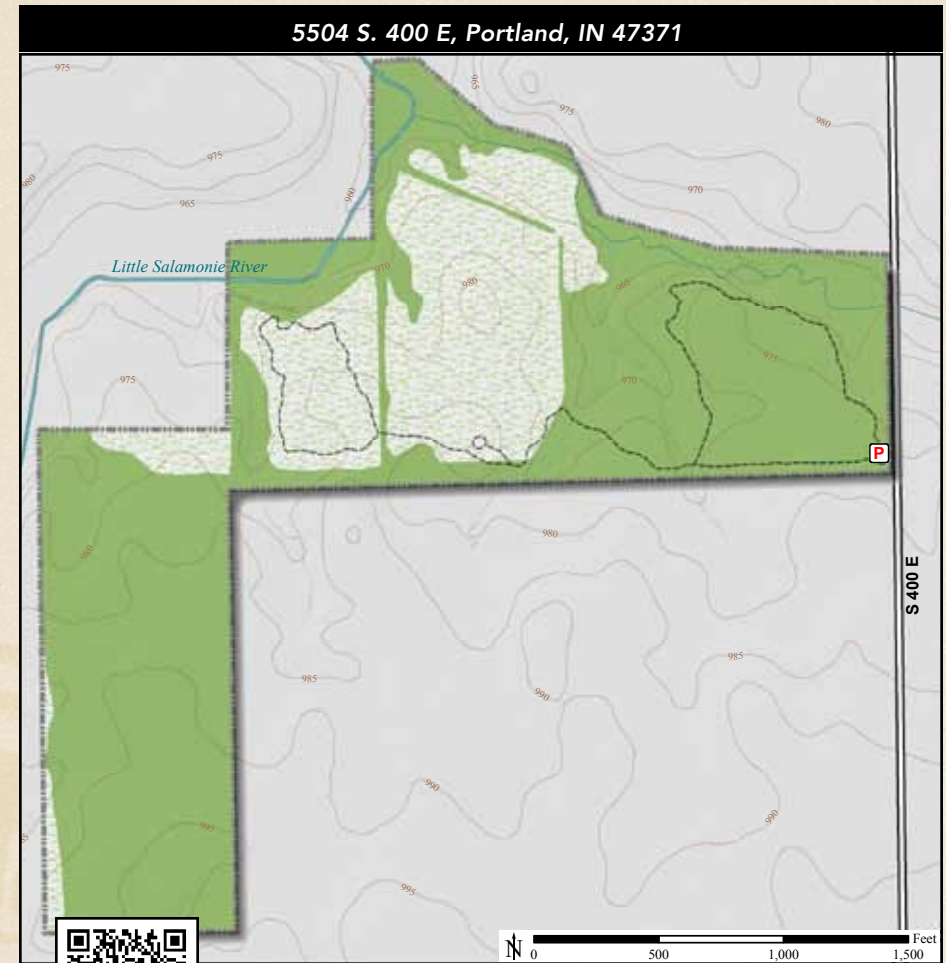
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Once part of a homestead called Spring Brook Farm, this preserve has abandoned farm fields, as well as grasslands and second-growth woods of oak, hickory and maple. Rocky streams form the north and west boundaries. Louis A. Bibler grew up here and wrote *Back Home Again*, the story of his childhood at Spring Brook. Where he once played, visitors may see birds of field, and forest and such wildflowers as twinleaf and False Solomon's seal.



False Solomon's Seal



**DIRECTIONS:**

From Portland at US 27 and Main St., take US 27 south 3.5 miles to 400 S and turn left (east). Travel 4.0 miles to 400 E and turn right (south). Travel 1.5 miles to the preserve on the right.

