

Robert Blickensderfer  
Profiles  
PaleoAmericans,  
1960s, 1970s

Robert Blickensderfer looks at a  
headdress and vest from his  
collection of Indian relics. The  
vest is made of leather,  
rattlesnake skins, and beads.



Robert Blickensderfer, better known as "Blic," of Blic's Studio & Photo supply, travels thousands of miles searching for Indian artifacts each year, and he is considered an authority on the subject.

Bob Blic  
carefully  
catalogues his  
Paleo-Indian  
Collection. He  
is looking over  
some recent  
finds from the  
Lake City,  
Pennsylvania  
area.





*Rugs, pottery, crude tools of earlier years, as well as an elaborate feather headdress are in the Conneaut man's collection.*

AUCTION - 3 3/4" TAN ARCHAIC STEMMED (COUSH. CO.)  
 " TAN ADENA 1.00 (COUSH. CO.)  
 " - DARK GREY PALED-PLANO 10" (STARK CO.)  
 " - BLUE GREY KNIFE 1.50 (STARK CO.)  
 " - BLACK 3 5/8" KNIFE 1.50 (TOSSE)  
 " - BLACK 3 3/4" KNIFE 2.00 (TOSSE)  
 " - VARIOUS STEMMED POINTS @75¢ (COUSH. CO.)  
 THRU " - VARIOUS POINTS (KNOX CO.)  
 7 THRU " - VARIOUS POINTS ALSO (COUSH. CO.)  
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 FOLLOWING POINTS MARKED "AL" PURCHASED IN BERGHOLZ,  
 OHIO AT ARCH. SOCIETY MEETING ON JUNE 18, 1972, FROM  
 NORTHERN ALABAMA - PRICE \$1.00 EACH  
 1 RED STEMMED  
 2 PALE PINK STEMMED  
 3 RED STEMMED  
 4 MEDIUM GREY KNIFE 3 1/8"  
 5 CHERT OVATE KNIFE 3 5/8" LONG 1 7/8" WIDE  
 FOLLOWING POINTS G93 THRU G103 GIVEN TO MICHAEL B.  
 BY MRS. CHARLIE (LAURA) POWELL FALL OF 1971. SHOULD ALL  
 BE OHIO FARM FINDS.  
 94 BEAUTIFUL BLACK ADENA - PERFECT! 2 5/8"  
 95 BLACK ADENA - 3 1/4", TIP MISSING  
 96 GREY FLINT RIDGE, SIDE NOTCH, FLARING BASE  
 97 ARCHAIC " BLACK FLINT RIDGE, STEMMED, SERRATED  
 99 GREY CORNER NOTCHED (SNYDER'S ?) 2 1/8"  
 99 " MOTTLED GREY, CORNER NOTCHED, SERRATED  
 100 BLACKISH BROWN, STEMMED 1 1/2"  
 101 DARK GREY DOUBLE ENDED DRILL  
 102 CRUDE DULL GREY CHERT

It has been almost a lifetime hobby  
 with Bob Blic, and he is as  
 enthusiastic about a good area find  
 as one from Arizona or other area  
 far from Conneaut. Each item is  
 carefully catalogued.

Bob Blic  
meticulously kept  
records of his Amer  
collection of relics  
on the pages of his  
catalogue.

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1	200	SHEHANGO RES. (SITE 5) BROKEN BASE 'WORKSHOP' SITE
	201 THRU 207	" " - SCRAPERS, WORKED PIECES, "
1	208	" " - SHALLOW NOTCHED POINT
	209	" " - CORNER POINT, ROAD BED, "
MOST OF ABOVE SHEHANGO FINDS WERE FROM A SMALL POINT WITHIN A 20 MINUTE PERIOD...		
	210	SHEHANGO RES. (SITE 6) - BASE ONLY, GRAY FLINT...
	211	" " " - GRAY FLINT SCRAPER
1	212	" " " - THICK, SHALLOW NOTCHED
1	213	" " " - BASE ONLY, BLACK SERRATED <u>LEG</u>
1	214	" " " - NICE, TWO-TONE TAN, WIDE BASE, SIDE NOTCHED HUNTING HEAD, (BEACH AREA WHERE <u>LE GRAY</u> WAS FOUND...)
11	215	" " " - THIN, CHERT, CORNER NOTCHED POINT?
11	216	<i>Annual Pilgrimage to Flint Ridge - our favorite corn field.</i> FLINT RIDGE - SEPT '71 - SIDE NOTCHED CHERT POINT - <u>FOR FIELD</u>
11	217	" " " - BLACK, THIN, CORNER NOTCHED, CONCERNING BASE
11	218	" " " - LARGE PINK SCRAPER - 2 5/8"
1	219	" " " - WHITE FLINT "
1	220	" " " - LIGHT TAN RECT. KNIFE - 3 1/16"
11	221	" " " - TWO-TONE GREY SCRAPER
1	222	" " " - BLACK TIP ONLY FROM LARGE SPEAR
1	223	" " " - " " SLENDER "
1	224	" " " - OFF WHITE, TIP HALF, WELL WORKED
1	225	" " " - MULTI-COLORED GREY, <u>LOWER HALF</u> OF CORNER NOTCHED <u>LARGE SPEAR</u> - BY FRAN.
1	226	" " " - VARIOUS FLAKE KNIVES, WORKED BUTTS
1	227	<i>Annual Pilgrimage to Flint Ridge - Sept '72 - GREY SCRAPER 10 1/2" x 5 1/2" x 1 1/2"</i>

*Among the interesting items in his collection are the Paleo points. Although the Paleo-Indian period is said to have not been specifically dated east of the Mississippi, it is believed to date from about 12,000 B.C. to 8,000 B.C. in the Ohio area.*



Fluted points are from one to six inches in size and two and a half to three inches long. Materials vary, but Flint Ridge material was used, although early hunters apparently preferred fine black flint found in eastern and southeastern Ohio.





Tools in a Paleo-Indian workshop. Left to right: three drills, three rectangular knives, bifurcated drill, knife – regular, three scrapers.



*In the background a Navajo rug frames artifacts from the Columbia River area In the foreground are several celts, blades, points, a Pre-Columbian pottery head, and a Peace Pipe.*

Paleo Points from Ashtabula  
County.





*Indian points (arrowheads) drills, and triangles (arrowheads\_ from the Conneaut Area shown mounted.*

Paleo-Indian tools shown are: top-skinning tool found at Elk Creek; left – three-inch-wide blade; middle- banner stone, and a bear's tooth found at Fort Hill in Conneaut, and at right, a knife with a flint ridge.



*These colorful  
Indian dolls are a  
part of the Indian  
collection.*



Cheryl Golden, who is employed at Blic's Studio, demonstrates how a headdress was worn. Cheryl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Golden, Hatches Corner Road.



Blic explored Indian culture for over twenty years and collected many Indian artifacts from all over the United States and from Ashtabula County. He was a member of the Ohio Archeological Society and the Conneaut Archeological Society.

In 1971, working with the Conneaut Archeological Society, Blic was part of the team conducting archaeological digs in a 5,000-year-old burial site. The team discovered major Indian findings in the Fort Hill area including flint and pottery fragments, molds of structures, and three Indian skeletal remains.



