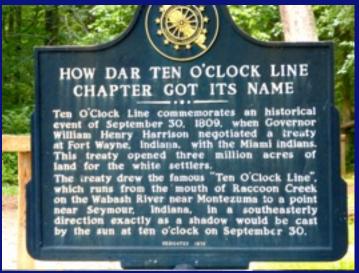
## 神神神 HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA! 神神神 WE WISH EVERYONE A GREAT 4TH OF JULY WEEKEND 2014 ~ THE WALKERS ~

As we travelled all throughout the midwest this past month, we especially enjoyed and appreciated so many of the unique little "off the beaten path" gems that make this country great!

Here are just a couple of our rural detours that we can share, for those who like to explore:







If every place has a story, this charming little spot near Hoosier National Forest in Indiana was actually named "Story" over 150 years ago! It is to be found along the beautiful drive through an historic area for American Impressionism just east of Bloomington, Indiana.





Where every other town seems to be called a "hollow" or a "haller".

While avoiding some freeway construction east of Knoxville, we discovered what must be the world headquarters of all things beans: Bush's Baked Beans, to be exact, in Chestnut Hill, TN Most appropriate for the 4th of July!

A very well done restaurant, gift shop, and company museum across from their huge factory in the middle of pretty much nowhere  $\sim$ 



who would have thought that canned beans were so fascinating.

Only in America.

Roll that beautiful bean footage!





## PORTRAITURE IN THE GRAND MANNER RECENTLY UNVEILED:



Elizabeth (Liza) M. Lee
Head of School
Columbus School for Girls
Oil on linen, 36 x 28 inches
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## ELIZABETH (LIZA) M. LEE

## Profiles in Portraiture by John Seibels Walker Portraiture in the Grand Manner

This life-size oil portrait of Liza was commissioned by Columbus School for Girls in Columbus Ohio in recognition of her recent tenure as Head of School.

I strove to represent Liza's very vibrant and dynamic personality by capturing her frequent smile and by alluding to a sense of action in her pose. She is definitely not a woman to sit still for too long!

The light and airy colors depicted represent the lasting legacy of her redecoration of the historical residence on campus that is used for the Head of School. Liza is originally from New York where her grandfather imported fine oriental porcelain, a few pieces of which are depicted on the table beside her left hand. Her right hand rests upon a copy of the hugely successful first cookbook, The Lee Bros. Southern Cookbook, written by her two sons. This book also represents her time living and working in the south while raising her sons and a daughter in Charleston, SC.

The painting now hangs amongst a fine collection of portraits in the historic administration building on the campus of Columbus School for Girls.

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