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Crowd on West Market Street Attending the Sangerfest Parade (Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/singleitem/collection/V0002/id/642/rec/132

JOIN US FOR A BROWN BAG!

In Your Neighborhood Meeting

Feb. 7 – Indianapolis: Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring your lunch and chat with local history folks in your area about the work of museums and historical societies. We'll be discussing the topic of building preservation. FREE.

https://indianahistory.org/across-indiana/local-history-services/meetings/

BUILDING PROJECTS WEBINAR

Laying a Strong Foundation: Planning and Implementing Building Projects

Feb. 5 – Is a building project in your future? Do you want to learn more about best practices, fundraising and working with contractors? Join us for an informative and interesting webinar focused on the basics of planning and implementing successful capital projects. Addresses AASLH StEPs standards HSL 2, 4 and 5. LEU credits available. $20; $15 IHS member; $10 Local History Partners.

https://indianahistory.org/across-indiana/local-history-services/workshops-and-webinars/

**HERITAGE SUPPORT GRANTS**

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT

Pulaski County Historical Society

$50,000 – Museum & Public Facilities

The building that housed the Pulaski County Historical Society's museum was owned by the county and had a myriad of problems. The Historical Society received a property from the Galbreath family that included a carriage house, which they decided to use to house a new museum space. A Heritage Support Grant funded the renovation of the carriage house, including insulation, plumbing, HVAC, an accessible family bathroom and interior finish work. The Historical Society's collections will be moved to the site and the museum will open to the public later this year.

http://www.pulaskihistory.net/

https://indianahistory.org/across-indiana/heritage-support-grants/

**WHAT WE'RE READING THIS WEEK**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/ref/collection/p0303/id/1977

AUDIENCE & COMMUNITY

Donor Relations Tips for Shy People

(John Haydon)

https://www.johnhaydon.com/donor-relations-tips-for-shy-people/

The Overlooked Importance of Non-Local Members to Cultural Organizations

(Know Your Own Bone)

https://www.colleendilen.com/2018/01/31/overlooked-importance-non-local-members-cultural-organizations-data/

Collaboration + Museum Pros = Treasure Trove of Ideas

(The Uncataloged Museum)

http://uncatalogedmuseum.blogspot.com/2018/01/collaboration-museum-pros-treasure.html

FUNDRAISING

Nonprofits: Ready for a Raffle?

(VonLehman)

https://vlcpa.com/articles/nonprofits-ready-for-a-raffle-2017117/222

How to Prime Your Donors for the Ask with the Jedi Mind Trick

(GuideStar)

https://trust.guidestar.org/how-to-prime-your-donors-for-the-ask-with-the-jedi-mind-trick

It’s All About the Relationship: How Nonprofits Can Better Engage Next Gen Donors

(Nonprofit Quarterly)

https://nonprofitquarterly.org/2018/01/25/relationship-nonprofits-can-better-engage-next-gen-donors/

Developing a Marketing Strategy for Nonprofits that Speaks to Distinct Donor Needs

(The Nerdy Nonprofit)

http://www.thenerdynonprofit.com/developing-marketing-strategy-nonprofits-speaks-distinct-donor-needs/

How Quickly Should You Thank a New Donor?

(GuideStar)

https://trust.guidestar.org/how-quickly-should-you-thank-a-new-donor

LEADERSHIP & INTERACTION

How to Make Museums More Engaging? Develop Employee-Centered Museums First

(Brilliant Idea Studio)

https://brilliantideastudio.com/art-museums/how-to-make-museums-more-engaging-develop-employee-centered-museums-first/

Five Pieces of Advice for When You’re Not the Official Leader

(Leadership Matters)

https://leadershipmatters1213.wordpress.com/2018/01/29/5-pieces-of-advice-for-when-youre-not-the-official-leader/

MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA
Five Things I Have Learned Being a Social Media Manager in a Museum

(IDEK)

http://www.idek.se/guest-post-5-things-i-have-learned-being-a-social-media-manager-in-a-museum/

Six Steps to Social Media Success for Any Museum

(Western Museums Association)

http://www.westmuse.org/articles/six-steps-social-media-success-any-museum

A Five-Step Process to Make Podcasting Work for Your Nonprofit

(Nonprofit MarCommunity)

https://nonprofitmarcommunity.com/make-podcasting-work-for-your-nonprofit/

MUSEUMS

Five Pretty Simple Ways to Increase Your Museum’s Revenue

(Museum Hack)

https://museumhack.com/increase-museum-revenue/

What Museums Mean to Me: My Relationship with Museums when I was a College Student

(Lindsey Steward)

https://lookingbackmovingforwardinmuseumeducation.com/2017/05/13/what-museums-mean-to-me-my-relationship-with-museums-when-i-was-a-college-student/

Futureproofing the Digital Museum

(The Museum of the Future)

http://themuseumofthefuture.com/2018/01/25/futureproofing-the-digital-museum/

PRESERVATION, COLLECTIONS & HISTORY

Flood Mitigation, Choose Your Own Adventure Style

(National Trust for Historic Preservation)

https://forum.savingplaces.org/blogs/ashley-wilson/2018/01/24/flood-mitigation-choose-your-own-adventure-style

To Rid the Taj Mahal of Its Grime, India Prescribes a Mud Bath

(The New York Times)

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/22/world/asia/taj-mahal-india-cleaning.html

Norway’s Melting Glaciers Release Over 2,000 Artifacts

(Smithsonian)

https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/2000-artifacts-pulled-edge-norways-melting-glaciers-180967949/

FOR FUN

**TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

Industrial Facility (Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/singleitem/collection/p16797coll24/id/759/rec/144

ONLINE

Interpreting Difficult History

Feb. 7 – Wisconsin Historical Society webinar. Learn how to develop and deliver interpretations of difficult histories with strategies that are sensitive and offer ethical representations of historical Others. FREE.

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8110551205832575233

Diversity and Fundraising

Feb. 8 – The Fund Raising School webinar. Dr. Tyrone Freeman will discuss his new research on giving trends of African American donors. $19.74.

https://philanthropy.iupui.edu/professional-development/webinars/index.html

Managing Resources for Collections Storage Projects: Strategic Planning to Completion

Feb. 15 – Connecting to Collections Care webinar. Learn what project criteria and information should be known at each phase (strategic planning to completion) to properly inform the early budgets. FREE.

https://www.connectingtocollections.org/strategic-planning/

ONSITE

Association of Midwest Museums-Illinois Association of Museums Annual Conference

July 18 through 21 – Chicago, Ill. The 2018 theme is Fostering Transparency, Strengthening Public Trust. Cost varies; early-bird through March 26.

https://www.ammconference.org/registration/

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

**FUNDING AVAILABLE**

Airplane Fueling (Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/singleitem/collection/p16797coll5/id/13/rec/24

Public Scholar Program

Apply by Feb. 7 – NEH. This program supports books that are grounded in humanities research and scholarship, making appropriate use of primary and/or secondary sources.

https://www.neh.gov/grants/research/public-scholar-program

Museums Empowered: Professional Development Opportunities for Museum Staff Grants

Apply by March 1 – IMLS. This grant funds four project categories for museum professional development: digital technology; diversity and inclusion; evaluation; and organizational management.

https://www.imls.gov/grants/available/museums-empowered-professional-development-opportunities-museum-staff

Digitizing Hidden Special Collections and Archives Grants

Apply by April 3 – CLIR. Grants are available to help digitize and provide access to non-digital collections of rare or unique content in cultural heritage institutions.

https://www.clir.org/hiddencollections/

**RESOURCES**

People Boarding River Boats (Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/ref/collection/oran/id/31

#ColorOurCollections

Feb. 5 through 9 – This is a week-long coloring fest on social media organized by libraries, archives and other cultural institutions around the world. Using materials from their collections, these institutions are sharing free coloring content online.

http://library.nyam.org/colorourcollections/

Announcing a New Timeline of Museum History

This online timeline by Steven Lubar starts in the 17th century and comes up to the present day (Decolonize this Museum! and the Museums Change Lives campaign).

https://stevenlubar.net/digital-humanities/announcing-a-new-timeline-of-museum-history/

First Day Podcast

The Fund Raising School has launched a weekly podcast series that will highlight current news and research, providing fundraisers with the latest information in fundraising and philanthropy.

https://philanthropy.iupui.edu/professional-development/podcast/index.html

**IN THE NEWS**

Mitchell Printing Interiors (Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/ref/collection/p16797coll24/id/406

Massive Data Project Will Help People Identify Enslaved Ancestors

Michigan State’s ‘Enslaved: The People of the Historic Slave Trade’ will combine available historical data on slavery into one searchable hub. (Smithsonian)

https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/massive-data-project-will-connect-info-slaves-and-their-descendants-180967836/

'Endangered' House to Get New Life

The Speakman House in Ohio County is set to undergo massive renovations. Built in 1846 just north of Rising Sun, the house has been on Indiana Landmarks' 10 Most Endangered list for the past two years. The house was recently sold to Mark Banschback, owner of Greendale-based Top Quality Building Products Inc., who will begin work on improvements. (Inside Indiana Business)

http://www.insideindianabusiness.com/story/37385142/endangered-house-to-get-new-life

Indiana Launches Ohio River Greenway Transformation Into a World-Class Urban Park

A new push to transform Southern Indiana's Ohio River Greenway into a world-class urban park builds on a $40-million investment and a decades-old vision of connecting communities through nature and recreation. (Courier Journal)

https://www.courier-journal.com/story/tech/science/environment/2017/12/25/ohio-river-greenway-transformation/816736001/

**EVENTS AROUND THE STATE**

Children Dressed Up (Indiana Historical Society)

http://images.indianahistory.org/cdm/singleitem/collection/dc018/id/1387/rec/102

Building Effective Family Trees to Connect with DNA Matches

Feb. 3 – Fishers: Hamilton East Public Library, 10 a.m. Learn how to build effective family trees to support your DNA results and connect with potential matches. Free.

https://dnasleuth.wordpress.com/cidig/

Storyteller Series: African-American Life in Indiana

Feb. 3 – Franklin: Johnson County Museum of History, 1:30 p.m. Ophelia Wellington, founder and Executive Director of Freetown Village, discusses the history of African-American life in Indiana. Free.

http://www.johnsoncountymuseum.org/

The Fort Wayne Colored Giants

Feb. 4 – Fort Wayne: The History Center, 2 p.m. Dr. Alfred Brothers, Jr. will discuss the Fort Wayne Colored Giants in this George R. Mather Lecture Series presentation. Free.

http://www.fwhistorycenter.com/

Therapy Thursday: Creating a Capsule Wardrobe

Feb. 8 – Plymouth: Marshall County Museum, noon. Recycle Depot Director Marianne Peters will discuss how to mindfully and creatively shop to eliminate excess clutter.

http://www.mchistoricalsociety.org/

Decatur County in 8mm

Feb. 9 – Greensburg: Historical Society of Decatur County Museum, 7:30 p.m. This film showing will feature Early Tom Barker Film, Greensburg in the 1950s, Columbus in Color and Sound in the 1930s, and Rick Nelson in Shelbyville 1985.

https://www.historicalsocietyofdecaturcountygreensburg.org/decatur-county-in-8mm

Ask A DNA Specialist – One on One Consultations

Feb. 10 – Indianapolis: Indiana State Library. To schedule a 15-minute consultation, send your DNA testing questions no later than one week prior to the Saturday event to CIDNAgroup@gmail.com. Free.

https://dnasleuth.wordpress.com/cidig/

Factory Families: Allen County’s History as a Manufacturing and Innovation Hub

Feb. 11 – Fort Wayne: The History Center, 2 p.m. This presentation and panel discussion is co-sponsored by the IPFW Helmke Library, IPFW Public History program, Allen County Public Library’s Genealogy Center and the History Center. Free.

http://www.fwhistorycenter.com/

Learning Lincoln’s Legacy

Feb. 17 – Fort Wayne: Allen County Public Library, 9 a.m. Youth ages 9 to 14 are invited to celebrate Lincoln’s 209th birthday with activities including a behind-the-scenes look into the vault where the Lincoln collection is kept, historical scavenger hunt, video, and a hands-on recreation of a 19th-century photograph. Free.

https://www.lincolncollection.org/access/workshops-events/

**EXHIBITS**

**IHS NEWS**

New Destination Indiana Journey Features Bill and Gloria Gaither

Indiana’s legendary musicians and songwriters Bill and Gloria Gaither are featured in a new Destination Indiana journey chronicling their faith, family and career.

https://indianahistory.org/stories/new-destination-indiana-journey-features-bill-and-gloria-gaither/

Love in the Civil War: Ties of Affection in 19th-Century America

Feb. 10 –

Join Dr. L. Bao Bui to feel the love of the season by delving into letters from soldiers to wives, girlfriends and family members, nursing relationships from miles away.

https://indianahistory.org/events/love-in-the-civil-war-ties-of-affection-in-19th-century-america/

Galentine’s Day Brunch

Feb. 11 –

Celebrate the ladies! Bring your favorite lady friends to celebrate the “best day of the year!” $35; $30 members. Ladies 21 and over.

https://indianahistory.org/events/galentines-day-brunch/

Ethnic Eats: Peruvian Cuisine

Feb. 15 –

Enjoy ceviche and dishes that highlight the four traditional staples of Peruvian Cuisine: corn, potatoes, quinoa and legumes. $25; $20 members.

https://indianahistory.org/events/ethnic-eats-peruvian/

Indy’s Premier Bourbon Celebration

Feb. 23 –

Join us for an extraordinary night of bourbon tasting and learn more about the fine art and nuances of distilling. $125; $100 members.

https://indianahistory.org/events/indys-premier-bourbon-celebration/

**EMPLOYMENT**

LOCAL

Coordinator, African-American History

Indianapolis –

Indiana Historical Society.

https://indianahistory.org/about/careers-at-ihs/

Visitor Services Associate

Indianapolis –

Indiana Historical Society.

https://indianahistory.org/about/careers-at-ihs/

Historic Structures Reviewer

Indianapolis –

Department of Natural Resources. Search Job ID 613599.

http://www.in.gov/spd/2333.htm

Executive Director

Crawfordsville –

Montgomery County Historical Society. This is a part-time position.

http://www.lane-mchs.org/page17

REGIONAL

Guest Experience Manager, Historic Trades

Eagle, Wis. –

Old World Wisconsin.

https://oldworldwisconsin.wisconsinhistory.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2018/01/OWW\_WHS\_GEM\_Trades\_2018.pdf

Museum Exhibit Technician

Milwaukee, Wis. –

Harley-Davidson Museum.

https://www.midwestmuseums.org/job/harley-davidson-milwaukee-wi-full-time-museum-exhibit-technician/

NATIONAL

INTERNSHIPS

Paid Archival Summer Internship

Frankfort, Ky. –

Kentucky Historical Society.

https://jobs.aaslh.org/job/archival-intern-summer-2018/39141875/

Paid Research Experience Summer Internship

Frankfort, Ky. –

Kentucky Historical Society.

https://jobs.aaslh.org/job/research-experience-summer-intern/39126014/

Paid Collections Internship

Baltimore, Md. –

Jewish Museum of Maryland.

http://jewishmuseummd.org/get-involved/internship-opportunities/

**HELP**

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