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Updates from Local History Services

**Bike Excursions, 1950s** (Indiana Historical Society, P0454)

**EARTH DAY READS FROM OUR LENDING RESOURCE CENTER**

Learn about sustainability in museums with a book from our [Lending Resource Center](http://editor.ne16.com/...86210&m=4b26a89b-ca3a-4deb-83bc-2f375d2e607d&MailID=43030452&listid=110&RecipientID=21444501034[4/22/2022 10:27:59 AM])
Indiana history organizations can borrow these and other books at no charge, and we'll even ship them to you. Here's a sample of titles available:

- *Environmental Sustainability at Historic Sites and Museums* by Sarah Sutton
- *Cultural Heritage and the Challenge of Sustainability* by Diane Barthel-Bouchier
- *Guidelines for Selecting Solid-State Lighting for Museums* by James R. Druzik and Stefan W. Michalski

**IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING IN LAKE COUNTY**

*May 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Central), Cedar Lake* – Join us to network with local history professionals and learn how the Cedar Lake Historical Association created their strategic vision, implemented a new exhibit space, and built support in their community. (Hosted by the Museum at Lassen’s Resort, 7408 Constitution Ave., Cedar Lake)

**Free to attend – Please RSVP to** [localhistoryservices@indianahistory.org](mailto:localhistoryservices@indianahistory.org).

**Around Indiana**
NEWS
Here's a history of Earth Day in Indiana, and ways you can participate beyond one day a year. (Indy Star)

The Indiana State Fair is drawing on a longstanding and beloved Hoosier element for its 2022 theme: Celebrating Indiana's Automotive Excellence. (Indy Star)

The town of Clarksville has raised nearly $80,000 for a statue honoring local “Rosie the Riveter.” (WHAS11)
IN-PERSON EVENTS AND EXHIBITS

PLEASE NOTE: For in-person programs, please check with the hosting organization regarding any COVID-19 restrictions and/or requirements.

Spring Concert Series
Through June 2, Elkhart – Ruthmere has developed an all-new series of concerts to keep the music flowing all year long. (Ruthmere)

Living on Indigenous Landscapes: The Intersection of Potawatomi and Settler Histories in Northern Indiana
April 23, Elkhart – Luke Gascho will discuss the history of the interactions between the Potawatomi and settlers in Northern Indiana. (Havilah Beardsley House)

DNA Q & A
April 23, Frankfort – Learn about DNA from biologist and genetic genealogist Robert Sliwinski. (Frankfort Community Public Library)

How We Imagine Climate Change and Why It Matters
April 30, Bristol – Learn how people with different cultural identities tend to respond to climate change differently and what we can do to address the problem together. (Elkhart County Historical Museum)

The Bird Boy of Fort Wayne Flies Again
May 1, Fort Wayne – Author Michael Martone will read selections from his newest book, The Complete Writings of Art Smith, The Bird Boy of Fort Wayne. (The History Center)

Indianapolis City Market Catacombs After Hours Tours
May 12-Oct. 20, Indianapolis – On select Thursdays, join a guided descent into a long-hidden ruin beneath City Market’s Whistler Plaza on this relaxed, adults-only tour. $15; $12 members. (Indiana Landmarks)

Lake Wawasee “Points of Interest” Historical Cruise
May 19, Syracuse – Local historian Ann Garceau will narrate a Historical Cruise of Lake Wawasee aboard the SS Lillypad II. $25. (Chautauqua-Wawasee)

Patriot’s Day Talks: Thomas Jefferson
June 26, Syracuse – Reenactor J.D. Sutton portrays 77-year-old Thomas Jefferson as he reflects on his life. (Hosted by Chautauqua-Wawasee at the Wawasee High School Auditorium)

TRAVELING EXHIBITS
Indiana organizations can borrow professional-quality traveling exhibits from the Indiana Historical Society. You can visit exhibits at the sites below. Please check with the hosting organization regarding any on-site COVID-19 restrictions.

Steamboat A Comin’: The Legacy of the New Orleans
Through May 23, Rome and Cannelton (Rome Courthouse; Perry County Museum)

Indiana Historical Society Spotlight

NEWS
The Indiana Historical Society is pleased to announce a groundbreaking partnership with The Remnant Trust and the Columbia Club – one that will bring an incredible collection of
rare, printed materials back to Indiana.

**NHDJ JUDGES NEEDED**
We are seeking volunteers to judge at the National History Day in Indiana State Contest on April 30 at Marian University in Indianapolis. [Learn more and sign up here.](#)

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

**Storytelling Arts: “Lead Belly: An American Legend” featuring the Rev. Robert Jones**
April 23 – Join the Reverend Robert Jones in his musical portrayal of one of America’s greatest performers, Huddie Ledbetter. $20.

**Independent Bookstore Day – Free Admission**
April 30 – Celebrate Independent Bookstore Day with the Basile History Market!

**The Remnant Trust – Hoosier Great Conversation Series**
May 3-4 – As part of the IHS’s recent announcement of its groundbreaking partnership with the Columbia Club and The Remnant Trust, the Columbia Club is hosting two special events.

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**What We're Reading This Week**

![Vegetable wagon, 1956](O. James Fox Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

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RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD
Museums and the art of environmental sustainability. (MuseumNext)

From green buildings to hard-hitting exhibitions, here’s how museums are adapting in the face of the climate crisis. (Blooloop)

The free online Toolkit on Environmental Sustainability in the Museum Practice shares tools and tips museums can use to work towards sustainability. (CiMAM)

Nominations are due May 2 for Award Nominations to shine a spotlight on your colleagues and recent internal or external projects. (Association of Midwest Museums)

A recent op-ed discusses how museums are community anchors that unite people. (Cincinnati.com)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION
AASLH has partnered with the National Council on Public History to issue a first-of-its-kind report on the prevalence of gender discrimination and sexual harassment in history organizations in the United States.

AUDIENCE & COMMUNITY
Common sense nonprofit event planning advice. (Clairification)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
Don’t underestimate the power of your voice – our voices matter as much as our words matter. (Harvard Business Review)

How to be productively positive, not Pollyanna. (Nonprofit Risk Management Center)

NEED A BREAK?
Find inspiration in art, music, poetry, and more for Earth Day and every day. (Gratefulness)

Learn about notable events in the history of Earth Day. (Stacker)
FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

**Affinity Community Meet-Up: Climate and Sustainability**

*April 22* – Join AASLH’s Climate and Sustainability committee on Earth Day to talk about sustainability in the field, from the hands-on to large-scale ideas. (AASLH)

**What’s in a Name: Rebranding Your History Organization**

*April 27* – Learn about rebranding in a broad context, common reasons for rebranding a historic site, and the process sites across America have used. (Texas Historical Commission)

**Recruiting Teachers with Cemetery Programming**

*April 27* – Learn about “Teaching Buried History,” a free program in which history organizations can recruit teachers to use local cemeteries and records to teach social studies, English, and STEM. (AASLH)

**Overcoming the Barriers to Fundraising Success**

*April 27 (register by April 22)* – Learn about actionable solutions to common fundraising problems. (Oklahoma Museums Association)

**Collections Intake in a Remote Work Environment**
April 28 – Learn about strategies to review collections virtually and to make the intake process efficient. (Connecting to Collections Care)

Effective Grants Management
May 3 – Learn about the five top tips for effectively managing your grants. (GrantStation)

Funding Available

Fall Creek, 1910 (Bass Photo Co. Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

NEW!
Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants
Due May 17 – This program supports two distinct types of projects: Capital projects support the purchase, design, construction, restoration, or renovation of facilities for humanities activities; and Digital Infrastructure projects support the maintenance, modernization, and sustainability of existing digital scholarly projects and platforms. (NEH)

Digital Projects for the Public Grants
Due June 8 (optional draft due May 5) – This program supports projects that interpret and analyze humanities content in primarily digital platforms and formats. (NEH)

UPCOMING DEADLINES
Innovation Grants
Inquiry due April 30 (Indiana Humanities)
**Collaboration Grants**  
Inquiry due April 30 (Indiana Humanities)

**Digitizing Hidden Special Collections and Archives: Amplifying Unheard Voices Grants**  
Due April 30 (Council on Library and Information Resources)

**Cokie Roberts Research Fund for Women’s History**  
Due April 30 (National Archives Foundation)

**Senior Living Grants in St. Joseph County**  
Due May 1 (Community Foundation of St. Joseph County)

**National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Grants**  
Due May 13 (National Park Service)

**Preservation and Access Education and Training Grants**  
Due May 17 (NEH)

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**Local & Regional Job Openings**

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*Girl Scouts Planting a Tree, 1946* (Indiana Historical Society, P0569)

**LOCAL**  
*The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!*  
See open positions [here](#).

**Assistant Director**  
*Crawfordsville* – Montgomery County Historical Society
Covid-19 Oral History Interviewer (Temporary)
Crawfordsville – Montgomery County Historical Society

REGIONAL

Director
Chicago, Ill. – Jane Addams Hull House Museum at the University of Illinois Chicago

Deputy Director
Grayslake, Ill. – Grayslake Heritage Center & Museum

Michigan History Day Coordinator
Lansing, Mich. – Historical Society of Michigan

Anishinaabe Curator (temporary)
Grand Rapids, Mich. – Grand Rapids Public Museum

Collections Manager
Cleveland, Ohio – International Women’s Air & Space Museum

Women in Politics Archivist
Iowa City, Iowa – University of Iowa Libraries

Museum Registrar
Kansas City, Mo. – The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures

Digital Archivist
Northfield, Minn. – Carleton College

PAID INTERNSHIPS

AASLH Intern – Research and Resources
Remote – American Association for State and Local History

Museum Collections and Exhibitions Internship
Chanhassen, Minn. – Paisley Park

Digital Project Summer Internship
Lincoln, Neb. – History Nebraska

Orphans Corner

Do you have an item you would like to donate to an Indiana museum or nonprofit? We’ll list it here! Email us at col@indianahistory.org and we’ll list it for you!

Some exceptions may apply.

We’d love your input on this e-newsletter! Use this form to give us your feedback.