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Old Ray House and Public Square, Shelbyville, Indiana, 1894 (Indiana Historical Society, P0411)

IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING IN SHELBY COUNTY
March 27, Shelbyville – Join colleagues from history organizations at an In Your
**Neighborhood meeting** to network and learn about how the Grover Museum is working with community service programs to provide meaningful volunteer experiences. You are welcome to bring your lunch; drinks and desserts will be provided. (hosted by the Grover Museum)

Free to attend – Please RSVP to localhistoryservices@indianahistory.org.

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**Around Indiana**

![Inland Steel Co. Employee Party, 1976](Michaelene Olguin-Rivera, Indiana Historical Society)

**NEWS**

All through March, the Indiana Historical Bureau will be posting stories of women who shaped Indiana's history on social media and sharing content with the Indiana Commission for Women. (IHB)

A new initiative, Military Monuments and Museums IN Indiana, is planned to launch July 4, 2023. The initiative is a comprehensive program that will cover war memorials, historical markers, museums, and other distinctive locations that showcase the rich military history of the great state of Indiana. (Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Destination Development Corporation)

Roberts Settlement will receive a $75,000 grant from the African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund. This grant will aid in the funding of an interpretive outdoor public exhibit that centers the legacy of Hamilton County’s Black pioneers. (Hamilton County Reporter)

The Hoosier history of basketball runs deep, but for Women's History Month, learn about some of the women who pioneered the sport right here in the Hoosier state. (WRTV)
VIRTUAL PROGRAMS
DNA & Genealogy Discussion Group
March 4 – Join an informative discussion about using DNA testing in genealogy research, led by a member of the Central Indiana DNA Interest Group. (Zoom program hosted by the Johnson County Public Library)

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.

Making Memory: The Contemporary Fiber Art of Heather Ahmann and Emily Chase
March 4, Bloomington – Learn about the work and process of Heather Ahmann and Emily Chase, two contemporary fiber artists using quilting in their practice. (Monroe County History Center)

Pullman: The Man, the Company, the Historical Park
March 5, Cedar Lake – This presentation will be given by Dr. Kenneth Schoon, author of Calumet Beginnings. (The Museum at Lassen's Resort)

Sweetwater Sound: An Entrepreneurial Miracle
March 5, Fort Wayne – Ben Eisbart will answer the question: “Combine a 1967 VW bus; the Boy Scout Creed; L.L. Bean's philosophy; a solid work ethic and a sax playing CEO and what do you get???” (History Center)

Groundbreaking Black Citizens in Knox County
March 5, Vincennes – A special program will feature notable Black Knox County citizens from both the past and the present. (Red Skelton Museum)

Emily Kimbrough: From Muncie to the World
March 9, Muncie – Karen Vincent will share highlights of Emily’s life and career. The Paul Revere Players will offer an Emily Kimbrough reading to introduce the program. (Carnegie Library branch, Muncie Public Library)

“Ability 3” Exhibition Opening
March 9, South Bend – the “Ability” series draws connections between racism and ableism, and how movements for disability rights often took inspiration from movements for racial justice. “Ability 3” features works by community and student artists who live with physical and/or cognitive disabilities. (Civil Rights Heritage Center)

Cades Mill Covered Bridge Benefit Event
March 12, Veedersburg – The event will feature appetizers, demonstrations, music and more. $50. (Fountain County Art Council)

History and Hops
March 15, Wabash – Play team trivia and sample a flight of beer or wine. $20; $18 members. (Wabash County Museum)

Remarkable Women: Writing the Wrongs
March 17-19, Bloomington – Resilience Productions will bring to life on stage the stories of three remarkable Black women: Frances Watkins Harper, Lillian Thomas Fox, and Ida B. Wells. $20. (Monroe County History Center)

Family History Writing Series
Through 2023, New Castle – Once a month through 2023, a program will be held to help you find out more about your family history and then put those stories in writing. The March
25 program is *Researching the Census (1860-1950)*. $15; $10 members. (Henry County Historical Society and Museum)

**Tales from the Archives: Adventures in Cellulose Nitrate**

**April 15, Greensburg** – The Annual Dinner of the Historical Society of Decatur County will feature a presentation from Tom Barker about the process he used to capture images from nitrate film. $20. (Event at the First Baptist Church of Greensburg)

**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.*

**Groundbreaking Black Hoosiers**
**Through March 27, Vincennes** *(Red Skelton Museum)*

**Faces in the Crowd**
**Through March 30, North Manchester** *(North Manchester Center for History)*

**Securing the Vote: Women's Suffrage in Indiana**
**Through March 30, Kokomo** *(Kokomo-Howard County Public Library)*

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**Indiana Historical Society Spotlight**

**CHUCK TAYLOR ALL STAR OPENING MARCH 4**
The new exhibit *Chuck Taylor All Star* will explore the story of the man and the shoe through a variety of immersive experiences and remarkable artifacts and images, some of which have never been exhibited before. The exhibit will also include a state-of-the-art virtual reality experience that will allow visitors to travel back in time to a 1950s Chuck Taylor basketball clinic in a Hoosier gymnasium.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Trivia on the Canal**
**Beginning March 10** – Join us each month, March through November, for three exciting rounds of themed history trivia. The theme for March is Sports! $15; $10 members.

**Hoosier Philanthropy: A Panel on the History of Giving in Indiana**
**March 23** – Dive into the history of philanthropy in Indiana, the historic Hoosier philanthropists, and how Hoosiers of all economic backgrounds have participated in philanthropy. $5; free for members.

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**What We're Reading This Week**
RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD
AASLH invites responses for the fifth annual National Visitation Survey for History Organizations. This yearly research effort provides the history community with high-quality data and insights on public engagement with our organizations. The survey closes March 15. (AASLH)

March 6-10 is Civic Learning Week, and you can participate with events, resources, community and classroom activities, and more. (iCivics)

Trusting the process: The collaborative journey to reframing a problematic object. (AAM)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION
Diversity and inclusion in volunteer opportunities: What’s the role of volunteer managers? (VolunteerPro)

AUDIENCE AND COMMUNITY
See how one small museum professionalized their docent program. (AASLH)

FUNDRAISING
Top strategies for making friends with nonprofit donors. (Clairification)

Eight tips for managing your nonprofit's memorial donations. (Bloomerang)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
14 ways to approach revitalizing your nonprofit organization. (Forbes)

The new Reimagining Governance Lab shares stories, tools, and resources to provoke a shift in how we talk about and do governance in nonprofit organizations so they’re better positioned for positive impact. (Ignite NPS, Canada)

NEED A BREAK?
Meet the most notorious women pirates. (PBS Origins on YouTube)

Learn about 22 pioneering women in science history. (Science Focus)

And check out these little-known facts for Women's History Month. (The Archive)

Learning Opportunities
FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

**WAIT, You Collect What?!? Living Collections**

**March 6** – Learn how plant and herbarium collections fit into museum collections management, and how best practices can be a little bit different when you need to keep your collection alive! (Registrars Committee Western Region)

**How Access Influences Preservation in Museum Libraries and Archives**

**March 9** – Learn how access can—and should—influence preservation practices within our museum libraries and archives. (New England Museum Association)

**Strategies for Collections Dept. Succession Planning**

**March 15** – Attendees will share succession planning strategies that have—and have not—achieved positive results. (AAM Collections Stewardship Professional Network)

**Where Do We Mourn? Establishing Memorial Sites for African Americans Killed by Police Violence**

**March 16** – Jamira Burley - an award-winning activist and speaker - moderates a conversation with Sites of Conscience that memorialize sites of violence against African Americans. (Sites of Conscience)
VIRTUAL TRAINING
Fundraising for Small Nonprofits
March 6-April 16 – Learn how to build a convincing case for financial support, create a funding process that works for your nonprofit, and more. Also offered as a two-day course in Indianapolis March 9-10. $199. (Lilly Family School of Philanthropy)

10 Practical Steps for Getting Started with Digital Preservation
March 9 – Learn about introductory concepts to digital preservation and achievable tips for launching a digital preservation initiative. $95. (NEDCC)

How to Optimize Your Income Streams
March 15 – Learn how to identify the high-impact and low-input fundraising strategies that are perfect for your organization. $69. (GrantStation)

IN-PERSON TRAINING
Indiana Genealogical Society Annual Meeting & Conference
April 1, Fort Wayne – Registration is now open for the 2023 annual conference. The featured speaker will be Amy Johnson Crow. A virtual option is also available. $35 early bird by March 25. (IGS)

Funding Available
Wilma Rudolph Lights the Flame at the 10th Pan American Games, 1987 (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

Backing Historic Small Restaurants Grant Program

Due March 12 – These grants will help small restaurant owners navigate supply chain issues, staffing shortages, inflation, and other crises so that their establishments’ legacies can continue. (National Trust for Historic Preservation)
Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana Initiative
Due May 1 – Through this initiative, grants between $60,000 and $1 million will be awarded to support and strengthen eligible youth-serving organizations that provide programs and services to youth (ages 5 through 18) in communities throughout Indiana. (Lilly Endowment Inc.)

UPCOMING DEADLINES
Arts Project Support Grants
Due March 9 (Indiana Arts Commission)

2023 AARP Community Challenge
Due March 15 (AARP)

Wilma Gibbs Moore Fellowships
Due March 31 (Indiana Humanities)

Local & Regional Job Openings

Women War Workers, 1943 (Bass Photo Co. Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

LOCAL
The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!
See open positions here.

Media Archivist
Indianapolis – Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art

REGIONAL
Interim Museum Educator
Frankfort, Ky. – Kentucky Historical Society

Curator
St. Louis Park, Minn. – Pavek Museum

Digital Production Manager
Madison, Wis. – Wisconsin Historical Society

Villa Louis Site Manager
Prairie Du Chien, Wis. – Wisconsin Historical Society

PAID INTERNSHIPS
History & Education Internship
Washington, D.C. – American Battlefield Trust

Orphans Corner

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