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Updates from Local History Services



[Girls Participate in the Broad Jump at a Ladywood School Track Meet, 1942](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0569)

RECORDING OF U.S. 250: DOING HISTORY

Missed the virtual brown bag on Feb. 22 but interested in seeing the panel discussion? See the recording [here](#). Passcode: DR*B4j6m

Additional Resources from the Discussion

Here are some of the resources discussed during the meeting:

[Making History at 250: The Field Guide for the Semiquincentennial](#) (AASLH)

[Additional resources from AASLH](#)

NCPH Roundtable Recordings: [Indigenous Histories](#); [Identities and the Revolution](#); [Rhetoric of Freedom](#)

REGIONAL MEETING IN TIPPECANOE COUNTY – THE U.S. 250th

March 13, Lafayette – Join the IHS Local History Services Department and Indiana Humanities for a free in-person regional meeting on the topic of the upcoming U.S. Semiquincentennial. We'll discuss news about planning at the state and national level and brainstorm local ideas. The event will be held at the Tippecanoe County Historical Association History Center, 522 Columbia Street, Lafayette; 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. EST. **Free to attend; please RSVP to localhistoryservices@indianahistory.org.**

HERITAGE SUPPORT GRANTS BONUS CYCLE

Apply by March 29 – Grants of up to \$4,999 are available. *Heritage Support Grants are provided by the Indiana Historical Society and made possible by Lilly Endowment Inc.* [Learn more and apply today!](#)

Around Indiana



[CC Express vs Atterbury JC, 1984](#) (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

NEWS

The Indiana State Library has announced that [Indiana Memory has an all-new website design](#). The updated look includes improved search functionality in addition to integrating the State Library's Internet Archive and Hoosier State Chronicles collections.

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.

[Black Quilters: Hard Topics, Soft Blows](#)

March 2, Bloomington – Dr. Tony Jean Dickerson will discuss the history and the artistry of African American quilters. (Monroe County History Center)

[Victorian Tea](#)

March 2, Franklin – Take part in an afternoon tea and enjoy a presentation from Marsha Miller about the suffragists of Indiana. (Johnson County Museum of History)

[The Vera Bradley Story](#)

March 3, Fort Wayne – Hear the story of two determined Fort Wayne women who became successful entrepreneurs at an unlikely time. (The History Center)

[If These Walls Could Tell: Bottleworks](#)

March 3, Indianapolis – Indiana Landmarks and Storytelling Arts of Indiana present a story on the transformation of Indianapolis's former Coca-Cola Bottling Plant. (Indiana Landmarks Center)

[Gallery Talk: The Curious History of Cursive Writing](#)

March 5, Elkhart – Beth Hall, Docent, will present this Gallery Talk on the topic of cursive writing. (Ruthmere)

[Indiana State Historical Marker Dedication: Wes Montgomery](#)

March 6, Indianapolis – A new state historical marker will be unveiled commemorating influential jazz guitarist Wes Montgomery. (Indiana Historical Bureau)

[Woodworking Basics](#)

March 6, South Bend – Learn basic skills for tackling wood-related restoration projects like baseboard, trim, and porch repairs. (Indiana Landmarks; event at Our Lady of the Road)

[HYPstory: Jumanji](#)

March 8, Franklin – Learn about the history of board games and the classic children's book *Jumanji*, and then see *Jumanji* at the The Historic Artcraft Theatre. (Johnson County Museum of History)

[The Solar Eclipse Speaker Event](#)

March 9, Franklin – Doctor Catherine Pilachowski, Distinguished Professor of Astronomy, will give a presentation on the upcoming solar eclipse. (Johnson County Museum of History)

[Kickoff to St. Patrick's Day at St. Michael's](#)

March 10, Madison – Enjoy the historic space, learn a little history of the building and the people who once frequented it, and taste a selection of Irish teas. (Historic Madison Inc.; event at St. Michael the Archangel)

[Building Indianapolis: The Jungclaus-Campbell Company](#)

March 14, Indianapolis – Learn about the history and see historic construction images that tell the story of iconic Indianapolis landmarks. (Indiana Landmarks)

[Indy's Notable & Notorious Walking Tour](#)

March 18, Indianapolis – Discover Indianapolis history through tales of some of the city's most memorable characters. (Indiana Landmarks)

[Historic Trades Classes](#)

Various dates, April to June, Delphi – Learn how to weave, cook, work wool, and much more from skilled artisans in a historic village setting. (Wabash and Erie Canal)

[Palatines to America Indiana Chapter Spring Meeting](#)

April 20, Indianapolis – The event will feature two presentations by Vicki Casteel from the Indiana State Archives, followed by an attendee group interaction about various aspects of German genealogy. (Event will be held at Indianapolis Public Library Michigan Road Branch)

[Save the Date – Jazz Quartet Concert](#)

June 8, Corydon – Bring a lawn chair and enjoy Jazz under the stars on the Square. (presented by the Historical Society of Harrison County)

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.

Faces of the Civil War

Through March 27, Lowell ([Lowell Public Library](#))

Securing the Vote: Women's Suffrage in Indiana

Through March 28, Hammond ([Hammond Public Library](#))

Hoosiers and Their Hooch: Perspectives on Prohibition

Through March 31, Lawrenceburg ([Dearborn County Historical Society](#))

From Pencils to Pixels: Hoosier Cartoons and Comics

Through April 1, Huntington ([Huntington County Historical Museum](#))

Indiana Historical Society Spotlight

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Library Show-and-Tell](#)

March 9 – Join the librarians of the William H. Smith Memorial Library for an informal conversation about unique objects in the Indiana Historical Society collections.

[Covering the Same Ground: Three Storytellers on Crispus Attucks Basketball](#)

March 21 – Jack McCallum, Ted Green, and Dr. James Madison will share their perspectives on approaching the Crispus Attucks story through their respective research and storytelling.

[Legacy and Legend: The History and Mythology of Basketball in Indiana](#)

March 23 – Grab your ticket for a courtside seat in the history of Hoosier hoops with historian and author J. Ronald Newlin.

[Documentary Screening – Attucks: A School that Opened a City](#)

March 26 – Enjoy a screening of "Attucks: A School That Opened a City."

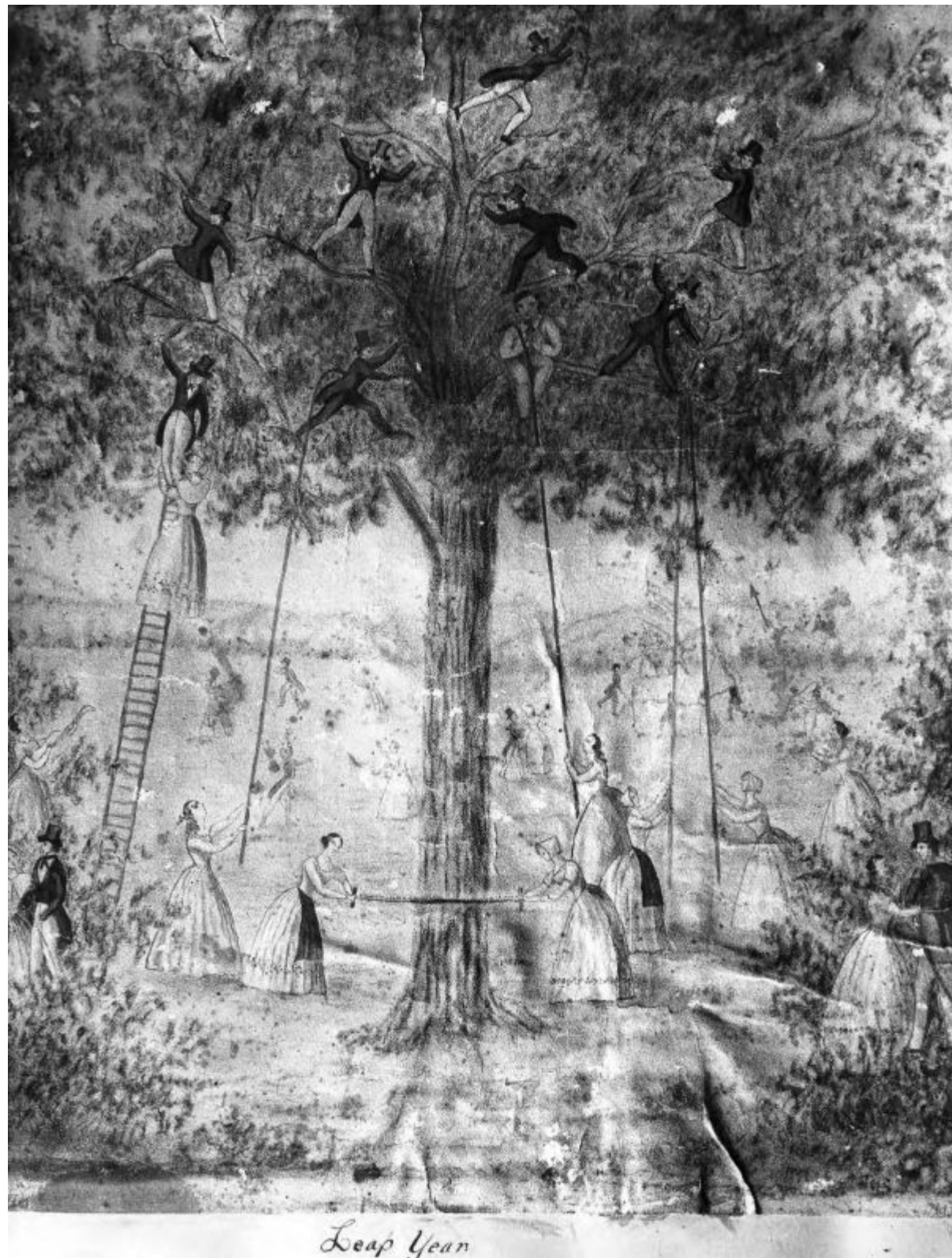
[March Mayhem: Homeschool Workshop](#)

March 26 – Join the IHS education team as we explore the impacts of one school and one team on segregation in Indiana.

VOLUNTEER FOR NATIONAL HISTORY DAY IN INDIANA

The 2024 National History Day in Indiana contests are happening around the state, and we are seeking volunteer judges. [Learn more and sign up today!](#)

What We're Reading This Week



[Copy of "Leap Year" Drawing, ca. 1920](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0188)

RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD

[Civic Learning Week \(March 11-15\)](#) is hosted annually by iCivics and seeks to highlight the importance of civic education in sustaining and strengthening constitutional democracy in the United States. Participate using [these resources for classroom and community activities](#).

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

[Neurodivergent needs](#) and museums: A Q&A with ADDitude Magazine. (AAM)

FUNDRAISING

10 ways to [find new donors](#) for your nonprofit organization. (Bloomerang)

[12 donation match best practices](#) to supercharge fundraising. (Classy)

How to [answer grant questions](#) about funding sustainability. (Funding for Good)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

How to craft a [nonprofit board orientation strategy](#). (Clairification)

[Five must dos + pitfalls to avoid](#) when it comes to leading change. (Suzi McAlpine)

NEED A BREAK?

Yesterday was leap day! Here is the [interesting history about that extra day](#) tacked on to every fourth year. (History.com)

Did you know there are not really 24 hours in every day? Some [fascinating scientific facts](#) about why we have leap day. (Forbes)

[How the jump rope got its rhythm](#) – Did you know that hip-hop owes a lot to the queens of double dutch? (TED)

The [history of the trampoline](#), which still captures imaginations 75 years later. (Smithsonian Magazine)

Learning Opportunities



[Ladywood High School, gym class, track and field, high jump, 1927](#) (Bass Photo Co. Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

[The Quick-Start Guide to the One-Page Proposal](#)

March 19 – Learn about ten simple but powerful "Magic Wand" questions at the heart of every single grant proposal. (GrantStation)

[Video Killed the Radio Star: Making Effective Collections Care Videos](#)

March 20 – This presentation will show basic no fuss (and no IT department) ways to create videos and other digital content to highlight your collections care skills. (Connecting to Collections Care)

VIRTUAL TRAINING

[Introduction to Museum Endowments](#)

March 11-April 12 – Learn about the structure, benefits, and challenges of endowment fund management. \$275; \$175 members. (AASLH)

[Collections Care Intensive](#)

March 11-19 – This course, with options for online-only participation as well as in-person, is structured to help you address the ten agents of deterioration. \$80 for the online workshop. (CCAHA)

[Handling Book and Paper-based Collections: A Primer for Staff, Interns, & Volunteers](#)

March 12 – This webinar will guide you through proper care and handling techniques for a wide variety of collections materials. \$45. (NEDCC)

[FADGI Demystified](#)

March 19 – This webinar will discuss the Technical Guidelines for Digitizing Cultural Heritage Materials (2016), published by the Still Image Working Group - aka FADGI. \$45. (NEDCC)

Funding Available



[Joie Chitwood Car Jump at the Indiana State Fair, 1948](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0569)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

[Frankenthaler Climate Initiative Grants](#)

Due March 15 – This program provides visual arts institutions with the support and guidance required to undertake ambitious sustainability and energy efficiency initiatives. (FCI)

[Spark Good Local Grants](#)

Due April 15 – Walmart's Spark Good Local Grants aim to address the unique needs of the communities where Walmart operates in the United States. Grants of up to \$5,000 are provided to organizations that operate locally and directly benefit the service area of local facilities in U.S. communities where Walmart stores, Sam's Clubs, and distribution centers are located. (Walmart)

UPCOMING DEADLINES

[Historic Preservation Fund – Semiquincentennial Grant Program](#)

Due March 5 (National Park Service)

[Arts Project Support Grants](#)

Due March 7; Draft Review Deadline Feb. 23 (Indiana Arts Commission)

[Digital Accelerator for Arts & Culture](#)

Due March 13 (Bloomberg Philanthropies)

[SIA Foundation Capital Projects Grants](#)

Due March 31 (SIA Foundation)

[Cox Funds for the Preservation of African American Heritage Sites in Indiana](#)

Due April 1 (Indiana Landmarks)

Local & Regional Job Openings



[Champion Show Horses at the 1931 Indiana State Fair, 1931](#) (Indiana Historical Society, P0490)

LOCAL

The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!

See open positions [here](#).

[Museum Director \(Part-Time\)](#)

Dana – Ernie Pyle WWII Museum

[Museum Office Administrator](#)

Evansville – Evansville Wartime Museum

[Grants Manager](#)

Muncie – Minnetrista Museum & Gardens

[Depot Manager \(Part-Time\)](#)

Salem – The John Hay Center

[Museum Specialist \(Temporary\)](#)

Walkerton – Walkerton Heritage Museum

REGIONAL

[Registrar](#)

Detroit, Mich. – Motown Museum

[Manager of Curatorial Affairs](#)

Flint, Mich. – Applewood Estate, Ruth Mott Foundation

[Education & Outreach Coordinator](#)

Red Wing, Minn. – Goodhue County Historical Society

[Objects Conservator](#)

St. Louis, Mo. – Missouri Historical Society

Orphans Corner

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