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Updates from Local History Services



[St. Mary's Group at W.B.O.W., 1942](#) (Martin Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

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



[Clock Presentation. n.d.](#) (Indianapolis Recorder Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

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.

[Women's History Month Exhibit and Kingsford Heights History Pop-Up Exhibit](#)

Through March, La Porte – Learn about the many women's clubs and societies of La Porte County to celebrate Women's History Month and the fascinating history of the town of Kingsford Heights. (La Porte County Historical Society Museum)

[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)

[Pints with Paine Trivia](#)

March 13, Bargersville – Dive into the philosophical roots of democracy, liberty, and individual rights through Thomas Paine's writings, with discussions and trivia led by historian Dr. Dan Miller. (Remnant Trust; event at Taxman Brewing Co.)

[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)

[Lunch and Learn: Fire Insurance Maps Online](#)

March 14, Indianapolis – Bring your lunch and learn about fire insurance maps and the Indiana State Library's Fire Insurance Maps Online database. (Indiana State Library)

[History and Hops](#)

March 14, Wabash – Raise your glasses and your trivia game as you hop through Wabash County's past with Family Feud Style Team Trivia. (Wabash County Museum, event at Market Street Grill)

[Ancestry Lock-in](#)

March 15, Frankfort – Staff members will be on-hand to assist participants in using Ancestry Library Edition, and the public computers will be available for use. (Frankfort Community Public Library)

[Ninth Annual Richard M. Fairbanks Symposium: Seed to Sustenance](#)

March 20, Indianapolis – The 2024 Richard M. Fairbanks Symposium will focus on Indianapolis food disparity, hunger, farming, and more. (UIndy and Indiana Humanities)

[Remarkable Women](#)

March 22-24, Bloomington – Resilience Productions presents a new Remarkable Women production, written by Gladys DeVane in collaboration with and directed by Danielle Bruce. (Monroe County History Center)

[Genealogy Bus Trip to Allen County Public Library](#)

April 17, departing from Michigan City and La Porte – Take a genealogy research trip to the Allen County Public Library. (Event from the LaPorte County Genealogical Society and the Michigan City Library)

[The Indiana Flag: Who Really Designed It?](#)

April 20, Greensburg – The 2024 Annual Dinner and Program will be presented by Author David B. Reddick. (Historical Society of Decatur County)

Indiana Historical Society Spotlight

NEW COUNTY HISTORIANS APPOINTED

[Four new Indiana county historians have been appointed](#) in Greene, Howard, Steuben and Vermillion counties.

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."

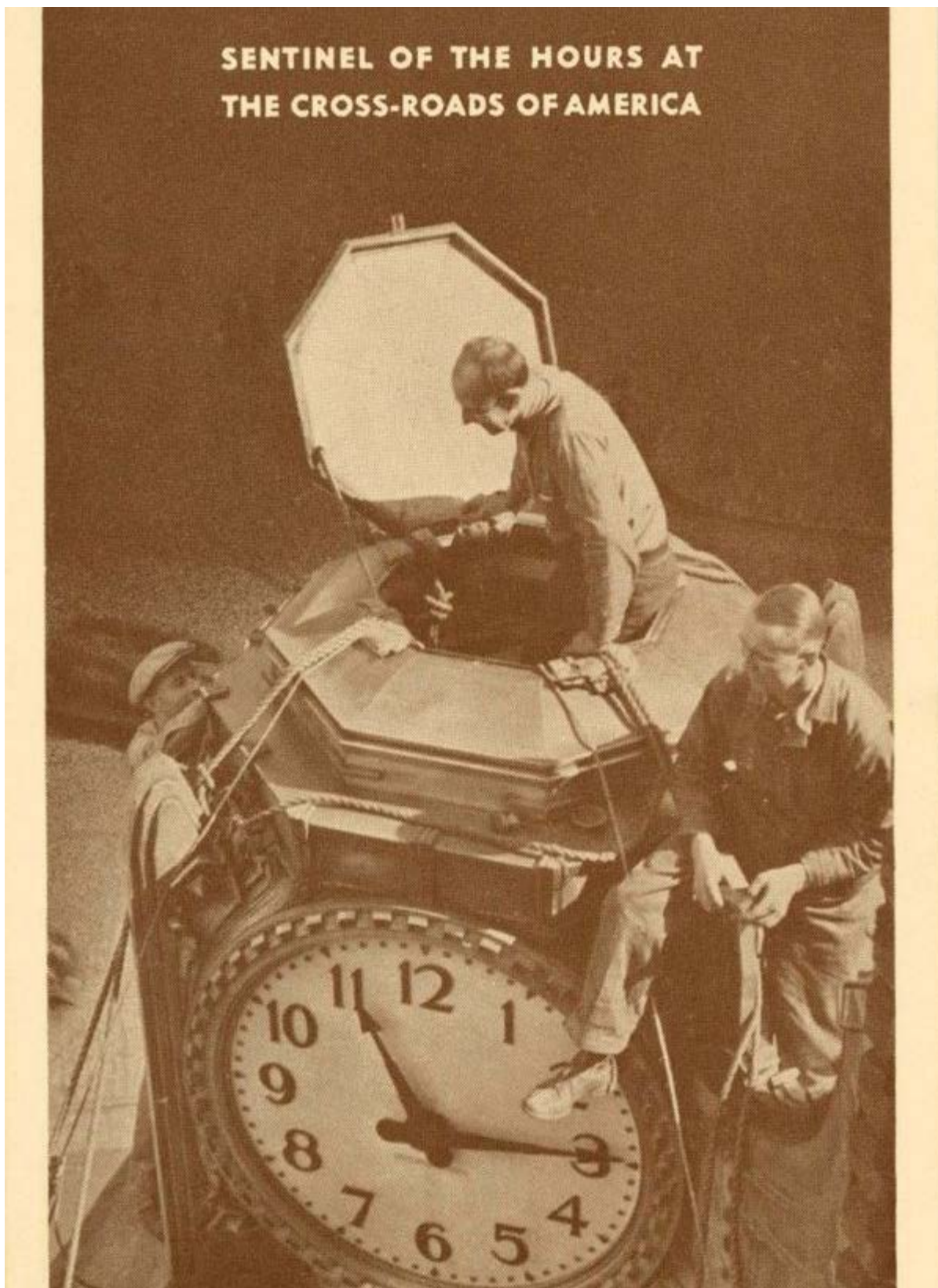
[March Mayhem: Homeschool Workshop](#)

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



[L.S. Ayres & Company Clock Postcard, ca. 1936](#) (Indiana Historical Society, M0616)

RESOURCES AND NEWS FROM THE FIELD

IMLS and PBS Books are joining together to produce [Visions of America: All Stories, All People, All Places](#), a digital-first series of videos and virtual conversations coming to museums and libraries this summer in commemoration of the U.S. Semiquincentennial. (IMLS)

Join the [AASLH Women's History Google Group](#) to ask and answer questions, learn about events and resources, and keep in touch with colleagues working in women's history.

Our Historia, Our Futuro: A new [Latinx Preservation Toolkit](#) was created to ensure equal access to information, empowering Latinx communities to preserve, celebrate contributions, and tell their own stories. (Latinos in Heritage Conservation)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

A guide to [celebrating inclusively](#) for Women's History Month. (Forbes)

AUDIENCE & COMMUNITY

Re-designing [volunteer roles](#) for the modern world. (VolunteerPro)

FUNDRAISING & BUDGETING

Nonprofit reserve funds: [how to manage operating reserves](#). (Infinite Giving)

Six donation request letter [best practices + templates](#). (Classy)

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

How to [build a realistic to-do list](#) that will actually reduce your stress. (Fast Company)

Decision-making made easier: Design and use your own [Decision Tree](#). (Suzi McAlpine)

Preparing your nonprofit to [move beyond the founder](#). (Blue Avocado)

NEED A BREAK?

[Why do we have daylight saving time?](#) Hint: it's not because of farming. (History.com)

Explore the Adler Planetarium's [amazing collection of historical sundials](#); plus see how the old dials are conserved and cleaned in [this short video](#). (Adler Planetarium; North American Sundial Society)

A walk through time – an interesting [history early clocks](#). (National Institute of Standards and Technology)

Researchers say [time is an illusion](#). So why are we all obsessed with it? (NPR)

Learning Opportunities



[View of the Garden at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Smith in Indianapolis, 1930](#) (The Bretzman Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

FREE WEBINARS & VIRTUAL LEARNING

[American Lesson Plan: Mapping the Landscape of Secondary US History Education](#)

March 14 – In this session, the Mapping research team will share their research on history's civic function in K-12 education. (American Historical Association)

[NAGPRA Program: Deep Dive into Repatriation of Cultural Items](#)

March 15 – This webinar is part of the National NAGPRA Program's series of webinars on the new regulations. (National Park Service)

VIRTUAL TRAINING

[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)

[Introduction to Integrated Pest Management](#)

April 1-26 – This 4-week online course explores the foundation of knowledge needed to solve pest problems in a myriad of situations that might be encountered in cultural institutions. \$400. (Museum Study)

[Interpreting Enslavement in School Programs at the 250th Virtual Workshop](#)

May 9-10 – Learn about pedagogically-sound and emotionally-aware techniques for developing school programs and strategies for training/caring for staff. \$200; \$100 members. (AASLH)

IN-PERSON TRAINING

[IGS 2024 Annual Seminar and Conference](#)

April 19 and 20, Fort Wayne – The conference will feature eight sessions by local Indiana genealogists, and extended research hours in the Genealogy Center. (Indiana Genealogical Society; event at the Allen County Public Library)

Funding Available



[Longcase Clock and Radio, ca. 1930s](#) (Martin Collection, Indiana Historical Society)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SPOTLIGHT

[Recordings at Risk Grants](#)

Due April 17 – Grants are available to support the preservation of rare and unique audio, audiovisual, and other time-based media of high scholarly value through digital reformatting. (Council on Library and Information Resources)

[Preservation Grants for Film Preservation](#)

Due April 26; register by March 22 – These grants are awarded to nonprofit and public institutions for laboratory work to preserve culturally and historically significant film materials. The cash award ranges from \$1,000 to \$20,000. (Film Preservation Foundation)

UPCOMING DEADLINES

[Digital Accelerator for Arts & Culture](#)

Due March 13 (Bloomberg Philanthropies)

[Frankenthaler Climate Initiative Grants](#)

Due March 15 (FCI)

[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



[Atkins Flower Shop, n.d.](#) (Indiana Historical Society, M0634)

LOCAL

The Indiana Historical Society is hiring!

See open positions [here](#).

The Indiana Historical Society is looking for contractors to create lesson plans centered on two recent IHS Press publications:

- [Legacy and Legend: The History and Mythology of Basketball in Indiana](#) – Lesson plans would focus on grades 8-12
- [Families of Two Fires: Forging America's Frontier 1776-1832](#) – Lesson plans would

focus on grades 7-9

[Grants Manager](#)

Muncie – Minnetrista Museum & Gardens

[Museum Coordinator](#)

Terre Haute – Larry Bird Museum, Terre Haute Convention Center

REGIONAL

[Historic Landscape Gardener](#)

Rockford, Ill. – Smeja Homestead Foundation

[Teacher Resources Manager](#)

Frankfort, Ky. – Kentucky Historical Society

[Program Supervisor, Historic Forestville](#)

Preston, Minn. – Minnesota Historical Society

[Acquisitions Editor](#)

St. Paul, Minn. – Minnesota Historical Society Press

[Executive Director](#)

Nashville, Tenn. – Preservation Society of Nashville

[Executive Director](#)

Door County, Wis. – Sturgeon Bay Historical Society Foundation

[Grant Writer](#)

Madison, Wis. – Wisconsin Historical Foundation, Inc.

[Collections Manager](#)

Manitowoc, Wis. – Wisconsin Maritime Museum

Orphans Corner – Couch (ca. 1840-1880)



The Scott County Heritage Center and Museum is deaccessioning a couch (ca. 1840-1880) from the William English estate due to duplication. English was a noted statesman and politician in Indiana. The couch is 82" long, 25" wide, and 37" high.

To claim this item, call Jeanne Abbott at (812) 752-1050. Items are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

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!

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