

# 2012 Historic Preservation Month Calendar of Events

All times are local time. Call/email or visit event sponsor website for questions.

## Ongoing During May

**Cambridge City:** Huddleston Farmhouse Tours. Owned and restored by Indiana Landmarks, the 1841 Huddleston Farmhouse museum offered visitors a glimpse of the daily lives of John and Susannah Huddleston and their 11 children, as well as the travelers who crowded the porches and yard and rented the farmhouse's two "travelers' kitchens" for cooking and sleeping. Today the museum operates as the National Road Heritage Site, where exhibits offer modern-day travelers a vivid picture of cross-country travel on the Historic National Road from Cumberland, Maryland to Vandalia, Illinois -- from the pioneer era to the present. **The farmhouse and National Road Heritage Sites are open Fridays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and by appointment.** The Huddleston Farmhouse is located approximately 60 miles east of Indianapolis and 20 miles west of Richmond on U.S. 40, the Historic National Road. Contact: the Huddleston Farmhouse, 765-478-3172. ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**Delphi:** Come tour the newly restored Delphi Opera House. Built in 1882, the opera house held concerts, lectures, plays and ceremonies until its closure in 1914. The Opera House is open for tours from Thurs.-Sat throughout the month. 109 S. Washington St. Delphi, IN. ([www.delhipreservationsociety.org](http://www.delhipreservationsociety.org))

**Fort Wayne:** Come see Historic West Main Street Farmer's Market- Fort Wayne's Largest Farm Market. The market is located at 1936 West Main Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808. **Open every Friday evening from 3-8 PM.** The market features 50+ growers which include certified organic produce, locally grown produce, beef, poultry, eggs, breads, flowers and other Indiana produced farms products. The market also features art and antiques along with music and hot food vendors every week.

**French Lick:** As the exclusive provider of tours at the historic French Lick and West Baden Springs Hotels, Indiana Landmarks leads one-hour guided tours that highlight the fascinating stories and breathtaking restorations. The turn-of-the-century landmarks are located one mile apart on State Road 56 in southern Indiana. Reservation required for groups of eight or more. Guided tours are offered three times a day at West Baden Springs Hotel: 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. Tours at French Lick Springs Hotel are offered once a day at 12 noon. **Offered Daily. \$10/adult. \$5/ Children 13-18. \$2/Children 6-12. Free/ Children 5-under.** To arrange a group tour, call 812-936-5870 or 800-450-4534.

**Indianapolis:** Tour of Indiana Landmarks Center. 12<sup>th</sup> and Central Indianapolis. See the Indiana Landmarks Center at the former Central Avenue Methodist Church on free public tours each Friday and Saturday, April through October. 45-minute tours highlight the history of the church - - once the largest Methodist congregation in the state -- including its legacy in Indianapolis. Learn about the church's decline and the building's endangered status before a multi-million-dollar restoration transformed it into a spectacular new cultural venue and state headquarters for Indiana Landmarks. You'll see the restored public spaces, and go behind the scenes for a look at

modern updates that make the nineteenth-century church a twenty-first-century marvel. Tours begin at 12 Noon in the main lobby of the building. No reservation required. **Fridays and Saturdays. Free.** For details contact Gwendolen Raley, 317-636-5409, [graley@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:graley@indianalandmarks.org).

**Indianapolis:** Morris-Butler House Tours. Come tour the Morris-Butler House and learn about family life during the Victorian Era. Tours are held on Fridays and Saturdays throughout May at 1pm and 2pm. **\$5/adult, \$4/senior, \$3/child or full-time student for private group tours.** Private group tours are free to [members](#) of Indiana Landmarks. Please contact [morisbutler@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:morrisbutler@indianalandmarks.org)

**Lafayette:** Historic Lafayette Farmer's Market. In operation since 1839. The market has three locations throughout May. Downtown Market, Saturdays 7:30 am to 12:30 pm (5<sup>th</sup> Street Between Main and Columbia Street); Purdue Market, Thursdays 11:00 am to 3:00 pm (North of Memorial Mall at Centennial Mall); Sagamore West Market, Wednesdays 3:00 to 6:30 pm (Cumberland Park). **Free throughout May.** ([www.lafayettefarmersmarket.com](http://www.lafayettefarmersmarket.com))

### May 2

**Bloomington:** "Pajama Genealogy" Wake up! Smell the coffee! And learn a few new tricks to romping around genealogical websites. Anytime is a good time to do a little "pajama genealogy," because the more websites you know, and the better you know them, the more you will find. Randi Richardson has a master's degree from Indiana University, she is the south central district director for the Indiana Genealogical Society, volunteers with her local genealogical society and the Indiana Archives, and has written a number of articles for publication. **2pm at the Monroe County History Center.** (202 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Bloomington, IN).

**South Bend:** *Insights in History-The Untold Story: Behind the Scenes of Gizmos, Corsets & Concoctions.* Kristi Dunn, Registrar at the Center for History, talks about selecting artifacts for the exhibit Gizmos, Corsets & Concoctions. A guided tour of Gizmos, Corsets & Concoctions will take place. 1:30 pm **Admission is \$3 or \$1 for members, and reservations are required by April 30.**

### May 3

**Indianapolis:** "Genealogy for Night Owls" at the Indiana State Library. This is a **free** event at the Indiana State Library that will include library orientation tours, Ask-An-Expert opportunities, snacks, door prizes, and more! Parking is available for those registered for the program in the New York Street garage across the street for \$5.00 for the entire event. Please call the Genealogy Division to register: (317) 232-3689. Registration is required by **April 30, 2012.** The Library is located at 31 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis. ([www.in.gov/library](http://www.in.gov/library))

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newspapers, genealogy periodicals, manuscripts, and more. Learn where the pamphlets are located, which computers can be used with the extensive CD collection, and where various indexes can be found. The tour includes all public areas on the first and second floors of the Indiana State Library and Historical Building. This is NOT a how-to-research session. Instead, this is your opportunity to have an in-depth tour of the facility's genealogical holdings. All tours begin at 9:30 a.m. and end at 11 a.m. Each tour will last approximately one and one-half hours, and is limited to 15 attendees. Pre-registration is required. To register, please call the library at 317-232-3675, or our IN-Watts line at 1-800-622-4970. Upcoming Family History Orientation Tours: Learn where different family history resources are located on the first and second floors of the Indiana State Library. This is a free orientation tour, geared toward genealogists. Pre-registration is required; please call 317-232-3689. **All tours take place from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time).** The Library is located at 31 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis. ([www.in.gov/library](http://www.in.gov/library))

**Mishawaka:** Explore house styles and their histories with Indiana Landmarks' Northern Regional Office Director Todd Zeiger at a free lecture at the Downtown Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library, 209 Lincoln Way East, Mishawaka. Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library. 7-8:30. **Free, but reservation requested.** ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

#### **May 4**

**Indianapolis:** Indianapolis artist Kipp Normand presents "Revival," and exhibit of art from rescued materials, including artifacts salvaged during restoration of the Indiana Landmarks Center. Indiana Landmarks Center. 6-9pm. The Indiana Landmarks Center is located at 1201 Central Ave. Indianapolis. ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

#### **May 5**

**French Lick:** "Wild West Holdups" on the French Lick Scenic Railway. Ride the train as the Lost River Renegades invade the hills of Southern Indiana with the hopes of robbing the train. The local marshal and his men will attempt to apprehend the bandits and provide the train with safe passage through to the village of Cuzco. **Please purchase tickets in advance. \$16/adult.** The French Lick Scenic Railway depot is located at 1 Monon Dr. French Lick. ([www.indianarailwaymuseum.org](http://www.indianarailwaymuseum.org))

**Geneva:** Loblolly Marsh Wetland Tour. Experience the Loblolly Marsh, part of the famous Limberlost Swamp in Adams and Jay Counties that fascinated and inspired author Gene Stratton-Porter. See how it's being restored to its natural state in this guided tour. Orientation begins at the Limberlost cabin. Visitors of all ages are invited to tour the famous Limberlost Swamp in Adams and Jay Counties. Participants will learn about the history of the swamp as well as discover what the future holds for the Limberlost Swamp. **9:30-11:30am. \$2/person.** ([www.indianamuseum.org/sites/limb](http://www.indianamuseum.org/sites/limb))

**Friendship:** "Lore of the Laughery" Historical Reenactment and Trades Fair. National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association. "Lore of the Laughery", as a premier living history event, reflects and interprets the historical heritage of the area. Experience these colorful stories as they are told

through the pageantry of recreated military units, working livestock, artisans and craftspeople, entertainers, Fife & Drum Corps, voyageurs, and encampments, all demonstrating the lifestyles of 1750-1812. **9:00am-5:00pm. \$6/adult. \$3/children(6-12)** For more information contact: Leslie Martin Conwell [nmlraevents@seidata.com](mailto:nmlraevents@seidata.com). ([www.nmlra.org](http://www.nmlra.org))

**Indianapolis:** Celebrate Derby Day during a special outdoor event at Veraestau Historic Site in Aurora. Featuring hearty traditional refreshments including mint juleps, Dixieland music, fancy carriages, a ladies' hat contest, and more. Watch the Run for the Roses at 6 p.m. Derby at Veraestau benefits Indiana Landmarks' preservation work in southeastern Indiana and tree conservation at the historic estate, including the 210-year-old Holman Oak and the 72 pin oaks planted in the 1930s that line the long, curving drive to the house.

**Indianapolis:** "Through the Vineyards" as told by Susan Klein. Indiana Historical Society. Martha's Vineyard native Susan Klein's substantial repertoire includes selections from the world body of folklore and myth, literary stories, rites of passage and love stories for adults. Her autobiographical material encompasses growing up on Martha's Vineyard in the 1950s, waitressing and teaching school in the 1970s, and her work as an itinerant storyteller in Alaskan Yup'ik Eskimo villages in the 1980s. Her highly acclaimed storytelling and memoir writing workshops are held annually on Martha's Vineyard, around the nation and in Europe. **7:30pm. \$25/person at the door.** The Indiana Historical Society is located at 450 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis. ([www.indianahistory.org](http://www.indianahistory.org))

**Lowell:** "Recognizing and honoring World War II Veterans." Buckley Homestead. An HRS event sponsored by US 9th Infantry, the 353rd German Infantry, and the 2620th WAC Battalion. Re-enactors from all over the Midwest, and some from as far away as Canada, don authentic uniforms and use restored military equipment to portray that most important time period in our history. Throughout the weekend, the park comes to life with memories of the war years, both military and on the homefront. If you are a veteran, history enthusiast, or would just like to learn more about the 1940s era, this is the place for the entire family. It's wonderful for families and students. Daily schedules subject to change. **\$5/adult.** Buckley Homestead is located at 3606 Belshaw Rd. Lowell. ([www.lakecountyparks.com](http://www.lakecountyparks.com))

**North Judson:** Ride aboard the Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum's popular tourist train as we take in the sites and sounds of rural life while traveling through the farmland of Northwest Indiana. See plenty of wildflowers, birds, butterflies and other wildlife. This trip will also take you across the Kankakee River bridge at English Lake. **\$11/Adult. \$9/youth. \$5/Child (1-5 years). Train leaves at 11:00am.** The Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum is located at 507 Mulberry St. North Judson. ([www.hoosiervalley.org](http://www.hoosiervalley.org))

**Rising Sun:** Civil War Reenactment. As we recognize the sesquicentennial of the Civil War step back in time and meet those who interpret the men who fought this great American conflict. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn first hand what life during the Civil War might have been like. Camps of both armies will be set up with re-enactors to answer your questions and give you a glimpse into their world. Cannon demonstrations, a battle each day, children's activities, food, and more. **10:00am-4:00pm.** ([www.ohiocountymuseum.org](http://www.ohiocountymuseum.org))

**Rome City:** “Wildflower Walk and Brunch.” Enjoy beautiful wildflowers and a delicious brunch at the Gene Stratton-Porter State Historic Site on Saturday, May 5, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Take a stroll through the beautiful Wildflower Woods and adjacent Sower’s Woods as site staff showcases the wide array of native wildflowers that take center stage here every spring. After the walk, enjoy a delicious locally-prepared brunch. **\$20/person. Advance registration by April 30.** The Gene Stratton Porter Historic Site is located at 1205 Pleasant Pl. Rome City. ([www.indianamuseum.org/sites/genespec](http://www.indianamuseum.org/sites/genespec))

### **May 6**

**Aurora:** Hillforest Mansion Community Appreciation Day. The Mansion gives back to the community with a reduced admission rate for \$1. Bring the whole family and enjoy a great day. The mansion is located at 213 Fifth St., Aurora. The museum is open from 1-5pm. ([www.hillforest.org](http://www.hillforest.org))

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### May 8

**Bloomington:** Kevin Shiflet will present “The Truth About the Confederate Flag. The Civil War Roundtable meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Monroe County History Center, 202 E. 6th St., Bloomington, IN. ([www.monroehistory.org](http://www.monroehistory.org))

**Fort Wayne:** “Family Tree Makers: Sources.” Allen County Public Library. Cite your sources! Learn to create citations using templates, and how to link sources to facts and media. Print special reports. Registration required. SEATING IS LIMITED. Please bring a flash drive to save your work. Call 260-421-1225 or email [Genealogy@ACPL.Info](mailto:Genealogy@ACPL.Info) to register. **2:30-3:00pm.** Allen County Library is located at 900 Library Plaza, Fort Wayne. ([www.acpl.lib.in.us](http://www.acpl.lib.in.us))

**Indianapolis:** Visit the President Benjamin Harrison Home (1230 N. Delaware Street) and hear the conversations and gossip of the day as you enter each room and meet and speak with family members and household staff who are re-creating life after the White House in 1898. It's time for spring cleaning at the Indianapolis mansion. **10:00-3:00pm. \$10/Member Adults; \$12/Adults; \$5/students (age 5 to 17).** ([www.presidentbenjaminharrison.org](http://www.presidentbenjaminharrison.org))

### May 10

**Danville:** Join the Town of Danville, Hendricks County Heritage Alliance, and Indiana Landmarks for a program outlining resources for owners of historic homes. Suzanne Stanis, Indiana Landmarks' Director of Education and Information, will guide beginners through the twists and turns of property research. Staff from the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology will offer information on federal and state tax credit programs for historic preservation. The meeting takes place 6 to 8 p.m. at the Hendricks County Convention & Visitors Bureau building, 8 West Main Street, Danville. **Free and open to the public.** For information, contact Rebecca Smith, [rsmith@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:rsmith@indianalandmarks.org). ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**Fort Wayne:** May Day Cards Party. Swinney Homestead. Series Programs are open to anyone 14 years old or older (ages 14-18 must attend with an adult). **The single class fee is \$15 per class for Settler member / \$20 each for non-members. Series membership includes all six Series classes for \$60.** *Advance reservations are required.*

Morning Series – doors open at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments, program display and social time. Program is from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Evening Series – doors open at 6:00 p.m. for refreshments, program display and social time. Program is from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Class minimum = 10.

For additional information please call D. Keane 260-486-8903

Swinney Homestead is located at 1424 W. Jefferson Blvd. Fort Wayne. ([www.settlersinc.org](http://www.settlersinc.org))

### May 12

**Indianapolis:** Celebrate Mother's Day with a tour of the French Lick Springs Hotel, followed by afternoon tea at The Mansion, built in 1915 by Ed Ballard, a rags-to-riches one-time owner of the West Baden Springs Hotel. The traditional afternoon tea menu includes savories, finger sandwiches, breads, muffins, scones, pastries and desserts with jam, lemon curd, and clotted cream. **\$42/person.** The French Lick Springs Hotel is located at 8670 W. State Road 56, French

Lick. Landmarks Emporium & Tours, 866-571-8687, [swoodward@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:swoodward@indianalandmarks.org).  
([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**Ligonier:** Experience an authentic and intimate dinner in Stone's Tavern at 5:45 p.m. at the Spring Hearthside Dinner on Saturday, May 12 at Stone's Trace, Ligonier, IN. Step back in time to join others in a pleasurable evening of classical and period music and stories to go along with a hearthside meal. Stone's Trace Historical Society members will portray the Stone family in character. **Cost of the evening meal is \$40 per person and reservations are required.** Seating is limited. Those attending are encouraged to dress in 1830 to 1860 period attire, but it is not required. The eight course menu is representative of authentic dishes prepared in the mid 1800's. The evening will be conducted under conditions similar to those experienced by Indiana pioneers in the 19th century. Stone's Tavern is located on State Road 5 in Ligonier.  
([www.stonetrace.com/hearthside](http://www.stonetrace.com/hearthside))

**New Albany:** Midtown Walking Tour. **1:00pm.** Meeting location TBA.  
[www.historicnewalbany.org](http://www.historicnewalbany.org)

**North Judson:** Mother's Day Special. Bring mom out for a train ride aboard the Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum's popular tourist train as we take in the sites and sounds of rural life while traveling through the farmland of Northwest Indiana. See plenty of wildflowers, birds, butterflies and other wildlife. This trip will also take you across the Kankakee River bridge at English Lake. Moms receive half fare tickets and a FREE carnation when they ride. **\$16/person. Trains leave at 11am.** The Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum is located at 507 Mulberry St. North Judson.  
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### **May 13**

**Kendallville:** Kite Day at the Mid-America Windmill Museum. Colorful kites of all sizes and shapes flying high over the grounds of the Mid-America Windmill Museum are a sure sign of spring. This annual event, held on Mother's Day, the second Sunday in May, has become a favorite spring tradition since the first Kite Day in 2001. Working together with members of the Hoosier Kiteflyers Society and museum volunteers, children of all ages can build a simple sled kite in Baker Hall. The kite is easy to construct using materials provided by the Hoosier Kiteflyers and flies effortlessly with even a gentle breeze. **11:00-4:00pm. \$5/person.** 732 S. Allen Chapel Rd. Kendallville, IN. ([www.midamericawindmillmuseum.org](http://www.midamericawindmillmuseum.org))

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**Kokomo:** Learn how to research genealogy on the Internet during a special class in the Computer Lab. For required registration, call 765.626.0839 beginning April 16. **6-8:00 pm.** Kokomo-Howard County Public Library. 220 N. Union St., Kokomo. (<http://www.kokomo.lib.in.us/glhs>)

**New Albany:** County Historian Dave Barksdale, County Recorder Lois Endris, and staff of the library's Indiana Room will teach participants how to use resources found in the Indiana Room and elsewhere to research the history of their historic home. Pizza will be served. New Albany-Floyd County Public Library. 6-8:30 pm. **Free. Limited to 20 participants.** Laura Renwick, 812-284-4534 or [south@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:south@indianalandmarks.org). The library is located at 180 W. Spring St. New Albany. ([www.nafclibrary.org](http://www.nafclibrary.org))

### **May 16**

**Indianapolis:** Glory-June Greiff discusses the architectural legacy of the New Deal in Indiana in *What a Deal for Indiana! The WPA, the CCC (and more!) in the Hoosier State*. Presented at Heslar Naval Armory, 1626 W. 30th Street. 7-8 p.m. Sponsored by Indiana Landmarks. For questions, contact Rebecca Smith, [rsmith@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:rsmith@indianalandmarks.org). **Free.** ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**New Albany:** Join the City of New Albany and its Historic Preservation Commission for a reception and presentation of the annual Facelift Awards recognizing outstanding preservation and rehabilitation projects in the city. City-County Building. Begins at 6pm. **Free.** Laura Renwick, 812-284-4534 or [south@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:south@indianalandmarks.org). The City-County Building is located at 311 Haus Sq. #333. ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**Scottsburg:** The Brown Bag Series at the Scott County Heritage Center and Museum presents a lecture by John Lowry. Bring your lunch and the Museum will furnish desserts and drinks! Noon, sharp & over by 1:00 pm. So you can drop in for the program during your lunch hour! The Scott County Heritage Center and Museum is located at 1050 S. Main Street, Scottsburg. ([scottcountyheritagemuseum.org](http://scottcountyheritagemuseum.org))

### **May 17**

**Goshen:** “Historic Craft Workshop: Reverse Glass Painting.” Elkhart County Historical Museum. Get hands on experience working with experts in the traditional folk art of reverse glass painting. Supplies are provided, but you bring the creativity. Reverse glass painting is a local tradition that involves painting and highlighting the backside of glass by using tinsel and

aluminum foil. **Pre-registration required by calling 574-848-4322. \$5/person.** The Elkhart County Historical Museum is located at 304 W. Vistula St., Bristol, IN. ([www.elkhartcountyparks.org/calendar](http://www.elkhartcountyparks.org/calendar))

**Indianapolis:** An evening of tips and tricks. How do I protect my fragile documents and photographs? What should I do if my books get wet? If you're looking for answers to these or other preservation-related questions, then come join us at the Indiana State Library on May 17 for some practical advice on how to care for your treasured collections. 5:30-8:30 pm. History Reference Rooms. **Please Register by May 17.** The Library is located at 31 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis. ([www.in.gov/library](http://www.in.gov/library))

**Plainfield:** *Celebrating Frank Lloyd Wright.* Plainfield-Guilford Public Library. Historian Glory-June Greiff gives an illustrated talk on the life and work (including some Indiana examples) of Frank Lloyd Wright, and film historian Eric Grayson shows rare footage of an interview with Wright in the 1950s. 7pm. [Event Registration](#). The library is located at 1120 Stafford Road, Plainfield. ([plainfieldlibrary.net](http://plainfieldlibrary.net))

### **May 18**

**Evansville:** Angel Mounds' 6<sup>th</sup> annual *Archaeology C.S.I. Day* is an event designed for the students to experience a "Cultural Scene Investigation" as archaeologists and representatives from several institutions demonstrate and discuss aspects of the science and history of archaeology. (Open to 6th and 7th grade students only.) 9am-1:30pm Admission fee is 4.00 per student. Angel Mounds State Historic Site. 8215 Pollack Avenue, Evansville. ([www.angelmounds.org](http://www.angelmounds.org))

**Southport:** Cemetery Preservation Workshop. Southport Cemetery and Bethel Community Church. In the half-day classroom session, where you can find out about the symbolism and traditions of Indiana's cemeteries. Attendees will also learn how to research cemetery ownership, laws regulating cemeteries and the Indiana Cemetery Registry. During the full-day session, learn how to identify the various kinds of stones used to make gravestones and the proper methods for cleaning, straightening and resetting stones. Advanced registration required. ([www.indianahistory.org/our-services/local-history-services/workshops](http://www.indianahistory.org/our-services/local-history-services/workshops))

### **May 19**

**Aurora:** "Ghosts in the Museum Paranormal Investigation." Hillforest Mansion. The Spiritual Hope Society returns to perform another paranormal investigation of Hillforest afterhours. Be a part of the investigation and learn about the history of haunting at Hillforest Mansion. 9-Midnight. **\$60/Person.** Hillforest Mansion is located at 213 Fifth Street, Aurora. ([www.hillforest.org](http://www.hillforest.org))

**Franklin:** "Romancing the Spoon: The Victorian Love Affair with Silver." Johnson County Museum. Come for a Victorian afternoon tea with historian Cynthia Ogorek and learn about the story of how the affluence of the 19<sup>th</sup> century "Gilded Age" made silver desirable during the Victorian Era. 2:00pm. \$10/person. Reservations required, please call 317-346-4500. The museum is located at 135 North Main St. Franklin. ([www.johnsoncountymuseum.org](http://www.johnsoncountymuseum.org))

**Hebron:** “Voyageur Rendezvous.” Travel back in time more than 250 years when the Kankakee Marsh dominated the landscape of Northwest Indiana. Come see Native Americans, French-Canadian Voyageurs, British and French Militia and a cast of other authentic characters. This is a family event so bring your kids and they can participate in a scavenger hunt. Grand Kankakee Marsh County Park. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. **\$2/person or Free/children 7-under.** (www.lakecountyparks.com)

**Indianapolis:** “Clues to Researching the 1940 Census.” This program will discuss ways to search the 1940 census, which is un-indexed including the use of city directories, and other finding aids. The discussion will also cover the contents of the 1940 census. Charles G. Hill, Librarian, Genealogy Division. 10:00-11:00 am. The Library is located at 31 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis. (www.in.gov/library)

**Indianapolis:** “Using Federal Court Records to Discover Prohibition and Family History.” Indiana Historical Society. Discover Prohibition-related court records from the Great Lakes Region of the National Archives at this interactive workshop. Presenter Kris Maldre will highlight sample Prohibition gems from the National Archives and provide guidance and helpful hints to locate potential records for your own Indiana ancestors. 10-Noon. **\$10/non-members; \$8/members.** The Indiana Historical Society is located at 450 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis. ([www.indianahistory.org](http://www.indianahistory.org))

**Kokomo:** GLH Department Open House and HCGS Information Event. Kokomo-Howard County Public Library. Tour the Genealogy & Local History Department and view demonstrations of how to use available databases, ask questions, and learn where to start researching your family history. Receive a free genealogy beginner’s packet. No registration required. 12:00-4:00. **Free.** The library is located at 220 N. Union St. Kokomo. (www.kokomo.lib.in.us/glhs)

**Jeffersonville:** Howard Steamboat Museum “Chautauqua 2012.” Come enjoy this creative arts and crafts fair on the grounds of the Howard Steamboat Museum. Just browse, or purchase the handcrafted art from local artisans and craftsmen. These crafts make great gifts for family and friends! **Free.** Museum is located at 1101 E. Market St. Jeffersonville. (www.steamboatmuseum.org)

**North Judson:** “Armed Forces Day.” Come support the troops. A portion of every ticket sold on the Hoosier Valley Railroad will be donated to the Freedom Alliance scholarship fund. Participate in the special motorcycle ride-in event with Kersting’s Motorcycle. See rural Indiana on the Museum’s popular tourist train while helping a good cause. Trains leave at 11:00am. **\$16/person.** The Museum is located at 507 Mulberry St., North Judson. (www.hoosiervalley.org)

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### **May 23**

**Franklin:** The Franklin Development Corporation ("FDC") will present a historic preservation tax credit seminar at 6:00pm on May 23, 2012. The seminar will feature guest speaker David Duvall from the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology. The seminar will provide participants with cost effective ways to purchase and restore old buildings through programs of the federal government. The Seminar, held in the Community Room at the Franklin branch of the Johnson County Public Library is **free** to the public. **Participants are asked to register for the event.** Registration can be done by calling (317) 736-5648 or email Roxanne Huey at [rhuey@fdc-in.com](mailto:rhuey@fdc-in.com). Please register by May 21, 2012.

### **May 24**

**Evansville:** “Evansville’s ‘Other’ Main Street: A Historical Overview of North Main Street.” Willard Library. Using photographs from the late nineteenth century through 1970, Patricia Sides, a Willard Archivist, will survey the development of the North Main Street Historic District, while highlighting some commercial buildings, churches, schools and other sites in the area. 6:00-7:00pm. **Free and open to the Public. Reservations appreciated.** The library is located at 21 First Ave. Evansville. ([www.willard.lib.in.us](http://www.willard.lib.in.us))

**Kokomo:** DAR Workshop. Kokomo-Howard County Public Library. Members of the Daughters of the American Revolution will provide information about how to apply to the organization. This volunteer organization is non-partisan and dedicated to patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America’s future through educating children. Contact [mford@KHCPL.org](mailto:mford@KHCPL.org). 5:30-7:30pm. The Library is located at 220 N. Union St. Kokomo.  
([www.kokomo.lib.in.us/glhs](http://www.kokomo.lib.in.us/glhs))

### **May 26**

**Corydon:** 1800s Living Pioneer Farmstead Days and Haypress Demonstration. Bring the whole family to O’Bannon Woods State Park and enjoy a working blacksmith shop, pioneer home, tomahawk throws and a unique 1850s haypress. Open all day. The interpretive center is located at 8234 Old Forest Road, Corydon.

**French Lick:** Rub shoulders with some of the rich, famous, and notorious guests who visited West Baden Springs during its heyday in the 'teens and '20s. Twilight Tours

explore what it was like to be a guest of the hotel during its grand era.

Costumed characters representing famous guests -- including golfer Walter Hagen, mobster Big Jim Colosimo, palm reader Mademoiselle Louise, Helen Keller and other early twentieth-century characters -- give visitors an especially lively picture of the place, sharing their impressions of the hotel, its owner, the healing mineral springs and other tidbits. The 75-minute tour begins at 8 p.m. and must end before 10 p.m. -- the hotel's universal bedtime during its heyday. **\$14/adult. \$8/child 13 and under.** Contact Sandi Woodard, French Lick-West Baden Program Coordinator, 866-571-8687, 812-936-4034 [swoodard@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:swoodard@indianalandmarks.org). The West Baden Springs Hotel is located at 8538 West Baden Ave. French Lick. ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**French Lick:** "Wild West Holdups" on the French Lick Scenic Railway. Ride the train as the Lost River Renegades invade the hills of Southern Indiana with the hopes of robbing the train. The local marshal and his men will attempt to apprehend the bandits and provide the train with safe passage through to the village of Cuzco. **Please purchase tickets in advance. \$16/adult.** The French Lick Scenic Railway depot is located at 1 Monon Dr. French Lick. ([www.indianarailwaymuseum.org](http://www.indianarailwaymuseum.org))

**Lowell:** Historic Cobe Cup Drive. Buckley Homestead. If you like vintage cars, you will enjoy this event in which historic automobiles travel along the historic route of the Cobe Cup championship race. Cars leave the Crown Point Fairgrounds at 1pm and drive by Buckley about an hour later. Arrive early to see the farm and participate in activities for kids. A 1916 Model T will be on display. Participants should contact the Crown Point Chamber of Commerce 219-663-1800. 12-5pm. **Free.** ([www.lakecountyparks.org](http://www.lakecountyparks.org))

**New Albany:** Scribner House Tours (SE corner of State and Main Streets) Enjoy guided tours of New Albany's oldest home, built in 1814 as home to city founder Joel Scribner and his family. The Piankeshaw Chapter of the DAR has cared for the home and welcomed visitors since 1917. 11am to 1pm. **Free.** Contact Laura Renwick, 812-284-4534 or [south@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:south@indianalandmarks.org) ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

**New Albany:** "Something Old Something New: Celebrating Weddings at the Culbertson Mansion." Experience the elegance and pageantry of a wedding at the Culbertson Mansion. See everything from the newest fashions in bridal wear and cakes to an exhibit of Victorian-era wedding lace. Bring your photos to share your memories. There will be an opportunity for guests to renew their vows. Culbertson Mansion, 914 E. Main St., New Albany. **R.S.V.P to renew vows. \$8/couple; \$5/person**

**North Judson:** Ride aboard the Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum's popular tourist train as we take in the sites and sounds of rural life while traveling through the farmland of Northwest Indiana. See plenty of wildflowers, birds, butterflies and other wildlife. This trip will also take you across the Kankakee River bridge at English Lake. **\$11/Adult. \$9/youth. \$5/Child (1-5 years). Train leaves at 11:00am.** The Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum is located at 507 Mulberry St. North Judson. ([www.hoosiervalley.org](http://www.hoosiervalley.org))

**Vincennes:** Vincennes State Historic Site. In conjunction with the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous at the Territory Capitol, staff from the historic site lead candlelight tours through the historic district. **Free Admission.** 7-10pm. Downtown Vincennes Walking Tour ([www.indianamuseum.org/sites/vincspec](http://www.indianamuseum.org/sites/vincspec))

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**Kendallville:** Tri-State Bluegrass Festival. 580 North Fair St. Kendallville. Come join the Midwest's Premiere Bluegrass Festival on Memorial Day Weekend. This event, near Fort Wayne, traditionally draws the best bluegrass musicians from the surrounding areas. **Prices Vary.** ([www.bluegrass.net](http://www.bluegrass.net))

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**Evansville:** "Beginning Genealogy." Lyn Martin, Special Collections Librarian, will conduct an hour-long (6:00-7:00pm) beginning genealogy class. This class is free and open to the public. Reservations are requested. Location: Willard Library, Special Collections Department, 2nd floor, 21 First Ave, Evansville, IN 47710. ([www.willard.lib.in.us](http://www.willard.lib.in.us))

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**Indianapolis:** Civil War Memorial Service. Crown Hill Cemetery, Confederate Mount, Section 32. Join Civil War re-enactors to honor those who fought in the war to preserve the union. After honoring the Confederate soldiers, the re-enactors will march to the National Cemetery to honor

the Union soldiers interred there. 12:45-1:30pm. **Free, No Reservations Required.**  
([www.crownhill.org/events](http://www.crownhill.org/events))

**Indianapolis:** 144<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Ceremony. Crown Hill Cemetery. Come enjoy the Memorial Day Ceremony- Honoring the Courage of Heroes. This event features a patriotic band concert, a moving keynote speech, and a 21-gun salute. Meet behind Crown Hill's historic Gothic Chapel. 1:30-2:30pm. **Free, No Reservations Required.** ([www.crownhill.org/events](http://www.crownhill.org/events))

**Indianapolis:** Public Walking Tour: "Veterans". Meet behind the stage of the previous concert in the National Cemetery. Learn about brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives. The tour visits graves of numerous veterans from various conflicts and participants are invited to bring flowers to lay on the graves. 3-4pm. **Free, No Reservations Required.** ([www.crownhill.org/events](http://www.crownhill.org/events))

**Lafayette:** Preservation Commission Meeting. Board of Public Works, 20 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Lafayette. Attend this meeting to learn more about the issues regarding historic preservation statutes and how they affect the Lafayette Community. 7-8pm. **Free and Open to the Public.**

### May 29

**Lawrenceburg:** "House History: Tracing the Story of Your Home." Lawrenceburg Public Library. Join Indiana Landmarks Representative Kent Abraham for a workshop designed to teach you how to research the history of your house. 6:30-7:30pm. **Free Admission.** The library is located at 150 Mary St. Lawrenceburg. ([www.lpld.lib.in.us](http://www.lpld.lib.in.us))

### May 30

**Evansville:** "A Barrel of Fun." Willard Library. This event, geared especially for children, will sue pictures from the early days of the Ohio River to talk about the real pirates that navigated the waters around Evansville. 3:30-4:30pm. Willard Library is located at 21 First Ave. Evansville. ([www.willard.lib.in.us](http://www.willard.lib.in.us))

### May 31

**Indianapolis:** California author and architecture critic Alan Hess explains why *Modernism is for Everyone* at a lecture at the Toby at the Indianapolis Museum of Art. Presented by Indiana Landmarks' Indiana Modern committee and the Indianapolis Museum of Art's Design Arts Society. This event is free and open to the public with support from the Cornelius O'Brien Lecture Series. **Free.** The Toby Indianapolis Museum of Art. Contact For information, contact Mark Dollase, [mdollase@indianalandmarks.org](mailto:mdollase@indianalandmarks.org). The Indianapolis Museum of Art is located at 4000 Michigan Road, Indianapolis. ([www.indianalandmarks.org](http://www.indianalandmarks.org))

