



***Indiana Women's History Association, Inc.***

*To preserve, commemorate and make accessible Indiana women's history  
P.O. Box 1885, Indianapolis, IN 46206-1885*

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Dear Friend of Women's History:

Since the 1980s, the Indiana Women's History Association has worked to preserve the history of women in Indiana. During the past year, the Board has been working to re-organize and to refocus its priorities.

We have developed five projects where we will center our attention for the 2011-2012 year: a public event, the women's history trail, improve the organization's website, encourage research by students, and create a list of collaborators/speakers.

In 2010 we hosted a very successful history program. With over 100 individuals attending the event, the Board decided that one important way to preserve women's history is to educate the general public. So in 2011, we plan to host another event. In July we will be co-hosting a presentation about Polly, an African American Hoosier who sued for her freedom in 1816.

Another project we are taking up again is something we have worked on over the years, but has yet come to fruition, "The Women's History Trail." This trail will encourage people to visit sites in Indiana related to women's history. Because the Board is made up entirely of volunteers, we are working with the IUPUI Department of History, Masters in Public History program to hire an intern during the 2011-2012 school year to help with research on women in Indiana, and then package that information into material useful for the website, the Women's History Trail, and other medium.

To learn more about the upcoming events, Board work, and volunteer opportunities, we invite you to join us on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> for our annual meeting at the Warren Branch of the Indianapolis Marion County Public Library (9701 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Indianapolis, IN 46229) at 10:30 AM.

Sincerely,

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President