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Cataract Covered Bridge Rehabilitated: Ready For Another Century of Service

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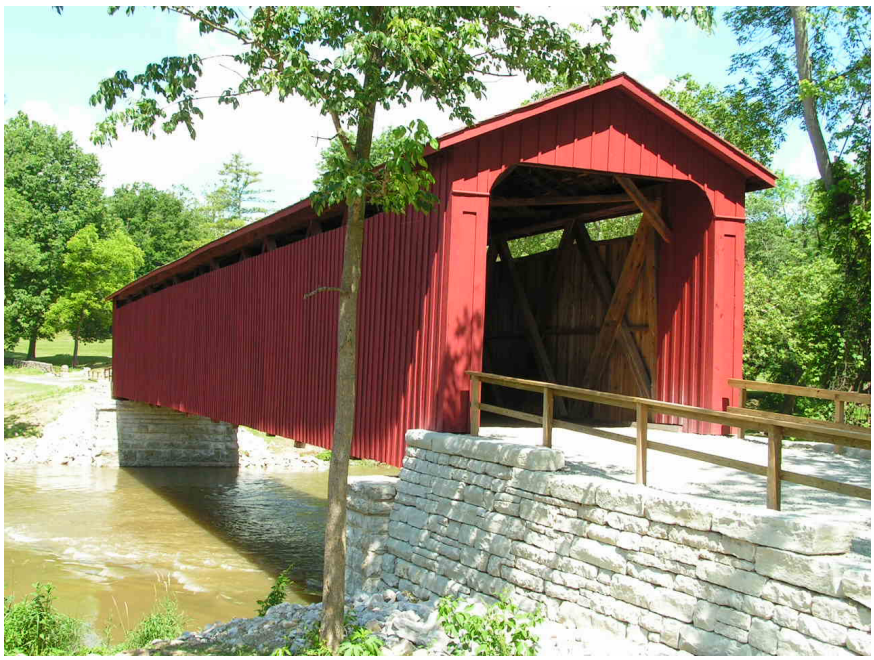
For more than 125 years residents of Owen County's Town of Cataract had been served by the sturdy and durable span over Mill Creek known as the Cataract Covered Bridge. However, on a cold January Saturday morning in 2002 they were surprised to find it resting on the creek's west bank. More than a century of stress and compression had worked deteriorated timber connections loose, and the seasonal flooding had eroded the mortar in the limestone abutments. Although temporary supports were installed to assist the structure, continued settlement warranted the bridge's move. For more than a year, carpenters and masons have been carefully mending broken truss connections and rebuilding abutments and wingwalls.



The rehabilitated bridge at Cataract Falls. (Photo courtesy of Chris Baas, DNR).

The covered bridge is located in the Cataract Falls State Recreation Area, a part of the Lieber State Recreation Area in west-central Indiana which developed around two waterfalls. A previous bridge had been built just below the Upper Falls, but it was destroyed by a flood in 1875. So, the county commissioners specified its replacement to be a Smith Wooden Truss like the spans at nearby Gosport, perhaps because they had survived the same flood. A contract for a single lane, 140-foot span was awarded to the Smith Bridge Company of Toledo to be constructed above the Upper Falls.

While the majority of Indiana's covered bridges have Burr Arch Trusses manufactured near the site, the Smith Truss was a product of Robert Smith's novel approach to bridge building that incorporated the mass production techniques of the industrial age. His truss design was a simple latticework of crossing timbers. The members pointing away from the center as they go up were in tension, and the members pointing in as they go up were in compression. In place of the time honored method of constructing a bridge on site, Smith built his bridges in the "controlled environment" of his Toledo shops and delivered the pieces to be assembled on location. The chords pieces were match-marked with numbers painted in red to ensure proper reassembly once the bridge reached Cataract. While many covered bridges have hewn timbers of irregular

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DHPA Awards Historic Preservation Fund Grants for 2005

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The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology has awarded more than 75% of its FY 2005 Historic Preservation Fund allocation to twenty-three local preservation and archaeology projects. The U.S. Department of the Interior-National Park Service distributes federal funds to the states through the HPF program. The DHPA administers this program in Indiana, and usually distributes more than 75% of the allocation to subgrants and cooperative agreements for important preservation and archaeology projects throughout the state. These projects will help meet Indiana's goals for cultural resource management and promote historic and cultural heritage preservation. The HPF program continues to be very competitive; this year the DHPA received 50 proposals requesting more than $1.2 million! The 23 grant awards were selected through a competitive application process, and will provide $511,850 to 20 communities.

In the **Architectural & Historical** category, the DHPA received 12 applications requesting $134,842. Ten projects were awarded grant funding totaling $120,300:

Fort Wayne: The city of Fort Wayne Community Development Department received a $4,000 grant to prepare a National Register of Historic Places nomination for the Forest Park Boulevard Historic District. The neighborhood illustrates Fort Wayne's early 20th century suburban development. The nomination will include approximately 70 contributing properties.

Huntington: The Huntington Historic Preservation Board of Review received a $4,000 grant to prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Drover Town Historic District. Drover Town is an early Huntington settlement, platted from 1859-1875 and includes architectural styles from the 1860s to the 1920s. The nomination will include approximately 213 properties.

Indianapolis: The city of Indianapolis Parks and Recreation Department received a $30,000 grant for the preparation of plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of the Taggart Memorial in Riverside Park, Indianapolis. The architectural and engineering documents will address limestone deterioration, roof failure, and mechanical systems. The memorial is one of the more prominent landmarks of the Indianapolis Park & Boulevard System and honors Thomas Taggart, former Mayor of Indianapolis and founder of Riverside Park.

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Left: The Taggart Memorial in Riverside Park in Indianapolis (photo DHPA).

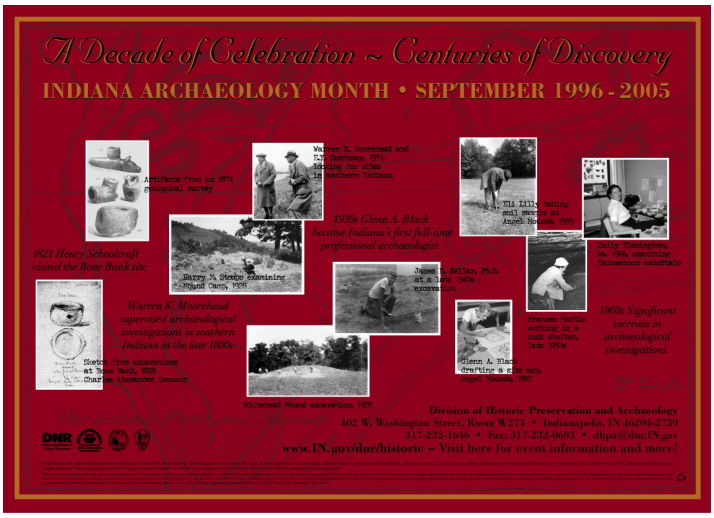
Archaeology in the Heartland: 10 Years of Celebration in Indiana

Indiana Archaeology Month, September 2005

Amy Johnson, Archaeology Outreach Coordinator

September 2005 marks the 10th anniversary of a celebration and recognition of the science of archaeology in Indiana. Begun in 1996 as Indiana Archaeology Week, the event quickly grew to include a full month of activities and education. Each year's successes have built upon the last, and the events held all around the state have reached literally thousands of people through the years. The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology is proud to have coordinated these efforts each year. Archaeology is a critical component of our outreach efforts, and there is growing public interest in what can be learned through archaeology about the past.

The theme for this year's Archaeology Month harkens back to the early archaeologists who worked to preserve critical information: "A Decade of Celebration—Centuries of Discovery." Without the efforts of early archaeological "pioneers," the science would not be what it is today, and we owe them a great deal. So, to commemorate a decade of celebrating the contributions of archaeology to our state, it is fitting that we look to the past in order to understand the future.



The 2005 Indiana Archaeology Month poster..

The Indiana Archaeology Month webpage (www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archeomonth.html) is the place to find more information. Online you will find: a variety of free educational materials, the official calendar of events, information on hosting an event, details about the annual commemorative poster and shirts, a PowerPoint presentation on Indiana Archaeology Month, and much more. We encourage you to attend as many of the exciting events as you can during September. There will be much to see and much to learn about the more than 10,000 years of history in our state!

Agriculture and Archaeology

New to our Division webpage is a helpful document regarding archaeological resources and agriculture. For those involved in agricultural activities, you will find information on recording sites, the laws which protect sites and cemeteries, collecting artifacts, and more. Go to: **www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archmonth/pdf/agriarcheo.pdf**

Below: Some archaeological projects are open to the public and to school or youth groups during Indiana Archaeology Month. This group of visitors learned about archaeology during a tour of an excavation in Hamilton County in September 2004. (Photo DHPA).

Right: A young visitor learns about artifacts during Archaeology Day at the Indiana State Museum in September 2004. (Photo DHPA).

Eleutherian College Listed on National Trust's "11 Most Endangered" for 2005

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Special Projects Coordinator

Eleutherian College (Photo DHPA).

An early Indiana school – and one of the first anywhere in pre-Civil War America – to admit students regardless of race or gender was Eleutherian College located in Lancaster, Indiana, just 10 miles north of Madison. Founded in 1848, the school drew African-American students from as far away as Mississippi and Louisiana to take advantage of the chance to learn in an integrated setting. Many college leaders – faculty and students alike – were also active in the movement to shelter and shepherd fugitive slaves. In addition to the people who operated the school, its location north of the Ohio River made Eleutherian a busy stop on the Underground Railroad. The stone building stood vacant for many years until it was taken over by a nonprofit organization that operates it as a museum. Today, battered but still proud, the structure shows the effects of prolonged neglect and vandalism.

To highlight the threat to this vital piece of American heritage, the National Trust for Historic Preservation named Eleutherian College to its 2005 list of **America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places.** "America's story isn't told only in skyscrapers and grand mansions," said Richard Moe, president of the National Trust. "Though it's a modest structure, Eleutherian College is a major landmark in the history of education, the struggle for emancipation, and the epic story of the Underground Railroad. It needs to be fully restored so that new generations of Americans can visit it and be inspired by it."

The threat to the historic site includes vandalism and extensive interior water damage. Exposure has damaged plaster ceilings, rotted joists, and peeled paint. Severe leakage through the belfry has progressively weakened a section at least two levels beneath. The exterior of the building has moss and algae growth.

Plans have been completed for Eleutherian College's restoration as a museum facility. Fundraising is in progress to save the structure, as well as its Underground Railroad history. As part of their ongoing fundraising efforts to restore the building, Historic Eleutherian Inc. has been awarded an Historic Preservation Fund grant for $50,000. The project will undertake repairs to the roof and the bell tower to halt water infiltration and stabilize the interior for future rehabilitation (see pages 2, 10-12 for a list of the HPF grants awarded). For more information about Historic Eleutherian Inc. and the College, go to **www.eleutherian.us**.

America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places has identified 168 threatened one-of-a-kind historic treasures since 1988. While a listing does not ensure the protection of a site or guarantee funding, the designation has been a powerful tool for raising awareness and rallying resources to save endangered sites from every region of the country. Whether these sites are urban districts or rural landscapes, Native American landmarks or 20th-century sports arenas, entire communities or single buildings, the list spotlights historic places across America that are threatened by neglect, insufficient funds, inappropriate development or insensitive public policy. For more information on the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the "Most Endangered" properties, you can find them on-line at: **www.nationaltrust.org**.

Other Most Endangered

Belleview Biltmore Hotel (Belleair, FL)

Historic Catholic Churches of Greater Boston (Boston, MA)

Camp Security (York County, PA)

Historic Buildings of Downtown Detroit (Detroit, MI)

Ennis-Brown House (Los Angeles, CA)

Finca Vigia: Ernest Hemingway House (San Francisco de Paula, Cuba)

"The Journey Through Hallowed Ground" Corridor (MD, PA, VA)

National Landscape Conservation System (Western States)

King Island, Alaska

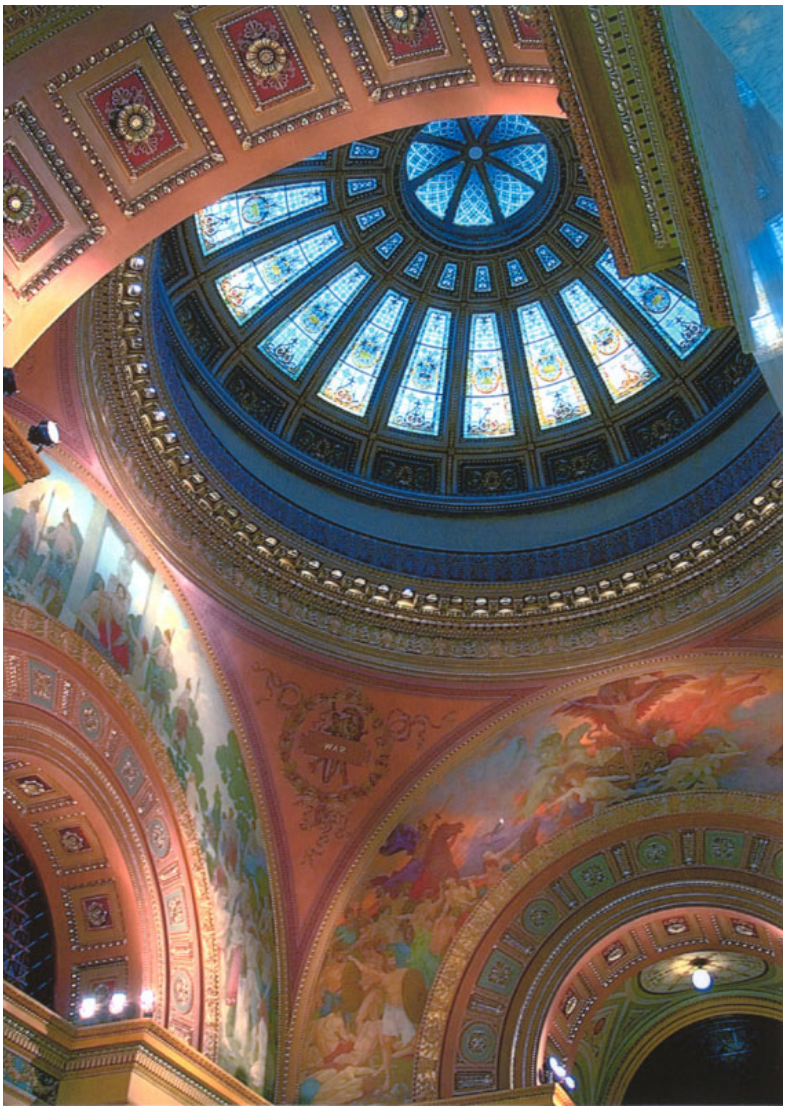
Daniel Webster Farm (Franklin, NH)

Historic Preservation Month Photo Contest Winners!

Amy Walker, Survey and Registration Assistant

The DHPA's first Historic Preservation Month photo contest was a big success! We received thirty-eight entries from all over the state representing a variety of historic resources including bridges, log cabins, county courthouses, landscapes, houses, barns, and parks. The entries were divided into two age categories and one winner was chosen from the "12 and Under" category while two prizes were awarded from the "13 and Above" category. All of the photos were on display in the south atrium of the Statehouse for a two week period in May. The DHPA received many compliments on the exhibit and would like to thank all of those Hoosiers who participated and those who judged the contest. In addition, we would like to thank the Indiana Historical Society for loaning us the exhibit panels and the Indiana State Fair Commission and the Indiana State Museum for donating prizes. The DHPA will sponsor another Historic Preservation Month photo contest next year and encourage all of you to participate. See these photos in full color at the DHPA website: **www. IN.gov/dnr/historic** under Education Programs and Initiatives-Preservation Month.

First Place! (13 & over)



Robert Pence of Fort Wayne, Indiana captured on film the breathtaking interior rotunda of the Allen County Courthouse. For first place, he will receive a complimentary registration to the Cornelius O'Brien Conference on Historic Preservation to be held in Lafayette, Indiana in October 2005.

First Place! (12 & under)

Erica Garbers of Martinsville, Indiana took the photo of this cabin in the woods south of Centerton. She received a one year family membership to the Indiana State Museum.

Second Place! (13 & over)

Joanna Strange of Anderson, Indiana photographed this bridge in Orange County near French Lick. She was awarded complimentary tickets to the Indiana State Fair.

Indiana Women's History Trail

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Special Projects Coordinator

A new collaborative program — Indiana Women's History Trail — brings together State agencies, not-for-profits, and individuals interested in sites related to Indiana women's history. The goal of the project is to find sites related to women's history, and, perhaps, help to inspire preservation and interpretation of those sites. The first element of the program is to gather information from throughout the state and create a Web database, which can then be used for many projects by a variety of people and organizations. A form is available through the Indiana Historical Bureau at **http://www.statelib.lib.in.us/www/ihb/activities/iwht.html**.

Many State agencies have signed on to the project, including the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology, the Indiana Historical Bureau, the Indiana Commission for Women, the Indiana State Library, and the Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs. Also involved in the project is the Indiana Women's History Association, a statewide not-for-profit dedicated to preserving women's history. In some counties, the County Historian has taken on the task of coordinating the collection of information. Since many public libraries, historical groups, and other organizations have women's history collections, they are being encouraged to submit nomination forms for the Women's History Trail database. Anyone can nominate a site, event, or collection important in women's history to be listed on the trail.

Jill Chambers, President of the Indiana Women's History Association, says, "This multi-piece project will work to educate Hoosiers about women in Indiana. The plan includes brochures, driving tours, maps, Indiana Historical Bureau markers, and other educational pieces to further the project. Working together, the history of women in Indiana can be better known and appreciated by all of Indiana's citizens."

The Propylaeum Club, founded in 1888 by May Wright Sewall, purchased the Schmidt mansion on Delaware Street in Indianapolis in 1923. Sewall served on the executive committee of the National Woman's Suffrage Association, was president of the National Council of Women of the United States, and was president of the International Council of Women. (Photo DHPA).

Above: On July 13, 1997, members of the Indiana Federation of Colored Women's Clubs gathered for the dedication of a Historical Marker in Indianapolis. (Photo courtesy of the Indiana Historical Bureau).

Above: A woman proudly displays her catch. (Photo courtesy of the Indiana Women's History Association). Below: A group photo taken in 1908. (Photo courtesy of the Indiana Women's History Association). The Indiana Women's History Trail will locate places in Indiana important to the lives of women. Whether it was a part of their domestic lives, social meetings, recreation, politics, or education the project will find those places linked to Indiana women's history.

The History Channel Announces *Save Our History* Grants

The History Channel *Save Our History* Grant Program is returning for a second year. Based on its success among history organizations and schools in 2004-2005, The History Channel, in collaboration with The American Association for State and Local History and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, is proud to announce the 2005-2006 *Save Our History* Grant Program.

Last year, The History Channel awarded $250,000 in grants to twenty-nine local history organizations in twenty-seven states across the country. A diverse mix of museums, historic sites, preservation organizations, historical societies, archives, libraries, and other organizations were awarded grants in 2004-2005.

To help achieve its mission of supporting history education and historic preservation, The History Channel will commit $250,000 towards *Save Our History* grants to local history organizations that design and execute *Save Our History* local history education and preservation projects in collaboration with local schools or youth groups.

History organizations will be able to apply for grants of up to $10,000 to help fund unique, hands-on student projects created to teach students about important aspects of their local history and to actively engage them in the preservation of significant and potentially endangered pieces of their local heritage.

If your organization has an existing educational program, challenge yourself to create a unique, rewarding *Save Our History* project. If you are interested in creating new educational programming, *Save Our History* provides an excellent platform for you to do so. If you have questions on how to get started, a *Save Our History* representative will be happy to provide guidance and support.

You are encouraged to contact your local school superintendent and principals, teachers, or youth groups in your community about participating in the *Save Our History* initiative and collaborating with a partner school to apply for a *Save Our History* grant in 2005-2006.

The *Save Our History* Grant Program is a part of the *Save Our History* initiative, designed by The History Channel to promote local history education and to raise awareness for local historic preservation efforts in communities across the country. Bank of America and Lowe's Home Improvement have provided generous support for *Save Our History.* Their commitment to education and community preservation has helped make *Save Our History* possible.

If you have any questions about *Save Our History* or the *Save Our History* Grant Program, please feel free to email: **info@saveourhistory.com.**

Information compiled from a History Channel news release.

Important dates

* **July 8, 2005** - 2005-2006 *Save Our History* grant application will be posted on the website

* **August 2005** – 2005-2006 *Save Our History* Educator's Manual available

* **October 21, 2005** - Completed *Save Our History* grant applications due

* **December 2005** - *Save Our History* grant recipients notified

* **May 2006** - *Save Our History* National Honors event in Washington DC recognizing 2005-2006 grant recipients

Visit **www.saveourhistory.com** after July 8, 2005 for further details on guidelines and judging criteria.

New *Save Our History* Educational Materials

This year, The History Channel is collaborating with the National Council for Social Studies on the development of new *Save Our History* lesson plans and activities for use in the classroom or as a supplement to educational programming in local history organizations. The lesson plans are easy to integrate into any *Save Our History* grant project you can request a copy for yourself and/or your collaborating school .

The Educator's Manual contains standards based lesson plans, activities, and resources that help demonstrate a connection between local and national history through the study of the historic neighborhoods, buildings, artifacts and documents that exist in every community. The lesson plans will first appear in the updated *Save Our History* Educator's Manual, due to be distributed in August 2005.

The History Channel will provide free *Save Our History* Educator's Manuals to you or your partner educators at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. For more information, send an email to **info@saveourhistory.com.**

President Bush Requests $12.5 Million for *Preserve America* Grants

Preserve America is a White House initiative in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation; the U.S. Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Education, Housing and Urban Development, Interior, and Transportation; the National Endowment for the Humanities; and the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities. *Preserve America* encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy our priceless cultural and natural heritage. The goals of the initiative include a greater shared knowledge about the Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of our communities.

President Bush's FY 2006 Budget proposes $12.5 million to help local economies find self-sustaining ways to manage historic properties and promote heritage tourism through the *Preserve America* initiative. These grants would be available to designated *Preserve America* communities, Certified Local Governments that are applying for *Preserve America Community* designation, and State and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices. These matching grants of $10,000 to $100,000 would be distributed on a competitive basis to projects that preserve and use important historic resources for promotion of heritage tourism and other economic revitalization projects.

If approved by Congress, the grants will offer a new type of competitive historic preservation funding focused on encouraging States, Indian tribes, and communities to realize the potential of their outstanding heritage assets as both educational and economic benefits to the American public.

The *Preserve America* grants will support planning, development, implementation, or enhancement of innovative activities and programs in heritage tourism, adaptive re-use, and "living history" educational programs that may be usefully replicated across the country. Heritage tourism initiatives, promotion and marketing programs, and interpretive/educational initiatives are the types of activities that will be encouraged by these grants. They will be administered by the National Park Service (NPS) in partnership with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Administration's primary partners in *Preserve America*.

If Congress enacts the President's grant request, the *Preserve America* grant program will begin this fall.

Information compiled from Preserve America's website. For more information on the initiative and its programs, go to: ***www.preserveamerica.gov***.

Other Components of the *Preserve America* Initiative:

***Preserve America* Presidential Awards**

Four awards are given annually to organizations, businesses, government entities, and individuals for exemplary accomplishments in the sustainable use and preservation of cultural or natural heritage assets; demonstrated commitment to the protection and interpretation of America's cultural or natural heritage assets; and integration of these assets into contemporary community life, combining innovative, creative, and responsible approaches to showcasing historic local resources.

***Preserve America* Communities**

This program recognizes and designates communities that protect and celebrate their heritage, use their historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs. Mrs. Bush has designated 247 *Preserve America* communities.

Four *Preserve America* Communities application and designation cycles occur each year, with application deadlines falling on March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1.

***Preserve America* History Teacher of the Year Award**

This new award is a project of the *Preserve America* White House initiative to honor an outstanding teacher of American history. The award is facilitated by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. For more information on nomination deadlines, please refer to the website.

Educational Outreach

Preserve America has worked with the History Channel's *Save Our History* initiative to create a teacher's manual with lesson plans and volunteer ideas to involve students in preserving historic sites in their communities.

size, finish, and wood species, the Cataract Bridge's white pine timbers have smooth, planed surfaces and uniform dimensions.

The bridge was in service, from wagon to automobile, until about 1980 when it was bypassed by a modern concrete span and donated to the adjoining Recreation Area. The current rehabilitation included the removal of earlier repairs. The limestone block bridge abutments were restored by cleaning and repointing the mortar, relaying the bridge's bearing stones, and replacing missing stones. Deteriorated material was removed from timber truss members, and similar material was attached with bolts or epoxy. Camber, or the arch in a bridge, was restored with the repair of failed truss connections. A new cedar shake roof was installed, and the end portals were restored based on historic drawings and the examination of other Smith bridges. The approaches, the earth ramps to the bridge portals, were reconstructed with dry-laid wingwalls that support an asphalt path.

The preservation work was partially funded with National Historic Covered Bridge Preservation (NHCBP) Program and TEA-21 grants. NHCBP provides funding to assist efforts to preserve, rehabilitate, or restore National Register eligible and listed covered bridges. TEA-21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century) funds activities that are "designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of the Nation's transportation system," and has been instrumental in funding the preservation of numerous bridges, depots, and one-of-a-kind transportation related historic structures throughout Indiana. Both programs are operated by the Federal Highway Administration through the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT).

The bridge repairs were designed by Matt Reckard of Bloomington's J. A. Barker Engineering. Reckard is an engineer also trained in historic preservation. His extensive research into the bridge's design and construction has led to presentations to preservation organizations in both Burlington, Vermont and Halkidiki, Greece. He points out that Smith trusses were produced in a manner very much at odds with the romantic conception of covered bridges as a product of pre-industrial times. Instead, bridges like the one at Cataract show many features characteristic of the late 19th century industrial age we are more likely to associate with iron bridge construction. Having visited numerous covered bridges, he believes that it is the best surviving example of the Smith Truss, and to have it in Indiana is very special. The bridge repairs were completed by Lexington, Kentucky's Intech Contracting, and supervised by INDOT's Chris Greenwood. Greenwood, who is more at home constructing asphalt roads and concrete bridges, found the biggest challenge to rehabilitating the bridge was finding the balance of old and new materials. For the Cataract bridge, this involved preserving as much of the structure's historic material as possible while restoring the bridge's ability to span Mill Creek.

The bridge was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in April of this year, and was documented by the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) in 2004. It was returned to its abutments last October, and reopened for pedestrian traffic in July. According to Lieber property manager Dave Sarver, the bridge is a popular attraction as a historical resource, and for the views it provides of the falls and wooded surroundings. He encourages covered bridge fans to visit the span because it is "the only remaining covered bridge in Owen County, and by far the most intact of Indiana's six remaining Smith Truss bridges."

Chris Baas is a landscape architect with the DNR Division of Engineering. All photographs of the Cataract Falls Bridge project are courtesy of Chris Baas.

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Lafayette: The Wabash Valley Trust for Historic Preservation received a $16,225 grant to produce a Neighborhood Design Guidelines publication outlining preservation services and best practices for Lafayette's various residential historic districts.

Martinsville: The Morgan County Historic Preservation Society received a $2,500 grant award to prepare a National Register nomination for the Morgantown Historic District. The district includes commercial and residential properties in a variety of late 19th century styles. The nomination will include approximately 32 properties and the Society will also host two public programs about the district and the National Register.

North Vernon: The Jennings County Preservation Association received a $4,100 grant to prepare National Register of Historic Places nominations for the State Street Historic District, which includes 63 properties, the Walnut Street Historic District, which includes 16 properties, and for "Annadale," the 1912 Ernest Tripp House.

Orange County and Switzerland County: Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana received $16,425 to publish the results of the countywide historic sites and structures surveys conducted in Orange County and Switzerland County in 2004-2005.

South Bend and St. Joseph County: The Historic Preservation Commission of South Bend and St. Joseph County received a $30,000 award for a citywide survey to document historic sites, structures, and landscapes throughout South Bend. The survey is expected to add approximately 580 new sites to the state's historic sites and structures inventory. The first edition of the City of South Bend Interim Report is now a decade old-- an up-to-date survey is a much needed resource and preservation tool. The HPC also received a $4,200 grant to conduct a countywide field check of the historic sites, structures, and landscapes throughout St. Joseph County (excluding South Bend and Mishawaka). The HPC will use another $8,850 grant to republish the county's Interim Report with new histories and new maps. The field check is essential to the accuracy of the new interim report publication.

In the **Archaeology** category, the DHPA received ten proposals requesting $280,234. The five top-ranked applications were awarded funding totaling $133,275.

Fort Wayne: The Archaeological Survey of IU-PU at Fort Wayne received a $35,175 grant to collect data about Paleoindian chronology, technology, and social organization in northeastern Indiana. The project will involve field survey, geophysical survey, limited testing at two archaeological sites, and public education programs for Archaeology Month. The Archaeological Survey also received a $49,025 grant to continue research at the Prather site, a multi-mound Mississippian complex in Clark County. The project will conduct additional fieldwork to define the site boundaries and study the southwest mound in order to discern its size and major construction stages.

Indianapolis: Martin University was awarded a $10,000 archaeology public education grant to conduct its Next Step Education Through Archaeology Program at Fort Harrison State Park. This successful program is in its seventh year and is an opportunity for predominately minority high school students from Indianapolis to participate in a six-week summer field school activity. The program educates students about archaeology, and provides them with skills and experience that enhance their competitive advantage in college.

Muncie: Ball State University Department of Anthropology received a $26,850 grant to investigate the Fudge Site in Randolph County. The project will increase understanding of Early/Middle Woodland ceremonial and settlement systems in eastern Indiana and the Ohio River valley through investigations of the Fudge site chronology, construction, and function. The Fudge site is the largest enclosure reported in Indiana and originally consisted of 31 to 43 acres.

Notre Dame: The University of Notre Dame was awarded $9,075 to conduct an educational program through geophysical surveys and testing at the 1890s Collier Lodge site in Porter County. The project is a continuation of research begun in 2003 and a public archaeology program conducted in 2004. The public education portion of the project will be in cooperation with the Kankakee Valley Historical Society and will be open to members of the community.

Right: The Collier Lodge Public Archaeology project began in June 2005. The archaeological investigations have already yielded a variety of historic and prehistoric artifacts, including this piece of prehistoric pottery. (Photo courtesy of the Kankakee Valley Historical Society).

In the **Acquisition & Development** category, the DHPA received 28 proposals requesting $869,926. Eight projects were awarded funding totaling $258,275.

Butler: The Butler Company and Main Street Butler received a $40,000 grant to rehabilitate the two-story Butler Dime Store at 135 and 137 South Broadway in downtown Butler. The two buildings were on the brink of being demolished, but the Main Street organization and concerned citizens have pursued rehabilitating the structures to contribute to downtown economic revitalization. The project will stabilize the two buildings, focusing on masonry, roof, and mechanical systems to provide a starting point for the overall rehabilitation.

Above: The Butler Dime Store at 135-137 South Broadway. (Photo DHPA).

Elkhart County: The Elkhart County Park and Recreation Department received a $40,000 grant for the rehabilitation of the turbine water wheels and penstock of the c. 1837 Bonneyville Mill in Elkhart County. This operational water-powered grist mill is a major tourist attraction; in 2003, 167 educational programs were presented to 4,400 visitors and the mill produced 11,731 pounds of flour.

Above: The Bonneyville Mill. (Photo DHPA).

Fowler: The Prairie Preservation Guild, Ltd. received a $10,125 grant for the rehabilitation of the Fowler Theater in Fowler, Indiana. The 1940 Art Moderne style theater is run entirely by volunteers and has been successful despite declining local population and deteriorating municipal infrastructure. The project will repair the masonry, restore two window openings, repair the entrance doors and terrazzo entrances, replace the poster cases, and restore the ticket booth to its original condition.

Above: The Fowler Theatre . (Photo DHPA).

Jefferson County: Historic Eleutherian, Inc. received a $50,000 grant for the rehabilitation of the shingle roof and bell tower of Eleutherian College Building in Lancaster. The college was founded to provide education regardless of race or gender. The 1856 building is a National Historic Landmark and also had significant ties to the Underground Railroad in southern Indiana. The project will repair the roof structure and belfry, which houses the original 1857 bell, and replace the roof to prevent water that is damaging the interior. This is the first phase of the rehabilitation effort to restore the building. (Also, see article and photo, page 4).

Above: Interior damage at Eleutherian College. (Photo DHPA).

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Above: The Dickinson Log Cabin. (Photo DHPA).

Richmond: The Richmond Historic Preservation Commission received a $20,000 grant to rehabilitate the Dickinson Log Cabin, which is Richmond's oldest extant building. The two-story building was constructed in 1823 by one of the community's earliest settlers. The structure was moved to the grounds of the Wayne County Historical Museum in 1968 and is visited each year by about 4,000 schoolchildren. Previous preservation efforts were inappropriate for the cabin and will be corrected, in addition to foundation, logs, chinking, chimney, fireplace, and roof repairs.

Marion: The Marion Public Library received a $20,800 grant to rehabilitate the doors and windows of the 1888 Abijah C. Jay House. The library owns the house and is rehabilitating it to house their Center for Community History and Cultural Studies. In 2000, a Hometown Indiana grant assisted with the rehabilitation and replaced the slate roof to maintain the property's historic integrity.

Below: The Abijah C. Jay House. (Photo DHPA).

Below: The Fountain Park Chautauqua Hotel. (Photo DHPA).

Remington: The Remington Chautauqua Inc. received a $33,250 grant to rehabilitate the Fountain Park Chautauqua Hotel in Remington, which still functions as a hotel for part of the year. The project will address failing portions of the foundation and related repairs. The hotel is a focal point of the grounds and is believed to be the last operating hotel of its type in the country.

South Bend: The Historic Preservation Commission of South Bend and St. Joseph County received a $44,100 grant for the rehabilitation of the Navarre Cabin in South Bend's Leeper Park. The cabin was built circa 1830 and was later moved to the park to preserve and interpret pioneer settlement in the area. The project will produce measured drawings and assess the current conditions of the cabin before disassembling it for repairs and rehabilitation of the logs, chinking, providing a new foundation and piers, and replacing the roof, reconstructing the windows and doors and providing pest control treatment.

Below: The Navarre Cabin. (Photo DHPA).

National Register Listings

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This list includes all properties and archaeological sites listed in the National Register of Historic Places from January 2005 through June 2005. The National Register is the nation's official list of historical and cultural properties that are worthy of preservation. The DHPA processes all National Register applications for Indiana properties. This list is arranged by county and includes the historic property name, period of significance, location, and areas of significance for which the property is eligible. For all sites in Indiana listed in the National Register of Historic Places, go to **www.IN.gov/dnr/historic**.

DAVIESS COUNTY
Old Union Church and Cemetery, 1830-1955.
Alfordsville vicinity
Architecture, Exploration/Settlement

HOWARD COUNTY
Kokomo High School and Memorial Gymnasium, 1914-1950.
Kokomo
Architecture, Education

JACKSON COUNTY
Bell Ford Post Patented Diagonal "Combination Bridge," 1868.
Seymour vicinity
Architecture, Transportation

Joseph Jackson Hotel, 1914-1954.
Vallonia
Commerce

KNOX COUNTY
Andrew Nicholson Farmstead, 1863-1937.
Wheatland
Architecture, Agriculture, Exploration/Settlement

LAKE COUNTY
Lake County Sanatorium Nurses Home, 1930-1954.
Crown Point
Health/Medicine, Architecture

MARTIN COUNTY
Martin County Courthouse, 1876-1954.
Shoals
Politics/Government

MONROE COUNTY
Vinegar Hill Historic District, 1926-1955.
Bloomington
Architecture, Education, Industry, Science

OWEN COUNTY
Cataract Covered Bridge, 1876.
Cataract vicinity
Engineering, Transportation

PIKE COUNTY
Patoka Bridges Historic District, 1851-1936.
Oakland City vicinity
Transportation, Engineering, Social History, Ethnic Heritage

The Tudor Revival Honeywell Studio was a private movie studio for Wabash resident Mark Honeywell. Honeywell used this 1936 building to develop hundreds of films and to screen them for friends. It is now the Wabash Country Club. (Photo DHPA).

VANDERBURGH COUNTY
Charles Sweeton House, 1926-1935.
Evansville
Architecture, Entertainment/Recreation

VIGO COUNTY
Twelve Points Historic District, c.1905-1954.
Terre Haute
Architecture, Commerce

WABASH COUNTY
Honeywell Studio, 1936-1945.
Wabash
Architecture, Entertainment/Recreation

WHITLEY COUNTY
Dr. Christopher Souder House, 1877-c.1910.
Larwill
Architecture

Originally constructed in 1888 as the Mt. Pleasant School, Evansville theater manager Charles Sweeton converted the school into a Craftsman-style residence in 1926. This was Sweeton's second home and he frequently used it to entertain guests. (Photo DHPA).

Lafayette to Host O'Brien Conference: October 20-22, 2005

Frank Hurdis, Chief of Survey and Registration

Downtown Lafayette has undergone a remarkable revitalization in recent years and historic preservation has been an important part of it. Many commercial and residential properties have been rehabilitated to their former splendor resulting in a city with a vibrant downtown and wonderful neighborhoods that reflect every era of Lafayette history. Much of the credit for the sensitive new construction and long list of historic rehabilitations goes to the Wabash Valley Trust for Historic Preservation and Downtown Lafayette. Both organizations are working with DHPA, Indiana University, and Indiana Main Street to highlight Lafayette's successes during the 2005 O'Brien / Indiana Main Street Conference which will open on Thursday, October 20 and run through Saturday, October 22.

The new Holiday Inn City Centre will be the conference host hotel. Located at Fifth and South Streets, it is within easy walking distance of many session venues, restaurants, and window shopping. The hotel will house on-site registration and serve the awards banquet on Friday evening. Many sessions will take place throughout the downtown to allow conferees to see some of the city's historic theaters, churches, and meeting halls.

Heritage tourism remains a hot topic for traditional preservationists and Main Street managers. As communities face increased competition for tourist dollars, they are always seeking new strategies to market themselves and preserve their heritage. The importance of sharing successful ideas and activities is so paramount, that heritage tourism will be a focus of the conference.

Sustainability is another crucial component of preservation activity. Many organizations are seeking to sharpen their strategies for communicating their message and building momentum. There will be workshops on Board development, program funding, long range planning among other topics that will provide not-for-profits and public agencies the information they need to maintain long-term success.

Favorite annual events will return, but with a special Lafayette spin. The lead-in to the Meet the Speakers Reception will be a gallery/museum walk through downtown. Participants can catch the latest in the Lafayette art scene and enjoy a few munchies in the heart of downtown before gathering to hear Heather MacIntosh, President of Preservation Action, offer an update on legislation, federal reorganizations, and new initiatives affecting historic preservation.

The awards banquet on Friday evening will allow an opportunity for Indiana Main Street and DHPA to recognize outstanding preservation activity during the past year. The appearance of Lt. Governor Becky Skillman to address the conference and help present the awards will be a special highlight of this event.

On Saturday, the DHPA will provide a workshop on the new policies and procedures for digital photography and National Register nominations.

For lighter fare on Saturday, the downtown farmers' market will be open in the morning offering fall flowers, vegetables, and other wares while the afternoon will be devoted to tour options to highlight other greater Lafayette sites.

Don't miss this year's conference! Contact the DHPA or check our website for registration information: 317-232-1646 or **www.IN.gov/dnr/historic**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check Preservation and Archaeology events at the DHPA's website: **www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/calendar**.

The next quarterly meetings of the **Indiana Freedom Trails** will be in October 2005 and January 2006. Contact the DHPA for more information.

The next quarterly meetings of the **Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board** will be October 19, 2005 and January 25, 2006. Contact the DHPA for more information.

Indiana Archaeology Month is September 2005. Go to: www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archeomonth.html.

American Association for State and Local History Annual Meeting: September 21-24, 2005 in Pittsburgh, PA. www.aaslh.org.

National Trust for Historic Preservation Annual Meeting: Sustain America-Vision, Economics, and Preservation: September 27-October 2, 2005 in Portland, OR. conference@nthp.com.

National Scenic Byways Conference: Rock and Road: October 16-19, 2005 in Cleveland, OH. www.bywaysonline.com or 800-429-9297.

O'Brien Conference on Historic Preservation and Indiana Main Street: October 20-22, 2005 in Lafayette . For more information contact the DHPA.

Midwest Archaeological Conference: Dayton, OH, October 20-23, 2005. www.midwestarchaeology.org

Returns to Indiana!

Most people think of summer when they think of going to camp. But this fall, CAMP will be coming back to Indiana. CAMP stands for Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program, which is a workshop presented by the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC). In June 2004, four CAMP counselors came to Indianapolis to lead a two-day training event designed specifically for historic preservation commissioners and commission staff. Campers attended from Fort Wayne, Bloomington, Indianapolis, Huntington, Muncie, and Vincennes to discuss preservation issues, practice working as a team, and improve their skills for leading and serving their commission.

CAMP focuses on four elements of NAPC's holistic curriculum: the framework of public preservation (federal, state, and local agencies, both public and non-profit); the commission's role and procedures (responsibilities and legal issues); identification and protection of historic resources (survey, designation, design review, incentives, enforcement); and public outreach and support (education and awareness, public and non-profit partnerships, media relations).

The DHPA is bringing CAMP back to Indiana to expand the opportunity for members and staff of historic preservation commissions to attend this training and help make their commissions more effective. The one-day workshop will be held on **Thursday, September 15, 2005** in **Elkhart, Indiana**. For more information, contact Steve Kennedy at the DHPA: 317-232-1646.

DHPA Receives Two National Awards

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In June 2005, the National Park Service presented the DNR-DHPA with a Certificate of Appreciation for "outstanding efforts in facilitating partnerships at the Local, State, and National levels to obtain National Historic Landmark designation for Madison, Indiana." Craig Kenkel, Chief of Cultural Resources at the NPS Midwest Regional Office, gave the award to DHPA Director Jon Smith at the NHL Stewardship meeting held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The DHPA would also like to acknowledge the partnerships and participation of the Jefferson County Community Foundation, Historic Madison, Inc., the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the National Park Service, and the Westerly Group. The NHL nomination is anticipated to be officially recognized later this year.

Also, in June 2005 The Cultural Landscape Foundation presented the DNR-DHPA with the Stewardship Excellence Award. Since it was first awarded in 2001, fifteen awards have been bestowed on people, groups, or agencies that share the Foundation's mission of "stewardship through education." The award spotlights activities that educate and inspire future generations. Past recipients include the Mayor of Chicago, the Honorable Richard M. Daley, The American Academy in Rome, Austin Val Verde Foundation, Louisville Olmsted Parks Conservancy, and the Kentucky Heritage Council.

The Cultural Landscape Foundation selected the DNR-DHPA to recognize the state office's extraordinary commitment to research, planning, and management of cultural landscapes throughout Indiana. The Foundation highlighted examples of the DNR's leadership in providing funding for: the National Register listing of the George Kessler and Lawrence Sheridan Park and Boulevard System in Indianapolis, the Cultural Landscape Reports for three historic parks in Fort Wayne, and the Jens Jensen designed landscape at the James Allison mansion, Riverdale Estate. In addition, the DHPA assisted with the NHL designation for Dan Kiley's landscapes in Columbus, Indiana. The DHPA would also like to recognize our partners in landscape preservation, including: the City of Fort Wayne, the City of Indianapolis, the City of Columbus, and Marian College.

The DHPA is proud to be recognized by the National Park Service and the Cultural Landscape Foundation with these awards.

The DHPA received the Stewardship Award from the CLF at the Hidden Treasures of Indianapolis Historic Landscape Conference. From left to right: Shana Kelso, Frank Hurdis, Paul Diebold, John Newman, Julie Donnell, Amy Walker, Patricia O'Donnell, Mark Zelonis, Meg Storrow, Jon Smith, and Charles Birnbaum. (Photo courtesy of Marian College).

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UGRR Teacher's Workshop--February 18, 2006

The DHPA, the Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites, and Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis' School of Education are partnering to host a workshop that will help educators incorporate the history of the Underground Railroad (UGRR) into their lessons and classroom. The workshop will be held at the Indiana State Museum on **February 18, 2006**, and will bring together historians, researchers, and educators who specialize in the Underground Railroad to offer techniques to incorporate Indiana's UGRR history into the curriculum, and ways to uncover the facts and myths of this important historical topic. There will also be theatrical performances and an exposition area where organizations can display materials and information about their educational programs. To receive more information about the upcoming workshop, contact Joanna Hahn at the Indiana State Museum at 317-232-8293 or Jeannie Regan-Dinius at the DHPA at 317-232-1646.

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