

## Indiana Bicentennial Commission News

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### Bicentennial BIZ Team 2016's July:

- 1 Team 2016 meets with Indiana State Department of Health
- 2 Team 2016 visits Henry County
- 7 Team 2016 visits Rotary International Central Indiana district
- 8 Team 2016 meets with Indiana State Building Trades Council
- 8 IBC Endorsement Committee meeting
- 9 Team 2016 visits White and Tippecanoe counties
- 9 Meeting with Purdue World Food Prize Youth Institute
- 10 IBC Book Committee meeting
- 11 IBC Board Meeting at Indiana Railroad Depot
- 14 Team 2016 visits Putnam County
- 14 Team 2016 meets with Indiana Retail Council
- 15 Team 2016 presents at Brown Bag Lunch Fulton County Museum
- 16 Team 2016 visits Batesville, Franklin and Ripley counties
- 17 Team 2016 presents at Brown Bag Lunch, Decatur County
- 22 Team 2016 visits Lake and Porter counties
- 23 Team 2016 visits St. Joseph and Washington counties
- 26 Team 2016 presents at Wayne County Genealogical Society meeting
- 28 Team 2016 presents at Indiana's Historic Pathways meeting
- 31 Team 2016 presents at Lebanon Kiwanis meeting

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### Team 2016 Expands

Please join me in welcoming Rene' Stanley to the Bicentennial Commission. She is our Director of Community Resources. In that role, she will work closely with all 92 counties and county coordinators, local and regional projects, the 2016 celebrations, and special projects.

"As a 7<sup>th</sup> generation Hoosier, I have a deep regard for Indiana's rich history. I am so excited to work on the Bicentennial and its legacy," says Rene'.

Rene' is from Lebanon in Boone County. She joins Deborah Wezensky, our Communications Coordinator and Executive Assistant, to help our great state put on the most exciting and most enduring celebration possible.

Perry Hammock, Executive Director



IBC Commission member,  
P.E. MacAllister Receives  
State's Highest Honor

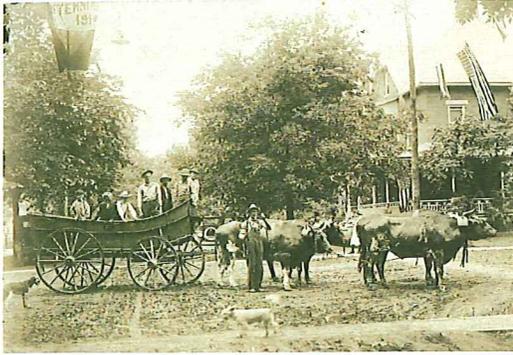
Governor Mike Pence named Pershing Edwin "P.E." MacAllister as the 2014 recipient of the Sachem Award on July 7, 2014. The Governor plans to present MacAllister with the Sachem at an official ceremony in the coming months.

"P.E. MacAllister embodies the character, industriousness and generosity that is the essence of the Sachem Award," said Governor Pence. "His impact on the life of our capital city, and Indiana as a whole, is incalculable. His civic involvement promoting economic development and the arts has made our economy and our cultural life more robust and enriched the lives of countless Hoosiers.

"Young people who aspire to make a difference in our state need look no further than the life and example of the creative visionary and legendary leader P.E. MacAllister. It is a privilege for me as Governor to honor P.E. MacAllister with the 2014 Sachem Award for his many contributions to Hoosiers in central Indiana and the state as a whole."

## Celebrate Indiana's Cultural Heritage New Harmony's 2014 Bicentennial

New Harmony's Bicentennial Commission has planned a Capstone Week, August 1 -- 10, 2014 that includes fun and celebrations of all kinds, in the same spirit sought a hundred years ago.



Pictured on Main Street New Harmony during the town's 1914 Centennial Celebration is an original Harmonie Society wagon, built sometime around 1820. The people in the wagon are wearing clothing that belonged to the communal Harmonists. After they left Indiana in 1824, having built the entire town in ten years, they relocated near Pittsburgh in what is now called Ambridge, PA. Just as in the 1914 Centennial, a delegation from Pennsylvania will join the New Harmony festivities August 1-10.



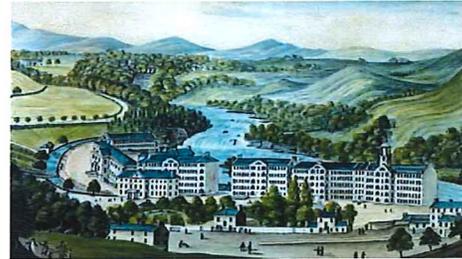
New  
Harmony's  
Legacy Time  
Capsule

New Harmony Bicentennial Co-chair Connie Weinzapfel, who directs the University of Southern Indiana's Historic New Harmony program, stands in front of Murphy Auditorium with Patricia Gosh, who is leading the town's Legacy Time Capsule project as part of the 2014 festivities.

All residents of and visitors to New Harmony are invited to contribute their own history to the vault which will be buried at the end of the bicentennial celebration between the Working Men's Institute and Murphy Auditorium, which was built for the town's 1914 Centennial.

**An Evening of Music and Song:** The Wolfgang Orchestra and Chorus will perform "200 Years of Music" on Saturday, August 9. **For a complete list of New Harmony 2014 activities go to [www.newharmony-in.gov](http://www.newharmony-in.gov)**

## The New Harmony – New Lanark Connection



New Lanark,  
Scotland  
1818

Robert Owen, a Scottish philanthropist, left New Lanark and sailed for America where he had purchased the entire town of Harmonie (Indiana.) He renamed the Utopian community New Harmony and founded a new social order.

## Bicentennial Representatives from New Lanark, Scotland

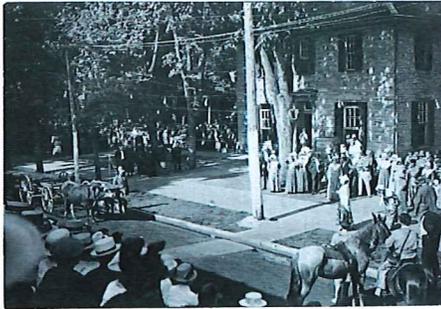
Jim Arnold and Lorna Davidson are delighted to have been invited to attend New Harmony's 2014 Bicentennial celebrations.

"It will truly be a privilege to be present in New Harmony at such an historic moment in time.

"The stories of our two communities have been closely entwined for almost 200 years. The Owens left their Scottish home on the banks of the River Clyde, and crossed the Atlantic Ocean to embark on another pioneering venture on the banks of the Wabash in Indiana," says Lorna. "Although very different in many ways – not least climatically! – the two communities of New Lanark and New Harmony share an incredible heritage of enterprise, education and culture.

"They are at the heart now of a truly international network of people with links going back, through many generations, to a group of individuals who cared about the future of our society. They believed that it could be formed "so as to exist without crime, without poverty, with health greatly improved, with little, if any misery, and with intelligence and happiness increased a hundredfold."

## Celebrating Hoosier Heritage



1916 Centennial Pageant in Corydon, Indiana. Courtesy Indiana State Library, Rare Books and Manuscripts Division

"I am extremely proud of my hometown, New Albany, Indiana. Founded in 1813, our city just finished its Bicentennial celebration that spanned over three years, with two additional years of planning. New Albany's first 100 years of existence helped shape our very own State of Indiana.

"From steamboat manufacturing, to a railroad center, and the manufacturing of the first American-made plate glass, New Albany was the leading industrial city in the Indiana during the mid-1800s." David Barksdale, Floyd County historian, New Albany

"There are two places that are near and dear to my heart and are both "must sees" in Orange County.



"The West Baden Dome is simply breath taking, no matter how many times you step into the hotel.



"Patoka Lake is beautiful, no matter if you're on the banks or on the water. As far as the eye can see, it's simply lovely."

Imojean Dedrick, Orange County Bicentennial Coordinator, Orange County Community Foundation

"I hail from Lawrence County, Indiana, the Limestone Capital of the World. We are proud of our limestone heritage and the industry's contribution to our state's economy since the early 1800's. Lawrence County limestone flanks the Empire State Building, the National Cathedral and several prominent national treasures.



**The Empire Quarry, Lawrence County, supplied limestone for the construction of the Empire State Building in New York City**

"The natural limestone formations among the rolling hills of southern Indiana also create a wealth of outdoor experiences, from exploring caves and caverns, to fishing, hiking, and boating. We celebrate Limestone Month in June of each year. Special events include quarry tours, carving workshops, architectural walking tours, and exhibitions." Becky Skillman, Indiana Bicentennial Commission Co-chair



"Indiana's capitol demonstrates the value of republican governance forms. Citizens are permitted to create the environment in which 'they will live, move and have their being.'

"Indianapolis was once known as "an oval in a corn field" until a dozen thoughtful citizens got together determined to change our character and reputation in 1965.

"Their efforts resulted in fresh political leadership 'The Lugar Years'; Unified Government, a public private partnership; and a revenue generating convention center. This made the Hoosier Dome and the Colts possible, a rash of new hotels, shops and restaurants, an effervescent down town with vast cultural and recreational options. A phenomenal Hoosier metamorphoses." P.E. MacAllister, Indiana Bicentennial Commission member

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