



# Dubois County Museum Monthly E-Newsletter

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**Come see  
our many  
exhibits:**

*(Just to name a  
few)*

**Bicentennial  
Legacy:: The  
Story of Ger-  
man Immigra-  
tion**

**Wildlife Adven-  
ture Exhibit  
Room**

**Military Exhib-  
it**

**Archaeology**

**Cheering our  
Champions-  
Sports**

**Model Trains**

**Main Street  
Dubois County**

**Little Pioneers**

**Murals**

**Antique Farm  
machinery**

**Eckert Log  
House**

## Children Like the Museum

Many visitors to the Dubois County Museum are children. They tell us that they love our big Museum. Many items are available to make their visit an enjoyable experience. Be sure to pick up from the lobby a special Indiana Scavenger Hunt that has the children looking for specially placed small, yellow Indiana maps and gathering information about our Hoosier state. Also, in

the lobby, ask for one of several Photo Eye Spy games that have them hunting for an item displayed somewhere in the museum. The most visited places by children are the Trains Room, the Little Pioneers play area, and the Wildlife Adventure Exhibit Room. Children are all amazed at the size of the polar bear and the other safari animals in the Room. Be sure to point out the animals

that are on display from our area.

Several rooms are air conditioned and offer a cool place to visit out of the summer heat.

Young visitors like dressing up and playing in the Little Pioneers Area.



## DCCF Goal in Sight

The Dubois County Museum is pleased to announce that the current amount raised for the Dubois County Community Fund Endowment Account is now over \$4,000! Thank you so much. We hope to raise \$5,000 for our Endowment by Oct. 1. DCCF will match our \$5,000

amount for a total of \$10,000 to be added to our account. John Fierst would be so proud of the special way all are working together to help the museum.

Contributions may be made to the DCCF by mail or online. Thank you!



## Haysville Parade Entry



The Dubois County Museum has entered this completely restored wagon in the Haysville parade. The parade is Sunday, July 3, in Haysville. It begins at 1:00pm. The wagon was restored by Kurt Vonderheide and can be viewed in Exhibit Room II -when not on parade. This farm wagon was made in 1903 by the George P. Wagner Wagon Shop in Jasper. The Wagner Wagon Shop was located on Main Street where Nordhoff Law Office is today. Kurt will be proudly pulling the wagon in the parade.

*Calling all active duty military! Free admission for you and your family through the Blue Star Museums.*

## DCM a Blue Star Museum

Calling all active duty military! If you are looking for family vacation ideas this summer, you can visit the Dubois County Museum for free through the Blue Star Museums program. Blue Star Museums are more than 2,000 museums nationwide which offer free admission to active duty military personnel including National Guard and Reserve and their families from Memorial Day through Labor Day 2016. For a full list of museums nationwide, visit [arts.gov/bluestarmuseums](http://arts.gov/bluestarmuseums).



## Who's a Hoosier Exhibit

Many people ask "What is a Hoosier?"—a traveling exhibit from the Indiana Historical Society (IHS) looks at how people with many different backgrounds have come to take pride in the nickname. From July 19-Aug. 12 The DCM will host the exhibit *Who Is a Hoosier?* The traveling exhibit uses maps and informational graphics to highlight the statistical impact of changing ethnic groups over time. It shows how the comings and goings of newcomers to the state, through immigration or migration, have created the Indiana we know today—and will continue to shape its future. In addition, photographs from various IHS collections and from institutions across the state bring to life the personal stories of immigration. *Who Is a Hoosier?* is made possible by Kroger.



# Here Comes Strassenfest 2016

**Fri Aug 4—Extended Hours 10 am to 4 pm for Strassenfest Exhibit: Complete Sets of Strassenfest Mugs, Buttons, and Programs ,The Story of German Immigration to Dubois County, and Who Is a Hoosier? Visit the Stone Cutters Hut similar to Pfaffenweiler’s,**

**1—4 Translation from old German Script of your documents or artifacts by Marilyn Nathan.**

**Sat Aug 5—Visit the exhibits: The Story of German Immigration to Dubois County, Complete Sets of Strassenfest Mugs, Buttons, and Program, Who Is a Hoosier?, Visit the Stone Carvers Hut at the museum similar to Pfaffenweiler’s, 10:30—1:30 Translation from old German Script of your documents or artifacts by Marilyn Nathan. Postcard size free.**

**1:30 Program by Mel Menke on his German Ancestry**

**2:15 Program by Fr. John Schipp on Tracing the German Roots of Dubois County, especially the Ferdinand area. Tips given on Tracing your own ancestry.**

**Sun Aug 6--1—4 Translation from old German Script by Marilyn Nathan. Postcard size.**



*Our sympathy to volunteer Mike Jenkins on the death of his father, Charles William Jenkins.*

## Rack Cards Distributed

The Dubois County Museum marketing Committee recently mailed or shipped several copies of our rack cards and brochures to local Visitors Centers and Welcome Areas. We included our cards on the Wildlife Adventure Exhibit Room, Cheering our Champions Sports

Exhibit and our Dubois County brochures. A letter from the state Tourism Office was included for each variety of cards granting the DCM permission to send out these packages. Marketing is a big part of the museum. A recent purchase of 10,000 Wildlife Adventure Ex-

hibit Rack Cards was made. The card was designed by Carla Hall She has designed all our cards and brochures. Printing by Woods Printing. All this was made possible through a grant from the Dubois County Visitors Center. A new grant application will be submitted in July.

## Barnwood Builders Cancel Filming

The DIY Network Barnwood Builders television show producers contacted the museum via our Website in early June. They were in the area and were interested in filming a portion of

their show at the museum. They were going to be taking down a two-pen barn in the Pine Ridge area and wanted to include our two-pen log house and dog powered butter churn.

Needless to say, the museum was very excited. Alas, BWB’s work on demolishing the barn took longer than they hoped and filming at the museum was cancelled from the program.

