

## Dubois County Museum E News



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### **Membership Rules Information**

Thursday, March 18, Opening of "Oh Baby-**Growing Up** in Dubois County" Exhibit. FREE **ADMISSION** this night to the opening. Stop in from 5:30-8:00pm. **Temporary** exhibit displayed till Oct. 1

**Dubois County Mu**seum Membership Committee Chairman Margaret "Peg" Wagner announces that the term of yearly memberships has changed due to the 2020 Re-Member Membership Campaign. It was adopted in 2020 that a year of membership to the museum begins on the day you became a member

and goes one year from that date. So, if you become a member on March 1, 2021 your membership will go till March 1, 2021. Her committee hopes this helps in deciding on a membership to the museum.

For your convenience, The Membership committee will print on your mail-

ing label on the upcoming quarterly newsletter your anniversary date, in the same way your magazine subscription is viewed. They hope this helps you remember your renewal date. Quarterly newsletters come out in the middle of March, June, September and December.

Don't forget to Spring Forward on March 14.



#### **Exciting Things Happening**

New and exciting things are being moved in and set up at the museum. Hopefully work will continue on these projects that were begun and delayed due to several items. The Business Hall of Fame recently had spotlights installed and the television

monitor looping information about past Hall of Fame recipients. An opening is in the works after COVID restrictions are lifted. The Dubois County Genealogy Club has been moving in and setting up items to create a Genealogy Room in a room down

from the lobby. And, archives from The Herald are moved from the Herald building to our facility and work is progressing on setting those records in an office by the front door.

Roman G. Brosmer, age 3, 1926



# "OH Baby- Growing Up in Dubois County" Exhibit Opens March 18

There is nothing cuter than a little infant. Opening on the Third Thursday, Thursday, March 18, for FREE AD-MISSION NIGHT, our exhibits team is excited to display the many pieces of infant /baby items such as a baby stroller, beds, a high chair, a baby scale, toys, and beautiful vintage dresses and clothes collected through the years. Our Exhibit

Chairman, Cheryl Sermersheim, will be putting on display many of the clothing collection her grandmother, Juanita Kellams, had saved over the years. Cheryl says, "Items that were brought in with this collection ranged from my father's clothes (born in 1935) to my great, great, grandmother's or grandfather's (late 1860's) clothing. Some items

show the wear and tear from over the years, yet some were in very good shape yet, fragile. Clothing was not very colorful, as I'm sure it was due to the availability of fabric."

This exhibit will open on March 18 and will be on display till the end of September/October 1. It is a temporary display. Don't miss it.

Tune in to
Dubois County
Museum
Facebook and
Twitter pages
for some
informative
videos



#### **Videos on Facebook and Twitter**

Since May Kathy Bachman and Shirley Ray have been recording informational videos about the many exhibits in our Dubois County Museum. The videos have been well received and we thank you for your kind comments. In the past week we have added some special guests to our video productions. Thanks to Greg Eckerle we have a week of videos recorded in the Sports

Exhibit. Greg is the Coordinator of the Sports Exhibit and was able to share some anecdotal stories of gathering the items for the display. The camera was then turned on volunteer Arnie Mehringer and our farm machinery exhibit. Arnie tells us that he lived through the display, so, who better to give us some insightful videos on this display? Earlier we

also had several videos with Joe Schoenbachler on wood carving and Boy Scouting.

Videos are posted Monday through Friday on Facebook, and Mike Verkamp, our Twitter guy, will add to our Twitter feed. Tune in and share the videos with your friends.

We hope you enjoy seeing these guest speakers. More will be invited to speak.

#### **Walk the Museum**

Opening up our museum space to walkers has become a exciting venture for the museum. Visitors can come in out of the snowy, windy, rainy or chilly weather to get in their fitness walking. If you are a member of the museum, you

are admitting free. If you are not a member, the cost is \$1 per person. Please sign in the registry book to let the museum staff aware that you are in the building. You may create your own path or walk along the perimeter

of the inside of the building. Measurements taken have put the space at between 1/5 of a mile or 1/6 of a mile.

This program is available year round.

#### **Museum Collection tops 48,706 pieces**

Collections Chair Mary Ann Hayes reported recently to the Board of Directors that the items in our collection now numbers 48,706. In 2020 the department catalogued 4,706 new pieces.

In January 2021

when the number was 48,000 Mrs. Hayes reported that there were 19,500 objects of all sizes, 17,500 photosphotos and negatives, 6,400 archives documents and papers, and 4,600 Library items of books,

magazines and newspapers.

The Collections Committee works every Tuesday on specific jobs and Mrs. Hayes works many hours at the museum to do a complete and thorough job.

Thank you to all who work in Collections.

#### **Tune in to WJTS TV18**

Kathy Bachman and Shirley Ray have been recording informative interviews with Bill Potter on local station WJTS TV 18 for their In Form program. Each

month Kathy or Shirley will highlight what is happening at the museum and invite visitors to our museum. The program is recorded early in the month and repeated a few times by the television station.

And, recently Zach Reuber recorded an interview with Arnie Mehringer on Ida Hagen for broadcast.



#### In Memory of Tom Schum

Our museum and community recently lost a very giving and talented man. Tom Schum was an extraordinary artist and blessed the museum with many hours of

work as he created many murals in and around our museum. We express our sympathy to his family. His wife, Sue, and his daughter, Kim Schroeder, also as-

sisted with many of these works of art and we appreciate their gifts and mourn your loss.

Rest in peace, Tom.





#### **Dubois County Museum**

2704 N. Newton Street, (US 231 N) Jasper, IN 47546 Call 812-634-7733

Hours are 10 s.m.-2p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, 10a.m.-4p.m. Saturdays, and 1-4p.m. on Sundays. Closed Mondays.

Admission is \$5 per adult, \$3 high school age, \$2 middle and elem. school, under 4-free.

The Dubois County Museum is a local non profit organization committed to the collection, preservation and interpretation of historical artifacts and information important to the citizens of the county. Museum operations are funded by annual memberships, admissions, donations and gifts from visitors, area residents and businesses. Call 812-634-7733. The DCM staff consists of a director and volunteers. Please allow two hours to view exhibits. Visit the museum web site <a href="www.duboiscountymuseum.org">www.duboiscountymuseum.org</a>. Like us on Facebook and Twitter at Dubois County Museum. Funded in part by the Dubois County Visitors Center-www.visitduboiscounty.com .800-968-4578.

Book a tour by calling Kathy at 812-630-8696. Contact Kathy at 812-630-8696 if interested in volunteering.

For Room Rentals, contact the museum at 812-634-7733 and ask for Shirley, Peg or Joe.

Support the museum by making a Memorial Gift in memory of or in Honor of someone.



#### **Membership Application**

Membership levels: Please circle Individual-\$25, Couple-\$40, Family-\$50, Bronze-\$100, Copper-\$250, Silver-\$500, Gold-\$1,000, Platinum-\$3,000, Benefactor-\$5,000

Name	
Address	
City State Zip Phone	-
Email Address	-
Amount enclosed May pay by Check, Cash or Credit Card .	
Credit Card Type (circle) Visa MasterCard Discover Card #	
Name on Card Expiration date	
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Please contact me: I am interested in volunteering in Exhibits, as Tour Guide, with ing, Children's Programs, Special Events, Greeter/Gift Shop, Other	
Send form to Dubois County Museum 2704 Newton Street Suite A Jasper, IN	47546-1332 ATTN Peg or drop off at museum

Your membership is good for one year and will be due one year from date of signing up.