



# Dubois County Museum News

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Mark your calendars for this upcoming events:

Dubois County Historical Society dinner, October 27, at the museum. Join the society today. Only \$5 a year! Contact Mary Ann Hayes.



## IT'S OCTOBER



The museum is gearing up for a “spook”acular October and fall season. Come in and check us out this month.

Starting on October 8 we will offer Storytime on this second Saturday of the month, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Carrie Holdsworth is our coordinator of Storytime and she is excited to offer a Harvest Time theme this month.

October 15 our Latino community hosts *Voces Vivas* (with our voices) beginning at 10:00 a.m.

till 12:30 p.m. Come hear personal stories of Hispanic migration to Dubois County and then a panel discussion with the youth on Equity and Cultural Competence.

Sunday, October 16 is Fall Family Harvest Day, running from 1–4pm. It will be a great day to enjoy Fall activities on the farm inside our museum.

Wednesday, October 19 is Play Day for our preschool visitors and their mothers (dads welcome, too).

Thursday, October 20

our museum is venue for 4-H Stem Workshop 9am-3 pm (gr. 4-High school Seniors) SPARK .

Also on October 20 is our Spooky Streets program from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Register your youngsters to come in costume for a fun night at the museum. Our Main Street will be decorated for Halloween, we will have costumed volunteers in the shops moaning and groaning, crafts, and a treat bag for each youngster.

## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for more volunteers to help the museum with special projects.

For October we need people to dress up for Halloween and be in the Main Street shops moaning and groaning, we also need

help overseeing the crafts and games that night. (October 20).

On December 3rd we need help with crafts and serving food at the Breakfast with Santa.9-noon.

We need more volunteers

to help with setting up exhibits. They meet on Mondays.

Contact Kathy at 812-630-8696 if interested in helping with any of these projects.

## Storytime for October



Beginning on Saturday, October 8, at 10:30 a.m., the museum hosts Storytime for our young visitors and their parents. It will be held in the Little Pioneers area. Storytime Coordinator Carrie Holdsworth will present the theme of "Harvest time" in books and stories and then all are invited to enjoy

the craft items she presents on the theme.

Storytime is sponsored by Optimist Club of Jasper and is held on the second Saturday of each month beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The November 12 theme will be "Around the World".

The December theme will be "Cookies" and will be held on December 10-the same weekend the museum hosts their cookie walk. Be sure to stop in and purchase some great cookies for your holiday eating that weekend.

## Fall Family Harvest Day

Mark your calendar for Sunday, October 16, as organizers bring you Fall Family Harvest Day! A wide variety of activities are planned at the museum.



Beginning at 1:00 p.m. and running to 4:00 p.m. the museum welcomes you to try your hand at shucking, shelling and grinding corn the old fashion way. The Verkamps from Schnellville will discuss molasses making and offer some tasting. Antique corn and grain

harvesting equipment will be explained. Old time crafts and games will be available. Try some homemade ice cream. Roy Majors and friend will be playing polkas and waltz music on the log house porch. Bill and Gibson Hochgesang will be discussing furs and hides. Honey extracting will be explained and tasting will be available. The Lee and Danielle Schnell family will offer a petting zoo for the young to enjoy. Apple cider will be served. Observe loom woven rugs being made. Tomb-

stone carving by historic methods will be shown. Model trains will be running.

More activities may be added.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for high school students, \$2 for middle and grade school students and free to those 4 years and younger.

Those holding a yearly membership to the museum will be admitted free.



## In Memory of John F. Opel



Our hearts were saddened by the sudden passing of John Opel on September 6. John was a faithful and knowledgeable volunteer. He loved working “Behind the Scenes” in the muse-

um and lending an artistic hand and muscles to the Exhibit team every Tuesday evening and any extra hours when needed. He loved everything Dubois County and had quite a display of items in his home that were part of many collections. He would bring in pieces of that collection for many exhibits around the museum. The cases in the lobby and on the entrance ramp were mostly his dis-

plays and items. Here in this picture (on the left) he shared his collection of special pieces of his beloved Schnellville history. On the right is a picture of one of the last displays he did on car dealerships in the county. He shared his family history with the Uebelhor and Struckman Dealership. The wrecker coverall was his dad’s.



*Rest in peace good and faithful servant.*

## Voces Vivas

The museum welcomes our Hispanic friends for a program called *Voces Vivas* on Saturday, Oct. 15 for the closure Of Hispanic Heritage Month 2022. This program will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at about 12:30 p.m. Hear in spoken word the personal stories of Hispanic Migration to Dubois County by local members of our communities. Hear from Luis Dubon, Maria

Tedrow, Edilia Arocho, Maria Loya, Jaime Ornelas, Maria Carmen, Dubon de Ornelas and Jose’ A. Gil on their pursuit of safety and happiness. At 11:00 hear a Youth panel discussion on Equity and Cultural Competence in Dubois County. Participating from Vincennes University Jasper Center VUJC will be Karla Alagria and Melissa Macias-Leon,

from Southwest Dubois School Corporation SWDC will be Kimberly Echeverna and Maritza Romero and from Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools GJCS will be Daisy Hung and Victor Soto. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/voces-vivas-duboiscounty-registration-403729835807> to help with the food count.



## Ag Tech 4-H Spark Club

Dubois County 4-H is collaborating with Dubois County Museum to offer youth in Grades 4-12<sup>th</sup> a full day experience at the museum on agriculture machinery. Youth will learn about the technology in ag machinery that was used in the past, is cur-

rently being used, and where ag machinery is heading in the future through hands on activities. 4-H enrollment is encouraged. Signups begin October 3<sup>rd</sup> at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com). There is a \$15 program fee that opens up the 4-H experience for the full

year. If just participating in this experience cost is \$5. These fees includes entrance to the museum and food and snacks for the day. Questions? Please call Purdue Extension - Dubois County at 812-482-1782.





## Dubois County Museum

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

Hours are 10 a.m.-2p.m.  
Tuesday-Friday, 10a.m.-4p.m.  
Saturday,  
1-4p.m. on Sunday.  
Closed Monday.

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

Members free with current  
membership.

The Dubois County Museum is a local non profit organiza-  
tion committed to the collection, preservation and interpre-  
tation 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. The DCM staffed en-  
tirely of volunteers. Please allow two hours to view exhibits.  
Visit the museum web site [www.duboiscountymuseum.org](http://www.duboiscountymuseum.org).  
Like us on Facebook and Twitter at Dubois County Museum.  
*Funded in part by the Dubois County Visitors Center-  
[www.visitduboiscounty.com](http://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 Peg at the museum at 812-634-  
7733.

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



## SPOOKY STREETS

**On Thursday, October 20,  
from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Spooky  
Streets returns. Sponsored  
by Optimist Club of Jasper.**

Come prowl the dim, dark  
streets of Main Street, seek-  
ing to avoid store owners as  
they guard their shops!  
Come in costume, wear a  
safe mask, and be sure not  
to get too close to others.  
Doors of the museum will  
open at 5:30 pm, Close at  
8:00pm. Tour the spooky  
Main Street area first,

avoiding the scary shop  
owners that hide in the  
dark. Crafts and activities  
await in the Log House area.  
A treat bag will be given to  
each youngster in the lobby  
when leaving.

Call the Museum at 812-634  
-7733 to reserve a spot and  
to ensure enough treats.  
Register name, phone num-  
ber, and number of children  
and adults attending in your  
party. Museum is asking a  
small donation to museum

for candy and treats to cov-  
er rising costs. No reserva-  
tions taken after 2pm on  
October 19.

