

# Dubois County Museum E News

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#### Dec. 3 - 9:00 am Breakfast with Santa Sponsored by Optimist Club of Jäsper. Enjoy a hot breakfast, crafts, games and a visit with Santa. Dec. 3-3:00pm Strings perform. Violin music. Dec. 10 - Cookie Walk - 10-2 and Dec. 11 1-3 Dec. 10 - 10:30 a.m. Storytime -Sponsored by Optimist Club of Jasper. Cookies Theme Dec. 11 - Cookie Walk 1-3 Dec. 15- Evening at Museum 5:30-8:00pm Come and enjoy the beautiful Christmas Season at the Museum. Free admission. Food and refreshments served. Piano music by Lauren Popp and students. Prizes. Vote for favorite trees. Read "Remembering Christmas" display. Dec. 21- 10-2pm Play Day Mothers and Preschoolers, Christmas Cookie decorating with Abby, Food and Fun Dec 24, 25, 31, Jan 1-Closed for Christmas and New

Years.

# **Christmas Tree Voting**

New this year for the Festival of Trees is a opportunity to vote for your favorite decorated Christmas tree. We have 39 trees that are placed in the competition. The trees are spaced out among the museum's exhibits and the community trees are positioned by the community murals. The three top winning tree decorators will be given a prize of a box of chocolates to be shared among the winning decorators.

This year a nice number of volunteers gathered on Monday, November 7 to bring the collection of Christmas trees down from the second floor storage area. They also were instructed by our coordinator, Clara Fromme, to bring down boxes of decorations that were chosen to decorate each tree.

On Monday, November 14 a great team of volunteers worked together to get the many museum trees trimmed. Community volunteers then moved in and were able to decorate their trees by the November 17 opening.

We invite you to come in and enjoy the creativity of each tree. Be sure to pick up a ballot and make your choices. Ballots are available on a table at the buffalo mural. Place your completed ballot in the container by the ballots.

It is a hard decision, but you will enjoy the trees.

#### Piano Musicians Wanted

The museum is looking for piano students and teachers to come in and play our Kimball white grand piano this December and several times during the year.

After hearing the piano being played at the Festival this year, the piano music was just so lovely and we look forward to hearing our beautiful instrument played more.

If interested in providing music, please contact Kathy Bachman at 812-630-8696 to get on the schedule. You must be on the schedule.



#### Breakfast with Santa Dec. 3

The museum will be alive with the sound of children on Saturday, December 3, beginning at 9:00 a.m. as our annual Breakfast with Santa is held. Reservations have been taken and plans are ready for the morning. No more reservations will be taken. Doors will open at 9:00 a.m.. Your reservation entitles you to a breakfast served in the Log

House area, a personal visit with the jolly man himself and eight different crafts stationed around the log house all centering on the theme of "Around the World". Several games will be available. It is planned in an Open House style with all activities and food available at least till 10:30 a.m. Each child will be able to take home the completed crafts and a special gift bag from the museum. Once you enter you free to chose which activity you would like to do first.

Thank you to Cheryl Sermersheim for coordinating this event again this year and thank you to all our volunteer elves who will be helping.

### Strings, Inc. Dec. 3

Thanks again to our friends at Strings, Inc. for providing the sounds of the season on Saturday, December 3, beginning at 3:00pm. Violin students of the

Strings, Inc. program will use our Log House porch as a stage to present their joyous musical program.

You will hear a mix of songs meant to offer

learning opportunities to the young learner, as well as intricate musical numbers performed by the more advanced student. Also expect some songs of the season.

#### "Remembering Christmas" Exhibit

You still have the opportunity to submit your personal Christmas Memory for the "Remembering Christmas" temporary display featured this Christmas. The museum invites you to think back to a time of great joys (or great

disappointments) during the Christmas time. Your memory may be a favorite gift received, a wintery Christmas, a much loved grandmother or grandfather, spending time with neighborhood kids or relatives, etc. So many stories

could be told.

Send your written memory to Cheryl Sermersheim at cherylsermersheim@gmail.com or bring to museum. Include your name and possibly the year of your memory.

#### **Tours Visiting the Museum**

The museum welcomed and will welcome some wonderful people this November and December as they stop in for a tour of our museum.

We enjoyed leading groups recently from Macon County, Illinois Farm Bureau.

a bus tour from Louisville, Special Optimist Club, and a group of students and teachers from Pfaffenweiler, Germany. This month we will see groups from Otwell Millers 4th grade, students from St. Bernard's School in Rockport, Sisters of St. Benedict Monastery, bus tour from Missouri, and accommodate about 200 students from Northeast Dubois Elementary for lunch in between their schedule of entertaining at local nursing homes.

Give Kathy a call at 812-630-8696 for a tour. Price of tour included in admission. Donations welcome.

#### **December 15 Night to Celebrate**

Thursday, December 15, the museum will celebrate the season with an Open House and free admission. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Guests are free to check out the beau-

played throughout the museum and to vote on your favorite decorated Christmas tree from the many displayed trees. Our volunteers and helpers

tiful decorations dis- are invited to come this evening especially and to enjoy an evening of fellowship and appreciation.

> Piano music provided by Lauren Popp and her piano students.

## **Specials for our Younger Visitors**

Parents of preschoolers mark your calendars for two programs this December. We will have **Storytime on** December 10 beginning at 10:30

with Miss Carrie.

Play Day will be December 21 and Abby Lueken will be instructing youngsters on decorating Christmas cookies. Play Day from 102pm. Decorating begins at 10:00 a.m. The Play Day toys will be out till 2:00 p.m. and we have a few prizes to give away.



Dubois County Museum

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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.

Admission free with current membership.

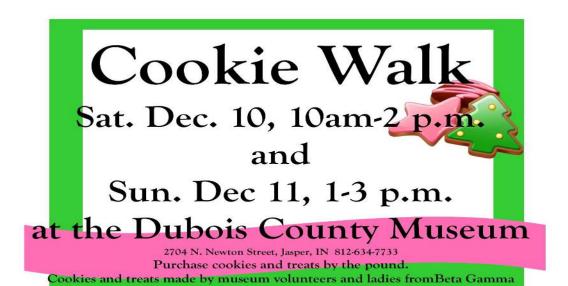
The Dubois County Museum is a local non profit organization committed to the collection, preservation and interpretation of historical artifacts and information important to the citizens of the county. Museum operations are funded by annual memberships, admissions, donations and gifts from visitors, area residents and businesses. The DCM staffed entirely of volunteers. Please allow two hours to view exhibits. Visit the museum web site www.duboiscountymuseum.org. Like us on Facebook and Twitter at Dubois County Museum. Funded in part by the Dubois **Visitors** County Centerwww.visitduboiscounty.com.800-968-4578.

Book a tour by calling Kathy at 812-630-8696.

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#### Come to the Museum's Cookie Walk for your Christmas Cookie Needs



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