



Dubois County Museum E News

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Special points of Interest:

February

4-Craig Berndt- 10:30 a.m. Book signing and lecture on Ferdinand Railroad

10-Lincoln Day for Ireland Second Grade-Private Session

11-Storytime@ 10:30 a.m.

15-Play Day 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. for Mothers and Preschoolers

18-10:30-11:30 "Snowflakes" Presented by DNR naturalist Dana Reckelhoff Limited to first 25. Extra \$2 charge. Message cherylersmersheim@gmail.com

March

Quilt Exhibit opens "A Stitch in Time" Sewing and stitchery on exhibit

11-Storytime @ 10:30 a.m.

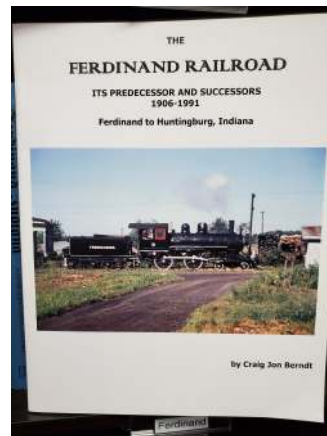
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Learn chess-March or April TBA

Welcome Craig Jon Berndt and Ferdinand Railroad Presentation

The Dubois County Museum welcomes Craig Jon Berndt to the museum on Saturday, February 4, at 10:30 a.m. for his presentation on The Ferdinand Railroad. He will have on hand copies of his recent book on this small, but mighty rail line that ran from Ferdinand to Huntington. Berndt will present a PowerPoint presentation about the railroad. He will spend time reading excerpts

and signing copies from *The Ferdinand Railroad. Its Predecessor and Successors*. He will also present another presentation at



the Ferdinand Library later at 1:30 p.m.

In addition, railroad memorabilia collector and Ferdinand native Eric Russ will display his large collection of Ferdinand Railroad stock certificates and railroad items. Berndt also encourages others to bring items about the railroad in the form of photos, artifacts and memories and share them with others.

2023 Dubois County Museum Board of Directors

The 2023 Dubois County Museum Inc. Board of Directors were announced at the Membership Meeting on January 26, 2023.

Members of the Board are: Kathy Bachman, Vic Betz, Gary Eck, Dr. Ryan Flamion, Julia Flynn, Mary Ann Hayes, Bruce Heeke, W. Jean Hoffman, Carrie

Holdsworth, Sandy Miller, Jeff Schmitt, Cheryl Sermersheim, Joe Shelton, Kurt Vonderheide, Margaret "Peg" Wagner, Vicki Wiederkehr and William Weikert.

 Happy
Valentine's Day

Storytime, February 11, at 10:30



Carrie Holdsworth, our Storytime Coordinator, welcomes all to Storytime on Saturday, February 11, beginning at 10:30 a.m. for stories about Friends and Feelings. Crafts and activities will follow. Sponsored by Jasper Optimist Club.

Thank you to those who serve on our Board as Officers and Members.

Your 2023 Board Officers

Congratulations to the Dubois County Museum Board of Directors Officers. Elected in the	Reorganization meeting of Board Members are: Bruce Heeke-president,	Vic Betz-Vice President. Julia Flynn-Treasurer, Jeff Schmitt-Secretary.
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The Science of Snow and the Water Cycle Presented by DNR Interrupter at Patoka Lake

The Dubois County Museum has invited Department of Natural Resources Dana Reckelhoff from Patoka Lake for a special program called "The Science of Snow and the Water Cycle" on Saturday, February 18, 2023, from	10:30-11:30 a.m. She will invite participants to explore the science behind snowflakes and their uniqueness and to look into the water cycle of solids, liquids and gases. You are asked to RSVP by Thursday, February 16 to	Cheryl Sermersheim at cherylsermersheim@gmail.com . There is an extra charge of \$2 for program with museum admission. Open to youths in grades 2-5. Adults welcome. Take home a 3-D snowflake. Limited to 25.
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10:30 - 11:30 AM

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Email at cherylsermersheim@gmail.com
* 25 student limit *

TAKE HOME A 3D SNOWFLAKE!

For grades 2-5 (adults welcome)
\$2 additional fee from DNR for supplies for the snowflake.
Museum members are FREE.
Regular admission for non-members.

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27446 Newnan Street
Jasper, IN 47548
DuboisCountyMuseum.org

Congratulations Scott Rolen on Hall of Fame Honor

Dubois County now has a National Baseball Hall of Fame member. Congratulations to Scott Rolen for being named into the Hall on Monday, January 20. Many expressions of congratulations were given to this newest member of the Hall and the

area is excited for the July ceremony.

Our museum is very proud of our collection of Scott Rolen items. We invite you into the museum to see the vast amount of memorabilia that Scott and other collectors have given to the museum.



Colson Montgomery Makes Donation

Those that attended the membership dinner on January 26 were excited to see local boy and baseball player with the White Sox Double A ball team in attendance with his family at the dinner. Colson Montgomery made a donation to the museum's Sports Collection of some items from his journey as a major league

baseball player. The museum hopes this is just the beginning of the Colson Montgomery collection.

Donated were a picture of him at his signing with his first White Sox jersey, a bat used in his first Double A home run and his pair of batting gloves used during his streak of get-

ting on base for 50 straight games.

Thank you Colson and good luck and much success to you.



Welcome Stacy and Plans for 2023

At the Membership Dinner President Bruce Heeke announced the hiring of an Administrative Assistant for the museum. Stacy Buhr has been hired to take on this role at the museum. Her

responsibilities will include helping with volunteers, and aiding Julia Flynn, Cheryl Sermersheim and Kathy Bachman with their many jobs. Treasurer Julia Flynn

spoke of upcoming improvements planned to the museum. These improvements include repairing more of the roof (that has been on hold by the roofing company due to a shortage of supplies), painting the exterior of the building and remodeling the lobby area.



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 are 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. 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 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 Peg at the museum at 812-634-7733.

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



Thank You Mary Ellen and Janet



The Board recognized long time members Mary Ellen Backer and Janet Kluemper for their years of service on the Board of Directors at the Membership Dinner on January 26, 2023. President Bruce Heeke presented the awards.

Mary Ellen has been part of the Board of Directors for about sixteen years and has served as vice-president. She continues to be a greeter in our lobby. Her replacement is Jeff Schmitt.

Janet Kluemper has been a Charter member of the Board. She has shared her talents in creating exhibits and coordinating programs. She worked tirelessly on securing grants and obtaining donations to the museum. Her replacement is her daughter, Julia Flynn.

