



Dubois County Museum E News



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**Happy
Spring**

Grand opening of "Wood Industry in Dubois County" Exhibit April 28

After months of work and coordination, our newest permanent exhibit will open on April 28. It is called, "Wood Industry in Dubois County". Our exhibit team of Cheryl Sermersheim, Rosie Stewart, Joe Shelton and Sandra Christianson have put together quite a display of artifacts from the Wood Industry in Dubois County. This industry helped proclaim Jasper as the "Nation's Wood Capital".

A poster of the early days of harvesting virgin timbers from the woods of Dubois County is on display. Many of the logs are as big as a man is tall. Early sawmills are identified and re-marked upon.

Many early tools of the factory workers are on display and Room 3 is lined with products of the county's woodworking business. Wall posters and display cases strategically placed

around the room showcase marketing forms, early brochures, and examples of the companies products. View listings of companies that left their mark in Dubois County, with some of them thriving still today.

A program will begin at 1:30pm this day with local speakers, followed by piano music and food and refreshments.

Trivia Night Returns April 27

Organizers for the 2024 Museum Trivia Night invite you to solve the "Mysteries of the Museum" on Saturday, April 27.

You are invited to gather an eight person team and compete for the title of Best Trivia team.

Cost of the team of 8 is \$200. Sponsorship levels are availa-

ble. All 8 members of the winning team will receive a paid, one year museum membership to the Dubois County Museum, PLUS the team will receive \$200.

The mystery themed categories of murders, secrets, supernatural, etc. will be explored. A

mystery item or two from the museum archives /private collection will be questioned.

Teams are invited to come dressed as spies, detectives, famous criminals, etc. Snacks and a cash bar will be available.

Doors open at 6:30pm. Play begins at 7pm.



**Winning
team from
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Museum Welcomes Students for Heritage Days



The Dubois County Museum will host the county's Fourth Graders for a Indiana and Dubois County History lesson on April 9-11. About 380 students will be participating from the area schools. The students will travel through the museum making five stops.



They will get the opportunity to hear about Abraham Lincoln and his growing up years in Indiana with Mr. Lincoln himself. Mural artist Kim Schroeder will again be on hand to explain how she was able to paint several of the 15 town murals. The Patoka Valley Quilters Guild will be on hand and always do an ex-

pert job showing and demonstrating how the early pioneers used materials and labor to construct useful and artistic quilts for warmth and comfort. The students will also be given a chance to create a small paper quilt block using colorful pieces of paper and glue.



Thanks also to the coordinator, Sandy Miller, volunteer coordinator, Kathleen Eckerle, lunch server Brenda Hurm and the many volunteers that make this program such a success.

Local Science teacher Vic Hurm will again be on hand to talk about the many examples of rocks that are in the area and let the students get a chance to see parts of his collection.



Many thanks to the schools for participating and transporting the students to the museum.

Storytime April 13 at 10:30am Sponsored by Optimist Club of Jasper

Thank you to the Optimist Club of Jasper for again sponsoring our Storytime and Youth programs at the Museum. The Jasper Opti-

mist gifted the museum a \$1,000 grant. Thank you so much.

Storytime will be held on Saturday, April 13, at 10:30 a.m. for our preschool visi-

tors. Carrie Holdsworth will be reading stories, offering crafts and doing an activity.

We hope to see you then.

Upcoming Tours

The Museum was recently contacted by The Timbers and Legacy Living of Jasper to give a guided tour of our museum. The Timbers will be coming in on Tuesday, April 23 and Kathy Bachman will be the tour guide. On Wednesday, April 3 Tom Kellams requested to lead a group through the museum's

collections for his friends at Legacy Living.

If you are interested in having a guided tour of the museum for your group, contact Kathy at 812-630-8696, and she will gladly set up your tour.

If you are a Nursing facility or Special Needs group, the muse-

um has a special rate for you. Give us a call today.

Regular rates are \$5 an adult, \$3 for high school students and \$2 per each middle school, elementary school or Preschool group.

Lobby Remodeling Nearing Completion

The lobby remodeling project is nearing completion. The new wood look flooring to replace the carpeting and linoleum in the hallways and gift shop is down and looking so bright. The new light paint on the walls is

complete and creates a whole new look. Moving doors and plastering have opened up the lobby area and created more space for displays. The next project is to replace the old ceiling tiles and strips and

complete that look. New focus and donor walls are being planned for the entrance walls.

Thank you to our donors and volunteers who have helped with painting, moving and construction work.

Photo Contest Coming in April

Calling all Amateur Photographers. The DCM is having a Photo Contest. The theme is "Your Favorite Photo" and can be of flowers, animals, landscapes, macro shots, etc. They can be color or black and white.

.They must be taken by you. To enter submit a matted or framed 8 X 10 photograph to the Dubois County Museum from April 15 to April 30, The photos will be displayed from May 1- June 2 for public voting.

You may submit up to 3 photos. Cash prizes will be given in each category. Categories are: Children-Ages 5-12. Teens- Ages 13-19 and Adults - Ages 20 and older. \$5 fee per photo. Contact Kathy Bachman if you have any questions. Bring to museum at 2704 N. Newton Street, Jasper. During open hours or contact Kathy. Entry form on back of newsletter.



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 admitted 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. 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 Stacy or Kathy at the museum at 812-634-7733.

Dubois County Museum Photo Contest



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Contest Theme: "Your Favorite Photo"
(Flowers, Animals, Landscapes, Macro, Etc.
Color photos or Black & White)

Entry Categories	Children - Ages 5 to 12 Teens - Ages 13 to 19 Adults - Ages 20 and Over
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Submit a matted or framed 8x10 photograph to the Dubois County Museum either by bringing it to the Museum, or mailing it to Dubois County Museum, 2704 N Newton Street, Jasper, IN 47546. Any questions, contact Kathy Bachman 812-630-8696

Photo must be taken by you. You may submit up to three photos. Minor editing allowed: Cropping, sharpness, color, etc.

\$5.00 entry fee per photo. Submit your entries from April 15 to April 30, 2024

Photos will be on display for viewing and public voting from May 1 through June 2, 2024

Cash prizes in each category will be awarded, plus a special judging award will be presented. Winners will be announced June 3, 2024, via Facebook.

Entry Form

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 Phone _____
 Title of photo _____
 Category entering: Children _____
 (Check One) Teens _____
 Adult _____

After the contest, all entered photos may be picked up at the Museum between June 4 and June 15.

More on Photo Contest and Entry Form

Here is the informational flyer for the photo contest. We are hoping for a great participation by talented photographers. We are also looking forward to having the public come in and vote for their favorite photos. Public voting begins May 1 and continues to Sunday, June 2.