

Dubois County Museum May 2024 News

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Be sure and check out the newly remodeled lobby at

the museum. A big thanks to Bruce Heeke for taking on this project. He removed walls and moved doors. Also, thanks to Julia Flynn and Kurt Vonderheide who put in countless hours preparing the area for new flooring and painting walls.

Also thanks to other Board members Carrie and Vicki for painting.

The ceiling tile needs to be installed, but we are waiting for the roof to be fixed above the lobby so that the new tile does not get ruined.

Good News...The front lobby is being rented again and has had a facelift also.

2024 Photo Contest Voting May 1-June 2

The response for the First Annual Dubois County Museum Photo Contest has been remarkable. Over 85 entries have been received.

The photos have been hung on a walls in the lobby and the wall on the first ramp into the museum. We are hoping this gives you a chance to view each photo carefully as you cast your vote.

Ballots are available on the lobby desk. The ballot is ask-

ing you to vote for your Top
Three pictures. We know it
will be hard to choose just
one, so we are asking you to
write down your Top Three
choices and the photo committee will tabulate the votes,
to determine the top three
choices. We also will have two
photographers judging for a
special award. Thanks to B.C.
Baggett and Kia Kalb for
agreeing to be our judges.

Thanks to Smithville Commu-

nications for sponsoring the event. \$ awarded to winners.

We hope you come in to view the talents of our area photographers and to vote.



Beauty and Barber Shop Display

Nestled between the Sports Collection and the Military Exhibit in Room One is the temporary display on hair care. Be sure to seek out what this display has to offer. Notable artifacts are the items donated by the Pfeffer family and used in Aurelia Fuhs Pfeffer's Beauty Shop. Aurelia's was operated by Mrs. Pfeffer beginning in the

1940's and was located on W. 9th
Street in Jasper. On display is an almost futuristic piece used by
Mrs. Pfeffer. It was a 1940's
Frederics Permanent Wave
Machine that took its many arms and clipped them onto strands of hair to electrically wave the hair. Oh my.

The Barber Shop is also featured and many items are on display that were received from several collectors.

And, don't miss the Barber Shop display located in the Main Street area.



Wood Industry in Dubois County

After almost two years in the making, the "Wood Industry in Dubois County" Exhibit opened on April 28. The Exhibit Team of Cheryl Sermersheim, Rosie Stewart, Sandy Christianson and Joe Shelton spent hours on gathering the items made by area wood businesses, gathering information

about histories of the business and displaying the many items in a pleasing exhibit in Room Three.

Thanks was given to Joe and Donna Buehler for their contribution to the room improvements for this exhibit.

Take the time to read all the information placards on

the walls and on the furniture displayed. Learn of the early businesses that began and prospered in Dubois County. View the many samples of workmanship and tools. Enjoy the group photos and timelines of the businesses. Check out the plaques of million mile drivers from Kimball Transportation Fleet.

Storytime, on May 11, at 10:30 a.m.

The second Saturday of the month is Storytime at the museum. Our museum is very fortunate to have local pre-school owner, Carrie Holdsworth, taking the lead with this program. Each

month she choses appropriate books to be read for the pre-school aged visitors, provides the supplies and materials needed for crafts, and enjoys her time at leading each monthly Storytime session. She also convinces her granddaughter, Maisy, to come in and assist her.

They will be leading the program on Saturday, May 11, beginning at 10:30 a.m.
The Theme is Mothers

Upcoming Tours Scheduled

Received word from three groups that wish to tour with museum in May. We will welcome Crawford County School Preschool on May 10, David Turnham School on May 14 and a tour bus from Bardstown< KY on May 15. The Bardstown group will also get a tour of St. Joseph's Church from Kathy Bachman before they come out to the museum. If you have family members coming to Jasper and would like a guided tour, just call Kathy at 812-630-8696. The cost of the tour is included in the price of admission. We will be open on Mother's Day.

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Trivia Night 2024



It was a night for mysteries as Trivia Night 2024 participants Winning team for 2024. Congrats to Betsy James/The James Gang. were questioned about Mysteries at the Museum. Dr. Ryan Flamion created quite a variety of questions that

guided the teams to work together to correctly answer the challenging questions. Special thanks to Deidra Church for acting as Master of Ceremonies for the evening.. Money raised at the Trivia Night goes to fund the museum.

The winning team went under the name "Betsy James", but they really wanted to be "The James Gang".

Congratulations to all teams.

Parking Lot being Sealed and Striped

Our parking lot will be sealed on Monday, May 6. Then on Tuesday, May 7, the parking area will be striped.

Hopefully they will be able to complete the striping job on Tuesday early in the morning so that it does not in-

terfere with open times at the museum. Be sure to check with Facebook before coming in that day.

Teddy Bear Tea Postponed till Later

Our popular multi generational outing, Teddy Bear Tea with Grandma and Me, was scheduled for May 25. We feel that there will be too many conflicts with this holiday/graduation weekend date and thus have

decided to postpone the tea till later in the summer. The May 25 date was decided before we realized it was such a busy weekend.

Sorry no date has been set. Just know that we are not forgetting it and will plan it for this summer.

We would welcome anyone who would like to help plan and coordinate this fun program to contact Kathy Bachman at 812-630-8696. Thank you.



Dubois County Museum

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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.

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.

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



Pictures from the Month of April





Connie Naas (above on left) found her trophy on a tour with Legacy Living.. Tom Kellams (above) leads the tour.



Examples of pictures (on left) on display in Wood Industry showing factory employees taken in the 1930's.



Vic Hurm involves students in learning about rocks and geology at Heritage Day