



# Newsletter Title

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**YES, our museum will be open on Mother's Day, May 11, from 1-4 p.m. Special thanks to volunteers Tom Fierst and Janet Smith for opening this day.**



## Hello May and Planning for 4-H Fair, Strassenfest, May Events

The month of May is always a great month for the bursting colorful spring flowers, Mother's Day gatherings, end of school activities and graduations. The museum programming is adding more to that list. During the end of April and going into May we are working with our local 4-H Council and booking a booth at the 4-H Fair in July (July 14-18). We will be there from Monday to Thursday with our Marketing team to promote the museum, hand out items and play some games that

offer free admissions. We are gearing up for the August Car Show by distributing flyers.

Programming for the August Strassenfest had to be in. Plans were finalized to host the Sisters Cities organization on Thursday, July 31 for the Dedication to their Memorial to Mary Jo Meuser at the museum. The dedication will happen at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 31 with a special display to Mary Jo. It highlights her role in forming

the Partnership Committee and initial contact with Pfaffenweiler 40 years ago.. Plans are for a Pfaffenweiler Tour Group and a group from Jasper to be on hand for the Dedication. In May the museum will be alive with people with the Jasper Area Coin Club for their Coin Show, Storytime, special piano recital, and a school group tour. And we hope you come in to vote on your favorite photo in the photo contest. Voting will continue till June 1.

## Jasper Area Coin Show-May 10

The Jasper Area Coin Club will sponsor their Coin Show on May 10 at the Museum at the Log House area. Doors will open at 9:00 a.m. for the show. The show will close at 3:00 p.m.

President Tina Davis reports that close to 30 tables of coin collectors will be buying, selling or adding to their collections this day. Many are coming from hours away

to attend.

The Coin Club has invited local Boy Scouts to prepare breakfast and lunch snacks and offer drinks. Admission to museum is free this day.

## Storytime, May 10, at 11:00

The museum will be a busy place on Saturday, May 10 at the Jasper Area Coin Club hosts their Coin Show begging at 9:00 a.m. and Carrie will be hosting a Storytime at 11:00 a.m.

The Storytime will be held in the Little Pioneers area, away from the Coin Show

at the Log House. Carrie will offer a May flow-ersthem for the story and crafts. Snacks will be a sweet cookie.

Thanks to the Jasper Optimist Club for sponsoring our Storytime.

Admission to the museum

will be FREE on May 10 due to the Coin Show.



Have you always wanted a tour of the museum? Contact Kathy at 812-630-8696 and she will set you up for a tour.

## School and Upcoming Tours

First Grade students from North Daviess School will stop in Jasper at several locations on May 14 on their field trip to celebrate the end of a successful school year. They have booked a tour at the museum and

will even pull out their sack lunches for a morning at the museum. They then move on to other places in Jasper.

On May 9th a group from Centralia, Illinois will stop for a tour at 4:00 p.m. The

coordinator is hosting a mystery tour for a few people. They heard about us from another group that had toured last year.

Contact the museum at 812-630-8696 message and set up a tour with Kathy.

## Thank you for Visiting!

We have seen an increase in visitors coming into our museum. In our first four months of 2025 we have seen 3,099 visitors! That is over 500 more than this time last year. We are hoping you are visiting because you have been hearing a lot of great things about our museum, or maybe you visited as a fourth

grader during Heritage Day or you have attended a Jasper Area Coin Club meeting, or you have attended one of our programs? We heard some of you say those reasons. We have also added some things. We have added a monthly talk program on WBDC on the 3rd Tuesday of the month with Kathy and Kait-

lynn at 9:00 a.m.. We have increased our posting on Facebook and have tried to offer more programming and exhibits during the month.. We are advertising with JHS baseball games and Newspaper in Education Week.

It is great to see the numbers go up. We hope you are part of the number that is visiting and we thank you!

# 2nd Annual Photo Contest-Come in and Vote!

The Dubois County Museum will be offering the 2nd Annual Photo Contest in May. You can help us determine the winners! The public is invited to come in and vote for your favorite photo May 1 through June 1.

Be sure to pick up a ballot when you visit the museum. A ballot will be given out to each person

with a paid admission. (Memberships will be honored).

You are asked to vote for one photo in each category. We will again offer money prizes in Youth, Teen and Adult Categories. We need more Youth and Teen photos right now.

Also choices will be made by

our professional judges. BC Baggett and Kia Kalb will again be judging the photos.

Winners will be announced on June 3 on Facebook and via local media.

The photos will be displayed and can be retrieved after August 10. We wish to display the photos during Strassenfest time.

Thanks to our committee of Barb Keusch, Carol Brock, Kathy Bachman and Marcia Werne for presenting this program again this year.

## Mark your Calendars!

Coordinators for different programs have set the dates for their programs in 2025. Here is a list of programs.

### May

May 10 Jasper Area Coin Club hosts Coin Show 9:00am to 3:00 pm

May 10 Storytime at 11:00. Snacks provided. May Flowers Theme

Photo Contest May 1-June 2 showing and public voting

### June

June 3 Photo Contest Winners announced on June 3, Photos displayed till August 10

June 28 10:30-Noon. Teddy Bear Tea, Storytime at 11:00.

### July

Photo contest remains displayed until August 10.

July 26 Trying a change of Saturdays. Storytime at 11:00. Stories, Crafts, Snacks provided

July 31-August 3 Strassenfest Volunteers will keep museum open special hours till 4:00pm on Thursday, July 31 and Friday, August 1 Come view Strassenfest items

July 31 10:00 Dedication of Mary Jo Meuser display and Celebrating 40 years of Sister City Partner-

ship

August 10 9:00 am 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show in Museum's Park, Judging at noon

August 10 Last day to view 2025 Photo Contest Photos

August 23 Storytime at 11:00. Snacks provided

We have been exploring when Storytime would best fit for our young families to hear stories, do crafts and eat snacks. We are trying a few different dates during the summer.

Right now Trivia Night is on hold by the coordinator.



### 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 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](http://www.duboiscountymuseum.org). Like us on Facebook 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 Kathy at the museum at 812-634-7733.

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



## Ida Hagan Whitaker Historical Marker

The Museum would like to share an event that is happening in Ferdinand on May 31. Ida Hagan Whitaker was a remarkable woman and it is so fitting that she be recognized with a historical marker.

Here is the info from the Marker Committee::

The Indiana State Library in coordination with the Ferdinand Historical Society is holding a special event on May 31.

The event will be held, starting at 11:00 am, at the Historical Wollenmann House, site of Main Street Bistro, located at 1150 Main Street in Ferdinand. The program consists of a short ceremony followed by an unveiling of the Historical Marker commemorating the legacy and remarkable accomplishments of Ida Hagan Whitaker.

The Ferdinand Historical Society is excited to invite you to attend.

The Dubois County Museum invites you to stop in at the museum to see the exhibit on Ida Hagan Whitaker and learn about her remarkable life.