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Dubois County Museum E News

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October Brings the Fall Activities

The days of September have come to an end. What will the month of October bring? The museum volunteers have already been thinking the fall season and have placed the fall decorations up and rolled out the pumpkins in the lobby area. Plans are in place for Storytime with Carrie with a Fall Theme on October 11. Fall days on the farm are brought to life with Fall Harvest Day on October 12. Don't miss an evening to celebrate Hispanic

Month on October 11 with ALASA' s program Vocus Vivas. A new twist on how we view 'The Wizard of Oz' is on Friday, October 17 and don't



miss Halloween fun on October 23 with our annual Spooky Streets. Our lobby

volunteers will also get into the Halloween spirit on October 31 with handing out treats to our visitors. (No costumes required to receive a treat!)

Two new exhibits are stirring up excitement. A display called "School Days" is highlighting the schools of our county's past. And "Floods" is a pictorial account of the flooding from Patoka River in and around the county. Come check them out. Both located in and around the lobby area.

Thank You Rebekah Luff

Since this spring we had a new volunteer working at the museum. Rebekah Luff, a recent AmeriCorp volunteer and college graduate hailing from Velpen, wanted to be more involved with our museum. She started volunteering in the lobby. We then hired her on a part time basis. She started making our

museum more interactive, shared her ideas with staff and assisted with administration duties. She added motion sensors in exhibits, filling our museum with sounds. (Our buffalo now growls and wild sounds greet you in the Wildlife Room). She created new maps. Updated I Spy games in the Mural

Room to spark young visitors to search for items. She contacted presenters and worked on programming. Sadly, she recently informed us that she will be leaving. We will miss and wish her all our best as she begin her new job with the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.



Storytime with Carrie-Oct. 11

Have some Fall Fun with Carrie Holdsworth on Saturday, October 11, as she presents several seasonal stories, activities and crafts on the theme of Autumn for our young visitors.. Storytime will be held in the Little Pioneers area and will begin at 10:30

a.m. You may even get to assist with decorating for Spooky Streets in the Main Street area. Your help will be needed placing jack-o-lanterns, gourds and leaves along the streets and in front of the seventeen shops to prepare for Fall and our popular Spooky

Streets program coming up on October 23.

Carrie Holdsworth is a pre-school owner and teacher in the Jasper area. She has coordinated Storytime for several years now. Storytime is held every second Saturday.

The farm is a busy place in the fall. So many things to do.

Fall Harvest Day Oct. 12

Make plans to attend our very popular Fall Harvest Day on Sunday, October 12. The activities will last from 1-4:00 p.m. Here is what is planned:

- Pam Durcholz-weaving
- Cornhusk dolls making
- Stone Carvers demonstrating
- Patoka Valley Quilters Guild quilting
- Corn shucking, shelling, grinding
- Molasses and honey tasting and sales
- Blacksmithing with Buddy Rasche
- Butter making with Abby of Lueken Dairy Farm
- Patoka River Strummers with Dulcimers 1:30-3:30 p.m.
- Bill and Gibson Hochgesang with Trapping & Furs shown and explained
- Antique Farm Machinery explained
- Model Trains running and new information displayed
- Face painting with Ruth Kuebler
- Pony Rides on a miniature pony
- Petting alpacas and a miniature cow
- Homemade Ice Cream, popcorn, cider served.

Admission will be charged to help continue our fine programming. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for high school students, \$2 for middle and elementary students and those under 4 are free. Members are free. Memberships sold in the lobby.



Voces Vivas October 13

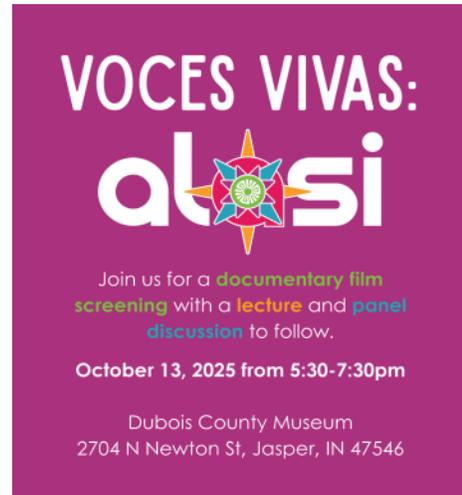
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Celebrating His-
panic Month with
ALASI**

**Come enjoy a
Monday program
at the Museum on
October 13 from
5:30-7:30pm**

**Join the His-
panic Commu-
nity as they**

**Documentary Film
Screening, Lecture,
panel discussion and
Food**



**VOCES VIVAS:
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Join us for a **documentary film screening** with a **lecture** and **panel discussion** to follow.

October 13, 2025 from 5:30-7:30pm

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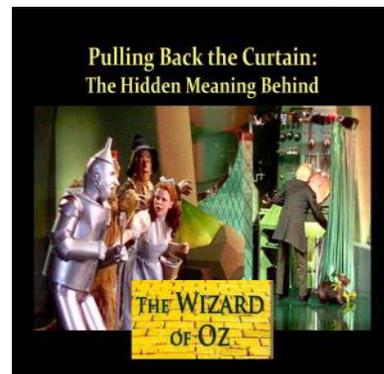
Don Flick here on October 17



Former Jasper resident Don Flick will be at the museum on Friday, October 17, beginning at 11:00 a.m. for a program called "Pulls Back the Curtain". In his introduction to *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, author L. Frank Baum stated that the book "was written solely to

pleasure children of today". But was that really the only purpose, or was there a deeper meaning behind the story? Join Don Flick as he "pulls back the curtain" on what he believes is the allegory behind the classic American fairy tale. Flick will present his case that a deeper meaning of the classic had thoughts of women's suffrage.

This is the second lecture held on a Friday morning at 11:00 a.m. Jim Hedinger's program on "Clocks" was well received.



Visit the Model Train Room and check out all the additions and changes made to the room. New (old) buildings have been purchased, constructed and arranged along the track. Factories set up. More information panels on local train depots have been mounted on the walls.

Thank you to our train volunteers for working many hours on these displays. Plan to attend the Train Program on November 7 at 1:00 p.m. on Dubois County Railroad History with train historian Craig Berndt.



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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.

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 is staffed entirely of volunteers. Visit the museum web site www.duboiscountymuseum.org. Like us on Facebook 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 Kathy at the museum at 812-634-7733.

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

What's Coming up in November?

Our month of November looks to hold a wide variety of events. Starting on Saturday, **November 1st** we will host the Indiana Farm Bureau dinner. On **November 8th** Carrie will host Storytime. At 1:00 p.m. a program on the 150 year history of Dubois County Railroad history will be presented. The next day, **Sunday, November 9**, the local Daughters of the American Revolution



(DAR) will present a program at 1:30 p.m. about using DNA to identify

those soldiers that were previously unidentified. The DAR will be giving more information for a press release. Look for that information.

The busiest time of the year begins at the museum on Monday, **November 10**, as our crew of volunteers hauls down about fifty Christmas trees and community organizations and decorators come in to prepare for our Christmas season. We welcome all to come in on Monday to begin decorating the museum. The public is invited on **Thursday, November 22** for a Open House, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., for our Festival of

Trees. Voting will begin for the public's favorite trees. Winners announced December 18.



In November we also welcome a bus tour on **November 15** as they take in the Christkindlmarkt weekend. That same morning we welcome the German Club for a fun private project.

We will be closed for Thanksgiving on **Thursday, November 27**.