

PULASKI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Preserving history for a better future.

JOIN TODAY FOR 2018!

It's time again! Many of you are already members, and this notice serves as your annual reminder to send in your dues. To those of you who are not members, we invite you to join today! We rely on people like you to make the history of Pulaski County come alive.

We suggest you consider a membership for a family member or a friend as a holiday gift, or that you consider the Historical Society as you make end-of-year giving plans.

We're proud of our accomplishments in 2017.

- We received an Indiana Heritage Grant, and with the amazing support of Don and Dee Galbreath, we continue work on our new museum location, set to open in 2018.
- We organized educational tours, programs and workshops, including a workshop in Medaryville on the preservation of source material.
- While our museum was closed for the year, preparing for a move, we continued partnerships with local school systems to engage and enlighten students.
- We entertained and enlightened the community during the annual meeting that featured every Presidential Library in the United States.

In 2018, we will expand our presence in the County in other ways to preserve history for a better future.

Please join or renew your membership today, and thank you for your support!

Stay tuned for additional ways in which you can become involved!

Karen Fritz, Membership Chairperson

Ryan Harrison, President

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Renew your membership or make a contribution of any amount (Calendar Year Jan 1 - Dec 31) Individual \$30 __ Family \$40 __ Corporate/Sustaining \$80 You can go online to renew your membership and/or to make a contribution through PayPal. www.pulaskihistory.net Or fill out and mail this form. Name: Address: City/St/Zip: Telephone: Email: Please make checks payable to and mail to:

Pulaski County Historical Society ATTN: Membership PO Box 135 Winamac IN 46996

Any contribution equaling or exceeding the applicable level of membership will include an annual membership.

The Pulaski County Historical Society is a federally-approved 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization and qualifies for tax-deductible donations. Pledges are deductible to the extent permitted by law and are not legally binding. Goods or services provided by this membership consist entirely of intangible benefits.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

PROGRESS ON OUR NEW MUSEUM



Carriage House at the home of Don and Dee Galbreath, 2016.

We are in awe of the progress being made on the new home for our museum. The Galbreath family has been so incredibly generous, and with the assistance of the Indiana Historical Society's Heritage Grant...well...this will be an amazing venue for historic artifacts and for interactive experiences.

e are putting a great deal of faith into the skill of our Curator, Dr. Natalie Daily Federer. She has tremendous ideas about experiences for our local school children. When we have appropriate storage for items, she will have a better ability to loan

items to schools, set up specific programs for tours and training, and to rotate exhibits in and out for persons of all ages.

Putting a picture of the interior would not do the space justice at this point, but I hope you can tell, from "before and after" photos here, the great effort being expended by the Galbreaths to enhance this communities access to history.



Renovations in process, 2017.

CURRENT PROJECTS

The Historical Society has been partnering with local school teachers to help provide artifacts, documents, and other historical objects that could be useful in the classroom and would help compliment the curriculum.

This gives students a chance to engage with local history and to better explore subjects in a national or global context as they relate to Indiana and Pulaski County.

This partnership is also helping to generate new museum content that will be utilized in the development of new historical exhibits in 2018. Students will helping to design, create, and provide feedback/ideas on historical subjects that will be used in the new exhibition space.

The museum has been closed due to working, sorting, and cleaning of objects for the move. The Historical Society also just received a generous donation of historical objects and artifacts from the Medaryville Town Museum which will be used for numerous exhibits that focus on local, town and township history.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

In 2018, we will need assistance crating the exhibits to be moved, taking inventory of items, and unpacking in the appropriate place in the new museum.

As the year goes on and we prepare to be open on a regular basis, we will be looking for volunteer greeters / staffers.

If you are interested, let us know! Send an email to <u>info@pulaskihistory.net</u> or come to one of our meetings, held the third Thursday of the month at 7:00. Send an email to ask for location information (which can change given the season).

A DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

* Corner Delli, Biscuits & Gravy, then lunch, something delicious to be announced!

- * Tom DeSabatine: Painted furniture, bicycles, wagons, crocks & crates, decorated with greenery and berries; decorations can be removed or replaced for year-round use
- * Sherry Fagner: Holiday chic, primitive furniture, handmade holiday decorations
- * Fingerhut Baked Goods (need we say more?)
- * Tiger Lily's Cafe, A Cozy Mystery Series for Adults (who love cats)
 - * Loaves Of Love (purchase for you, or send to loved ones, service members)
- * Holiday Basket Winners will be announced at 1:00! (Baskets at Opera House Floral)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 9:00 - 2:00
MARKET STREET NORTH OF OPERA HOUSE FLORAL AND GIFTS



SUNDAY SCHOOL IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

Once upon a time, supposed to have been during the year 1843, when the portion of county now known as



Franklin township consisted principally of wilderness and swamp, a rather strange personage by the name of Jacobs came, from no one knew where, and settled near the southwestern boundary, there erecting a round log hut, very rude in structure, represented as having been covered with poles and bark and its dimensions about sixteen by twenty feet.

After living there for some time, Mr. Jacobs disappeared and never returned. His hut remained untenanted for some years, when the early settlers decided to repair and use it as a place of religious worship.

It was known as the "Jacobs House," and here in April of 1857, the first Sunday school ever held in Franklin Township was organized by Mr. N. R. Freeman, who is now a well-known merchant of Winamac. He was the first superintendent and was at the time eighteen years of age.

This Sunday school was attended by the families of the following named settlers: David Jones, W. H. Hornback, Charles Sedgwick, John Hunter, J. B. Agnew, Jacob Ginder, Samuel Mann, Jacob Keller, Thomas Johnson, Conrad and George Smith and D. R. and Asa Freeman. It was also well attended by persons from a distance, many of whom came in ox wagons on many occasions, especially during summer months the house was not large enough to accommodate the people who gathered there and many remained outside under shelter of the trees, by which the house was surrounded. The school was held at 10 a.m. and was evergreen for three years.

In our imagination we picture some of the scenes and note the friendly greetings of those people, many of whom had left their old homes and friends to battle with the hardships and privations of a new and undeveloped country. The approach of the Sabbath must have

been one of the bright spots in the lives of both old and young.

Read the rest of this article at www.pulaskihistory.net.



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Officers 2017-2018

President: Ryan Harrison Vice President: Steve Morrison Secretary: Janet Onken Treasurer: Lin Morrison Curator: Natalie Federer Past President: Kathi Thompson

BLUEGRASS JAM

Unless there is an issue with core band members, we will host a Bluegrass Jam at the Eagles on the west side of Winamac every third Friday of the month. Bring a dish to share if you would like!

The Eagles' Family Room is family friendly and smoke-free.



STARTING IN JANUARY! (CANCELLED FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER)

HOLIDAY BASKET SILENT AUCTION!

* Decadent Chocolate: Ghirardelli squares in dark chocolate, caramel and sea salt, Lindt Intense Orange dark chocolate, Seattle truffles and more. Minimum bid: \$25.

* Spa: Large soft towel, Philosophy beauty and body products, candle, sterling silver charm necklace and Christmas ornaments. Minimum bid: \$25.

* Winter Evening: Two holiday mugs, selections of coffee, tea, & hot chocolate, biscotti & biscuits. Minimum bid: \$25.

* Just For Kids: Large floor puzzle, movie/DVD, holiday books, holiday/activity books, markers, holiday mugs, holiday bingo, holiday card games, hot chocolate. Minimum bid: \$35.

Make silent bids at Opera House Floral, Monday - Friday all day or Saturday until noon, November 15 - December 2.



WINNERS ANNOUNCED SATURDAY 12/02 AT 1:00
DURING A DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



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