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Muncie Preservationist Receives National Award

Steve Kennedy, Assistant Director of Financial Incentives, Administration, and Planning

Muncie's City Preservation Officer, William P. Morgan, was selected to receive one of the first annual historic preservation awards presented by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior. Four awards were presented recently to recognize exemplary performance by city, state, federal, and tribal employees in the field of preservation.

"These awards are the equivalent of an Emmy Award in the field of historic preservation," said Secretary Dirk Kempthorne. "The ingenuity and dedication of these individuals are inspiring. The first-ever winners include Deborah Corbett, a Fish and Wildlife archeologist covering a territory of 78 million often-frozen acres in Alaska; Kelly Jackson, the tribal historic preservation officer for the Lac du Flambeau band in Wisconsin; William Morgan, a consensus builder who staffs the Historic Preservation and Rehabilitation Commission in Muncie, Indiana; and Calder Loth, Senior Architectural Historian for the state of Virginia."

The four awards were presented in Washington, D.C. on December 4, 2008. The ceremony was held in Secretary Kempthorne's office in the Department of the Interior Building. Deputy Secretary Lynn Scarlett served as Master of Ceremonies for the event and was assisted by Mary Bomar, Director of the



Bill Morgan (right) receives the award from (former) U.S. Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne (center) and Mary Bomar (former) Director of the National Park Service (left). (Photo courtesy of Bill Morgan).

National Park Service. All four award recipients were in attendance.

Morgan previously served as a member of the Muncie Historic Preservation and Rehabilitation Commission, but was hired as the staff person for the commission in mid-2007. As both a commission member and the commission staff person, he worked hard to overcome a threat to the local designation of the Emily Kimbrough Historic District and reach a satisfactory resolution among the concerned parties. Morgan's efforts included implementation of several innovative policy and procedure improvements, as

well as the formation of an advisory committee composed of residents from the historic district to provide input and guidance to the commission.

"Indiana is blessed with many hardworking and dedicated preservationists who seek to conserve our heritage resources for current and future generations to use, learn from, and enjoy," said Robert E. Carter, Jr., Director of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and State Historic Preservation Officer. "Bill Morgan's exemplary service to the

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From the Director: Recognitions for Indiana

James A. Glass, Director

Recently, our state was recognized in two significant ways. One (see p. 1) was the presentation of one of the first Secretary of the Interior's Historic Preservation Awards to Bill Morgan of Muncie for notable achievement by a certified local government staff person. The other was the announcement by the National Park Service (see p. 3) that our division and a consortium of Indiana archaeologists and their universities and firms have been awarded a Preserve America grant to identify mounds across the state and develop educational materials on our rich mound and earthwork heritage. We are pleased with the honor given Bill and the invaluable financial support provided by Preserve America for the mound project.

We are also pleased that the Courthouse Preservation Advisory Commission is ready to begin its work (see p. 10). Chief Justice Randy Shepard, who has a deep interest in the preservation of historic courthouses, has agreed to serve as the first chairperson, and we look forward to working with him, commission members, and Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana on highlighting the importance of historic courthouses across the state and providing technical assistance and recommendations.

In the educational area, our division has been collaborating on planning two special experiences since last summer. One is the new statewide historic preservation conference, to be held in New Harmony on April 7-9, 2010 (see p. 9). Our co-sponsors are Indiana University and Historic Landmarks Foundation, and we have all been working closely with local partners Historic New Harmony, Indiana State Museum and State Historic Sites, and the University of Southern Indiana to produce what we expect to be one of the best statewide conferences in the Midwest.

Also, planning is being completed for a Hoosier Heritage Day at the Indiana State Fair, to be held for the first time on Thursday, August 13. We have been meeting with 15 state heritage agencies and organizations to plan entertaining, hands-on activities involving Indiana history, architecture, and archaeology. Please watch for more details in our next newsletter.

DHPA and Archaeology Partners Awarded Preserve America Grant for Mounds Initiative

Steve Kennedy, Director of Financial Incentives, Administration, and Planning

A federal grant of \$180,454 from the Preserve America program will help fund the "Inventory and Promotion of Indiana's Prehistoric Mounds and Earthworks." The project will produce a comprehensive inventory of Indiana's prehistoric mounds and earthworks, a narrative report of findings, and an educational public Web page about these fragile cultural resources. The DHPA will oversee the project, and archaeologists at several universities in the state will conduct research and contribute data to the inventory and report.

Prehistoric mounds and other types of earthworks were constructed in Indiana between approximately 1500 B.C. and 1500 A.D. DHPA estimates that about 1,000 such resources exist statewide. During the last two centuries many have been damaged or destroyed by erosion, agricultural practices, development and looting.

This project will guide planning and resource management efforts, identify sites that may be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, and help educate Hoosiers about early peoples of Indiana. The Web page will promote heritage tourism by directing people to publicly accessible locations where they can see and learn about mounds firsthand.

Preserve America is a White House initiative that encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy our nation's heritage. Former First Lady Laura Bush has served as Honorary Chair of Preserve America since its inception in March 2003. The Preserve America Initiative was launched by then-President Bush to promote cultural and natural preservation and to encourage greater appreciation of our national heritage.

The Preserve America Grant program is administered by the Department of the Interior's National Park Service in partnership with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. The competitive matching grants can be awarded to designated Preserve America communities, state historic preservation offices, and tribal historic preservation offices to support their preservation efforts through heritage tourism, public education, and planning.



Angel Mounds, near Evansville, is one of a few earthwork complexes that is open and interpreted to the public. The mounds and earthworks inventory will identify more of these resources and will assess possibilities for protection, preservation, accessibility, and interpretation. (Photo DHPA).

Indiana's Preserve America Communities

Indiana now tops the Midwestern states in the number of Preserve America Communities officially recognized by the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. The recent designation of Bloomington, Greensburg, Logansport, Muncie, and Wabash brought Indiana's number of PA Communities to 19. Previously designated communities include: Bedford, Crown Point, Elkhart, the Irvington Neighborhood in Indianapolis, Jeffersonville, Lafayette, Madison, Monroe County, New Albany, New Harmony, Noblesville, Richmond, South Bend, and St. Joseph County. There are now 736 PA Communities in all 50 states.

Indiana ranks 12th among all states, while neighboring Kentucky ranks 1st

Mrs. Bush, former Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation chairman John L. Nau III announced the first round of Preserve America Grants for FY 2009 on January 17. The list includes 31 projects in 17 states and one tribe totaling nearly \$3 million.

For more information on Preserve America, including a complete list of grant recipients, criteria and application forms, go to www.preserveamerica.gov.

with a total of 73 designated Preserve America Communities.

The Preserve America Program recognizes communities that protect and celebrate their heritage, target their historic assets for economic development and community revitalization efforts, and promote appreciation of local historic resources through education and heritage tourism opportunities. There is a formal application process, and new community

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DHPA Bestows Indiana Historic Preservation Awards for 2008

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Director of Special Initiatives

A special group of individuals, organizations, and agencies that work on behalf of cultural resources were in the spotlight on October 17, 2008 at the Joint Meeting of the Cornelius O'Brien Conference on Historic Preservation-Indiana Main Street Conference in Bloomington, where they were presented with 2008 Indiana Historic Preservation Awards by the DHPA.

Hoosier Preservationist Award

Started in 1999, this award recognizes local Hoosier advocates of historic preservation. This is the highest honor given by the Indiana State Historic Preservation Office.

For decades, Amos Schwartz of Geneva (Adams County) has been Indiana's go-to individual for restoration contracting involving timber and log construction. Beginning at least as far back as the 1960s, he has worked on many state properties and private projects, including the Laurel Feeder dam, Whitewater Canal lock gates and Aqueduct at Duck Creek, the Harmonist Cemetery Wall, the Leavenworth Hay Press, and many log cabins and covered bridges.

Recently, he has worked on several Historic Preservation Fund grants (a federal grant program administered by the DHPA) and Hometown Indiana grants (a state grant program administered by the DHPA) and assisted with other projects, including restoration of the entire Lincoln Pioneer Village at Rockport and the Boxley Cabin in Sheridan.



Amos Schwartz attends the dedication of the restored Boxley Cabin in Sheridan, Indiana. The cabin is one of many DHPA-assisted projects that Mr. Schwartz has worked on and is a testament to his skill and expertise. (Photo DHPA).

Stewardship of Archaeological Resources



Members of the Kankakee Valley Historical Society participated in the public archaeology project conducted at the Collier Lodge site. (Photo DHPA).

This award was given for the preservation of land containing the Collier Lodge Site (Porter County) and for community involvement and the continued support of archaeological research and investigations at this important site on privately owned property in the northwest portion of Indiana. The landowners, John and Mary Hodson, as well as the Kankakee Valley Historical Society, were recognized for an important public archaeology project that has brought together professionals, students, volunteers, and many others.

These few acres in Porter County have been inhabited for thousands of years. The site served as a gathering place for prehistoric natives, pioneer ferry crossings, mills, hunting lodges, and now as an educational setting for archaeological research and outreach. The project is a public archaeology project that brings together professionals, students and volunteers from the Kankakee Valley Historical Society.

The landowners have offered their private property for investigations, interpretation and preservation.

U.S. Postal Service Stewardship Award

On October 13, 1934, the U. S. Treasury Department's Section of Painting and Sculpture was established. The mission of "the Section" was to "secure suitable art of the best quality for the embellishment of public buildings." Renamed the Section of Fine Arts in 1939, the Section existed until June 1943. During its nine-year life, the Section employed nearly 850 artists and commissioned 1,371 murals and more than 300 pieces of sculpture around the country for federal buildings, most of which were installed in post offices. Funding for the art was established by allocating up to 1 percent of a new building's cost to artistic development. That formula resulted in an average budget of \$600 for art.

In Indiana, 37 post office murals were commissioned between 1936 and 1942, as a result of this program; 36 still exist. During the past 10 years, at least 17 of the murals have been restored to their original condition under stewardship administered by the USPS's federal preservation officer. Working with PARMA Conservation, headquartered in Chicago, the Postal Service has given new life to these pieces of Indiana's cultural legacy.



A mural in the Attica Post Office shows the dramatic difference made by cleaning and restoration: the left side has not yet been touched, but the right side shows the painting in its full glory. (Photo courtesy of PARMA Conservation).

Section 106 Achievement Award

The Indiana Department of Transportation excavated and relocated, in its entirety, the Wright-Whitesell-Gentry Cemetery (WWG). The cemetery was originally located just feet from the I-69/I-465 interchange on the northeast side of Indianapolis. Cemetery relocations for road projects are extremely rare and not undertaken lightly; however, this cemetery's close proximity to one of the state's most heavily traveled interchanges made relocation unavoidable.

In June, the WWG Cemetery was completely restored and recreated in the tranquil Pioneer Section of Indianapolis' Crown Hill Cemetery—complete with a monument listing the cemetery's history and the names of the interred. INDOT recreated the cemetery so that individuals originally buried together were re-interred together, within the same relative distance and orientation. The cemetery restoration experts also restored the gravestones to prolong the life of the stones and make the inscriptions easier to read. The spring/summer 2008 *Preserving Indiana* featured a story on the project.



Wright-Whitesell-Gentry family descendants attended the dedication of the cemetery's new location in Indianapolis' Crown Hill Cemetery. The graves were carefully disinterred and moved by INDOT to protect them from highway work being conducted in the cemetery's original location. (Photo courtesy of INDOT).

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Grant Award for Outstanding Rehabilitation and Stewardship

The Queen Anne-style Jay House in Marion was built in 1888 by Abijah C. Jay, who was a prominent local citizen, serving two terms as a Grant County Commissioner, as well as serving on the city council and school board. As president of the school board, he was instrumental in obtaining Carnegie funding to build a permanent home for the Marion Public Library, a fact that makes it fitting that the Marion Public Library would be responsible for saving and preserving his home.

When the house was acquired by the library in 1990, the initial intention was demolition to create parking. But after learning more about the house and its history, the library pursued a reuse option. The house was listed in the National Register in January 2003. The library has received three grants from the DHPA to rehabilitate major portions of the exterior.

The Jay House in Summer 2000 (top) prior to grant activities, and in Fall 2008 (bottom) after a Hometown Indiana grant and two subsequent HPF grants assisted with rehabilitation of: the slate roof, windows and doors, and porches. (Photos DHPA).



Historic Rehabilitation Achievement Award

Each year, the DHPA administers more than 30 Certified Historic Preservation Investment Tax Credit projects. These projects help bring vitality back to historic buildings. This year's award recognized the work of Indiana LaCasa of Goshen, Inc., for restorations of the Lincoln Hotel (ca. 1890) and Shoots Building (ca. 1880), located in the National Register of Historic Places Goshen Historic District. Both buildings will become housing units and will help to revitalize historic downtown Goshen.

The exterior of the Lincoln Hotel before (left) and after (right) historic preservation tax credits assisted with the building's rehabilitation. (Photo DHPA).



DHPA Survey Program Goes High-Tech

Amy Walker, Architectural Historian

One of the duties assigned to State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs) in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 was to undertake comprehensive statewide surveys of historic resources. In partnership with Historic Landmarks Foundation and other preservation organizations, the DHPA (Indiana's SHPO) began surveying in 1975. From the beginning, the survey program has used federal grant money from the National Park Service to send surveyors out to research, identify, and document historic properties. From 1975 to 2008, paper survey forms were used to record this data and photographs were taken of resources in approximately 90 of Indiana's 92 counties.

However, in fall 2008, the DHPA's survey program initiated some major changes. For the first time, the DHPA started conducting surveys in-house. This new phase of survey is being done with the financial support of the Federal Highway Administration and the Indiana Department of Transportation. With this new source of funding comes another big change—the survey is going high-tech. The DHPA surveyors are using tablet personal computers to inventory historic resources in the nine counties affected by the southern extension of I-69.

Three surveyors began working in Warrick County on the Ohio River in early October 2008. Equipped with the tablets, they started recording data on approximately 1,000 sites located there. The field application that was developed to gather information includes name and location data; construction information such as date of construction and architectural style; building form and materials

information; historic integrity assessment to note if there have been additions/removals to the resource; and historical in-



formation that may be available. The surveyors also create a site plan (or footprint) of the building through CAD (computer added design) software.

Two other kinds of data are gathered: UTM points (a unique geographical reference point) and photos. What makes the tablets particularly convenient is that this capability is included in one piece of equipment. That eliminates the need to carry a separate camera and GPS unit. The UTM point is recorded at the click of a button and generates a series of numbers that show the location of a particular building. This is similar to the way a postal address can be determined from just the extended nine-digit zip code, only it's based on satellite readings. The tablet also has a built-in digital camera which eliminates the cost and time associated with developing film and physically attaching photos to each separate paper survey card.

The survey is a very important tool for the DHPA and other preservation or-

ganizations. It identifies resources that may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. It also allows DHPA staff to determine if there are historic resources that may be impacted by any state or federally funded projects. Members of the public also use this information to learn about architecture and history. One enormous benefit of electronic surveying is the timeliness in which survey data will be available online. As data is approved, it will be downloaded directly into the DHPA's database so that our constituents can quickly and easily access the information over the internet. Ultimately, the DHPA plans to convert the entire survey program to electronic format, but the schedule for the conversion has not yet been determined.

The Ella Williams school (middle) was identified, documented, and photographed as part of the Warrick County survey.



Sometimes the survey records resources that are demolished soon after. An example of the recent past, this bank drive through (above) was surveyed in October, 2008. It was demolished several months later. (Photo DHPA).



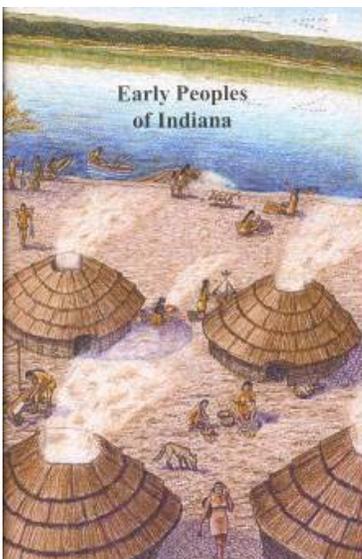
Early Peoples of Indiana Revised and Reprinted

Amy Johnson, Senior Archaeologist

An updated version of *Early Peoples of Indiana* (Jones and Johnson 2008) is now available! It is the DHPA's most requested archaeology outreach document, and it has been updated with new information since the first edition in 1999.

The publication provides an introduction to the rich, varied, and complex nature of the prehistoric cultures who once inhabited Indiana, as well as the science of archaeology. For the first time, *Early Peoples* is available in color and includes new segments, such as a section on Protohistoric peoples, that enhance the document with recent discoveries and information. The publication was funded in part by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund program.

Free copies of *Early Peoples of Indiana* are available from the DHPA and will also be available for download from our Web page in the future. DHPA archaeology staff will also have copies at public events for distribution.



New Volume of the *Indiana Archaeology* Journal to be Published On-line

Amy Johnson, Senior Archaeologist

The next issue of the periodic archaeology journal, *Indiana Archaeology* (Volume 4, Number 1), is currently being compiled and edited by State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones and Amy Johnson, Senior Archaeologist and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator. The articles in this volume have been written for a broader audience making the format of the journal slightly different than previous editions. In addition to a variety of topics and contributors, sponsors of archaeology projects that were funded by Historic Preservation Fund grants were also asked to write an article to the journal in order to share information about the goals and accomplishments of their projects. DHPA staff archaeologists are also supplying articles for the journal.

The target audience of the journal includes: the general public, professional archaeologists, avocational archaeologists, and anyone interested in the history and prehistory of Indiana. Although the topics are specific to Indiana, they also have important contributions to the broader context of midwestern archaeology. For those who are new to the subject, a general overview of prehistoric time periods, a more detailed outline of prehistoric cultural characteristics, and a glossary of archaeological terms will be included at the end of this volume. This periodical continues a tradition of scholarly research in the science of archaeology. The *Indiana Archaeology* Journal will be available in Spring 2009. To access the previous volume of the journal, to go to www.in.gov/dnr/files/hp-FinaMlillenium_9-08.pdf.

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Statewide Conference on Historic Preservation to be Held April 2010 in New Harmony

Frank Hurdis, Assistant Director for Preservation Services

Indiana preservationists have become accustomed to anticipating their professional conferences when the days grow shorter, the air becomes nippy, and leaves begin to change color. Those who attend the National Trust's annual meeting know it is a fall event. In Indiana, our statewide conference – for many years known as the Cornelius O'Brien Conference - has taken place in the fall every year since it began (as the Indiana University Conference on Historic Preservation) in 1968.

But we are in an era of change and among the changes Hoosier preservationists will face will be a new time of year for our conference. Beginning in April 2010, the conference will have a new seasonal home. Spring is the season of new beginnings, of warmer days after winter chill; a time to form ideas for all those summer projects around the house. April, in particular, is a month that should have lost winter's grip. What better time to host our revised and expanded statewide conference? What better place in Indiana to set the event than New Harmony.

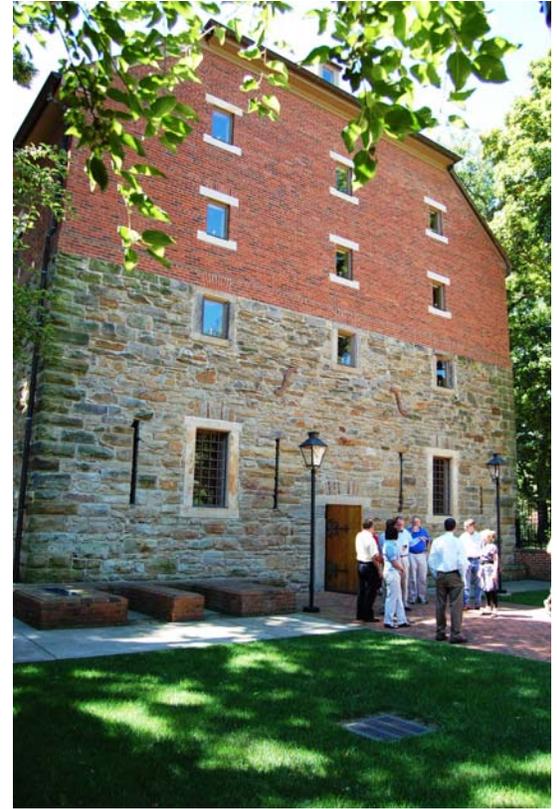
The three sponsors for the conference – Indiana University, Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, and the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology hope this will be the inaugural occurrence of what will become an exciting and regionally notable event. The sponsors and the local hosts, Historic New Harmony, the University of Southern Indiana, the Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites have been meeting for several months to collect ideas,

consider speakers, and examine venues. They are getting close to putting the finishing touches on a program of workshops, field sessions, plenary presentations, educational sessions, and tours that should be of wide interest.

So mark your calendar for Wednesday through Friday, April 7- 9, 2010 as the dates for the conference. Early spring in New Harmony – plan to take a long weekend, and enjoy tours to Evansville

Watch for information about speaker workshops, tours and more in the new issue of *Preserving Indiana*.

Left: New and Old New Harmony are just posed in this image of one of the Harmonist cabins in the forefront and the Richard Meier-designed Atheneum Visitor Center in the background. Right: New Harmony's Main Street will host a gallery tour during the conference and offer attendees many options for window shopping. (Photos DHPA).



Above: The Historic Preservation Review Board met at the Rapp Granary in New Harmony in July 2008. This magnificent space will be the site of some of the conference events. (Photo DHPA).





Preserving Archaeological Sites in Indiana

Amy Johnson, Senior Archaeologist

By far the majority of Indiana's over 56,000 currently recorded archaeological sites are located on private property. If you own land that contains sites, and are interested in preserving them in a more formal or permanent way for the future, there are several opportunities and options available to you, and a wealth of information which can be of assistance. For example, funds from the Indiana Heritage Trust may be used to purchase land from willing sellers to preserve and protect outstanding cultural and natural resources. The Sugar Loaf Mound in Vincennes, which is now protected as part of the Vincennes State Historic Sites, was acquired using Trust funds. To learn more details, go to www.in.gov/dnr/.

Another option to consider is The Archaeological Conservancy. This is a national non-profit organization that has acquired hundreds of archaeological sites in the nation. A Hoosier example of the Conservancy at work is the Goodall site. The following was included in the group's announcement regarding the site:

When told of the acquisition of the site, Dr. Mark Schurr [one of the archaeologists who has been researching and conducting investigations at this multi-mound complex] remarked, "The Goodall site is important not only as a major archaeological site, but also for its historical role in the development of archaeology in Indiana and the Great Lakes region. The purchase of this site by the Archaeological Conservancy is probably the most important event in the north-western Indiana archaeology since the original Government Land Office surveyors first described the Goodall site almost two centuries ago."

To learn more about The Archaeological Conservancy and the great accomplishments in preserving important sites of various historic and prehistoric types, go to:

www.archaeologicalconservancy.org/aawelcome.html.



Resources of many different kinds are available to assist someone who is interested in archaeological site preservation and stewardship on private property. The following web resources are examples of excellent places to begin:

www.nps.gov/history/hps/pad/strategy/; www.nps.gov/history/archeology/public/steward.htm; and www.nps.gov/history/archeology/pubs/techBr/tch22.htm.

Please join the continuing and collaborative efforts to protect our state's irreplaceable archaeological resources for future generations!

Above: Investigations by Indiana State University archaeologists determined that the Sugarloaf Mound is a natural feature that was used, but not made, by Native Americans. (Photo DHPA).

Courthouse Preservation Advisory Commission

James A. Glass, Director

In January, Governor Daniels appointed Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard of the Indiana Supreme Court to serve as the first chairperson of the Courthouse Preservation Advisory Commission, and planning began to start the work of the Commission. Other commission members include Kathy Beumer, County Commissioner from Randolph County; Brad Bumgardner, Executive Director of the Parke County Community Foundation; David Decker of Terre Haute as representative of the Indiana Association of Counties; Diana Hawes of Bloomington as the architectural historian member; Frederick Herget of Fishers, professional engineer member; and Ron Ross of Fort Wayne, licensed architect member. Serving ex officio are James A. Glass, Director, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology; Marsh Davis, President, Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, and David Terrell, Executive Director, Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. A county judge member is expected to be appointed by Chief Justice Shepard. The Commission was created by the Indiana General Assembly in 2008 to provide advice on the preservation and rehabilitation of historic courthouses in Indiana to county officials. The panel is also to prepare a report for the General Assembly assessing the benefits afforded to the people of each county by their historic courthouse and the need for rehabilitation, restoration, and maintenance of such structures. The Commission expects to hold its first meeting in early April.

The DHPA Gets *Inquisitive*

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Director, Special Initiatives

Each month over 50,000 students in Marion County and the seven contiguous counties read a publication about culture, the environment, science and health, finance, and leadership. The *Inquisitive Kids* magazine (and accompanying teachers' guide) helps 3rd, 4th and 5th graders learn more about their environment. This year, DHPA has provided content to the publication, so that as students learn about their world, the built environment is a part of the conversation.

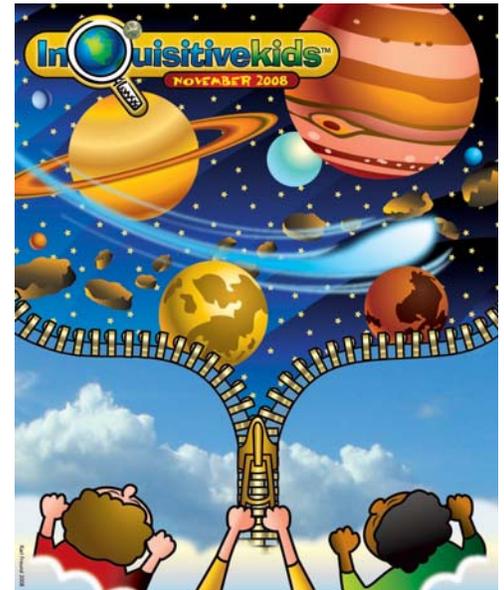
In 2008, DHPA provided topics on prehistoric cooking methods discovered through archaeology, the Underground Railroad, amusement parks, and getting kids involved in preservation projects.

The content DHPA provides is put into a fun, kid-friendly design by the *Inquisitive Kids* staff. In addition to providing content for the magazine, additional information and ways to get involved are provided to the teachers in an accompanying teachers' guide.

As part of the program, the DHPA staff has also been asked to talk to five schools about archaeology and being an archaeologist.

DHPA is excited to partner with *Inquisitive Kids*. It has provided a new venue for talking about preservation and archaeology, while giving us the opportunity and vehicle for talking to youth. Getting a 4th grader excited about preservation now makes them a preservationist for life.

To learn more about *Inquisitive Kids* or to become a content provider, contact them at 317-566-0525.



What Has HPF Done for Indiana Lately?

Steve Kennedy, Assistant Director; Malia Vanaman, Associate Grants Manager

Every spring, the DHPA compiles information on the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) activities around the state for Indiana's Senators and Representatives in Congress. Since the HPF budget is part of the Department of the Interior spending bill, Congress is responsible for voting on the amount that will be allocated to State Historic Preservation Offices and other preservation programs throughout the country. To communicate to our Congressional Delegation how the DHPA uses its share of the HPF allocation, the staff creates district profile sheets for each of the nine districts, which includes how much HPF money has been spent in the district over the last several years, how much local match the HPF

funds leveraged, and also highlights a particular project in that district. Senators Lugar and Bayh receive all nine of the district reports and each Senator and Representative also receives a statewide

snapshot fact sheet. The district and state profiles show how the DHPA works to be good stewards of federal funding and invest in the preservation of cultural resources around Indiana.

Did You Know...?

- Between 2000-2008, HPF has assisted 300 important local preservation projects in Indiana!
- Between 2000-2008, the federal investment of \$5.2 million has leveraged \$6.2 million in local match for a combined public-private investment of \$11.4 million in Indiana's cultural resources!
- For projects completed in 2008, \$1.00 of HPF money leveraged an average of \$1.40 in local matching funds. For building rehabilitation projects, \$1.00 of HPF money leveraged an average of \$1.80!
- In 2007, 81% of Indiana's HPF allocation went directly to grant recipients for local preservation and archaeology projects!



National Register Listings

Holly Tate, Architectural Historian

This list includes all properties and archaeological sites listed in the National Register of Historic Places between August 2008 and January 2009. The National Register is the nation's official list of historical and cultural properties that are worthy of preservation. The DHPA processes all National Register applications for Indiana properties. This list is arranged by county and includes the historic property name, period of significance, location, and areas of significance for which the property is eligible. For all sites in Indiana listed in the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.IN.gov/dnr/historic.

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**Indicates nominations that were completed as part of the DHPA and Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana's Historic Courthouse Initiative.

Adams County

**Adams County Courthouse, 1873-1957
Decatur
Architecture, Politics and Government

Benton County

**Benton County Courthouse, 1874-1957
Fowler
Architecture, Politics and Government

Daviess County

**Daviess County Courthouse, 1913-1958
Washington
Architecture, Politics and Government

Delaware County

Mount Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, 1836-1958
Eaton vicinity
Architecture, Exploration and Settlement

Greene County

**Greene County Courthouse, 1885-1958
Bloomfield
Politics and Government

Hamilton County

*Castor Farm Site
Archaeology

Robert L. Wilson House, c.1868-
c.1898
Noblesville
Architecture

Hancock County

Charles Barr House, 1893
Greenfield
Architecture

Howard County

*Kokomo Courthouse Square Historic District, 1870-1938
Kokomo
Architecture, Commerce, Community Planning and Development, Politics and Government

*Lake Erie and Western Depot Historic District, 1900-1958
Kokomo
Architecture, Commerce, Transportation

*Old Silk Stocking Historic District, 1848-1958
Kokomo
Architecture, Community Planning and Development

Lake County

Claude J. Rumsey House, c.1906
Lowell
Architecture



Madison County

Madison County Bridge No. 149,
c.1920
Pendleton
Engineering, Transportation

Newton County

**Newton County Courthouse, 1906-
1957
Kentland
Architecture, Politics and Government

Pike County

**Pike County Courthouse, 1920-
1958
Petersburg
Architecture, Politics and Government

Sullivan County

**Sullivan County Courthouse, 1926-
1958
Sullivan
Architecture, Politics and Government

REMEMBER!

Listing DOES:

Give a property prestige.
Provide eligibility to non-profit
properties for preservation grants.
Provide eligibility to home- and
business-owners for rehabilitation tax
credits.

Listing DOES NOT:

Prevent owners from altering their
property.
Restrict the use or sale of the
property.
Establish times the property
must be open to the public.

Questions?

**Call the DHPA National Register
staff: (317) 232-1646
or go to the DHPA Web site:
www.IN.gov/dnr/historic**

The interior of the Daviess County Courthouse features a barrel-vaulted upper corridor, a Doric-columned arcade, and an artglass skylight. (Photo DHPA).



Opposite page: Historic commercial buildings line the streets of the Kokomo Courthouse Square. Income-producing properties that are contributing resources in the district may now be eligible for state and federal rehabilitation tax credits. (Photo DHPA).

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citizens of Muncie and all Hoosiers has cast a national spotlight on Indiana's outstanding historic preservation community and programs, and we are very proud that a Hoosier was recognized as one of the first-ever recipients of this national honor."

Morgan was nominated for the award by staff of the DNR Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology. His award came in the "Certified Local Government" category, which includes city and county historic preservation offices. A community must meet certain criteria and submit a formal application in order to be designated by the National Park Service as a Certified Local Government (CLG) for purposes of carrying out certain preservation duties. The City of Muncie earned this distinction in 1996 and is one of 17 CLG communities in Indiana.

Creation of an annual awards program to recognize outstanding preservationists in various levels of government is mandated in Section 110(h) of the National Historic Preservation Act. Secretary Kempthorne and his staff established the awards program in 2008 to meet the longstanding obligation of the U.S. Department of the Interior. This awards program focuses on the accomplishments of individuals and not on the outcome of projects or programs. The award winners were selected based on efforts that far surpassed expectations of their job responsibilities and superior accomplishments that have helped achieve the goals of the National Historic Preservation Act.



Preservation in Progress: Indiana Historic Preservation Month 2009

Amy Walker, Architectural Historian

In the six years that the DHPA has been sponsoring events for Preservation Month, progress has definitely been made. What started out as a single week has grown to an entire month—allowing for more great activities, tours, and lectures highlighting historic preservation. More and more people are participating too! The entries in the DHPA's annual photo contest have almost doubled since the first year. The events for the online calendar have increased by over 65%. And there are now three exhibits of the photo contest entries during the month of May. This amazing growth in Preservation Month is because of people like YOU! Hoosiers are the ones taking photos, putting together events, and, best of all, participating in Preservation Month activities! Help keep the momentum going and make Preservation Month 2009 the best year yet. For more information about any of these events, go to www.IN.gov/dnr/historic.

Here's what the DHPA is doing:

- Creating a poster to commemorate Preservation in Progress
- Maintaining an online calendar of events
- Holding the 5th annual Preservation Month Photo Contest (deadline for submissions is April 15th) and corresponding exhibits at the Statehouse, Indianapolis Artsgarden, and IU-Southeast Library in New Albany
- Partnering again with INShape Indiana, the governor's fitness initiative, to bring you INShape in Historic Indiana—a series of walking tours to promote preservation and fitness. Registered events will receive free promotional items. (Deadline is April 24)

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applications are reviewed and considered on a quarterly basis. Eligible applicants include cities and towns, counties, distinct neighborhoods in cities with populations greater than 200,000, and federally recognized tribal communities.

Once designated, communities are eligible to apply for matching grants for projects that promote local preservation education and heritage tourism efforts. Grant funds must be matched dollar-for-dollar with non-federal funds. Grant requests must be at least \$20,000 but not more than \$250,000.

For more information about the Preserve America Program and to download the community designation application or grant application materials, please visit www.preserveamerica.gov/. Steve Kennedy and Malia Vanaman of the DHPA staff are available to assist communities with the application process.

At Muncie's 2008 Ribfest, the facades of the Walnut Street Historic District are reflected in the Industrial Trust and Savings Building (now Chase Bank). (Photo courtesy of Bill Morgan).



UPCOMING EVENTS

Check Preservation and Archaeology events at the DHPA's Web site: www.IN.gov/dnr/historic.

The **Central States Anthropological Society Conference** will be in Urbana-Champaign, IL from April 2-5, 2009. For more information go to: <http://groups.creighton.edu/csas/index.html>.

The **Society for American Archaeology Annual Conference** will be in Atlanta, GA from April 22-26, 2009. Go to www.saa.org for more information.

2009 Cultural Tourism Conference will be at the IUPUI Campus Center on Thursday, May 14 2009. For more information go to www.iupui.edu/~indyhper/cultural_tourism_conference/.

Historic Lincoln Highway Association 17th Annual Conference will be in South Bend, IN from June 16-20, 2009. For more information go to: www.lincolnhighwayassoc.org.

The next quarterly meetings of the **Indiana Freedom Trails** will be in April, July, and October 2009. Contact the DHPA for more information.

The next quarterly meetings of the **Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board** will be April 22 and July 22, 2009. Contact the DHPA for more information.

Freedom Trails at the Crossroads: 3rd Annual National Underground Railroad Summit to be held in Indianapolis

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Director, Special Initiatives

After ten years, Indiana's Underground Railroad research community is strong; with well-documented research and stories of Hoosiers and those enslaved Africans who came through Indiana – sometimes finding help, other times finding capture. This history will be highlighted at the 3rd annual National Underground Railroad Summit September 16 – 19, 2009.

This year's conference takes its cue from the host city, Indianapolis, often referred to as the "Crossroads of America" and explores the Underground Railroad as a meeting point and zone of contact where cultures, geographies, regions, races, ethnicities, religious and political ideologies, met and interacted. In addition to exploring past Underground Railroad connections, the conference seeks to explore ways in which present day interest in the story of the Underground Railroad transcends local history in favor of making national connections with global significance.

The four day conference will feature pre and post-conference events, exhibits, speakers, and workshops. It will be hosted at the Hilton- Indianapolis North.

The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology is a proud sponsor of the event. To learn more about the conference, contact the DHPA at 317-234-1268.

Upcoming Workshops

Jeannie Regan-Dinius, Director, Special Initiatives

Cemetery Preservation

The Indiana Historical Society and the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology will co-sponsor a two-day beginners workshop on cemetery preservation on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2 or Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3 in Indianapolis. The workshop will cover cemetery laws (what you can and cannot do in the cemetery), probing regulations for finding hidden stones, basic cemetery care, global positioning systems, cemetery symbolism, tombstone cleaning, and appropriate methods for repairing cracks and breaks.

For more information about the workshop or to register (registrations are required), contact Jeannette Rooney in the Local History Services Department of the Indiana Historical Society at 317-232-1882.

Participants at the Beginner's Cemetery Preservation Workshop learn proper methods and products to clean gravestones and have the opportunity to put their skills to work during a supervised hands-on session. (Photo DHPA).



Hoosier Diversity

The Indiana State Museum, Indiana Historical Bureau, and the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology are co-sponsoring a workshop for teachers titled "Multicultural Indiana: Teaching about Hoosier Diversity" on Friday, June 26, 2009 from 9 – 4 at the Indiana State Museum.

Indiana history has been shaped by the presence and dedication of racially, economically, and culturally diverse groups of men and women. This workshop will introduce educators to the state's diverse history and its impact on Indiana's development and architecture.

Educators may receive CRU credit through Indiana University School of Education in Bloomington.

To learn more about the workshop or to register, contact Joanna Hahn at the Indiana State Museum at 317-232-8293.



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