

98 West Broadway News

Recently I had the privilege of touring our new storage facility, 98 West Broadway. It is so exciting to see the progress that is being made and the plans that the Board has for its use!

Every room has been designated for storage items, whether it be *The Danville Gazette* and *The Republican* archives, children's clothing and toys from yesteryear, old photographs, or Dancing with the Hendricks County Stars items!

There is much work to be done to organize our overabundance

of "history" that has so wonderfully been donated to us. If you would like to help, just contact the Museum, museum@co.hendricks.in.us, or call 317-718-6158. There is always a spot for you at YOUR Museum

—Emily Hansen



Newspaper archives were brought up from the Museum basement, painstakingly cleaned, and now rest in a better environment at 98 West Broadway!!



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Hendricks County Historical Museum News

February 2021

The mission of the Hendricks County Historical Museum is to collect, preserve and interpret items relating to the people, places and events of Hendricks County and to stimulate public interest in the heritage of the county through education, exhibits and special programs.

President's Message

The Hendricks County Historical Museum ended 2020 with a beautiful Candlelight tour. Although we didn't have as many visitors as in 2019, it was more than on a regular December Saturday, even before the pandemic, and we saw lots of Christmas spirit that evening. I hope the tour becomes a new tradition for the Museum.

We will continue to look for new opportunities to share the Museum and the history of our County. What do our items tell us? What is the story behind them? I have always been interested in the daily lives of those who came before us. I don't believe in the saying "nothing happened here". *Life* happened here!

I am looking forward to the rest of 2021, with hopefully less restrictions and sadness, and a chance to see all of you and many more visitors. If you have an area of interest to share with us, or some great ideas for the future, drop us a line, email, or call us. Our strength is that we are the "Friends" of the Museum, not some impersonal governing board, so thank you Friends, and join us this year for more adventures.



The Museum reopens on March 5th
In the meantime, find us on Facebook and Instagram

—Pat Baldwin, Museum Board President

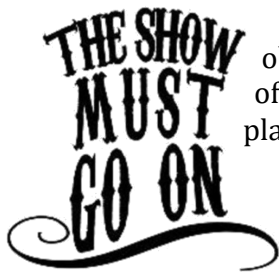
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Dancing with the Hendricks County Stars ~~2020~~ 2021?

In 2015 the Museum had its first DWHCS event. Having grown exponentially each year, it all came to a screeching halt in 2020 before our second planned date in August.

In January 2020, we scheduled our April 2021 date, which has now been changed to August 21, as dancers need to begin lessons about 3 months before the event. Among all our life lessons this year, we have learned to be “light on our feet” (yes, pun intended) in moving forward.



Ever the optimist, I have already obtained my first items for the ever-popular silent auction. I’m an avid fan of our state parks, having already visited four this winter with another trip planned. So, I have purchased state park items for the silent auction.

Our DWHCS committee will carefully plan for this most anticipated event with a mind-set that the “Show must go on”!
Watch our website for updates! —Deanna Hindsley, Event Coordinator



- Which of Hendricks County’s Townships is largest in area?
- Where is Montclair located?
- Which township has Hendricks County’s highest hills?
- What was the Pikes Peak Ocean to Ocean Highway?
- What Indiana Governor lived in Danville?
- What town was once called the county’s center for education and style?

(Go to www.hendrickscountymuseum.org to find the answers!)



One of several new additions to be on display when the Museum opens in March is this beautiful cello, made probably in the 1930s or ‘40s by Hendricks County resident Howard Romine who was a woodworker, not a luthier (maker of musical instruments.)

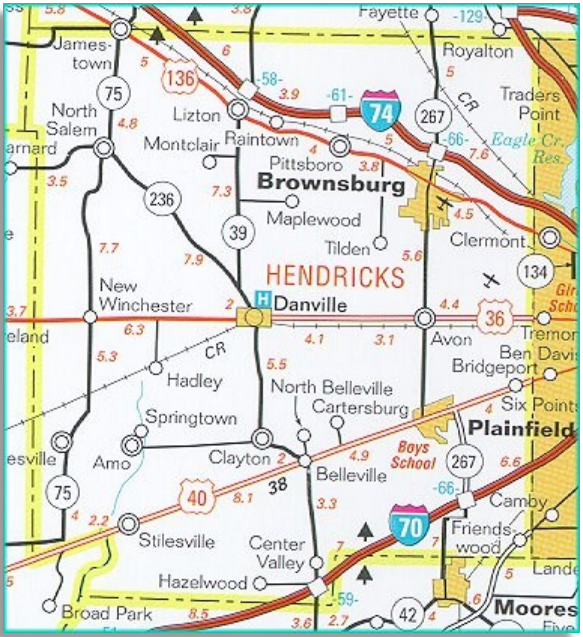
Hendricks County Townships to be on display

In 2019-20, one of the Museum’s temporary exhibits featured five of Hendricks County’s townships: Brown, Guilford, Liberty, Lincoln, and Middle. We are currently preparing exhibits for the remaining seven townships. When the Museum reopens this March, we will feature Center, Clay, Eel River, Franklin, Marion, Union, and Washington Townships. We would love your help. If you have interesting information, pictures, items, or just ideas about something to include for these townships, please let us know. Call us at 317-718-6158 or email us at hcmuseum@co.hendricks.in.us.

The new display will also feature three U.S. highways that pass through our county and our featured townships. Highways 40, 36, and 136 all played a part in the development of our county and our country. All three have a story to tell.

Can you match the town with the township?

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| Brown | Clayton |
| Center | New Winchester |
| Clay | Plainfield |
| Eel River | Brownsburg |
| Franklin | Avon |
| Guilford | Pittsboro |
| Liberty | Stilesville |
| Lincoln | Lizton |
| Marion | Danville |
| Middle | North Salem |
| Union | Amo |
| Washington | |



For answers, go to www.hendrickscountymuseum.org



This past school semester we had an intern from IUPUI as he was doing Museum Studies, and he is returning this semester, much to our pleasure! James assisted us with our accessions, organizing items, moving items and doing tours. Other young people we appreciate are Samantha, Audrey, Olivia, Luke, and Ben. Volunteers of all ages are encouraged at your Museum.

Thank you to our gracious donors!

This past year a popular display featured was of the Hendricks County Postal Service. We would like to thank Bill Hartung for loaning the Museum his pre-1936 postage cage of Danville. We appreciate the support given to the Museum by the community.



Recently we were able to accept a corner shelf, a beautiful bedroom suite, night table and other items from Millie Eaton of Brownsburg. Accepting these items was possible due to our storage at 98 West Broadway.

This 1940 New Winchester Warriors letter sweater was donated by Ray McVey. It will be featured with the Marion Township display.



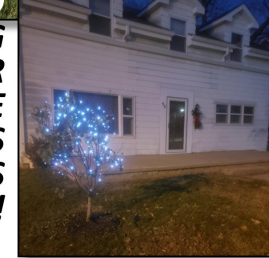
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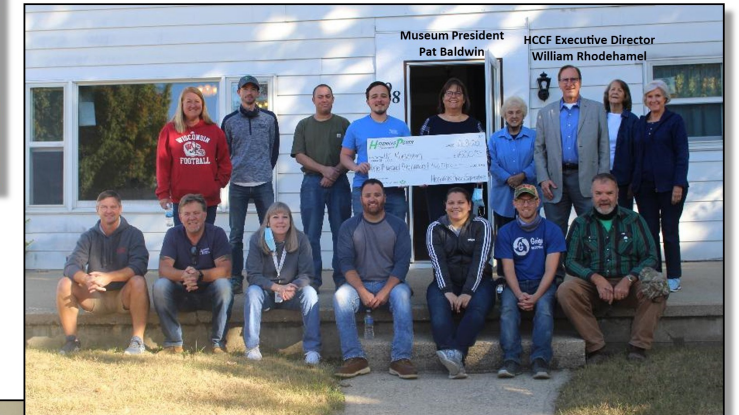
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Candlelight Tour



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