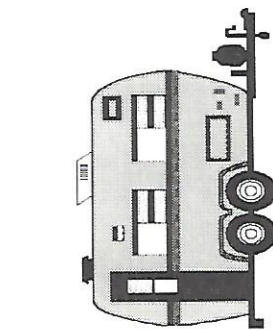


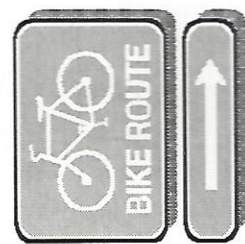
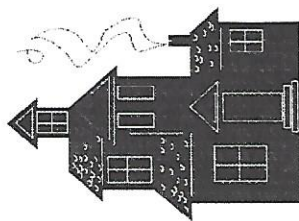
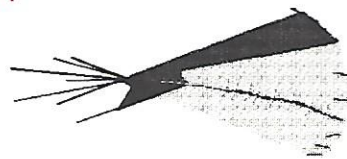
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In this, her 1st book, she tells you how to find free fun places to visit in Indiana. Over a hundred fun sites including museums, nature centers, art museums, and factory tours are available for your family to enjoy in the great state of Indiana.

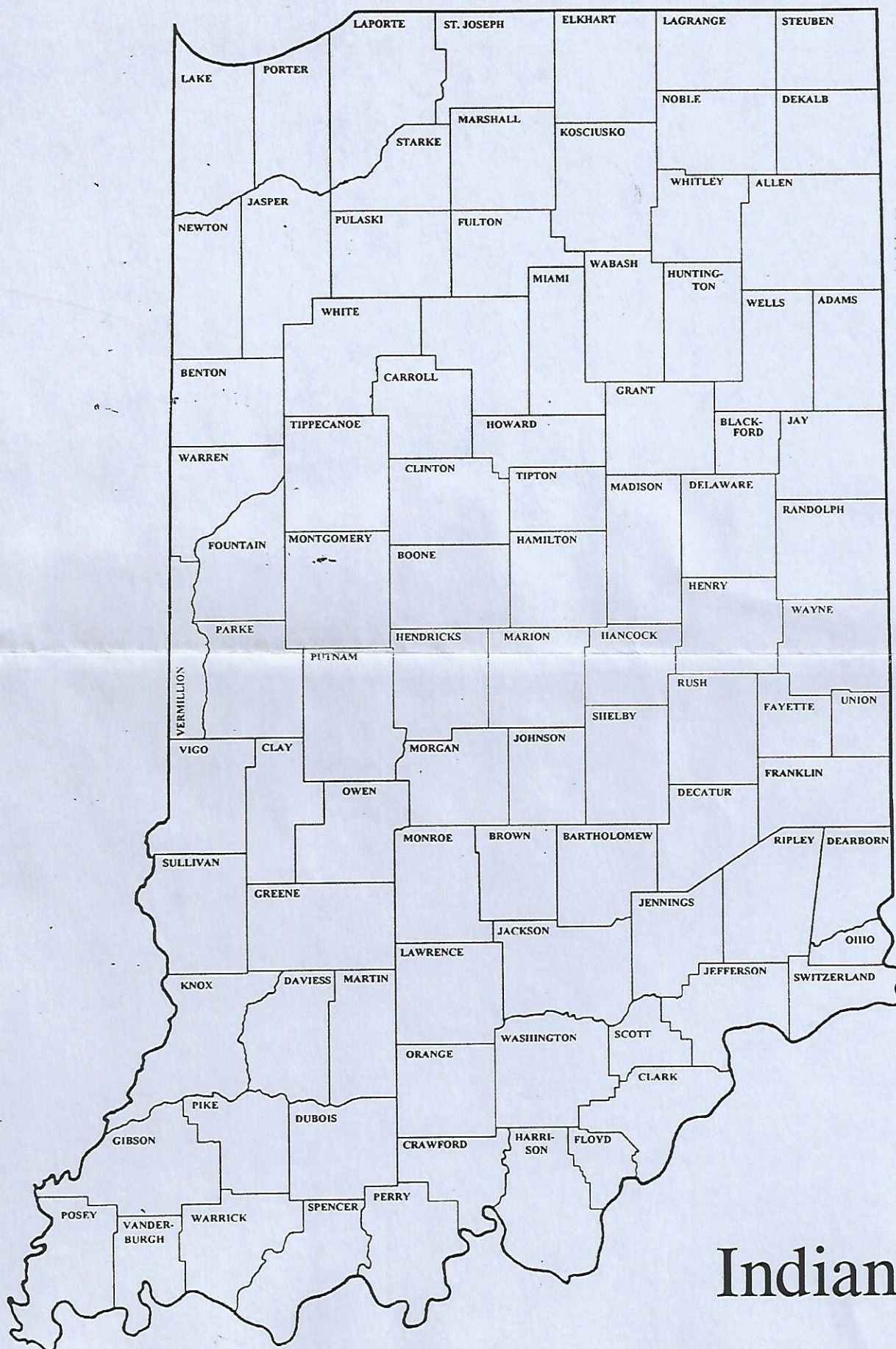
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DEDICATION

I wish to thank my Heavenly Father, without Him life on this earth would be meaningless.
"I can do ALL things through Christ which strengthens me".
Philippians 4:13

To Bob, my best friend, a major part of this business but never wants any credit, always content to be in the background, thanks for keeping the Diet Coke coming these past 4 months. Honey, after 20 years you're still the one and we are STILL having fun.

To Michael and David, you make me laugh you make me cry and I can't imagine my life without you, I feel so fortunate that God gave you to me even for a little while.

To Mom, thanks for giving me roots and keeping me grounded, thanks for teaching me that I was just as good as anyone else. Most of all thanks for not making us kids feel as if we were poor, and teaching me that Frugality was another way of living.

To Mom and Dad Babcock, thanks for your support and ALWAYS treating me like your own daughter.

To Tracey Horth, WRTV, Indianapolis I am forever in your debt and you and I both know it. THANKS for giving me a chance.

How To Use This Book

Every attempt has been made to be as accurate as possible, hundreds of hours have been spent verifying information. As of June 1996 we believe all this information to be accurate, you may find some things have changed. Almost every sight has a phone # listed we encourage you to call ahead and verify information.

The cheapest way to use this book is to find a place that is interesting to you to visit and then try calling the Visitors Bureau 800 # listed for a copy of a brochure telling you more information about the site. I have found the people at the Bureaus to be very helpful and very willing to go out of their way to help with vacation plans. They will send you a heap of brochures just for the asking.

We Need Your Help

If you visit a place that is FREE and FUN that is not listed in this book please call or write to us and let us know about it. If we use your information we will send you a FREE updated version of the book in June of 1997.

Donations

Although every site listed in here is FREE except for the few we have listed in our Spendthrift section in the back. Most of these museums survive on donations from the public, we do encourage you to donate according to the means that God has given you.

Art Museums

Many art museums display some art that may be objectionable to some people. Please use your own discretion and call ahead to find out if there may be any art you may find offensive.

Hot Tips For Hotel Savings

Negotiating a cheaper hotel rate is not as difficult as it may seem. In issue # 6 I explained how our family had saved \$45.00 on our hotel over a three day stay. We were able to save that money by staying a little farther away from our destination than we had planned to. This is one method to cutting down on the cost of the hotel. Negotiating a cheaper rate either when you make the reservations or upon checking into the hotel are two other ways.

On our most recent stay in a hotel here is how our negotiations went:

Upon approaching the front desk I asked "Could you please tell me how much your rooms are for the evening 2 adults, 2 children, non-smoking room?" "\$85.00 plus tax, but we have no more non-smoking rooms left." I said, "Of course, you will discount the room for the inconvenience of having to take a smoking room." "Yes, of course, we could lower the price of the room to \$75.00 plus tax." I asked if they offered any national discounts. They didn't take any of the cards I had but they did give me the discount anyway which brought the price down to \$70.00 plus tax. I said that still seemed too expensive to me but I would go and talk to my husband.

He was waiting outside the door in the car and I knew from

the inside of the hotel lobby that they could see his face. When I went out to the car I told Bob how much the hotel was, as I was talking to Bob I told him to shake his head vigorously. When I went back inside I told them my husband said that we couldn't afford to pay more than \$60.00 including the tax. The desk clerk looked at the manager who nodded his ok. The clerk said she didn't know how to handle that large of a discount, so the manager waited on me. As we were taking care of the paper work I noticed that two other customers came into the hotel and paid the \$85.00 plus tax without even asking for any discount.

Upon checking out the next morning I asked if most people ask for discounts as I had. I was told that only about 1/3 of the people checking into their hotel ask for a discount however, the hotel always gives one if the customer asks for it.

Things to consider before negotiating the hotel rate:

1. Look at the parking lot before entering the hotel, does it look full or almost empty?
(An almost empty parking lot means your negotiating power is greater.)
2. Are you checking in on the weekend or during the week?
(Hotels are more anxious to negotiate during the week than they are on the weekend.)
3. Always ask for a discount. The word no doesn't hurt a bit.
4. Ask for a lower level room, if they have none and you are asked to climb stairs with suitcases ask for a discount for your inconvenience.
5. If you are checking in late say after 10:00p.m. ask for a discount since you won't be using the room as long as someone who checked in at 4:00p.m.
6. If you are traveling with someone over 55 have them purchase the room and ask for the Senior Citizen's discount.

7. Negotiate only with the manager, he/she is the only one who is able to discount the room substantially.
8. Upon checking into your room if there is something wrong with your room ask for another room and a discount for having to move all your suitcases.
9. Ask for a discount if you pay for your room with cash.
10. If you decide to make your reservations ahead of time, if there are any problems at all, example: if they loose the reservations and they offer to put you up at an alternative hotel, ask for the room for free or greatly reduced price.
11. Ask for a discount if you don't get the kind of room you would like say a smoking room when you really wanted a non-smoking room.
12. Ask for a discount if you plan on spending more than one night. It is like the typical "group rate".
13. If your stay is unpleasant in any way, (Example: a pinball machine located outside your room keeping you up all night.) ask for a discount for your lack of sleep.
14. If your stay was unpleasant and you did not receive satisfaction from the managment write to the president of the company.

Gasoline Savings

Recently in Indiana gasoline reached the unbelievable price of \$1.19 per gallon and the price seems to be rising with no end in sight. Let's take this opportunity to review some of the ways that you can help to stretch your gasoline dollar as much as possible.

I talked recently with Stephany Hinds, of AAA who was kind enough to share some of the tips the AAA came up with from their headquarters located in Heathrow, Florida. Some of these ideas you will already know, some of them you may not. We can all learn something.

1. Keep your tires inflated properly. You can lose 2% or more of your car's gasoline efficiency by having tires that are improperly inflated.
2. Get rid of unnecessary weight from back seat, trunk, and top of the car..
3. Do not allow your car to sit idling for more than one minute. After that one minute has passed it is then cheaper to turn the car off and restart it.
4. Accelerate the car slowly and avoid quick hard stops.
5. Use air conditioning sparingly.
6. Check engine oil level to make sure engine is running efficiently.
7. Calculate your fuel economy performance
8. Do not purchase Mid-grade or premium grade gasoline. AAA studies have shown they do not help your car to run any better or help you to use less gas.
9. Fill up at the self serve pump. The studies that AAA have done show that you can save an average of 24 cents per gallon across the country.
10. Combine trips carefully. Ask a friend to pick up that gallon of milk if they are going to the store.
11. I have recently had success with coasting. When going down a hill I take my foot off the gas and coast down the hill. When getting ready to stop at a stop sign I try to plan ahead and take my foot off the gas early.

Listing Of Convention Visitors Bureau By County

ALLEN COUNTY	800-767-7752
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY	800-468-6564
BROWN COUNTY	800-753-3255
CLARK COUNTY	800-552-3842
DELAWARE COUNTY	800-568-6862

ELKHART COUNTY
 FLOYD COUNTY
 GRANT COUNTY
 HAMILTON COUNTY
 HARRISON COUNTY
 HENRY COUNTY
 HOWARD COUNTY
 HUNTINGTON COUNTY
 JEFFERSON COUNTY
 JENNINGS COUNTY
 KOSCIUSKO COUNTY
 LA GRANGE COUNTY
 LAKE COUNTY
 LA PORTE COUNTY
 MADISON COUNTY
 MARION COUNTY (INDPLS)
 MARSHALL COUNTY
 MISHAWAKA COUNTY
 MONROE COUNTY
 MONTGOMERY COUNTY
 PARKE COUNTY
 PORTER COUNTY
 PUTNAM COUNTY
 STEUBEN COUNTY
 SWITZERLAND COUNTY
 TIPPECANOE COUNTY
 VANDERBURG COUNTY
 VIGO COUNTY
 WABASH COUNTY
 WAYNE COUNTY

800-262-8161
 800-552-3842
 800-662-9474
 800-776-8687
 812-738-2137
 800-676-4302
 800-837-0971
 800-848-4282
 800-559-2956
 800-928-3667
 800-800-6090
 800-254-8090
 800-255-5253
 800-634-2650
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 800-800-0037
 800-866-3973
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 800-283-8687
 800-829-4639
 800-525-3101
 800-435-5688
 800-872-6648
 800-433-3025
 800-366-3043
 800-563-1169
 800-828-8414

ADAMS COUNTY

Limberlost

200 6th street on highway 27
 Geneva Indiana 46740
 219-368-7428

Limberlost is named for the nearby swamp, it is the Geneva home of author, naturalist and photographer Gene Stratton - Porter. Mrs. Porter's home is filled with period furnishings. The recent restoration of the dining room and bedroom now make them the highlights of the tour.

The museum is open on Tuesday thru Saturday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM The hours of the museum on Sunday are from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. It is closed on Mondays and some holidays.

ALLEN COUNTY

Sechler's Fine Pickles

5686 State Route 1
 St. Joe, IN 46785
 219-337-5461

Ralph Sechler started making pickles in the basement of his home in 1921. The same house now houses the plant offices. The family owned business is now being run by the third generation of Sechlers. A tour of Sechler's shows you how farm-fresh cucumbers become flavored sliced pickles.

Follow the process from the grading room where the cucumbers are graded according to size. From the grading room the cucumbers are sent to the tank where they are placed in large pickle vats where a salt brine is added. The tanks are

closed and the pickles stay there for at least 10 weeks. Then the cucumbers move on to the processing room where the pickles are cooked in 110-140 degree water for 24 hours to remove some of the salt. After 7 to 10 more days of processing the pickles are sent on to be hand packed into large jars. From there the pickles are vacuum packed and machine sealed.

Plan to stay 30 minutes for the tour and tasting, plus time for the showroom. Be sure to pick up your free jar of pickles and sample all the different varieties in the showroom. No reservations needed except for groups over 6.

The plant is open year round Monday through Friday 8:30 AM-4:30 PM, Saturdays from 8:30 A.M.to 12:00 . Closed major holidays.

ALLEN COUNTY

Allen County Public Library
900 Webster Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46801
219-424-7241

Ever want to find out about your ancestry? This is the perfect place. Indiana is fortunate to have the library with the second largest genealogy collection in the nation. Now you can really find out if you were related to George Washington or John Dillinger.

The Library is open Monday thru Thursday 9:00A.M. to 9:00P.M. Friday and Saturday 9:00A.M. to 6:00P.M. and Sunday 1:00P.M. to 6:00P.M.

ALLEN COUNTY

GTE Telephone Museum
303 E. Berry Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802
219-428-8767

Erected in 1974 this museum chronicles the development of the telephone and it's impact on our society. Displays include a large collection of telephones, switchboards, switches , meters, wire and cable dating to the infancy of the telecommunications industry.

The museum is open Tuesday through Friday 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M.

ALLEN COUNTY

Perfection Bakeries
350 Pearl Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802
219-424-8245 or 800-347-7373 (ext. 89)

Perfection Bakeries has about 30 production employees who make 180,000 loaves of bread per day. This tour shows you high-speed bread-making at it's most mechanized. Every 10 minutes 2,000 pounds of dough drops into mushy globs of dough into a machine which separates it into soft-ball-size portions. Once these balls fall into baking pans they are then sent into the oven for an 18 minute baking time, then they travel on an overhead conveyer belt for a one mile cooling trip. While the bread is still warm it is sliced and packaged to help the bread keep the moisture that keeps the loaf fresh.

Groups of 7 are taken on the tours. Reservations are suggested or you must join a group already formed. Plan to stay 1 & 1/2 hours for the talk on history, video, factory tour and sampling. Be sure to enjoy your sample of warm bread with jam and margarine and get your gift package of promotional items.

No photographs allowed, and this is a bakery so it is warm especially in the summertime.

Tours available on Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays at 9:00AM. Closed on some Holidays.

ALLEN COUNTY

Seyfert's Snack Food Tour
1001 Paramount Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46808
219-483-9521

Tours are given on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays at 9:00A.M. to 10:30A.M. and 12:00 to 1:30P.M. Watch the way some of your favorite snacks are made. The tour lasts one hour. At the end of the tour you will be given a Seyfert snack product.

ALLEN COUNTY

Fort Wayne Newspapers
600 W. Main Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46801
219-461-8274

Take a tour through the inner workings of the Fort Wayne Newspaper. The route includes visits to the advertising, circulation, marketing, plate making presses and warehouse departments along with two newsrooms. Plan to spend about one hour on this informational trip.

Tours are given on Wednesdays at 10:00AM and 12:30P.M. and on Fridays at 10:00A.M. Stairs are included but handicap accessibility is available upon request. Children must be at least in the third grade. It is requested that one adult accompany every 5 students.

To schedule a tour contact Karen Snyder at 219-461-8274
All tours must be reserved and scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

ALLEN COUNTY

Located in the Fort Wayne International Airport
Greater Fort Wayne Aviation Museum
Fort Wayne, IN 46809
219-747-4775 Information about museum.

Take the self guided tour of the aviation museum that contains scrapbooks, photographs, letters, medals, model airplanes and engines pertaining to early aviation in northeast Indiana. Here you will learn more about the World War I Ace. Lt. Paul Baer, and Art Smith, Fort Wayne's Bird Boy. The tour could take anywhere from 30 minutes to one hour depending on your love of aviation.

The museum is open from 7:00A.M. to 10:00P.M. daily.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY

Indianapolis Museum of Art
Columbus Gallery
390 The Commons
Columbus, IN 47201
812-376-2597

The Indianapolis Museum of Art Columbus Gallery is a satellite gallery of the Indianapolis Museum of art which opened its doors in 1974. Art lovers will enjoy the more than 3,000 square feet of art work from artists residing from home and abroad.

The museum is open Tuesday thru Saturday 10:00AM to 5:00PM. Fridays 10:00A.M. to 8:00P.M. Sunday 12:00-4:00PM. The museum is closed on Mondays and major holidays.

BLACKFORD COUNTY

Blackford County History Museum
321 N. High Street
Hartford City, IN 47348
317-348-2726 Dwight Mikkelsen

The Blackford County Historical Society acquired the two story brick home of Dr. Burns to house their museum. Some of the items that you will find at the museum an old fashioned barbers chair, button collection, hair wreaths, tile collection, old camera equipment, and much, much more.

The museum is open on Sundays from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. You may see the museum at other times by making an appointment.

BOONE COUNTY

Donaldson's Country Home Candy Shoppe
600 South State Road 39 & Interstate 65
Lebanon, IN 46052
317-482-3334

This Candy Shoppe has been a family owned business for the past 32 years, their candies have been shipped all over the world. At the Home Candy Shoppe you can watch candy, chocolates, and fudge being made in large copper kettles. Some candy is then processed on marble slabs. Free samples are given at the end of the demonstration. A guided tour is available by appointment only.

The Country Candy Shoppe is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M.

BROWN COUNTY

T.C. Steele
4220 South T.C. Steele Road
Nashville, IN 47448
812-988-2785

T.C. Steele was a famous impressionist artist. His home, studio, and many works of art are bound to impress any art lover. Guided tours are available. Experience firsthand the landscapes that Steel captured on canvas as you walk along several of the artist's favorite trails in beautiful scenic Brown County.

The museum is open on Tuesday thru Saturday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. On Sunday you will find the museum open from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. The museum is closed on Mondays and some holidays.

CASS COUNTY

Cass County Historical Society Museum
1004 E. Market
Logansport, IN 46947
219-753-3866

Spend several hours visiting the three floors of artifacts depicting life in Cass County and learn more about Logansport history from 1828 to the present. Be sure to visit the log cabin, barn, and carriage house. Also included at the museum are photographs, family records, newspaper accounts and some genealogy material.

Visit the museum Tuesday through Saturday from 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. The museum is closed on some holidays.

CLINTON COUNTY

Frito Lay Factory Tour
323 S. County Road 300 West
Frankfort, IN 46041
317-659-6519 Naomi Ferrel

During this 45 minute factory tour you will watch the receiving department bring in the potatoes and corn into the plant where it is then cleaned, peeled and cooked. You will also be able to see firsthand the packaging of the product. Next the product is palletized for shrink wrapping where it is either stored or shipped out to your local store. Some of the products that you may be able to see being processed are Doritos, Tostitos, Fritos, Ruffles, Cheetoes. Taste a free sample of the product at the end of your tour.

Tour groups of 40 are given tours on every other Wednesday 8:00A.M. to 12:30 P.M. By appointment only. Most school groups take tours in the winter months. There is more space available during the summer months, but tours book far in advance so call ahead.

You must be over the age of 6 to take this tour.

DAVIES COUNTY

The Graham Cheese Co.
Hwy 57 N.
Elmora, IN
812-692-5237

The Graham Cheese Co. has been supplying Indiana with cheese since 1928. The family-owned business welcomes visitors to watch the entire milk to cheese process. Several cheeses are made, and after the tour free samples are offered.

DEARBORN COUNTY

Red Wolf Sanctuary
P.O. Box 235
Dillsboro, IN 47018
812-667-5303

The Red Wolf Sanctuary is located on 23 acres that has been set aside as a wildlife sanctuary. The 10 year old sanctuary takes in sick and injured wildlife from all over the country. Currently making their home at the sanctuary, there is a mountain lion, red and gray wolves, coyotes and foxes. Contact the Sanctuary to arrange a tour.

ELKHART COUNTY

Holiday Rambler RV Factory Tour
65906 State Road 19
Wakarusa, IN 46573
(219) 862-7211

After your guide tells you about the company's history and the production of premium recreational vehicles, you'll visit the factory floor to watch the construction of motorized and towable RV's. Holiday Rambler has over 800 employees that work on the RV's as they move down the line. All cabinets and furnishings are made on the premises. Peek inside at the wood cabinetry and stylish upholstery. You will be reminded more of a luxury hotel than wilderness.

Days and Hours: Monday-Friday, 10:00 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. During winter hours tours are given at 1:30P.M. only (November through April) Closed holidays, week between Christmas and New Year's , and first 2 weeks in July. Plan to stay 2 hours. No small children are allowed on the tours. At the end of the tour you will be given literature about the company along with a Holiday Rambler pen.

ELKHART COUNTY

RV/MH History Hall of Fame
801 Benham Avenue
Elkhart, IN
219-293-2344

Here you can see the growth, history and accomplishments of the recreational vehicles and manufactured housing industries. In a 15,000 square foot display area that houses historical units, photos and memorabilia dating back to the

1920's. Exhibits depict the evolution of production and manufacturing practice the public gets a first hand glimpse of the triumphs of nearly a century of industry growth.

You may tour the museum Monday through Friday 9:00A.M. through 4:00P.M.

ELKHART COUNTY

Jayco RV Factory Tour
58075 State Road 13 South
Middlebury, IN 46540
(219) 825-5861

About 80% of Jayco's 1,000 workers are Amish, their dedication to quality will be evident to you as you travel through the factory tour. You will see workers attach white-pine sidewalls, cover the wood with glue, and install the inside paneling. Next, they lay the carpeting and linoleum. Look up and you'll see the cabinet shops above the plant floor. Wood from the mill room is assembled into cabinets. Towards the end of the trailer's construction, workers attach the roof. Your tour's final highlight is the sewing department where the curtains and upholstery are designed and produced.

After seeing this one hour tour you will clearly see why millions of Americans each year enjoy "Roughing it".

Days and Hours: Monday -Friday at 1:30 P.M. Summer hours June-August there is also a 9:30 A.M. tour available. Closed holidays, 4th of July week, and the week between Christmas and New Year's.

ELKHART COUNTY

Woodlawn Nature Center
604 Woodlawn Avenue
Elkhart, IN 46515
219-264-0525

In the nature center you will find prehistoric fossils, animal specimens, a working bee hive, nests and eggs, Ice Age Indiana Exhibit, seashell display and Native American artifacts. Many historic items that are from the original people of this area will also be found here. A unique part of the museum is a way to observe the birds, squirrels, rabbits and other critters through a one way window. A well hidden outside microphone also allows you to hear them.

The Nature center is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30A.M. to 4:30 P.M. and by appointment.

ELKHART COUNTY

Evelyn Lehman Culp Heritage Center
Located Inside the Nappanee Public Library
157 N. Main
Nappanee, IN 46550
219-773-7919

The collection contains items relating to the history of Nappanee, from 1860 to the present. In the Heritage Center some of the more popular pieces found are an Amish Sleigh, Capps kitchen from the 1800's, Lamb Brothers Lamps, and cartoon exhibits from area cartoonists.

The Library is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00A.M. to 9:00P.M., Fridays from 9:00A.M. to 5:30P.M., Saturday

from 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M., Sundays from 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. You may visit the Heritage Center any day the Library is open.

ELKHART COUNTY

Elkhart County Historical Museum
304 W. Vistula
Bristol, IN 46507
219-848-4322

An old school building is the setting for the Elkhart County Historical Museum. Here you will find 13 different display areas covering the two story building. One setting depicts what a one room school probably looked like at one time. A furnished Victorian room shows what life was like during that era. Boys and girls alike will enjoy visiting the railroad depot. Be sure to take a look in the barn next to the renovated schoolhouse to see what a blacksmith used as the tools of his trade.

The museum is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. Sundays the museum is open from 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M.

ELKHART COUNTY

Bonneyville Mill Park
53373 County Road 131
Bristol, IN 46507
219-825-9324

This 164 year old water powered Turbine Grist Mill is full of character. The mill grinds things mostly on the weekends, very little grinding is done during the week. This mill is

located in a park that is very well kept providing picnic tables, playground equipment, and nature trails for your enjoyment.

The mill is open 7 days a week 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. May 1st to October 31st.

The park is open year round.

ELKHART COUNTY

Wakarusa Historical Museums
408 Walbash Ave.
Wakarusa, IN 46573
219-862-4407

There are numerous buildings for you to explore. A railroad Depot, Coach car and Caboose are just some of the railroad train cars you can board. Also available on the site is a collection of over 200 dolls from a collection that started in the early 1900's. A whole collection of clothes from the 1860's including dresses, hats, shoes, hoop skirts and much more shows you the fashionable way to dress way back when.

Climb aboard an old fashioned fire truck, visit a doctor's office, learn what a one-room school house was like in days gone by. A very large building contains many antiques for antique lovers to enjoy. An old windmill and several old cars from the 1940's should be admired by all.

A tour of all of the buildings that are located here should take hours.

The only scheduled time the Museums are open is the 4th Sunday of each month from 2:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. The

people who run these museums are more than helpful and very willing to schedule a tour of the museum almost any day of the week. They give tours each year to thousands of school children. Don't miss this one!

FAYETTE COUNTY

Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary
7 miles southwest of Connersville on
County Road 350S.
Connersville, IN
317-825-9788
317-827-0908

Located on 684 acres of wildlife preserve is the Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary operated by the Indiana Audubon Society. The Sanctuary is a beautiful and restful scenic area which is used by many visitors for picnicking and walking as well as bird watching. Many improvements to the property have been made including a combination library and museum, ponds, a shelter house and several miles of foot trails. There is a full-time naturalist on duty to answer any of your questions.

FAYETTE COUNTY

Reynolds Museum
315 S. Vine Street
Connersville, IN 47331
317-825-5325 Harry Smith

The Fayette county history museum has a collection of Indian, pioneer tools and implements, White water Canal

material, minerals, civil war relics, historic exhibits and automobile artifacts housed in a remodeled church building.

You may visit the museum on Sundays from 2:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. To visit the museum at another time you may schedule an appointment with Mr. Harry Smith.

FAYETTE COUNTY

Canal House
111 E. 4th Street
Connersville, IN 47331
317-825-5325 Harry Smith
317-825-2744 William Morrett

The Canal House was built in 1842 as the headquarters for the White water Valley Canal Company. This Doric structure is considered to be the finest example of Greek Revival Architecture in the State of Indiana. The Fayette county historical society has restored the living room, dining room, kitchen, and entrance hall with period pieces.

You may visit the museum by appointment only.

FAYETTE COUNTY

Elmhurst or "The Old Elm Farm"
779 S. State Road 121
Connersville, IN 47331

317-825-2587 Coy Powell
317-825-5365 Alan Arnold

This mansion was built in 1831 by the Honorable Oliver Smith, and later occupied by Caleb Smith who was the Secretary of the Interior under President Lincoln. Later, the property was obtained by James Huston, a Senator and United States Treasurer under Benjamin Harrison. The Hustons are said to have entertained the President and Mrs. Harrison here on several occasions.

Senator Huston was responsible for some additions to the house. A beautiful oak and cherry wooden staircase and paneling was added under his direction. This wooden addition to the home cost \$44,000 in the 1880's. Although the mansion has no less than 5 fireplaces, there is one which is especially striking made of hand carved red sandstone and granite. There is also an Italian marble water fountain located on the grounds.

This home has a lot of political history to tell. It was even part of the underground railroad which housed runaway slaves on the grounds in a separate building on their way to Canada.

To receive a free tour of the building call 317-825-2587 Coy Powell or 317-825-5365 Alan Arnold which are given by appointment only.

FLOYD COUNTY

The Floyd County Museum
201 E. Spring Street
New Albany, IN
812-944-7336

This museum houses the permanent collection of Mr. Merle Yenawine. He carved scenes based on his childhood memories of what life in Floyd County Indiana was like at the turn

of the century. The buildings are made of plywood and the figures are carved from poplar and pine wood. The exhibit shows more than 475 moving objects and shows over 50 activities of what life on the farm & work in the streets was all about. Displays of a mountain wedding and a carnival are also included. People and animals are both moved through the use of electric motors throughout the exhibit.

The museum is opened daily Tuesday through Saturday 10:00AM to 4:00PM , it is closed on Mondays, the entire month of August and some holidays.

FLOYD COUNTY

Culbertson Mansion
914 E. Main Street
New Albany, IN 47150
812-944-9600

William S. Culbertson, a merchant lived in this three story Second Empire structure. The building was completed in 1869. Hand painted ceilings, carved mahogany staircase, marble fireplaces and crystal chandeliers are all the amenities of the Culbertson home which was part of the opulent lifestyle of the residence of this Victorian era home.

Visit the museum on Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Sundays the museum is open from 1:00PM to 5:00PM It is closed on Mondays and some holidays

FRANKLIN COUNTY

White water Canal State Historic Site
19073 Main Street
Metamora, IN 47030
317-647-6512

The white water canal was used as a source of water power for many grist mills, after the canal transportation ended. The Metamora Grist Mill was built in 1845, it is still in operation today producing meal and flour much as it did nearly 50 years ago. During operating hours you can watch the mill in operation and you are free to purchase some of the products that the mill produces.

Quaint shops selling arts and crafts abound. While you are there you can take a step back in time by taking a leisurely 25 minute cruise on the Ben Franklin III (Cost is \$1.00 children under 3 are free.). Along the route you will pass Duck Creek Aqueduct, a covered bridge that carries the canal 15 feet over Duck Creek, this is believed to be the only structure of it's kind still in existence today.

The Grist Mill is open Tuesday thru Saturday 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. and Sunday 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. Open Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day and Good Friday
The Mill is closed From Mid December through Mid March.

FULTON COUNTY

Fulton County Museum & Round Barn
U.S. 31 4 miles Noth of Rockester
Rockester, IN 46975
219-223-4436

Our whole family really enjoyed this museum. Don't let the outside of this building fool you. Inside this building you will find 9,500 square feet featuring 17 rooms of memorabilia from Fulton County. Some of the rooms included a bedroom, toy room, emergency room, and many more.

Outside you will be able to tour the Round Barn and the Living History Village. This village is a collection of 5 buildings including a 1832 Stagecoach Inn, Print shop, Blacksmith Shop, 1876 Depot, an 1860 Log Cabin and 150 feet of track that a Caboose sits on.

The museum is open Monday thru Saturday 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M.

GREENE COUNTY

Phil Harris-Alice Faye Collection
Margaret Cooper Public Library
110 N.E. Vincennes Street
Linton, IN 47441
812-847-4635 Regina Kramer

The Harrises career in show business left them with many memorabilia to share. Included is a virtual history of show business. In the Harris-Fay Collection you will find photographs, awards, scrapbooks, letters and trophies. Souvenirs from well-known personalities in entertainment, government, and sports will be found here.

The collection is housed in the library but can be seen almost anytime the library is open.

HAMILTON COUNTY

Hamilton County Museum of History
Old Sheriff's Residence and Jail
On the Noblesville Square
Noblesville, IN
317-770-0775

This museum is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1875 it houses more than 100 items. D.C. Stephenson, Gran Dragon of the Klu Klux Klan, was among the prisoners that took up residence here. Walking tours are available.

You may visit the museum on Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 2:00P.M. or by appointment.

HAMILTON COUNTY

Shagbark Ridge Llama Farm
10912 E. 166th Street
Noblesville, IN
317-773-1201

This countryside farm sits overlooking Stony Creek. Here you will be able to pet some friendly animals. Shagbark Ridge is also the home of the Different Drummer Studio featuring the Town Square Village Collection.

Tour the farm on Monday through Friday from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M.

HARRISON COUNTY

Corydon Capital
Located at Capitol & Beaver Street
Corydon, IN 47112
812-738-4890

From 1816 to 1825 Corydon was the State Capital. This limestone capitol has been fully restored. The stately square includes the state capitol, gazebo bandstand, constitution elm (This is the tree under which our forefathers signed the constitution), Governor's residence and herb garden.

The museum is open on Tuesday thru Saturday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM On Sundays the museum is open from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. It is closed on Mondays.

HARRISON COUNTY

Governor Hendrick's Headquarters
202 E. Walnut
Corydon, IN 47112

This beautifully restored two-story federal style brick house was built in 1817. It is filled with period pieces. William Hendricks made the house his headquarters and home while he was governor of Indiana (1822-1825). In 1841 Judge William A. Porter acquired the house, which remained in his family until the state secured it and opened it to the public in 1975.

The museum is open on Tuesday thru Saturday from 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. on Sundays the museum is open 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M.

HAMILTON COUNTY

Stonycreek Farms
11366 State Road38 East
Noblesville, IN
317-773-3344

Spending time on this farm will bring your thoughts back to the 1800's. While there you may visit the herb garden, log cabin and old farmhouse barn. The children will enjoy petting the farm animals. Admire the handmade wreaths and decorations. (Although free, the farm does charge an admission the month of October.)

You may visit the farm Monday through Saturday 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Sundays the farm is open 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M.

HANCOCK COUNTY

The Great Earth & Sky Art Co.
8807 N. SR 109
Wilkinson, IN 46186
317-785-2588

Here you will find life size animal sculptures created from different gauges of wire. Landscaping, plants and wildflowers have been transplanted from various areas throughout Indiana. Many are edible, and many have been used for medicinal purposes by Native Americans. The park is home to many animals, birds, trees, and plants that have been grown or created on the grounds. Most artwork can be purchased.

The park is open sunrise to sunset 6 days a week, closed on Monday.

This site was submitted by Mary Jones of Greenfield, Indiana

HARRISON COUNTY

Zimmerman Art Glass Company
395 Valley Road
Corydon, IN 47112
812-738-2206

Founded in 1944, this small company is devoted to the manufacture of handcrafted glass novelties. Visitors are given a rare opportunity to see third generation artists work in a time honored method. You can stand at the elbow of an artist at the world renowned art glass factory.

Open Tuesday through Saturday 9:00A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Call ahead for a free tour.

HARRISON COUNTY

Posey House
225 Oak Street
Corydon, IN 47112
812-738-2553

Built in 1817 for Colonel Thomas Posey, although he never married he reared 14 orphans in his home. The parlor features a 150 year old Rosewood Piano, a pump organ made in Evansville. The bedroom has a trundle bed with straw ticking and hand-made quilts and "fancy -work". The home is filled with period antiques.

The museum is open May through October Tuesday through Sunday 11:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. November through April Tuesday through Friday 10:30A.M. to 5:00P.M.

HARRISON COUNTY

Leora Brown School
400 E. Summit
Corydon, IN 47112
812-738-3376

Visit the Leora Brown School, a simple one room wooden structure built in 1891 for the education of black children. Originally called the "Corydon Colored School", it had no indoor plumbing or electricity. Leora Brown attended this school as a child. After studying at Miss Blaker's Teachers College in Indianapolis, she then returned to the same school she attended where she remained teaching for the next 26 years. Today, this African-American landmark plays host to cultural, ethnic and other community events.

The school is open 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Tuesday through Saturday and Sundays 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

HENRY COUNTY

Vera's Little Red Doll house Museum
4385 West Co. Road 850 North
Middletown, IN 47356
317-533-3453

This museum is located next to the owner's home Vera and Bob Sander's. It features 2 large rooms, one room contains every kind of doll imaginable, with a nursery filled with baby dolls in cribs, playpens, and baby beds. The second room is

called Amy's Animal Kingdom, this is a room that is filled with over 1600 animals that their daughter Amy has collected over the years.

The museum is open 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M.

Groups need to make an appointment

HENRY COUNTY

Henry County Historical Society Museum
606 South 14th Street
New Castle, IN 47362
317-529-4028

Visit the home of civil war general William Grose which was officially entered on the national register of historic places in 1983. The restoration of this Victorian Italianate residence began in 1965. Rooms are furnished with period pieces from the Grose family dining room to the master bedroom of General and Mrs. Grose.

You will find the museum open on Monday through Saturday from 1:00P.M. to 4:30P.M.

HOWARD COUNTY

Greentown Glass Museum
112 North Meridian Street
Greentown, Indiana 46936
317-628-7818 Museum President Jim Hill
317-628-3346 Museum President Jim Hill

Glass collectors will love visiting this museum which features lots of the crystal clear glass and translucent colors, it also

features the popular "chocolate" glass and "goldenagate" (Holly Amber) colored glass. These colors were the creation of Jacob Rosenthal, a gifted chemist who worked at the factory when it was called the Indiana Tumbler and Goblet Company from 1900 to 1903 when it was destroyed by fire.

The museum is open from Memorial Day to Oct. 31 Tuesday through Friday from 10:00AM to 12:00PM and also 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. Saturday and Sunday from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M

November, December, March and April the museum is open on Saturday and Sunday from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

HOWARD COUNTY

Elwood Haynes Museum
1915 South Webster Street
Kokomo, IN 46902
317-456-7500

Elwood Haynes was born in Portland, Indiana. He made Kokomo his home during the Gas Boom Era of the late 1800's. Haynes could be described as a scientist, metallurgist, & industrialist. During his time in Kokomo Haynes invented the first successful gasoline powered automobile in America. He eventually gave his first automobile to the Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum in Washington, D.C. His other inventions included stainless steel and Satellite (An alloy still used in the aerospace industry today.)

At the museum you will also find four antique cars are on display at the museum, including a 1905 Haynes Model L

started the factory over 100 years ago. Visitors may see the whole glass-making process.

Tours are normally given on Wednesday and Fridays at 10:00A.M. However, the factory as of this writing is undergoing some renovations and the factory tours will not be available until after August 20 , 1996. Be sure to call ahead. Groups of 10 or more should call ahead to make reservations.

HUNTINGTON COUNTY

Huntington County Reservoir Mountain Bike Trail

Huntington Reservoir
517 N. Warren Road
Huntington, IN 46750
219-468-2165
219-468-2166

To get a map and more information about bicycling trails in Indiana call :

The Indiana Bicycle Coalition
P.O. Box 20243
Indianapolis, IN 46220
800-245-3110

HUNTINGTON COUNTY

Dan Quayle Center & Museum
815 Warren Street
Huntington, IN 46750
219-356-6356

and a 1923 Haynes Roadster. These cars have been meticulously preserved and are a real delight to see.

The museum is open Tuesday Through Saturday from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. and Sunday's From 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. It is closed on Monday's and some holidays.

HOWARD COUNTY

Kokomo Fine Art Center
525 West Ricketts Street
Kokomo, Indiana 46902
317-457-9480

Lovers of art will enjoy the Kokomo Fine Art Center featuring local and Indiana artist along with a professional gallery. A part of the centers permanent collection of Indiana art spanning more than 50 years. Don't be fooled by the small brown bungalow look of this museum the rooms are filled with beautiful artwork.

The museum is open on Tuesday -Saturday from 1:00 to 4:00P.M. It is closed on Mondays and some holidays.

HOWARD COUNTY

Kokomo Opalescent Glass Company
1310 South Market Street
Kokomo, IN
317-457-1829

This company has been producing fine art glass known worldwide since 1888. The President and Vice President are both descendants from one of the three familys that originally

The small town of Huntington was invaded by the media and the curious when Dan Quayle became Vice -Presidential candidate Dan Quayle. Learn more about the administration of the Vice President, and the life and times of former Vice-President Quayle. Although this museum has only been open since June 1993 they have already seen 24,000 people pass through their doors.

Currently there is a collection of correspondence between President Kennedy and then Mr. Richard Nixon. These letters are from the Nixon Library and have never been loaned out before, until now. This exhibit will be in the museum until September of '96.

You may visit the museum Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. On Sunday the museum is open from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. The museum is closed on Mondays.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Lanier Mansion
511 West First Street
Madison, IN 47250
812-265-3526

J.F.D. Lanier was a wealthy banker. During the Civil War, Lanier loaned more than \$1 million to support Indiana's regiments. His home is one of the results of the 1844 Greek Revival. His house has a beautiful example of a spiral staircase. A Portico gives a breathtaking view of the Ohio River. Restoration of the house and extensive gardens is a continual process. After touring the house, stroll through the beautifully maintained gardens of James Lanier.

The Museum is open Tuesday thru Saturday 9:00AM to 5:00PM, Sundays you may visit the museum from 1:00PM to 5:00PM.

JENNINGS COUNTY

North American House
Jennings County Historical Society Museum
Located at Brown and Pike streets
Old Vernon, IN (Near North Vernon)
812-346-8989

This building which was purchased by the Historical Society in 1960 was originally used as a stage coach stop. Displayed in this 2 story building you will find history about the Jennings county residence. You will be able to admire fascinating civil war items along with a collection of memorabilia from former 500 race car driver Pat O'Conner.

The museum is open Monday through Friday from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. and Saturdays from 12:00 to 4:00 P.M. Sundays the museum is open by appointment only.

JENNINGS COUNTY

Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge
3 miles east of Seymour on Highway 50
812-522-4352

This 8,000 acre refuge for wood duck and migratory birds was established 30 years ago. In a major pilot program undertaken by the state, river otter were reintroduced to "the land of the winding waters" in 1995.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Johnson County Museum
135 N. Main
Franklin, IN
317-736-4655

In the Johnson County Museum you will find 20,000 artifacts from the 19th century. The Civil War and Victorian era are just some of the main themes of the museum. One room is dedicated to the 1940's. There is also a genealogy room located here.

The museum is open from Monday through Friday from 9:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. The second Saturday of the month the museum is open from 10:00A.M. to 3:00P.M.

KNOX COUNTY

Fort Knox II
Fort Knox Road
Vincennes, IN
812-882-7472

The history of this early military post is told through interpretive markers. There is also a picnic area. This was the staging grounds for the troops that would eventually fight in the 1811 Battle of Tippecanoe.

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY

Kosciusko County Jail Museum
121 N. Indiana
Warsaw, IN 46580
219-269-1078

The Kosciusko County Jail Museum is the former county jail that was built in 1870 and was used until 1982, when the jail was then moved to another location. No record exists of a single jail break. The Kosciusko County Historical Society leases the building that now houses thousands of historical artifacts.

Many items are displayed in four renovated jail cells on the ground floor, others in the cell block are of the second floor and in the eight-room sheriff's living quarters. The two -story cell area has been left relatively intact, with iron bunks, "bullpen", solitary confinement cell, etc. Rooms of the former living quarters now renovated, serve as display spaces where many items of Kosciusko County History may be seen.

A Railroad room, photography room, War Room, children's room, Ladies dressing room, working man's tools, Police and firemen's room along with memorabilia about John Dillinger are just some of the things Kosciusko County Historical Society has collected for your enjoyment.

You may visit the museum Thursday through Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. and Sundays from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY

Warsaw Biblical Gardens
Canal Street
Warsaw, Indiana 46581
219-267-6419

The garden is comprised of six parts, representing the different environs described in the Bible. The Meadow, Orchard, Forest, Brook, Desert, and Crops, are just some of the areas of the garden for you to stroll through and enjoy. In addition,

a "Gathering Area" provides a place for information and assembly. For those desiring a place of solitude, a "Sitting Area" with benches under the branches of spreading oak trees which is provided in a corner of the garden.

Enjoy the garden from Dawn to Dusk April 15th thru October 15.

LA GRANGE COUNTY

Deutsch Kase Haus
11275 County Road 250 North
Middlebury, IN 46540
219-825-9511

Although the address is Middlebury it is located three miles east of Middlebury.

Here you will see the Amish cheese makers at Deutsch Kase Haus practice their art as it is seldom done today. All of the cheese produced at Deutsch Kase Haus is made with milk from Amish farms in Northern Indiana and Southern Michigan. Cows are hand milked daily. The milk is then delivered the next morning to the Kase Haus where it is immediately cooled and pasteurized before the cheese making process begins. You can tour the actual cheese making process through windows with signs that explain the process. The best time to see the cheese making process is in the morning. Most of the process is finished by 12:00.

The combination factory & cheese shop is open Monday thru Friday 8:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Saturday the factory is open 8:00A.M. to 3:00P.M.

LA PORTE COUNTY

The Great Lakes Museum of Military History
1710 E. Highway 20 Evergreen Plaza
Michigan City, IN 46360
219-872-2702

Lovers of military history and memorabilia will really enjoy this museum. Displayed here for your enjoyment you will find uniforms, posters, edged weapons, flags, maps and many other items. One of the highlights of the museum is an original rescript Declaration of War from Japan on the United States and Great Britain. Military vehicles and armament gives you a life size picture of what war is all about. If you have served in the military or are thinking about serving you will probably enjoy this museum.

The museum is open May 20 thru Labor Day, Tuesday thru Friday, 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Saturday 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. Sunday 10:00A.M. to 2:00P.M.

Labor Day to May 20 the museum is open Tuesday thru Saturday Noon to 4:00P.M.

Closed Sunday, Monday and some holidays.

LA PORTE COUNTY

La Porte County Historical Society Museum
809 State Street
La Porte, IN 46350-3329
219-326-6808 Ext. 276

The Historical Society of La Porte County is very proud of the more than 80,000 items housed in their museum dating back to 1832. Some of the fascinating exhibits that you will enjoy

are a Doctor's office, Blacksmith shop, Country Store, Electric car. A collection of antique firearms and other weapons of over 1,000 pieces one of the finest in the world.

Also at the museum is a fine collection of antique furniture, spinning wheels, quilts, and coverlets, antique dolls, toys, miniature doll house, player piano and much much more.

You may visit the museum Monday through Friday 10:00A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Also, the first Sunday of each month from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

MADISON COUNTY

Anderson University
The Jeeninga Bible Museum
1100 East 5th Street
Anderson, IN 46012-3495
317-641-4145
317-641-3898

Here you will find some of the discoveries of Dr. Gus Jeeninga, an archeologist. Some of the fascinating finds are too numerous to list, but be sure to see the biblical tools found on one of his digs. Also at the museum you will find replicas of jars containing dead sea scrolls, a mummified hand, Egyptian artifacts, a Bust of Nefertiti, Jars from the Minoan Dynasty and much more.

The museum is open daily from Monday through Friday 8:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. or by appointment.

MADISON COUNTY

Anderson University
Art Museum
1100 East 5th Street
Anderson, IN 46012-3495

The Art museum has numerous traveling exhibits. Housed here is believed to be the worlds largest collection of carved napkin ring holder made of every material known to man from ivory to gold and every material in between. A collection of Boehm Porcelain birds will be fascinating to bird and art lovers alike. Collections from renowned glass sculpture artist Arland Bayliss and a collection from Ken Ryden are just two of the artists works collected here for your enjoyment.

The museum is open daily from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. Monday through Friday or by appointment.

MADISON COUNTY

Anderson University
Covenant Productions
1100 East 5th Street
Anderson, IN 46012-3495
317-641-4143

Covenant Productions is a state of the art production studio that has produced Music videos for Bill and Gloria Gaither and many others. Other production projects have been done for General Motors and St. John Health Center. Also housed here is the popular radio station WQME, 98.7FM. You can schedule a tour of both the studio and radio station. The tour should take about one hour.

They are open Monday through Friday from 8:00A.M. to 5:00P.M.

MADISON COUNTY

Wetlands Nature Preserve
City of Anderson Parks and Recreation
Broadway and Grand Streets
317-646-5753

The wetlands connects the Indian Trails Riverwalk with Shadyside Park. You will enjoy the 15 acres of lush green foliage and flowers as you commune with nature. The Audubon Society says this is an excellent place to observe very unique and sometimes rare species of birds. You will also be able to observe beavers and other animals in their natural habitat.

For more information and a map of the trail call 317-646-5753

MARION COUNTY

The Indiana State Museum
202 North Alabama Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317-232-1637

The museum has five floors of exhibits on Indiana cultural and natural history. The building is the former Indianapolis City Hall and features marble columns and a Tiffany-style stained glass dome. A pendulum which is similar to the Smithsonian's graces the center of the building. Permanent exhibits include: Streets of Indiana, 1900-1920, Indiana Museum of Sports, When Nature Ruled, Prehistoric Indiana and Radio Hall of Fame.

The Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00AM to 4:45PM. Sundays the museum is open 12:00PM to 4:45

PM. Parking on the weekends is free. However during the week the parking is \$2.00 an hour. On street metered parking is available. There are no restaurants available in the museum, however, some restaurants are less than a block away. Plan on spending the day!

MARION COUNTY

Indiana State Police
Youth Services
8500 E. 21st Street
Indianapolis, IN 46219
317-899-8293

This museum shows you state police cars, uniforms, weapons, photos, displays, cameras, personal effects. Large groups can get a personally guided tour by calling in advance.

The museum is open Monday thru Friday 8:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. Also the first and 3rd Saturday of the month 9:00A.M. to 4:00P.M.

MARION COUNTY

Indianapolis Museum of Art
1200 West 38th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46208
317-923-1331

At the Indianapolis Museum of Art you will find a great source of discovery and inspiration. Here you will find permanent and changing exhibits ranging from contemporary artists to

very ancient artifacts. Paintings, sculptures, textiles, decorative arts, prints and drawings are just some of the mediums that are featured here. Be sure to visit the magnificent gardens of Oldfields, a Garden For Everyone.

There is a charge for some selected exhibitions except on Thursday when they are free.

Free outdoor parking is available. The museum is open daily from 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Thursday 10:00A.M. to 8:30P.M., Sundays from 12:00 to 5:00P.M. Closed every Monday and major holidays.

MARION COUNTY

Crown Hill Cemetery
3402 Boulevard Place
Indianapolis, IN
317-925-8231

This elegant Victorian-era cemetery is the third largest in the United States, with over 185,000 people buried on 555 acres of land. Here is the final resting place of some very famous Americans, President Benjamin Harrison, 3 U.S. Vice Presidents, 10 Indiana Governors, 14 Indianapolis Mayors, John Dillinger, hundreds of Civil War veterans and 14 generals to name just a few. You may take a self guided walking tour by picking up a map at the 34th and Boulevard Place.

The Cemetery is open April 1 to October 1 8:00A.M. to 6:00P.M. and October 1 to April 1 8:00A.M. to 5:00P.M.

MARION COUNTY

Soldiers & Sailors Monument
Market and Meridian Streets
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317-233-3248

The Soldiers and Sailors Monument was recently restored in 1990 to its previous grandeur of 1902. This monument as well as the enclosed museum is dedicated to the soldiers and sailors of the Civil War and is the only one of it's kind in America. This monument seems fitting since Indiana soldiers fired the first and the last infantry volleys. They also made the first and last charges. The Indiana Volunteers as they were known, were also the first and last to die in the war.

Take the elevator to the top of the observation deck to get a breathtaking view of downtown Indianapolis. (There is no air conditioning so it can be quite warm in summer months.) If you have plenty of time you can take the stairs down.

On the lower level, visitors will find Civil War and Spanish American War Museum collections. The monument is open Wednesday thru Sunday 11:00A.M. to 7:00P.M.

MARION COUNTY

Indiana War Memorial Building
Located in the Basement is the:
Indiana War Memorial Military Museum
431 N Meridian
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317-232-7615

The museum occupies 29,000 square feet showing the history of Indiana's gallant soldiers from the founding of our state at the Battle of Tippecanoe, through the present. Among the archives there are more than 25,000 pictures of soldiers in action in all wars along with combat maps.

The museum is open to the public Wednesday through Sunday 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. (Winter Hours) 11:00AM to 7:00PM (Summer Hours) closed on major holidays.

MARION COUNTY

Indianapolis International Airport
2500 S. High School Road
Box 100
Indianapolis, IN
317-487-5039

Ever want to learn more about airplanes and flying? If you have a young child that will be flying soon for the first time why not take them on a free tour of the airport before the big day. You can take a one hour tour of the airport with your own tour guide. Any size group large or small will be given a tour. On your personal tour you will learn more about airport security, visit the jail, get a better look at the aircraft landing from the observation deck, you may even be able to board a plane , (but this is subject to availability). During the morning hours the airport is less crowded so the amount of things you would be able to see would be much greater.

All tours must be scheduled in advance.

MARION COUNTY

Indiana State House
200 West Washington
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317-233-5293

In 1988 this building underwent an 11 million restoration. Originally built in 1888 the building was built almost \$20,000 under the 2 million dollar budget that was set aside. Hoosiers are known for their frugality.

This beautiful building is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 4:00. It is closed on holidays and weekends. You may pick up a brochure at the information desk which is located at the Rotunda in the center of the building. The brochure will help you to take a self guided tour of this beautifully restored building.

The general assembly is in session January through April. If you visit the State House during this time you may be able to actually see the two houses of government, the House and Senate, in action. It is free to sit in the galley while they are in session but quiet is the operative word. This is not a place for children who cannot stay quiet.

Private tours are given, free of charge, but they do have to be booked in advance. Tours are given usually in summer months at 10:00 & 2:00 the last scheduled tour is at 3:00. During the school year guided tours are booked far in advance so if you want a guided tour call ahead. Your tour guide can take you places that you cannot go on a self guided tour. Our tour guide was able to take us into the Indiana Supreme Court (Which was vacant at that time.) where she explained all the workings of what goes on there. This is a great way to see how your tax dollars are spent.

MARSHALL COUNTY

The Culver Academies
1300 Academy Road
Culver, IN 46511
219-842-8232
Eric Freeman

Take a tour of this 103 year old boarding school which sits on 2,000 acres. Wear comfortable shoes because this tour will last anywhere between 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 hours. The walkways are paved but you will be walking to all of the most wonderful sights. The tour will be most enjoyable if you take it April through October. However, tours are still available for the rest of the year. All tours are given by appointment only.

Some of the highlights of your tour is a visit to a replica of a 15th century Italian Castle. A ship which is the largest ship found on an inland lake in America which sits on the north shore of the second largest lake in Indiana. This ship is said to be larger than the one which Christopher Columbus sailed on. Also on the tour will be a visit to an 600 acre bird sanctuary, private airport, and the largest horse riding indoor hall.

This is such a fantastic tour you won't want to miss this one!

MARSHALL COUNTY

Marshall County Historical Museum
123 N. Michigan Street
Plymouth, IN 46563
219-936-2306

The Marshall County Historical Museum is housed in a building built in 1910. Here you will find three flours of the

historical past of Marshall county. The first floor is dedicated to researching genealogy. Collections of all kinds is the theme of the second floor, Rail Road models, old buttons, Barbie Dolls are just some of the things you will find here. The third floor has 15 rooms depicting life in the area between 1870 and 1910. A kitchen, bedroom, parlor, child's bedroom and doctor's office are just some of the rooms you will delight in visiting.

The museum is open Tuesday thru Friday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. Saturday the museum is open from 10:00AM to 2:00PM and Sundays from 1:00PM to 4:00PM.

MARSHALL COUNTY

Pioneer Seed Company
7900 N. Pine Road
Plymouth, IN 46563
219-936-3243
(Talk to Don Smith or Eric Luce)

Ever wonder how the corn gets from the stalk back into seed again? Take a tour of the Pioneer Seed plant to see all the inside workings of the plant. Although most of the activity takes place in the Fall (September and October being the best months). The 1 hour tour will show workers unloading, sorting, drying and shelling the corn. The corn is then sorted according to the size of the kernel, then it is packaged for storage or made ready for shipment.

Call ahead to schedule a tour.

MARSHALL COUNTY

Stuntz - Hochstetler
20451 N. County Line -Tyler Road
Walkerton, IN 46574
219-586-2663

Mr. Ervin Stuntz made his first of seven trips to Alaska in 1948. Over the years Mr.Stuntz has gathered many Indian historical artifacts. He lived with the Indians on the reservations in Colorado and New Mexico. In this Indian Museum you will find many arrowhead from a burial ground that is in the vicinity of the Stuntz-Hochstetler museum. A Harness Vise, old history books describing life in the Marshall County area.

Visit the museum by appointment only.

MIAMI COUNTY

Grissom Air Museum
6500 Hoosier Blvd.
Grissom ARB, IN 46971
317-688-2654

Located just outside the front gate of Grissom Air Force Base is the outdoor exhibit featuring a variety of military aircraft , ranging from a B-17 flying fortress to an F-4 Phantom Super-sonic jet. Here you will find memorabilia from past air force missions. Lots of hands on airplanes that are "ok" to climb, sit on and touch. Let the kids actually sit inside the cockpit of the F-4 Phantom jet . Sit where the pilot sat of his fighter-bomber plane.

There are a few picnic tables that are available for you to have a frugal lunch. Outdoor exhibits are open from 7:00A.M.-Dusk daily. The museum is open from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. from Tuesday thru Saturday.

MONROE COUNTY

Monroe County Historical Museum
202 E. 6th Street
Bloomington, IN 47408
812-332-2517

Located in the old Carnegie Library you will find a 1840 Log Cabin inside the library. An authentic 1787 Loom , old tools, an impressive Indian Display, nature display. A separate room with hands on activities will entertain young visitors.

The museum is open on Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. on Sundays from 1:00P.M. to 4:30P.M.

MONROE COUNTY

John Waldron Arts Center
122 S. Walnut Street
Bloomington, IN 47404
812-334-3100

The center displays the talent of local artists and craftspeople with ever-changing displays. The gallery changes exhibits of a featured artist about every 3 to 4 weeks. Permanent displays in this 3 story building include paintings, drawings, sculpture, photography, weaving, and ceramics much more.

You will find the gallery and gift shop open from 11:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Monday thru Saturday.

MONROE COUNTY

Mathers Museum
416 North Indiana Avenue
Bloomington, IN
812-855-6873

World cultures are featured in constantly changing exhibits that reflect the diversity of the museum's collections. Over 20,000 artifacts from across the world provide the foundation for museum exhibits.

The museum is open Tuesday thru Friday 9:00A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Saturday and Sunday 1:00P.M. to 4:30P.M.

MONROE COUNTY

Glenn A. Black
Laboratory of Archaeology
423 North Fees Street at Ninth Street
Bloomington, IN
812-855-9544

A major study and research facility in the field of Hoosier Archaeology. Included in the lab, which is part of the Hoosier Heritage Complex, is a public museum devoted to Great Lakes/Ohio Valley archaeology and ethno-history.

You may visit this museum Tuesday thru Friday from 9:00A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

MONROE COUNTY

Monroe County Historical Museum
202 East 6th Street
Bloomington, IN
812-332-2517

Located in the historic Carnegie Library, the museum features permanent and changing exhibits on Monroe County history.

You may visit this museum Tuesday thru Saturday 10:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. Sundays the museum is open 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

This museum is closed on Mondays.

MONROE COUNTY

Wyllie House Museum
317 East Second Street
Bloomington, IN
812-855-6224

Andrew Wyllie was the first president of Indiana University. You can tour his home which was built in 1835. This stately brick mansion is on the National Register of Historic Places and is now a museum recreating the early Wyllie home. The grounds include a large garden where vegetable, flower and herb varieties are grown from seed.

Tour this museum from Tuesday thru Saturday 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. March thru November.

MONROE COUNTY

Indiana University Art Museum
Fine Arts Plaza
East Seventh Street
Bloomington, IN
812-855-5445

This art museum is ranked among the nations best university art museums. Here you will find more than 35,000 objects for your enjoyment including paintings by such artists as Picasso and Monet. Well represented types of art include Asian and Ancient art, the art of Africa, the Pacific and the Pre-Columbian Americas . The world renowned architectural firm of I.M. Pei and Partners designed the building.

The museum is open Wednesday & Thursday 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Friday 10:00A.M. to 8:00P.M. Saturday and Sunday the hours are from Noon to 5:00P.M.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Walmart Photo Lab
801 Cor-Da Blvd.
Crawfordsville, IN 47933
317-364-0190

The highly automated film processing automated system. Machines take the film out of the canister, batch the orders and develop 100 canisters of film at a time. Employees activate a automated film processor, automated printer and huge rolls of film. Walmart specializes in the development of film for the amateur photographer.

Call at least 24 hours ahead of time for a tour any time of the day or night (Even at 3:00 in the morning, they actually gave a tour at that hour.) . No tours are given from 3P.M. Saturday until 5P.M. Sunday because the plant shuts down during these hours.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Old Jail Museum
225 N. Washington
Crawfordsville, IN 47933
317-362-5222

The Old Jail Museum was built in 1882. This unique jail is one of only 7 known such structures in the United States today. It rotates on 26 tons of iron and steel. It was made this way because it was considered to be the most secure escape proof jail of it's time.

The sheriffs house is where the art museum is housed. Here you will find 3 large gallery's with historical artifacts. The exhibits in the galleries change every 6 weeks.

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September through April the museum and art gallery is open 1:00P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Wednesday through Saturday. During the summer months, June through August the museum is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 4:30P.M., Tuesdays 1:00P.M. to 4:30 P.M. and Sundays 1:00P.M. to 4:30P.M.

Call ahead to verify hours.

NOBLE COUNTY

Kidd & Co., Inc.
308 N. Martin St.
Ligonier, IN 46767
800-288-7582

The whole process of making those wonderful little marsh-mallows that go into your cup of cocoa is explained by watch-

ing workers through a series of windows that you observe through. During this self-guided tour you will see the entire process from cooking to the packaging. At the end of your tour you will receive a small sample package of marshmallows.

The company spent 1/2 million dollars to put this tour and gift shop together. Although it only opened on June 12, 1995 it has had already over 30,000 visitors. The tour should take you about 30 minutes depending on your interest. Groups of 20 can get a guided tour by making prior arrangements.

You may take the tour any time Monday thru Saturday 9:00A.M. to 4:30P.M.

This factory is located only 14 miles south of Shipshewana where all of the flea markets are located.

NOBLE COUNTY

Gene Stratton Porter Cabin
1205 Pleasant Point
Rome City, In 46784
219-854-3790

Gene Stratton Porter was an author, photographer and naturalist. Her home is filled with many beautiful antiques, many of which are the ones used by her family while still living there.

Walking from the parking lot, down the mulch laden path is very enjoyable. Mrs. Porter's love of nature is very evident. While strolling past fragrant alluring plants and flowers you can also enjoy the very unusual trees, many of which were planted by Mrs. Porter. The Porter estate sits on 20 acres

with at least 2 acres of Lakefront property. The view of the lake from the front porch of the house is breathtaking.

Guided tours of the cabin are conducted March 13 through December 15, 1996. The museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. The hours on Sunday are from 1:00P.M. to 4:30P.M. The 2 acres of beautiful grounds are open from dawn to dusk.

NOBLE COUNTY

Indiana Historical Radio Museum
800 Lincoln Way South
P.O. Box 353
Ligonier, IN 46767
219-894-9000

This radio museum is one of only 6 known museums of its kind in the United States. At this museum you will find over 400 tube radios from the 1920's, 1930's, and 1940's. radios. These radios are owned by, donated by, or on loan from one of the members of the Indiana Historical Radio Society. One radio was carried on the back of a mule during World War I.

Another interesting part of the museum is their collection of novelty radios that are in the shape of french fries, Elvis Presley, clocks, macaroni and cheese just to name a few.

The museum is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 3:00P.M.

PARKE COUNTY

The Mansfield Roller Mill
Located on the main Street in
Mansfield, Indiana
317-344-0741

This 1880's model mill grinds flour by stone grinding. The mill has all original 1880's water powered turbine flour making machinery. Three floors of machinery will give you a real inside look into the mill. Everyone will receive a tour to learn more of the history of the mill. The mill processes white, yellow, and blue cornmeal, and whole wheat flour for you to purchase. Most grinding is done on the weekends.

The mill is open April through October Wednesday through Friday from 12:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. Saturday and Sunday 9:00A.M. through 5:00P.M.

June, July, and August the mill is open Monday through Friday 12:00 to 5:00P.M. Saturday and Sunday 9:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. The mill is closed November thru March

PORTER COUNTY

Historical Society Porter County
Old Jail Museum
153 Franklin Street
Valparaiso, IN 46383
219-465-3595

Here you will find two buildings, the Sheriff's home and jail. The Italianate brick home contains rooms of period furniture. Both buildings were named to the National Register of Historic Places on June 23, 1976.

Some of the interesting things to see in this museum is some Mastodon bones, a parlor, war room, period furniture and music room. Bronco John Sullivan left his things here when he was a guest of the jail once. He was a "real cowboy" who was personal friends of Anne Oakley, Buffalo Bill and Sitting Bull. While you are there be sure to see the real stage coach.

You may be able to schedule your own personal tour.

The museum is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

PORTER COUNTY

All-Steel Historic Home
411 Bowser Ave.
Chesterton, Indiana 46304-0508
219-926-3669
Jim Morrow Director

The Lustron, as it is called is a streamlined house manufactured entirely of porcelain enameled steel. This type of home was produced on an assembly line in the late 1940's. These homes were shipped, with over 3,000 pieces, to the homesite where they were assembled into the Lustron home.

In the 1940's the home was advertised in national magazines where it touted the many benefits of the Lustron home including claims that it is fireproof and impervious to rust, decay, and damage from rats, termites and other vermin.

A guided tour is provided for your convenience. The museum is open Tuesday through Sunday 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M. (Chicago time) May 1 to October 30. Tours are available at other times by appointment.

PUTNAM COUNTY

Putnam County Visitor Bureau
2 South Jackson
Greencastle, IN 46135
800-829-4639

Pick up a map of the Covered Bridge County Tour spanning four counties that will help you to explore 42 bridges.

SPENCER COUNTY

Colonel William Jones State Historic Site
3/4 miles west of U. S. 231 on Boone Street
Gentryville, IN 47537
812-937-2802

Colonel William Jones was a merchant, Civil War soldier, and a personal friend of Abraham Lincoln. His house sits on 100 acres of forest. The house which has been restored to interpret the 1830's is a red brick and also boasts it's own herb garden and trails for you to explore in the woods.

The museum is open Wednesday thru Saturday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. On Sundays the museum is open from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. They are closed on Monday and Tuesday and some holidays. This site sometimes closes from mid December through mid March.

STEUBEN COUNTY

Soldiers Monument
Public Square
U.S. Highway 20 & State Road 127
Angola, Indiana

The 75 foot tall monument was built in 1917 and is located in the middle of one of the few remaining public squares in the Midwest. The monument contains the names of 1,278 men who fought in the Civil War.

Open Year Round.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY

Jerry E. Clegg Foundation Botanical Garden
1782 N. 400 East
Lafayette, IN 47905
317-567-2993 (County Naturalist)

The Garden sits on 14 acres along with the house that was the summer home of Harold and Ruth Clegg. After the death of their son in 1963, the garden was opened to the public in 1965, as a memorial to their son, Jerry.

It has been reported that the Garden display is the largest one in Indiana. The garden is in its natural setting and you will find many one of a kind wildflowers. Here you will find natural walking trails and bridges throughout. Some of the trails are steep and mildly difficult to walk. Many different species of insects, animals and birds can also be found.

Group tours with a naturalist can be arranged by calling the above #. There are no restroom or picnic facilities available. The garden is open every day of the year from 10:00A.M. to sunset.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY

The Moses Fowler House
909 South Street
Lafayette, IN
317-742-8411

Built in 1851, this 32 room mansion is the home of the Tippecanoe county Historical Museum. Victorian, Oriental and European furnishings adorn the parlor. Porcelain, glass and musical instruments present the tastes of 19th century merchant families.

Visit the museum from 1:00P.M.to 5:00P.M. Tuesday Through Sunday.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY

Red Crown Mini-Museum
605 South Street
Lafayette, IN
317-742-0280

This 1935 restored Standard Oil gas station sits in the heart of downtown Lafayette. The early automobile age is brought back by the antique cars and Red Crown memorabilia. This is a walk by look in the window type of museum.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY

Fort Ouiatenon
S. River Road
West Lafayette, IN
317-742-8411
317-743-3921

Fort Quiatenon was originally a trading post and blockhouse. They are now a museum in the care of the Tippecanoe County Historical Society. This Fort was established in 1717 and was the first fortified European settlement established in Indiana.

The combination museum gift shop is open Tuesday through Sunday 12:00 to 5:00P.M.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY

Museum of Art
101 S. Ninth Street
Lafayette, IN 47901
317-742-1128

This two story building not only gives classes on the lower level of the building but it is also the home to many different varieties of art interpretation. Paintings, sculpture, photography, and many other art forms are here for you to enjoy. This museum features the work of some of Indiana's finest artists.

The museum is open Tuesday thru Sunday from 11:00A.M. to 4:00P.M.

The museum is closed on Mondays.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

Angel Mounds State Historic Site
8215 Pollack Ave.
Evansville, IN 47715
812-853-3956

Here is located the best preserved prehistoric Indian settlement in the United States. It is believed that the Middle Mississippian Indians built their village here around 1250AD and lived here for 200 years. Allow at least two hours for your visit. The site is large, 480 acres. Take the walking tour and learn more about the Mississippian Indians.

Museum Hours are from Tuesday through Saturday 9:00AM-5:00PM. Sundays 1:00PM to 5:00P.M. The museum is closed on Mondays. The outdoor portion of the site closes at 4:30.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve
551 N. Boeke Road
Evansville, IN 47711
812-479-0771

The Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve has over 200 acres of old-growth timber. Some of the trees you will find are over 100 feet tall and 300 years old. An interpretive center will introduce you to the fauna and flora of Indiana.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

Evansville Museum of Arts and Science
411 S.E. Riverside Drive
Evansville, IN 47713
812-425-2406

Some of the things you will find at the Science center which offers a wide range of exhibitions, will provide lots of hands on experiences that will appeal to children of all ages. The Koch Planetarium located on the upper level of the museum provides scheduled explorations of the solar system. A fascinating look at the Anthropology Gallery will be yours when you explore artifacts collected from North and South American Native life from 13,000 B.C. to the present. A stroll down the brick paved street of a 19th Century American rivertown will give you a flavor of what homes and shops looked like during that time.

The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. and Sundays 12:00 Noon to 5:00P.M. Koch Planetarium Programs each weekend 1:00P.M. and 3:00P.M.

VERMILLION COUNTY

Ernie Pyle Birthplace
107 Maple Street
P. O. BOX 338
Dana, IN 47847
317-665-3633

Here is the birthplace home of Pulitzer Prize Winner Ernie Pyle. Pyle was the renowned World War II correspondent who provided us with riveting accounts of the war in the Pacific. The home contains items from Pyle's boyhood, personal letters and newspaper columns. The visitor center is created from two World War II-era Quonset huts.

The museum is open Tuesday thru Saturday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM Sundays the museum is open from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. It is closed on Mondays and some holidays.

VIGO COUNTY

Native American Museum
5170 East Popular Drive
Terre Haute, IN 47803
812-877-6007

This 3 year old building houses 3 galleries. Here you will find an impressive collection of clothing, beadwork, silver work along with pictures and artifacts. Be sure to see the wig wam while you are visiting this museum. The "Long House" which is also part of this exhibit may have been used as a ceremonial gathering place for some Indian tribes.

The museum is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Sunday it is open from 12:00 to 5:00P.M.

VIGO COUNTY

Eugene V. Debs Home
451 N. Eighth Street
Terre Haute, IN
812-232-2163

The pacifist Eugene Victor Debs was a renowned labor leader, writer and humanitarian, born in Terre Haute, Indiana. He also was a national leader of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen. Debs was the Socialist party's nominee for U.S. president five times (in 1900, 1904, 1908, 1912, and 1920).

The Debs home is an official landmark of the State of Indiana and a registered National Historic Landmark of the Department of Interior, National Park Service. His home is a wonderful example of Midwest mid-Victorian architecture. Debs' eight room house contains much of his original furniture, art objects and memorabilia.

You may tour the museum Wednesday thru Sunday 1:00P.M. to 4:30 P.M. and by appointment.

VIGO COUNTY

Fire and Police Museum
Eighth and Idaho Streets
Terre Haute, IN
812-235-9865

The original first motorized fire truck was put to use on June 6, 1910 in Terre Haute.

It is at Fire station No. 9 for you to enjoy. Exhibits display and collections of equipment dating back to the 1840's including a bedroom on the second floor with boots and pants laid out ready to step into when the alarm rings and it comes time for the often-depicted slide down the brass pole.

You will also find some Police memorabilia including books of daily entries from 1910 into the 1940's.

You may visit the museum Sundays May 1 thru September 15 from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. and by appointment.

VIGO COUNTY

Historical Museum Of The Wabash Valley
1411 S. 6th Street
Terre Haute, IN 47802
812-235-9717

Built in 1868 as the home of William H. Sage and added to in 1876 by Henry Robinson, this building of the Vigo County Historical Society houses a large collection of Midwestern memorabilia.

You will find exhibits on three floors, including military objects from the Revolutionary War to World War II. Other interesting finds include antique tools and household appliances; a Victorian display which includes a bedroom, parlor and a child's nursery .

The museum is open from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. Sunday through Friday. It is closed on Saturdays and major holidays.

VIGO COUNTY

Paul Dresser Birthplace
Fairbanks Park
Terre Haute, IN 47802
812-235-9717

Paul Dresser was the composer of Indiana's state song, "On the Banks of the Wabash". His home is considered to be a working man's home, which demonstrates how ninety percent of the Hoosiers lived during the pre-Civil War period. All the furnishings in the five rooms are dated prior to 1875. The house was designated as a State Shrine and Memorial by the 1967 state legislature. In 1973 the house was included in the National Register of Historic Places.

The house is open to visitors from April to October. Hours are 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. Sunday through Friday; closed Saturdays and major holidays.

VIGO COUNTY

Fowler Park Pioneer Village
Fowler Park
10654 Bono Road
(Entrance to Park is on Oregon Church Road)
Terre Haute, IN 47802
812-462-3391

Mailing address:
Fowler Park Pioneer Village
Room 13 Courthouse
Terre Haute, IN 47807

Here you will find a fascinating village that depicts life in the

1840's. A total of 14 cabins are a part of this village. Of the 14 cabins 4 of them are furnished as homestead homes. No village would be complete without a General Store, Smoke house, Carpenter shop, Gunsmith, Blacksmith, log barn, church school house, covered bridge and all will be found for you to enjoy. The grist mill sometimes gives corn grinding demonstrations. Candlemaking and other demonstrations are abundant.

Your guided tour is available Weekends 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. from Memorial Day through Labor Day. During the week by appointment only.

Call ahead to ask when their Pioneer Days are held in October.

VIGO COUNTY

The Nature Center at Dobbs
5170 East Poplar Drive
Terre Haute, IN 47803
812-877-1095

Here you will find 105 Acres and 3 & 1/2 miles of trails for you to enjoy as part of the nature center. An aquarium & terrarium displays are attended to by the Naturalist. You may be able to handle a live snake. Be sure to visit the aquatic room. One of the most fascinating things about this nature center is the panes of glass on one side of the building, with bird feeders next to these windows on the outside along with microphones gives you a fascinating look and sound of the birds who come right up to the window to eat because they cannot see you standing there. You can get a close up look at the birds.

The nature center is open from A.M. to 5:00P.M. and 12:30 P.M. to 5:00P.M.

WABASH COUNTY

Wabash County Historical Museum
West Hill Street
Wabash, IN 46992
219-563-0661

This historical building was built in 1899 and is now the home for the Wabash County Historical Museum. A large amount of Wabash county historical memorabilia is housed here. Civil war artifacts, Indian artifacts and mementos depicting the life of country music singer Crystal Gale who was a resident of Wabash County. This 2 story building houses 8 rooms of artifacts along with some genealogy information.

The museum is open Tuesday thru Saturday 9:00A.M. to 1:00P.M.

The museum is closed on Sunday and Monday.

WABASH COUNTY

Wabash County Courthouse
Corner Wabash and Hill street
Wabash, IN 46992
219-563-0661

This historic landmark sits on a hill over looking Wabash County. Here you will be able to see the original lamp that was electrically lit in the WORLD in 1880.

The courthouse is open Monday thru Friday 8:00A.M. to 4:00P.M.

WARRICK COUNTY

Warrick County Museum
First and Walnut Streets
Boonville, IN
812-897-3100

The Warrick County Museum details the life and times of Boonville, Indiana. Six different galleries emphasize different themes. War & Peace, Victorian Parlor & Nursery, The Stitcher, Kitchen, School Room and Fine Arts are just some of the galleries set up for your enjoyment.

The museum is open from Monday through Thursday from 11:00A.M. to 2:00P.M. Sundays the museum is open 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

WAYNE COUNTY

Joseph Moore Museum of Natural History
Located at Earlham College
801 National Road West
Richmond, Indiana 47374
317-983-1303

Ever seen a real Egyptian mummy? Ever held a real live snake? Ever met a 15,000 year old mastodon? You can see all this and much more at the Joseph Moore Museum of Natural History. Here you will learn more about Arthropods, Marsh birds, Mammal alcive, Paleontology. Your children will enjoy learning through handling and operating the exhibits at the Discovery Room.

The museum is open January 15 through April 30 on Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. and

Sunday from 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M.

During September through December 15 the museum is open Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 1:00P.M. to 4:00P.M. and Sunday from 1:00P.M. to 5:00P.M.

The scheduled hours of operation of the museum generally follows that of the college where it is located. However, the museum is open year round on Sundays 1:00 P.M. to 5:00P.M. unless it falls on a holiday in which case it is closed.

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This section to the book is for especially good places to see that costs \$1.00 or less.

PORTER COUNTY

The Yellow Brick Road
Gift Shop & Museum
Route 49 (Next to toll Road)
Chesterton, IN 46304
219-926-7048

If you are a big fan of the Wizard of OZ then this is the place for you. The Yellow Brick Road is basically a gift shop with everything imaginable to purchase that relates to the Wizard of OZ. They have also set aside a room that is a museum. The cost is 25cents per person.

The shop is open Monday thru Saturday 10:00A.M. to 5:00P.M. Sunday it is open 11:00A.M. to 4:00P.M.