2022 Annual Report

Tippecanoe County Historical Association
Letter from the President of the TCHA Board of Governors

Mission: To enrich the lives of Tippecanoe County residents and visitors by collecting, preserving, researching, and sharing our unique and diverse history

Greetings members of the Tippecanoe County Historical Association

What a difference a year makes. We can look back on 2022 as a year in which your Historical Association generally returned to business as usual. We offered a strong selection of year-round programming that touched on all eras of life in Tippecanoe County. Most of these programs were offered both in person and virtually via video conferencing systems. Several other in person programs were offered outside at both the Tippecanoe Battlefield and Fort Ouiatenon.

We also came together with Purdue University and the University of Southern Indiana to host an archeological field school at the historic Fort Ouiatenon site that gave their students valuable field experience and led to the unearthing of new artifacts from the fort site.

Other events of significance:

- The Feast of the Hunters’ Moon was blessed with almost perfect weather and raised much needed funds for the Association and approximately 50 other local community groups.
- The aging roof on the History Center was replaced thanks in part to a generous grant from the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette.
- A generous gift also established the Rick Westerman and Linda Swihart Technology Endowment at the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette. This will help TCHA stay on course with technological improvements at all our sites.
- The Association was also represented at the Juneteenth celebration and Latino Fest as we attempt to broaden our reach to even more communities in the Tippecanoe County area.

None of this would have been possible, however, without the dedication of our staff. The full-time staff, Leslie, Kelly, and Trey have worked hard to keep the association going this year. They have been assisted by the part time staff, Amy, Laura, and Rick who have worked to fill in the gaps and helped make everything run seamlessly. In addition, the continued support of our dedicated groups of volunteers cannot be understated. They are the lifeblood of many of the ongoing activities of the Association. Together, they all deserve recognition for our continued success.

As I am sure that you have all heard by now, our Executive Director, Leslie Martin Conwell, is retiring. She is stepping down after decades of dedicated service to both the Historical Association and the cause of local history in general. Her enthusiasm, skill, and talents will be sorely missed as she moves to the next phase of her life. Thankfully, she has agreed to stay around for one more year to coordinate the 2023 Feast of the Hunters’ Moon and prepare for a smooth transition for this important event.

I must also thank the many committee members who spend hours helping with all aspects of TCHA operation and planning. These committees are a vital part of your Association and I wholeheartedly invite all TCHA members to consider assisting on these committees. We are always seeking ways to tap into the collective knowledge and experience of our Association members, particularly for committees that can be boosted by specific technical knowledge and experience, such as our facilities committee and our membership and development committee.

I appreciate the continued support and enthusiasm that you all have for the Association. Please feel free to reach out to me with any comments, suggestions, or concerns that you may have during the coming year.

Sincerely,

Jeff Schwab

Jeff Schwab (jrs@purdue.edu)
Attendees were welcomed by Jeff Schwab, TCHA Board President

Jeff Schwab, TCHA Board President, called the business meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Minutes for the January 26, 2021, Membership Meeting were distributed in person and on-line. A motion was made from the floor to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded. Hearing no amendments or corrections, a vote was called. The minutes were accepted.

Jeff Schwab gave the President’s report regarding the re-opening of TCHA facilities post COVID-19. Most TCHA programs were offered in a hybrid format, allowing for both in person and remote attendance. Trey Gorden was hired as the new Battlefield Museum Manager to replace the retiring Rick Conwell. A successful Feast of the Hunters’ Moon returned in 2021 to a receptive community audience. Tight fiscal controls kept the Association on track until the Feast could be held in the fall. Once again, volunteer efforts help make this a successful year for TCHA.

Lorita Bill, the TCHA Board Treasurer provided a report on the financial status of the Association. Fiscal caution allowed us to reach the Feast without the need to borrow funds. A strong Feast turnout and above average grants and contributions allowed us to develop a strong cash position heading into 2022.

Leslie Martin Conwell presented the Operations Manager’s report. All sites were reopened in 2022 following COVID-19 protocols as necessary. A smoke alarm system was added to the History Center. A burst water pipe damaged the carpet in the basement of the History Center but quick volunteer action kept the collections stored there out of harm’s way. TCHA participated in both the Juneteenth and Latino Festivals.

Interns worked with our curator, Kelly Lippie to catalog photographs, clothing, and Ouiatenon material. A new exhibit was created for the Eagle Statue at the Battlefield Museum. Membership communications were enhanced by a change to use the Constant Contact software package. A new digital membership newsletter (TippecaNEWS) premiered in 2022. Library volunteers donated almost 2,500 hours of work in 2021. Attendance at the Battlefield Museum returned to normal and an upgraded point of sale system was installed.

TCHA presented 28 programs in 2021. 25 were outdoors or hybrid in person and online. 3 were online only. We recorded over 48,000 visits to our Facebook page. The Feast successfully returned in 2021 with an above average attendance.

The Facilities committee reported that repairs to the History Center roof and a potential replacement of the main boiler were the most noticeable concerns. The Development committee is planning to resume the regular annual appeal in 2022. The Ouiatenon Preserve was designated a National Historic Landmark. A French Heritage Corridor initiative was created and the site was visited by French Ambassador H. E. Philippe Etienne.

Ron Halsema, Zula Kress, Ken Moder, and Preston Smith retired at the end of their board terms. Del Bartlett, Julie Byers, H. Kory Cooper, Quentin Robinson, Annie Hatke Schap, Jeff Schwab, and Todd White were re-elected to the board. Nick Schenkel and Marsha Selmer were also elected and joined the Board of Governors.

Jeff Schwab announced that the 2021 Ball-Sholty award was given posthumously to William Baugh in recognition of his service as TCHA Executive Director and his efforts to organize the original Feast of the Hunters’ Moon.

Leslie Martin Conwell announced that James Hiter received the volunteer of the year award for his work leading the design and construction of the new case for the Eagle Exhibit and the Battlefield. Caitlyn Pettet received special recognition as a junior volunteer for her work at the Battlefield Museum on Weekends.

A motion to adjourn the business meeting was entertained, seconded, and approved.
TCHA had a successful year despite the effects of inflation and the losses in the stock market. We ended 2022 with an operating income of over $100,000 before investment losses and depreciation.

While the Feast was well attended, the profitability was down. We were able to adjust the food booth prices to make up for the increased food costs, however the cost increases in other necessary services were up significantly. Increases in Feast ticket prices are currently being discussed to help offset these cost increases going forward.

During 2022, TCHA was able to secure some significant grants to replace the History Center roof, acquire a new Feast trailer, and purchase technology for the facilities.

Expenses were up from 2021 as TCHA increased employee wages and added back services such as cleaning of the facilities, mowing, and snow removal. A review of the 2021 financial statement was conducted by an independent certified public accountant. Certain repairs and deferred maintenance to the facilities were completed.

As TCHA looks forward to 2023, there are new financial challenges. However, based on the 2023 budget, the current operating cash balance should be adequate to get TCHA to the 2023 Feast.

**Notes on the 2022 Preliminary Financial Statements**

The statements presented are preliminary. The merchandise inventory at the Battlefield Museum Store has not been verified. Various other adjustments may be required before the statements are finalized.
# Tippecanoe County Historical Association

## Balance Sheet

**As of December 31,**

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![TCHSA Assets Chart](chart.png)
### Tippecanoe County Historical Association
#### Income Statement

For the years ended,

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The Tippecanoe County Historical Association’s mission statement- “To enrich the lives of Tippecanoe County residents and visitors by collecting, preserving, researching, and sharing our unique and diverse history.

This mission statement gives clear instruction as to the responsibilities TCHA has to our community as Tippecanoe County’s “History Keeper.” The Board of Governors, staff, committees, volunteers, membership, sponsors, and donors are our partners to ensure success in meeting the mission statement and ensuring a sound financial future for the Association. Here are some of the highlights of 2022.

Grants, Sponsors and Donations:

- Donors and sponsors are listed in a separate area in the Annual Report. Please take a moment to read through the list to see what an incredible impact these people, businesses and organizations have had on the bottom line at TCHA. Their support was vital to the continuing advancement of TCHA’s mission in 2022. We can’t do it without them!
- Grant money received from the American Rescue Plan at the end of 2021 funded the bi-weekly cleaning of TCHA facilities by a professional cleaning company. This greatly assisted in keeping the sites welcoming to the public.
- The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette awarded TCHA a grant totaling $45,500.00 towards the replacement of the aging roof at the History Center.
- The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette also awarded TCHA a grant totaling $9,900.00 for a camera and microphones for the History Center to better facilitate programming and meetings; LED lighting and fixtures for the Arganbright library and archives; and computer equipment for the Arganbright library and archives as well as a laptop for the Tippecanoe Battlefield.
- A $6,900.00 grant from North Central Health Services through the Arts Federation supported the purchase of a new flatbed utility trailer to facilitate grounds setup and cleanup for the Feast of the Hunters’ Moon.
- Duke Energy Foundation provided a grant of $3,000.00 towards Native American programming at the Feast.
- Indiana Humanities awarded a grant for $3,000.00 in support of programming done by the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma at the Feast.
- The City of Lafayette gave $10,000.00 to support the Association.
- The City of West Lafayette gave $2,000.00 to support the Association.
- TCHA is the beneficiary of a newly established $30,000.00 endowment through the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette, the Rick Westerman and Linda Swihart Technology Endowment.

Our facilities- Fort Ouiatenon Blockhouse, Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum & History Store, Arganbright Genealogy Center, the History Center, and the Ouiatenon Preserve- are the face of TCHA. The buildings are the first impression that visitors have of the Association when they come to visit, and as such they need to be well-maintained. Buildings in good repair are essential for the storage of the collections and archives, and for educational programs and exhibits. Some of the work that’s been done include:

- Volunteers were vital in maintaining the facilities in 2022. They did gardening, landscape work and beautification, cleaning building exteriors, roof assessment, Legacy Brick installation, mechanical repair, ceiling work, kitchen equipment repair, exhibit installation, and event setup and teardown.
- The roof at the History Center was replaced, with the assistance of the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette grant.
- Carpets at the Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum were cleaned
- The History Center banquet hall floors were stripped and cleaned.
- Several repairs were made on HVAC units at Arganbright and the History Center. The Facilities Committee will focus on an overall assessment and future plan for HVAC at these facilities in 2023.
- A special thank you to the Tippecanoe County Park and Recreation Department for their work in managing the grounds of Fort Ouiatenon Historic Park and the Tippecanoe Battlefield.

Public Engagement:

- In 2022 efforts continued in expanding TCHA outreach. A major goal is to make cultural communities aware of resources available in TCHA’s collection, and to solicit resources that would enhance our collections.
- I represented TCHA on the board of the “Juneteenth” festival. This celebration commemorated the end of enslavement and was a community-wide gathering of organizations and individuals. Staff and volunteers interacted with many community members about the African American cultural historic reference material available in the collections and archives.
- TCHA had displays and informational resources at the Tippecanoe Latino Festival.
- I partnered with Dr. Ronald Morris of Ball State’s Department of History to author a chapter for an upcoming book on Fort Ouiatenon.
- Numerous posts were made to various social media, showcasing TCHA’s programs and collections.
- Tours by public schools, homeschools, special interest groups, military, and senior groups increased from 2021.
- The Bicentennial publications committee has been actively generating ideas for the publication of a book for the coming celebration of the City of Lafayette’s Bicentennial (2025) and the Tippecanoe County Bicentennial (2026).
- TCHA created a Speakers Bureau as a community resource. Information is available on our website.
- TCHA was a co-host of the French Heritage Conference.
- The Historic Markers Committee has been revived, and an inventory of markers in the county has been completed.
- TCHA partnered with Purdue University and the University of Southern Indiana for a field school at the Fort Ouiatenon archaeological site. This program gave archaeology some much needed experience, as well as benefited TCHA by recovering more artifacts and adding to the knowledge base about Fort Ouiatenon.

Thank you to these key players in TCHA’s successes in 2022:

- **Volunteers**- In 2022 library volunteers put in almost 2,500 hours of work; Feast of the Hunters’ Moon volunteers racked up many thousands of hours helping with TCHA’s biggest fundraiser; 204 program volunteer presenters gave of their time to teach and share for the 39 programs TCHA hosted; numerous TCHA committee members lent their ideas and rolled up their sleeves to assist where needed; and many other volunteers donated their expertise and talents in myriad ways at all of TCHA’s sites.
- **Board of Governors**- Thank you to the TCHA Board of Governors for their great work guiding TCHA through 2022. Their dedication to our mission is inspiring. These folks are VOLUNTEERS, and we thank them for the time and interest they invest in TCHA.
- **Community Partners**- Government officials, community organizations, area businesses, schools, educators, donors, sponsors, granting organizations, TCHA members, researchers, patrons and visitors all recognized the value of TCHA to the community and provided support.
- **TCHA staff**- Thank you to the staff for their incredible work and dedication this past year. As individuals they are professional and highly qualified; as a team, caring for and promoting Tippecanoe County history, they are unstoppable- Curator Kelly Lippie, Research Librarian Amy Harbor, Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum & History Store Manager Trey Gorden, Assistant Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum & History Store Manager Laura Smyser, and TCHA Battlefield Museum & History Store Assistant Rick Conwell.
Robert Kreibel’s books and manuscripts for *Old Lafayette* scanned in preparation for editing and republishing.

Behind the scenes tour of the collections storage areas at the Arganbright Center were held for the public in February and April.

Material solicited for archiving the COVID-19 experience in Tippecanoe County, guided by Association of Indiana Museums collection plans.

A large batch of old administrative records were disposed of as per the TCHA retention policy.

Spring semester volunteers and interns working to catalog textiles and photographs. Another volunteer working to made padded hangers for clothing storage.

Long-term volunteers working to catalog and scan photographs, books and inventory portrait collection. Work also being done to clean up library’s subject files.

Spoke to the Crawfordsville Kiwanis and Purdue Retirees Association about TCHA resources.

Purdue Anthropology student using slag metal from the Ouiatenon archeological collection in research project.

Met with Farmer’s Institute members to consult about care and storage of their historic materials.

Consulted with Mulhaupts about several historic keys made by the company that a donor was offering to the collection.

Two ledgers were taken to a book binder in Indianapolis for spine repair and new covers. This funding was provided by TIPCOA (Tippecanoe County Area Genealogical Society).

Several classes from the Purdue Honors College visited to see what resources are available for students, especially in topics of diversity.

Current Topics Club held their monthly meeting in the Arganbright Center in October so they could look at their archival collection kept here.

Student interns from Purdue worked on scanning Michigan State University’s field notes and slides related to the Ouiatenon Dig in the 1970s.

7 Blog articles posted to the TCHA webpage in 2022 to highlight local history stories.

106 new accession records created for the permanent collection and 6 new expendable collections created.

2,929 new catalog records created for artifacts, photographs, books and archival materials in the TCHA collection in 2022.

Over 2,498 hours of volunteer time given toward library and collections projects in 2022.

**Exhibits and Loans**

George Winter exhibit installed at the Tippecanoe Battlefield for the spring.

Loan made to Tippecanoe County Public Library for exhibit during National Library week.

Loans renewed for exhibits at the Fowler House Mansion, Five Points Fire Station Museum and Duncan Hall Community Center.

Loaned artifacts from the Masonic Lodge No. 123 on exhibit at the History Center were renewed for another year.

Advised Otterbein Public Library for their 150th anniversary exhibit.

Battlefield hosted traveling exhibit from Indiana Historical Society June 24- July 29. “Who is a Hoosier?”

Exhibited Civil War artifacts in the History on Tour trailer for the Civil War encampment event April 23rd.

Exhibits installed at the Tippecanoe Battlefield featuring Columbia figure and the Methodist Church Camp.

Loan of two artifacts for exhibit at the Tippecanoe Battlefield were renewed.
• New exhibit on fans installed at the History Center. Also on exhibit, a 2-dimensional panel display designed as a student project and donated to TCHA.
• Boy & Girls Scout exhibit displayed the Arganbright Center library for the year.

Donors to the Permanent and Expendable Collection

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• Four e-newsletters, “TippecaNEWS” produced and emailed to members in 2022. Contracted graphic designer created a new look for the publication.

• Annual Members meeting held, with a Google Form option for online voting by members for new/returning Board members.

• Worked with Purdue English Department student to draft text for the Annual Appeal letter.

• Online surveys were developed to get information from new members, members who decided not to renew and current members who want to give feedback. This was done with a free online form by Google.

• Letter mailed to Lifetime members to confirm their contact information. About half the Lifetime members did not respond and were removed from the TCHA membership list.

• Number of Feast tickets given to members was increased for Donor-level members and Lifetime members will now get Feast tickets.

• Hosted TCHA Membership tent at the Feast of the Hunters’ Moon. 15 memberships were sold during the weekend. David Hovde donated pottery to raffle off to those who purchased membership that weekend.

• Committee reviewed membership perks to make changes for 2023. Admission to the Columbian Park Zoo was renewed for another year.

• Membership promoted at Junteenth, Latino Fest and Leadership Lafayette Volunteer Expo.

• Members can now use a code to receive 10% discount on the online History Store.
The library returned to its normal routine in 2022. We are currently open 10 hours a week for walk-in visitors who come in to research their families and other topics of Tippecanoe County history. We also have visitors by appointment on other days, as needed. We continue to answer many questions that come in by telephone and email. Scanning and sending document images takes up a good amount of time. It is exciting to be able to meet our mission of sharing our history in this way. By far the most satisfying thing we do in the library is solve historical mysteries.

Volunteers provide a huge amount of support in the library. When we are not helping patrons and solving mysteries, our attention goes to the never-ending task of converting our paper indexes to digital and creating new indexes for other document collections. Hundreds of volunteer hours were devoted to this in 2022.

A sampling of the collections we indexed in 2022 includes:

- Greenbush Cemetery records
- Circuit Court probate records
- Marriage licenses
- County Commissioners’ records
- Indentured Children records
- Funeral Home records

Volunteers and staff were also involved with researching people buried in Greenbush Cemetery, in preparation for a cemetery tour in May. Unfortunately, the tour was rained out after 45 minutes and the rescheduled event was also cancelled due to storms. We look forward to doing this tour in 2023 as well as preparing a tour of Spring Vale Cemetery.

An indoor program on Pioneer Cemeteries of Tippecanoe County was popular and well attended.

Many thanks are due to the staff who wrote the grant proposal to fund replacement of inadequate and non-functioning lighting and outdated computer hardware and software in the Arganbright building. These updates will provide a much better research experience for both visitors and staff.
Like most other businesses, we reduced our Covid precautions this year to a mask-optional policy. We maintained this policy all year, and we’ll be reviewing it after we return from the holidays.

Our new Square/QBO inventory and point-of-sale system enabled us to launch our online store.

We made a couple of large technology purchases this year. The first was a new printer, which was necessary since our old printer was no longer supported by the manufacturer. The purchase itself was a touch-and-go proposition, with supply lines impacted by the global pandemic. It started to look like we might have to go for a time without a printer, but eventually Canon came through with the MF741Cdw. It’s been a great printer from the moment of installation and plays very politely with the new Dell laptop that was delivered in December, and on which I am composing this report.

In other technology news, our drinks refrigerator stopped working as the year was ending and will need to be replaced as early as possible in 2023.

We experimented with a web store for Feast merchandise this year. The results were disappointing, largely due to the lack of functionality and responsiveness in the online service provider we chose. I have already selected a different vendor for next year. Subcontracting an online vendor for Feast, rather than using our own online store, allows us to offer far more options to those who order early without our having to purchase and stock the inventory ourselves.

Kelly partnered with the Indiana Historical Society to arrange and curate a wonderful Who is a Hoosier exhibit. In addition to the IHS panels that formed the center of the exhibit, she filled the cases with the story of the Tippecanoe Battlefield’s time as a Methodist Church Camp. Combining this with a stunning “Lady Liberty” dress from the early twentieth century allowed her to present a compelling picture of who we are and who we have been, both statewide and locally.

Early on in our Feast preparations, we suffered a setback in the area of the Feast books tent. The sisters of the Psi Iota Xi Sorority, who had faithfully run our books tent for years, let us know that they could no longer staff that tent. Fortunately, Civic Youth Theatre of Greater Lafayette stepped up. They were so successful and had so much fun that they are already looking forward to next year. They’re going to be a great long-term partner for the Books Tent going forward. Many thanks to Julie Bauman, who runs CYT, for all her hard work and leadership. Thanks also to Sherry Leininger and her Psi Iota Xi sisters. We are grateful to them for so many years of outstanding service to their community through participation at the Feast, and we wish them all the best in their future service endeavors.

As you all know, Feast 55 was an outstanding success. Sales were brisk on all our products. Even our sweatshirts outperformed expectations. The Feast mugs were, much like last year, a terrific hit! We all have cause to be proud of our mug team (Graphic Artist Angela Bruntlett, volunteer die-maker Adam Lawson, and especially local potter Diana Couk May). These mugs set a high bar for next year!

This year brought us a rainy and windy Commemoration. Camping and all outdoor events were either cancelled or moved inside for safety. The dangerous storms also prevented one of our out-of-town speakers from being able to attend. The terrible weather, combined with a Purdue home game that we were unable to schedule around, meant that turnout for Commemoration was far below what we had hoped.

In August we hosted history teacher Matthew Barnett and some of his students from Maconaquah Middle School. They had made a life-sized replica of the William Henry Harrison campaign ball that one supporter rolled all the way from his own home in Pennsylvania to Harrison’s 1840 campaign rally here at the Tippecanoe Battlefield. The students and their sponsors rolled the ball about in the park and gave a presentation about the rally and their construction of their replica. For a picture of the original, see the one at the end of Leslie’s programming report.
Our award-winning staff-ride coordinator, Rick Conwell, arranged several military groups, including the Army Reserve Warrant Officers Training Program, who now make the Tippecanoe Battlefield the culminating event of their annual program.

### 2022 Tippecanoe Battlefield Attendance Numbers

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![Graph showing attendance numbers from 2021 to 2022](image)

**Blue line represents 2021, red line represents 2022**
Thank you to these businesses and organizations as sponsors for the 2022 programming- The National Group, La Compagnie des Beaux Eaux, and the American Legion Post 11. Their support is crucial to the Association’s mission- to enrich the lives of Tippecanoe County residents and visitors by collecting, preserving, and sharing our unique and diverse history.

Social media viewing of the Association’s programming has risen significantly in 2022, and continues to be a major way that we promote the education outreach responsibility of TCHA’s mission. Some statistics from our Facebook pages-

- **192,459** - Number of people who viewed TCHA’s event postings on Facebook in 2022
- **67,817** - Number of people who have visited TCHA’s Facebook page in 2022
- **54,165** - Number of people who have visited the Feast of the Hunters’ Moon Facebook group page - *in just the last 60 days!*
- **India, Sudan, France, Spain, Bangladesh, Egypt, Argentina, Nigeria, Philippines, Germany, Italy, China, England, Canada, United States** - Countries that have had people viewing the Feast’s Facebook group page *in just the last 28 days!*

The interest in the Association’s mission and programming is growing worldwide!

TCHA’s program committee put on 39 programs this year. Since COVID vaccinations and boosters are now available, the Association was able to do more in-person programming than the last two years. TCHA continued to provide hybrid programming, where possible, to accommodate any COVID concerns people might have and to be more accessible to the community.

Relaxed COVID protocols in schools meant that more students were able to take field trips to TCHA sites in 2022. The Tippecanoe Battlefield also hosted numerous “staff rides,” a training exercise conducted on the site of a previous conflict or battle by active duty or ROTC military groups. The goal of the staff ride is to assess and learn from the Battle of Tippecanoe to better apply the knowledge gained there to future military situations.

TCHA thanks the presenters for doing all of these programs! Their research, knowledge, dedication to volunteering, and their gift of time are very much appreciated.

Including the Feast, TCHA’s main fundraiser, TCHA virtual/hybrid/in-person programs were enjoyed by over 49,000 people in 2022

Special thanks to TCHA’s program committee for facilitating programming outreach and education- Pete Bill, Amy Harbor, David Hovde, Walt Griffin, and Jeff Schwab.
We invite you to join us for 2023 programming! Watch the TCHA website at www.tippecanoehistory.org, TCHA’s Facebook pages, and your email for notifications about all of the programs planned. Are you interested in serving on the program committee? We’d love to have you join us! Contact programs@tippecanoehistory.org, or call 765.426.2128.
The Feast of the Hunters’ Moon is TCHA’s largest fundraiser of the year, annually generating over 60% of the operating income of the Association. The funds raised at this historical reenactment of life at Fort Ouiatenon (1717-1791) help us meet our mission on a daily basis through the work of staff and volunteers at the five sites TCHA operates—Frank C. Arganbright Genealogy Center, the Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum, the Ouiatenon Preserve, the History Center, and the Fort Ouiatenon Blockhouse.

The 2022 Feast will provide over $210,000.00 in operating funds for TCHA in 2023. These funds help us meet our promise to the community as Tippecanoe County’s “history keeper” — to enrich the lives of Tippecanoe County residents and visitors by collecting, preserving, and sharing our unique and diverse history.

The Feast can be greatly impacted by weather. In the past, we’ve had some real doozies due to Mother Nature not cooperating! However, I’m happy to report the weather was beautiful—sunny and warm—and an audience of 46,258 enthusiastic Feast goers showed up to celebrate the 55th annual event in the gorgeous fall weather on the banks of the Wabash. This stunning weather allowed visitors to “Feast” their way around all the food booths, enjoy the performances and cultural presentations in the arenas and on the stages, learn from the traditional artisans, and shop 18th century-style wares.

As the Event Manager, I’m responsible for keeping the event focused on the educational mission of the Feast, insure that the budget is adhered to, and make all programming contacts, logistical arrangements and service contracts. I assist the TCHA board, Feast chairman, and Feast Steering Committee in their efforts to insure a successful, profitable event TCHA can be proud of. The Feast committee works hard every year and provides innovative ideas, encouragement, and support to Feast staff. We thank these folks for serving TCHA and the Feast—Committee members for 2022 included: Sarah Bartlett, Di Begley, Pete Bill, Mac Bellner, Terry Clark, David Conner, Barbara Deaton, Mary Fisher, Brian Hawn, Erin Hicks, Roger Hooper, Diane Hunter, Erika Kvam, Bob Leavitt, Matt Riebsomer, Jeff Schwab, Sheri Sondgerath, Jason Stanfield, Scott Stembaugh, Linda Swihart, Brian Wagner, Jeni Watkins, Joyce Wiegand, Logan York, Bill Young, and Jan Young. Tippecanoe County Park and Recreation Department Director Randy Lower as well as Fort Ouiatenon Site Manager Andy Wall complete the Feast team. TCHA’s partnership with the parks department is critical to the success of the Feast. TCHA collaborates with the Tippecanoe
County Park and Recreation Department on the production and grounds set-up/tear down for the Feast, as they own the land the Feast is held on.

Some significant challenges that affected the Feast in 2022- inflation and its impact on the bottom line for the Association, supply chain issues, food sourcing difficulties, and shortages of booth workers and volunteers- will be addressed by the Feast Steering Committee, TCHA staff, and the Board of Governors.

Thanks to the participants, community partners, sponsors, Feast goers, and the thousands of volunteers that make the Feast a treasured tradition in Tippecanoe County, the 2022 Feast will go in the books as a very successful one! We hope to see YOU at the 2023 Feast, scheduled for October 7-8!

**Besides TCHA, over 50 area not-for-profits benefit from the Feast. The event infuses over 2 million dollars into the local tourism economy, thus making the Feast- and TCHA- vital to the quality of life in the community at large**

*Photos courtesy of Angela Bruntlett, Daniel Condreay, and Brooke Sauter*

Thank you to this year’s Feast sponsors!

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**We thank the following sponsors!**

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- The National Group
- Indiana Humanities
- North Central Health Services
- CityBus
- Weink Powered by Tippecanoe First Farmers Bank & Trust
- The City of Lafayette
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- Welsh's Leisure Time Campground
- The Fountain Trust Company
- Purdue Federal Credit Union
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- Beulah Farms
- Seaborn Corporation
- The Tippecanoe County Commissioners
- Tippecanoe Brewing & Public House
- Interstate Batteries

**In-kind sponsors**

- Blue Finne
- Lafayette Travel Trailer
- Long Electric
- Vetter and Associates
- Haley's Lock, Safe, and Key
- Bob's Garage
Facilities Committee

Members: Walt Griffin (chair), Pete Bill (co-chair), Colby Bartlett, Jeff Burnworth, Kevin Cullen, Kelly Lippie; Jeff Schwab and Leslie Martin Conwell *ex officio* members.

The Facilities Committee, formerly the Building and Ground Committee, is charged with advising the Board and the Executive Director on matters relating to the upkeep, maintenance, and repair of the Arganbright building, the History Center, the Blockhouse, the TCHA owned improvements at the Battlefield Museum and Store (TCHA does not own the building itself at the Battlefield), and the house at the Fort Ouiatenon Overlook.

As a Board Committee, the Facilities Committee researches and collates background information on facilities issues from which it creates non-binding recommendations for the Executive Director and the Board. Committee recommendations go to the Executive Director for actions that do not incur a large expense or significantly exceed budget allocations, or recommendations may go to the Board’s Executive Committee or to the full Board for a decision if the recommendation’s financial impact on the Association is large or requires expenditures significantly outside of the budget allocations.

Informally in the past two years, the members of the Committee have also chipped in to do small maintenance projects for TCHA (laying of sidewalk pavers in front of Arganbright, painting warning strips on the steps at the HC, installation of Legacy Bricks, replacement of lights/fixtures, weeding and mulching at HC, cleaning of Arganbright roof and gutters, tree/shrub removal, etc.).

In 2022, the Committee prepared a long list of projects focusing on addressing the deferred maintenance projects due to COVID and a year of austerity due to cancellation of the 2020 Feast. The following are significant 2022 projects in which the Committee was involved:

- Stripping and re waxing of floors at the History Center. This had not been done since the remodeling in 2018.  *Completed June 2022.*
- Professional cleaning of carpet at Battlefield; this has not been done for years and the status of the carpet could not be assessed before cleaning.  *Completed August 2022.*
- Switching of all Arganbright ceiling lights from incandescent to LED.  *Grant funding received for this project. Materials have been ordered. Projected installation in January 2023.*
- Repair of deteriorating roof at the History Center.  *Grant received to partially cover costs for the roof replacement. Completed in September 2022.*
- Damage to banquet room floor during roof replacement. Floors needed to be completely stripped and re waxed.  *Cost covered by roofing company. Completed December 2022.*
- Recurring issues with alarm system at History Center.  *Seem to be fixed for now.*
- Recurring issues with the boiler heating system and the air conditioning system. A major rehabilitation of the boiler was scheduled to bring boiler up to inspection requirements, but this is still considered to be a short term fix.  *Completed December 2022. Further investigation needs to be done in 2023 to assess alternatives to current HVAC system.*
- Pest problems at Arganbright (groundhog and bats). **Ongoing control measures, but not permanently resolved.**
- Development of a Maintenance Schedule so Committee and Board can budget for anticipated expenses for the coming year and beyond. **First draft completed, continuing project.**
- Beginning to develop a "Needs Assessment" document to determine the physical space and infrastructure required for a new facility (museum, artifact storage, public work space, administration, etc.) necessary to support the Association's mission. **On hold until new Executive Director arrives.**
- Preliminary discussion on development of alcove space (adjacent to banquet room) at the History Center for display/mini museum. **On hold until new Executive Director arrives.**

**Projects for 2023**

- Getting new Executive Director up to speed on facilities’ needs and recurring maintenance schedule
- Professional evaluation of Arganbright roof. While a committee member was cleaning the roof this summer and fall, places on the roof were reported to feel spongy. The current roof membrane appeared to be in good shape. Kelly has not reported any leaks during heavy rains.
- Bring in HVAC contractors to get multiple opinions and quotes on options for replacing current boiler and blower unit system used at the History Center. This will be another major project with significant expense. In 2022 the History Center roof replacement cost $75,500 and relied on funding from the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette for $45,500 of the total cost. This was the second largest grant that the CF paid out in 2022. This HVAC project will likely require identifying significant external funding while being prudent to use other additional funding sources besides the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette.
- Advancing the Needs Assessment for the Functional Infrastructure Required to Support the Mission of the Tippecanoe County Historical Association document in preparation for a future building project.
- Discussion and possible plan for rehabilitation of Battlefield to update Museum and guest services including the store.
- Re-erecting shelving and storage organization in the basement of the History Center after everything was moved in 2021 during to the flood remediation caused by a catastrophic failure of a water pump.
- Further discussion on developing artifact display areas within the HC.

**WE WANT YOU:** The Committee is seeking TCHA members with building construction, infrastructure maintenance, HVAC experience, or other construction/maintenance knowledge to become part of the Facilities Committee so we can 1) better advise the Board and Executive Director on facilities matters, 2) help facilitate effective interaction with building or repair contractors working on TCHA owned facilities. We also welcome anyone who is willing to pitch in on small maintenance or upkeep projects (e.g., mulching, painting, setting up shelving, brush cutting, etc.), or any other projects that will help service TCHA facilities and thereby move TCHA forward with its mission.

*Please contact Jeff Schwab, Board President, at:  jrs@purdue.edu*

**Lafayette Bicentennial Publications Committee:**

This year the committee has been focusing its attention on the production of a book concerning the bicentennial of the founding of Lafayette (1825) and Tippecanoe County (1826).

**Membership and Development Committee**

Members:  Erika Kvam (chair), Pete Bill (co-chair), Jeff Burnworth, Dale Krynak, Kelly Lippie, Dave Sattler, Jeff Schwab, Leslie Martin Conwell
The Membership and Development Committee is a Standing Board Committee charged with advising the Board of Governors and the Executive Director on matters relating to membership, or efforts to engage the community for purposes of development (donor cultivation, procurement of grants, external fund raising, sponsoring partnership formation, etc.).

**Membership:** As a Board Committee, the Membership and Development Committee works with membership staff (currently Kelly Lippie) to be a sounding board for feedback or ideas, or as an additional conduit between membership staff and the Board. Discussions include changes in membership benefits and services, methods for membership recruitment, and membership outreach projects.

Membership staff reports at each meeting on the status of membership numbers, trends, and ideas for reaching out to members and increasing the perceived value of their membership. The status of the TippecaNEWS newsletter is discussed (the newsletter sent out electronically 4 times a year) and any results from membership surveys. Plans for covering the TCHA Membership Tent at the Feast of the Hunters’ Moon are also discussed during this time.

Membership activities are reported in more detail in the Membership Report section of this Annual Report.

**Development:** The Executive Director (Leslie Martin Conwell for 2022) is typically the chief development officer for TCHA. The Executive Director works closely with the Committee to plan development events (“gala events” or fundraising programming), on-going donation programs (e.g., Legacy Brick, Amazon Smile), the Annual Appeal, and relationship-building events. The Executive Director takes the lead in writing and submitting grants, as well as completing grant reports, and the Committee acts as a support group for the Executive Director by helping to suggest potential granting opportunities or donor opportunities, providing identifying documentation for targeted equipment costs for grants, helping to proof grant applications or reports, and acting as sounding board for pursing certain grants.

During the Committee meetings the Executive Director reports on all grants in development, grants procured, and grants concluded (required reports submitted to granting agencies). Strategies for building community partnership and donor relationships are discussed, as well as brainstorming on additional means to engage the community beyond the TCHA membership more fully, including facilitating recruitment potential future leaders, committee members, and future Board members.

Grants for the 2022 are presented in the Executive Director’s section of this Annual Report and in the Budget Committee’s report.

**Development and Membership Committee Projects for 2023**

- Getting new Executive Director up to speed on Development and Membership activities
- Revision of approach to Annual Appeal – timing, goals, tracking goal progress, reporting of goal progress to membership, additional communication during the Appeal period
- Implementation of Planned Giving opportunities for TCHA – estate giving, monthly giving, IRA mandatory distribution requirement donations
- Broaden thinking about implementing pragmatic and effective methods to develop partnerships with community leaders (political, social influencers, and community leaders)
- Development informal “advisory circles” for TCHA goals/strategic plans as potential short-term engagement opportunities for members, and especially for targeted non-members

Thanks to the Committee volunteers and staff for helping this Committee fulfill its function and obligation to the Board of Governors.

**WE WANT YOU:** The Committee is seeking TCHA members with experience, or ideas, on how to better engage the community in practical methods of donor partnership development, personal engagement with the Association, cost effective uses of social media and other methods for outreach and communication with the community, and other means by which TCHA can attract non-TCHA-members into the TCHA orbit.

*Please contact Jeff Schwab, Board President, at: jrs@purdue.edu*

Grants, donations, and sponsorships for 2022 are listed below

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Contributions or donations $1 – $100

Anonymous
Kathy Atwell
Battle Ground Elementary
Carolyn Bedrostan
Spencer Bower
John Brainard
David and Julia Byers
Don and Lorraine Cassano
Linda Clougherty
Nancy Cordes
DAR
Harlan Day
William and Alica Derrah
Deidre Duncan
Peter and Georgia Dunn
Velma Foertsch
Robert D. Harrer
William and Peggy Hoover
Leann James
Carolyn Kolb
Joe Krause
Erika Kvam
William Larson
Lilly Foundation
Michael Luenz
John and Deborah Massey

Contributions or donations $101 - $250

Stephen Ross Alexander
Amazon Smile*

* You can designate TCHA as a recipient for 0.5% of any Amazon purchase you make! Just sign up at Amazonsmile.com and use Amazonsmile.com as your portal for access to Amazon shopping

Anonymous
Del Bartlett
Battalion Rope Drill Mess #1
Pete and Lorita Bill
Jeffrey Bolin
Joan and Joseph Briller
Jeff Burnworth

Marsha Selmer Sally Carter
Sarah Cooke
Neil Deardorff
Charles Eier
Facebook
Beverly Melicher
Carolyn Niemantsverdriet
Dave & Nancy Sattler
Jeffrey and Ronda Schwab
Elizabeth Hunt Schwartz
Joyce Wiegand
Patricia Cockrell Wood
Contribution or donations $251 - $500

Anonymous
Braintree Education
Caterpillar Foundation Match
Don and Diane Claffey
Connie Davis

Dickerson Family
Facebook
Walt Griffin
MTM Investments

Contributions or donations $501 - $1,000

Steve Belter
Facebook
Jane Kinyon
Teays River Brewing and Public House

Contributions or donations $1,001 - $5,000

Virginia Beatty Trust
Linda Swihart

City of West Lafayette

Contributions or donations $5,001 - $10,000

City of Lafayette

Contributions in Kind

Lorita Bill
Halsema Custom Crafts
Henry Poor Lumber

The National Group
Wintek Corporation

Ouiatenon Preserve- Committee

Committee: H. Kory Cooper (Chair), Del Bartlett, Leslie Conwell, David Hovde, and Colby Bartlett (non-voting member)

- OPI hosted a joint Purdue University-University of Southern Indiana Archaeology Field School during the Purdue Maymester 16th-June 10th.
- RWF expressed interest in providing significant $ for Fix property work in exchange for naming rights to the building, but this has not been discussed in detail.
- A plan to place boulders at the OP pullout to discourage driving on grass has been discussed but no movement. Kohler will place boulders but need to reconfirm with Purdy Materials they will donate stones.
- Renewal and approval of a revised MOU with Ouiatenon Sportsmen’s Club (OSC).
- A letter was sent to the Indiana University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology regarding TCHA’s request to begin a conversation regarding the ownership and final resting place of Kellar’s Ouiatenon artifacts. The museum is currently accepting applications for a new director for the museum.
- CREP payment of $18,376 received October 7, 40% of preserve parcel and 100% of 5 acres by overlook.
- Working with OSC (shared cost) gravel was placed to fix the road into OPI.
- Purdue drone group carried out initial high resolution LIDAR mapping.
- Purdue Global Soundscape completed beta testing of data collection device at the Preserve.
- Purdue postdoc completed a pollinator inventory.
- An initial round of invasive control was completed by contractors in the northern woods and in the CREP practice. The former funded largely by USFWS and the later by RWF.
- Adam Scheffee was given permission to deer hunt during fall archery season in the Preserve.
**Individual Membership**

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**TCHA Membership Roll**

As of January 3, 2023

Walter Poppinga
Jacquelyn Ralph
Colleen Reader
Joseph E. Rees
Judy Ridlen
Betty Rohler
Ruth Ann Schafer
John F. Schaut
Shirley M. Schulz
Gregory G. Seitters
Harriet Smith
Linda Sorensen
Mary M. Springer
James Stalker
Elizabeth Stoddart
Daniel Sublette
Arnold L. Sweet
Terry A. Taylor
Marla Thompson
Janet G. Timmons
Harold Tully
Lorraine Van Meter
Patricia Cockrell Wood
Senior Couple Membership

Gene Terril and Berndette Aliprantis
James and Marilyn Anderson
Sharon and Ron Baker
John and Joan Bauer
Dan and Pam Becker
Rick and Kathy Black
Spencer Bower and Sandy Schelle
Joan and Joseph Briller
John and Carol Brown
Angela and Craig Brunntlett
David and Rita Buckles
Dale and Toni Butcher
Doyne and Richard Carson
Edward and Rebecca Chosnek
Jeff and Tammy Chowning
Don & Diane Claffey
Don and Mindy Clayton
Lou Ann and Larry Clugh
John Copeland and Gail Thayer-Copeland
Kathy and Kacey Crager
James & Patricia Driscoll
David & Kathy-Lynn Dull
Peter and Georgia Dunn
Linda and James Eales
Jeris and Joyce Eikenberry
Richard and Yvonne Fetz
Richard Fudge & Meredith Richmond
Mike and Carolyn Gery
C. Thomas Getchel
Gary and Kristine Goodwin
Joey Hall
James & Constance Hayman
Dave and Cynthia Holter
David Hovde & Marj Rush Hovde
Mark and Pamela Howells
James and Rebecca Huebler
Donald and Barbara Hyatt
Patricia and Doug Jones
Barbara and John Knochel
Ron Koehler and Cindy Marsh
Dale and Ruthi Krynak
Carol and David Kuebler
Craig and Beth Lysinger
Stephanie Manley and Thomas Kondas
Rob and Callie Marskbary
Richard and Rosemary Maryonovich
Thomas and Susan McCully
Nathan and Julie McKenzie
Richard & Patricia Miller
Dennis and Lindsey Minchella
Carl Dee Moore and Avalona Bowers
Brian and Karen Musser
Mark and Anne Nesbitt
John and Jeanne Norberg
Barbara Osborn and David Hackney
Carol and Mike Pettibone
Mike and Nancy Piggott
Jeff and Carlene Quirk
Quentin and Camilla Robinson
James Ross and Marylin Howland
Jim and Carolyn Roth
Scott and Anna Rumble
Barbara and Tom Scheumann
Connie & John Schmidt
John & Elizabeth Schneider
Michael and Juliann Seikel
Peter & Charlene Sherry
Paul and Phyllis Shireman
Cathy and David Smiley
Daryl and Marsha Smith
Michael and Roxanna Stouder
Jack and Mary Jo Streicher
Sue and Jon Swick
Gary and Susan Tishler
Thomas and Dianna Velten
Terry and Shirley West
Mike and Christine White
Fred and Ricia Williams
Bill and Pam Young
Family Membership

Frank Arnold
Georgine Asborn-Klettke
Dustin and Rebecca Baker
Thomas and Tammy Barlow
James and Debra Bechner
Mark and Barbara Bowman
Sheila Campbell
Carol and Jesus Guillermo Carbajal
Charles Clark
H. Kory Cooper & Michele Buzon
Barbara and Bryan Criswell
Todd and Pam Crum
Harlan and Heather Day
Amber and Alexis Denham
Michael and Phyllis Dotson
Malcolm and Deidre Duncan
Bridget Ammond Frey
Jeremy Gordon
Joel Gunderson & Emily Whitehouse
Nina Haghighi & Tim Wright
Seth and Laura Harden
John Hollis & Mary Lyon
Kenneth and Pamela Kassner
Carol and Geoff Keyes
Steve and Angie Klink
Zula and Lee Kress
Weldon and Norma Lachmund
Dan and Debby Lima

Tiffany Lorton
James Lucies
Anne Lucietto and Richard Scheffrahn
Harry and Charlotte Martin
Laurel and Richard Mellieh
Bill and Betsy Miller
Kurt and Jennifer Muschitz
Mary Pugh
Chris & Mary Reck
Matt and Ellen Riebsomer
Jeffrey and Heather Risdon
Abigail Robertson
James Roller & Amanda Worrell
Brooke and Kevin Rumsey
Martin and Annie Schap
Nathan Snyder
Jason Stanfield
Scott and Michelle Stembaug
Greg and Rachel Stout
David and Rene Thompson
Ross and Shannon Tolen
James Werner
Todd and Danielle White
Billy Wichmann
John and Erika Wickett
Huw and Tricia Williams
Randy and Joyce Young
Patron Membership

Old Tippecanoe Quilt Guild
Steve and Kris Ames
Joseph and Carla Bartlett
J. Colby Bartlett
Joann Bonner
Jeff and Karyn Burnworth
Sally Jean Carter
Stephen J Clevenger
Dan E. & Suzanne M. Collins
Mary Collins
William and Dianne Combs
Diana Dahl
William and Alicia Derrah
James and Jane Frankenberger
Julie Ginn
John Gladden
Tarez and Eric Graban
Nancy Greenwood
Walt & Eileen Griffin
Amy & Jon Harbor
Susan and Stephen Henson
William and Peggy Hoover
Kevin and Lou Ann Hoover
J. Stewart and Janet Kellerman
Rebecca S Newhart Kincade
Jane Kinyon
Erika Kvam and Jonathan Maj
Michael and Pamela Luenz
John and Prella McBride
Gerald & Cecilia McCarthy
Ben and Maxine Miller
Ken and Jill Moder
Karen Moore
Carolyn R. O'Connell
Linda Pierret
David & Lynda Raymer
Larry and Marianne Rose
Joseph and Lorraine Rund
Doug and Michelle Samuel
David and Nancy Sattler
Nick Schenkel
John and Stephanie Scheumann
Charles and Sue Scholer
Stewart and Jackie Schreckengast
Tim & Kathi Shriner
Pauletta V. Smith
E. Dana and Maggie Smith
James and Elizabeth Solberg
Terry and Kathleen Stevens
Linda Swihart
Yannick Tagand and Melina Blanc
David and Melissa Taylor
Jane Turner and Carl Hager
Tom & Chris Turpin
Jo Wade
Kimbra Weesner
West Lafayette Public Library
Lloyd M. Wilkinson

Sustaining Membership

Alan and Gail Beck
Pete and Lorita Bill
David and Julia Byers
Barrett S. Caldwell
Connie Small Davis
Ken C. Decker
Leon and Kay Dickson
Martha and Gordon Helms
Amanda Jarboe
E. Kent and Linda Moore
James and Mary Jo Risk
Mayor Tony Roswarski
Jeffrey and Ronda Schwab
Van and Lynne Sherry
David and Dorothy Taylor
Michael and Marilou Warden

Benefactor Membership

Deirdre LeMire
Melinda Stolz
Treasure Membership

John and Debbie Thieme
Purdue Federal Credit Union/ Jeffrey Love
Margaret and Leonard Wood

Lifetime Membership

Ronald and Dorothy Baker
Steve and Debbie Belter
William Blevins
Joseph and Connie Bumbleburg
Neal Houze and Cyndy Clauss
Sarah Cooke
Brent and Jan Dickson
Cecilia Gross Fowler
Priscilla Gerde
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Richard and Connie Grace
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Russ and Alice Maurey
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