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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

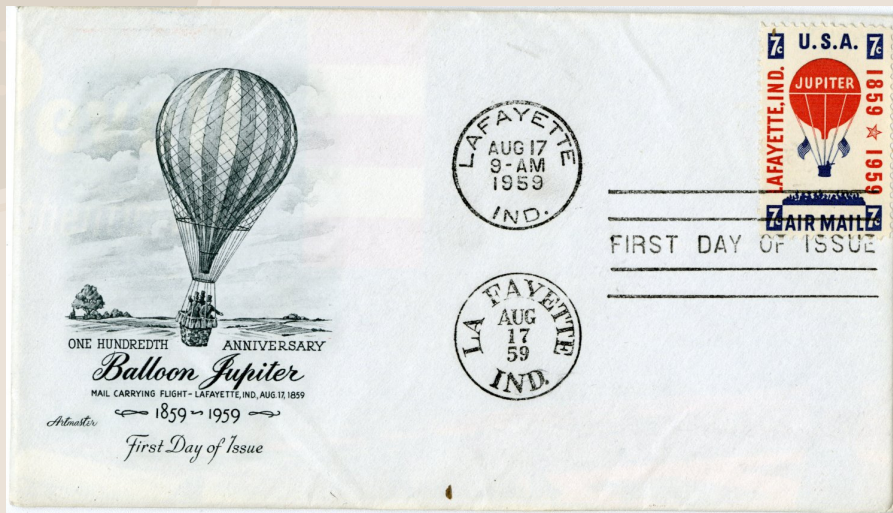
BY CLAIRE EAGLE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CHECK YOUR MAILBOX - YOU'VE GOT MAIL!

Within the last few weeks, TCHA members have received two very exciting pieces of mail. The first was our 2023 Annual Campaign letter. As a small non-government funded organization, we rely heavily on fundraising to fulfill our mission. From our premier event, Feast of the Hunters' Moon, to our memberships and annual campaign, everything we receive goes towards enriching the lives of Tippecanoe County residents and visitors by collecting, preserving, researching and sharing our unique and diverse history. We fulfill this mission by hosting free public lectures and programs, showcasing our artifacts through exhibits both at our locations and partner locations, like the West Lafayette Public Library, and working with researchers at the Frank C. Arganbright Genealogy Center. These things absolutely wouldn't be possible without the donations we receive. I hope you'll continue to support the Tippecanoe County Historical Association; all donations of any amount are so appreciated. Donations can be made by completing and returning the envelope included with the letter or by visiting tippecanoehistory.org/donate. As a 501(c)(3) organization, all donations to TCHA are tax deductible.



Claire Eagle
Executive Director of TCHA



From the Archives: 1959 envelope with first day of issue stamped envelope commemorating the first airmail flight by the balloon Jupiter from Lafayette, Indiana in 1859.

The second piece of mail might have been a bit more exciting. With less than a month until the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, members received the tickets that are included in their membership perks. If you happen to be reading this newsletter and are not a TCHA member, please visit feastofthehuntersmoon.org to learn more about purchasing tickets... and then you should sign up for a membership! As my first Feast quickly approaches, I am really looking forward to experiencing the spectacle. Hope to see you there!

FROM THE VAULT

COLLECTIONS DEPARTMENT NEWS

BY KELLY LIPPIE, CURATOR OF COLLECTIONS

BOB BAILEY AND THE LAFAYETTE RED SOX

New to the TCHA permanent collection is a Lafayette Red Sox baseball hat of Robert “Bob” Bailey. Born in 1919 in Lafayette, Bob had no interest in baseball until a chance encounter with J.C. Allen, a prolific Lafayette photographer. When Allen needed a youth to pose for a magazine in 1931, Bob was asked to don a uniform and strike a pose; even though he had never played baseball before. The experience inspired Bailey to get involved and he would go on to pitch for the West Lafayette high school team and for a number of other local and minor league teams, including the Lafayette Red Sox. By 1937, Bailey was turning down opportunities to play for major league teams so he could attend college at Purdue (and play on their baseball team). While serving in the Navy during WWII, an injury on board ship curtailed his career in baseball and dream of playing in the major leagues.

There is more to Bailey’s baseball story, so we are glad to have this piece of history that can feature in exhibits and articles in the future as TCHA remembers our local sports history. This artifact was donated by his daughter, Sarah Ackerson.

[Photographs included of the hat and the J.C. Allen photograph, courtesy of the donor.]



WEST LAFAYETTE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISPLAY

Thank you to our friends at the West Lafayette Public Library for hosting a display of Feast memorabilia and Fort Ouiatenon artifacts at their library. We encourage you to visit the display as well as the recently-renovated library space!

In addition to historic buttons, photos and other Feast-themed “artifacts”, we have also assembled a timeline of the event. The library has also set up an interactive display for you to share your Feast memories with us, be that in a brief sticky note or in an online form.



ALAMEDA MCCOLLOUGH RESEARCH LIBRARY

BY AMY HARBOR, RESEARCH LIBRARY COORDINATOR

RESEARCH LIBRARY VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Colleen Reader

If you come into the Research Library on a Friday afternoon, you'll find Colleen Reader hard at work on "her soldiers." Colleen is creating an index of all the known Civil War soldiers from Tippecanoe County, which will be added to library website in the future. What seemed like a straightforward data entry project – taking information from index cards and putting it into a spreadsheet – has turned into a great learning experience. Colleen is often seen consulting the Indiana Adjutant General Report or 1886 Pension Enrollment applications to reconcile conflicting information on the cards. Sometimes she even gets a little caught up in her soldiers' stories. She's become so proficient in her knowledge that she volunteered to tell stories about the soldiers at our Greenbush Cemetery tour last May.

Colleen is a Tippecanoe County native – a direct descendant of William McCarty for whom McCarty Lane is named – and is a retired Speech Pathologist with Greater Lafayette Area Special Services. She and her husband Kelly have 5 children, 13 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. When she's not volunteering at TCHA, Colleen likes to play tennis and pickle ball, go to the gym and visit Florida in the winter and Michigan in the summer.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

VISIT THE TCHA MEMBERSHIP TENT AT THE FEAST!

Don't forget to visit us at the TCHA Member's tent at the Feast. TCHA members get exclusive access to the tent and the chance to chat with TCHA staff and Board members.

If you renew your membership or purchase a gift membership at the tent during Feast weekend, you will be entered for a chance to win Ouatennon-inspired pottery. For the 2023 Feast of the Hunters' Moon New Membership drawing, David Hovde will provide a reproduction plate, porringer, and cup based, in part, on faience pottery sherds from Fort Ouatennon. David is a member of the Board of Governors of TCHA and has been volunteering at the Feast since 1989. He has been making 18th century reproduction pottery since 1995.

Sherds of Pottery from Fort Ouatennon



PROGRAMMING CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER PROGRAMS

Feast of the Hunters' Moon Sewing Circle

Wednesday, September 13, 6 - 8 PM, Arganbright
Saturday, September 23, 10A - Noon, Arganbright
Wednesday, September 27, 6 - 8 PM, Arganbright

56th Annual "Feast of the Hunters' Moon"

Saturday, October 7, 2023, 9 AM - 5 PM

Sunday, October 8, 2023, 9 AM - 4 PM

Fort Ouiatenon Historic Park
(Admission charge, more info online
at FeastofTheHuntersMoon.org)

The Feast of the Hunters' Moon is a re-creation of the annual fall gathering of the French and Native Americans which took place Fort Ouiatenon, a fur-trading outpost in the mid – 1700s. This event is TCHA's biggest fundraiser, and helps support over 50 other area non-profits!

Spring Vale Cemetery Tour

Saturday, October 21, 2023, 1-3 PM
2580 State Road 25 N (Schuyler Avenue)
Presented by Amy Harbor

In December 1868, the Spring Vale Cemetery Association was organized, and a 150 acre tract two miles northeast of the city in the Longlois Reserve was purchased. It was laid out into 35 sections, in the rural cemetery style. Come learn more about this cemetery and some of the early Tippecanoe County residents buried here.

Battle of Tippecanoe Commemoration and Veterans Ceremony

Saturday, November 4, 2023, 10 AM - 3 PM
Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum & Park
Presented by Living History Interpreters

A day of remembrance of the Battle of Tippecanoe and those who fought on both sides of the conflict. A color guard and wreath-laying ceremony to honor all veterans will be held.

Thank you to The National Group, La Compagnie des Beaux Eaux, and American Legion Post 11 for their sponsorships of Tippecanoe County Historical Association programming.

BATTLEFIELD UPDATES

BY TREY GORDEN, PHD, BATTLEFIELD MANAGER

FEAST PREP AND MORE AT THE BATTLEGROUND

Things are running along as they usually do here at the Battlefield. The flowers are clinging to their last moments of ragged glory before Fall mottles them brown and drops them into the dirt, but the trees are still green and full, as if they had no idea that they need to get their paint pots ready for cooler weather. Robbie is still mowing the grass, and people are still strolling around in their short sleeves.

The flowers, though, aren't the only hints of the coming Fall. Darkness is creeping up earlier, of course, and in the morning there's now a bit of a nip in the air. If you peer through the leaves at the distant rise to the East, you can see the grand old 19th-century barn at the Farm at Prophetstown wrapping up its restoration, donning new siding before the changing season brings rain and cold winds.

Last Saturday we had our Indiana Archaeology Month celebration. Over a hundred people from all over the country were there to try their hand at casting javelins with an atlatl and to talk to John and Nolan Wickett—who masterfully portray two soldiers from the Battle of Tippecanoe—about their uniforms, their equipment, their lives as soldiers in the early 19th century, and the particulars of the battle itself. Another highlight of the celebration is always the Artifact Show-and-Tell. Two archaeologists share artifacts from Ouiatenon, pictures of the site, and a vast fund of knowledge that they apply to not only their own materials but to artifacts that folks bring from home. And thanks to our members and volunteers, the whole celebration is free of charge, including museum admission. Don't miss it when it comes around next year!

Of course, behind the scenes at the museum things are constantly humming in preparation for Feast of the Hunters' Moon. The gunroom, closed until mid-October, serves as a staging area for our preparations as we prepare merchandise for the entrance gates, the children's booth, and the books tent. It means a lot of late nights and all-hands-on-deck activity, but it's all worth it when Feast opens and the fun begins!

So come on out and keep a lookout for the approach of Fall. We'd love to see you!



Trey at the 2022 Feast of the Hunters' Moon

FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON

FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 7-8

Come enjoy the 56th annual Feast of the Hunters' Moon, scheduled for October 7-8! The Feast is a re-enactment of 18th century life at Fort Ouiatenon Historic Park on the banks of the Wabash River just southwest of current day West Lafayette, IN. The event's time period depicts the heyday of Fort Ouiatenon, 1717-1791. The first European settlement in Indiana, Fort Ouiatenon was a witness to many different cultures and lifeways.

Skilled interpreters, musicians, and artisans engage the imagination while inspiring exploration of the music, cultures, and crafts of the past. Period foods include frybread, buffalo, stews, and soups. Besides TCHA, over 50 area not-for-profits benefit from the Feast and the event brings in over 2.5 million dollars to the community, thus making the event vital to Tippecanoe County.

Education is a strong focus of the event, with two interactive days for area schoolchildren. "Special Kids Day" is Thursday, October 5 for special needs students, and the School Fun Day at the Feast is Friday, October 6 for grades 1-6. Pre-registration is required for the two school days.

Advance tickets may be purchased online at any time at, <http://feastofthehuntersmoon.org/plan-your-visit/buy-tickets/#online> or purchased at area businesses, including Pay Less, First Merchants Bank, Wolfe's Campground, Fountain Trust Bank, Purdue Federal, the Tippecanoe Battlefield, TCHA Arganbright Center, and at SIA for their employees. Weekend passes are ONLY available online, at the TCHA Arganbright Center, or the Tippecanoe Battlefield. All tickets are non-refundable.

TICKET TYPE	ADVANCE PRICE	GATE PRICE
Adult One-Day Pass	\$12.00	\$15.00
Adult Weekend Pass	\$22.00	N/A
Child (4-16) One-Day Pass	\$6.00	\$8.00
Child (4-16) Weekend Pass	\$11.00	N/A
Children under 4	Free	Free
Family Pass (2 adults and up to 4 children) One-Day Pass	\$36.00	\$45.00



The Feast offers free parking in a field adjacent to the event site. Neighbors offer paid parking. CityBus will provide shuttle bus transportation services. Attendees can park free and ride to the event from the Ross Ade Stadium parking lot. Frequent shuttle service will begin at 8:30 am on both days of the event and will end at 5:30 pm on Saturday and 4:30 pm on Sunday. Regular CityBus fares will apply, and are available at www.gocitybus.com.

FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON

INDIANA HUMANITIES GRANT SUPPORTS MIAMI TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA'S FEAST PARTICIPATION

Indiana Humanities has awarded the Tippecanoe County Historical Association a grant for \$2,940.00 to provide support for the federally recognized Miami Tribe of Oklahoma to come back to their Indiana homeland to tell their tribe's story at Fort Ouiatenon for the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, October 7-8.

The Tippecanoe County Historical Association and the federally recognized Miami have worked to build a collaborative partnership to share information and improve the Tippecanoe County Historical Association's efforts to inform the public at the Indigenous history and heritage of the Tippecanoe County area.

In 2022, thanks to an Indiana Humanities Action Grant, the Miami came to the Feast for the first time as participants. The Miami were so pleased with how things went at the 2022 Feast that they have enthusiastically agreed to come back to participate at the 2023 Feast. Diane Hunter of the Miami observed after the 2022 Feast- "The weekend proved to be an excellent opportunity to share about the history of Miami people and the Miami Tribe today."

Thank you to Indiana Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities for their generous support!

This program has been made possible through a grant from Indiana Humanities in cooperation with the National Endowment for the Humanities.

For more information on the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, contact Feast Event Manager Leslie Martin Conwell, 765-426-2128, feast@tippecanoehistory.org



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FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT: WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT THEIR HELP!

The Tippecanoe County Historical Association is pleased to announce that our friends at First Farmers Bank & Trust, and our friends at Subaru of Indiana Automotive (SIA) are sponsoring a performance stage at this year's Feast of the Hunters' Moon, scheduled for October 7-8.

R. Todd White, Business Development, Regional Manager, & AVP of First Farmers Bank & Trust, states "First Farmers Bank & Trust is proud to support the Feast of the Hunters' Moon and the Tippecanoe County Historical Association. At First Farmers, we're banking built on heart and grit, and we appreciate being part of Tippecanoe County that recognizes and honors its history and its cultural heritage while also striving towards a promising future. We look forward to this festival every year and the opportunity to celebrate with our friends and neighbors."

"Feast of the Hunters' Moon is a unique, iconic event for Tippecanoe County that we're proud to support," said Scott Brand, Executive Vice President for Subaru of Indiana Automotive. "Our sponsorship of the Voyageur Stage, and the entertainment it provides for attendees, is one of many ways we enjoy giving back to the community."

For tickets, program schedule, and more information on the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, please visit feastofthehuntersmoon.org



Thank You to



SUBARU of INDIANA AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

and



for sponsoring Performance Stages for the 2023 Feast!



FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON

THANK YOU TO VISIT LAFAYETTE-WEST LAFAYETTE FOR BEING A 2023 FEAST SPONSOR!

TCHA is also proud to announce we have received sponsorship from our friends at Visit Lafayette-West Lafayette in support of this year's event. We couldn't do it without our partners in tourism!



HISTORIC SEWING CIRCLE: MEETING NOW TO OCTOBER!

New for 2023: Learn how to sew historical clothing to wear at this year's Feast of the Hunters' Moon! Led by sewing hobbyist Brooke Sauter, she will share her knowledge of historical hand sewing and construction techniques to help outfit your 18th century closet. This FREE course is perfect for history enthusiasts, or those who have wanted to get more involved in the Feast but found the clothes to be a challenge. Brooke is also knowledgeable on fabric content/motifs appropriate to the era and event, and has a wide experience sewing 18th century clothing for herself and others.

All sessions to take place at the Arganbright Genealogy Center (1001 South St, Lafayette). Sewists of all skills are invited! Both hand and machine stitching will be utilized, depending participants' preferences.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

A MESSAGE FROM OUR FRIENDS AT WALLA

The Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association (WALLA) is delighted to formally connect with the Tippecanoe County Historical Association. We are even more delighted to make its debut in this newsletter.

For those of you unfamiliar with WALLA and its work, a couple of facts. WALLA offers intellectual, cultural, and social opportunities for adults in an eight-county area. Like TCHA, WALLA's mission is to enrich lives through a variety of offerings.

Right now, WALLA volunteers are getting ready to offer 34 classes between October 16 – November 9 at Saint Andrew United Methodist Church in West Lafayette. Detailed information about course offerings and registration is available on our website at:

www.wallaonline.org



ADVERTISE IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!

The TCHA Membership newsletter is now entirely digital. This e-newsletter reaches an average of 300 people, 4 times per year. Advertisements and announcements should be family friendly. TCHA reserves the right to decline ad or announcement designs due to content. Ads can include a color photograph or graphic and text and should be submitted in a JPEG or Word document.

\$50.00 for a ½ page in one newsletter appearance.

\$25.00 for a ¼ page in one newsletter appearance.

AMAZON WISH LIST

While Amazon Smile has been discontinued, other giving opportunities are still available – including our Amazon wish list.

Check out TCHA's Amazon wish list and help out by buying supplies to help with maintenance and artifact preservation:

<https://amzn.to/3MODfu0>

LEGACY BRICKS

Leave a lasting mark on Lafayette by ordering a Legacy Brick to be placed at the TCHA History Center on Columbia Street. Your brick will appear for everyone to see right on the patio of the building, across the street from City Hall. To order your Legacy Brick, download the order form and return it the address included.

Download the form now on our website at bit.ly/TCHALegacyBrick

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to our new members who have joined the Association in the last quarter:

Cassie Apuzzo- Individual
Spicer Connie- Individual
Mariann Durkes- Senior Individual
Richad and Jocelyn Espinosa- Senior Couple
Barbara and Art Huff- Senior Couple
Ken and Kathryn Lewellen- Senior Couple
Janice and Steve Maynard- Family
Glen Miller- Senior Individual
Andy Owen- Patron
Paul Prenevost- Senior Individual
Jim and Ruth Samuel- Senior Couple
Ray and Barbara Senesac- Senior Couple
Bridget Slack- Individual
Randy Studt- Individual
Jason Ware- Individual
Justin Welches- Patron

Thanks to our returning members who have renewed their membership in 2023:

The Old Tippecanoe Quilt Guild- Patron
James Anderson- Senior Individual
Mary Anthrop- Senior Individual
Kathy Atwell- Senior Individual
Shirley Babb- Senior Individual
Sharon and Ron Baker- Senior Couple
Dustin and Rebecca Baker- Family
John and Joan Bauer- Senior Couple
James and Debra Bechner- Family
Alan and Gail Beck- Sustaining
Carolyn Bedrosian- Senior Individual
Diane Begley- Individual
Mac Bellner- Senior Individual
Diana Bennett- Individual
John Wells Brainard- Senior Individual
Linda and Richard Brammell- Senior Couple
Peggy Bryant- Senior Individual
David and Rita Buckles- Senior Couple
Jeff and Karyn Burnworth- Patron
Nancy Carney- Senior Individual
Sally Jean Carter- Patron
Don and Diane Claffey- Senior Couple
Lou Ann and Larry Clugh- Senior Couple

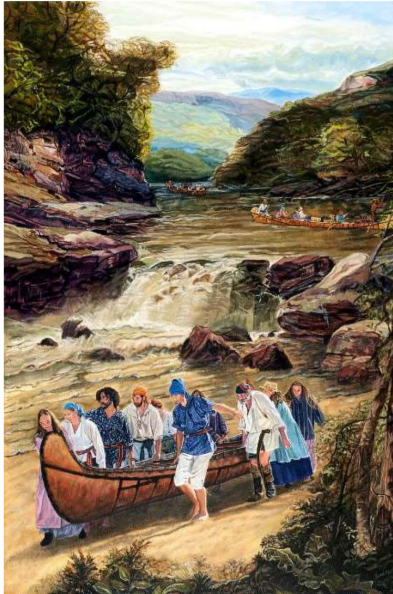
H. Korry Cooper and Michele Buzon- Family
John Copeland and Gail Thayer-Copeland- Patron
Connie Small Davis- Sustaining
Marsha and Chester Duda- Patron
Malcolm and Deidre Duncan- Family
Gwendolyn Evans- Individual
Pamela Ferguson- Individual
Tina Finke- Family
Alexca Freed- Senior Individual
Bridget Ammond Frey- Family
Richard Fudge and Meredith Richmond- Senior Couple
Mike and Carolyn Gery- Senior Couple
Vince and Sherry Guido- Patron
Kevin Hall- Senior Individual
Joey and Kathleen Hall- Senior Couple
Susan and Stephen Henson- Sustaining
Jessica Hoagland- Patron
John Hobaugh- Senior Individual
John Hollis and Mary Lyon- Senior Couple
Dave and Cynthia Holter- Family
Donald and Barbara Hyatt- Family
Amanda Jarboe- Sustaining
Tom and Brooke Johnson - Patron
Kenneth and Pamela Kassner- Family
Robert Kerkhoff- Senior Individual
Rebecca Newhart Kincade- Patron
Amber Kizer and Rachel Kizer- Family
Charles and Beth Knutson- Senior Couple
Ron Koehler and Cindy Marsh- Senior Couple
Eika Kvam- Individual
Anne Lucietto and Richard Scheffrahn- Family
Michael and Pamela Luenz- Patron
Sean Lutes- Individual
Harry and Charlotte Martin- Family
Richard and Rosemary Maryonovich- Senior Couple
Ruth Matteson- Individual
John and Prella McBride- Patron
Angelia Mercer- Individual
Ben and Maxine Miller- Senior Couple
E. Kent and Linda Moore- Patron
Karen Moore- Patron
Mike and Pam Murr- Senior Couple
Carolyn O'Connell- Patron
Jeff and Carlene Quirk- Senior Couple
Chris and Mary Reck- Family

ADVERTISING

The [Tippecanoe] Arts Federation (TAF) Hosts Art Exhibition Inspired By the Feast of the Hunters' Moon

NANCY [June-Marie] MORRISSEY, Artist

Local Artist Nancy (June-Marie) Morrissey will display art work from her gallery series **"American Fronter"** at the TAF Wells Community Cultural Canter in Lafayette during the month of November 2023. This series of original acrylic paintings was inspired in part by characters in prior years' **Feast of the Hunters' Moon**.



Bound for the Promised Land
"Fortress of the Heart." In "Home Cooking" all ages industriously prepare the campsite meal. Settlers and Native Americans shared knowledge and goods for their mutual benefit, another major theme of the **Feast**, as illustrated in "Fertile Ground" among others.

Nancy specializes in acrylic paintings of people within a larger scene that tell a story. Events such as the **Feast** provide inspiration for characters and scenes that illustrate commentary about our society. She tries to show uplifting situations where the positive nature of individuals comes out to help others despite their diversity. "Bound for the Promised Land" shows people of diverse ages, genders and ethnicities working together to establish a new life in the new world.

Feast of the Hunters' Moon reenacts that celebration, as depicted in



Fortress of the Heart

to help others despite their diversity. "Bound for the Promised Land" shows



Home Cooking

See <https://june-marie.net/index.php/american-frontier/> for the full gallery.



Fertile Ground

Nancy would be honored by people from this organization and enthusiasts of this period in our history visiting her exhibition this November. An opening reception will be held on November 3rd from 6 to 8 PM at the gallery, where you can meet the artist. The exhibition runs thru November 22nd.

American Fronter

An exhibition by

Nancy (June-Marie) Morrissey

November 3rd thru 22nd

Wells Community Cultural Canter

www.June-Marie.net

[FB: June Marie Paintings](#)



The Arts Federation (TAF), an IRC §501(c) charitable organization, serves as the model for arts advocacy for 14 Indiana Counties including the greater Lafayette area.