

TIPPECANOE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION'S

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INTRODUCING THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CLAIRE EAGLE

The Tippecanoe County Historical Association, its staff and Board of Governors are proud to announce that we have hired a new Executive Director, who will be joining us in March.

Claire Eagle earned her Bachelor of Science in history from the University of North Alabama and her Master of Arts in history with a historical administration emphasis from Eastern Illinois University. She's worked at a wide range of historic sites across the country including Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site in Lerna, Illinois and Tallac Historic Site in South Lake Tahoe, California. For the last five years she's been with Historic New Harmony in New Harmony, Indiana serving as the Experience Coordinator, Community Engagement Manager and most recently, Interim Assistant Director. In 2021, Claire was named a Humanities Hero by Indiana Humanities.



*Claire Eagle, incoming
Executive Director of TCHA*

"I enjoy engaging others in history, finding ways for them to connect with the past. I look forward to getting to know Tippecanoe County and leading the wonderful Tippecanoe County Historical Association team in the fulfillment of its mission" -- Claire Eagle

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

USE YOUR SKILLS OR FOLLOW YOUR INTERESTS — CONSIDER PARTICIPATING IN A TCHA COMMITTEE!

Do you have talents, interests, or ideas you'd like to put to good use for TCHA? But don't have enough time to serve as a Board member or Board officer? One option is to help out and join on a TCHA committee! Right now, three committees are actively looking for new committee members to help contribute their ideas, contacts, creativity, knowledge, or enthusiasm to help them fulfill their mission in support of TCHA:

- Facilities Committee - Looking for volunteers with ideas, experience, or willingness to help with small, periodic tasks needed for keeping our buildings and outdoor areas functional and looking nice. This committee also helps or advises the Executive Director, as requested, on contractor proposals for repairs or service, or in reviewing building work completed. Additionally, this committee is charged with helping to assess the current uses of all TCHA facility space in anticipation of communicating required use and storage space for future building or remodeling projects.
- Development and Membership Committee - Looking for volunteers with enthusiasm and ideas for recruiting a larger, more diverse body of TCHA members, engaging the community to engender their support for TCHA, and, when requested, helping the Executive Director to identify, procure, and execute grants, sponsored initiatives, and other TCHA support projects. This committee also works with the Executive Director to create innovative solutions for fundraising through revising the Annual Appeal campaign, creating new planned giving campaigns, and other means by which the community and donors can engage with TCHA.
- Program Advisory Committee - Looking for volunteers to help with identifying topics, recruiting speakers, and coordinating opportunities by which TCHA can effectively reach out to the community with interesting historical programming. This committee helps the Executive Director create the programming scheduled for the coming year, and assists in creating the annual program brochure TCHA releases in January. Volunteers are also encouraged to make presentations themselves on local history topics.

Being a committee volunteer is a great way to engage in meaningful work for TCHA while having fun and learning about our wonderful local history and the Association. If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Board President Jeff at jrschwab@gmail.com.

Looking forward to all of us contributing to another great year for TCHA!

Jeff Schwab
President, TCHA Board of Governors



Jeff Schwab

FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON

FOOD BOOTH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

WHY HAVE A FOOD BOOTH AT THE FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON?

If your organization needs a means by which to raise money for your organization's activities, participating as a Food Booth at The Feast of the Hunters' Moon is a way to raise money and increase the public profile of your organization. It can also be a great team building experience for participants.

WHO CAN HAVE A FOOD BOOTH?

The Feast of the Hunters' Moon provides opportunities for organizations such as scout troops, church groups, social or community service clubs, and other not-for-profit organizations to raise money by operating a Food Booth at the Feast. TCHA currently shares profits from the Feast of the Hunters' Moon with approximately 50 community organizations who participate in a variety of capacities.

WHAT IS A FOOD BOOTH?

A food booth run by an area organization prepares food on site and then sells these items to visitors at the annual Feast of the Hunters' Moon. The Feast regularly hosts over 40,000 attendees during its two day run. The Feast committee works with organizations to find foods that match with the size of their volunteer base. Profits and expenses from food sales are shared between your organization and TCHA. Checks are usually issued to all food booths between 60 and 90 days after the event. TCHA pays for all the costs of hosting the event, entertainment, advertising, and attracting the attendees.

WHEN DOES A FOOD BOOTH NEED TO GET INVOLVED?

There is an organizational meeting for food booths on April 19, 2023 (but organizations may apply after that date). The 56th Feast of the Hunters' Moon will be held October 7-8, 2023.

WHERE IS THE FEAST OF THE HUNTERS' MOON HELD?

The event is held annually at Fort Ouiatenon Park, 3129 South River Rd, West Lafayette.

HOW MUCH CAN A GROUP MAKE RUNNING A FOOD BOOTH?

Since the Feast is an outdoor event, attendance and sales can be weather dependent. In a regular year, a food vendor can earn around \$2,000 or higher, depending on the size of their operation and their food selection. A large food vendor can earn \$15,000 or more during the Feast weekend.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

- Interested organizations can contact the Feast coordinator, Leslie Martin Conwell via email at feast@tippecanoehistory.org or at 765-426-2128.
- The Feast committee will work with you to identify appropriate food items and walk you through the ordering process with our food suppliers to avoid any up-front costs to your organization.
- We will also help you with determining an appropriate setup for your sales area and optional items such as primitive shelters, tables, chairs.
- All volunteers must be in historical dress appropriate to the Feast. TCHA has many suggestions for economical ways to properly outfit your crew.



Delicious hickory chicken at the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, one of the many great foods and food booths throughout the grounds!

2023 TCHA BOARD OF GOVERNORS LINE UP

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JEFF SCHWAB

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VICE-PRESIDENT

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TREASURER

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Colby Bartlett ° Del Bartlett ° Lorita Bill ° Pete Bill ° Jeff Burnworth
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Quentin Robinson ° Dave Sattler ° Brooke Sauter ° Nick Schenkel
Jeff Schwab ° Marsha Selmer ° John F. Thieme ° Todd White

WHAT A DIFFERENCE GOOD LIGHTING MAKES



A special thank-you to our volunteers who have been working to install the new LED lights and computers that were made possible through a grant from the Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette. Board members Jeff Schwab, Jeff Burnworth and Pete Bill have removed the old fluorescent lights and installed new LED lighting in the library and archives. Volunteer Dave Chasey has worked to set up and install software on the new computers in the library.



(L to R) Pete Bill, Jeff Burnworth (on ladder), and Jeff Schwab replacing old fluorescent lighting with new LEDs!



The old fluorescent lights are on the left, the new LEDs are on the right. What a difference!



OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS



Les Garnisons des Pay d'en Haut
with Leslie Martin Conwell

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Thomas Wojcinski and Les Garnisons des Pays d'en Haut were awarded the 2022 Volunteer of the Year award. The award was given in recognition of the group's outstanding historical interpretation at Fort Ouiatenon and the Feast of the Hunters' Moon. The group has worked with tribal and French government officials to provide accurate, culturally based programming that honors the original French and Native inhabitants of Fort Ouiatenon. The group is known for its outstanding educational displays and activities, and for being so welcoming to the public and encouraging to students of history. The Association is grateful to the group for providing high quality educational programming.



BALL-SHOLTY AWARD WINNER, MARY ANTHROP

Mary Anthrop was presented with the Ball-Sholty Award for her outstanding dedication to TCHA. Mary was also the of winner several awards while teaching history at Central Catholic High School.

Mary has served the Association in many ways, including having collected materials on Greenbush Cemetery and local cultural community history. She has also written materials for the TCHA website and frequently volunteers time and materials for the collections and the library.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SPECIAL COMMENDATION AWARD

DuBois' Company of Spies and Guides, a group of individuals who research and interpret the Battle of Tippecanoe and the military units that participated in the battle, were given a special commendation at the Annual Meeting. The group was recognized for over a decade of service to the interpretation of the Battle of Tippecanoe. The group assists TCHA by placing flags on the markers on the battlefield where soldiers fell on Memorial Day, and by providing a wreath honoring both US military and Indigenous battle participants for the annual Battle of Tippecanoe Commemoration. The Association thanks them for their dedication to public programming and research-based interpretation.

ALAMEDA MCCOLLOUGH RESEARCH LIBRARY

COMING IN APRIL: INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY

Introducing a special multi-week course, Introduction to Genealogy: A Short Course for Beginners Presented by Nancy A. Greenwood, Ph.D. Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Indiana University Kokomo

In this class we will learn the basic language and elements of doing genealogy, developing a family tree, investigating one's family history, using online resources, as well as those resources which might be available in the Arganbright Library of The Tippecanoe County Historical Association. This class is designed for beginners: people who have no or limited experience with genealogy and want to develop a family tree. You do not have to have ancestors who lived in Tippecanoe County, IN to benefit from this course.

Cost: \$35 to non-TCHA members, FREE for TCHA members.

All sessions will be held from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Frank C. Arganbright Genealogy Center.

Ready to snag a seat? Contact Amy Harbor, Research Library Coordinator, at library@tippecanoehistory.org or call (765) 476-8411 X2 to register or for more information.



TIPPECANOE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION PROGRAM SERIES:

Introduction to Genealogy: A Short Course for Beginners

A five-week course

DID YOU MISS A TCHA PROGRAM YOU WANTED TO SEE?

"Darn! The soccer practice was scheduled at the same time as one of TCHA's great programs I wanted to see. Is there any way I can see a recording of it?"

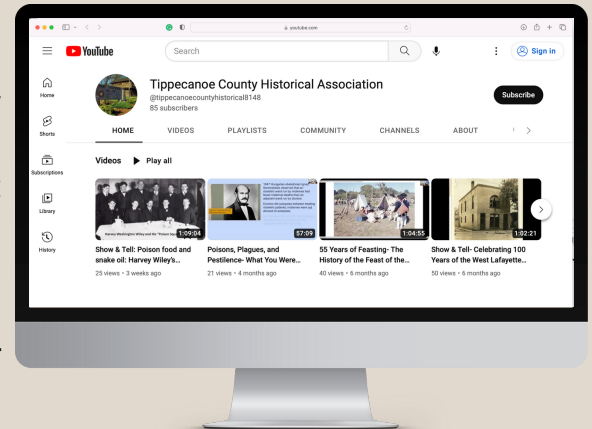
Fortunately, many of our presentations, especially the "Show & Tell programs," are transmitted simultaneously live via Zoom allowing us to record the session. They are typically posted a few days after the presentation on TCHA's YouTube channel at the link below:

www.youtube.com/@tippecanoeconomyhistorical8148

You can also find the TCHA YouTube Channel by a link from the TCHA website under the Programs & Public Programs tab (tippecanoeconomyhistorical.org/programs/public-programs/) or by putting in "Tippecanoe County Historical Association Youtube Channel" into your browser's search engine (Note: you must spell out "Tippecanoe County Historical Association," as "TCHA Youtube Channel" will not find the location).

While not all presentations are on the channel, you can hear about the "poison squad" of Harvey Wiley, the most likely things to kill you in Tippecanoe County in the 1800's, 55 years of the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, and the history of West Lafayette along with other interesting video recordings.

Remember that you can also find out about our upcoming events on the TCHA web site under the Programs & Calendar of Events tab on the website at tippecanoeconomyhistorical.org.



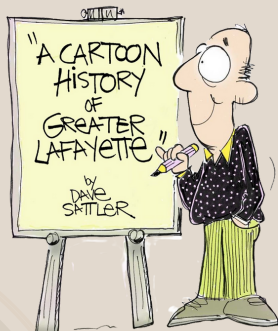
PROGRAMMING CALENDAR

MARCH PROGRAMS

A Cartoon History of Greater Lafayette

Thursday, March 30, 2023, 6 PM

TCHA's History Center
Presented by Lafayette
cartoonist Dave Sattler



Join famous Lafayette cartoonist Dave Sattler as he presents a "cartoon history" of our community. Dave will share a blend of personal favorites and some very important or popular ones pertaining to local events and people. He will end the program by showing some of the ones they would NOT print and the reasons why. A program you won't want to miss!

APRIL PROGRAMS

Show & Tell: Helen Gougar: Legal, Journalistic, and Influential Advocate for Women at the turn of the 20th Century

Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 11:30 AM

TCHA's History Center

Presented by Pete Bill



Helen Gougar

If there was a political issue of the day in the 1890's Helen Gougar was probably somewhere near the center of the fight. Whether it be as an activist for Women's Suffrage or the Temperance and Prohibition movement, or as an advocate for laws to protect victims of domestic violence, Helen led a lifelong battle for what she viewed as fundamental "human rights" that belonged to women. Her roles took her from the smoky writing rooms of newspapers to the Indiana Supreme Court. Come hear the hard-fought tales about how Lafayette native, Helen Gougar, helped lift up the roles of women in society and changed the way women were viewed.

School of the Artifact: Jewlery

Monday, April 10, 2023, 6 PM

TCHA's History Center

Presented by Leslie & Rick Conwell



A tremendous amount of artifacts relating to personal adornment have been found during the excavations at Fort Ouiatenon (circa 1717-1791). What did the French and Native inhabitants and visitors wear as jewelry? What type of metal and stones were used on some of these pieces? Was the jewelry all received in trade, or was some manufactured onsite? Come view some of the beautiful jewelry pieces found in the excavations!

Historic Home Research

Monday, April 17, 2023, 7 PM

TCHA's History Center

Presented by Ben Ross of RATIO Architects, Inc.

Are you interested in learning more about historic homes in Tippecanoe County, their architecture, or how to restore a historic home? Benjamin L. Ross is a historic preservation specialist and architectural historian with RATIO Architects, Inc. Ben's experience includes scholarly research, planning, design, and implementation for restoration, revitalization, rehabilitation, and adaptive reuse projects involving nonprofit, public, and private developer clients as well as public-private partnerships.

GUEST AUTHOR COLUMN:

BY DAVID M. HOVDE

LA CHAPELLE-DES-POTS, FRANCE TO FORT OUIATENON

In November and December my family and I toured France and visited various fabric and pottery museums as well as historic sites from Marseille to Paris. Since I am a former archaeologist, academic, and now full-time potter I had to make a pilgrimage to La Chapelle-des-Pots, a major pottery center and where much of the green glazed pottery found in New France came from.

Some of the pots represented in the Fort Ouiatenon collection came from this village. In general, the pottery was low fired and fairly crude. The clay was local and the fuel for the fire was cuttings from the vineyards and orchards. The operations were small shop family affairs. It was fun to visit a site where you know a Fort Ouiatenon artifact was made.

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Pottery sherds from the TCHA collection



David & Marj Hovde standing in front of an 18th century pottery kiln, at La Chapelle-des-Pots



Pottery sherds littering the ground at La Chapelle-des-Pots

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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/3MODfuo>

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

ADVERTISE IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!

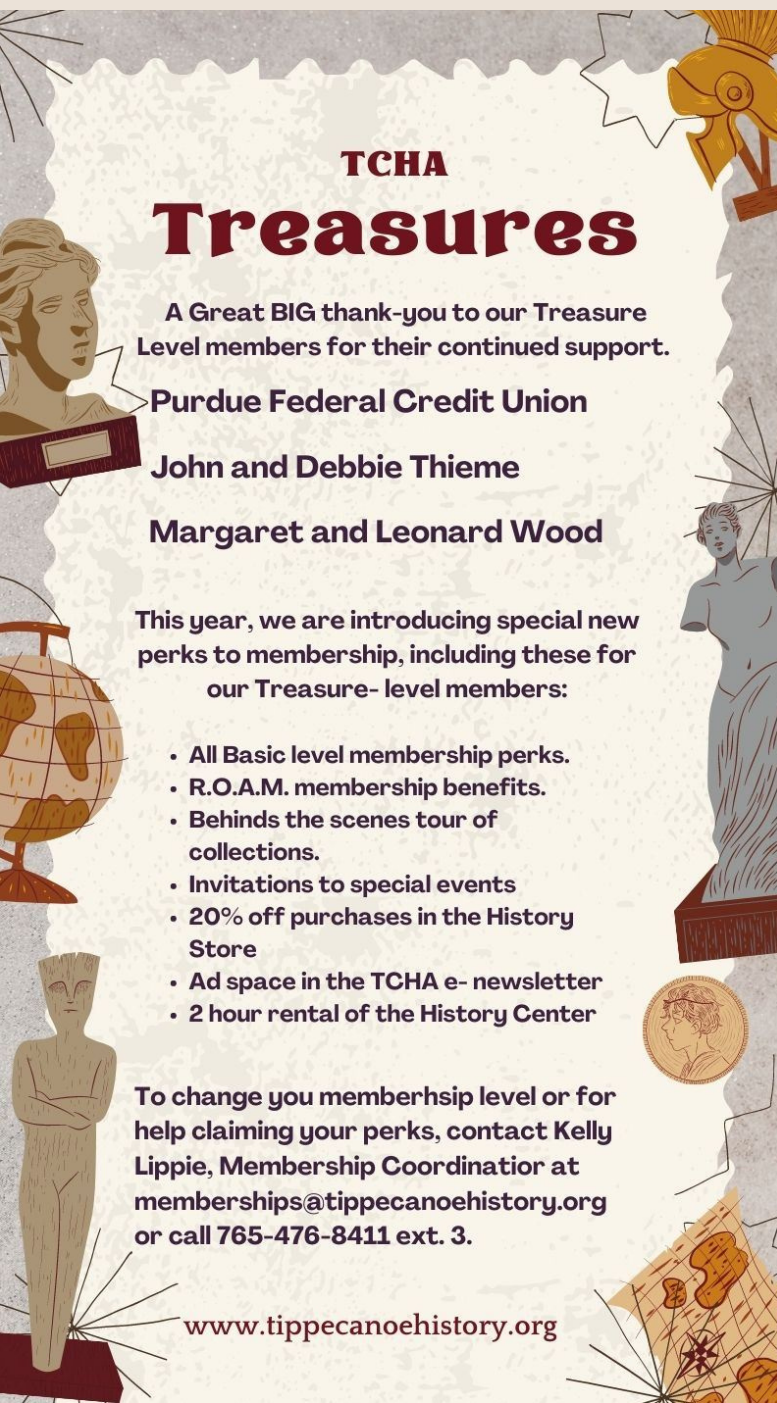
The TCHA Membership newsletter is now entirely digital. This e-newsletter reaches an average of 300 people, 4 times per year.

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.

For more info or to purchase ad space, Contact: memberships@tippecanoehistory.org or by phone at 765-476-8411 extension 3.

A vertical graphic for the TCH Treasures newsletter. It features a cream-colored background with a decorative border of various historical artifacts including a classical bust, a globe, a statue, a coin, and a map. The text is arranged in a central column.

TCHA
Treasures

A Great BIG thank-you to our Treasure Level members for their continued support.

Purdue Federal Credit Union
John and Debbie Thieme
Margaret and Leonard Wood

This year, we are introducing special new perks to membership, including these for our Treasure- level members:

- All Basic level membership perks.
- R.O.A.M. membership benefits.
- Behinds the scenes tour of collections.
- Invitations to special events
- 20% off purchases in the History Store
- Ad space in the TCHA e- newsletter
- 2 hour rental of the History Center

To change you memberhsip level or for help claiming your perks, contact Kelly Lippie, Membership Coordination at memberships@tippecanoehistory.org or call 765-476-8411 ext. 3.

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