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New marker application materials available from the Indiana Historical Bureau



The Indiana Historical Bureau - a division of the Indiana State Library - has announced that the 2023-24 Indiana state historical marker application cycle is now open.

Submitted topics must demonstrate statewide or national significance

Upcoming workshops and important dates

Early Literacy Summer
Programming with the Firefly Book
Award

When: April 25, 1-2- p.m..

Where: Webinar

<u>Every Child Ready to Read and</u> <u>School Readiness in Storytime</u>

When: April 26, 9:30 a.m.-12:30

p.m.

Where: Monroe County Public Library - Ellettsville Branch

<u>What's Up Wednesday - LaPorte</u> <u>County Public Library and The</u> Exchange

When: April 26, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime

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Indiana library jobs



This week's new Indiana library jobs

Senior Children's Librarian Allen County Public Library

<u>Children's Librarian</u> Floyd County Public Library

Library Director

Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library

<u>Area Resource Manager</u> Indianapolis Public Library

<u>Public Services Associate II -</u> <u>Juvenile Focus</u>

Indianapolis Public Library

<u>Special Collections Librarian or</u> <u>Assistant Librarian</u>

Vigo County Public Library

<u>Youth Services Manager</u> Vigo County Public Library

<u>Children Services Professional</u> <u>Assistant (part-time)</u>

Warsaw Community Public Library

Those who would like their Indiana library job posting to be listed in the Wednesday Word must submit the position and its description to the Indiana State Library. Click here for submission guidelines and to submit.

and be supported with primary source documentation to be considered. The Indiana Historical Bureau is excited to share that for the second year in row there is a grant funding opportunity available to help offset marker costs thanks to the William G. Pomeroy Foundation. The deadline to submit an application for consideration is July 12, 2023.

The Indiana State Historical Marker Program, which began in 1946, is a public-driven program, and its success rests on the partnership between applicants and the Indiana Historical Bureau. The cast aluminum signs, with raised gold lettering against a dark blue enamel background and silvercolored frame mounted on a post, can be found in nearly every county of the state. The Indiana Historical Bureau has committed itself to ensuring the topics marked represent the rich and diverse history of the state.

Learn more about the marker program and download copies of the marker application <u>here</u>.

Please contact <u>Casey Pfeiffer</u>, historical marker program director at the Indiana Historical Bureau, with any questions.

Indiana Institute on Disability and Community library offering FINDER resource database



For those with disabilities, and their families, trying to navigate a

When: May 4, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Central Time

Where: Jasper County Public Library - Wheatfield Branch

What's Up Wednesday? Beyond Books: Serving the Whole Patron

When: May 10, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

What Candidates Want: Revamping your Recruitment

When: May 17, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

Port in the Storm: How You Can Support LGBTQ+ Youth

When: May 18, 11 a.m-12 p.m.

Where: Webinar

<u>2023 Public Library Budget</u> Workshop and Legislative Update

When: May 23, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Where: Indiana State Library and

Webinar

Webmaster Roundtable - Virtual and In Person

When: May 23, 1-3 p.m. Central

Time

Where: Webinar and Lowell Public

Library

<u>What's Up Wednesday - Digital</u> <u>Inclusion</u>

When: May 31, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

<u>What's Up Wednesday - Digital</u> Resources

When: June 14, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar



Welcome to Digital Collection Highlights. Every other week,

In the news



Avonopolis continues at Avon
Library ahead of ArtScape

Avon-Washington Township Public Library

<u>Library shares teen diversity audit</u> <u>results</u>

Bartholomew County Public Library

Eckhart library Friends book sale is April 22

Eckhart Public Library

<u>Hammond Public Library grand</u> reopening

Hammond Public Library

Zionsville Greenfest to offer environmental education, fun Hussey-Mayfield Public Library

<u>Pillow Logistics expanding across</u> <u>Indiana</u>

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Indy Library, Easterseals partner on accessible workstations
Indianapolis Public Library

<u>Librarian closes book on long career</u> La Porte County Public Library

New director for Lake County Public Library, state's 3rd-largest district Lake County Public Library

North Webster Community Public Library celebrating National Library Week

North Webster Community Public Libray

complex web of services, programs and other disability-related community resources can be daunting.

Launched in 2019, FINDER is a custom-built, free, online database for any Hoosier with any disability including mental health - designed to connect people with the service providers, organizations, events in their community, online webinars and other information of interest to them. FINDER is maintained by the library of the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community and funded by grants from the AWS Foundation. FINDER contains listings for service providers, organizations, scholarly and government publications, articles, blogs, webinars, podcasts, etc. concerning all kinds of disabilities, as well as a calendar of events across Indiana and beyond.

Service providers, community advocates and medical professionals regularly contribute to FINDER, keeping the information current, relevant and practical. FINDER supports the right for people of all abilities to freely choose how they wish to live their lives to the fullest.

Click here to access the FINDER database. Click here to read more about FINDER, the AWS Foundation and the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community.

The Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, a research institute dedicated to disability issues for the State of Indiana, is housed at Indiana University in Bloomington.

For more information, please contact <u>Sharon Soto</u>, library

librarians at the Indiana State
Library share images from the
library's ever-growing digital
collections. Visit the <u>Digital</u>
<u>Collections</u> page to view the latest
additions.

Howard County materials added to State Library's digital collections



Next year, Howard County will celebrate its 180th anniversary. The Indiana State Library has recently added some new Howard County materials for research and genealogy. Originally named Richardville County, it was later renamed to Howard County, in honor of General Tilghman Howard, a U.S. Representative from Indiana, who died in 1844. The county seat is Kokomo, which was named after the Miami man Ma-Ko-Ko-Mo, who may have been a son of Chief Richardville, last of the chiefs of the Miami people.

Among the materials that the library has added are the Hixon-Sidwell plat atlas from the 1930s; "Howard County's Souvenir," which is a history of the county, published by the Howard County Historical Society in 1941 and includes a

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Sheridan Public Library

<u>Library to host Historic Photographs</u> Workshop and Scan-a-Thon on April 20, 29

Sullivan County Public Library

Friends of the Library book sale set for April 21, 22

Washington Carnegie Public Library

Is your library making news?

Email news links for inclusion in the Wednesday Word's "In the news" section.

To be featured in the Wednesday Word, please email a press release and a photo.



State Library blog



Follow the **Indiana State Library's** blog for weekly posts covering all

Sheridan Public Library pack food for coordinator at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community.

Milford Public Library adopts fine-free policy



In order to provide equitable access to library materials and services for all patrons, Milford Public Library has announced that it will become fine free beginning May 1. There will no longer be any overdue fines on printed books, audiobooks, music, movies and magazines checked out at Milford Public Library.

Those who have old fines - from prior to Dec. 31, 2022 - on their library card will be forgiven. Replacement costs for lost or damaged materials will go on a patron's library card. This policy shall apply solely to those items borrowed on site at Milford Public Library, including items transited from other Evergreen Indiana Libraries, IN-SHARE or the Statewide Remote Circulation Services known as SRCS. Items borrowed at another Evergreen Indiana Library, or renewed at

program for "One Hundred Years of Progress in Howard County, 1837-1937;" as well as "Memories of New London Community," written by Edna Payne Jones in 1936. The library also added three Kokomo telephone directories from 1929, 1943 and 1944. These items, and the others in the collection, have history and photographs.

For those who don't see materials relating to their counties, the Indiana State Library is constantly adding materials about each of the state's 92 counties. Over the past few years, the digitization team in the Indiana Division has been building the collections by focusing on Indiana's 92 counties. So far, they've focused on 30 of the counties and are still going, hoping to add materials about each county beyond the well-known histories of the 1880s through 1920s. These materials include small centennial booklets, tourist pamphlets, maps, church histories and even telephone directories.

Click <u>here</u> to view Howard County materials from the Indiana State Library's digital collections.

New Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Roundtable scheduled



The first Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Roundtable for Indiana aspects of the State Library.

Indiana library employees who would like to contribute a guest blog, please send an <u>email</u> with an idea.

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Free training for librarians and library employees on LinkedIn Learning



Text and Learn for Kindergarten program information



another Evergreen Library using a participating member card shall be subject to the policies of that library.

Once the cost of lost or damaged items on a patron's card reaches \$10, that card will be blocked at all Evergreen Indiana locations. Cards that have 15 or more overdue items will be blocked at all Evergreen locations.

Accounts will be charged with replacement costs for any items not returned within 28 days of their due date. If an item is returned in good condition, the library will forgive the cost of that item. The library will not issue refunds for lost items which have been paid for and are later returned.

The Milford Public Library encourages those who have been kept away from the library due to fines to come in and register for a card. Those who live in Van Buren or East Jefferson Townships see a part of their property tax go to the library, resulting in no additional fee for their card. The library's non-resident fee is \$60 per year.

library staff is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25, from 2-3 p.m. This new discussion group will meet virtually every quarter. The roundtable is co-hosted by Johnson County Public Library, Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Library and Mooresville Public Library.

The topic for the first meeting will be "Challenged Materials and Our Responses to These Challenges." The roundtables will serve as open discussions, so participants should come ready with their experiences, questions and any helpful insights they may have for others.

The committee is also interested in hearing topics that participants would like to discuss at future roundtables. Participants can submit their ideas via Google Form.

Those interested in attending the April 25 roundtable, or those who have questions about the roundtable, should contact <u>Keeley Waters</u> of the Johnson County Public Library. A Zoom link will be sent to participants via email.

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