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NEWS & INFO FROM THE WABASH & ERIE CANAL - DELPHI, INDIANA



"SAVE THE DATE"

Canal's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 19th.

Delphi Preservation Society's Homes Tour on Saturday September 25th "featuring our own 1844 Reed Case home in Canal Park --one of DELPHI'S remarkable historic residences.

MEMBERSHIPS

CANAL DAYS FESTIVAL—A GREAT SUCCESS

Wabash and Erie Canal, Delphi, IN 765 564-2870 www.wabashanderiecanal.org

Kids' Fun Day in the Pioneer Village

August 7th, 2021 1:00-4:00pm

Rids Canal Play Boat Fun Paper Crafts Rids Games Pioneer Crafts Make Handmade Paper

Visit Crafts People & Docents in the Village Blacksmith, Cooper, Broom Maker, Weavers, General Store, School and Cabins

Girl Scouts Kids Crafts and Bake Sale

Canal Boat Rides at 1:30 & 2:30pm Tickets for the Canal Boat Ride, Reed Case House Tour & Canal Museum available at the Museum Desk in the Interpretive Center

Kids Day involves many fun and educational activities for youth indoors and outside. Here inside the Canal Interpretive Museum a "discovery" exhibit lets kids name the animals by the type of furs displayed on this exhibit. Furs were used by the early settlers primarily to make clothing. Feeling ear of the swatches creates the excitement of naming which animal and a rush of answers to be compared to the actual animal's name..



MEMBERSHIPS come due at the end of 2021. New memberships are also encouraged and the program year is January 1 to December <u>30</u>. Anybody that currently pays for a new membership now or renews their expired membership will be given a "free" period the rest of this year. 2022 will be recorded as your current membership status.

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Now booking Group Tours

Call the Wabash & Erie Canal for more information. 765.564.2870



WEDDINGS



We lost a longtime Canal Board Director Annadell Lamb (left) in July. She had been instrumental in coordinating the restoration of the 1844 Reed Case House behind. She was also a very successful fund raiser for our non-profit organization especially during the creation of the Canal Museum nearly twenty years ago. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her please continue to honor her efforts by donating as this is what makes our CANAL PARK grow.

Beside Annadell is Marlene Charlesworth who also offers assistance as a docent in many places inside Canal Park. She lives in Delphi in the warm midwestern season and in the winter lives in Southern California.

If you would like to be a volunteer check out the the website for ideas of what you would like to do.

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Here at the Canal Boat Warehouse these little goslings are asking "mom and pop" about floating the waterway and exploring new found adventures along the only public accessible, usable, watered section of the Wabash & Erie Canal left in Indiana.



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Two of the three volunteer Blacksmiths in the Pioneer Village are David Hockstra and his wife. This shop had been expanded four years ago and another forge was constructed which hosts Martin Mears blacksmithing in the next bay.



Kids Day August 7th will continue to attract many eager youth trying their skill at hand splitting firewood. This event occurred first at Canal Days in early July when (above) they used mallets and wedges to crack open the hardwood to make firewood pieces.



Many crafters were in the Village displaying their skills and wares. Here Peter Cooper is making water bucket staves from Cedar.



Buildings open and people mulling around during Canal Days in July.



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Linda Cooper instructs kids in the art of old-time papermaking at her little gift shop. She is currently Vice President of Programs and helps create the instructional mecca in Pioneer Village for all ages to enjoy when visiting Canal Park. The Canal Association is always seeking more talented craftsmen desiring to offer their skills for the public to enjoy. If you would like to join this effort contact: <u>Ircooper@outlook.com</u>

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Pretty flowers along the canal waterway.

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