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Museum Closure and Repairs

Weddings and Events



We are booking weddings and events for 2022! You can [check out our weddings page here](#), where you can watch our latest promotional video and even calculate a quote for your special day. This year is projected to be one of the busiest ever for weddings, and we are here to serve you!

Christmas at the Canal Recap



Our fantastic museum devoted to the Canal Era will be **closed for the months of January and February**, and we will reopen on March 1, 2022.



We use the downtime in this season to make needed repairs in the museum. Our staff and our volunteer Monday-Wednesday-Friday Crew are putting in the time to get everything in order for the year to come.



Repairs include making sure the water exhibit is free of leaks so people can learn hands-on about the engineering marvels that



In early December we hosted Christmas at the Canal, and it was a huge success! We enjoyed a terrific turnout, along with plenty of opportunities to get in the Christmas spirit. One such opportunity was for photos all around the Pioneer Village, set up by our very skilled volunteers.



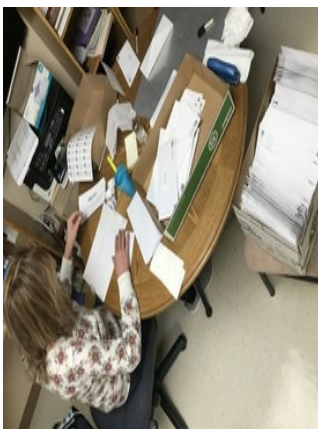
Santa Claus came all the way from the North Pole for a visit, and he was busy all day with kids (and adults) who wanted to share their wish list!

made canal travel possible. The team is also improving the system of airbags under our boat cabin exhibit which makes you feel like you are really on the water!

2022 Canal Membership



Among other things we are setting up and reorganizing for the future: our membership program! [You can find more information on our website](#) about how to become a member with us, and how your charitable donations help us continue the mission of the Wabash & Erie Canal!



We sent out hundreds of invitations in December, and we have been blown away by the response. In the photo above, our reservations manager



The Pioneer Village was decked out and ready to greet visitors. There were demonstrations and historic interpreters in just about every building! Here, Peter Cooper explains the finer points of the art of coopering, the process of fashioning buckets and barrels.



Our conference center was full of vendors and shoppers who were able to get what they needed for Christmas on site without needing to worry about the supply chain! We love this event because it combines the magic of the season with the incredible history of our wonderful community.

Day After Christmas Hike Recap

Jeanine is in the process of preparing all those invitations for mailing.

Did you know...?



You can hold your wedding, corporate meeting, or birthday celebration at the Canal Center?



We offer a variety of options for each different type of event. We offer free wi-fi and can accommodate up to 300 guests!

[Save your date today!](#)



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TODAY!](#)**



If you would like to volunteer at the Wabash & Erie Canal please click [here!](#)



On December 26, our intrepid tour guide Lois Johnston led a hike around the Red Bridge Settlement, which can be reached by walking north along our trails from the Interpretive Center. Along the walk, Lois pointed out areas of interest and shared a slew of stories about the fascinating history of the Canal.



To be prepared and equipped for the hike, Lois met in advance with Dan McCain, our president emeritus. He shared many of the behind-the-scenes stories of how Canal Park came to be. The development of our spaces is a testament to the tenacity and resourcefulness of our community members over the years.

We Got a Drone!

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Thanks to a generous grant from the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, we were able to purchase some equipment for videography and future marketing endeavors! One of those items was an incredible little "toy" that has already been useful in several ways.



It is small enough to fit in the palm of your hand, but we have used it to capture stunning video of our park from the air. [You can see some of this footage at our YouTube channel](#), where we will be uploading videos in the future as well!

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