

Canal Events

We have events from Spring through December. Activities in the Interpretive Center, rides on the canal boat and visiting the Pioneer Village.

Visit the Interpretive Center for tickets Canal Boat rides, Case House & Museum.

Canal Park Village Map

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Pioneer Village & Gardens at Canal Park

Step back in time to the mid 1800's when the canal was in operation here in Delphi.



Wabash & Erie Canal 1832-1876
468 miles long from Toledo, Ohio
to Evansville, Indiana.
The second longest canal in the world.

- Flags in front of building indicates open sites.
- Sites open some Saturdays & Events



Crafts people demonstrate trades common in Delphi in the 1800's

- **Blacksmith** Watch blacksmiths transform red hot iron from the fire of their forge into tools and hardware for towns people & farmers.
- **Broom/ Basket Maker** See baskets and brooms being made and learn about their many uses in the 1800's.
- Cooper Shop Visit the Cooper and watch him convert raw wood into buckets and butter churns. Ask him what is a croze?
- Paper Maker Shop See how paper was made during the canal era. What is marbelized paper? Make your own paper some weekends during the summer.
- **Weaver Loom House** Our weavers turn a tangled mass of flax, cotton & wool into fabric for clothing and household uses.
- **Woodworker/ Carpenter Shop** Where beautiful handmade wooden items are made.

Garden Etiquette - Do Not Pick any plants. Leave flowers & vegetables for all to enjoy. Keep pets on leash & pick up after them.

Pioneer Buildings

Docents help visitors recapture life as it was along the canal

General Store – Bank Barn, built into hillsides for more space. See all the unique things inside.

Bowen Store & Inn - Decorated as a traveler's inn.

Little White Church – An 1889 German church moved from downtown Delphi.

Fouts Log House – An impressive two–story timber structure built in 1839 by Noah Fouts.

Kun's Family Cabin - Originally from Flora area.

Railroad Depot – Visit a railroad station & see how it looked in the 1800's.

Reed Case House – This 1844 Federal style house owned by Reed Case contractor for the canal.

School House – This one room school is in session.

Speece Shelter House – Made from timbers from 1850 Speece Warehouse in Carrollton.

Summer Kitchen – Often open with refreshments for visitors during the summer months.

* Canal Era Historic Gardens

Gardens with plants of the canal era

- **Bicentennial Garden** Yellow & blue plants reminiscent of our flag near our own Indiana limestone.
- **Butterfly Garden** Our Monarch Way station. Plants loved by butterflies all season long.
- Churchyard Gardens White roses & perennials grace the arbor and grounds near the Little White Church.
- **Entry Garden** Plants greets our visitors to Canal Park.
- French Memorial Garden Honoring long time Canal Park volunteer and friend Jim French.
- **Fouts Kitchen Garden** Located near the house, shows plants used every day for cooking & home chores.
- **Gateway Garden** A colorful perennial garden with bright blooms & colorful foliage.
- **Gray Bridge Garden** A companion perennial garden to the Gateway Garden located near the Gray Bridge.
- **Medicinal Plants Garden** Plants identified as helpful medicines over the years.
- **Toll Booth Garden** Sunflowers, cannas, hyacinth bean vines & more greet our canal boat visitors.
- Paper Makers Garden See a variety of plants used to make paper as well as herbs and flowers.