

# Wabash Valley Trust for Historic Preservation

## Trust Notes January 2008



### 34TH ANNUAL MEETING OF WVT HELD AT WABASH AND ERIE CANAL INTERPRETIVE CENTER IN DELPHI



Members and friends of the Wabash Valley Trust gathered in Delphi at the Preservation Center for the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held November 14th. The evening started with tours of the Reed Case House, a Federal style house built in 1844

which later served as an inn for canal travelers, and refreshments in the Interpretive Center. Dinner was prepared and served by Shirley West and friends. New board members were elected, out-going board members celebrated, and the year reviewed with the highlight being the deeding of four historic buildings at the Indiana Veterans Home to WVT by the State of Indiana. Dan McCain, Canal Board President, was the keynote speaker and shared the journey and dreams of the Wabash and Erie Canal project. The success of the canal project is the result of community support and dedicated volunteers!

### A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

The Trust truly appreciates the time and talent that each of the following individuals brought to the Board during their tenure.

**Kathy Bowker  
Cheryl D. Hullinger  
Allen Jacobsen  
Dan Moore  
Persis Newman**

### WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Trust looks forward to working with these new board members

**Welcome to the Board!**

**Jim Andrew  
Jane Boswell  
Bill Bray  
Blythe Lee  
Tim Vanderkleed**

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Board Meetings 3rd Mon. of the month
Board Retreat January 26th
Preservation Month - May

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Brown, Christopher - Pres  
West, Shirley V-Pres  
Phillips, Terry - Tres  
Lee, Blyth - Secy  
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Booth, Eleen  
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Curtis, Susan  
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Mullins, Kathy  
Nagel, Dick  
Soodek, Nick  
Vanderkleed, Tim

### **Office Staff:**

Mary Whittaker - Interim Director  
Carl Dillman - Assistant Director



## LOEB HOUSE INN HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

The Italianate style home located at 708 Cincinnati Street was built in 1882 by Emerson P. Knight and later sold to Solomon and Carrie Loeb in 1895. The Loeb's lived in the home for over fifty years and then the house was sold and divided into six apartments. In 1995 the house was restored to its original floor plan and style and is known today as the Loeb House Inn Bed and Breakfast owned by Dick Nagel. Dick and WVT teamed up December 30<sup>th</sup> to host a holiday open house. Trees and historic ornaments adorned each room and offered a beautiful setting for visitors,

many of whom stayed to enjoy refreshments provided by WVT. The newly opened Tea Room was a popular spot for guests to visit and enjoy the afternoon. The Tea Room is run by Sue Rosenberger and is open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday between 11 am and 4 pm. Plan to stop by for an afternoon of tea and treats in one of our community's historic homes.

A special thank you to Dick for donating a portion of the proceeds to the Wabash Valley Trust to support preservation projects.

### END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS!

The end of year appeal letter brought in \$2550 to WVT! Thank You to the following individuals and businesses for a great end to 2007!

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| Andrew, Muriel           | Lopp, Clarence & Denise   |
| Baugh, William           | Lowenberg-DeBoer, Shelley |
| Bray, MD, Bill           | McTague, Jerome           |
| Brown, Chris             | Mertz, Robert             |
| Burgett, Sharon          | Mullins, Kathy            |
| Combs, Mary Ann          | Mullins, Jim              |
| Deagan, Ernest & Roberta | O'Connor, Tom & Ruth      |
| Field, Ken & Jackie      | Porterfield, Pam          |
| Kirby Risk Corporation   | Shook, Wes & Ann          |
| Klatch, James            | Stallard & Schuh, Inc.    |
| Lamb, Annadell           | Whittaker, Dale & Mary    |

### PLAQUE UPDATE

Thank You to Persis Newman, Nick Carson, and Kathy Booker for their work on the plaque presentation in November 2008.

#### Plaques were presented to:

- The Lafayette Theater (Jan Reynolds)
- The Cracker Factory ( Mark Scharer)

### CORPORATE MEMBERSHIPS

Tippecanoe School Corporation – Corporate Level \$250.00



## IVH UPDATE

Planning a charrette and stabilizing the buildings are two activities that took place during the first year of owning the Administration Building, Lawrie Library, Men's Dorm, and Commandant's House at the Indiana Veterans Home. Through a \$15,000 grant from the Efroymsen Foundation, roof and foundation work are currently taking place at the Lawrie while the Men's Dorm has seen roof and stabilization work. The IVH Steering Committee is meeting regularly and is developing plans for a charrette in the fall. This 'brainstorming' exercise will help WVT make informed decisions on the use and sustainability of the four buildings.

## "BUILDING KNOWLEDGE" WORKSHOP

In October WVT received a grant from the Indiana Humanities Council to update and reprint our publication, Researching Your Historic Building. Along with making this guide available to the community, the Trust will offer a workshop titled "Building Knowledge" to neighborhood associations and community organizations with the goal of inspiring owners of historic buildings to learn about their properties, their historical significance, and the people who built and lived in them. Dr. Susan Curtis, Associate Dean of Liberal Arts and Professor of American Studies, will offer the workshops. To schedule a workshop, call the Trust office at 420-0268 or email [info@wabashvalleytrust.org](mailto:info@wabashvalleytrust.org).

## SUPPORT WABASH VALLEY TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Membership in the Wabash Valley Trust is vital to the continued existence and operation of the Trust. We most gratefully thank you for your past support. Please continue to support the Trust by renewing your membership as it comes due and be as generous as you can with an additional contribution. We hope you are enjoying the benefits of being a member and are receiving your Landmarks publication. Gift memberships are also available.

Opportunities exist for both corporation and individual friends to sponsor the Trust. As a nonprofit organization, the Trust relies on the support from the community's citizens in order to continue its valuable mission in the Greater Lafayette area. Additionally, when you support the Trust, you are also helping the group leverage funds for many national grants that require a match from community contributions - in essence, your support can often be worth twice as much to the Trust with grant matching opportunities.



When a contribution is made to the Trust, it plays a vital role in ensuring that historic preservation remains a priority. (Please note that all contributions are tax deductible in conjunction with the I.R.S. and state laws.)

Won't you please help show your support to the Trust by considering a donation? Every dollar raised makes a difference as part of the Trust's financial picture and will illustrate to these national granting agencies that the community actively supports our mission in saving Indiana's heritage. For more information, please contact Trust Interim Executive Director, Mary Whittaker, by calling 765.420.0268 or send an e-mail to

[execdirector@wabashvalleytrust.org](mailto:execdirector@wabashvalleytrust.org)

Thank You

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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### Membership levels

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Founder</b>    | <b>\$1,000</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Benefactor</b> | <b>\$ 500</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sponsor</b>    | <b>\$ 250</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Landmark</b>   | <b>\$ 100</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Patron</b>     | <b>\$ 75</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Family</b>     | <b>\$ 50</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Individual</b> | <b>\$ 25</b>   |



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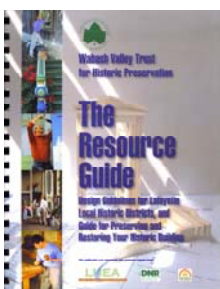


### THE TRUST VALUES OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Several members have volunteered to help make WVT events and projects successful. The Trust would like to thank the following: Terry West, Tom and Ruth Moran, Joan Soazen, Nick Carson, Jeff Atkinson, David and Andrea Williams, Jan Payne, Persis Newman, Kim Wilson, Diana Nucera, Dann Keiser, Kelly Good, Jerry Horn, Denny Pettit, and Cal Cree.

### JOIN A COMMITTEE AND BECOME AN ACTIVE PART OF THE TRUST

Committees help the Trust fulfill the mission through projects and activities. Members and volunteers may be a part of these committees. Trust committees include: Facilities, Nominating, Community Outreach, Endangered Structures, Plaque, Membership, Development, Affordable Housing, and Finance. For more information about the committees or to volunteer, call the Trust office at 420-0268.



### THE RESOURCE GUIDE - PURCHASE YOUR COPY FOR \$10.00

This useful 200 page book is a comprehensive guide for those who are interested in historic preservation. It is a concise compilation of different preservation tools to include information about preservation in Lafayette and the guidelines used for our historic districts. If you own historic property you will find the *Resource Guide* an invaluable tool for answering questions about proper maintenance and repair of your property. If you have ever wanted to know more architectural styles, this guidebook can help you identify key elements unique to each style. There's even a section on "Green" preservation practices as we show you how to help historic buildings keep up with the demands of environmental responsibilities and to be economically beneficial. (to order call 420 0268 or email [info@wabashvalleytrust.org](mailto:info@wabashvalleytrust.org))