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**Library Board** monthly meetings convene the last Tuesday at 7:00 P.M.

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2012



Veterans Day - Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Veteran's Day Colfax-Perry Township Public Library & Local History Museum unveiled our 5th annual Our Heroes' Tree for public viewing. Forty-five (45) hand-made ornaments adorn the evergreen tree, according to national program guidelines set forth by co-founders Stephanie Pickup, author of The Soldier's Tree and Marlene Lee, author of The Hero in My Pocket.

### Our Heroes' Tree standard configuration:

- Position two American flags at the 10:00 and 2:00 o'clock positions on upper tree branches.
- Place a bow of yellow ribbon near the top of the tree.
- Per the Trademark usage, if using lights, use only while lights, which symbolize a silent salute to history and the deceased.
- Ornaments are individual creations, including as much or little military service information available.

Reflect \* Remember \* Rejoice

Beginning in 2008, Indiana libraries were invited to display Our Heroes' Trees by the Purdue Military Family Research Institute. Our library was first in Clinton County to participate. The Local History Museum serves to inspire visitors to design ornaments or bring photographs of family members and friends in uniform to photocopy for ornaments to be crafted. Many remarkable stories of military service & family sacrifices have been shared. The museum's permanent collection of military uniforms is a fitting backdrop for Our Heroes' Tree display which opens each Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> and closes in early Jan., when each decoration is carefully stored for the next year. Ornaments may be crafted any time during the year and added to the collection.

View photographs of C-PTPL Our Heroes' Tree and other participants on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Our-Heroes-Tree-Program/

Founded in 2005, Our Heroes' Tree is a national initiative that honors the service and sacrifice of our nation's military and their families.

Reflect \* Rejoice Remember \*





### CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT



### SUMMER READING PROGRAM

READING ROUND-UP - LASSO A GOOD BOOK 20 readers = 39,238 pages read STUDENT PRIZE

16,767 pages read **ADULT READERS** 



**LASSO FUN** 

### READ TO ME K

Kate Higer - 6870 pts Eryn Higer - 6752 pts Amaya Brown -3581 pts

### 1-Z GRADE

1<sup>st</sup> Damian Stout - 1894 pts 2<sup>nd</sup> Hunter Bishop -1217 pts 3<sup>rd</sup> Juliana Carr - 527 pts

### 3-4 GRADE



#### 5-6 GRADE

Olivia Allen - 3959 pts Braden Smith- 1689 pts 3<sup>rd</sup> Tanner Jenkins-1060 pt

**LEGOS DAY** 



Summer readers sat on an authentic cowpoke's bedroll, heard cowboy lore & traditional songs of the Old West, & enjoyed a "You Are My Sunshine" sing-a-long with Cowboy Mike.



### Winter Crafts Days

JAN 22 & FEB 19~4-5:00PM GR.2 & UP JAN 23 & FEB 20~11-11:30AM 2-4 YRS JAN 24 & FEB 21~4-5:00PM

MARCH 1 4-:00-5:00PM DR. SEUSS B'DAY PARTY All ages up to Sixth Grade



### Marie Waggoner Gift Books



### **NEW** Children/Juvenile Titles:

	ELLA'S BATH [FIC]	Peter Bentley
	TWIN TROUBLE [FIC]	
ı	BANANA MONSTER [FIC]	
l	IF THE WIND CHANGES [FIC]	
l	LITTLE LAMB LOST [FIC]	David Bedford
l	SWEET LAND OF LIBERTY [FIC]	
	JUDY MOODY AND THE POOP PICNIC (FIC)	
l	JUNIE B JONES & THE MUSH GUSHY VALE	
l	TOP-SECRET, PERSONAL BEESWAX [FIC]	Barbara Park
l	JUNE B JONES HALLOWEEN WATCH [FIC]	
l	WINTER OF THE ICE WIZARD [FIC]	
l	DOGS IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT [FIC]	
	SEASON OF THE SANDSTORMS [FIC]	
ı	M.O.M. (MOM OPERATING MANUAL [FIC].	
ı	IF YOU GIVE A DOG A DONUT [FIC]	Laura Numeroff
ı	VELVETEEN RABBIT [FIC]	
ı	GOING TO BED BOOK [FIC]	
I	BROWN BEAR, BROWN BEAT WHAT DO YOU SEE	
	SNAKES & OTHER REPTILES [NON-FIC]	Mary Osborne
	ABRAHAM LINCOLN [NON-FIC]	Mary Osborne
	DOG HEROES [NON-FIC]	Mary osborne

### **NFW**Children / Juvenile Titles •

<u>MEM Children/ Juvennie Hues :</u>
TWO-MINUTE DRILL [FIC]Mike Lupica
CRAFTY CHLOE [EASY]Kelly Dipucchio/Heather Ross
THE BIG DINOSAUR DIG [NON-FIC]Esther Ripley
PIRATES:RAIDERS OF THE HIGH SEASC. Maynard/H.Griffey
THE SEARCH FOR BURIED TREASURE [FIC]W. Rathbone
LEGO KINGDOMS DEFEND THE CASTLE [EASY]Hannah Dolan
MILLION-DOLLAR THROW [FIC]Mike Lupica
COWGIRL KATE AND COCOA [EASY]E. Silverman/B.Lewin
I SPY LITTLE NUMBERS [BOARD BOOK]J.Marzollo/W.Wick
I SPY LITTLE LETTERS [BOARD BOOK]J.Marzollo/W.Wick
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MRS. MILLIE[EASY]Judy Cox/J. Mathieu
CAUGHT [FIC]Margaret P. Haddix
RUNNING FOR PUBLIC OFFICE[NON-FIC]Sarah De Capua
VOTING [NON-FIC]Sarah De Capua
THE GRIM GROTTO [FIC]Lemony Snicket/Brett Helquist
BACK TO FRONT AND UPSIDE DOWN [EASY]C. Alexander
WE'RE GOING ON A GHOSE HUNT [EASY]Pearson/Schindler
HOW TO WRITE AN ESSAY [NON-FIC]Minden/Roth
HOW TO WRITE & GIVE A SPEECH [NON-FIC]Minden/Roth
HOW TO WRITE A BOOK REPORT [NON-FIC]Minden/Roth
JUNIE B JONES IS (Almost) A FLOWER GIRL[FIC]B. Parks
LITTLE CROC'S PURSE [EASY]Lizzie Finlay
ROCKET WRITES A STORY [EASY]Tad Hills
HOW ROCKET LEARNED TO READ [EASY]Tad Hills
TALES FROM A NOT-SO-GRACEFUL ICE PRINCESS [FIC]
Rachel Renee Russell

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### THE BOOKWORM



THE SINS OF THE MOTHER ..... D. Steele

### **NEW** Children/Juvenile Titles cont'd: THE STRANGE CASE OF ORIGAMI YODA [FIC] .....Tom Angleberger TURTLE IN PARADISE [FIC]...Jennifer L. Holm TOUCH BLUE [FIC]......Cynthia Lord SEEDS OF CHANGE [NON-FIC].....J.C. Johnson ONE CRAZY SUMMER [FIC]...Rita Wms-Garcia THE NIGHT FAIRY [FIC]...L.A. Schlitz/A. Barrett LIZARDS [NON-FIC]......Nic Bishop LOVE, AUBRY (FIC).....Suzanne Lafleur KUBLA KHAN: THE EMPEROR OF EVERYTHING [NON-FIC].....Kathleen Krull/ Robert Byrd KAKAPO RESCUE [NON-FIC]. Sy Montgomery THE FANTASTIC SECRET OF OWN JESTER (FIC) .....Barbara O'Connor THE GHOST OF CRUTCHFIELD HALL [FIC]..... .....Mary Downing Hahn THE FAMILIARS (FIC)......Adam Jay Epstein EGGS OVER EVIE [FIC].....Alison Jackson DARK EMPEROR & OTHER POEMS OF THE NIGHT...

### NEW / Replacement DVD's:

......Joyce Sidman / Rick Allen
CRUNCH [FIC].....Leslie Connor

THE CASE OF THE CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY....

DR. SEUSS' THE LORAX THE ODD LIFE OF TIMOTHY GREEN **HOPE SPRINGS** TOOTH FAIRY 2 THE PHAMTOM OF THE OPERA **HOLES** THE DARK KNIGHT **BATMAN RETURNS** MONUMENTAL: IN SEARCH OF AMERICA'S NATIONAL TREASURE 25 HILL TREASURE ISLAND ACT OF VALOR LOVE COMES SOFTLY LOVE'S ENDURING PROMISE LOVE FINDS A HOME THE NOTE 3 **DARK SHADOWS** STUART LITTLE 3: CALL OF THE WILD CITIZEN KANE THE AVENGERS (2012) THE INCREDIBLE HULK (2008) BATMAN: THE DARK KNIGHT RETURNS WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU'RE EXPECTING

### **NEW Young Adult Fiction:**

TRICNS	Eilen Hopkins
THE SERPENT'S SHADOW	Rick Riordan
THE LAST GUARDIAN	Eoin Colfer
NEVERMORE:	
THE FINAL MAXIMUM RIDI	E ADVENTURE
	James Patterson
THE MARK OF ATHENA	Rick Riordan

HIDDEN......P.C. Cast/ Kristin Cast

Filon Honkino

### **NEW** Adult Fiction:

<b>NEW</b> Adult Ficti	<u>on:</u>
THE ROAD TO GRACE	Richard Paul Evan
THE MIDWIFE'S CONFE	SSIONDiane
	Chamberlain
KISS RIVER	Diane Chamberlaii
THE GOOD FATHER	Diane Chamberlain
WICKED BUSINESS	Janet Evanovich
CALICO JOE	John Grisham
MILES TO GO	.Richard Paul Evans
RETURN TO PROMISE	Debbie Macombei
INESCAPABLE	Nancy K. Mehl
THE HAVEN	
THE GLASS CASTLE: A N	MEMOIRJeannette
	Walls
HALF BROKE HORSES:	A TRUE-LIFE NOVEL
	leanette Walls
WILD: FROM LOST TO FO	OUNDC. Strayed
UNBROKEN: A WORLD V	VAR II STORY
	Laura Hillenbrand
I MICHAEL RENNETT	lames Patterson

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I, MICHAEL BENNETT	James Patterson
	Michael Ledwidge
LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE W	ITHEmily Griffin
WHERE WE BELONG	Emily Griffin
CLOSE YOUR EYES	Iris & Roy Johansen
THE NEXT BEST THING	Jennifer Weiner
PIRATE SHIP 1660-1730	Angus Konstam
<b>BONES ARE FOREVER</b>	Kathy Reichs
FOUND	Shelley Shepard
LAST TO DIE	Tess Gerritsen
MISS PEREGRINE'S HON	<i><b>1E FOR PECULIAR</b></i>
CHILDREN	Ransom Riggs
RISE OF THE ELGEN	Richard Paul Evans
MICHAEL VEY: THE PRISO	ONER OF CELL 25
	Richard Paul Evans
THE INN AT ROSE HARRO	R Deh Macomber

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Deb Macomber
J.D. Robb
John Sanford
John Sanford
J. K. Rowling
Nora Roberts
P.C. Cast
D. Chamberlain
iane Chamberlain

### **NEW Adult Fiction cont'd:**

CHRISTMAS JARSJason F. Wright
THE RACKETEERJohn Grisham
THE BONE BEDPatricia D. Cornwell
THE PERFECT HOPENora Roberts
KILL ALEX CROSSJames Patterson
MERRY CHRISTMAS, ALEX CROSS
James Patterson
KILLING KENNEDY:THE END OF CAMELOT
Bill O'Reilly / Martin Dugard
THE GIVING QUILTJennifer Chiaverini
LEFT NEGLECTEDLisa Genova
MEANT TO BELauren Morrill
THE SHORTEST WAY HOMEJulliette
Fay
BREAKING THE SILENCEDiane
Chamberlain
NORTORIOUS NINETEEN J. Evanovich



BETWEEN THE LINES.....Jodi Picoult

#### NEW / Replacement DVD's cont'd:

THE HUNGER GAMES **ALL ROADS LEAD HOME BLACK HAWK DOWN** INDIAN IN THE CUPBOARD **MATILDA** SLEEPLESS IN SEATTLE PRETTY WOMAN **STEPMOM** MIGHTY DUCKS 1 2 3 DANCES WITH WOLVES ARMAGEDDON APOLLO 13 **MIGHTY JOE YOUNG** LITTLE RASCALS ANGELS IN THE OUTFIELD ANGELS IN THE INFIELD JACK FROST HARRY & THE HENDERSONS **SANDLOT IGOR** DR. DOOLITTLE 1 2 THOR **FLY AWAY HOME** MINORITY REPORT

SNOW WHITE AND THE HUNTSMAN

BLAST FROM THE PAST



### **NEW** Christian Fiction:

ARMS OF LOVE	Kelly Long
THE FIDDLER	
RETURN TO GRACE	Karen Harper
FOLLOWING YOUR HEART	TJerry S. Eicher
LOVING	Karen Kingsbury
FALL FROM PRIDE	
THE HARVEST OF GRACE.	Cindy Woodsmall
THE BRIDGE OF PEACE	Cindy Woodsmall
CHASING THE SUN	Tracie Peterson
TAMING THE WIND	
TOUCHING THE SKY	Tracie Peterson
HOPE REKINDLED	
HEARTS AGLOW	
EMBERS OF LOVE	
LIVING IN HARMONY	
MATERIAL WITNESS	-
LETHAL LEGACY	
SEASON FOR TENDING	
FULL DISCLOSURE	
THE BRIDESMAID	
WILD HORSES	
THE LITTLE AMISH MATCI	
THE DISAPPEARANCES	
TIDEWATER INN:A HOPE L	_
	Colleen Coble
THE REUNION	Dan Walsh
COMING HOME: A STORY	

# Legacy of Life-Long Readers

Karen Kingsbury

Colfax Public library received a generous gift of 400+ books from the family of Jerry Carter who died, August 21, 2012.

Jerry & Rosalie (Mennen) Carter, were founders of The Electronic Bookshelf, a software reading motivation/management program used in schools around the world. Based on E.B.S., the Scholastic Reading Counts! program is implemented & used by readers in our library.

We gratefully acknowledge this generous gift of books to our library and for the Carter family legacy, promoting literacy & a lifelong love of reading.

Thank You

# goodreads

### http://www.goodreads.com

Goodreads is a free website for book lovers. Imagine it as a large library that you can wander through and see everyone's bookshelves, their reviews, and their ratings. You can also post your own reviews and catalog what you have read, are currently reading, and plan to read in the future. Don't stop there – join a discussion group, start a book club, contact an author, and even post your own writing.

Signing up is simple — you just enter your name, email, and a password.

When I was in second grade, I discovered the Hardy Boys series. Ever since, I've loved to read — both for fun and to improve my mind. And I'm always looking for the next great book. Reviews on Amazon and other sites are helpful, but I thought there might be a better way.

One afternoon while I was scanning a friend's bookshelf for my next great read, it struck me. When I want to know what books to read, I'd rather turn to a friend than any random person or bestseller list. So I thought I'd build a website — a website where I could see my friends' bookshelves and learn about what they thought of all their books.

Goodreads is that site. It is a place where you can see what your friends are reading and vice versa. You can create "bookshelves" to organize what you've read (or want to read). You can comment on each other's reviews. You can find mind-blowing new books. And on this journey with your friends you can explore new territory, gather information, and expand your mind.

Knowledge is power; and power is best shared among readers.

Otis Y. Chandler
 Founder of Goodreads

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**Winter Lego Projects** 

### MUSIC AT THE LIBRARY



JAN 2012 - JAM SESSION

### READING ROUND-UP



AUTHENTIC COWBOY MUSIC & LORE

Obelisk, Coneflowers & Spruce Trees



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# FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

October 12, 2012 was Andy Cougill's final day serving as C-PTPL Library Director.

Andy and family will move 'home' to central Illinois. We wish them every success.

Brenda Kinslow is capably serving in the position of Interim Director, as well as coordinating children's programs. *NEW* Knitting Club meets Tuesdays from 6-7PM, beginners and/or experts are welcome. Call 765-324-2915 ext. 100 for details.



### GRANTS RECEIVED

- 1994 Tree Grant [\$500]
- 1996 State Technology Grant [\$5,000] provided 1 computer & Internet access
- 1999 Libri Foundation Matching Grant [\$1600 *in* books]
- 2001 Arthur Gill Estate Bequest [\$100,000]
- 2001 LSTA\* Grant [\$5,000] LAN
- 2002 LSTA Grant [\$1500] for Internet connectivity
- 2002 SIA Foundation Grant [\$3,750] for furnishings in children's department
- 2003 LSTA Grant [\$1500] Consortium TS /Technician
- 2004 LSTA Grant [\$] LAN upgrade
- Tecumseh Area Workforce One Grant [career development materials]
- 2005 LSTA Grant [\$] for wireless network connections
- 2005 Lincoln Charitable Foundation Grant [\$2,000] for furnishings
- 2006 Lincoln Charitable Foundation Grant [\$1,000] used for furnishings

- 2007 Clinton County Community Foundation Grant [\$4500] for multi-function color print/copy/ scan/fax system
- 2007 Lincoln Charitable Foundation Grant [\$2,000] dedicated to website development
- 2007 Wal-Mart Grant [\$400] for Children's Library [received 2008]
- Wal-Mart grant (\$400) for the Children's Library
- 2008 Lincoln Charitable Foundation Grant [\$2000] for website
- 2009 Lincoln Charitable Foundation Grant [\$1000] to acquire Scholastic Reading Counts! Software program
- 2009 Wal-Mart Grant [\$1000] Children's programming
- 2010 Tipmont REMC [\$3,000] Cabinets for Children's Library
- 2011 Wal-Mart Grant [\$1000] for Children's Library

\*Library Services and Technology Act

 $\operatorname{The}$  landscaping/pergola/sign project was implemented in stages during summer months. The historic sign details reference the original 1916 Carnegie Library grant; the 1994 designation to the National Register of Historic Places; and the Local History Museum within the library. The reverse side marks the Memory Garden, where trees have been donated in remembrance of members of our local community. Eric Buntin's Landscaping designed & planted beds using fire bushes, ornamental grasses, knock-out roses, cone flowers, & small spruce trees. A focal point in the garden are a pergola arch and complimentary sign frame, designed by David York's Repair & Maintenance. Despite drought conditions, Eric and library staff kept plantings well watered until welcome rains arrived. In the fall season, Brent Eaton & crew added annuals to the established beds in front of the library, divided bulbs, and trimmed trees and lilacs. We look forward to beautiful landscape displays in the spring, summer and autumn seasons.



.....Local history
brings history home, it
touches your life, the
life of your family, your
neighborhood, your
community."



Thomas J. Noel

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# **■ LOCAL HISTORY MUSEUM**

The Local History Museum collection received a pair of scrapbooks of c. 1926 newspaper series of articles focused on Indiana history and J. Carrol cartoons, donated by Lawrence Wilkinson. A series of elementary readers from Colfax Elementary School: 'On Cherry Street', 'The Little White House', and 'The Girl Next Door' were donated by Joy Watkins. 1898 Reading-Writing-'Rithmatic school books owned by the Huddleston family were donated by Brenda Kinslow, along with two very early Bibles. Jerry Wise donated a section of house siding with "Howarth Lumber Co., Colfax, Indiana" stenciled on the back. Retired Colfax Postmaster, Art Fletcher, donated an Ole Hickory Day rubber stamp, designed to cancel postage during the festival in the 1980's, along with copies of a festival flyer designed by the OHD committee. Chuck Prass donated a history of Colfax Scouting with newsletters from 1996 to 2002. A desk chair with its original Anderson's Furniture tag was donated by the Kinslow family. The family of Marvin Clouser donated a 1935 CHS class reunion photo album. The Sunset Restaurant & Motel collection, donated by the Elsie (Tyree) Kinslow family includes a waitress uniform with apron, coffee pot, napkin holder, logo matchbook, 1960 menu, and waitress Guest check pad.

Sunset Restaurant Menu prices: pie - 25¢ coffee - 10¢ 12 oz. T-bone - \$ 2.25 2 eggs, sausage, toast & jelly - 85¢

Rita Cook delivered to the museum a set of 4 Colfax bicentennial souvenir mugs sent to her by Carrolle Jaques of Mesa, Arizona. Randy Allen donated a "Miller's Fish Suppers ('They're Famous') 1980's menu which includes a history of the restaurant with a hand-drawn map on the back. An artwork entitled "Interplay"-color pencil, polyester resin - by Charles Weisflog has been donated to the library art collection by his widow, Helen. The Weisflog's formerly resided in Old Town's Rosenberger building, which is on the National Registry of Historic Places.

Thanks to everyone for sharing your treasures!

The CHS wall gallery was installed Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> by contractor, Jeff Schrier. After setting up scaffolding, Jeff installed hardware to hang senior sweaters, cords, uniforms, & letter jackets. The bass drum was moved to the platform, the majorette mannequin, and the photo canvas of the school building hung.

In the museum, an album of photographs document each item (front & back) and identifies original owners:

<u>Larry Bowen</u> > Class of '55 sweater & cords;

Judy (Kelly) Bowen > Class of '60 senior skirt;

Walter 'Butch' Harrison > Class of '62 sweater;

**Bob Harshbarger** > Class of '61 sweater/cords/FFA jacket;

**Ken Thompson** > Class of '58 sweater;

**Bob Fetterhoff** > Class of '62 sweater:

George Newell > Class of '57 County Champ. letter jacket;

Gordon Williams > Class of '50 letter sweater;

Sandra (Bruntin) Laughner > Class of '57 cheerleader uniform

<u>Janet (Warren) Gish)</u> > Class of '61 majorette uniform w. mannequin

Donations from CHS alumni paid for the photo canvas & installation expenses. As the CHS collection grows, walls above the museum may expand the display.

Plan to visit the CHS gallery soon.

### Thank You!



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## **■ LOCAL HISTORY MUSEUM**

Continued.....

# Colfax Standard Newspaper 1895

### **Colfax In Rhyme**

#### ROBERT M. CHAPMAN

A livery stable just stands across, And if in need of a buggy or 'hoss', Just ask M. M. Smock and see him smile.

And he will start you out in very good style.

Chas. A. Davis keep a nice butcher shop,

And when you are hungry, just look in and stop,

His meats are the best, he knows, how to kill,

And if you but call, he will, treat you quite well.

Next you will find dry goods by the score,

Kept by E. H. Johnson in his big store;

The clerks are all handy and look clean and neat,

Go look at his goods, it will be quite a treat.

Then in the hardware store you go, Kept by Roudebush & Co.;

And if you want anything in their line,

Just drop in the store most any time.

Then step over and see G. T. Burk, You will find him hard at his work; His goods are plenty and good ones

A fit you can get of a boot or a shoe.

Next door you will find a splendid room.

Kept an run only by one Wm. H. Coon;

A full line of drugs and everything nice,

Peabody's drug store you can hardly miss,

The clerk he is pleasant, his name is Charles Bliss;

He keeps a full line of watches and things,

Such as clocks, chains and charms and nice finger rings.

By the time you get here your shoe soles are thin,

Just go up to Louder and let him begin;

To tack on a sole or sew up your shoe.

And he will make them as good as new.

Get your shoes on, go down on the street.

For now you'll begin to want something to eat;

Go in and see Gery, he will meet you with smiles,

He will fill you so full, you can walk many miles.

In the old postoffice building, Miss Maud Eldred you see;

Who deals in millinery, as fine as can be:

If you want a spring bonnet, or a nice pretty hat,

She will fit you out so fine you won't know "where you're at."

The next you visit Geo. Davis & Brother:

Keep groceries, drugs and one thing another,

Their drugs they are pure, their groceries nice,

And they sell their goods at a very low price.

And in the same room, E. D. Stephenson you find,

And in handling jewelry he's not far behind;

He can sell you a watch, clock or jewelry fine;

It will please him for you to drop in any time.

And now if you're sick or feeling not well,

Just go see Parker, he quickly will tell;

Just what you need, you will find him just right,

When he says you need something for poor appetite.

Now you must remember the bank is below,

And if you have money to make a big show:

Just leave it with Jordan until you get through,

And then you'll have money to buy something new.

Now you cross over to the very next place,

Where advertised in the STANDARD to "feed your face";

Wainscott & Dukes they say are immense

They give a square meal for 25 cents.

Then you think you will get your mail,

And into the postoffice you will sail; Postmaster Harbaugh you will find him there

Seated back in his old arm chair.

Just go out right on the hop, For the next door is the butcher shop,

D.K. Young will sell you meat, The very best you ever eat.

Next! forgot the gentleman's name, He runs a barber shop all the same; He cuts your hair and shaves you too,

And lets you go, when he get through.

You jump the track go on the run, Go in and see Joe Anderson, He does good work in the door or out, On buckets or cups, or water spout.

Now for a hair cut, this is the place, Just walk in and take a bath You'll feel so good it will make you laugh.

The Hotel de-Central, just near the Big Four,

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# **■ LOCAL HISTORY MUSEUM**

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And if you drop in you will feel all galore;

The clerk is genteel, he will show you the way;

You will have no kick coming, whatever the pay.

There's the railroad, now turn back, And if you need a buggy or hack, George Pendry has them nice and neat,

And they are pretty hard to beat. If you want a fat chicken, a turkey or goose,

Just call on Fear, Jaques & Co., they manage the roost;

Tom Fleming, their agent, ships by rail and boat,

Plucking fowls of the feathers and cutting their throats.

Then there's the wagon shop run by "Jack" Dunbar,

He can make you a wagon, or put on a tire;

He will mend all your plows and implements, too,

Or do anything else a mechanic can

Next a blacksmith shop, that takes the cake.

That's always run by Perry & Jake; Always busy from morn till night, Their work they always do just right.

Hardware is next, go in and look 'round,

As good as there is in the town, Rinehart is heavy and Darby's not tall,

But they sell from a binder down to a maul.

Here you go over to Coyner & Blacker,

And if you want anything down to a cracker;

Just give them a call and sit down and rest,

You will find that their goods are good as the best.

Now you've rested call at next door,

There you will find all over the floor,

Rockers and tables and bedsteads as well,

Shirley & Bradburn ready to sell.

There's Mrs. E. Coyner, in her millinery store,

If you have lots of money and want to spend more,

Just look at her line it's "clear out of sight.

You couldn't do better if you would sear a fortnight.

Turn, go south, and raise you're eyes,

And you will meet with great surprise;

The school house there, just in sight,

Where pupils learn to read and write. There's the Cottage Hotel, kept by W.D. Clark,

He can serve you a meal, you will feel like a lark;

The price is not high, you won't mind the expense,

And for the money you spent you'll get full recompense.

Just over the way we find Dr. H. J. Coon,

And when you are sick you can't find him too soon,

His prescriptions you use will straighten you out,

And in a very short time you will be sailing about.

"Midway," just a half a mile or more,

You'll find Joe Rosenberger's store; He keeps nice goods that will not fade,

And he is glad to get your trade.

And there's Ex-Marshal Jenkins, in Old Town,

Runs a nice little store, and when you're around;

Just drop in and seen him, if you don't want to buy,

He will treat you so nice, you will feel kind of shy.

The Colfax band, well I'll be bound, You never heard a sweeter sound; When Walter and Jake and all the

Will always try to do their best. Why there's H. C. Clark, that's a shame:

I'd almost forgot the owner's name, But they are busy from early morn Taking in the golden corn.

Saw mills there are just a few, I guess they will just number two; And if you've any logs to haul, Be sure and given them both a call.

For carpenters they have a few, And they have nearly enough to do; There's Murphy and George and Ream & son,

Can do as good work as any one.

There's two blacksmiths, this is all.

Wm. Shurr and Wetherell, One in Old Town, one in New, They can do the work, if you want a shoe.

The churches there just number four,

And yet there's room for many more;

They also have good Sabbath schools,

To try and learn the Bible rules.

This is the last now if you can, Go up and see the **STANDARD** man; Give him a dollar and that will pay

For the **STANDARD** until next New Year's Day.

The previous newspaper clipping was found in Libbie Chenoweth's 1895 Sunday School record book archived in the Local History Museum. Many businesses & buildings referenced in the article can be located on large detailed 1919 maps of Colfax in the museum.



After reading *Colfax in Rhyme*, compare the 1895 view with a 1960's version......

A Walk Through Colfax, Indiana
----- as recalled by Marvin Flowers
[Transcribed verbatim from hand-written notes.]

"In 1848 the I.C. & L. Railroad commenced as the plat of Midway (*Old Town*) was laid out. About 1869 another railroad was started as the L.C. & S. W.

Vandalia (Pennsylvania) R.R. ran approximately north & south, intersecting the Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis R.R. (The Big Four) at a right angle. This railroad was about 6 blocks west of the old Main St. in old town.

There were three streets that went from old Main west to the Pennsylvania R. R. intersecting the railroad at right angles. These streets being, Columbia, which ran parallel with the C. C. C. & ST. L. R. R.; Old Clark Street & Meridian Street.

From this spread west homes, business, churches, & school were built. The church & old school building were built on old Clark Street. One church, the Methodist Church being built on Meridian Street. The Christian Church and school being built on old Clark Street.

From this spread west a new part of town developed. This being the reason for the term "old town" and "new town".

From these terms sprang up a lot of rivalry between the young people, when you crossed the Penn. either way you wanted to be prepared for either a good run or a good fight!



One of three 1919 detailed maps of Colfax/Midway streets, railroads, landmark buildings, & businesses.

From this spread west when the two railroads crossed, there was a fine Depot built. Hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, saloons, livery stables and all kinds of business, homes and a Control tower were built for the two railroads.

Railroad Street was laid out running parallel with the Vandalia R. R. (later known as the Pennsylvania) on this street and on the streets that run at right angles to this street, new businesses were built. These streets being the continuation of Columbia St., Oakland St.; and continuation of Meridian, College, Mitchell, Carter, Weaver, and Armstrong Streets.

Crossing these streets at right angles were Franklin, Jefferson, Ohio, Clark and Ayers streets, all crossing at right angles to the C.C. C. and ST. L. R. R. After you crossed the C. C. C. & ST. L. R. R. - north you had streets running parallel to the railroad, these streets being Main, Washington, Franklin, and Park streets.

From this spread west to new town, there are several old buildings still in use. But, since the new motor age came along & almost destroyed our railroad systems, our town has been on the down hill slide.

The Depot serviced both the C. C. C. & ST. L. and Vandalia Railroads. The Depot being a fine & then modern depot was surrounded on two sides by a wide brick walk way which served passengers and freight from both railroads. Across the Vandalia R. R. tracks there was a hotel and on the C. C. C. & ST. L. R. R. there was a brick walk that went from the depot to Franklin St. Along this walk was a saloon & beanery and a Boarding house and hotel combination. I remember on warm summer nights seeing the people (that were staying overnight) sitting with there feet cocked upon the iron railing smoking their pipes and enjoying themselves. The people would come from the north and south & east and west on the Vandalia and stay all night, then catch the passenger train going to Chicago or Cincinnati or which ever way they wanted to go. The three hotels in Colfax did a good business.

Most of the business places were built on Railroad, Franklin, Columbia, and

Oakland streets. Behind the depot where Railroad Street meets Columbia Street was a big livery barn last owned by Bill Boyd.

Going down Railroad Street one the left side was a grocery store and market owned by? Truitt. It also was the Post Office at that time as I remember.

Crossing old Clark Street there was a Bank at that time, owned by John Waugh and Sag Waugh. Above the Bank was a Masonic Lodge. Next to the Bank was a Grocery Store owned by Henry Laughery & I. T. Pendry. The front entrance was on Railroad Street and back entrance came out on old Clark Street.

Next to this Grocery Store was a brick building having several businesses in it. As I remember in its last days was a printing shop run by a man named Ritter. Then Bert Johns had a pool hall and last, High Williams and Glen Coyner the undertaker had caskets stored here.

Next, Tink Thompson had a Blacksmiths and Buggy Repair. Nest was a big Livery Barn owned by Jack Ball. Next, Ed Lucas had a Plumbing, Sheet Metal, and Buggy Repair & Hardware Shop & Store.

Crossing Meridian Street was a big Elevator, which burned in about 1922. Next was a Lumber Yard, Coal, Fencing, Cement, etc. owned by Fred & John Howarth.

Next was a home owned by Dr. Webster, which burned. Next was a Standard Oil Bulk plant last operated by Harold Hill. Next, at the end of Railroad Street was a furniture factory called Hickory Furniture Company, owned by Buck Jordon.

Going over to Franklin Street, at the lower end of the street and out of corporations, was a big and modern Tile & Brick Mill having all of the equipment kilns & smoke stacks - that was needed. They dug the clay from the surrounding area....thus all of the rough & uneven ground in that area. They were serviced by the Vandalia R. R. There are still 2 people living in Colfax who were employed there, they were Harold Miller and Loyd Hankins.

Going back towards the business district on Franklin Street were several nice houses being built. In later years there was a funeral home on the corner of Franklin and College streets, (cont'd)

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first owned and operated by Glen Coyner and High Williams. Later owned by High Williams and now owned and operated by Eller Funeral Home of Frankfort.

Going back uptown on Railroad Street there was a Catholic Church, there being several Catholic families in town. At that time, a family by the name of Pat Murtaugh living out east of town was active and the Catholic Cemetery was on their land.

Crossing Meridian Street on the corner was a large store building -- there being several business in here -- but, I do not recall any names of early people. Buren Higer had a shoe shop here. Behind this building on the corner or Meridian & Franklin streets was at the time, an up-to-date jail and town hall, the jail having 3 iron cells for lock up. It was destroyed by Junior Miller and the ground made into a parking lot.

Going back to Railroad Street, next to this large building on the corner, there was a fine Doctor office, owned by William Wisheart, who was a good doctor and general practitioner. After his passing, this also was destroyed & made into a parking lot.

Next to this office was a modern & fine Theater, showing all the up-to-date movies, some silent ones. Mrs. Ray Dunkin, one of the early settlers of this community, played the piano for the shows.

Next to the theater was a printing shop owned by Warren and 'Brainey' Bowers. At that time, they published the Clinton County Review, a fine local newspaper.

Next, across the alley was a modern Meat Market & Grocery Store owned and operated by the Dukes brothers. They had their own slaughterhouse just north of town and they bought & butchered all of their meat for the shop from the area farmers in order to sell fresh & fine meats.

Next to the butcher shop was a large 2story building, as I remember it was used as a National guard Armory, later being made into a one-story building now housing the Colfax Town Hall and McBee Insurance Agency.

Next was a wooden building, they bought furs, etc. I think Rawlings Higer used it last.

Next was a modern & fine bakery built, owned, and operated by Bert Goff. The name is still on the top of this building. They sold bakery goods and also trucked it to other towns in Model T Ford trucks. As I recall some of the men working here were John Flemming, Pete Wolf, Loyd Timmons, Logan Coffee, and Monk Mc Kensey.

Next on the corner of Railroad & Oakland streets was a restaurant owned by (sp?). Wagner, later owned by Jim Brooks, and now owned by Jr. Miller Above this restaurant was a Hotel, there being 3 hotels in town to accommodate the never-ending train traffic. Now it is called Millers Fine Fish. The old hotel rooms are still intact, but not used up stair. Millers now occupies this restaurant and the old bakery building which had been made into a Bowling Alley and later a Pool Hall. Miller has built a new building where the wooden building stood and now has a 3-room dining & serving area.

Next on the corner of Oakland and Railroad streets was a Bank going out of business in the 1930 depression. There were office buildings above the bank, having Dr. Jones as a dentist and Dr. Stout as a General Practitioner.

Next was Gery Brothers Grocery & Dry Goods Store, a gathering place on Sat. night for all of the farm ladies while the men folk were visitors on the street corners.

Next was a Grocery store owned by Timmons & Dunbar. There being several businesses in here afterwards.

Next was a store building, but the early businesses I do not know. The last thing there was a hardware store. In the upstairs, going up the stairway was Dr. Coon a General Practitioner (I think) and some living quarters.

Next was George Davis's Drug & Sundry Store, a fine and modern store for the times, having a fine ice cream parlor in the front with the old wire-back chairs & tables. The druggist at this time was Charles Whitinger.

Next was an old Saloon building, decaying with age....it was finally torn down.

Next was a very large Garage operated by Grover Williams & Herald Lane. Being one of the largest garages in town – also having gasoline pumps out in front with the old pump glass tanks on top and then run in your car by hand. There were two such pumps on Railroad Street, Gery Brothers having gas & kerosene.

Next to the garage was an Ice house &

drug delivery service operated by the McMindes brothers.

Next was a Shoe & Harness Repair Shop operated by Mr. Daily, who was a deaf mute and did a fine job on every thing.

Turning on to Columbia Street and on the corner of Columbia & Franklin was a Livery Barn on one corner and a Poultry House & Junk Yard on the other corner, owned by E. R. Jaques. The poultry building later was a Garage operated by Hugh Williams & Omer Tulbro. (sp?)

Next was an Elevator owned by Buck Jordon. Across the street was another Elevator managed by Ray Dunkin. I didn't know anything about it. Both elevators eventually burned.

Across the C. C. C. & ST. L. Railroad tracks on Main Street there was a Saw Mill, doing custom work. It was run by Pete Adney, using an old steam thrashing engine. I don't remember too much about it.

Going back to Railroad & Oakland streets in the center of town, the old Bank Building had several businesses in it – restaurant, dry goods store, etc. Finally and still is where the U. S. Post Office is located – Post Office Mistress is Delores Hankins.

Next to that building was a barber shop owned by Harvey Lipp, having several helpers, one & last owner of the shop being Cliff Payne. This shop had a place off in one corner for all of the old bachelors to come in on Sat. night and take a bath & clean up. It was one of the few places like it, so it meant waiting in line on Sat. night in summer time.

Next building was for a long time the U. S. Post Office, later several businesses were in here.

What made Oakland Street special was that there was a town pump on the corner of Oakland & Franklin, a place to cool off and get a drink. There was also a town pump in front of Henry Laughners' Store, both having good cold water.

Going down Oakland St. on the corner of Franklin & Oakland was a large, modern Hardware, Sheet Metal, & Plumbing business owned by Edward Darby. After his death, Sherman Ridgway & Cleo Wright had the same kind of business here.

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This building has been used for this purpose ever since I can remember. Next to this was a little shop.

#### School in Colfax

The first school – a log cabin (c.1840) - stood where the new, modern, & fine Carnegie Library (c. 1916) now stands, Maude Rosenberger being the Librarian. She was from one of the first families. Her people owned the store building in old town and it is still standing.

A Brick school building was later built in 1876 to replace the log cabin school. In 1908 a large brick school was built near the corner of Meridian & Clark streets. In 1922 a new addition was added, that being the gym & assembly upstairs, plus several classrooms. The good & proud old school was disbanded in 1961 and has since been demolished. Nothing remains but the fond memories of a fine school, I being a graduate of the Colfax High School in 1935 and my daughter Malinda Kay (Flowers) Deford in 1957.

#### Lights

The first light system other than kerosene lights – I think the McMindes family built & owned a large brick building (still standing) on the continuation of Railroad Street (after crossing the C. C. C. & ST. L. R. R. tracks) and Washington streets, near the Vandalia Railroad.

It had a carbide gas system. I think part of the tank is still in the building underground). The carbide was put in & a measured amount of water was added as needed, forming gas.

The gas was piped to some places in town. In digging for sewers, etc., town employees have dug up some of these pipes & valves.

I think the next light system was a Delco Light Plant. Electricity generated by gas or kerosene motors powered generators.

Then came the new Electric Light Systems. This building later had an Ice Plant and sold ice to people in town.

When I was a young man, they used to cut ice from the gravel pits & store it in buildings at the site,

insulating this ice from melting by the use of saw dust. Such a building was located on the north road out of town. The pit was owned by the Pete Davis family. The ice was not used for human consumption, only for ice boxes.

Churches of Colfax
Christian Church
Methodist Church
Catholic Church
Wesleyan Methodist Church

Dray & Freight
McMindes
Cully Pollet
Tom Hinton

#### **Doctors in Colfax**

Dr. Wiseheart

Dr. Shuck

Dr. Coons

Dr. Botts

Dr. Webster

Dr. Lambert

Dr. Stout

Dr. Waits

#### Water System

Was installed in 1928, original tank still in use.

### **Grocery Store (early days)**

**Dukes Brothers** 

Henry Gery

Henry Laughery

Timmons & Dunbar

**George Truitt** 

Earl Anderson

Rosenberger Store in *Old Town* 

#### **Undertakers**

**Rado Shirley** 

Glen Coyner

**High Williams** 

#### Blacksmiths & Buggy Repair

George Conklin Tink Thompson Ora Shy

### 3 Elevators

(They all burnt at one time or another.)
Last one was owned by Lawrence Lake
It was rebuilt and now is CO-OP Elevator.

### The Decline of Our Town

When the motor car & truck age came, our train service started on the decline. Passenger service was discontinued, the Vandalia R. R. burnt the fine Depot and soon our freight service was all but gone. Now we are on the mercy of the OPEC countries.

When our Tile Mill & Furniture Factory ceased to operate, we began to lose our population. Then they took our school away and we lost more, paying more taxes and losing more citizens every day.

All they have to do now is take our Library & Post Office and that will be all she wrote. Lately we are gradually coming back, more employment is needed. More cooperation from our citizens will also help. -----Marvin Flowers

#### Note from the editor:

Marvin Flowers served on the Colfax Town Council — a lifelong resident of Perry Township and Colfax. Disappointment & sadness seem evident as he witnesses his home town losing vitality as railroads ceased to operate, businesses disappeared, and consolidation closed the local school. The term 'bedroom community' came to describe most small towns in Indiana.

Marvin would surely be encouraged to know the Library has been renovated & continues serving Colfax & Perry Township citizens, Churches bless our community, the Colfax Lions Club and Perry Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. & Police remain active, the U.S. Post Office (so far) operates, as does the grocery/gas mart, L.P. Gas/Hardware Store, & the diner & pizza restaurant.

Every small town council—of each generation—struggles with similar challenges. Newspapers in the museum's microfilm archive reveal citizen complaints and town council issues from earliest days & throughout history, mirror most — if not all— of the same issues as current times. Headlines could be cut & pasted in today's newspaper.

Colfax is home to fewer residents, yet continues to strive to be all it can be. Good people innovate and endeavor to meet challenges. One purpose of the Library's Local History Museum is to remember and honor those who came before to ensure the success and well being of Colfax citizens.

Give thanks for Colfax's heritage!

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Calendar of Events & Activities

29 - Jan - 12

Acoustic Music Jam Sunday Afternoon Series

22 - April - 12

Acoustic Music Jam Sunday Afternoon Series

26 - Aug - 12

Acoustic Music Jam Sunday Afternoon Series

6 - Oct - 12

Autumn Harvest Day / Acoustic Music Jam /Annual Book Sale Indiana Ghourd Society >< Sugar Creek Patch & Karen Niemeyer Clear Weather Farm >< pumpkins, mums, straw bales, & Indian corn Hickory Homemakers Bake Sale Stillhaven Farm produce

The Friends purchased a banner frame to promote special





museum to securely display some of the smallest items in the collection. Handyman & Friend of the Library, Doyal Bell, added pairs of additional acrylic shelves in each section.

Thank You

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- Friends of Indiana Library (FOIL) set standards for local chapters.
- Friends conduct annual meetings to elect officers and year-end reporting.

For additional information call the library Director pick up a registration form on your next visit.

Friends make a difference!