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A CASS COUNTY LEGACY SPEAKER EVENT
Settlers & Immigrants
AN EVENING WITH AUTHOR
MICHAEL STAJDUHAR
Friday, September 15, 2023 6pm
Cass County Museum - 421 E Broadway, Logansport
Provided free to the community by
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New Cass County Legacy Speaker Event Series Makes Debut

Cass County Historical Society is excited to announce a new event series in support of our mission to share Cass County history.

Cass County Legacy Speaker events will be featured regularly at the new Cass County Museum downtown beginning in September with *Settlers & Immigrants: An evening with author Michael Stajduhar*.

Settlers & Immigrants explores the dawn of Cass County, Indiana as we know it today. Come learn about the waves of immigration through time that founded the diverse communities of this county.

A limited number of Mike's book *Settlers and Immigrants - An Ethnic History of Cass County, Indiana* will be available for

purchase, with all proceeds benefitting CCHS. The author and guests will be available for conversation, pictures or book signings following the presentation.

Mike currently serves as Cass County Commissioner, District 2 and President of Cass County Historical Society's Board of Trustees.

Please join us at this inaugural event generously provided by Mark Hetz State Farm Insurance.

To suggest future Cass County Legacy Speaker Event speakers, topics or to gain information about sponsoring a future event, please email hfouts@casscountyhistory.org

The mission of the Cass County Historical Society is to collect, preserve and share Cass County, Indiana history.

Museum Hours:

Jerolaman Long Home Museum & Cabin

1004 E. Market Logansport
1-4 PM Thursday &
Friday, First Saturday of the
Month

Cass County Museum & Castaldi Family History Center

421 E. Broadway, Logansport
By appointment until Fall
2023 - please email:
info@casscountyhistory.org

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Society Members,

Thank you for taking time to enjoy this summer edition of *The Confluence*. Summer, especially late summer through early fall, is my favorite season. I wish every student heading back to school success this year and we look forward to meeting some of you this spring when our school programs return!

Our program offerings at the museum are developing, our volunteer core and staff is growing, collection digitization and expensive construction work is slowly moving forward. I continue to hold confidence that providing educational, accessible and entertaining experiences at both Cass County Museum and Jerolaman Long Home Museum and Cabin is a goal our organization is capable of achieving. We have enough relevant artifacts and important, interesting stories to effectively utilize the space provided by both locations. The past few months have been spent planning, meeting, writing and reorganizing with this goal at heart.

The Cass County Museum location downtown is a semi-neutral space, which logistically and aesthetically works well for library, theater, office and meeting space. Exhibits on environmental history, fossils and mastodons, rivers and canals, railroads, automobiles, entrepreneurial history, military history, rotating and visiting exhibits...these displays will no longer have to compete visually with the grandeur of a Victorian home's decorative interiors.

The Jerolaman Long Home Museum and Cabin provide a unique, picturesque stage appropriate for displaying and reenacting stories of early Cass County life. The cabin and many of the period specific rooms like the parlor, the kitchen, the dining room, upstairs bedroom and toy exhibit will see minimal change apart from restorative work on the building, cleaning and added interpretation. Some items will be rotated off exhibit during this time of change to be assessed, cared for and cataloged. New 2024 exhibits for Jerolaman Long Home Museum and Cabin will be announced in the coming months. If this excites you as much it does me, you may consider attending our inaugural Cass County Legacy Speaker event advertised on the front page!—*spoiler alert!*

I appreciate every volunteer, every donor, every sponsor we have gained or retained since we began this campaign in January. We distributed nearly 500 mailers to encourage support for our efforts this year and, (if you received this newsletter), YOU RESPONDED. The accomplishments reported and stories shared in the pages to come could not be possible without your support. I also continue to appreciate everyone's patience as we are still a very small crew, working hard behind the scenes every day to organize, design, and provide these meaningful museum experiences.

Heather Fouts
CCHS Executive Director

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Student \$25

(High school or college student w/ID) Includes subscription to our quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, free museum admission, up to 20 free color printed pages per visit for research, discounted or free admission to special events and 10% discount on CCHS gift shop items.

General \$50

Includes subscription to our quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, free museum admission, discounted or free admission to special events and 10% discount on CCHS gift shop items.

Household \$100

(Benefits cover 2 adults and all children under 18 years old in the household) Includes subscription to our quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, free museum admission, discounted or free admission to special events and 10% discount on CCHS gift shop items.

Sustaining Member \$100

Includes subscription to our quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, free museum admission, discounted or free admission to special events, 10% discount on CCHS gift shop items and special acknowledgement in *The Confluence*.

Benefactor \$500

(Benefits cover 2 adults and all children under 18 years old in the household -or- up to 4 employees of your business) Includes subscription to our quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, free museum admission, discounted or free admission to special events, 10% discount on CCHS gift shop items and special acknowledgement in *The Confluence*.

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NEW MEMBERSHIP OPTION - Subscriber \$25

Includes subscription to our quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteer Yardwork Day!
Jerolaman Long Home Museum and Cabin
Friday, September 8, 2023 ~ Noon-?
1004 E. Market Street, Logansport

Please consider helping us clean up the museum grounds in preparation for our fall holiday events! CCHS volunteers for this opportunity must be age 18+

Event in cooperation with United Way of Cass County. Waiver must be signed to assist. Cold drinks provided, museum will have some equipment but if you have a favorite trimmer, tool or favorite pair of gloves, please bring them!



Other volunteer opportunities available

Please call 574-753-3866 or email info@casscountyhistory.org to apply!

Membership this Quarter

Samantha Emrows
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April 1st

**Easter Bunny
Photos in the
Parlor**

May 6th

**Music at the
Museum:
Jess Jones**

June 3rd

**Music at the
Museum:
Isolated Incident**

July 1st

**Music at the
Museum:
Nick Carter**

August 5th

**Music at the
Museum:
Jimmy Wright**

September 2nd

**Music at the
Museum:
Derek Landis**

October 7th

**Music at the
Museum:
Patrick Werner**

November 4th

Closed 1-4
Home for the Holidays
Lighting Event 5-8
Music at the Museum:
Alec Swank

December 2nd

**Santa Claus
Photos in the
Parlor**

First Saturdays!

Jerolaman Long Home Museum & Cabin
1-4 PM ~ 1004 E Market Street Logansport

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Summer Construction Update

We are slowly but surely moving forward with the many construction needs at our museums. Earlier this summer, Atlas Building Services, Inc. repaired the west facing wall of the Cass County Museum downtown. The crumbling wall was completely repaired and pin tacked to relieve the many threats it posed. Inside the museum, this wall abuts many important spaces such as the future *Castaldi Family History Center*, our theater, our technology office, the kitchen and several future exhibit spaces. Ensuring these indoor areas stay leak free and protecting people who walk or drive down the alley next to this wall was a priority of the CCHS Board of Trustees. This \$41,146 repair, funded in full by Cass County Historical Society, was made possible by donations to our 2023 Annual Campaign and the sale of our old office/library home located on 11th street.

With this repair behind us and many more to go, we want to express our appreciation to the community for having patience as we navigate these complicated architectural needs. We will continue to fundraise, build staffing, recruit volunteers, plan and provide new programs and experiences during the ongoing construction.

A worker from Atlas Building Services, Inc., Wabash, IN, works during the late April heatwave repairing the west side wall of the Cass County Museum downtown.

Photos taken/ provided by Rich Voorhees.



SUMMER EVENTS



We enjoyed seeing everyone at our new public relations booth during the Cass County 4-H Fair and the Security Federal Block Party!

Earlier this summer CCHS invested in new table coverings and banner displays for use during community promotional events we attend and support every year. We hope it makes us more visible and shares the message of our current efforts well!

We entertained booth visitors with our “cheating ducks” who refused to float upright and insisted on revealing prize options to all who played our little game.

We distributed six boxes of Cass County history books, over 100 historic map prints, sesquicentennial coins (a surprise favorite) and postcards.

We gained ten new members to the society and 4 new volunteers to assist our efforts.



JEROLAMAN LONG HOME MUSEUM & CABIN STATUARY CLEAN-UP



Volunteer Lloyd Knight works to power wash the sundial at Jerolaman Long Home Museum & Cabin.



Board member Jim McDonald and volunteer Lloyd Knight worked this summer to restore our concrete statuary located on the Jerolaman Long Home Museum and Cabin property. Coleridge’s grave marker was also restored but is not pictured. As you can tell by the before and after the maintenance made a significant difference!

In July CCHS was awarded a **Heritage Support Grant** from the Indiana Historical Society to do an architectural analysis of the museum, carriage house and cabin structures at Jerolaman Long. All four structures will require restorative work which we hope to complete as quickly as financially possible.

2023 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Thank You 2023 Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond & Vault Level Donors

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Bronze - Up to \$99 **Silver** - \$100 - \$199

Gold - \$200 - \$499 **Diamond** - \$500 - \$4999

New Donor Level

Vault - \$5,000+

Donors contributing \$5,000 or more to a CCHS Annual Campaign may choose to have their name displayed on an engraved panel inside our North Gallery Vault at the new Cass County Museum.



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All donations are tax-deductible. Bronze, Silver, Gold and Diamond level donations do not include membership. Thank you for supporting Cass County Historical Society!

LOOKING AHEAD



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A CASS COUNTY LEGACY SPEAKER EVENT
**IN REMEMBRANCE: 60TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY ASSASSINATION**
BRYAN LOOKER & DR. SUSANNE RIDLEN

SAVE THE DATE
Wednesday, November 22, 2023
6 PM Cass County Museum
Event includes tour of Ridlen Museum
of American Political Communication

Two Museums. One Mission.



Jerolaman-Long Home Museum & Cabin

**OPEN
THURSDAYS &
FRIDAYS AND
FIRST SATURDAY
OF THE MONTH
1-4 PM**



**Cass County Museum
Coming Soon!**

**NEW EXHIBITS AND
EXPERIENCES ARE
ON THE HORIZON!**

**JOIN & SUPPORT
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Cass County HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2023 Events

ReVere Spring Road Trip!
Celebrate our 1920 ReVere Tourer as it goes to the **Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum** for temporary exhibition while its new exhibit home at the Cass County Museum is constructed.

June 10 - Volunteer Appreciation Picnic
Become a volunteer at CCHS for invitation to this new event!

July 8-14 - See us at the Cass County 4H Fair!

**Guest Speaker & Library Events at the
Cass County Museum**
Multiple events pending! Follow us online for updates!

**November 4 - Home for the Holidays
Lighting Ceremony & Decorations Reveal at
Jerolaman Long Home Museum & Cabin 5-8 PM**
Join us for this reimagined Cass County holiday tradition!

December 7 - CCHS Annual Meeting 5-8 PM
Details pending! Follow us online for updates!

Home for the Holidays

Annually November - December
Jerolaman Long Home Museum & Cabin
casscountyhstory.org



COLLECTION CORNER

Product Packaging Pressures for Change

Products commonly found on grocery store shelves in the past face the scrutiny of evolved consciousness regarding how individuals of indigenous and ethnic decent are portrayed for brand marketing purposes.

Evidence of this soon-to-be “time gone by” was recently curated and cataloged by Allen County Historian Thomas Castaldi, descendant of Castaldi and Solamano grocers of Logansport, IN.

The items pictured below, some from the original grocery, were recently donated to CCHS by Tom to include their nationally-relevant story in our future expanded grocery exhibit display when it arrives at the Cass County Museum.



Castaldi Grocery located in Logansport, IN circa 1944. Inspiration for the grocery exhibit currently located at Jerolaman Long Home Museum.



These items and their stories will be on display for guest consideration alongside the beloved grocery exhibit when the Main Street Shops display is moved from the second floor of the Jerolaman Long Home Museum to its future location on the second floor of the Cass County Museum.

ON EXHIBIT NOW: THE REVERE



Summer may be nearing its end and school may be back in session, but there are plenty of warm weekends left to make the two hour trip north to see the ReVeré automobile on display in Auburn, IN.

At the end of April the ReVeré was transported to Auburn for temporary display at the **Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum, located at 1600 Wayne Street, Auburn, IN 46706**. The museum is open daily 9am-5pm. Information about admission cost and other current exhibits may be found on their website: automobilemuseum.org.

While the ReVeré is on exhibit in Auburn, we are working hard to prepare its new exhibit home in the South Gallery at the Cass County Museum downtown. Currently the intended space is full of library and collection items that were moved from the old office location on 11th street. Once these items are sorted, digitally cataloged and stored away safely by our collections committee, we plan to remodel the South Gallery to provide a fantastic, accessible exhibit home to share the story of this rare automobile.



Sam Grate, curator of Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum in Auburn, IN wheels the ReVeré automobile into place.



Board member Jeff Stuart and Ed Dalton from Classic Car Carriers, Inc., Zionsville, IN carefully drive the ReVeré onto the trailer.



See the ReVeré!

Visit the ACD Auto Museum this year and see our **incomparable** 1920 ReVeré Tourer on temporary exhibit while we plan and build its permanent new exhibit space at the Cass County Museum.

[*automobilemuseum.org*](http://automobilemuseum.org)

GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT



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Jerolaman Long Home Museum & Cabin

1004 E. Market Street, Logansport

New event series & museum shop experience
including beautiful décor, family photo
opportunities and handmade local artisan gifts.



Save the Date!

Opening Night & Lighting Event

Saturday - November 4, 2023 - 5 PM