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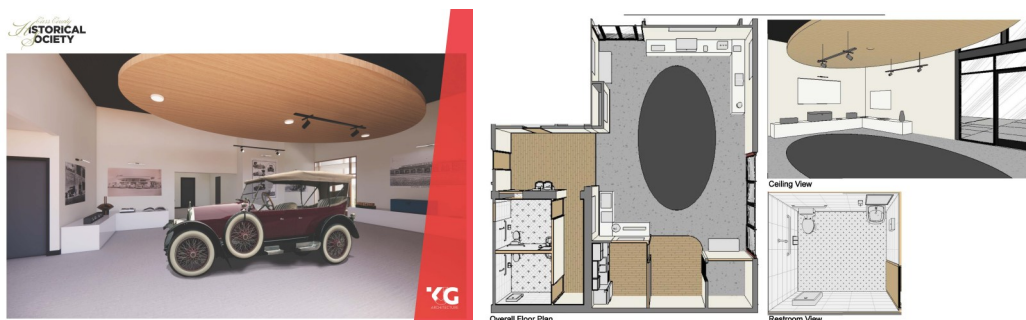
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Currents to Crossroads New Transportation Exhibit Work Progresses

The Cass County Historical Society is pleased to announce that we are nearing completion of our 2025 Heritage Support Grant from the Indiana Historical Society. This important grant provided funding for the development of construction blueprints and professional architectural oversight by KJG Architects, Inc. for remodel of the south gallery on the first floor of the Cass County Museum. These plans represent a significant milestone as we transform the museum into a premier destination for preserving and sharing the history of Cass County.

The completed south gallery will feature *Currents to Crossroads: The History of Transportation in Cass County, Indiana*, an immersive exhibit exploring how movement and transportation shaped our county, from rivers and canals to railroads and roadways. Construction expenses for the exhibit were submitted for consideration to the 2026 Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) READI 2.0 Lilly Endowment grant program. While our project was not selected, grant administrators shared that our project is a very strong one. The competition was exceptionally challenging, with nearly \$400 million in applications competing for just \$67 million in available funding for our region. Although we were disappointed by the outcome, we remain encouraged by the positive feedback and are committed to moving this exciting project forward as soon as possible.



The Cass County Historical Society is a 2025 recipient of a Heritage Support Grant from the Indiana Historical Society, made possible by Lilly Endowment Inc..

WE DO HISTORY.
INDIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Museum Hours:

Long Home Museum

1004 E. Market, Logansport
1 - 4 PM Thursday - Friday &
First Saturday of the Month
\$5 Adult Admission

Cass County Museum

Castaldi Family History Center
421 E. Broadway, Logansport
10 AM - 4 PM
Tuesday - Thursday

***Both Museums are Closed in
January for Cleaning & Exhibit
Maintenance***

GIVING OPTIONS

***Send your charitable, tax
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Cass County Historical Society
421 E. Broadway
Logansport, IN 46947

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Members,

As we continue to evolve here at the Cass County Historical Society, we invite you to help us expand our impact. We have awesome stories and artifacts to share and need everyone's help. Whether by faithfully renewing your membership, contributing to the Annual Campaign, encouraging others to join, or volunteering your time and talents, every contribution strengthens our mission to collect, preserve and share Cass County history.

Annual memberships begin at just \$25, and we are actively working to improve the benefits currently offered at every membership level. We're also developing new opportunities for Lifetime and Business Memberships, creating additional ways for patrons to invest in our *Two Museums, One Mission* effort. Membership improvements will be finalized by our trustees later this month and will be published in our next newsletter.

If you've ever wanted to play a role in creating engaging new museum experiences while helping preserve the stories of Cass County, now is the perfect time to get involved. Whether you have a few hours each month or are looking for a deeper commitment, there is a place for you here. Details on available opportunities can be found on page 4 of this issue.

We hope you'll consider and share the opportunities we have to become more involved with local history. All are welcome here, and together we can build a sustainable future for the Cass County Historical Society and the museums we steward.

Heather Fouts
CCHS Executive Director



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

***The Confluence* Subscription \$25**

Includes one year of the CCHS quarterly newsletter mailing featuring the latest information on program offerings, museum development and local history stories of interest.

Individual \$50

Includes one year of benefits for one person. Benefits include admission to both museums, subscription to CCHS quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, 10% discount on museum gift shop merchandise, invitation to members only events and discounted or free admission to select special events.

Household \$100

Includes one year of benefits for two adults and all children under age 18 in the household. Benefits include admission to both museums, subscription to CCHS quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, 10% discount on museum gift shop merchandise, invitation to members only events and discounted or free admission to select special events.

Sustaining Member \$100

Includes one year of benefits for one person. Benefits include admission to both museums, subscription to CCHS quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, 20% discount on museum gift shop merchandise, invitation to members only events and discounted or free admission to select special events.

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Includes up to 5 Household or Sustaining Member Level Memberships, assigned to intended recipients at time of purchase. Annual benefits include admission to both museums, subscription to CCHS quarterly newsletter *The Confluence*, 20% discount on museum gift shop merchandise, invitation to members only events and discounted or free admission to select special events.

Thank you for considering membership to our organization.

Your annual paid membership helps us provide museum admission and services to all children and students free of charge.



Cass County **HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

TWO MUSEUMS. ONE MISSION.

Join the Cass County Historical Society today and help share our history!

LEARN MORE

Long Home Museum

Thursdays, Fridays & First Saturday of the Month 1 - 4 PM

Cass County Museum

Tuesday - Thursday 10 AM - 4 PM

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Second Quarter New & Renewed Members

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Volunteers Make Our Mission Happen

Volunteers are the heart of the Cass County Historical Society. Their time and talents help us preserve our community's history while sharing it with visitors through exhibits, programs, and special events.

We strive to match volunteers with opportunities that fit their interests and skills, but we welcome anyone willing to lend a hand. Our greatest current needs include museum docents (hosts) to help provide museum open hours, event volunteers to assist with setup, staffing, and cleanup of museum programs and events, individuals with technology skills to create digital promotional content and assist with digitization of our artifact and archival collections. We are also in great need of people who are passionate about fundraising and interested in helping us secure sponsors and community support for our efforts.

Whether you can volunteer a few hours each month or on a regular basis, your contribution makes a lasting impact. Join us and help evolve the future of CCHS! *Please email info@casscountyhistory.org to get started.*

GOLF SCRAMBLE

CCHS Golf Scramble has Successful First Year



The Cass County Historical Society's first annual Golf Scramble was a success, raising approximately \$3,500 to support the ongoing south gallery remodel effort at the Cass County Museum. We are grateful to everyone who participated, sponsored, volunteered, and contributed to making this inaugural event such a positive and enjoyable day.

A special thank you goes to our Events Committee volunteers, Kim Reid, Claudia Benn, and Vickie Lebo, for their hard work in organizing and executing the fundraiser. Thank you Jeff Stuart for bringing the ReVere out to the event. We also extend our appreciation to all of the teams who participated and congratulate Mark Bender's team for taking first place in the event. Several door prizes were awarded throughout the day, and we thank McCord's Do It Best for donating one of the main prizes.

We are especially grateful to Logansport Savings Bank for providing lunch for our attendees and to Logansport Golf Club for facilitating the event and preparing the meal. We would also like to recognize our generous sponsors whose support helped make the day possible: Security Federal Savings Bank, Shepler Construction, KJG Architects, George Stephenson Law Office, Rans Funeral Home, Judy's Good Life Vintage, Jet Transportation Inc., Cass County Title Company, Tyson, Small Parts, Harris Glass, Tyler VerBryck, Vickie Lebo Interiors, Kim Reid Realtor, and the Cass County Historical Society Board of Trustees.

Thank you to everyone who supported our first annual Golf Scramble. Your generosity and community spirit are helping preserve Cass County's history and bring the Cass County Museum project closer to completion.

Thank You for Supporting Our Event!

Recollections

Written by Lloyd Knight

CCHS Volunteer & Contributing Author

This article is based on a Cass County Historical Society (CCHS) newsletter published in April 1985. The article was adapted from History of Cass County, Indiana by Dr. Jehu Z. Powell, published in 1913.

George M. Jerolaman was born in Bedminster Township, New Jersey, on May 10, 1811. He was the son of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Jessup) Jerolaman, his mother being of French descent. His father spent most of his career in New York City before retiring

to Neshanic, New Jersey, where he later died. Besides Dr. Jerolaman, there were five sons and three daughters in the family, none of whom came west to settle.

Dr. Jerolaman was raised in the East and attended Union College in Schenectady, New York. During his youth, there were few formal medical schools in the country, and most medical students studied under the guidance of an established physician. Dr. Jerolaman studied medicine under the distinguished Dr.

Schermerhorn of New York City.

In 1832, at the age of 21, Dr. Jerolaman traveled west through the newly settled states of Ohio and Indiana. He journeyed from Fort Wayne down the Wabash River in a rowboat to Logansport. In the boat, he carried a small stock of medicines, intending to establish a medical practice in Logansport. Unfortunately, the boat capsized, and all of his medicines were lost at the bottom of the river.

At that time, there were no drugstores in the modern sense of the term, making it necessary for physicians to serve as both doctors and pharmacists. Nearly every pioneer physician compounded his own medicines. In the saddlebags he carried on his long rounds through the countryside, he kept a generous



supply of remedies for a wide variety of ailments.

After settling in Cass County, Dr. Jerolaman practiced medicine until his health began to fail. Seeking recovery, he traveled to New Orleans. Once his health was restored, he returned to Logansport and formed a partnership with Dr. Lytle in the drug business.

In 1838, Dr. Jerolaman was appointed attending physician to the Potawatomi Indians, who were still living on their reservation in Indiana but were soon forced to undertake their long journey westward. For several years, Dr. Jerolaman lived on a farm three and one-half miles west of Logansport along the Wabash River.

In 1853, he moved back to Logansport and built the brick house on the northeast corner of Market and Tenth Streets, now known as the CCHS Long Home Museum. During the later years of his life, he devoted much of his time to farming and to buying and selling farms and livestock.

Dr. Jerolaman was a supporter of the Democratic Party and a member of the Presbyterian Church. He was also affiliated with the Tipton Lodge of Masons.

In 1840, he married Margaret Weakley of Syracuse, New York. She died in 1845. In 1847, he married Mary Rush, daughter of Judge James Rush of Ohio. Judge Rush later settled on a farm two miles east of Adamsboro on the banks of the Eel River in Cass County. Dr. Jerolaman was the father of five daughters.

He died on March 4, 1883, following a short illness and was buried in Mount Hope Cemetery. Throughout his long career in Cass County, he was esteemed by his fellow citizens as a man of energy, varied interests, a fine sense of humor, and unwavering devotion to his community.



We hope you enjoyed this article and will continue to support the Cass County Historical Society. Donations and memberships are always welcome and are essential to the continued operation and preservation efforts of CCHS.

For more information, call the CCHS office at (574) 753-3866 or visit the website at casscountyhistory.org.

Pictures accessed online 6/18/26. CCHS Photo Archive & Find A Grave.

CASS COUNTY LEGACY SPEAKER

History of Logansport State Hospital



The Cass County Historical Society extends its thanks to everyone who joined us on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at the Cass County Museum for another successful Cass County Legacy Speakers program. We welcomed Brian Newell, Curator of the Longcliff Museum, who presented an outstanding lesson on the history of the Logansport State Hospital, one of Cass County's most significant historic institutions.

Brian provided an engaging presentation that explored the hospital's long and fascinating history. Guests enjoyed viewing an impressive collection of historic photographs, artwork, artifacts, and archival materials while hearing stories about the patients (who were kept anonymous), staff, architecture, and changing role of the hospital throughout the years. His extensive knowledge of the site made for an educational and memorable afternoon.

We offer our sincere appreciation to Brian for sharing his time, expertise, and remarkable collection with the community. Presentations like this help preserve the stories that define our local heritage and inspire future generations to appreciate the history that surrounds us.

The Cass County Legacy Speakers series is one of the Historical Society's signature educational programs, offering free public history lessons several times each year. These presentations feature knowledgeable guest speakers, historians, authors, curators, and local experts who share the people, places, and events that have shaped the rich history of Cass County. Topics vary throughout the year, providing opportunities for residents and visitors of all ages to discover something new about our community. All Legacy Speakers events are free and open to the public, and everyone is welcome to attend.

To suggest future presenters or topics, please email information to info@casscountyhistory.org. For information about upcoming events, museum hours, membership, or volunteer opportunities, visit casscountyhistory.org or follow the Cass County Historical Society on Facebook and Instagram.

UPCOMING EVENTS

*Cass County Legacy Speakers***Bryan Looker**

Presents

A History of Transportation in Cass County

Saturday, July 25, 2026, 1 - 3 PM

Cass County Museum

421 E. Broadway Street, Logansport

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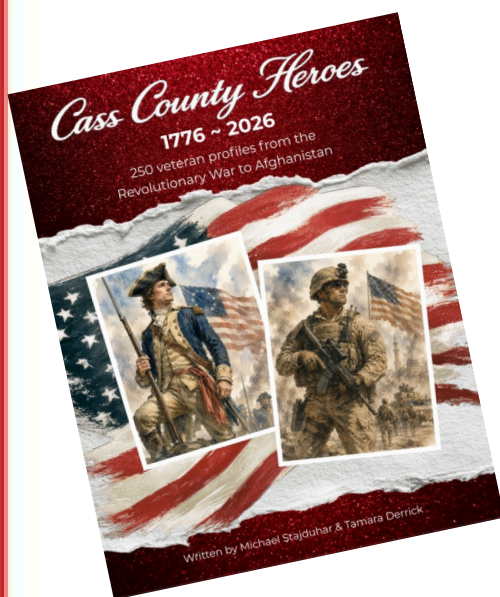
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Written by Michael Stajduhar and
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