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Rare Historical Collections Added to Indiana Memory

Several invaluable collections of historical materials

were recently added to [Indiana Memory](#) – the digital gateway to Indiana's history and cultural heritage. These collections contain rare maps, photos, manuscripts and publications that offer unique glimpses of Indiana throughout history. Most notable of these new collections include:

The Indiana State Library Map Collection – This collection of county maps reveal Indiana's network of roads in each county during the first half of the twentieth century. The Indiana Highway Survey maps were created in 1936 and reveal information about county roads on one map and the built landscape (i.e. dwellings, churches, schools, and cemeteries) on a second map. The United States Post Office maps show the rural delivery routes in each county around 1910.

Monroe County At War and At Home – This collection of the Monroe County Public Library details what Bloomington and Monroe County were like before, during, and after the Civil War. With only one surviving issue of the local newspaper from that era and many personal narratives either lost or scattered, this collection brings together an assortment of original materials that remain for all to share and study.

Indiana Memory is a gateway to Indiana's history and culture found in digitized books, manuscripts, photographs, newspapers, maps, and other media. As a portal to the collections, it assists individuals to locate materials relevant to their interests and to better appreciate the connections between those materials. The program has been made possible through the collaborative efforts of academic libraries, public libraries, historical societies, museums, and archives to create, share and provide access to the wealth of primary sources within their digital collections. Collections may be viewed individually or searched collectively at indianamemory.org

State Library Awards \$50,000 in Institutional Literacy Grants



The Indiana State Library awarded grants totaling \$50,000 to **twelve state institutions**. The **institutional literacy grants** facilitate improved literacy among the individuals under custody of the state. Institutions strive to meet literacy goals at multiple educational levels and may request funds for library materials that meet their specific literacy needs. Materials that are frequently borrowed through interlibrary loan may also be purchased through the institutional literacy grant program.

Join Us on Twitter

The State Library is collecting Twitter handles from libraries throughout the state. Click [here](#) to view list members and sign up to follow the Indiana Public Libraries list. This is a simple and effective way to stay on top of recent news and activities from libraries across Indiana.

eResources Listserv

Sign up today for [eResources listserv](#) to discuss current issues and developments regarding eReaders, eBooks and other emerging digital content. This list will examine best practices for the use of eResources and help shape how digital content is made available statewide.

UPCOMING EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

Advanced INSPIRE Medical

When: July 7 @ 10:00 AM-Noon

Where: Live Online

Evergreen Circulation Training

When: July 14 @ 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Where: Indiana State Library

Evergreen Intro Cataloguing

When: July 20 @ 9:00 AM-Noon

Where: Indiana State Library

Evergreen Admin/Reports Training

When: July 20 @ 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Where: Indiana State Library

Advanced INSPIRE K-12

When: July 27 @ 2:00 PM-3:00 PM

Where: Live Online

New Director's Workshop

When: August 4 @ 8:00 PM-3:30 PM

Where: Indiana State Library

ILF Reference Division Conference

When: August 10 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Flagship Center - Anderson

Advanced INSPIRE Newspapers & Magazines

When: August 16 @ 2:00 PM

Where: Live Online

Director's Refresher Workshop

When: August 18 @ 8:00 PM-3:30 PM

Where: Indiana State Library

2011 CYPD Conference

When: August 28 & 29

Where: Indianapolis Marriott North

ACPL Library Camp 2011

When: September 16

Where: Allen County Public Library

Indiana Vision Expo/Vision Walk

When: September 24 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Indiana State Library/ Downtown Canal - Indianapolis

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Indiana Genealogy & Local History Fair

When: October 22 @ 9:00 AM
Where: Indiana State Library

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