The Elkhart County Museum Association



Bonneyville Mill County Park
53373 CR 131, Bristol, IN 46507



Elkhart County Historical Museum
304 W. Vistula St., Bristol, IN 46507



Elkhart County Visitor Center
3421 Cassopolis St., Elkhart, IN 46514



Elkhart Environmental Center
1717 E. Lusher Ave., Elkhart, IN 46516



Goshen Historical Museum
124 S. Main St., Goshen, IN 46526



Hall of Heroes Superhero Museum
1915 Cassopolis St., Elkhart, IN 46514



Middlebury Community Historical Museum
301 W. Bristol Ave., Middlebury, IN 46540



Midwest Museum of American Art
429 S. Main St., Elkhart, IN 46516



Nappanee Center
302 W. Market St., Nappanee, IN 46550



National New York Central Railroad Museum
721 S. Main St., Elkhart, IN 46516



Rex Martin NIBCO Interactive Museum
721 Riverview Ave., Elkhart, IN 46516



Ruthmere Arts & History Campus
102 W. Beardsley Ave., Elkhart, IN 46514



RV/MH Hall of Fame
21565 Executive Pkwy., Elkhart, IN 46514



Wakarusa Historical Museum
403 Wabash Ave., Wakarusa, IN 46573

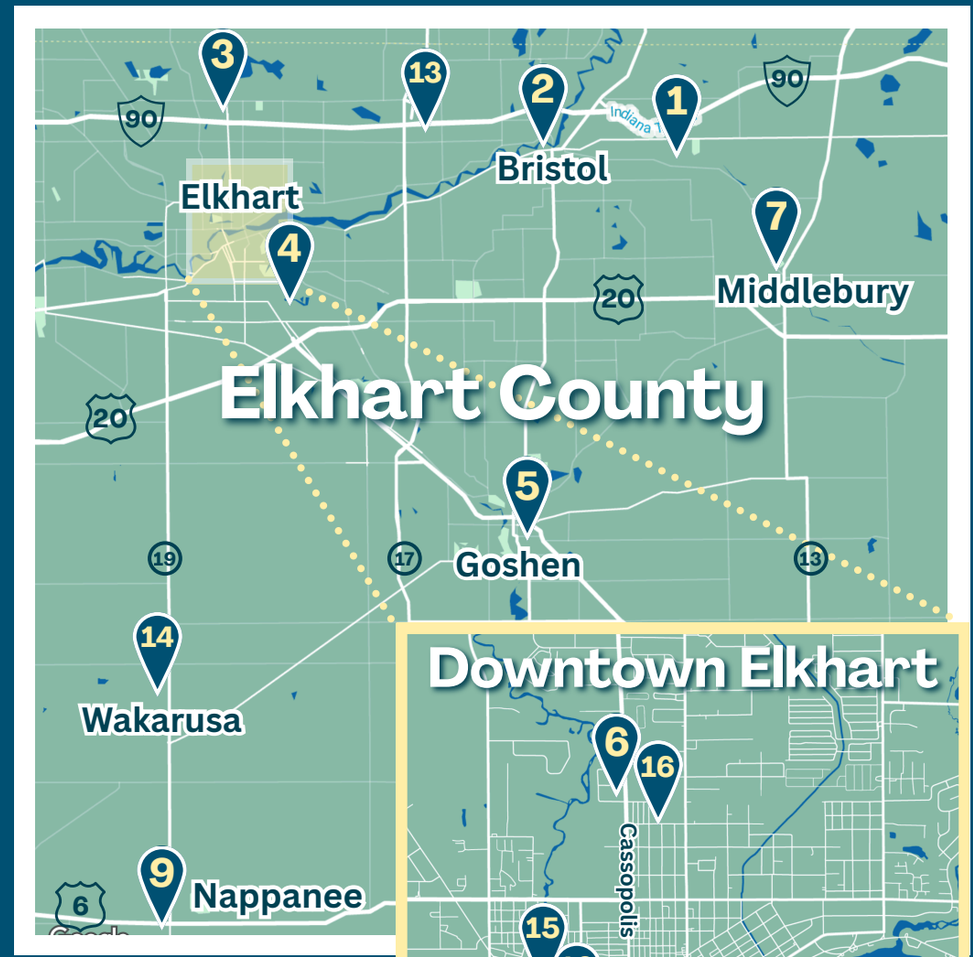


Wellfield Botanic Gardens
1011 N. Main St., Elkhart, IN 46514



Woodlawn Nature Center
604 Woodlawn Ave., Elkhart, IN 46514

Trace the Roots of Elkhart County.



The museums of Elkhart County are packed with fascinating stories and unique details. This is where our friendly, vibrant region of makers comes alive with tales of risk-taking entrepreneurs, imaginative artists, and energetic craftsmen. Whether you're exploring a beautifully restored mansion, discovering our rich history of industry and innovation, or laying your eyes on the works of master artists or master gardeners, you're sure to have a fun day in our close-knit communities.

The Elkhart County Museum Association

Your home for history, culture, art, and nature in Elkhart County.

Bonneyville Mill County Park

(574) 535-6458 | elkhartcountyparks.org

Welcome to Bonneyville - a place where tradition of the region can be tasted in the flour. Visit Indiana's oldest continuously operating grist mill still producing stone-ground flour, or explore the park's 222 acres of gently rolling hills, woodlands, wetlands, and meadows. Seven miles of hiking trails meander through the park providing nature enthusiasts a chance to view abundant wildlife and beautiful wildflowers. A six-mile designated mountain bike trail provides mountain bikers a thrilling ride through wooded and rolling terrain.

Elkhart County Historical Museum

(574) 848-4322 | elkhartcountyparks.org

The Elkhart County Historical Museum fosters appreciation of local history and culture through exhibits, educational programs, library, and archives. Visitors to the Museum can explore the many people, places, and events that make up the history of our county. The rich collection of objects, images, and archival and library materials reflect the county's cultural heritage and help tell our community's story through both permanent and temporary exhibits.

Elkhart County Visitor Center

(800) 262-8161 | amishcountry.org

Start your Elkhart County adventure at the Visitor Center where you can pick up a free Heritage Trail CD and map. The audio driving tour will give you turn by turn directions while telling you all about how craftsmanship and creativity are the driving forces of each of the cities along the Heritage Trail. In addition, our destination concierges are here to help you make the most of your visit as you discover our vibrant arts scene, delve into the stories of the Amish and other makers who built our well-crafted communities. Classic small towns full of museums and natural beauty await you on your journey.

Elkhart Environmental Center

(574) 293-5070 | facebook.com/ElkhartEnvironmentalCenter

This enriched, 66 acre greenspace offers trails through all types of nature including wetlands, prairies, and hardwood forests. Learn about the site's unique history as a former dump, that has since been remediated into a beautiful community asset. Inside the learning cabin, a variety of programs and activities are available year-round. Pick up a trail map, borrow a birding kit, or explore our interactive kids learning loft! You wn't want to miss this unique area commonly called, "Elkhart's Best Kept Secret!"

Goshen Historical Museum

(574) 975-0033 | goshenhistorical.org

The Museum is located on the site of the historic Adams Store. Built in 1888, the building is part of the unique architecture of the Harper Block and houses a vast collection of artifacts, archives, and photographs showcasing Goshen history from pre-1800s to the present. The second floor includes a fully restored apartment reflecting life in the Early 1900s. Additionally, the museum maintains a rare Police Booth on the corner of Main St. and Lincoln Ave. The museum also provides free tours, field trips, and programs throughout the year.

Hall of Heroes Superhero Museum

(574) 333-3406 | hallofheroesmuseum.com

Nestled in the heart of the Midwest is one of the nation's largest collections of superhero memorabilia, art, and comics. The collection includes more than 60,000 comics, 10,000 toys and games, and 100 pieces of animation and comic art.

Middlebury Community Historical Museum

(574) 825-0978 | mchm.org

Started by a group of community citizens, the museum preserves the history of the Middlebury Community, including the townships of Jefferson, Middlebury, and York.

Midwest Museum of American Art

(574) 293-6660 | midwestmuseum.org

The Midwest Museum of American Art is recognized nationally for its superb permanent collection that tells 'The Story of American Art' over a 200-year time period. Most notable is the largest public collection of signed and numbered collotypes by Norman Rockwell in America; the world's largest public collection of 'Overbeck Art Pottery' created by four sisters from Cambridge City, Indiana; and one of only two original paintings in Indiana by Midwestern artist, Grant Wood. See all of this and more, almost 1,200 objects on display 52 weeks a year plus temporary, special, and rotating exhibits shown in 11 galleries spanning two floors. There's something new to see with every visit! MMAA is open Wednesday through Friday, 11 a.m.- 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

Nappanee Center

(574) 773-7919 | nappaneelibrary.org/elchc

Discover Nappanee's history at the ELC Heritage Collection. Stay and play in the Lee Weaver Exhibit, enjoy paintings by Emma Schrock in the Doug Grant Family Gallery, learn the story behind the Hoosier Cabinets, and More!

National New York Central Railroad Museum

(574) 294-3001 | nnycrrmuseum.org

The New York Central was once the second-largest railroad in the United States, with 11,000 miles of track in the US and Canada. Elkhart still functions as a vital link between the Atlantic seaboard to the Midwest and beyond. Elkhart is also home to the second-largest railroad freight yard east of the Mississippi River. The Museum tells the story of the vast New York Central System, and its predecessors and successors into the modern era.

Rex Martin NIBCO Interactive Museum

(574) 296-1977 | nibco/about-us/museum/

The Rex Martin NIBCO Interactive Museum's mission is to promote the history of NIBCO INC., its impact on the evolution of plumbing, and its philanthropic contributions to the local community. The goal is to educate and inspire a diverse audience through exhibits and programming. Tours are available by appointment.

Ruthmere Arts & History Campus

(574) 264-0330 | ruthmere.org

The Ruthmere Arts & History Campus comprises two historic house museums, the 1910 Beaux-Arts Ruthmere Mansion and the 1848 Italianate Havilah Beardsley House, as well as a new welcoming facility, the Beardsley Discovery Center. Immerse yourself in the history of Elkhart's founding family by taking a tour through expertly-preserved homes filled with world-class art, artifacts, and architectural splendor, or experience one of Ruthmere's engaging music and art programs such as Coffee on the Piazza or the annual Ceramic Showcase. The Beardsley Discovery Center is now offering a FREE genealogy workstation, available by appointment.

RV/MH Hall of Fame

(574) 293-2344 | thervmhhalloffame.org

Dedicated to honoring and preserving the historical evolution of the RV Industry and Manufactured Housing Industry. Discover 65 recreational vehicles and Manufactured Homes dating from 1913 to present. Explore displays, memorabilia, and literature and take a step back in time to remember the iconic and one-of-a-kind units that have filled campgrounds for over 100 years. Open April - October 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Saturday & 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday. November-March 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Saturday.

Wakarusa Historical Museum

(574) 862-1181 | wakarusachamber.com/historical-museum/

The Wakarusa Historical Society, Inc. was organized on September 9, 1975, by Larry Smith, Floyd Drake, Robert Ehert, Helen Klien, and Jack Hess. The first meeting was held at the Lienhart Funeral Home with the goal of obtaining and restoring the Old Wakarusa Depot. Today, the property includes the depot, a doctor/veterinary office, railroad cars, a small red caboose, grandma's house, Dean's tool shed, a little red school, a blacksmith shop, and a firehouse with two fire trucks. The property also hosts the Vintage Power Show every third weekend in August.

Wellfield Botanic Gardens

(574) 266-2006 | wellfieldgardens.org

Wellfield Botanic Gardens is a dynamic, living museum featuring 36 acres of over 20 themed Gardens. 18 acres of ponds and water. This private, not-for-profit was created in 2005 as a community project. Wellfield is open year-round with events during all seasons. Activities include special events and festivals, educational opportunities, a summer concert series, a winter holiday lights show, and seasonal programming. Facility rentals are available for private events, including weddings, corporate groups, and celebrations of life.

Woodlawn Nature Center

(574) 295-7275 | woodlawnnature.org

This "Haven-in-the-City" offers a variety of educational and recreational activities for all ages. The center provides interactive and live exhibits, nature play areas, woodland trails, programs, and events. Come visit us to find your connection with nature and natural history!