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July – August 2008

Lincoln/Logan County Community Calendar

To add an event to our calendar, or to sign up to receive this calendar through e-mail or regular mail, please call the Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County at 217-732-8687 (phone), 217-735-9205 (fax), or write to us at 1555 Fifth St, Lincoln, IL 62656, or e-mail us at admin@abe66.com

Below is a timeline of when events/meetings must be submitted to us in order for them to be in the printed Calendar.

September and October 2008 events – August 25, 2008
November and December 2008 events – October 24, 2008
January and February 2009 events – December 23, 2008
March and April 2009 events – February 23, 2009
May and June 2009 events – April 24, 2009

If the events/meetings are submitted after the printed deadline, then they will not make it into the printed version of the Calendar, but we will gladly put them on the e-mail version, and the website.

Notice regarding flyers in the calendar: The Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County policy on flyers being included in the calendar is as follows. The Bureau will include any flyer that is delivered to us by the deadline for inclusion, however, the public must be allowed to attend the event and we must receive 450 copies of the flyer, unfolded. We will be unable to include any flyer that does not meet the above guidelines.

Logan County Events

Jul – Aug LCGHS Children's Activity. Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society is extending an invitation to children age 10 and under, accompanied by a parent, to visit the A. Lincoln Room during July and August. Each child will receive an Abraham Lincoln coloring book, compliments of the Logan County Tourism Bureau and soybean crayons, compliments of the Logan County Farm Bureau Women's Committee. Hours are 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tues.- Fri. and 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Saturdays at 114 N. Chicago St. in Lincoln, Illinois.

Jul 1 – Aug 10 Illinois Shakespeare Festival. Tickets are on sale now for the Illinois Shakespeare Festival. Come see The Taming of the Shrew, The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged), and Titus Andronicus. Call 309-438-2535 or visit www.TheFestival.org.

Jul 2, 3, 5, & 6 Lincoln Community Theatre Presents: "Mrs. President" Held at the Johnston Center for the Performing Arts (Lincoln College Campus). Curtain time 7:30 PM. For tickets and more information, please call 217-735-2614 or e-mail president@lincolncommunitytheatre.org

Jul 3 - 5 Heritage Days. Once again, the city of Lincoln will be opening its doors to celebrate our Independence! Shops downtown will be holding sidewalk sales, there will also be dancing and music. July 3rd will feature a roasted chicken dinner at 5 PM in Latham Park, followed by a presentation by Abraham & Mary Todd Lincoln interpreters Max & Donna Daniels at 6:30. Culvers will be providing ice cream and Lincoln College will be bringing a Mary Todd cake to top off the festivities. The annual fireworks show will begin at dusk on July 4. For more information, please call 217-735-2815.

Jul 4 VFW Fried Chicken Dinner. Come over to the VFW Hall from 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM to enjoy their annual Fourth of July Fried Chicken Dinner. Prices are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 3 – 10 years old, and FREE for kids under 3. For that, you'll get Southern Fried Chicken, salad, a roll, dessert, and a drink. For take-outs call 737-4005 or 341-8967.

Jul 5 Heritage Days Cruise In. The Railsplitter Antique Auto Club will once again be setting up their cars on the downtown Lincoln square. This special Heritage Days Event is fun for the whole family. Come and see all the classic cars! For more information & for registration, please call 217-732-3519.

Jul 7 Blood Drive. The Central Illinois Community Blood Center would like to invite the public to give the gift of life on July 7th at the Lincoln Masonic Center from noon to 6 PM. This blood drive is sponsored by the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Jul 8 Carson & Barnes Circus. Come out to the Logan County Fairgrounds, in Lincoln, IL, to enjoy the Carson & Barnes Circus sponsored by Zion Lutheran School, Lincoln. Over 40 acts from throughout the world will entertain audiences at the 4:30 and 7:30 pm performances. For ticket prices and information call Zion Lutheran School, 217-732-3977.

Jul 12 Glass Recycling. Glass will be collected in the Wal-mart parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Food and beverage container glass in all colors will be accepted. NO ceramic, dishware, light bulbs, windows or mirrors. All glass must be thoroughly rinsed with metal or plastic rings removed. Labels may be left on. For more information, contact the Agency at 732-9636. Sponsored by the Lincoln Junior Woman's Club, the Logan County Joint Solid Waste Agency, Saint-Gobain, and Wal-mart.

Jul 13 Lincoln Speedway Event. Sportsman Special at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.). UMP Sanctioned with a purse of \$500 for Sportsman. Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Jul 17 – 20 61st Annual Emden Homecoming. Come over to Emden to celebrate their 61st Annual Homecoming. The festivities kick off on Thursday the 17th with Summer Time Fun Amusements from 5 PM – 9 PM. Friday, enjoy a Chicken Supper at 4:30, Summer Time Fun Amusements from 5 PM – 9 PM, stage shows at 7:30, and the Legion Ticket Drawing at 10:30 PM. Saturday starts off running with the 5K, 1 Mile Fun Run at 7 AM, and Town Wide Garage Sales and the Craft Show & Sale at 8 AM. The fun continues at 9 AM with a Pork Chop Sandwich sale and a car show. The Kiddie Tractor Pull starts at 10 AM, followed by the parade at 2 PM (signup starts at 12:30). The Hartem Boosters Club will host a Fush Supper at 4:30, Summer Time Fun Amusements start up at 5 PM and run until 9 PM, at 7:30 the stage shows open, followed by the Legion Ticket Drawing at 10:30. Finally, come over on Sunday to relax and worship at the Combined Church Service at 10:30 AM. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs.

Jul 18 Blood Drive. The Central Illinois Community Blood Center would like to invite the public to give the gift of life on July 18th at the Assembly of God Church in Mason City, IL from 2 PM – 6 PM.

Jul 19 Lincoln Speedway Event. Kid Modz at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.). Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Jul 20 Brian "Fox" Ellis at Postville Courthouse. Popular storyteller Brian "Fox" Ellis will tell stories of Abraham Lincoln and his relationship with Lincoln, Illinois. It will be a mix of true stories as well as jokes and stories Lincoln himself told. Ellis will appear July 20, 2008 from 2 PM to 3:15 PM at Historic Postville Courthouse, on the lawn. Bring your lawn chairs and sit under the shade trees and enjoy a relaxing and fun afternoon with Ellis. This event is free and open to the public. Soda and water will be available for purchase at the event. For more information, please call 217-735-4977.

Jul 25 – 27 Lincoln Community Theatre Presents: "Cheaper by the Dozen" Held at the Johnston Center for the Performing Arts (Lincoln College Campus). Curtain time 7:30 PM. For tickets and more information, please call 217-735-2614 or e-mail president@lincolncommunitytheatre.org

Jul 25 – 27 25th Illinois Square & Round Dance Convention. Lincoln, IL is proud to host the 2008 Illinois Square Dance Convention at the Laughlin Center (Lincoln Christian College campus). Help us welcome these dancers to our community! Check out <http://ilsquaredanceconvention.com/> for more information.

Jul 26 Cruise In. The Railsplitter Antique Auto Club will once again be hosting their monthly classic car cruise ins on the downtown Lincoln square. They will be held from 5 PM to 9 PM, on the fourth Saturday of the month, starting in April and ending in September. For more information & for registration, please call 217-732-3519.

Jul 27 Lincoln Speedway Event. Monster Midwest Tour at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.). UMP Sanctioned with purses of \$2,000 for the Late Models and \$750 for Mods. Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Jul 29 – Aug 3 Logan County Fair. Come and relax and enjoy the Best of Logan County! Daily activities include 4-H shows, a queen pageant, live entertainment, and a carnival full of food, games, & displays. For more information, call 217-732-3311.

Jul 30 Lincoln Speedway Event. Fair Races at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.). Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Jul 31 – Aug 3 Lincoln Community Theatre Presents: "Cheaper by the Dozen" Held at the Johnston Center for the Performing Arts (Lincoln College Campus). Curtain time 7:30 PM. For tickets and more information, please call 217-735-2614 or e-mail president@lincolncommunitytheatre.org

Aug 8 & 9 2nd Annual Nitro Sprint Car \$\$\$ Race. Big Bill's RC Raceway is pleased to host the 2nd Annual Nitro Sprint Car \$\$\$ Race on August 8th and 9th, 2008, at Big Bill's RC Raceway (109 W. Oak, Broadwell). For more information, please call 217-306-2599 or check out Big Bill's website as well at www.bigbillsraceway.com.

Aug 9 Glass Recycling. Glass will be collected in the Wal-mart parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Food and beverage container glass in all colors will be accepted. NO ceramic, dishware, light bulbs, windows or mirrors. All glass must be thoroughly rinsed with metal or plastic rings removed. Labels may be left on. For more information, contact the Agency at 732-9636. Sponsored by the Lincoln Junior Woman's Club, the Logan County Joint Solid Waste Agency, Saint-Gobain, and Wal-mart.

Aug 22 – 24 Lincoln Art & Balloon Festival. Come out to the Airport in Logan County to experience the beauty and wonder of Hot Air Balloons in flight. Downtown, see all of the art vendors and pick up some beautiful pieces. Activities include several balloon launches, evening balloon glows, musical entertainment, food, an art and craft show, the Art of Wine, and much more. For more information, please call 217-735-2385.

Aug 23 Lincoln Speedway Event. Kid Modz at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.), UMP Sanctioned. Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Aug 24 1800's Craft Fair. Postville Courthouse, where Abraham Lincoln practiced law, will be hosting their annual 1800's Craft Fair on the shaded grounds at 914 Fifth St. in Lincoln from 10 AM to 4 PM. The Public is invited to come and see 19th century crafters from surrounding areas and states demonstrating their skills. Local crafters are also included. Some will be selling their crafts. Music by renown musicians and other entertainment will be provided. Tour the historic courthouse and view the rocker that Abraham Lincoln sat in many times. All events are free, food is available for purchase. Call 217-732-8930 or 217-737-0979 for more information.

Aug 24 Balloonfest Car Show. The Railsplitter Antique Auto Club will be cruising around to the downtown Lincoln square on August 24, 2008, during the Lincoln Art & Balloon Festival. So while you're downtown, looking at all the fine art, don't forget to enjoy the art of classic cars. For more information & for registration, please call 217-732-3519.

Aug 27 Lincoln Christening Reenactment. The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission is pleased to announce a reenactment of the August 27, 1853 Christening of Lincoln. More details will be coming soon. Call 217-732-8687 for more information.

Aug 30 Family Fun Fest. Zion Lutheran School, 1600 Woodlawn Road, Lincoln, will be holding their annual Family Fun Fest on August 30, 2008. Enjoy the pig roast and corn boil, with homemade ice cream, from 2:00 -7:00 pm. Face painting, bingo, a dunk tank and old-fashioned games will be available. Call 217-732-3977 for more information.

Aug 31 Lincoln Speedway Event. Late Model Special at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.). UMP Sanctioned with a purse of \$2,000 for Late Models. Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Sep 4 – 6 Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival. Fun family event with a carnival, games, music, shopping and more! The 11th Illinois Cavalry Company G will do a living history and Civil War re-enactment of a military company's overnight encampment. The soldiers will tend their horses, make camp, cook over campfire, tend their weapons, and do demonstrations. The members of the 11th Cavalry will then ride in the Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival Parade Saturday, September 6th at 1:00 p.m.-Mt. Pulaski-Logan County. Sponsored by the Mt. Pulaski Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Birthday Committee. Also enjoy the Illinois Cavalry Regimental Band, Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival, Saturday, September 6th at 2:00 p.m. on lawn of Mt. Pulaski's Historic Courthouse, during Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival Sept. 4-5-6th. Mt. Pulaski-Logan County-Sponsored by Mt. Pulaski Twp. Historical Society. The Mt. Pulaski Courthouse is one of two remaining original courthouses on the old 8th Judicial Circuit in which Abraham Lincoln tried cases, such as the Horological Cradle Case and the Case of the Cast Iron Tombstone. For more information, please visit <http://www.mtpulaskiil.com/>

Sep 11 – 13 Atlanta Fall Festival. Enjoy music, carnival rides & games, a petting zoo, a car show, art & craft vendors, great food, and a pie & cake baking contest/auction. Call 217-648-2351 for more information.

Sep 12 – 14 Abraham Lincoln National Railsplitting Contest and Crafts Festival. 38th Annual festival will be a fun and educational event for all ages – rail splitting, corn shucking, tomahawk throwing, pioneer village, antique car and tractors, historical displays, Lincoln presentations, quilt show, crafters, flea market, kids games, food vendors and much more. Check out www.railsplitting.com or call 217-732-8687 for more information.

Sep 13 Glass Recycling. Glass will be collected in the Wal-mart parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Food and beverage container glass in all colors will be accepted. NO ceramic, dishware, light bulbs, windows or mirrors. All glass must be thoroughly rinsed with metal or plastic rings removed. Labels may be left on. For more information, contact the Agency at 732-9636. Sponsored by the Lincoln Junior Woman's Club, the Logan County Joint Solid Waste Agency, Saint-Gobain, and Wal-mart.

Sep 20 Elkhart Hill Tour. If you're interested in nature and in history, then this tour is the one for you. Elkhart Historical Society will be hosting a guided tour of Historic Elkhart Hill. Space is limited for this event, so please call 217-947-2238 for reservations.

Sep 20 Elkhart Fall Festival. Come over to Historic Elkhart, IL, on Route 66 and enjoy their Fall Festival. There'll be something for everyone with great food in the downtown restaurants, flea and craft vendors, and much more. For more information, call 217-947-2287.

Sep 20 Abe Lincoln Disabled Children Fund Raiser. Come enjoy golfing at the Elks Country Club (Registration at 11 AM, 217-732-4010), a Marble Run starting at 12 in downtown Lincoln, LIVE entertainment, great food and drinks, and a 50/50 drawing, all benefiting disabled children! For more information, please call 217-737-7380 or check out aldcf.org.

Sep 20 Lincoln Speedway Event. 2nd Annual Wild Thing National Championships at the Lincoln Speedway (1408 Short 11th St.), with a purse of \$1,500 for Hornets. Check out lincolnspeedway.org or call 217-735-1833 for more information.

Sep 21 Fall Farm Day 2008. Our first Fall Farm Day was such a success, we've added this new event to our annual list. This year's Fall Farm Day will be held on September 21, 2008. More details will be coming soon, so keep an eye on our calendar! For more information, please call 217-732-8687.

Sep 27 Cruise In. The Railsplitter Antique Auto Club will once again be hosting their monthly classic car cruise ins on the downtown Lincoln square. They will be held from 5 PM to 9 PM, on the fourth Saturday of the month, starting in April and ending in September. For more information & for registration, please call 217-732-3519.

Sep 27 Truth Project Training Event. Come over to the Lincoln Christian College and Seminary from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM to participate in the Truth Project Simulcast Training Event. This powerful and interactive one-day training session introduces you practically and personally to the truth claims of God and trains you to lead your own small group following the conference. For more information and tickets please contact Donna Bishop at 217-648-2915 or visit www.thetruthproject.org.

Oct 11 2nd Annual Fall Car Show at the Mill. Come over to the Mill from 11 AM – 3 PM to enjoy a car show sponsored by the Railsplitter Antique Auto Club and the Route 66 Heritage Foundation of Logan County. This fundraising event brought in a lot of visitors last year, so don't miss out on your chance to help save the Mill! More details will be coming soon! For more information, please call 217-732-3519 or 217-732-8687.

Oct 11 Glass Recycling. Glass will be collected in the Wal-mart parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Food and beverage container glass in all colors will be accepted. NO ceramic, dishware, light bulbs, windows or mirrors. All glass must be thoroughly rinsed with metal or plastic rings removed. Labels may be left on. For more information, contact the Agency at 732-9636. Sponsored by the Lincoln Junior Woman's Club, the Logan County Joint Solid Waste Agency, Saint-Gobain, and Wal-mart.

Oct 16 Abraham Lincoln Courthouse Lawn Rally Restaging. The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of Lincoln, IL, is pleased to announce the date of the Courthouse Lawn Rally Restaging. This historic event was a rally held on the courthouse lawn in 1858, in which Abraham Lincoln addressed a crowd of approximately 5,000 people. Witness and be a part of this historic restaging! The commission is also looking for volunteers to assist with the setup for the event, as well as to be period re-enactors in the crowd. More details will be coming soon, so keep an eye on the calendar! Call 217-732-8687 for more information.

Oct 18 Germanfest. Come to St. John United Church of Christ from 11 AM – 3 PM to enjoy a celebration of German culture. German food, a polka band, a craft show, and a drive through or dine in German dinner. For more information, please call 217-732-6957.

Oct 25 25th Anniversary Harvest of Talents for World Hunger. Lincoln Christian Church, 204 N. McLean St., Lincoln, IL. Open to the Public, No Admission Fee, Handicap Accessible, Plenty of Free Parking. Doors open at 7 a.m. Outdoor Snacks, Music, Indoor Dining for Breakfast and Lunch. Lots of Handcrafted Items and Foods for sale. Unique Handmade Items on Live Auction at 2 p.m. ALL proceeds go to hunger relief around the world. For more information, contact harvest@lincoln.il.us, (217) 732-7618, or <http://www.ides.org/hungerprograms.php>

Oct 28 – Nov 9 Christmas Memories Quilt Show. The Christmas Memories Quilt Show at Postville Courthouse State Historic Site will be back again this year. Featuring lovely period quilts of all designs and holiday themes. Hours are 12 PM to 4 PM. This show is co-sponsored by Postville Courthouse and Sew Many Friends. Come and enjoy the beautiful quilts and vote for your favorite. Tour the historic site at 914 Fifth Street in Lincoln. Free and open to the public. For more information, please call 217-735-4977 or 217-732-4527.

Nov 22 & 23 Christmas on Vinegar Hill. Come and shop and browse at Mt. Pulaski's annual Christmas on Vinegar Hill celebration. Citywide displays, homes, schools, churches and businesses, crafts and food. Plan on spending the day and join in on all the holiday cheer. Saturday from 8 AM – 5 PM and Sunday from 12 PM – 4 PM. For more information, please call 217-792-5698.

Nov 29 Pride of the Prairie Folk Art & Craft Show. The Lincoln Park District is proud to present the Pride of the Prairie Folk Art & Craft Show of 2008. Featuring area artists and crafters bringing together a collection of their finest. A great place for holiday shopping! Call 217-732-8770 for more information.

Dec (TBA) Holiday Homes on Tour. Including Mrs. Claus' Workshop with handcrafted items for sale. Lincoln, IL. For more information, contact harvest@lincoln.il.us, (217) 732-7618, or <http://www.ides.org/hungerprograms.php> All proceeds to **Harvest of Talents for World Hunger**

Dec 6 & 7 Elkhart Christmas Weekend. Come out to Historic Elkhart, IL to enjoy a weekend of holiday fun! The highlight as usual will be Christmas Candlelight Service at the Gillett Chapel. I believe there will be a matinee performance on Sunday as before. Dinner will be served as last year in all three Elkhart eateries...Brown's Talk of the Town, The Blue Stem Bakery and The Wild Hare Cafe. Open houses will be held at Horsefeathers Antiques and Gifts, The Dragonfly Art Studio and our newest addition The Aeolian Curiosity Shop that will be selling antiques, collectables, old books and original art. For more information, please contact Andrea Niehaus over at Horsefeathers, at 217-947-2100.

Dec 6 1840's Christmas Open House. Come out to Postville Courthouse State Historic Site to enjoy the holidays 1840's style. The building will be decorated in 1840's style, with period music, an Abraham Lincoln interpreter, pumpkin cake, tours, and even an historic speaker! Call 217-735-4977 or 217-737-0979 for more information.

Dec 6 Christmas Candlelight Service. Elkhart Historical Society is pleased to host their annual Christmas Candlelight Service at the Gillett Chapel in Elkhart Cemetery. Space is limited for this event, so please call 217-947-2238 for reservations.

Logan County Meetings

Jul 16 & Aug 20 Railsplitter Coin Club Meeting. On the 3rd Wednesday of each month, the Railsplitter Coin Club holds a meeting and small auction at Friendship Manor in Lincoln, IL. The activities start at 7 PM and the public is welcome to attend. Lots of 60 – 100 coins will be auctioned off, and several sellers will be offering their wares. For more information, please call 217-732-7069.

Jul 21 LCGHS Meeting. Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society will meet July 21, 2008 at 114 N. Chicago St. at 6:30 p.m. Rochelle Joseph, Intern at Illinois Regional Archives Depository System will speak about the Beaver family. Visitors are welcome. We invite anyone to submit their family history which will be placed in the family history section of our library. Society hours are 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Aug 18 LCGHS Meeting. Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society will meet August 18, 2008 at 114 N. Chicago St. at 6:30 p.m. James Maltby will present the program "Charles Maltby, Personal Friend of Abraham Lincoln". Public is welcome. Does your family have Lincoln lore in it's history? If so, LCGHS wants your story. The Society is compiling these stories for a book to be printed to celebrate A. Lincoln's 200th birthday on February 12, 2009. If you have a story, please share it with us. Call 732-3200 for a "Your Family & Abraham Lincoln" form or for more information.

Logan County Attractions

Postville Courthouse: A reproduction of the original 1840 courthouse where Abraham Lincoln practiced law while he traveled the Eighth Judicial Circuit. Open Tuesday-Saturday. April-October: Noon to 5:00 pm. November through March: Noon to 4:00 pm. Closed most state holidays. Open Any Time by Appointment. Reservations are suggested for groups of 25 or more. Suggested donation: Adults \$2, Children \$1. For additional information, contact 217-732-8930 or www.postvillecourthouse.com

Mt. Pulaski Courthouse: One of the only two surviving Eighth Judicial Circuit Courthouses in Illinois where Abraham Lincoln practiced law. Open Tuesday-Saturday. March-October: Noon to 5:00 pm. November through February: Noon to 4:00 pm. Closed: New Years, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Presidents and Veterans Days, General Election Days, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Groups of 25 or more must have reservations. Not wheelchair accessible. For more information, contact 217-732-8930.

Lincoln College Museum: Houses valuable collections of Lincolnia, Illinois, Logan County History, and American presidential memorabilia. Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Saturday-Sunday 1:00 pm-4:00 pm, open additional hours by appointment. Closed on Federal holidays. Open February 12. Contact 217-732-3155 Ext. 295 or email www.lincolncollege.edu for more information.

Logan County Courthouse: Located on the square in downtown Lincoln, this courthouse was completed in 1905 and still houses county offices and records dating to 1839. For operating times and further information, contact 217-732-6400 or 217-732-TOUR.

Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society: The Genealogical and Historical Society encourages the preservation of Logan County's history and maintains a Research Center that treasures and collects Logan County family histories from Logan County families. Their research resources include historical books, maps, obituaries, cemetery records, marriages, births, family surname genealogy, and more! Be sure to check out the Veteran's exhibit, as well as take a look at the new "Abraham Lincoln Room." Open: Tuesday-Friday 11:00 am-4:00 pm, and Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm. Phone #217-732-3200

Mt. Pulaski Township Historical Society Museum: This two-story museum features Mt. Pulaski/Abraham Lincoln memorabilia. It is located on 102- 104 E. Cooke St. Open: Tuesday-Saturday from noon-4:00 pm. They will also open by special appointment. For more information, contact museum@frontiernet.net or call 217-792-3719.

Heritage In Flight Museum: Located at the Logan County Airport, the museum is open to provide an educational experience with activities built around aviation. They provide tours of the museum, flying events at the airport, meetings, and aircraft/vehicle maintenance. Guided tours are scheduled Monday-Friday 9:00-4:00 pm. A one-week notice is required. Open: Saturday and Sunday 9:00 am-4:00 pm. No set admission charge, but donations are appreciated. Call 217-732-3333 for more information.

Atlanta Public Library and Museum: Home to both a library and a museum, the Atlanta Public Library and Museum offers a variety of items telling the history of the area. The octagonal-shaped building is listed as a national historic site. Items displayed include war paraphernalia and farming tools. The library is closed Sunday and Mondays. Located at Race and Arch Streets Atlanta, IL, 61723. Contact 217 648-2112 for more information.

J.H. Hawes Grain Elevator: Built in 1904, the J.H. Hawes Grain Elevator is now the oldest wooden grain elevator in the state. This structure is one of the few of its kind to be registered as a historic site. Today it is home to a museum. Open: June to August from 1 pm to 3 pm on Sundays or by appointment. Located in downtown Atlanta. For more information, please call 217-648-5077.

Lincoln YMCA: 604 Broadway, Suite 1, Lincoln, IL 62656. Office Hours: Mon – Fri 8:30 am – 5:00 pm. Membership Rates: \$32 per family per year. For more information on the YMCA and their programs, please contact: 217-735-3915 or www.lincolnymca.org

All Veterans' Park: 100 Block of Union St., Lincoln, IL 62656. Come visit this powerfully moving park, dedicated to the Veterans that have served our country in times of conflict and in times of peace. Currently, there are approximately 2000 bricks that have been dedicated to past and present veterans. Also included at the park is the "Avenue of Flags" with ten aligned U.S. flags and one larger U.S. Flag with POW/MIA flags as well. For more information, please contact the Lincoln AMVETS Post #71: 1417 North Logan St., Lincoln, IL 62656 Or 217-732-8829

Central Illinois Attractions

Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site: Located in Petersburg, this is a preservation of the authentic site of the frontier village of New Salem, home to Abraham Lincoln during the 1830's. Features historic workshops, tours, musical programs, story telling, museum displays, etc. Open: Wednesday through Sunday (Nov. 1-Feb 28 8:00 am-4:00 pm and March 1-October 31 9:00 am-5:00 pm). Free with donations (suggested \$2 adults/\$1 children). For more information, contact 217-632-4000

Lincoln's Tomb: The 117-foot tall granite tomb contains the bodies of Lincoln, his wife Mary, and three of his four sons. Features famous Lincoln statuary. Open: Daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from March through October and until 4 p.m. from November through February. Closed on major holidays. At 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings, Jun - Aug, see a flag-lowering ceremony enacted by volunteers in Civil War uniforms. Groups of 25 or more should make reservations. Call 217-782-2717 for further information.

Lincoln's Home: The Lincoln home, the centerpiece of the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, has been restored to its 1860s appearance, revealing Lincoln as husband, father, politician, and President-elect. No fee for the tour. Parking is available in the visitor parking lot on a daily basis. The charge, payable at a self-operated fee machine, is \$2.00 per hour. For Visitor Information, contact 217-492-4241 ext. 221

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum: 212 North Sixth St., Springfield, IL 62701. Museum Open: Monday-Sunday 9:00 am-5:00 pm and Wednesday 9:00 am-8:30 pm. Closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Years Day. Library has no admission charge. Museum admission fee is: Adults (16-61 years of age) \$7.50, Senior (62 years of age and up) \$5.50, Children (5-15 years of age) \$3.50, Military (id required) \$5.50, Students (school/college id required) \$5.50, Children under 5 are free. For more information, contact 217-558-8882 or www.alplm.com