

The Society of Indiana Pioneers
Hoosier Heritage Fall Pilgrimage

MADISON & HANOVER: SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES
Historic colleges, private homes, a historic church and more

Delve into the rich heritage of scenic southeastern Indiana

Thursday September 21, 2023

Price: \$187

(Includes transportation, lunch, appetizer reception, admissions, gratuities & donations to sites and driver)

Deadline: April 30 for Pioneers/guests (After that, also opens to the public.)

Guests are welcome. Minimum: 30 travelers; Maximum: 50

- Visit historic Eleutherian College in Jefferson County. Founded in 1848 by local anti-slavery Baptists, the college became the first in Indiana to admit African Americans. Students, including free and escaped enslaved people, were admitted without regard to race or gender. Our guide at the building, a National Historic Landmark that has been partially restored to its 1850s-era appearance, will be Jan Vetrhus, a board member of Historic Eleutherian College.
- In Madison, tour the legendary Shrewsbury-Windle Home, a mansion built in the 1840s and designed by early Indiana architect Francis Costigan. The Pioneers will be guests of John Stacier, Executive Director of Historic Madison Inc., which owns the home listed on the National Register of Historic Places. We will be able to see the renovation of the mansion, a project that was beginning when the Pioneers last visited in 2016.
- Enjoy a box lunch from the Red Pepper Deli while sipping a cider, wine, or non-alcoholic drink at The Thomas Family Winery. In the 1850's the building was a livery stable and black smith shop, then the bus station before becoming a winery.
- Tour St. Michael the Archangel Church, built in the Gothic Revival style beginning in 1838 under the direction of Father Michael Edgar Shave, the first Catholic priest ordained in Indiana. Now owned by Historic Madison, the church is the state's second oldest structure built as a Catholic church.

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Reserve early! Before it is open to the public!

To make a reservation, mail the tear-off form (completely filled out) along with check payable to:

Thomson Travel
5764 East Fall Creek Parkway, N. Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46226.
thomsontravel@gmail.com

For answers to questions, contact Sue Thomson at 317-908-9602

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Name(s): _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: (required if you have one) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Checks only! # of reservations: _____ @\$187 = \$_____

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- Visit the historic, privately-owned Stark/Ray Home in downtown Madison. Built in the 1820s by early settlers of the town, the Federal-style home retains many of its original features (including woodwork) and, unlike many houses in downtown Madison, never was divided into apartments. The current owners have collections of antiques, including crystal and silver dating to the 1850s.
- Enjoy a motor coach tour of Madison, which is one of the largest National Historic Landmark Districts in the country. Jan Vetrhus of Historic Madison will share insights about the architecture, the reuse of many historic buildings, and the town's role in the Underground Railroad.
- Tour a stellar example of historic renovation: the Fairfield Inn & Suites, a downtown Madison hotel in a former cotton mill that had been abandoned. The building is on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Enjoy a tour of scenic Hanover College, founded in the 1820s near the Ohio River and the state's oldest private college. Dr. Jim Fadely, a current trustee and alum of Hanover and a past president of the Pioneers, will provide commentary on the tour of the college.
- Enjoy an appetizers reception on the Hanover campus. The reception will be at the J, Graham Brown Campus Center.

DEPART INDIANAPOLIS:

7:30 a.m. from Second Presbyterian Church, 7700 N, Meridian Street Indpls 46260.

Park in the north parking lot. Please arrive 15 minutes early to ensure prompt departure.

RETURN:

8:30 p.m. (approx.) to Second Presbyterian Church.

Cancellation policy: *A \$10 cancellation fee applies for any cancellation. After Aug. 1, 2023, no refund unless we have someone on the wait list to take your place. If there isn't a wait list, you are welcome to find a replacement to fill your spot.*