

2010

General Lew Wallace Study & Museum Events & Programming Schedule

Theme: *Sanctuary: Preserving the Legacy of Lew Wallace*

All events take place at the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, unless otherwise indicated. Event dates and times are subject to change.

February 9—Winter Preservation Workshop: “Pictures and Papers”, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Carriage House Interpretive Center. Join Wabash College Archivist Beth Swift as she introduces participants to products and practices used to keep family heirloom documents in the best possible condition for future generations. Registration fee is \$15 for Museum members and members of the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana; \$25 for non-members. Contact 765-362-5769 or email study@ben-hur.com to register.

February 16—Winter Preservation Workshop: “Historic Roofing”, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Carriage House Interpretive Center. Representatives from Henry C. Smither Roofing Company in Indianapolis will provide an overview of historic roofing materials and acceptable replacements, as well as discussing maintenance strategies that can help prevent unneeded repairs. Registration fee is \$15 for Museum members and members of the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana; \$25 for non-members. Contact 765-362-5769 or email study@ben-hur.com to register.

February 26—Exhibit Sneak Preview Party. Members of the Lew Wallace Study Preservation Society will be able to attend a sneak preview of our 2010 exhibit, ***Sanctuary: Preserving the Legacy of Lew Wallace***, during a wine-and-cheese reception in the Carriage House Interpretive Center. Contact 765-362-5769 for information on Lew Wallace Study Preservation Society membership.

February 27—Public Exhibit Opening of our 2010 exhibit, ***Sanctuary: Preserving the Legacy of Lew Wallace***. Come celebrate the grand opening of our new exhibit with exciting displays, hands-on artifacts, multimedia presentations and refreshments. See the Carriage House—and the Study itself—in an entirely different light!

March 2—Winter Preservation Workshop: “Victorian Landscapes”, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Carriage House Interpretive Center. Meg Storrow, Principal Landscape Architect at Storrow Kinsella Associates will introduce participants to historic landscapes, designs for modern properties, and plants, fencings, and other decorative elements that complement an historic house.

March 16—Winter Preservation Workshop: “Green Design in Preservation,” 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Carriage House Interpretive Center. Jim Kienle of Moody Nolan’s Historic Preservation Studio will present ways to incorporate green concepts like solar and geothermal power, water collection systems, and energy-saving products for historic buildings.

March 26-27—Crawfordsville Lawn & Garden Show, at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, will feature a display from the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum grounds. Come learn about the myriad ways people use the Museum’s grounds, from opulent weddings to Girl Scout meetings.

March 27—Park Day. The General Lew Wallace Study and Museum partners with the Civil War Preservation Trust and the History Channel to help preserve and rejuvenate the grounds of this local Civil War heritage site. The public is invited from 9:00 a.m.--12:30 p.m. to help with a

number of indoor and outdoor projects. Free refreshments will be available for all participants! Contact the Museum or log on to www.civilwar.org/parkday for further information.

April 3—City of Crawfordsville Easter Egg Hunt, on the grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. Join the kids of Montgomery County as they hunt for treasures throughout the Study's gorgeous grounds. A spring tradition! The Easter Bunny will also be in attendance. Contact the Crawfordsville Parks & Recreation Department, 765-364-5175, for event times and details.

April 10—Lew Wallace's Birthday Celebration. Come celebrate Major General Lew Wallace's 183rd birthday with a special party on the grounds of his Study. Families can enjoy free admission to the Museum, indoor and outdoor activities, and a free gift.

May 16—International Museum Day has been celebrated throughout the world since 1977. In celebration of the impact that museums have on the cultural enrichment of the community, the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum will be offering free tours of its facilities, light refreshments, and a free gift to all visitors.

June 8—The Brown Bag Book Club is back! For three months, exciting discussions will revolve around great titles chosen for their relation to this year's Museum exhibit. This month's selection is to be announced: please check back soon or call the Museum at 765-362-5769 for details. All books featured in the Brown Bag Book Club will be sold at the Museum's Gift Shop at a discount. Come and join this fascinating discussion from 12:00-1:00 p.m. at the Museum, and bring your lunch!

June 11-13—The Strawberry Festival. Reacquaint yourself with the Museum and the city's other cultural attractions during this annual summer festival, held on the grounds of Lane Place, 212 South Water Street in Crawfordsville.

July 6-10—The Lew Wallace Youth Academy returns for a sixth successful year, meeting from July 6-10 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Montgomery County's brightest middle-school students gather for General Wallace's story in a week-long history day camp focusing on the qualities of character, leadership and lifelong learning that he embodied throughout his life. For enrollment information, call the Museum at 765-362-5769.

July 10-11—Annual Civil War Encampment Weekend will feature dozens of re-enactors from the Mid-States Living History Association, setting up camp on the beautiful grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum to recreate the conditions faced by soldiers during the tumultuous days of the Civil War. General Wallace himself will also be encamped on the grounds and receiving visitors.

July 13— For centuries creative people, like Lew Wallace, have had a thinking place - a private retreat where they have worked regularly, hoping to find inspiration. This month, the **Brown Bag Book Club** will discuss Thinking Places: Where Great Ideas Were Born by Carolyn and Jack Fleming. All books featured in the Brown Bag Book Club will be sold at the Museum's Gift Shop at a discount. Bring your lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm and enjoy the discussion!

August 10—Does a woman need a fixed income and a room of her own in order to create? For our August meeting, the **Brown Bag Book Club** will discuss A Room of One's Own by the legendary Virginia Woolf. All books featured in the Brown Bag Book Club will be sold at the Museum's Gift Shop at a discount. Bring your lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm and enjoy the discussion!

August 28—The fourth-annual Taste of Montgomery County will delight your taste buds with sumptuous delicacies from a delicious variety of local restaurants and caterers, and we'll get your feet dancing with awesome live music from three great regional bands, all on the gorgeous

grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. Our first three events were blockbusters, and we just keep getting bigger and better! Contact the Museum at 765-362-5769 or visit our website at www.tasteofmontgomerycounty.com for details.

September 25—Smithsonian Museum Day. Here's a great deal for budget-minded culture lovers: the Smithsonian Magazine has arranged for free admission to hundreds of museums and cultural sites around the country as part of its Museum Day promotion, including the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. For more details, visit <http://microsite.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/index.html>.

September 24-October 3— The streets of Crawfordsville are alive with the vibrancy of art during the annual Downtown Art Show, sponsored by the Art League of Montgomery County. Explore the beauty and culture of downtown Crawfordsville as participating businesses turn the city into an outdoor art gallery with juried original art from local artists in their windows.

October 3—As a fitting end to the Downtown Art Show, the **7th Annual Artists in Residence Program** features some of the area's brightest local artists, showcasing their work and demonstrating their craft on the grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. The public is invited to attend this free event and watch the birth of some beautiful art; you may even get a chance to create some art of your very own! Tours of the Museum are also free during the Program.

December 3— The **4th Annual Holiday High Tea & Fashion Show**, an annual holiday fundraising event in support of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum, will be held in one of Crawfordsville's historic homes from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m.

December 12—The **Holiday Open House and Last Day of the Season** at the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum is your last chance to view this year's Museum Exhibit, *Sanctuary: Preserving the Legacy of Lew Wallace*. The Carriage House Interpretive Center will be dressed in its holiday finery, and visitors can play games and make their own holiday crafts to take home. Refreshments will be provided and admission is free!