

BATESVILLE BROOKVILLE LAUREL METAMORA OLDENBURG

LEAVE WITH A TREASURE OF MEMORIES



2026 EDITION

Memories = Treasures
IN INDIANA™

Welcome

Welcome to Franklin County where you can Experience history, recreation and relaxation! Memories are the most precious gift, and you will leave with a chest full of memories that will live with you and your loved ones forever.

We are known for our Hoosier Hospitality no matter where you are at in our county. Enjoy the Beautiful Brookville Lake, a pre-civil war canal town or a little German village. So, no matter what you are looking for come Experience Franklin County, Indiana.

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County Indiana

FEBRUARY

CHERRY THING-A-LING
PARTY PLACE BRIDAL EXPO

MARCH

METAMORA ST. PATRICK'S PARADE

APRIL

GRIST MILL OPENS
FRANKLIN COUNTY ANTIQUE
MACHINERY SWAP MEET
MANDOLIN GATHERING

MAY

METAMORA 1838 DAYS
DERBY DAY PARTY & PIE AUCTION
FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILT SHOW
METAMORA CHAINSAW CARVING
INVITATIONAL
BROOKVILLE MUSIC ON MAIN

JUNE

METAMORA STRAWBERRY DAYS
HAPPY VALLEY BLUEGRASS
FESTIVAL
CLASSIC CAR CRUISE-IN
BLAZIN' INFERNO WING CONTEST
BROOKVILLE RODEO

JULY

BROOKVILLE MUSIC ON MAIN
OLDENBURG FREUDENFEST
FRANKLIN COUNTY 4H FAIR
METAMORA CHRISTMAS IN JULY

AUGUST

BENJAMIN OGLESBY MEMORIAL
CAR SHOW
METAMORA CHILDREN'S DAY
BROOKVILLE MUSIC ON MAIN

SEPTEMBER

METAMORA'S MUSIC FESTIVAL
BATESVILLE KIWANIS APPLE FESTIVAL
BROOKVILLE CHICKEN FESTIVAL
& FRY OFF
FRANKLIN COUNTY ANTIQUE
MACHINERY SHOW
GREAT PUMPKIN ROLL GRAN FONDO
GERMANFEST - BROOKVILLE

OCTOBER

METAMORA CANAL DAYS
METAMORA HAUNTED VILLAGE
VOGT FARM PUMPKIN FESTIVAL
WHITE'S FARM FALL FESTIVAL
PLEIN AIR PAINT OUT
SAM'S JAMS PUMKIN PATCH
HAUNTED SPIRIT & WALK TOUR

NOVEMBER

BROOKVILLE NOVEMBER NOEL &
COOKIE CRUMBLE TRAIL
METAMORA TREE LIGHTING
BATESVILLE HOLIDAY BAZAAR
DELTA'S CRAFT SHOW
BROOKVILLE TOWN PARK
WINTER WONDERLAND
WHITETAIL ACRES REINDEER
ENCOUNTER



More Information on these and many
more at www.franklincountyin.com on
the events tab.

DECEMBER

OLDENBURG HOLIDAYS UNDER
THE SPIRES
BATESVILLE TREE LIGHTING &
PARADE
METAMORA CHRISTMAS WALK
SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS CONVENT
CHRISTMAS TOUR
WEAVERS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
HOLIDAY HOME TOUR





SHOPPING ADVENTURES or ART EXPLORING



MUSIC and ENTERTAINMENT



VINEYARD or BREWERY TASTINGS

MEMORIES = TREASURES RAINY DAY IDEAS

HISTORICAL CENTER/ MUSEUM

KIDS DISCOVERY FACTORY

MANICURE OR PEDICURE

SISTERS CONVENT TOUR
(Must have reservations)

WINERY OR BREWERY TASTING

WEBERDING CARVING STUDIO

MINE FOR GEMS

GAMES AT THE COFFEE SHOP

TOURS BY CAR

STOP AT VISITORS CENTER
(Ask for ideas!)

BOWLING

STAINED GLASS CLASS

GENEALOGY OR ARTWORK IN
LIBRARY

MONTHLY EVENT IDEAS

ACOUSTIC FINAL FRIDAYS
MARCH TO OCTOBER

THIRD PLACE EVENTS

GRIST MILL JAMS
1ST SUNDAY
APRIL TO SEPTEMBER

WHITewater VALLEY RAILROAD
EXCURSIONS

COLUMBIA MUSIC DISTRICT EVENTS

BLUEGRASS NIGHT
3RD SATURDAY
MARCH TO NOVEMBER

METAMORA EVENING STROLL

FC ARTS COUNCIL EVENTS

BROOKVILLE MAIN STREET
EVENTS

Check our calendar of events on our website.

Explore BATESVILLE



Unique rural charm
with a city atmosphere.

UNIQUE ONE OF A KINDS ONLY FOUND IN BATESVILLE.

Stop by and see amazing art being carved. Shop one of the cute boutiques or the farmer's market. Stop by the Historic Center where displays bring to life the history of the community. Enjoy the local coffee shop, winery or brewery and take in all the flavors of local eateries. Don't forget to plan a special visit in February to try their one-of-a-kind Cherry-Thing-A-Lings.



Look for these amazing doors located outside, throughout downtown Batesville. Grab the self-guided tour map, "Portals to the Past", to learn the history of many businesses and location in the community. *Map can be found on the website.*



Explore BROOKVILLE



Recreational activities are endless. Fishing, boating, canoeing, golf, swimming at the beach or pool side.

DISCOVER THE RUSH OF RELAXATION

Recreation activities are endless. Award winning fishing, boating, canoeing, swimming at the beach or pool side, our water activities will not disappoint. Enjoy exploring our many trails, horseback riding, try your hand at pickleball or 2 golf courses. Relaxation is just around the corner. Enjoy a spa day or a visit to the nearby bourbon bar.



Curious about the Chickens?

In 2010, CanoeFest (Indiana's Largest Canoe Race) decided to hold the Great Chicken Fry Off to try and gain the Guinness Book of World Records for the largest serving of fried chicken. They obtained the record by filling a new canoe with 1645 Lbs. of fried chicken. *How many chickens can you spot?*

Explore LAUREL

“Small Town...Big Heart”

A small town with
history, ATV and
motocross

SMALL TOWN FOUNDED IN 1836

Look no further than small town Laurel to have a big impact in motorsports. Franklin County's hills and valleys are perfect terrain for beginners and experienced riders. Come for a day or the weekend to ride, or to watch and enjoy the small-town charm.



Visit a building that dates back to the end of prohibition to enjoy a wall of many motorcycle items from around the nation. Explore the town to see a historic dome structure, old jail cell, and the Laurel Feeder Dam.



Explore METAMORA



Pre-Civil War Canal
Town will take you
back in time.

ESCAPE TO THE PAST WITH A VISIT TO A PRE-CIVIL WAR TOWN

Enjoy a homemade waffle cone with hand dipped ice cream, take a leisure train ride, or walk the beautiful Whitewater Canal Trail to see a feeder dam or canal lock. Stop by the grist mill and see how cornmeal is ground. You will be able to relax and enjoy music being played along the canal. Plan a visit during Haunted Village and Old Time Christmas Walk.



The only known wooden working aqueduct in the nation is right here in Metamora. You might get a chance to see fudge being made or be part of a civil war or wild west reenactment. You just never know what will be going on in this historic location.

Explore OLDENBURG

A small town known
as the 'Village of Spires'
noting its many
towering church spires.



SMALL TOWN FOUNDED IN 1830's BY GERMAN SETTLERS.

A small German village with a brick street, signs in German and English, and one of the largest German festivals - Freudenfest. "A walk-through Historic Oldenburg" will tell you about the marvelous German architectural influences. Enjoy even more German culture in one of the unique stores and family-owned restaurants, while enjoying Sister Cleo's ice cream.



The painted hydrants started in 1976 during the Bicentennial. They started out painted as historic founders such as George Washington and Ben Franklin. Over time fading has taken place and are now being repainted to reflect important Oldenburg figures such as Father Franz Joseph Rudolf and Tinsmith Caspar Gaupel. But look close; I am sure there may be a few you might recognize.





Relax and Stay

1800's Farmhouse

Brookville

Airbnb: 1252816237798855681

2 Bedroom apartment

Cedar Grove

Airbnb: 50763308

Ayrshire Suite

Metamora

765-623-2337

Best Western

1030 St. Rd. 229 N, Batesville

812-934-6262

bestwestern.com

Brick Farmhouse

Brookville

Airbnb: 695567727863371423

Brookville Cabins

- The Grand Arbor Cabin

17269 US Hwy 52, Metamora

VRBO: 67146

Brookville Charm LLC

Brookville

Airbnb: 1273190828415950

Brookville Ridge Lake House

Brookville

VRBO: 3329555

Charming Farmhouse Near Brookville Lake

Brookville

Airbnb: 1122006422380231821

Cobblestone Inn & Suites

9135 US Hwy. 101, Brookville

765-647-4434

staycobblestone.com/in/brookville

Connie's Cottage

19051 Mount St., Metamora

317-407-7191

metamoraindiana.com

Cottage Lodge

59 Main St., Laurel

765-698-1964

Airbnb: 35254600

Courthouse View Sanctuary

Brookville

Airbnb: 973390089464190140

Cozy Cabin w/ Fire Pit & Deck!

Brookville

VRBO: 9855444ha

Dreams End Log Cabins

dreamsendlogcabinrentals.com

- Cedar Ridge Cabin

- Deer Run Cabin

- Pinewood Cabin

- Redbud Cabin

- WoodCliff Cabin

Drees Haus

Oldenburg

Airbnb: 23416343

Duck Creek Farm & Inn

Metamora

812-651-0023

stayinduckcreek.com

Family Friendly Home w/Hot tub

Brookville

Airbnb :726447143448638078

Farmhouse Style Home

Brookville

Airbnb: 54331844

Grandma Kelly's Southeast

Indiana Farmhouse

Cedar Grove

on booking.com

Hickory Road Inn

Batesville

hickoryroadinn.com

Historic Farmhouse at

Happy Valley

Oldenburg

Airbnb: 952997370530427464

Homestead in Laurel

Airbnb: 941967915325756528

Lodging at Wolf Creek Habitat

765-647-4735

wolfcreekhabitat.org

Mound Haven Motel

Brookville

765-647-4149

Newly Built Apartment with Deck

Oldenburg

Airbnb: 981209723962276666

Next Door Suite

Laurel

765-265-6208

Airbnb: 31664876

Secluded Wooded Getaway

Brookville

Airbnb: 629726086234427423

Seven Springs Hideaway

Laurel

Airbnb: 1098663980435026999

Stone Gate Vacation Cabins

Brookville

765-570-6412

stonegatecabins.com

- Copper House

- Eagle's Nest

- Hickory Ridge

- Stone Gate Lodge

- The Lookout

The Hermitage Bed & Breakfast

Brookville

765-647-5182

The Metamora Inn

765-623-2337

themetamorainn.com

Airbnb: 50422111

The Stone Carver Workshop Apartment

Brookville

Airbnb: 1501052788497112263

Treehouse in Metamora

Metamora

Airbnb: 1110352251432020879

Ward Log Cabin Rental

Brookville

wardlogcabins.net



White Duck Cottage

19006 S. Main St., Metamora

765-309-4117

Whitewater River House

Brookville

765-228-2182

Airbnb: 43499932

CAMPING

Brookville Lake DNR

www.camp.IN.gov

Franklin County Parks (4H grounds)

7178 Blue Creek Rd., Brookville

765-647-4422

Morgan's Outdoor Adventures

Canoeing & Cabins

Brookville

765-647-4904

morganscanoe.com

Whitewater Canoe & Camping

11494 US Hwy. 52, Brookville

765-647-5434

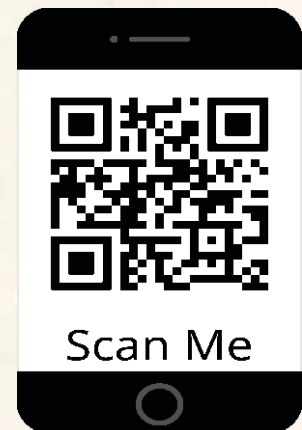
whitewatercanoe.com

Whitewater Valley Gateway Park

19097 US Hwy. 52, Metamora

765-647-2541

whitewatercanalbyway.org



Restaurants



Lets Get a Bite

Menus can be found by
scanning QR code on magazine cover.

BROOKVILLE

52 Pik-up

11183 US Hwy. 52
765-647-3600

Arby's

11131 US Hwy. 52
765-647-5076

Big Boyz Pizza

9199 State Rd. 101
765-647-1500

Brookville Butcher

831 Main St.
765-547-1595

Brookville DORA

(Designated Outdoor
Refreshment Area)
<https://brookville.in.gov>

China House

370 Main St.
765-647-9911

Coffee on Main

606 Main St.
765-547-1120

Dairy Cottage

1116 Main St.
765-647-5451

El Reparo

810 Main St.
765-647-6000

Fuel Nutrition

129 E. 11 th St.
765-580-3200

Hilltop Restaurant

300 Main St.
765-547-1085

IGA Deli

11153 US Hwy. 52
765-647-6562

La Calaca Mexican Restaurant

559 Main St.
765-270-2323

McDonald's

834 Main St.
513-848-0623

Mid-town Bar

21 & over only
(No Current Menu)
548 Main St.
765-647-7994

Nixie's Burgers

563 Main St.
833-239-7344

Parkside Marine

7191 Fox Run Rd.
765-647-4619

Pioneer Restaurant & Lounge

412 Court St.
765-647-7935

Pizza Pete

534 Main St.
765-647-4176

Skyline Chili

11161 US Hwy. 52
765-547-3929

St Mary's Tavern

(21 & Over: no current menu)
17466 St. Mary's Rd.
812-934-4195

Subway

9199 State Rd. 101
765-647-3838

The Daily Scoop

515 Main St.
317-488-1357

Third Place

734 Main St.
765-547-1700

METAMORA

Grannies Ice Cream Parlor & Cookie Jar

19041 Lovers Lane
765-265-2902

Hav-A-Bite

19121 US Hwy. 52
765-647-3200

Mr. Fudge's Confectionary

19036 Main St.
765-647-4956

The Blue Umbrella Bistro & Bakery

35 Duck Creek Crossing
765-698-8316

The Cat & the Fiddle Event Center

Must have reservations
10104 Columbia St.
513-403-0672

The Martindale House

19038 Main St.
765-207-4068

METAMORA (cont.)

The Sap Bucket

19054 S. Main St.
513-200-4440

The Village Smith Coffee Bar & Apothecary

33 Duck Creek Crossing
317-517-7082

Third Place Metamora

37 Duck Creek Crossing
765-207-1081

OLDENBURG

Brau Haus

22170 Water St.
812-934-4840

Carriage House Antiques

Sister Cloe's Ice Cream

22159 Main St.
812-932-2070

The Pearl Street Pub

3034 Pearl St.
812-934-3550

Wagner's Village Inn

22171 Main St.
812-934-3854

CEDAR GROVE

Cedar Grove Tavern

405 4th St.
765-647-6240

LAUREL

D&N Diner

27079 IN-244
765-698-5349

Long Branch Tavern

Must be 21 or Over
130 East Pearl St.
765-698-1500

Pizza Station

131 S. Washing St.
765-698-3939

Turtle's Laurel Hotel Restaurant

200 E Pearl St.
765-698-2912

BATESVILLE

Back Roads Bar & Grill

425 S. Park Ave.
812-933-9991

Batesville Nutrition

214 Cross Country Plaza
812-209-9184

Dominos Pizza

14 Alpine Dr.
812-717-3555

Hot Head Burritos

1029 IN-229
812-932-1500

Junior's Delicatessen

24 Saratoga Drive, Batesville
812-363-5194
(Website for menu) thejuniorsdeli.com

Lil Charlie's Restaurant and Brewery

504 E Pearl St., Batesville
812-934-6392

McDonald's

320 Cross Country Plaza
812-934-4242

New China Buffet

128 Cross County Plaza
812-934-4032

Pizza King

18 Saratoga Dr.
812-932-5464

Segoku Hibachi and Sushi

1042 State Rd. 229
812-312-0835

Subway

126 Cross County Plaza
812-934-3350

Tacos 2 Go

80 IN-229
812-614-3943

Toro's Mexican Restaurant

1044 State Rd. 229 N.
812-933-0159

Viji's Kitchen

(Only Open certain times)
@The Gallery
16 E. Boehringer St.
812-381-3197

Wendy's

11 Alpine Dr.
812-934-2984



METAMORA (cont.)

Metamora Barnyard – Bike Rental & Sales

60 Duck Creek Crossing
765-580-5607

Metamora Gem Mine in the Village

19055 Main St.
812-212-4123
Metamoragemmine.com

Metamora Home Decor

19028 S. Main St.
513-502-8293

Moon Lit Pages

52 Duck Creek Crossing
513-470-9705

Mr. Ed's Antiques & Candy Shoppe

21 Duck Creek Crossing
812-212-0096

Mr. Fudge's Confectionery

19036 S. Main St.
765-647-4956

Salt Creek Antiques

21 Duck Creek Crossing
812-212-0096

Syndi's Kitchen Witch

19056 S. Main St.
513-202-9199

Tarvin's

19026 S. Main St.
765-698-6826

TB Wooden Creations

19049 N. Main St.
765-338-7557

The Beehive

35 Duck Creek Crossing
765-309-4451

The Blue Umbrella Bistro & Bakery

35 Duck Creek Crossing
765-698-8316

The Ember Lighthouse

19046 S. Main St.
513-388-6540 (Text)

The Epic Lootbox

19026 S. Main St.

The Goody Bag

22 Duck Creek Crossing
7765-698-7119

The Hey Diddle Boutique

10104 Columbia St.
513-403-0672

The Sap Bucket

19054 S. Main St.
513-200-4440

The Village Smith

29 Duck Creek Crossing
317-517-7082

The Wooden Melon

43 Duck Creek Crossing
513-315-0569

Ugly Duck Forge

10100 Columbia St.
uglyduckforge@gmail.com

Village Whimsy

19044 Main St.
765-265-4892

Woodworks Etc.

56 Duck Creek Crossing
513-382-5871

Words & Images / The Train Place

19050 S. Main St.
765-647-1212

OLDENBURG

A Beautiful World

22163 Main St.
812212-9621

Carriage House Antiques (Kutschenhaus)

22159 Main St.
812-932-2070
carriagehouseantiquesoldenburg.com

Greenacres Michaela Farm

3127 SR 229
812-933-0661

Schwesern Gallery of Arts

22169 Main St.
812-933-0360

Stone Haus

3022 Pearl St.
stonehausoldenburg@gmail.com

The Golden Turtle Trading Center

22134 Main St.
812-932-4571

The Village Store

22182 Main St.
812-934-3011



NEW TRENTON

Old Tavern Antiques

4080 US 52
513-400-5902

Sacksteder's Interiors

4101 US-52
812-637-1422



Shopping



LAUREL

Gem Mine at Cracker Ridge

22211 US-52
812-212-4123
metamorammine.com

METAMORA

1838 Photography

10100 Columbia St.
765-265-3819

Antiques & Uncle Junque

19058 Main St.
765-265-7686

Buttons 'N' Bows

51 Duck Creek Crossing
812-576-3405

Canine Crunch Co

32 Duck Creek Crossing
513-295-4927

Cindy Lou's

55 Duck Creek Crossing
513-264-4788

Circle R Candle Company

54 Duck Creek Crossing
765-561-4045

Connie's Cabin

19051 Mount St.
317-407-7191

From the Old School

10114 Columbia St.
765-265-9606

Frosty Mornings Primitives

Duck Creek Crossing
765-570-2814

Grannies Cookie Jars &

Ice Cream Parlor
19041 Lovers Lane
765-265-2902

Jackie B's Corner

10102 Columbia St.
765-647-2894

Knotty Nook

61 Duck Creek Crossing
765-207-1067

BROOKVILLE

Brookville Butcher

831 Main St.
765-547-1595

Four Season's Florist

517 E. 6th St.
765-647-4671

George's Gift Shoppe

480 Main St.
765-647-6251

Knecht's Interiors

766 Main St.
765-647-6871

Little Pink Corner

647 Main Street, Apt. B
765-309-5555

LookingGlass Antiques

530 Main Street, Brookville
765-652-3464
Lookingglassantiques.com

New Horizons Market Place

437 Mill St.
765-647-5703

Owl Hollow Metalworks

8112 Holland Rd.
513-256-1728

Ritzi Jewelers

556 Main St.
765-647-5171

Shear Design

729 Mill St.
765-647-2118

Stenger's Sugar Shack

8112 Oxford Pike, Brookville, IN
513-200-4440
stengerssugarshack.com

The Whiskey Wrangler Mercantile

611 Main St., Brookville
thewhiskeywranglermercantile.com

The Wooden Apple Florist

739 Main St.
765-647-6246

White's Farm Finds

6028 Holland Rd.
765-647-1922

White's Flea Market

Wednesday A.M.
6032 Holland Rd.
765-647-1922

Whitetail Acres

8001 Old Blue Creek Rd.
765-647-6812

CEDAR GROVE

The Pink Cowgirl

301 US-52
765-377-2534



BATESVILLE

Batesville TSA

141 Batesville Shopping Village
812-528-5748

Gypsy Soul

16 E. George St.
812-212-2106

RomWeber MarketPlace

7 Eastern Ave
513-519-9936

Sunshine Sisters Plant Shop

320 N. Walnut St.
812-212-1748

The Bookshelf

101 N. Walnut St.
812-934-5800

The Old Schubox

213 N. Walnut St.
812-363-4230

The Rusty Buck

10 Saratoga Drive
812-932-2525

Walnut Street Variety

111 E. George St.
812-932-2666

Weberding Carving Shop

1230 State Rd. 46 E
812-934-3710



Sawicki Photography

INFORMATION

Franklin County Convention,
Recreation & Visitors
Commission
547 Main St., Suite 1, Brookville
765-647-6522
www.franklincouountyin.com

Tour maps available for:

Brookville Historic Tour

Lake Maps

County Maps

State Maps

Oldenburg Walking Tour

Vatican Bike Trail

Trail Maps

Metamora Guide

Metamora Historic Walking Tour



Scan Me



ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT

1838 Photography-Old Time Photos
10100 Columbia St., Metamora
765-265-3819

Cat & Fiddle Event Center
10104 Columbia St., Metamora
513-403-0672

Columbia Street Music District
10111 Columbia St., Metamora
Facebook:
Columbia Street Music District

**DORA - Designated Outdoor
Refreshment Area**
brookville.in.gov

Franklin County Arts Council
744 Main St., Brookville
765-309-1473

Kids Discovery Factory
110 Sycamore St., Batesville
812-932-5437

**Metamora Preforming Art at the
Opry Barn**
19189 Pennington Rd., Metamora
metamorampa.org

Schwestern Art Gallery
22169 Main St., Oldenburg
812-933-0360

She Shed Stained Glass Studio
2146 Merrell Rd., Brookville
765-265-7515
(Reservations Required)

The Last Unicorn Stained Glass Studio
Brookville
kittiastra@gmail.com
910-985-3136

Third Place Event Center
734 Main St., Brookville
Thirdplacebrookville.com
765-207-1110

Ugly Duck Forge
10100 Columbia St., Metamora, IN
765-309-3586

Weaver's Christmas Lights
2006 Snow Hill Rd., West Harrison
(Seasonal) 6 PM -10 PM
Thanksgiving to New Years
Facebook: Weaver Christmas Lights

BOWLING

Brookville Lanes
770 Main St., Brookville
765-647-7979

Cedar Grove Tavern & Lanes
405 4 th St., Cedar Grove
765-647-6240

BREWERY/WINERY

Backroads Vineyard
Tasting By appointment ONLY
765-265-5459

Creek Bottom Brewery
3012 Sycamore St., Oldenburg
812-212-3362

Ertel's Cellars Winery, Inc
3794 E County Rd. 1100 N., Batesville
812-933-1500



BREWERY/WINERY CONT.

Farm Hill Winery

2040 Abbott Rd., Brookville
513-255-4812

Lil' Charlie's Restaurant & Brewery

504 E. Pearl St., Batesville
812-934-6392

FISHING/GUIDED FISHING

Brookville Lake & Mounds SRA

14108 State Road 101, Brookville
765-647-2657

Brookville Lake Guided Services

11183 US-52
765-265-3238
brookvillelakeguideservice.com

Whitewater River East & West & Tailwater

(Army Corps of Engineering)
10064 Overlook Rd., Brookville
765-647-6701

GENEALOGY/HISTORY

Das Museum

Coming Summer 2026
Oldenburg, IN

Franklin County Public Libraries

- Brookville Public Library

919 Main St., Brookville
(765) 647-4031

- Laurel Public Library

200 Clay St., Laurel
(765) 698-2582

Batesville Historical Center

15 West George St., Batesville
812-932-0999
batesvilleareahistoricalociety.org

Whitewater Canal Scenic Byway Pavilion

19067 US-52, Metamora
765-647-2541
whitewatercanalbyway.org

GOLFING

Brook Hill Golf Course

11175 Fairway Lane, Brookville
765-647-4522
brookhillgolfclub.com

Harbor Links

15179 Old State Rd. 101, Liberty
765-458-9999
harborlinksgc.com

HIKING/NATURE/ SPORTS

Brookville Lake

14108 State Rd. 101, Brookville
765-647-2657
dnr.IN.gov
*Pickleball Courts

Brookville Town Park

Trail, Disc Golf, & Sand Volleyball
Off of 8 th St., Brookville

Laurel Community Center

218 N Clay St., Laurel
602-769-5002
Facebook: thelaurelcoliseum
*Indoor Pickleball

Laurel Town Park

Baltimore St., Laurel
765-698-3848

Liberty Park

716 S. Park Ave., Batesville
812-934-4560

Metamora Community Park

19477 Duck Creek Rd., Metamora
812-212-7321

Pickleball Courts

11146 County Park Rd., Brookville

Randolph Children's Park

7 th & Market St., Brookville

Southeastern Indiana YMCA

30 State Rd. 129 S, Batesville
812-934-6006
siymca.org

Whitewater Canal Trails

whitewatercanaltrail.com

Whitetail Acres Reindeer Encounters

8001 Old Blue Creek Rd., Brookville
765-647-6812

Wolf Creek Habitat

14099 Wolf Creek Rd., Brookville
513-312-9143

HORSEBACK RIDING

Salt Creek Ranch

21040 US Hwy. 52, Laurel
765-698-2044
saltcreekhorseranch.com

MARKET/ORCHARD/

Alpine Berry Farm

26185 Pocket Rd.
812-934-6677

Batesville Farmers Market

121 Batesville Shopping Village
812-212-7288

Beneker Farms

9137 St. Peter Rd., Brookville
513-635-8309

Brookville Farmers Market

South Main St., Brookville
513-479-3133

ColorWorks Greenhouse

8080 Holland Rd., Brookville
513-500-3185

Doll's Orchard

3274 State Rd. 229, Oldenburg
812-212-4961

Green Acres Michaela Farm

3127 State Rd. 229, Oldenburg
812-933-0661

MARKET/ORCHARD/ WINERY CONT.

Hoosier Creek Farms

11056 St Peters Rd., Brookville
812-576-5560

Metamora Farmers Market

19073 Main St., Metamora
Facebook: Metamora Farmers Market

Petal Pushers U-Pic Flowers

Seasonal – Call for hours and
availability
6176 State Rd. 229, Metamora
(513) 379-8230

Sam's Jams

By Appointment
27123 W. Chapel Rd., Rushville
317-498-1139

Stenger's Sugar Shack

alan@stengerssugarshack.com

Treehugger Maple Syrup

15203 Ott Rd., Laurel
765-309-5333

Wendel's Petals & Produce

4088 Kerr Rd., Cedar Grove
513-260-7584

White's Flea Market Est. 1922

6028 Holland Rd., Brookville
765-647-1922

Whitetail Acres Nursery &

Tree Farm
8001 Old Blue Creek Rd., Brookville
765-647-6812

MOVIE THEATER/ RENTAL

Brookville Movie Theater

-Temporarily Closed, Spring 2026
16 West 5th St., Brookville
765-647-4421

Gibson Theater

107 N. Main St., Batesville
812-934-3404

Hometown Video

656 Main St., Brookville
765-647-4324

OFF ROAD/ATV

Haspin Acres

21208 Laurel Rd., Laurel
765-698-2420
haspinacres.com

MINIATURE GOLF

The Wooden Melon Trough Golf

43 Duck Creek Crossing; Metamora
513-315-0569

SPA

Blessed Touch Massage Therapy

12050 St. Mary's Rd., Brookville
765-265-0230

Meadows Pathways

320 North Walnut St., Batesville
812-312-0819

Tranquility Massage by Shelly

440 Main St, Brookville
765-309-1478

SWIMMING

Brookville Lake Beach

14108 State Rd. 101, Brookville
765-647-2657

Heap Hofer Aquatic Center

570 W 9th St., Brookville
765-647-3202

Batesville Memorial Pool

108 N Mullberry St., Batesville
812-934-5520

TOURS

Metamora Grist Mill

19073 75 Main St., Metamora
765-207-1056

Horse Drawn Canal Ride

CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
19073 75 Main St., Metamora
indianamuseum.org

Metamora Gem Mine at Cracker Ridge

22211 US-52, Laurel
812-212-4123
Metamoragemmine.com

Metamora Gem Mine in the Village

19055 Main St., Metamora
812-212-4123
Metamoragemmine.com

Sisters of St. Francis Convent Tours

(Reservations Required)
22143 Main St., Oldenburg
812-934-2475
oldenburgfranciscans.org

Weberding Carving Shop

1230 State Rd. 46 E., Batesville
812-934-3710
weberding.com



Whispers on the Canal Ghost Tours & Paranormal Investigations

(Reservations May-October)
10100 Columbia St., Metamora
765-265-3819

Whitewater Valley Railroad

765-825-2054
whitewatervalleyrr.org

Whitetail Acres Reindeer Encounters

8001 Old Blue Creek Rd., Brookville
765-647-6812

TRANSPORTATION

Franklin County Public Transportation

11146 County Park Rd., Brookville
765-647-3509

Batesville Aviation (private Airport)

25222 Enochsburg Rd., Batesville
812-934-7593

Metamora Barnyard- Bike Rentals & Sales

60 Duck Creek Crossing, Metamora
765-580-5607

WATER RENTALS

Family Time Adventures

Brookville Lake – Mounds Beach
14108 State Rd. 101, Brookville
812-212-5581

Morgan's Outdoor Adventures

7040 Whitewater River Lane,
Brookville
765-647-4904

Whitewater Canoe Rental

11494 US Hwy. 52, Brookville
765-647-5434

HISTORY



Brookville

(land office until 1825 for the state of Indiana)



Metamora

(National Register of Historic Places)



Oldenburg

(75% on the historic register)

Whitewater Valley RR



Covered Bridges (Enochsburg, Snow Hill, Duck Creek Aqueduct at Metamora)

Little Cedar Baptist Church



Historic churches

(in Oldenburg, St. Mary's, Oak Forest, Brookville, Cedar Grove, Hamburg, St. Peters, Enochsburg,)



Twin Locks

Butler's Run

The Grist Mill
(State historic site)

Whitewater Canal Trail

Laurel Feeder Dam



FUN



Canoeing



Horseback Riding

Boating



Off-Road/ATV



Farmers Market



Parks

Golf



Fishing



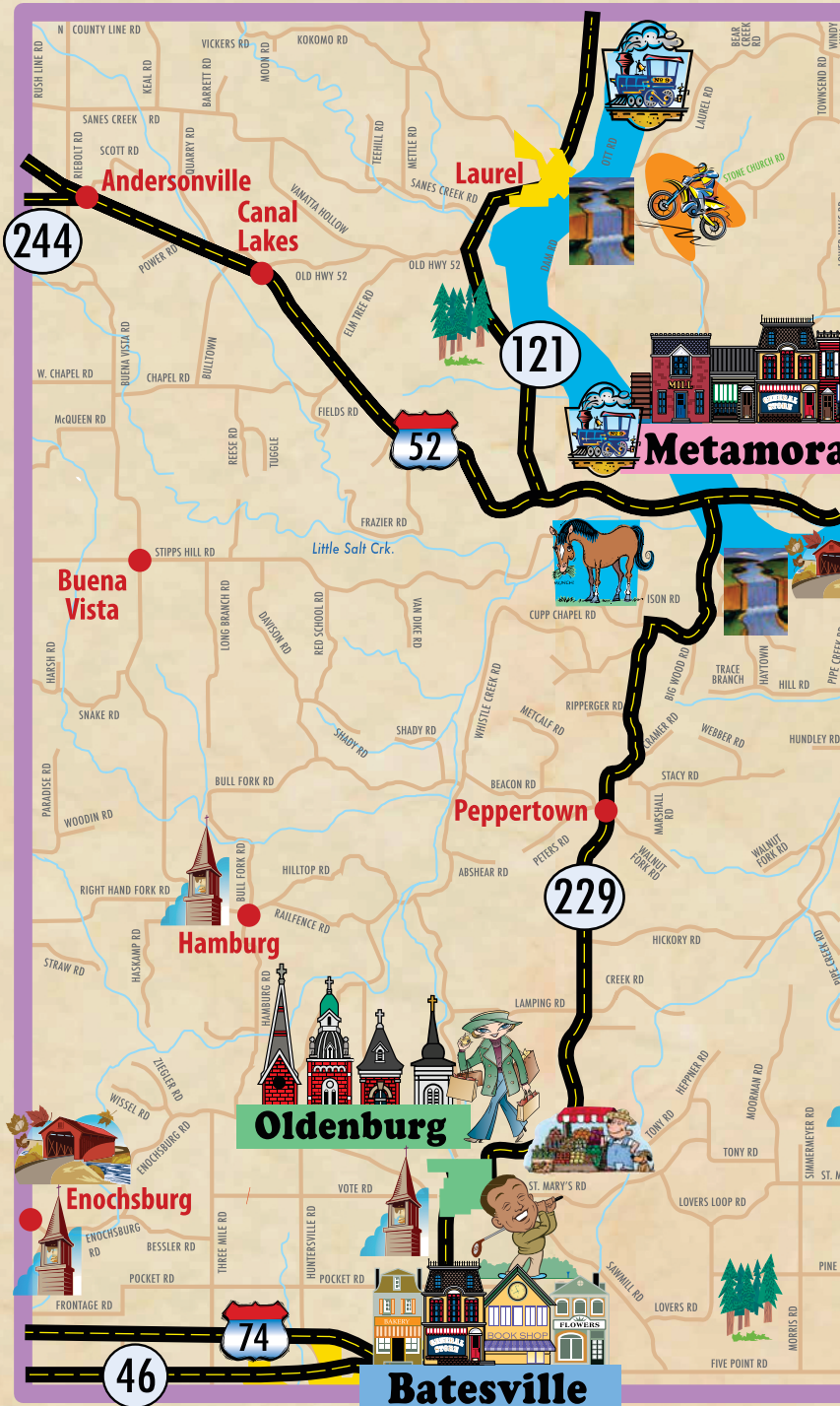
Shopping, antiques, unique stores

MEDICAL

AcuCare Batesville

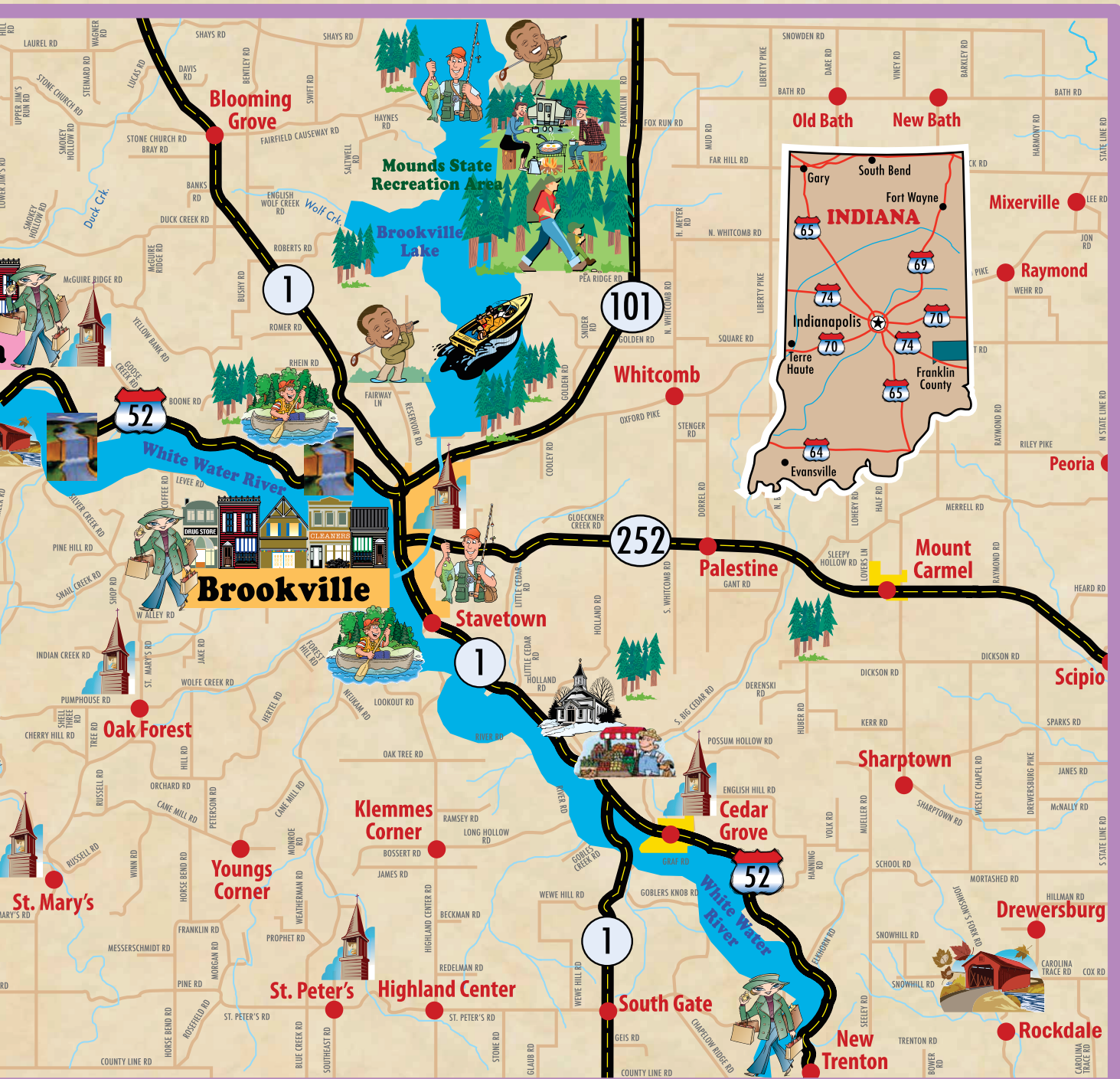
Margret Mary Brookville and Batesville

Tri Health Urgent Care Brookville



DIRECTIONS From Cincinnati: Take I-74 West towards Indianapolis to Exit 169 Brookville/West Harrison (First exit in Indiana). Turn north (left) on US 52. Travel Approximately 14 miles to Brookville.

From Kentucky: Take I-275 to Lawrenceburg Indiana. Travel on Hwy 1 approximately 25 miles. Turn north (left) on US 52. Travel Approximately 14 miles to Brookville.



From Indianapolis: Take I-74 East towards Cincinnati to IN-229, Exit 149, toward Oldenburg. Turn left onto IN-229. Travel about 2.6 miles to Oldenburg. Turn right on IN-229/Main St. Travel 0.1 miles and turn right onto Pearl St. Travel 0.1 miles to Oldenburg. Continue north on Pearl St. 0.1 miles. Turn right onto IN-229/Main St. Continue to follow IN-229 approximately 10 miles to US-52. Turn right onto US-52. Travel 0.6 miles to Metamora. Continue on US-52 for about 8.1. Turn right onto Main St./US-52/IN-1. Drive 0.3 miles to Brookville. To get to the Whitewater State Park/Brookville Lake continue to follow IN-1. Stay straight to go onto IN-101. Continue to follow US-101 for 9 miles.

Exploring THE WHITEWATER CANAL TRAIL

Visitors to Metamora have lots of options for enjoying the Canal Trail.

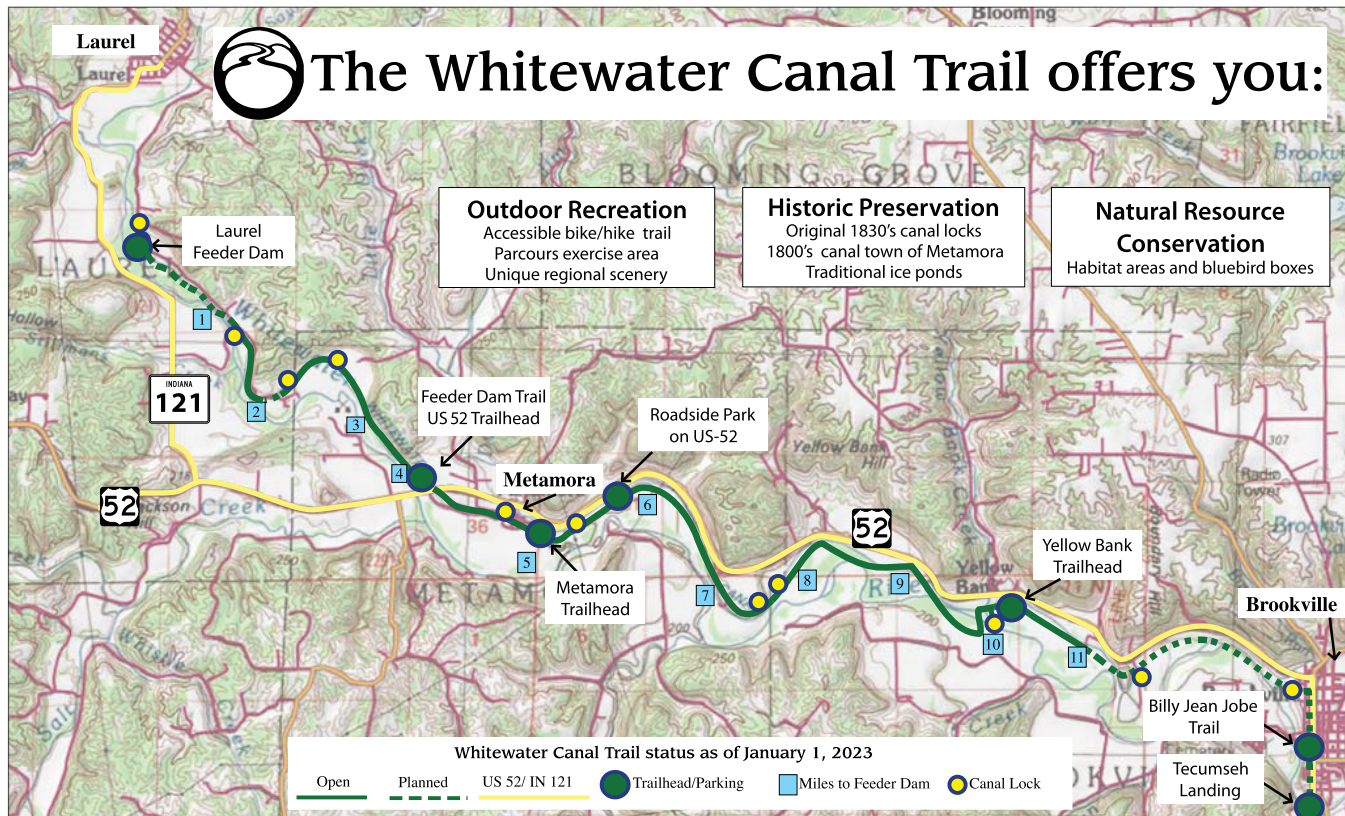
The grist mill and the covered bridge aqueduct are along the trail route in Metamora.

Traveling west from Metamora, it's about 4.5 miles to the Laurel Feeder Dam. This route takes you along the wooded Whitewater River Valley to the Laurel Feeder Dam.

To the east, the trail takes you through a scenic agricultural area and past the Twin Locks. At the Yellow Bank Area, you can see the new pollinator garden and Lock 21.

The blue squares on the map below shows the distance on the trail from its starting point at the feeder dam.

Some of the trail's major features , and their location of the trail, are highlighted in the text following the map.



MILE 0

Laurel Feeder Dam

Just over the hill from the trailhead parking lot, you will find the Laurel Feeder Dam—a dam that “feeds” water

into the canal. Of the seven original feeder dams built for the Whitewater Canal, this is the only one still in existence. It keeps the water flowing in

the canal for the grist mill in Metamora and then all the way to Yellow Bank Creek.

MILE 4.75

Metamora Grist Mill

The restored Metamora grist mill stands as a reminder of the many water-powered mills that operated along the canal until the early 1900s. These mills promoted agricultural and industrial development in the newly formed state of Indiana and continued to operate long after the railroad replaced canal boats for hauling freight.

MILE 5.15

Duck Creek Aqueduct

This aqueduct is basically a bridge that carries the canal across the creek. The Duck Creek Aqueduct is the only covered bridge aqueduct still standing in the United States. It is restored and maintained in its mid-19th century appearance. Take a minute or two to look at the curved timber trusses that support the aqueduct.

MILE 5.5

Millville Lock #24

Continuing down the trail, you'll encounter Lock #24. This restored structure demonstrates how canal locks raised and lowered boats to match the elevation of the surrounding terrain. This site was once home to a bustling woolen mill, and the small community that grew around it was known as "Millville."

MILE 7.5

Twin Locks Area

Generally, locks are 1 to 3 miles apart on the Whitewater Canal. Because this is a steep section of the river valley, these two locks are only about 750 feet apart, so they are called the "Twin Locks". Near the sign kiosk, you will see a side trail takes you to Lock #23. As you walk, you will see the stone wall of the lock - and then get a view of the lock from water level. Lock #23 is

deteriorating with age. Compared to Lock #24, it shows how much work is involved in restoring and maintaining a canal lock. For your safety, and to help preserve this historic structure, please do not climb or stand on the walls of the lock. After you return to the main trail you will pass RR milepost 49. In another 500 feet, you will reach Lock #22.



MILE 8.65

Goose Creek Aqueduct

After the railroad took over the transportation of freight and passengers along this corridor, there was no longer a need for large aqueducts like the one in Metamora. This small aqueduct, which you can see from the trail bridge crossing Goose Creek, is typical of the structures that carried the canal's water to supply power for the mills downstream.

MILE 10.5

Yellow Bank Area

As you approach the Yellow Bank Trailhead, you'll see the new pollinator garden that's planted with a variety of native plants. Designed in the shape of the WCT logo, this 2022 addition to the trail offers a place to take a quiet stroll for a few minutes. Just across the bridge over Yellow Bank Creek is a side trail to Lock #21. This lock is dry so you can walk into the lock chamber

or stand on the platform at the edge of the wall and get a feel how much work it took to build the canal in the 1830s, without the aid of any machinery. In the low-lying area past the parking lot is a wildlife habitat area. The nest boxes that you see along the parking area and the trail provide homes for bluebirds, tree swallow and other cavity-nesting birds.

Exploring HISTORICAL PLACES

Franklin county is filled with many little communities. The local water routes are what started many people's adventures to the area.

Brookville is nestled between the two forks of the Whitewater river, the East and the West, just before they join. This location, with hills rimming the town, has provided both natural beauty, and risk of flooding since its early days.

Settlers were living in the area that is now Metamora as early as 1811, when the land became available for purchase. Prior to the twelve mile purchase of 1809, this land was still reserved for the Native Americans, though traders and frontier families were already locating outside of official boundaries in the fertile river valley.

From Germany, large numbers of immigrants landed in Cincinnati as the point from which they spread throughout Ohio and Indiana. Some of these immigrants settled near the clearings of William George and the others. And to these Germans, the area became fondly known as Neu Oldenburg.

Laurel is a lovely area along the West fork of the Whitewater river which was first occupied by white settlers when Benjamin Maple built his log cabin there in 1811.

With Franklin County being created in 1811, we are known for our history. As you explore our county, here are just a few of the places you will be able to visit.



1

Aqueduct

SEE THE NATION'S ONLY KNOWN
WOODEN AQUEDUCT

Originally constructed in 1843, The Duck Creek Aqueduct is very unique. So much so that it was featured in an edition of Ripley's Believe it or Not. It is the only known covered wooden aqueduct still operating in the United States. (indianamuseum.org)



2

Barrickman Cabin

Cabin located at Brookville Town Park. Most of the history has been lost on this cabin. According to a local historian - Virgin Davis, it stood on Templeton's Creek and was moved here to commemorate Amos Butler's Settlement of Brookville that occurred near this site. (Tour of Historic Brookville, Indiana)



3

Laurel Jail

This Laurel Jail, located on Commerce Street behind the business buildings, was built circa 1891. It was built of limestone quarried from the community. It was rebuilt after the original was destroyed in a fire that ravaged part of the town. This building served as a jail for the town of Laurel for many years.



4

Laurel Bandstand

The Laurel Bandstand sits atop the highest point in town—an area believed to be an ancient Indian Mound. A bandstand has occupied this site since 1892, when the surrounding area served as a popular "pleasure resort," or what we would call a town park today.



5

Spires in Oldenburg

Oldenburg's skyline is defined by its many soaring spires. Within the historic district, the city's heritage is on full display: over 80 of the 115 homes were built before 1900. As you explore, notice the bilingual street signs in both German and English. (A Walk-through Historic Oldenburg)



6

Brookville Library

We are fortunate to still have an original Carnegie library which has played a role in the community since 1912. The library houses an exceptional collection of artworks from renown historic artists such as J. Ottis Adams, Otto Stark, and T.C. Steele, as well as contemporary artists such as Dale Benedict.



7

LOCKS

Several Locks can be seen throughout the county. Originally, there were 23 locks and three feeder dams in Franklin County. Today, 14 Locks and one Feeder Dam still exists. Some are on private property.



8

Brookville Church and Cemetery

Originally built in 1821, this church now stands within the Brookville Cemetery. The grounds serve as the final resting place for several notable figures, including a state supreme court justice and a signatory of Indiana's first constitution.



9

Old Church

Little Cedar Grove Baptist Church was organized in 1797 by early Primitive Baptist settlers in Franklin County. Completed in 1812, this historic structure remains the oldest church in Indiana that is still standing on its original foundation.



Photo Credit: Erin Schuerman



MEMORIES = TREASURES CAPTURING MEMORIES

MURALS GALORE - EACH TOWN HAS PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

OVERLOOK OF THE LAKE

PEACOCK

KISSING BOOTH

OLDEST CHURCH

LAUREL BANDSTAND

CHICKENS

BUTTERFLIES

SWING

ONLY WOODEN WORKING

AQUEDUCT IN NATION

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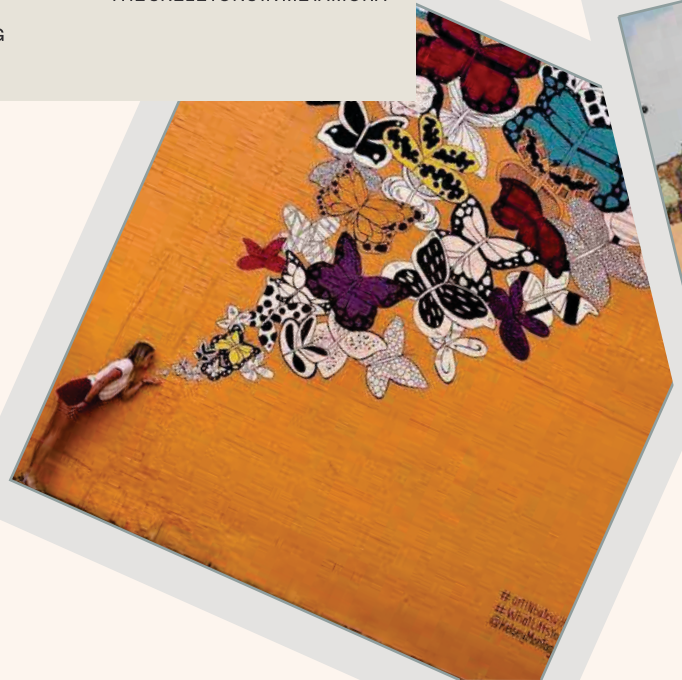
CANNON

MAYPOLE IN OLDENBURG

Seasonal:

CHAIR IN METAMORA

THE SKELETONS IN METAMORA



COMMUNITY GUIDE

Army Corps Of Engineering: 765-647-6701

Assessor: 765-647-4921

Auditor: 765-647-4631

Board of Voter Registration: 765-647-5111

Brookville Police Department:
765-647-4178

Brookville Town Council: 765-647-3322

Child Protection Services: 765-647-4081

Clerk: 765-647-5111

Child Support: 765-647-0644

Commissioner: 765-647-4985

Cooperative Extension Agents:
765-647-3511

**Court Appointed Special Advocates
(CASA):** 765-547-1493

Dept of Child Services: 765-647-4081

Division of Family Resources (Food Stamp
Program and Medicaid): 765-647-0596

Economic Development: 765-647-5340

Emergency Management Agency:
765-647-4014

Fair Board: 765-647-3511

Franklin County BMV: 765-647-4061

Franklin County Senior Center:
765-647-3509

Food Stamp Program: 765-647-0596

Health Dept: 765-647-4322

Highway Dept: 765-647-4271

Indiana Poison Center: 800-222-1222

Indiana State Police: 812-689-5000

Indiana Conservation DNR: 812-689-4370

Judge: 765-647-4186

Laurel Police Department: 765-698-2233

Mt. Carmel Police Department:
765-647-0656

New Horizons / WATCH Center:
765-647-6055

Oldenburg Police Department:
812-934-3556

Public Defender: 765-647-0494

Park Board: 765-647-4422

Planning Commission: 765-647-5731

Probation Officer: 765-647-5741

Prosecutors Office: 765-647-3589

Public Transportation : 765-647-3509

Recorder: 765-647-5131

Sheriff: 765-647-4138

Small Animal Control: 765-207-0055

Surveyor: 765-647-5651

Tourism: 765-647-6522

Transfer Station/Recycling/Re-Use Center
513-239-0310

Treasurer: 765-647-5121

Veteran Service Office: 765-647-5721

EDUCATION:

**Franklin County Community
School Corporation:** 765-647-4128

Franklin County High School: 765-647-4101

Brookville Elementary School:
765-647-3503

Franklin County Middle School:
765-647-6040

Laurel Elementary School: 765-698-3851

Mt. Carmel Elementary School:
765-647-4191

Whitewater Technical Career Center:
765-825-0521



Batesville Community School Corp:
812-934-2194

Batesville High School: 812-934-4384

Batesville Middle School: 812-934-5175

Batesville Intermediate School:
812-934-5407

Batesville Primary School:
812-934-4509

PAROCHIAL & PRIVATE SCHOOLS:

St. Michael Parochial School:
765-647-4961

St. Louis Parochial School: 812-934-3310

Oldenburg Academy: 812-934-4440

PRESCHOOLS

Learning Tree: 765-647-7770

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