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March 12: INRA Board of Directors Meeting
April 5: DHPA Preservation Month Photo Contest deadline.
March 7: Annual Meeting of the Whitewater Canal Byway Association

SAVE FROM DEMOLITION: IDO AND IHS SAVE BUILDING

(Indian Development Organization Press Release)

Irvington–The Irvington Historical Society (IHS) has partnered with the Irvington Development Organization (IDO) to purchase the historic former post office building at 5502 E. Washington St. The two organizations had been in negotiations for several months with the owner of the building, which sits on the northeast corner of Ritter Avenue and Washington Street (National Road), and recently secured a loan from Citizens Energy Group to buy it. The two organizations now begin the process of securing funds for the renovation of the property, which has long been vacant.

“The building sits at a prime location in our up-and-coming Washington Corridor Streetscape, so our plans were to buy it, stabilize it and sell it to save a key historic Irvington business building and bring in a new business that will complement our community,” said Margaret Lawrence Banning, executive director of IDO. “We still need to find the funding for a very expensive renovation though, and are currently seeking loans, grants and donations, to make this happen as soon as possible. Once restored and sold to an appropriate buyer, this building could again be an asset to our community.”

For more information on the rehabilitation of 5502 E. Washington St., or to inquire about making loans or donation to the project, contact IDO at 317-260-0669 or margaret@irvingtondevelopment.org.

NATIONAL ROAD TRAILS

Statewide–The National Road Heritage Trail (NRHT) organization announced that 47 miles of Cross-State Trail is now developed.

The National Road Heritage Trail parallels the Historic National Road Byway, mostly following the old Pennsylvania Railway bed. The NRHT organization is working to continue to develop a continuous trail from Richmond to Terre Haute. There are now 47 miles of open trail in 13 different sections in 7 counties. Three sections are now longer than 7 miles, and the longest being the combined Indianapolis Cultural Trail & Pleasant Run Trail.

For more information or to get involved contact: Greg Midgley greg@indianatrails.org or visit www.indianatrails.org /NRHT

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PRESERVATION MONTH PHOTO CONTEST

Indianapolis–The Indiana Department of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA) has announced their annual Preservation Month Photo Contest.

May is Historic Preservation Month. Each year, the DHPA holds a photo contest to capture the spirit of Historic Preservation. The deadline for the contest is the first Friday of April. Submissions must be in the office at the end of the business day.

• Subject of image must be in Indiana and be at least 50 years old.
• Images can be black and white or color and should be current.

For more information contact: assistants@dnr.in.gov

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