Huddleston Farmhouse Embraces Agriculture

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Huddleston Farmhouse in Cambridge is not all National Road. The historic site, situated on the west end of Cambridge City, historically was a farm along the Historic National Road. Through a variety of new programs, the staff and volunteers of the site have embraced the site’s agricultural heritage.

In 2012, Huddleston staff, JP Hall and Joe Frost, created the Huddleston Farmers’ Market. Each Saturday, during the summer season, from 9am-1pm local vendors gather to sell their produce and wares.

This planting season, the effort continues to expand. The Huddleston Community Garden has been established. An area 100 by 100 feet has been designated and divided into 25 by 25 feet plots as a community garden. Currently, all of the available plots have been spoken for and many are under cultivation. Sweet corn, tomatoes, and pumpkins are just a few crops that are growing on site.

Another layer of agriculture at Huddleston Farmhouse is the redevelopment of the Historic Kitchen Garden. Virginia Parsons, of Pershing, Indiana, who is working towards a Master Gardener certification with Purdue Extension, has volunteered countless hours, called in favors, and got every plant in the kitchen garden donated. Kitchen Gardens were a staple for 19th century families, like the Huddleston’s. The Kitchen Garden was readily accessible to the family and provided herbs, vegetables, and basic sustenance. The Huddleston Kitchen Garden will evolve over the next few seasons to an heirloom garden containing vegetable and herb varieties that pre-date the 1860s.

The staff and volunteers see the agricultural heritage of the site as an added layer to its already rich history. Expanding on the site’s interpretive theme of Agriculture builds on the theme of Westward Expansion and the National Road. The Historic National Road provided a corridor for the agricultural development of Indiana and the mid-west. The Huddleston Farmhouse, not only serviced travelers, but was on the forefront of farm production along the National Road corridor.

For more information or to get involved contact Joe Frost at jfrost@indianalandmarks.org or 317-822-7939.

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Coatesville & Terre Haute—On June 17 2013, the INRA dedicated two of its panels on the west side of the state. At 10am the Panel at Rising Hall was dedicated and at 3pm a dedication happened at Rose Hulman Institute of Technology. Trish and Bill Eccles, and Joy Sacopulos were in attendance. Over 50 people attended the dedication at Rose Hulman.

313 E. Main Street, Pershing
Built: listed as 1900, possibly earlier
Beds: 3
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Style: Federal
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List price: $28,000
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