

## LINCOLN HIGHWAY RESOURCE KIT AVAILABLE

As of June 2009 a new resource kit was made available to Indiana educators. It is to celebrate Abraham Lincoln and how the Lincoln Highway was named in his honor. The Lincoln Highway was a vision of Carl Fisher of Indianapolis and was built in 1913 as the first coast-to-coast highway, running from Times Square in New York City to Lincoln Park in San Francisco, California. In Indiana it ran through the communities of Zulu, New Haven, Fort Wayne, Churubusco, Ligonier, Goshen, Elkhart, Osceola, Mishawaka, South Bend, New Carlisle, Rolling Prairie, La Porte, Westville, Valparaiso, Merrillville, Schererville, and Dyer. A later alignment shortened the distance from Fort Wayne to Valparaiso by going through Columbia City, Warsaw, Bourbon, Plymouth, Grovertown, Hamlet, Hanna, and Wanatah (US 30).

*The Resource Kit: Indiana's Historic Lincoln Highway* is geared for grades 3 & 4 and has been developed using the Indiana State Standards/Indicators. It could be a two week study or longer depending on students' interest. The kit, stored in a "storage cart on wheels" for easy transport, includes a five unit Teacher's Guide, activity sheets, books for both children and adults, two games, and DVDs including the locally produced *The Lincoln Highway Story*.

The resource kit was made possible by an Historic Preservation Education grant from Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana ( now Indiana Landmarks), the Indiana Humanities Council, and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Teachers may contact the following locations to check out the kit. Before returning the kit, you are asked to complete an Evaluation Form. We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to teach your students about the Lincoln Highway (Lincolnway) and enjoy using the resources in the kit!

## RESOURCE KIT: INDIANA'S HISTORIC LINCOLN HIGHWAY KIT

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