

## Kosciusko County participating in screening and discussion of WFYI's Hoosiers: The Story of Indiana: The Next Indiana

The Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce, Kosciusko County Community Foundation, and a group of the Kosciusko Leadership Academy Cadets will facilitate a thoughtful conversation about the past, present and future of Indiana.

Warsaw, IN (November 1, 2016) -- In celebration of Indiana's Bicentennial, the Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce will host a public screening and discussion of <u>Hoosiers: The Story of</u> <u>Indiana</u>: The Next Indiana on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am. The event is free and open to the public and will take place at the Manahan Orthopaedic Capital Center (MOCC) at Grace College & Seminary, however, attendees must register to attend by November 18<sup>th</sup> at <u>www.kchamber.com/events</u>. Thank you to our sponsors for making the event possible: Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce, Kosciusko County Community Foundation, Grace College & Seminary, K21 Health Foundation, Kosciusko Leadership Academy, OrthoWorx, and United Way – Kosciusko County.

The special episode, produced by WFYI Public Media and Indiana Humanities, captures the unique moment in 2016 as Hoosiers look back and celebrate our state's rich history, as well as look forward and imagine Indiana's future.

"The inspiring stories shared within the film are a valuable source of conversation for ourselves, our friends and our neighbors," said Keira Amstutz, president and CEO of Indiana Humanities. "We believe discussion about the film will serve as a catalyst for further open-ended and thoughtful conversations about Indiana's next 200 years."

This event is part of a series of Indiana Humanities awarded discussions occurring between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, 2016. Libraries, schools, community centers and other tax-exempt organizations across the state are encouraged to apply to host a public screening and discussion of the film to further conversations on the future of their community and state. For more information on the program, visit IndianaHumanities.org/filmdiscussion.

Rob Parker, President & CEO of the Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce says, "At the Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce, we recognize and value the importance of celebrating the past and planning for our future. We look forward to the discussions and insights that will be gained through our Community Conversation 3.0 and will be active in helping to create action plans to fulfill our vision." Suzie Light, Executive Director for the Kosciusko County Community Foundation stated, "Community Conversation 3.0 is a good opportunity for you to listen, learn, and share ideas with others. Community Conversations 1 and 2 both generated ideas that found their way into planning at both county and city level. Improvements to Warsaw's Market Street and those planned for Argonne Road are just one example. I wish I could tell the woman who brought up the Argonne Road idea, 'look what you said has an impact!' It's good to hear from all areas of Kosciusko County."

Those interested learning more information about the event or attending can register on the Kosciusko Chamber website at: <u>http://www.kchamber.com/events/details/community-conversation-</u> 3-0-9065.

## **About Our Organizations**

The Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce connects business with opportunity by being the advocate of business in stimulating economic growth and diversity, promoting educational excellence and coordinating action on issues of community importance. For more information about the Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce, visit our website at <u>www.kchamber.com</u>.

Since 1982, Kosciusko Leadership Academy (KLA) has conducted sessions that give emerging leaders access to the frontline leaders in our community. Critical community issues such as County and State Government, Health Care, Education, Agriculture, Business and Entrepreneurship are thoroughly discussed and examined. For further information about the Kosciusko Leadership Academy, visit their website at www.kosciuskoleadership.org.

Since 1968, Kosciusko County Community Foundation, Inc. has helped donors achieve their charitable dreams. The Community Foundation is a public charity that grants over \$2 million annually in the areas of education, health, arts and culture, recreation, civic projects, environment and human services. Gifts made to the Community Foundation are tax-deductible. For more information, visit <u>www.KCFoundation.org</u>, call 574-267-1901 or visit 102 E. Market Street, Warsaw.

## **About Indiana Humanities**

Indiana Humanities connects people, opens minds and enriches lives by creating and facilitating programs that encourage Hoosiers to think, read and talk. Learn more at <u>www.indianahumanities.org</u>.

## About WFYI

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