

**Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County**

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**Lincoln/Logan County Community Calendar**

To add an event to our calendar, or to sign up to receive this calendar through e-mail or regular mail, please call the Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County at 217-732-8687 (phone), 217-735-9205 (fax), or write to us at 1555 Fifth St, Lincoln, IL 62656, or e-mail us at [admin@abe66.com](mailto:admin@abe66.com).

**Logan County Events**

**June 11-12, 2011**

Route 66 Association of Illinois Motor Tour

Hall of Fame Banquet – Lincoln College

HIF Museum Tour

217-732-8687

[www.il66assoc.org](http://www.il66assoc.org)

**June 17-18, 2011**

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

6pm – 6am at Lincoln College.

Sponsored by Relay for Life of Logan County

217-671-2309

[mrrelay4life@yahoo.com](mailto:mrrelay4life@yahoo.com)

**June 30- July 4, 2011**

Mt. Pulaski Celebrates 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Carnival, Parade, Fireworks, Food, Music, Entertainment,

Arts & Crafts, and much more!

June 30

Citizens Award Reception

Springfield's Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum

July 1

1930s-1960s Alumni Homecoming

Groove Daddies & 176 Keys Dueling Pianos

July 2

1970s-1980s Alumni Homecoming

176 dueling Pianos

July 3

1990s-2000s Alumni Homecoming

Highway J

July 4

Night Parade  
July 5  
Founder's Day Dedication  
[www.mtpulaski175th.com](http://www.mtpulaski175th.com)

**Aug. 2-7, 2011**  
Logan County Fair  
Lincoln, IL  
217-732-3311  
[www.logancountyfair.ccaonline.com](http://www.logancountyfair.ccaonline.com)

**Aug. 26-28, 2011**  
Lincoln Art & Balloon Festival  
217-735-2385  
[www.lincolnillinois.com](http://www.lincolnillinois.com)

**Aug. 28, 2011**  
Postville Courthouse 1800s Craft Fair  
217-737-0979  
[www.postvillecourthouse.com](http://www.postvillecourthouse.com)

**Sept. 8-10, 2011**  
Atlanta Fall Festival  
Atlanta, IL  
217-648-2351  
[www.atlantailinois.org](http://www.atlantailinois.org)

**Sept. 8-10, 2011**  
Mt. Pulaski Fall Festival  
[www.mtpulaskiil.com](http://www.mtpulaskiil.com)

**Sept. 11, 2011**  
Fall Farm Day  
Mt. Pulaski Area  
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
[www.abe66.com](http://www.abe66.com)

**Sept. 16-18, 2011**  
Annual Abraham Lincoln National Railsplitting Festival  
Logan County Fairgrounds, Lincoln, IL  
10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
[www.railsplitting.com](http://www.railsplitting.com)

**Oct. 1, 2011**  
Annual Fall Car Show at The Mill  
11:00 am – 3:00 pm

[www.savethemill.org](http://www.savethemill.org)

**Oct. 22, 2011**

Harvest of Talents for World Hunger

217-732-7618

[harvest@lincolnil.us](mailto:harvest@lincolnil.us)

[www.ides.org/hungerprograms.php](http://www.ides.org/hungerprograms.php)

**Nov. 19- 20, 2011**

Christmas on Vinegar Hill

217-792-5698

[www.mtpulaskiil.com](http://www.mtpulaskiil.com)

**Nov. 26, 2011**

Pride of the Prairie Folk Art & Craft Show

217-732-8770

[www.lincolnparkdistrict.com](http://www.lincolnparkdistrict.com)

**Dec. 2-4, 2011**

Christmas in the Chapel

Lincoln Christian University

217-732-3168

[www.lincolnchristian.edu](http://www.lincolnchristian.edu)

**Dec. 3, 2011**

1800s Christmas Open House

Postville Courthouse

217-735-4977 or 217-737-0979

[www.postvillecourthouse.com](http://www.postvillecourthouse.com)

**Dec. 3, 2011**

Elkhart Chapel Candlelight Service

Elkhart, IL

217-947-2238

[www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org](http://www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org)

## Central Illinois Events

**Aug. 12- 21, 2011**

Illinois State Fair

[www.agr.state.il.us/isf/](http://www.agr.state.il.us/isf/)

## Logan County Attractions

**Postville Courthouse:** A reproduction of the original 1840 courthouse where Abraham Lincoln practiced law while he traveled the Eighth Judicial Circuit. Open Tuesday-Saturday. April-October: Noon to 5:00 pm. November through March: Noon to 4:00 pm. Closed most state holidays. Open Any Time by Appointment. Reservations are suggested for groups of 25 or more. Suggested donation: Adults \$2, Children \$1. For additional information, contact 217-732-8930 or [www.postvillecourthouse.com](http://www.postvillecourthouse.com).

**Mt. Pulaski Courthouse:** One of the only two surviving Eighth Judicial Circuit Courthouses in Illinois where Abraham Lincoln practiced law. Open Tuesday-Saturday, Noon to 4:00 pm. It is closed: New Years, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Presidents and Veterans Days, General Election Days, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Groups of 25 or more must have reservations. Not wheelchair accessible.

**Lincoln Heritage Museum:** Houses valuable collections of Abraham Lincoln, Illinois, Logan County History, and American presidential memorabilia. Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Saturday-Sunday 1:00 pm-4:00 pm, open additional hours by appointment. It is closed on Federal holidays. Open February 12. Contact 217-732-3155 Ext. 295 or email [www.lincolncollege.edu](http://www.lincolncollege.edu) for more information.

**Logan County Courthouse:** Located on the square in downtown Lincoln, this courthouse was completed in 1905 and still houses county offices and records dating to 1839. For operating times and further information, contact 217-732-6400 or 217-732-TOUR.

**Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society:** The Genealogical and Historical Society encourages the preservation of Logan County's history and maintains a Research Center that treasures and collects Logan County family histories from Logan County families. They're the only Research Center that includes ALL of Logan County. Their research resources include historical books, maps, obituaries, cemetery records, marriages, births, family surname genealogy, and more! Stop by for a visit and enjoy looking at historical artifacts, including old photographs and museum pieces, or browse through a book or two. They will even help you research your very own family history! Be sure to check out the Veteran's exhibit, as well as take a look at the new "Abraham Lincoln Room." Open limited Numbers of hours during January and February due to building repairs. The hours

will be 11 am to 4 pm on Tuesday and Thursday. For research, book orders, CD orders and questions please leave phone message at 217-732-3200 anytime.

**Mt. Pulaski Township Historical Society Museum:** This two-story museum features Mt. Pulaski/Abraham Lincoln memorabilia. It is located on 102- 104 E. Cooke St. Open: Tuesday-Saturday from noon-4:00 pm. They are closed during the winter months. They will also open by special appointment. For more information, contact [museum@frontiernet.net](mailto:museum@frontiernet.net) or call 217-792-3719.

**Heritage In Flight Museum:** Located at the Logan County Airport, the museum is open to provide an educational experience with activities built around aviation. They provide tours of the museum, flying events at the airport, meetings, and aircraft/vehicle maintenance. Guided tours are scheduled Monday-Friday 9:00-4:00 pm. A one-week notice is required. Open: Saturday and Sunday 9:00 am-4:00 pm. No set admission charge, but donations are appreciated. Call 217-732-3333 for more information.

**J. H. Hawes Grain Elevator:** Built in 1904, the J.H. Hawes Grain Elevator is now the oldest wooden grain elevator in the state. This structure is one of the few of its kind to be registered as a historic site. Today it is home to a museum. Open: June to August from 1 pm to 3 pm on Sundays or by appointment. It is located in downtown Atlanta, IL. For more information, please call 217-648-5077.

**All Veteran's Park:** 100 Block of Union St., Lincoln, IL 62656. Come visit this powerfully moving park, dedicated to the Veterans that have served our country in times of conflict and in times of peace. Currently, there are approximately 2000 bricks that have been dedicated to past and present veterans. Also included at the park is the "Avenue of Flags" with ten aligned U.S. flags and one larger U.S. Flag with POW/MIA flags as well. For more information, please contact the Lincoln AMVETS Post #71: 1417 North Logan St., Lincoln, IL 62656 or 217-732-8829

**Lincoln Christening Scene:** The town of Lincoln was christened by Abraham Lincoln on August 27, 1853. The site is located at 101 N. Chicago St, Lincoln, IL. For more information please contact at 217-732-8687 or [www.abe66.com](http://www.abe66.com).

**Stagecoach Inn/ Dunlap House:** Built over 150 years ago, this wooden stagecoach Inn once stood on Middletown's square. It is located now at 204 S. Madison St, Middletown, IL.

**Elkhart Cemetery/ John P. Gillett Memorial Arch:** This is the final resting place for several notable figures. The Memorial Arch in 1915 replaced the wooden bridge over which Robert Todd Lincoln walked during the Oglesby funeral procession. Information can be found at [www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org](http://www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org).

**World's Largest Covered Wagon:** Recognized by the Guinness Book of World Records, as the largest in the world, it can be seen at 1750 5<sup>th</sup> Street, located directed

West of Route 66 in the front lawn of the Best Western Lincoln Inn.

**The Mill:** Built in 1929, it was a highlight of Route 66 in Lincoln. The projected date for the building to be opened as a museum is 2009. More information can be found at [www.savethemill.org](http://www.savethemill.org).

**Bunyon Statue:** This 19-foot tall statue is great photo opportunity for the Route 66 enthusiast. It is located at 103 SW Arch St, Atlanta, IL. More information can be found at [www.atlantaillinois.org](http://www.atlantaillinois.org).

### **Central Illinois Attractions**

**Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site:** Located in Petersburg, IL, this is a preservation of the authentic site of the frontier village of New Salem, home to Abraham Lincoln during the 1830's. Features historic workshops, tours, musical programs, story telling, museum displays, etc. Open: Wednesdays through Sundays. It is advised to call ahead. Free with donations (suggested \$2 adults/ \$1 children). For additional information please call 217-632-4000.

**Lincoln's Tomb:** The 117-foot tall granite tomb contains the bodies of Lincoln, his wife Mary, and three of his four sons, and features the famous Lincoln statue. Open: Daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from March through October and until 4 p.m. from November through February. It is closed on major holidays. If you visit at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings from June through August, you can see a flag-lowering ceremony enacted by volunteers in Civil War uniforms. Groups of 25 or more should make reservations. Call 217-782-2717 for further information.

**Lincoln's Home:** The Lincoln home, the centerpiece of the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, has been restored to its 1860s appearance, revealing Lincoln as husband, father, politician, and President-elect. No fee for the tour. Parking is available in the visitor parking lot on a daily basis. The charge, payable at a self-operated fee machine, is \$2.00 per hour. For Visitor Information, contact 217-492-4241 ext. 221.

**Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum:** 212 North Sixth St., Springfield, IL 62701. Museum Open: Monday-Sunday 9:00 am-5:00 pm and Wednesday 9:00 am-8:30 pm. Closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Years Day. Library has no admission charge. Museum admission fee is: Adults (16-61 years of age) \$7.50, Senior (62 years of age and up) \$5.50, Children (5-15 years of age) \$3.50, Military (id required) \$5.50, Students (school/college id required) \$5.50, Children under 5 are free. For more information, contact 217-558-8882 or [www.alplm.org](http://www.alplm.org).

**Dana Thomas House:** 301 E Lawrence Ave, Springfield, IL. It is open for guided tours Wednesday through Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM. Suggested donations are \$3.00 per

adult and \$1.00 per child. Please call 217-782-6776 for more information or check their website at [www.dana-thomas.org](http://www.dana-thomas.org).

### **Logan County Meetings**

**Logan County Genealogical and Historical Society:** Third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. For additional information call 217-732-3200. Public invited.

**Logan Railsplitting Association:** Third Monday of each month at 7 PM. Meetings held at the St. John's UCC Church. Contact number is 217-732-9488.

**Railsplitter Antique Auto Club:** Second Thursday of each month at Rusty's Restaurant in Lincoln. Also first Saturday of each month, an 8 AM breakfast meeting held at various locations. Contact number is 217-732-3245

**VFW Ladies Auxiliary Meeting:** The VFW Post 1759 and its Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting the VFW Tenth District and Ladies Auxiliary meeting on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at VFW Post 1759, 915 5<sup>th</sup> St, Lincoln at 11 am.

**Humane Society of Logan County:** Wednesday, July 8, 7 pm at the HSLC office, fundraising committee meeting. Marsha Brown, Chairman, 217-735-2108; Board of Directors meeting will be held Wednesday, July 15 at the HSLC office, Larry Pech, president, 217-732-2985.

**Railsplitter Coin Club:** Third Wednesdays of each month at Friendship Manor at 7:30 PM. Meetings and coin auction are held each time. Contact number is 217-732-7069

**Lincoln's Logan County Arts & Crafts Guild:** Fourth Monday of each month. They do not meet in February, August, September or December. Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at the Postville Courthouse.

**Quilters at Heart Meeting:** Fourth Thursday of each month at 7 pm. Meetings held at the Trinity Episcopal Church, 402 Pekin St, Lincoln. Contact 217-732-7029 for more information.

**Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County:** Fourth Tuesday of each month at 4:30 pm. Call 217-732-8687 for more information. Meetings held at the Holiday Inn Express.

**Economic Development:** Last Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. For more information call 217-732-8739

**Healthy Communities Partnership:** Fourth Monday of each month at 10:00 am. Contact 217-732-5066 for more details.

**Elkhart Historical Society:** Second Tuesday of each month at 3:30 pm.

**Mt. Pulaski Township Historical Society:** First Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. Held at the historical society building. For more information please call 217-792-3719

**Friends of Historic Atlanta:** First Monday of every other month at the Atlanta Public Library. Call for details 217-648-2351.

**Emden Historical Society:** Third Monday of each month at the Emden Community Building. Call for details

**K-C-B Historical Society:** Second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.

**Heritage In Flight Museum:** First Saturday of each month at 1:30 pm.

**Rt. 66 Heritage Foundation of Logan County:** Fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. Call 217-732-8687.

**Abraham Lincoln Heritage Foundation:** Meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Information Station. Call 217-732-8687.

**ABATE:** Meets the first Sunday of each month.

**The Oasis Belles, a red hat society:** Meets first Tuesday of each month at the Oasis Center. Enjoy a lunch for \$3.25 while discussing all the happenings and events.

**Oasis Bunco:** Meets every fourth Monday of each month.

**Civil War Statue Committee:** 7 pm at the Logan County Geological and Historical Society Center, Lincoln, IL

### **Entertainment Attractions**

**Lincoln Speedway:** Located at the Logan County Fairgrounds, Upcoming schedule soon to be announced. Contact by phone at 217-735-1833.

**Big Bill's RC Raceway:** Racing season runs end of May to Mid-September. Check their website for more information at [www.bigbillsraceway.com](http://www.bigbillsraceway.com)

**RJD Hobbies & Raceway:** Contact at 217-732-4300 or

[www.rjdobbiesandraceway.com](http://www.rjdobbiesandraceway.com)

**Abraham Lincoln Quarter Midget Track:** Contact via their website at [www.alqma.com](http://www.alqma.com)

**Mason City Limits:** Located in nearby Mason City, IL. For information on upcoming shows please call 217-482-LAFF (5233), or check their website [www.mclimits.com](http://www.mclimits.com).

**Logan Lanes:** Check them out for bowling and a whole lot more. [www.loganlanes.com](http://www.loganlanes.com)

**Carmike Lincoln Cinema:** 217-732-2209

### **Area Website Links**

Gail's Pumpkin Patch, Beason, IL; [www.gailspumpkinpatch.com](http://www.gailspumpkinpatch.com)  
Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County; [www.abe66.com](http://www.abe66.com)  
Lincoln/ Logan County Chamber of Commerce; [www.lincolnellinois.com](http://www.lincolnellinois.com)  
Atlanta, IL; [www.atlantaillinois.org](http://www.atlantaillinois.org)  
Elkhart, IL; [www.elkhartillinois.us](http://www.elkhartillinois.us)  
Mt. Pulaski, IL; [www.mtpulaskiil.com](http://www.mtpulaskiil.com)  
The Mill, Lincoln, IL; [www.savethemill.org](http://www.savethemill.org)  
Lincoln, IL; [www.lincolnellinois.com](http://www.lincolnellinois.com)  
Railsplitting Festival; [www.railsplitting.com](http://www.railsplitting.com)

### **Area Sports Schedule**

#### **Big Bill's RC Raceway:**

Races begin at the end of May and run to mid- September, every Friday night, opening at 5 PM.

#### **Lincoln Speedway:**

4-3 Practice 12:00 to 4 pm  
4-8 Full Show  
4-15 Monster Midwest Night  
4-22 Full Show  
4-29 Full Show  
5-6 Full Show  
5-13 USMPS Modifieds

5-20 Northern Allstars  
5-27 Full Show  
6-3 Full Show  
6-10 Full Show  
6-14 Nascar Night  
6-16 POWRI Mini Sprints  
6-24 Full show  
7-3 Summer Nationals  
7-8 Wing Sprints  
7-15 Full Show  
7-22 Full Show  
7-29 Full Show  
8-12 Full Show  
8-20 POWRI Midgets  
8-26 Full Show- Last Point Race  
9-2 Full Show  
9-9 Full Show  
9-23 Full Show  
9-30 Full Show

Gates will open at 3 pm; hot laps 6:30 pm; Racing starts 7 pm  
Front gate= adults \$10, Kids 12 & under free (unless special race)  
All pit passes= \$25, 4 & under free (unless special race)

**Check out the following websites for local high school sporting calendars!**

**Lincoln Community High School:**

<http://lchs.k12.il.us/vcalendar/>

**Olympia High School:**

<http://www.highschoolsports.net/defaultcal.cfm?schoolid=IL6177426385&CFID=152224&CFTOKEN=57979522&timeoffset=300>

**Mt. Pulaski High School:**

<http://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/mphs/Sports.htm>

**Lincoln College:**

[http://www.lincolncollege.edu/athletics/ath\\_index.php](http://www.lincolncollege.edu/athletics/ath_index.php)

