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MAJOR PROJECTS:
United States Constitution Bicentennial Program
As a contribution to the commemoration of the Constitution bicentennial, the IAH in association with the Indiana Historical Society and through a grant from the Indiana Committee for the Humanities (now Indiana Humanities Council) sponsored a series of six lectures dealing with constitutionally significant cases which originated in Indiana or importantly involved Indiana residents. Emma Lou Thornborough directed the lecture series assisted by Bernard Friedman as co-director, and William Giffin as fiscal agent. The lecturers included Patrick J. Furlong, Alan T. Nolan, Kenneth R. Stevens, Emma Lou Thornborough, Irving Fink, and David Ray Papke. The lectures were given over a two-year period and published by the Indiana Historical Society in 1987 with the title We The People: Indiana and the United States Constitution. Copies are available from the Society.

Indiana Professionals in History: A Directory
In 1987, the IAH in conjunction with the Indiana Historical Bureau published a directory of historians in Indiana, compiled by Robert M. Taylor, Jr., and Robert G. Barrows. The directory contains the names, addresses, and affiliations of almost 600 teachers, public historians, county historians, archivists, active local historians, and those institutions directly responsible for historical instruction or preservation. Each year the list is updated and inserted in an IAH News Letter. Copies of the Directory are available for $2 for IAH members, $3 for non-members through the Indiana Historical Society.

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The Indiana Association of Historians
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... to refresh the memory: a recollection of a decade of community with Indiana's historians.
The INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF HISTORIANS is an organization open to anyone interested in the discipline of history. Its purposes are to furnish opportunities for persons within the history community to become acquainted, to share research and ideas, to promote and strengthen the historical profession and to encourage the pursuit of history by the general public. These objectives are accomplished through a Fall Lecture, an Annual Meeting, special projects, and a newsletter published in September and February. The Fall Lecture is held in Indianapolis on the first Friday in November. The Annual Meeting takes place usually in March on a campus of an Indiana college or university. The association is governed by an Executive Committee composed of the organization’s officers.

FOUNDING

The idea of establishing an organization of state historians surfaced in 1979-1980 as part of the planning for the sesquicentennial of the Indiana Historical Society (IHS). Although the idea did not become a constituent part of the IHS celebration subsequent discussions, particularly between Emma Lou Thornbrough (Butler University), Gayle Thornbrough (IHS) and Errol Stevens (IHS), led to the calling of an exploratory meeting of interested historians at the Society on May 20, 1980. Attending this meeting were Patrick Furlong (IU-South Bend), Oakah Jones (Purdue), James H. Madison (IU), Clifton Phillips (DePauw), Morton Rosenberg (Ball State), Errol Stevens, and Emma Lou Thornbrough. Out of this meeting came a steering committee, composed of Jones, Phillips, Thornbrough, and Stevens. This committee met August 11, 1980, to plan a preliminary organizational meeting of the state’s historians and a more formal gathering to convene in the spring of 1981. The committee mailed to nearly four hundred historians in the state invitations to an organizational meeting October 31, 1980, in the auditorium of the State Library and Historical Building in Indianapolis. Besides discussing the formation of an organization—a discussion led by Oakah Jones—the more than one hundred persons attending in October had the privilege of hearing Prof. John Higham (Johns Hopkins) speak on the subject, “Historians and Their Communities Today.”

On March 13-14, 1981, seventy-seven historians from within the state assembled at Purdue University for the first annual meeting of the Indiana Association of Historians. After an initial discussion session on Friday night chaired by Clifton Phillips, the group enjoyed a reception at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harold Woodson. The next day, the historians sat in on three ses-

sions: “Non-Teaching Uses of History”; “Social and Economic Issues in the History of the United States”; and “World Events and Philosophies in a Changing Europe.” At the business meeting the historians officially chose to call their nascent organization “Indiana Association of Historians,” a name originally suggested by Emma Lou Thornbrough, and they voted to establish a newsletter. Selected as the first officers of the IAH were: President—Walter T.K. Nugent (IU); Vice-President—Emma Lou Thornbrough (Butler); Secretary-Treasurer—Oakah L. Jones (Purdue); Program Chairman—Peter Selinger (IU-Indianapolis). From its inception in 1980 and building on the strong foundation laid by enthusiastic and capable historians, the IAH has grown to almost two hundred and fifty paid members representing sixty educational and cultural institutions.

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