

# 2019 New Member & Renewal Information

Your membership dues provide valuable support for the Winfield Historical Society.

## Annual Membership Dues:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Individual   | \$15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Family       | \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Senior       | \$10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Student      | \$10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Affiliations | \$40 |

Please complete the following and mail with your dues to:

Winfield Historical Society  
P.O. Box 315  
Winfield, IL 60190

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Organization  
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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Affiliations

Western DuPage Chamber of  
Commerce

Winfield Park District

Winfield Public Library

Kane DuPage Regional Museum  
Association

Illinois Heritage Association

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

American Association of State and  
Local History

National Trust for Historic Preservation

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Hedges Station Museum is located at:  
0N555 Winfield Road  
Winfield, IL 60190



# 2019 Program & Event Schedule

The Winfield Historical Society was chartered in 1978 by citizens of Winfield interested in preserving the village's history.

## Mission Statement

*To support a living historical center to foster education and appreciation of the history of Winfield and vicinity.*

In August, 1981, the Society had the original depot in the village moved to park district property to preclude its destruction. The Village of Winfield had purchased the property on which the building stood for parking and expansion of the Village Hall. The building was acquired by the Winfield Historical Society with the understanding that it would be moved.

The depot was the first building in Winfield and is the oldest remaining depot in the State of Illinois. In 1849 when the Galena and Chicago Union Railroad completed construction of track as far as Winfield, John Hedges built this depot, where he served as the first stationmaster and postmaster. Over the years Hedges Station has also served as a post office, tavern, general store, and residence. For over seventy-five years it was the home of the Besch family. The depot was listed on the National Register of Historic Places, but was removed after it was relocated. The original part of the building has been restored to re-create the 1849 depot. The additions have been improved and are used as a museum focusing on the Winfield area. The Winfield Historical Society has an office at the building and meetings are held there.

# 2019 Programs

**Thursday, January 24, 7:00 pm**  
**“Behind the Stars: the Remarkable Women Who Helped Build Chicago” featuring Laurie Russell**  
The stars on the Chicago flag represent four major events that changed Chicago forever. Laurie Russell from the Robert R. McCormick House shows how women responded to these events to build the city we know today.

**Tuesday, March 12, 7:00 pm**  
**“Bertha Palmer” featuring Leslie Goddard**  
In this first-person portrayal set in 1893, Leslie portrays Bertha Honore Palmer, Chicago socialite, wife of real estate magnate Potter Palmer, and pace-setting arts patron. At the World's Columbia Exposition she served as hostess to the world, and she still compels honor and attention today.

**Tuesday, May 21, 7:30 pm**  
**“The Albright Family Legacy” featuring Sara Phalen**  
The curator of the Warrenville Historical Museum and Art Gallery introduces us to the family of artists who lived and painted in Warrenville from 1924-1954. Ivan Albright, one of three sons, is most famous for painting the titular portrait for “The Picture of Dorian Gray” film.

**Thursday, July 18, 7:00 pm**  
**“Apollo 11: One Giant Leap, a Series of Firsts” featuring Terry Lynch**  
Marking the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first moon landing, hear astronaut Neil Armstrong recount the lead up to the event as well as the other “series of firsts” associated with the mission, including the first color TV transmission from earth.

**Thursday, September 19, 7:00 pm**  
**“Eight Men Out: the 100 Year Anniversary of the Black Sox Scandal” featuring Richard Lindberg**  
In observance of the 100th anniversary of the 1919 Black Sox Scandal - a watershed event in baseball history and a defining moment that forever altered the fortunes of the Chicago White Sox - author and White Sox historian Rich Lindberg provides an inside glimpse of the scandal, its aftermath and its tragic impact on the South Side team.

**Tuesday, November 12, 7:00 pm**  
**“Robert R. McCormick: The Colonel of Cantigny” featuring Jeff Anderson**  
Jeff Anderson from the Robert R. McCormick House draws on the Colonel's diary and other historical documents to talk about what motivated this wealthy and powerful publisher to serve his country. Anderson explores the impact the Colonel's military career had on his life and legacy.

# We appreciate your suggestions!

What program topics would be of interest to you?

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What day trips would you enjoy?

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Interests:

Publicity \_\_\_\_\_ Gardening \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_ Run planning \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

# 2019 Events

**Winfield Good Old Days**—Saturday, September 7  
9:00 a.m. Walking Tour of Historic Winfield. An Open House at Hedges Station follows the Walking Tour.  
12:00 noon—Awards Ceremony for the Coloring Contest and Passport programs. The passport program is sponsored by the Kane DuPage Regional Museum Association to encourage youth interest in local museums. The ceremony will be held at Hedges Station.

**Hedges Station** is open every Wednesday from 10:00a.m.—4:00 p.m., March through October.

**The Historical Society presents the programs in partnership with the Winfield Public Library. Programs will be held at the Winfield Public Library, 0S291 Winfield Rd. Registration is recommended for the programs. For more information about the library, call (630) 653-7599 or visit [www.winfield.lib.il.us](http://www.winfield.lib.il.us).**