September 24th: Tour Greater Bedford - Carpool from old Marsh South at 10:30 a.m.  
Monthly Coordinators: Joanne Lovell (332-7585) and Judith Granbois (332-5781)

We’ll start with a tour of the Lawrence County Museum of History. Lunch will be at Hoover’s Candy Shop and Soda Fountain, founded in 1896. Mary Margaret Stipp, a member of the local historical society, will give us a talk on the history of Bedford and local attractions and then will lead a tour of the 1890s Catholic Church and the Old Jail Art Center and Home. We’ll visit Twelve Months of Christmas, a shop on the square, and a 100-year-old furniture store.

October 22nd: “Child’s Play”- Monroe County History Center, 202 E. 6th Street, 2 to 4 p.m.  
Monthly Coordinators: Gloria Noone (333-6146) and Judy Walcoff (332-2612)

This exhibit of children’s clothing from the 19th through the early 21st centuries provides a fascinating glimpse into the culture and history of a time and place while revealing as much about the world of adults as it does the young. The exhibit is presented by the Elizabeth Sage Collection of Historic Costumes at IU, and our tour will be led by Kelly Richardson, Apparel Merchandising and Interior Design.

December 10th: “Discovering Doulton” – Sharon Rout, 3708 Chaudion Court, 2 to 4 p.m.  
Monthly Coordinators: Sharon Rout (332-7381) and Shirley Pugh (336-6560)

The Doulton Company, founded in 1815, became Royal Doulton in 1901 and is known worldwide for its fine porcelain and china. Sharon started collecting in 1977 with her first figurine and now has a varied collection of about 300 pieces, dating back to the late 1800’s. She’ll give us a brief history of the Doulton Company and what is sure to be an interesting talk about her collection.

January 28th: Show and Tell – Janie Harnett, 1110 Cricket Knoll, Gentry Estates, 2 to 4 p.m.  
Monthly Coordinators: Janie Harnett (339-4528) and Janet Weaver (331-7115)

We’ll have a fun time as members bring treasured and/or unusual collectibles to share. Tangible reminders of times past and the personalized stories behind them will delight our senses and fire our curiosities. Because of space limitations, this event is limited to 30 members. Please call Janie or Janet to make your reservation.

February 25th: Tea at the Showers Inn Bed & Breakfast, 430 N. Washington Street, 2 to 4 p.m.  
Monthly Coordinators: Mary Emison (332-6426) and Barbara Sokolowski (333-8013)

The historic yellow and white Victorian mansion on North Washington Street, known as the Showers-Graham House, is now a bed and breakfast. Mike Fierst will lead us on a tour of the house, and we will enjoy a lovely tea. This event is limited to 30 members, first come first served. Please call Mary or Barbara to make your reservation and find out about parking arrangements.

March 25th: Antique and Collectible Dolls- Carol Haywood, 3502 Stonebrook Blvd., 2 to 4 p.m.  
Monthly Coordinators: Carol Haywood (334-1002) and Judy O’Callaghan (824-2132)

This meeting may bring back fond memories as Carol shares highlights of her fascinating doll collection, built over the past 20 years. Her favorite dolls are from the forties and fifties, dolls that she might have played with as a child. Although Carol doesn’t have very old dolls in her collection, she would like any member who does have a very old doll to bring it to the meeting and tell its story.

April 22nd: Greater Lafayette – Board bus at 7:30 a.m. for departure at 8 a.m. from Stadium Lot 4.  
Monthly Coordinators: Joanne Lovell (332-7585) and Judith Granbois (332-5781)

We’ll start our trip with a tour of the Tippecanoe Courthouse (1882), which is on the National Register of Historic Places and was restored in the mid-1990s. After lunch at the James Gourmet Deli, we’ll move on to the twentieth century for a visit to Samara, John and Catherine Christian’s home in West Lafayette, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and built in 1955-56. Then it’ll be back in time to Historic Prophetstown, dedicated to the preservation of agricultural and environmental heritage. where we’ll tour the 1920’s historic farmstead and working farm. We’ll stop for a piece of pie a la mode at Kleinbraut Haus in Brookston before heading back to Bloomington.