

Please join us for a ride on county roads to tour the historic Fowler Theater built in 1940. Allow three hours for driving and touring the theater. It is about forty miles to Fowler.

Start at Cumberland Park, at 2:00 PM.

Note: Cumberland Park is on North Salisbury Street in West Lafayette. About one mile north of Sagamore Parkway, cross street is Lagrange Street.



Cumberland Park, West Lafayette

Leave the park by turning left on Salisbury Street. Road becomes County Road 50 West, then road zig zags, becomes County Road 750 North and then County Road 100 West.

In White County, County Road 100 West becomes County Road 300 West.

At Indiana 18 turn left (stop sign) and head west. Just before US 52 in Fowler, turn right onto County Road 100 East and head north.



Meadow Lake Wind Farm, Chalmers

Note: From Wikipedia, Benton County Courthouse is a Second Empire style building built in 1874.



Benton County Courthouse, Fowler

It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2008.

The previous Benton County Courthouse was in Oxford built in 1855 but, was torn down in 1873.

Benton county was formed in 1840. After a long struggle, the seat was moved from Oxford to Fowler in 1874.

The current Benton County Courthouse, was designed by Gurdon P. Randall of Chicago and built in 1874 by Levi L. Leach at a cost of \$62,257. The new courthouse was an impressive building from an architectural standpoint, but also provided much-needed improvements in security, including large fire-proof vaults.

Turn left onto 5th Street and continue to the Fowler Theater. There is a gravel lot just before the theater which we can park in.



Fowler Theater, Fowler

Note: The theater first opened in March, 1940. Due to a decline in business the theater ceased showing movies in the spring of 2001. A non-profit group was formed and purchased

the theater. With grants, a line of credit, and the help of volunteers the theater was refurbished and reopened in December, 2001. The theater is run and operated solely by volunteers.

Leaving the theater, take 5th Street east to County Road 100 East and turn right, heading south. At Indiana 18 turn left to head east.

Just after crossing over the Interstate, turn right onto County Road 500 West. Road becomes County Road 300 West and then Morehouse Road.



Baptist Church, Badger Grove

Continue southeast on Morehouse Road, around Hadley Lake, to Kalberer Road. At Kalberer Road turn left. The Purdue Research Park will be on your right.

Continue east to Soldiers Home Road and turn right. Continue into West Lafayette, crossing over Sagamore Parkway. Turn left at stop sign onto Happy Hollow Road.



Dog n Suds in West Lafayette

Turn right onto Chippewa Street then, turn right on Navajo Street. Turn right onto Nighthawk Drive then, left to Dog n Suds.

Please contact Tim Lange if you have questions 765-491-0945 (text or voice) or tim.lange.3@gmail.com.

Auto Tour to Fowler



and tour the Fowler Theater