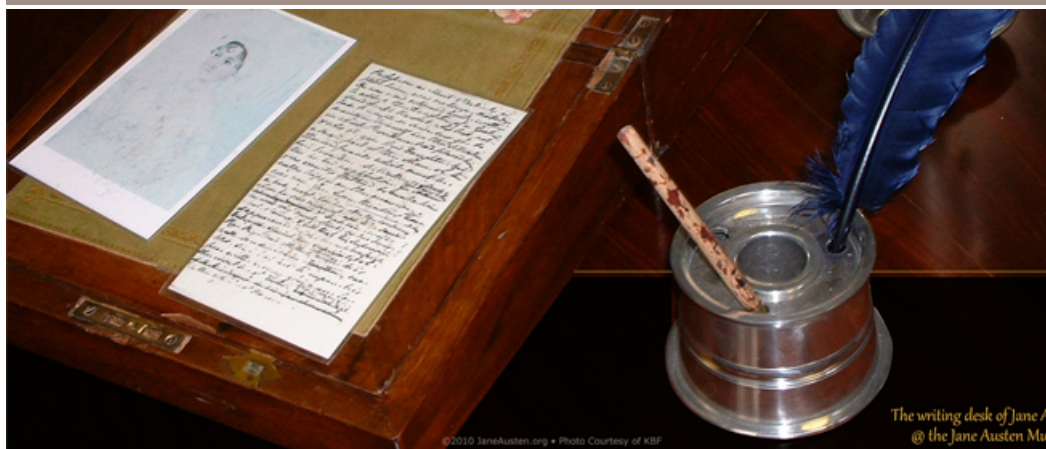


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Vanity working on a weak head, produces every sort of mischief.

JANE AUSTEN, *Emma*

From the Desk of the Indiana Regional Director Mary Miller

I have no idea where to start this newsletter as so many activities have occurred since my last report. So I decided to just use the calendar as my guide. So hang on because lots of things have been happening!! On the last day in April, several of us attended a preview showing of "Far From the Madding Crowd". Very good movie even though Thomas Hardy can be a real buzz kill at times!! Two days later on Saturday May 2nd, I went up to the Greater Chicago Region JASNA Spring Gala. As a visiting RC, I got to sit at the VIP table. I always find that funny as I have to wonder what Jane would think of folks being considered a VIP because of her! The guest speaker, Dr Janine Barchas of the University of Austin (with an "I"), did a presentation on the website she and her students developed—What Jane Saw. You will want to check it out at www.whatjanesaw.org.

Mother's Day brought a great delight to me as my sons gave me a new bookcase for my ever growing collection of Austen related,

Regency and Mystery books. Over the last 2 weekends in May, the Hendricks Civil Theatre performed a stage version of "Pride and Prejudice". They also had a formal tea with Lady Catherine before the performance. The afternoon I attended, I was afforded (once again) the VIP treatment as I was escorted to my front row center stage seat by Mr Bingley himself! Of course karma came back to bite me as I was dragged up on the stage after the performance for comments! Apparently the cast became very nervous when they found out I was there representing JASNA. Registration opened for this year's AGM on June 3rd and many of us signed up when the site opened at noon. Our next newsletter will be an



Auction items from the August meeting.

Tea Room Review

Serenity

Zionsville, Indiana

I had a lovely lunch/tea at Serenity on Friday June 12 in Zionsville. Luckily I was able to obtain a table before the skies opened up for another rain storm. You may remember that we had our Christmas tea here several years ago when there was a different owner. I enjoyed a wonderful cup of Chicken Velvet soup that was chunkier than the traditional Ayres's tea room recipe. I also enjoyed a piece of chicken and tomato quiche and a chocolate chip scone. I washed everything down with a very fortifying pot of Earl Gray—with milk and sugar. I ate my lunch rather fast as I had just come off a 15 hour fast due to some blood work I had done earlier that day; but, I did linger over my pot of tea while waiting for the rain to pass. If you find yourself in Zionsville, I would recommend Serenity. There is also a used bookstore right next door to browse afterward.

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AGM Special Edition. The June meeting was a tour of the Indiana Medical History Museum and Medical Garden. We were treated to a repeat honor of having the same garden tour guide as we did last year at the IMA gardens! My dear friend and board member of the Museum, David Zauner, did our Museum tour. Afterwards many of us went to Speedway for lunch and some shopping in the antique shops for tea cups and baskets! On July 12th I drove down to the Louisville JASNA meeting. There had been flooding rains the night before so River Road was just that as I tried to reach Locust Grove. Thank goodness for OnStar as they helped me find the back way to the meeting! I was part of the winning trivia team and the gals in my group said I am welcome to come back anytime! The winning extra point question which I was able to

answer to win the grand prize can be found in this newsletter. There might even be a prize involved! Many fun things are planned by the Louisville chapter for the AGM. Our annual August meeting and auction was held at the clubhouse where Sue Landaw lives. Jo Mader gave a powerful presentation about the beginning of the British Navy up to 1700's. Everyone is excited to hear part two. Several members of the local Sherlock Holmes scion, The Illustrious Clients of Indianapolis also attended at my invitation. Our annual live auction brought in nearly \$300 for our treasury. While September is usually considered the end of summer, apparently Central Indiana didn't get that memo as a heat wave came in for the first two weeks of the month. Many of us gathered on September 12th at the Irvington Branch of the Indianapolis Public Library System to make wares

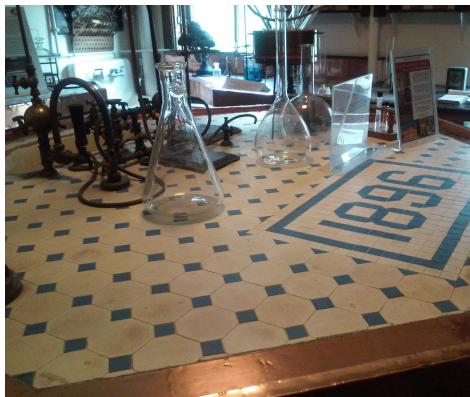
for us to peddle at the AGM in October. We made notecards, bookmarks, lavender sachets and fancy handbands. And your fearless leader managed to burn her right index finger with the stupid hot glue gun! So much for my crafting abilities!! Thanks again for letting me serve as your Regional Coordinator!



Crafting at the September Meeting!

Check This Out!

http://www.indiejane.org/austen/holidays-with-jane-trick-or-sweet/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+indiejane%2FzvGz+%28Indie+Jane%29



Scenes from the June meeting at The Indiana Medical History Museum.

Top: Jo Mader speaking about the British Navy at the August Meeting.
Bottom: Making things to sell at the September meeting.



2015 EVENT CALENDAR

Friday, October 9 to

Sunday, October 11:

Galt House, Louisville, KY
Annual General Meeting

December 12: Propylaeum – Old Northside Indianapolis, Jane Austen Birthday Tea – 2-4 pm.

For more information on joining JASNA, please contact Mary Miller, Indiana Region Coordinator, indymary@aol.com or 317-727-5058

TRIVIA QUESTION

Name the 2011 Spy movie that starred Mr. Darcy, Mr. Knightly and Capt. Wentworth and name the actors. All answers received by Sept 30th are eligible for a prize from the AGM! Email your answers to me at indymary@aol.com

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