

## 'In the Spotlight' Travel Article Series Launched on the Website AmericasLivingHistory.com

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Jackson, CA (PRWEB) July 12, 2007 - Suzanne and Craig Sheumaker, authors of the highly praised new [travel book](#) 'America's Living History-The Early Years,' have launched what will be a regular series of history-oriented travel articles on the website AmericasLivingHistory.com. Their initial focus is on America's most formative years - the time before the 1840s westward movement. Features will cover national and state historical parks, historic landmarks and living history museums scattered throughout the United States.

"Our goal is to provide not only travel tips but also perspective on how history travel has value in today's world. After driving more than 125,000 miles in all 50 states, we have learned much that we hope will be useful to others," says Suzanne Sheumaker. The first article is [Illinois Historical Places](#). In it, the Sheumakers talk about four attractions located in southwestern Illinois. Each of these places tells a compelling story - about Abraham Lincoln, America's Native Peoples, French colonialism or Mormon history.

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The following audiences are likely to find this series especially useful:

- \* Tourists who enjoy unusual and stimulating travel experiences
- \* RVers who like to explore America's living history on their road trips
- \* Armchair travelers who love to read about interesting places
- \* Parents who look for educational activities to enjoy during a family vacation
- \* Homeschool teachers whose lesson plans include history-oriented travel
- \* Educators and librarians who strive to entice children and adults to explore history
- \* Immigrants who want to learn about America's past and what it means today
- \* Business travelers who like to explore nearby attractions in their free time
- \* Reporters and others who want interesting stories for their newspapers, blogs, newsletters, etc.

### **About the Book**

'In the Spotlight' is based on the firsthand discoveries of Suzanne and Craig Sheumaker, authors of the travel guide 'America's Living History-The Early Years.' (See <http://www.AmericasLivingHistory.com> for details.) Published in May 2007, the 224-page book is receiving high praise for its unique approach to history travel. In addition to extensive tourist information, it includes 500 color photographs, intriguing historical perspectives and numerous sidebar features. It is focused on the time before the 1840s westward movement and groups destinations by chapters in that early U.S. history: America's Native Peoples, European Colonization, Religious & Secular Groups, Road to Independence, Our New Nation and Opening the West. Click here to see [book reviews](#) and reader comments.

**About the Authors**

This husband-and-wife team has a passion for exploring and discovering. Suzanne Sheumaker is a professional writer who began her career promoting world travel, went on to write about other topics and then returned to travel writing in recent years. Craig Sheumaker is a professional graphic designer and commercial photographer. While searching out scenic locations for Craig's stock photography business, they became intrigued by the many [historical](#) places that bring America's past to life. To date, they have visited about 500 historical attractions in the U.S. They picked their favorite 300 to showcase in 'America's Living History-The Early Years.'

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