

Drake Well Museum and Park

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"Drake Well Museum and Park Presents Something More Saturdays - Stories of the Oil Field"

On Saturday, October 27, Drake Well Museum and Park and Friends of Drake Well, Inc. will present Something More Saturdays, a monthly program offering visitors unique and entertaining learning experiences not included in a typical visit to the museum. Scheduled on the last Saturday of every month, Something More Saturday programs are included in the museum's regular admission fees.

October's Something More Saturday will feature stories of the oil field. At 10:00 a.m., Drake Well Museum interpreter and acclaimed storyteller Bill Stumpf will captivate visitors of all ages with the oil field tales of Gib Morgan. Billed as the "Minstrel of the Oil Fields," Gib Morgan traveled throughout the Allegheny and Ohio valleys working as a driller, tool dresser, and a notorious storyteller. His tall tales are filled with chronicles of his adventures in and out of the oil industry, both real and imaginary, incorporating people and animals invented to suit his purpose. Come, listen, and laugh as Mr. Stumpf recreates the dry, subtle humor of these outlandish tales which became Gib Morgan's trademark.

Visitors will also have the opportunity to discover the blacksmith's role in the early oil region. The Oil Valley Blacksmith Association will hold demonstrations in the museum's Blacksmith Shop from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Located off Route 8 south of Titusville, Drake Well Museum and Park is open year round. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m. Drake Well Museum and Park is administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission in partnership with Friends of Drake Well, Inc. and is part of the Pennsylvania Trails of History® (www.PATrailsofHistory.com).

For more information about Something More Saturdays or other museum programs, visit www.drakewell.org, call (814) 827-2797, or find us on Facebook at Drake Well Museum.

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