



Wright on the River

News from the Historic B. Harley Bradley House

Frank Lloyd Wright's First Prairie Design - 1900

September 2026

Tours

Fridays: 10:00
Saturdays: 10:00
Sundays: 1:30
Standard 1+ hour

Thursdays: 10:00 & 12:30
In-Depth, up to 2-hrs.

TOURS ARE BEST MADE
BY
ADVANCE RESERVATION

For pricing or to book your
Standard or In-Depth Tour
online, go to:

www.wright1900.org

Off-Schedule Tours can be
arranged on most days/
times, other than regularly
scheduled tour times.
Tours can be scheduled
between 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call
815-936-9630 or email:
info@wright1900.org

A Reciprocal Member? To
book your reservation for
your FREE Standard Tour
call: 815-936-9630.



Wright at Twilight!

Tuesday, September 15
5:00-8:00 PM



5:00 PM Singer/guitarist Ryan Leggot

6:15 PM Kankakee Valley Theatre performs selections
from "Dreamgirls."

7:00 PM Singer/guitarist Vincent Rink

Also:



Indoor exhibit by the Limestone Township Library District

Food Truck: The Bennett-Curtis House

Tickets are \$10 and include a complimentary glass of wine,
popcorn and bottled water.

Purchase at <https://wright1900.org/events> or
call: (815) 936-9630



BRING LAWN CHAIRS • STABLE GIFTSHOP OPEN

RAIN DATE OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

GIFTSHOP

Hours through
December



Thursday 10:00 - noon

Friday 10:00 - noon

Saturday 10:00 - noon

Sunday 1:00 - 3:00

From the Executive Director -

An honorary street sign celebrating renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright was installed August 12. The Kankakee City Council approved the designation of the 600 and 700 blocks of S. Harrison Avenue as "Honorary Frank Lloyd Wright Way" under Resolution No. 2026-53. The roadway passes the B. Harley Bradley House and neighboring Warren Hickox House, two historically significant Wright-designed properties. The new sign recognizes Wright's lasting influence on the city and highlights Kankakee's place in American architectural history. The Bradley House is widely regarded as Wright's first Prairie-style design and attracts visitors from around the world.

Bill Buck



FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT
WAY



Cupcake Challenge Sunday, Nov. 8 2:00-4:00 PM

Save the Date!

October 24, 2:00-4:00 PM



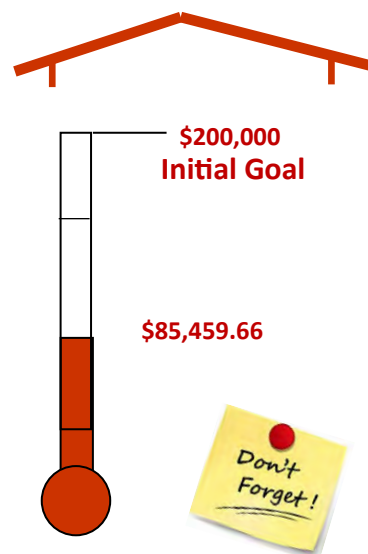
For all adult fans of this popular series. Blend the magic of R.K. Rollings' universe with the elegance of a 2 PM afternoon tea, all inside Frank Lloyd Wright's historic Bradley House. Tickets, \$40, available online or by calling the office 815-936-9630.

"Raise the Roof Campaign"! Your Donation Could be Doubled!

Many are helping Wright in Kankakee make significant progress in their endeavor to replace the twenty-five year old roof on the House and the Stable. A new roof, along with structural repairs to the fireplace chimney are needed to protect the architectural beauty not only on the outside but the inside as well. Cost of the project is expected to be \$450,000. This is a great time to make a donation! Norman Strasma, Past-president of Wright in Kankakee, has pledged a monetary gift as a matching fund toward all donations totaling up to \$100,000.

If you would like to help Wright in Kankakee meet this initial goal and double your donation in the process, please fill out the lower section of the "Raise the Roof" flyer which you will find on page four of this newsletter. Or go to our website to [donate online](#). You may also mail a check made out to Wright in Kankakee, 701 S. Harrison Avenue, Kankakee IL 60901. Your gift, whether large or small, will play a crucial role in preserving the B. Harley Bradley House for future generations!

Thank you!



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Yoga @ Frank's

Sundays Nov 1, Dec 13, Jan 3 at 3:15 p.m.

Registration Required

Donation based practice

Limited space within this beautiful historic home.

For more information email us at:

info@wright1900.org

Annual Memberships are a very important part of financial support that allows the B. Harley Bradley House to be open to the public. Membership is for one year from the date of your application and comes with a variety of benefits. Help preserve the B. Harley Bradley House, Frank Lloyd Wright's first Prairie Design! Not a member yet? Applications are available on the Wright in Kankakee website: www.wright1900.org



Membership List August 2025 - August 2026

Entry - \$50

Susan Appel
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Wright Reciprocal - \$125

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Wendy & Roger Goeckner
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Dodson - \$250

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Phil & Marcie Staley

GlenLloyd - \$500

Mark Steffen & Dawn Marlin

Yesteryear - \$1000

Ron & Judy Golembiewski
Don & Melissa Palmer
Diane Siaroff & Bert Jacobson



(**List current as of August 15, 2026)

Please consider including Wright in Kankakee in your estate planning.
For more information call the Bradley House office 815-936-9630.



Is RAISING the ROOF!

2026 Preservation Project

Frank Lloyd Wright's B. Harley Bradley House

Chimney Repair & Cedar Shingle Roof Replacement of

- ✓ **House**
- ✓ **Breezeway**
- ✓ **Stable**

MATCHING FUNDS TOTALING UP TO \$100,000 AVAILABLE!

Help us reach the goal of \$200,000. PROJECT COST IS \$450,000.



[*Donate online](#) or fill out the form below.

☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1000 ☐ \$5000 ☐ Other _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____ Email _____

Credit Card Number _____ Exp. _____ Code _____

☐ Check Enclosed. Please make check out to Wright in Kankakee and mail to:
Wright in Kankakee, 701 S. Harrison Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901

**RAISE THE
ROOF!**

*** <https://wright1900.org/raising-the-roof-campaign-2026/>**