



4-Speed on 50 Diner and Car Museum Hillforest Victorian House Museum



Date: Saturday, April 19, 2025
Time: 11:00 AM
Address: 479 W Eads Pkwy, Lawrenceburg, Indiana
RSVP: Please RSVP to: RSVP-April@oveb.org
(RSVP Deadline is April 12)

Please join the Ohio Valley Early Birds for lunch on April 19 at the 4 Speed on 50's Diner in Lawrenceburg, Indiana. Experience the classic taste of Americana with every bite. From burgers to shakes, the retro menu will have you revving your engines. Click here for menu:

<https://www.4speedon50sdiner.com/menu>



4-Speed on 50 Classic Car Museum

After lunch, we'll walk to the adjoining Classic Car Museum. The museum features an eclectic collection of classic automobiles, historic vehicles and other interesting artifacts providing a look back through the history of the automobile industry and more!



Following our lunch and car museum tour, we'll head to the nearby charming Ohio River town of Aurora, Indiana, for a tour of Hillforest Mansion.

Driving Directions from 4-Speed on 50 Diner to Hillforest Victorian House Museum

- Depart 4-Speed on 50 Diner, head east toward US-50, 85 ft
- Turn right toward US-50, 92 ft
- Turn right onto US-50
- Continue to follow US-50 for 2.8 mi. (Pass by a gas station on the right in 1.3 mi)
- Turn left onto George St/Ohio River Scenic Byway
- Continue to follow the Ohio River Scenic Byway for 0.4 mi
- Continue onto Main St, 0.2 mi
- Turn left onto 5th St
- Hillforest House Museum, 213 5th St, Aurora, IN, will be on the right in 23 ft.

See map on last page for details

Hillforest Victorian House Museum



Hillforest Victorian House Museum, 213 Fifth Street, Aurora, Indiana

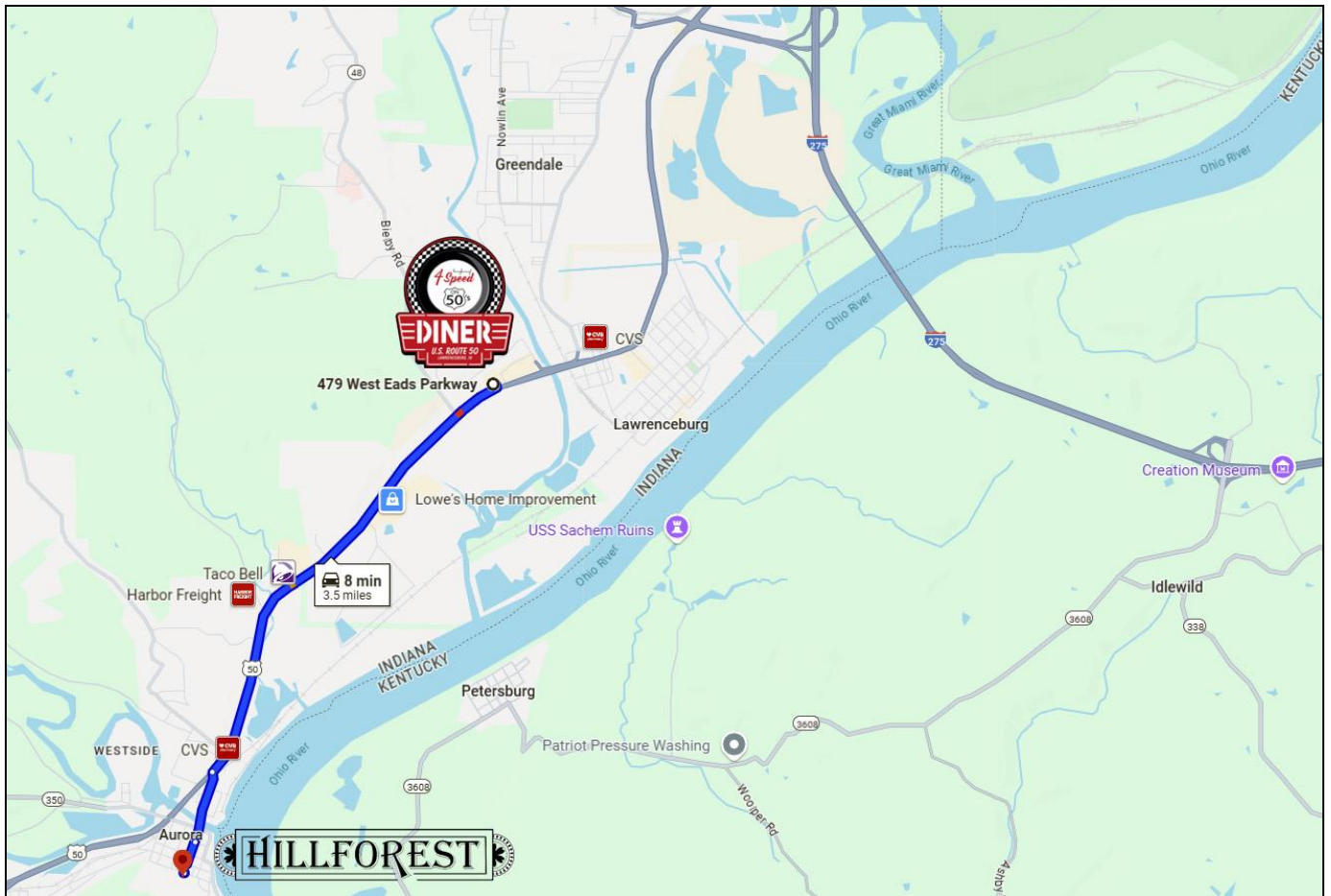
On a late spring afternoon in 1853, a steamer out of Cincinnati glided to a stop at a dock in the Hoosier river town of Aurora. Among its passengers that day was Isaiah Rogers, an architect known as the “father of the modern hotel.” Rogers, however, was not in town to design a new hotel, but rather to meet with a Mr. Thomas Gaff, a prominent Aurora financier and industrialist, and to examine a plot of land on which Gaff wished to build a new home.

Rogers designed for Gaff a magnificent Italian Renaissance mansion situated on ten acres of land overlooking the Ohio River that Gaff and his family would call home from 1855 to 1926.

The stately dwelling is located just blocks from the river and Aurora's downtown historic district. The enduring legacy of Rogers's design for what came to be known as Hillforest Mansion was highlighted in 1992 when the United States Department of the Interior designated Hillforest as a National Historic Landmark.



Driving Map – 4-Speed on 50 Diner to Hillforest Mansion



Map to Hillforest Victorian House Museum from 4-Speed on 50 Diner