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Local author to sign copies of Lincoln biography

LINCOLN CITY, IND.----Lincoln Amphitheatre will host local author, historian, and Lincoln Boyhood Drama Association board member in a book signing for his biography about Abraham Lincoln's Indiana life.

William E. Bartelt, of Newburgh, will sign copies of *There I Grew Up: Remembering Abraham Lincoln's Indiana Youth* on Saturday, July 31, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. CDT.

There I Grew Up is told from the perspective of Lincoln, his family, and his neighbors from the time period of 1816 to 1830.

"It is part of the Lincoln story that is not well known. When I worked as a ranger at Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial, I learned few visitors understood that Lincoln spent almost a quarter of his life in Indiana," says Bartelt.

Bartelt is a board member of the Lincoln Boyhood Drama Association (LBDA). The LBDA produces LINCOLN and *A Concert in the Park*.

Lincoln Amphitheatre will have 15 copies of *There I Grew Up* available to purchase. Guests may bring their own copies for the signing. This event is open to the public.

LINCOLN runs nightly except for Mondays until August 7. The non-profit Lincoln Amphitheatre is supported in part by individual and corporate donations. The "Lincoln's Legacy Lives" fundraising campaign is underway to help fund the second season's production of LINCOLN, a two-act play with music by playwright Ken Jones.

For more information about tickets to LINCOLN and Saturday's book signing, call Lincoln Amphitheatre at 800-264-4ABE or visit www.LincolnAmphitheatre.com.

