



T W I N S B U R G HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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NewsLetter Change:

Those of you who notice these things might see that the last Newsletter was the August edition and this one says "October". You have not missed a Newsletter. It was decided that since the Newsletter tends to arrive near the end of the month, it makes more sense to refer to it by the next month's name as most announcements are for that month and future events.

String Jam Session at the Barn:

This event took place on August 27th and it was successful beyond all expectations, both in attendance and enjoyment. Pam Kelly, a Twinsburg resident and guitar player, led a talented group of Gitter Picker string players in a rousing, old time musical jam fest. Pam distributed lyrics to a number of songs and audience members sang along with much enthusiasm. It was truly a fun evening and we hope to do it again.

More Civil War Info:

Farmhouse Suppers: The Civil War Series at the Hale Farm & Village Oct. 1, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 6-9 PM. A Dinner With Abraham Lincoln - Nov. 19 - 3:30-6 PM (Hale Farm) For more info on both, call 800-589-9703 or go to www.halefarm.org

Civil War 150 Exhibit: Clothing and musical instruments from the Civil War period. Location: First floor of the Main Place Building, 121 South High St., Akron Summit County Historical Society For more info call 330-535-1120 or go to www.summithistory.org

Big Thanks goes out for Olde Tyme Fayre:

This was another successful event at the museum. We had many varieties of hand crafted items, 83 in all. Knitwitters entered many items, plus those from the public. We thank you all. Also we would like to thank Louise Jackson, Dorothy Bascombe, Betty McKnight, Marge Herrick, Joyce Harney, Bev Hegedish and Marge Roberts. Without them we could not have pulled this event off. Dolly Raines and Gail Herrilko made the Loom Room a big and interesting success.

Thanks Again
Mary Williams

October 2011

Mark Your Calendars:

October 5, 2011

October Meeting

October 7 & 8, 2011

Tales of Locust Grove

October 27, 2011

*Story Telling in the
Barn 7:00 PM*

October 30, 2011

*Open House 2-5 PM
At Museum & Riley
House*

November 2, 2011

November Meeting

November 27, 2011

Open House 2-5 PM

December 7, 2011

*December Meeting
At the Riley House
Holiday Party*

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Olde Tyme Fayre Wrap up

There were significant morning and late afternoon rains on Saturday, but we still had large, enthusiastic crowds. The kids crafts probably got the most attention over the two days, with 282 items being passed out and worked on, not counting all of the paper airplanes. Most of the Museum's cases were covered with an extensive variety of handmade items. There were 83 entries....and many ribbons awarded.

The Barn saw almost 30 entries of produce or flowers or canned goods. Esther and Jerry Corbett came from Wooster (where it was not raining) to judge the items in the Barn and to visit with the majority of people in attendance. We had a hard time letting them leave. Inside the Barn we had Olde Thyme Music, kids crafts, our spinner, Amish baked goods, and the Knitwitters. Outside, at various times, we had a goat, chicken, and two rabbits (courtesy of Susan and Rob Geul and family), herbs for sale, Ninny's hot dogs, Jim Turk's antique steam engine and 1948 Dodge truck, and the perennial corn shucker. The 3rd Graders, with extra credit questions in hand, were plentiful, and many came with families who showed great interest in the Museum and Barn. In fact, a 3rd grader, Alessia Kozell, won our mystery item contest, when her name was pulled from the collection of correct guesses. Our mystery item was a "spile", used to tap maple trees to make syrup.

On Sunday there were three exciting water balloon contests, but nobody got too wet. Sunday also saw the Creative Brownie contest, and our thanks to the judges, Betsy & Susan Geul. First place went to Marianne Pieramici, second to Charlotte Wike, and third to Audrey Kancler. Other winners that day included Sue Graham, who held the winning raffle ticket on the hand-loomed rug donated by Lana Verbic and Lana Verbic (!) who won the pot of herbs donated by Nadine Adorni. Lynn Bennett won the 50-50 raffle.

So another Olde Thyme Fayre is finished....but the Trustees are already coming up with ideas for next year - and we welcome yours.

One unfortunate bit of excitement on Saturday morning was the discovery that the Museum roof leaked in at least two significant areas. However, true to the nature of a still somewhat small town, Ken Roddie was able to reach Jim Jilek who patched the roof before the afternoon rains.

Locust Grove Cemetery Comes Alive Again

Local residents are bringing former local residents to life again on October 7th and 8th. Under the light of an autumn moon the audience will wander the path and meet the likes of Ethan Alling, Samuel Bissell and the famous Wilcox twins. Other characters who formed the population of the little town of Millsville that grew to the bustling city of Twinsburg will step up to tell their stories too. Local musicians will be on hand to enhance the experience.

In this fourth year of the event, the visitors will see many familiar faces and some changes too. The journey lasts about an hour.

Tickets are available at the door Tours leave every half hour from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Visitors will meet at the Barn. Adults are \$5.00 and children are \$1.00. Free refreshments will be served in the Barn.

Save the Date:

Plans are underway for another Bob Evans Fundraiser - Nov. 8th, Details later.

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Cousins Adeline and Kelsey Geul who won the first water balloon contest are displaying their prize towels



Here is something from the May 1986 Newsletter that might make everyone smile:

"Groundskeepers Ron & Linda Osborn, Dick & Mary Lou Sheller, Jack Ryan, and Dave & Liz Murch have worked their fingers to the bone cleaning up the outside grounds of the museum."

Obviously they didn't have Stan Jewell 25 years ago. Stan, as many of you know, does 99% of the outside work at the Museum, keeping it looking professionally cared for. And, he will celebrate his 91st birthday in November. Thank you Stan!

Storytelling in the Barn: (October 27th at 7 PM)

This will be the 17th year that the Twinsburg Historical Society and the Twinsburg Public Library will present this popular program held in our "spooky", Halloween-decorated barn. Children, ages five and older (accompanied by an adult) are invited. The event consists of stories, audience participation and riddles, followed by cider and doughnuts. Children are encouraged to come in their Halloween costumes.

Registration is required. To register, please call the Twinsburg Library (330-425-4268 Ext 3) after October 13th

Snow Bird Updates:

It's getting close to the time when some of you "snowbirds" head south for a few months. If you want to get the Newsletter while you are away, please make sure we get your temporary address. You can leave the info on the answering machine at 330-487-5565 or call a Trustee. If you put a hold on your mail, your Newsletter is returned and we have to pay 44 cents per copy, so please let us know if we should temporarily stop delivery.

Music is a big part of a community's heritage and growth. The picture to the right is the Criterion Band of Twinsburg. It was form in 1884 and was the first instrumental music organization in Twinsburg.



THE CRITERION BAND OF TWINSBURG
(About 1884)

Left to right—F. A. Barber, H. E. Post, S. H. Crankshaw, F. D. Barber, C. H. Wilson, T. Alexander, L. H. Oviatt, J. W. Fessenden, (Leader) S. D. Scoutten, F. Cannon, J. C. Blackman, H. Wright, L. Griste

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