



T W I N S B U R G HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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NO JULY TRUSTEES MEETING!!

The first Wednesday in July is the 4th, and rather than schedule the regular meeting on another date it was determined that a July meeting could be skipped. Next meeting is August 1st - all members are welcome.

Twins Days:

The Historical Society will not be taking part in the Twins Days celebrations this year. We just do not have enough manpower to staff a booth for the hours required over the weekend. Perhaps next year!

Bob Evans Fund Raiser Update:

We are pleased to announce that the May 21st fundraiser at Bob Evans brought in \$364 for the Historical Society. Fifteen percent of the bills of those customers with coupons went to us.....so this means the community spent close to \$2500 at Bob Evans on May 21st in support of the Historical Society. In addition, \$160 worth of quilt raffle tickets were sold. We thank you all!!

Tales of Locust Grove:

The date has been set for "Tales of Locust Grove" - October 5th & 6th, time yet to be decided. If you are interested in participating, whether portraying an historic figure or setting up or selling tickets, please let us know at 330-487-5565.

Twinsburg History Forum DVD:

We are currently taking orders for the DVD made at the Twinsburg History Forum on March 28, starring Marge Percy, Charles Crouse, Stan Jewell, Don Bissell, and Homer Stocker. Cost is \$5.00/ea. Please let one of the Trustees know if you would like a copy, or leave a message on the Museum's answering machine -- 330-487-5565.

July 2012

Mark Your Calendars:

**Monthly Meetings First
Wednesday of every
month at 7:00 PM**

June 24, 2012

*Open House 2-5PM
"Kids Day"*

July 21, 2012

Jam Session at the Barn

September 8 & 9, 2012

Olde Thyme Fayre

October 5th and 6th

Tales of Locust Grove

October 25, 2012

Halloween at the Barn

November 7, 2012

*War of 1812 Program
7:30 at Twinsburg Public
Library*

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Baked Goods Competition Announced for Olde Thyme Fayre:

Susan Geul and Betsy Geul, Professional Chefs who live in Twinsburg, will once again judge baked goods brought to the Olde Thyme Fayre in September. Susan and Betsy are the twin daughters of Marcella and Ray Diersing, long-time supporters of the Historical Society. Ray is a past President. This year's item for judging will be Chocolate Chip Cookies. This sounds simple, but remember that there are many variations and our judges are professionals! Something new this year is that there will be two age-group categories: 12 and under and those over 12. So start practicing.....your families will love it!

Special Thanks:

Our thanks to Craig Davenport for choosing to help the Historical Society as his Eagle Scout project. Craig will be installing a brick walkway from the back door area on the west side of the Museum to the sidewalk area on the south side of the Museum. In addition, he will put in a new railing beside the steps on the west side. Ken Roddie will be supervising Craig's work.

Want to know more about your Ancestors and the Civil War:

The Akron-Summit County Library is offering a free one-day seminar entitled "Discovering your Civil War Ancestors". Co-sponsor of this event is the Summit County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. The day will include a presentation about Summit County in the Civil War as well as education about researching ancestors on line and via local records. This will be on Saturday, August 11, from 9:30 to 4:30, at the Main Library Auditorium, 60 South High St., in downtown Akron. Parking is also free in the High Market Parking Deck. To sign up, or for more information, contact the Special Collections Division at 330-643-9030 or specialcollections@akronlibrary.org.

Jam Session:

Because of the great response we received from the "String Jam Session" held in the barn last year, we will be having a repeat performance this year on Saturday, July 21st at 7:30 pm. The Gitter Pickers have disbanded, but Russ Mortus and his group will provide the music. Russ was a member of the Gitter Pickers and participated in last year's concert. Attendees are encouraged to bring their lawn chairs and fiddles, banjos or guitars and join the group if they wish.

It will be fun evening. See you at the Barn on July 21st at 7:30!

Kids Day at the Barn:

By the time most of you receive the Newsletter, we will have had our "Kids Day" (June 24 during open house). The theme of the day was "fun without batteries" and, frankly, it was fun just planning it. The Trustees did a lot of reminiscing about games they played as children. Hopefully there will have been a number of children attending and they will have had as much fun as the adults.

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Time Travel to 1812

Since I began my research for these articles I kept seeing the phrase the “forgotten war”. From my discoveries this war has not been forgotten in Ohio.

Summertime is the perfect time to take short trips and to wander the roads that history was made on. It’s great to enjoy the lovely summer weather and brush up your knowledge of the War of 1812.

There are five nearby spots to target as you plan a summer getaway.

Fort Meigs is in Perrysburg which was named for Oliver Hazard Perry who defeated the British in the Battle of Lake Erie on September 10, 1813. The site includes a battlefield from that war and a reconstructed fort. Visitors get to see what life was like for soldiers and civilians. There is a visitors center and museum. Check the website at fortmeigs.org

Put-in-Bay is home to Perry’s Victory and International Peace Memorial on South Bass Island. It commemorates the Battle of Lake Erie one of the most significant battles to take place in Ohio. You can climb to the top of the 352-foot tall monument and look out over the spot where this decisive naval battle took place. More details on nps.gov/pevi/index.htm

Fort Amanda is an Auglaize County, nine miles northwest of Wapakoneta. One in a series of 1812 forts across western Ohio. It is marked by a tall granite obelisk built in 1915. Located on the banks of the Auglaize River, Fort Amanda served as a major supply depot during the war. A diary kept by Ensign William Schillinger of the Ohio militia gives us a daily account of weather conditions, activities at the fort and his personal thoughts and observations. Check out ohiohistory.org

Several monuments are on the lawn of the Birchard Public Library at 423 Croghan St. to mark the site of Fort Stephenson. The victory at Fort Stephenson came at an important time during the war, as the United States had few military successes. In addition to raising American morale, it also made Croghan famous across the country. President James Madison promoted him to the rank of lieutenant colonel as a reward for his service. Years later, the United States Congress voted to award him a gold medal for his success during the War of 1812. The site of Fort Stephenson is now part of the city of Fremont, Ohio.

At the Harrison Tomb in North Bend near Cincinnati you can see the final resting place of William Henry Harrison, commander of the Army of the Northwest during the War of 1812, who went on to become ninth president of the United States. Outdoor displays tell the story of Harrison and a 60-foot tall marble memorial completed in 1922 marks the site of his tomb.

These are just a few of the sites but they are within easy traveling distance of Twinsburg. Check the website or Google ohiohistory.org for more information as to hours and location. Some venues have events with rein actors. This would be a great year to go because the 200 year anniversary has peaked people’s attention.

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