



T W I N S B U R G HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Welcome spring!

We've had some great weather and the flowers are ready to open and greet the sun. I know we've all enjoyed the time outside, but let's not forget our great programs. On April 24th we will welcome Denny Reiser to talk about the canal around Ohio. The program will take place during our open house at the museum from 2-5.

The Annual Meeting

Mark your calendar for the annual meeting, April 9th. It will again be held at The First Congregational Church, on the square. We'll gather around 4:30 with plans to eat at 5:00. Bring your covered dishes, and table service. We'll have time to visit before and after we eat. The meeting will be held after our meal and the new officers will be elected.

Slate of Officers

This is your slate of officers for next year. Jon Howard will be your next President and Bonnie Williams has agreed to be Vice President, with Marianne Pieramici as Secretary, and Dan Simecek as Treasurer. Please come to the annual meeting to elect and support them.

Open House

We will again be offering an open house at the Riley House. I hope you didn't miss this month. Because of Easter Sunday our open house was held on March 20th, and both the museum and the Riley House were open. We will have the museum open on the last Sunday of every month, with the Riley House open every other month. The next double open house will be May 29th.

Trustee Opening

We have at least one opening for a trustee, if you have any interest in being a trustee please talk to me or Audrey and we will take that to our meeting on April 6th.

March 2016

Mark Your Calendars:

April 6th, Trustees Meeting, 7PM

April 9th, Annual Meeting, First Congregational Church, Twinsburg, 4:30PM

April 24th, Open House, Ohio Erie Canal, Museum, 2-5PM

May 4th, Trustees Meeting, 7PM

May 29th, Open House, Museum & Riley House, 2-5PM

June 1st, Trustees Meeting, 7PM

June 26th, Open House, Museum, 2-5PM

July 24th, Open House, Museum & Riley House, 2-5PM

August 5th, Special Twins Open House, Museum, 12-4PM

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150 year Celebration

Our plans for the year are going well, all of our activities are being planned. We hope to have an evening celebration for our building which was built 150 years ago. Watch the newsletter for more on that later.

Thank you!

I would like to thank all the trustees and officers for their work and dedication over the last two years. Charlotte and I said that we would only take on this office for two years and our time will soon be over. We asked the trustees be open to new ideas and we all worked on that this last year. While I was busy trying to relocate, Audrey stepped up and did what I couldn't handle, thank you.

New T-Shirts

We have new t-shirts available. They have a picture of the Freeman barn, with the anniversary quilt. They are available in white or grey. These must be washed inside out and not put in the dryer. I love the look of them. You can pick one up at the Museum at our open house. The price is \$20.00 each. We still have sweatshirts with the mail pouch sign also.

Membership Time Again

It's membership time if you haven't paid your dues, please send it in now.

Individual-\$15.00

Family-\$25.00

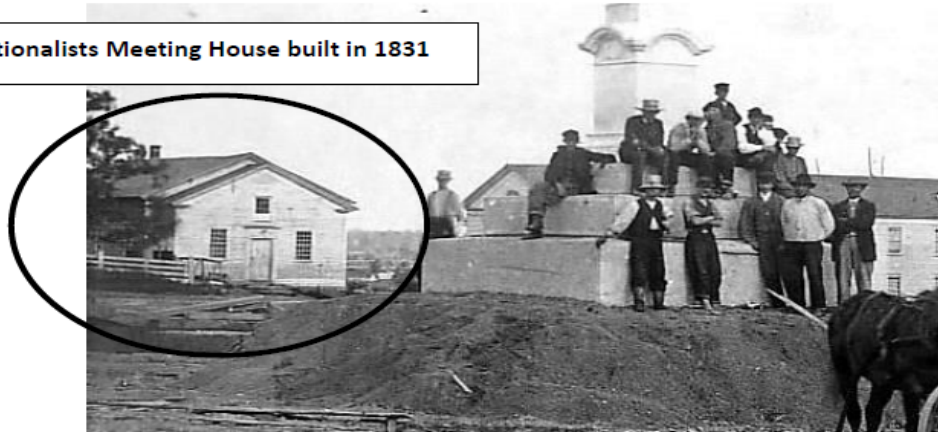
Business-\$100.00

We also have a perpetual membership which is available for individuals at \$150.00. Please remember that these funds help us to keep the museum open and running. It also helps with our overhead, lights, heat, phone, and any updates or maintenance that is needed. As with any property it is always in need of something. We also rely on donations and you will always find a donation jar waiting at all of our events. We thank you all in advance for all your support.

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Congregationalists Meeting House built in 1831



(1867 photo)

The Methodist built their first church in 1831 on the northwest corner of the public Square (Rt. 14).

Ethan Alling rents his Tavern to Samuel Edgerty and builds a frame house and apartment fitted with a storeroom.

Trivia – Thankful Bissell of Aurora (mother of Rev. Samuel Bissell) was slandered by the remarks of Harriet Perkins. She was tried and a judgment rendered against her of a gallon of whisky. Squire Samuel Forward was the referee.

1833 – Twinsburg dairy farmers sell about \$1,000 of cheese.

1835 - Rev. Bissell continued his dual occupation of pastor and teacher until 1835 when his support for temperance divides the membership and Rev. Bissell was dismissed. He accepts an invitation to pastor and teach in Edinburg (near Ravenna). On his way to Edinburg he goes to Pittsburg and purchases a \$100 worth of school books. He remains in Edinburg as pastor and teacher for a year and half. In 1837, Rev. Bissell was invited back to Twinsburg. He returns to his dual occupation of Pastor and Educator at the Congregationalists Meeting House.

Apollos White builds a dam across Tinkers Creek. Two mills are erected, one for grinding grain and the other for sawing lumber. This dam later causes health problems for those living in the area. The mills burned down in 1865



1836 – In October, a petition was drafted to submit to the Ohio legislature at the next session to annex Twinsburg and Northfield townships from Portage County to Cuyahoga County.

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