



T W I N S B U R G HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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New Officers and Celebration Info

Welcome to the new officers for 2017/18 year. Jon Howard is turning over the reins to Andy Tomko as our new president. John will continue on as a trustee. Big thank you to John for all of the improvements he has made. Bonnie Williams will continue as Vice president. Beverly Klimas is the new secretary replacing Marianne Pieramici who is stepping down. Thanks to Marianne who is also staying on as a trustee. After 20 years Dan Simecek is handing over the treasurer's duties to Gayle Davet. Dan will stay with us too.

We are so grateful for all of the hard work these folks have put in over the years. Thanks to the new officers for stepping up to keep us running smoothly.

On our Open House on June 25th President Tomko will give a demonstration of all of the new technology that has been installed over the last year. He will demonstrate the program that allows us to digitalize our collection. So many changes and so much creative work brings a fresh face to the museum and more opportunities for research to all of our visitors. The museum will open at 2:00 and the presentation will start at 3:00 and run about an hour. The museum will close at 5:00.

On July 22, Founder's Day, we will celebrate the Bi Centennial with a grand re-opening of the Museum. Come and see all of the work we are doing with your dues dollars and your donations. The gift shop will be open too. More details in your July News Letter

The museum will have a special Open House on Friday, August 4 for Twins Days. Great day to welcome the twins and visit the museum.

Veronica Hughes is writing a book on Twinsburg Veterans of the Civil War and she will be giving us a preview on the August 27th Open House. Be the first on the block to see this book.

In the midst of all of this activity we have decided to postpone the August Gala. Stay tuned for updates.

In addition to our Open Houses we are open from 10:00 to 12:00 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Members are our best ambassadors so please share our coming events with all of your friends and neighbors. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Guess Who is coming to Ohio and possibly our area!?!?! See page 2 for the answer!!!

June 2017

Mark Your Calendars:

June 25, 2-5PM, Open House, Technology at the Museum Program 3PM, VFW Open House 2-5PM

July 22 Founders Day Bicentennial Celebration. Museum and Barn Grand Re-Opening

July 30, 2-5PM. Open House, Museum and Riley House, VFW Open House 2-5PM

August 4, Noon-4PM, Special Open House for Twins Days

August 5 & 6, Twins Day

August 27, 2-5PM, Open House, "Twinsburg Civil War Veterans Program 3PM, VFW Open House 2-5PM

September 9 & 10, Olde Thyme Fayre, Museum & Barn

September 24, 2-5PM, Open House, VFW Open House 2-5PM

October 6 & 7, Tales of Locust Grove

October 26, Halloween Story Telling

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AMERICAN PICKERS to Film in Ohio

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to return to Ohio! They plan to film episodes of the hit series **AMERICAN PICKERS** throughout the region **in June 2017!**

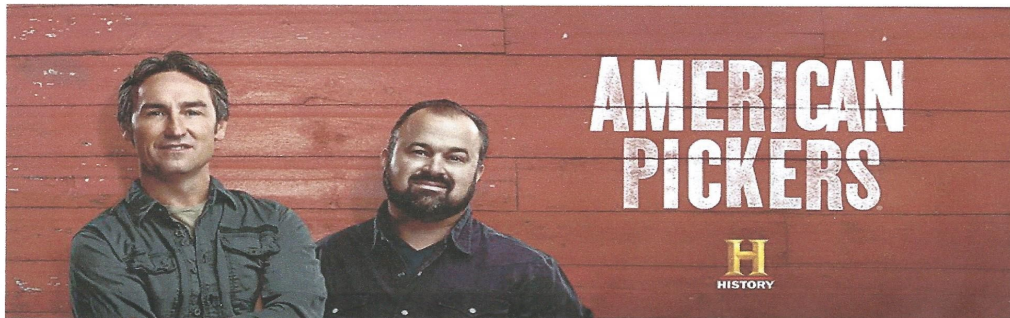
AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique 'picking' on History. The hit show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. **They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the interesting stories behind them.**

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the Pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them. **AMERICAN PICKERS** is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If **you or someone you know** has a **large, private collection or accumulation of antiques** that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us **your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos** to:

americanpickers@cineflix.com or call 855-OLD-RUST.

facebook: @GotAPick



AMERICAN PICKERS is produced by Cineflix Productions for History. New episodes air Mondays at 9pm EST on History.

The Peninsula Foundation's **2017 Civil War Lecture Series** is held on the fourth Thursday of each month from March to October at the G.A.R. Hall (1785 Main St, which is Rt. 303) in Peninsula. Lectures begin at 7:00pm and are free to the public.

Dates still remaining in the series:

6/22: The Emancipation Proclamation, presented by John C. Fazio

7/27: The Battle of Franklin, presented by Mel Maurer

8/24: USCT Regiments at the Crater and New Market Heights, presented by Ron Gorman

9/28: Remembering the Civil War: Reenacting and Battlefield Preservation, presented by Bradley Keefer

10/26: A Talk with Clara Barton, presented by Carol Starre-Kmiecik

Check us out on the Web: www.twinsburghistoricalsociety.org

Below is an order form for the bicentennial shirts. Neither the Bicentennial committee nor the Historical Soc. get any money from sales. A printable order form will be on the website under the “News” section.

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Newsletter Delivery

With more and more of our members electing to have their monthly newsletter emailed to them versus receiving their newsletter by regular mail, we find ourselves in the unique position of no longer qualifying for the Post Office bulk rate. For example, First Class postage of the newsletter is .49¢ versus just .18¢ for bulk rate postage. Our membership is increasing every month and in an effort to hold down the Museum cost as much as possible we would encourage any of our members with access to email, to consider having their newsletter delivered electronically. We recognize that not every member has access to email and that is fine but, if you do, please consider the electronic option. By doing so we will keep our operating cost to a minimum and be able to continue to provide the excellent programs and upgrades that make the Twinsburg Historical Society a well respected organization. If you would like your delivery method changed to electronic email, please notify the Museum at 330-487-5565 or send us an email at:

president@twinsburghistoricalsociety.org and just give us your name & email address.

Help Wanted

If you have a few hours available, we are looking for helping hands to assist us in the upcoming Founder's Day (July 22) events. Everyone has talents and here is a opportunity to share those talents. There are many easy tasks that need to be accomplished not only on the day of the event but definitely before. If you want to join in and help please just leave a message on the Society's voicemail machine @ 330-330-487-5556. And remember the Museum is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday between 9 & 12. Stop in and see the many changes that you made possible.

Bicentennial shirts are now available from RDP Sports. There are six styles....all grey, with the "200"/star logo on the front. Orders can be placed online at: RDPSports.com/Twinsburg-Bicentennial-Apparel. Or, you can call the company at 330-405-3501 to place an order. RDP Sports is located in Twinsburg. Orders can be shipped for a charge or you can arrange to pick up your shirt(s).

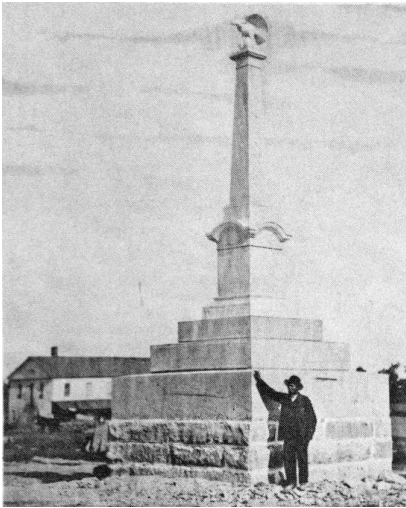
Big Plans for Founders' Day

Probably the main celebration for the 2017 Bicentennial will be Founders' Day, on July 22nd. This will be in the Park (Town Square) and will most likely spill over into the surrounding area. The Historical Society will have a booth in the Park and the Museum and Barn will be open. In fact, the day will be the official "re-opening" of the Museum. The Museum has not been closed, but so much is being cleaned out and rearranged that it seems a good idea to have a special day to celebrate the new look! We are hoping for a good crowd, not only at our booth in the Park but also at the Museum and Barn. We might even have Locust Grove tours! It is probably apparent that this is leading up to a plea for volunteers. If you can spare some time on July 22nd, we would love to have your help just leave a message at the Museum (330-487-5565). Any amount of time will be appreciated, and we thank you in advance!

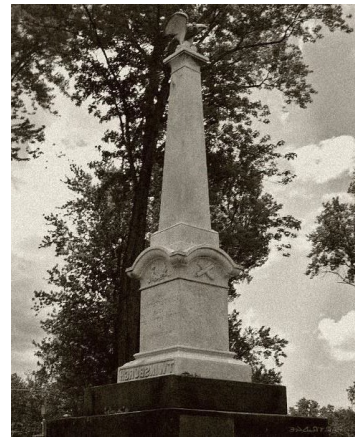
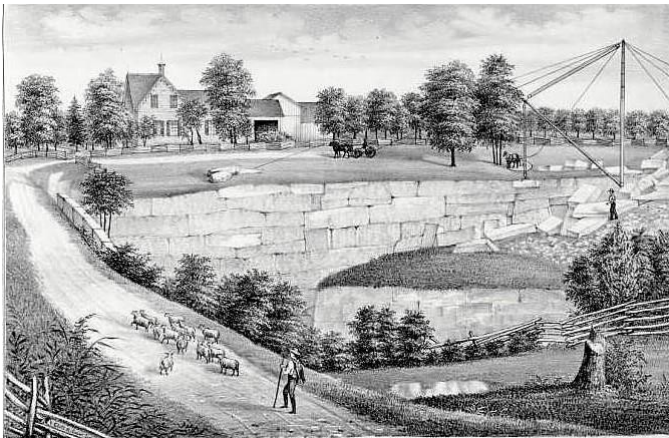
SUMMER PROGRAMS OF INTEREST IN OBERLIN:

Freedom's Friends: Underground Railroad & Abolitionist History Walk offered each Saturday at 11 a.m. in June, July and August, presents stories of Oberlin's famous freedom seekers and those known to have helped them make their way to freedom on the Underground Railroad. ***One Step More - Oberlin Women's History Walk*** offered the *first* Saturday at 1 p.m. in June, July, and August, inspires with powerful stories of Oberlin women who helped shape what it meant to be a woman in Oberlin and in the United States. History Walks are FREE to Oberlin Heritage Center members, any college student, and children under 18; \$6 for others. Advanced reservations are needed (even if you qualify for a free tour).

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The First Base was quarried from the property of Gardner Parmelee, about three-quarters of a mile west of the square, on Route 82. It's a single 25 ton block of sandstone. It was moved to the Square by Henry Porter of Chagrin Falls. The Second Base was quarried on land once owned by Charles Richner, and drawn to the Square by horse teams furnished by the citizens of Twinsburg. The Third Base was also quarried from the property of Gardner Parmelee and drawn by horses to the Square on two truck wagons.



The Italian White Marble consists of seven pieces surmounted by a large spread eagle facing north and supplied by contractor Levi Marble. The names of the soldiers from Twinsburg who served in the war, and alive in 1867 are inscribed on the East, and South sides.



West Side



South Side



East Side

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