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2023

September Newsletter

OLDE THYME FAYRE PLANS:

Friday, Sept. 8:

5:00-7:00 Bring to the Museum: ANY home made/crafted/created item. Ribbons placed Friday evening, items displayed all weekend.

Friday, 5:00-7:00pm, and Saturday, 8:30-9:30am: Bring to the Barn: Anything home grown/canned/dried. Ribbons placed Saturday, items displayed all weekend.

OLDE THYME FAYRE IS OPEN SATURDAY, SEPT. 9, 10am-5:00pm and SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, Noon-5:00pm.

Saturday plans thus far:

10am - Annual Bake Sale - In front of the Barn, weather permitting.

Baking contest: Bring Oatmeal Cookies to the Barn by 2:00. Prizes awarded for adults and bakers 12 and under.

Twinsburg's Tony Roberson - At his easel in the Barn. Changing into "The Predator" at Noon and 3:00 to demonstrate his electric unicycle.

The Antique printing press and Olde Thyme music will be inside the Museum.

Sunday plans thus far:

Tony Roberson painting....Electric unicycle demonstration at 2:00.

Water balloon tosses, Drawings for raffle winners....hand woven rug, large assortment of donated baskets.

Both days: Tropical Sno cones in front of the Barn; Kids Krafts, old tool demos (get a free back scratcher!), Davet's Diner (come for a hot dog lunch! Sat: 10am-2pm, Sun: 12pm-4pm), rocking horse, corn shucker, corn hole game, weavers and quilters in attendance.

History on display in both the Museum and Barn!

Keep checking back for new additions!



Hemmings' Unicycle, or "Flying Yankee Velocipede", was a hand-powered monowheel patented in 1869 by Richard C. Hemmings.^[1]

Mark Your Calendar

8/27/2023, Open House, 2-5PM, Museum.

9/6/2023, Trustee Meeting, 7PM, Museum.

9/9/2023, Olde Thyme Fayre, 10AM-5PM, Museum and Freeman Barn.

9/10/2023, Olde Thyme Fayre, 12PM-5PM, Museum and Freeman Barn.

9/24/2023, Open House, 2-5PM, Museum & Riley House.

10/4/2023, Trustee Meeting, 7PM, Museum.

10/6/2023, Special Program, 6-8PM, Museum/Freeman Barn, Tales of Locust Grove, Ticketed Event.

10/7/2023, Special Program, 6-8PM, Museum/Freeman Barn, Tales of Locust Grove, Ticketed Event.

10/25/2023, Special Program, 7-8PM, Museum, Presented by Marion Boyer. A narrative about finding her own roots plus learning much about East coast England in the early 1900's.

10/29/2023, Open House, 2-5PM, Museum.

The Twins Day Open House was a great success. Bonnie, Rich and Marti welcomed six sets of twins and their families. Many were repeaters and that's the best tribute ever. The museum and the barn never fail to impress.



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Attention!! We need your help for the Riley House Roof Fund Raiser

We are facing an unexpected expense to replace the roof of the Riley House on Liberty Road. This could cost between \$12,000 and \$18,000, but is necessary to protect this historic house and contents.

So again, we are asking for your help in covering this expense. In the past you have helped us with donations to pay for 2 new furnaces for the museum, the repaving of the rear parking lot, and the major fund raiser we had for the Roach House. Your support helps us to continue our work in preserving our history.

Any and all donations are tax deductible and can be mailed to us at:

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8996 Darrow Rd.
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Attn: Riley Roof

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Time to get your calendars out for October too. "Tales of Locust Grove" is on for Friday, October 6 and Saturday October 7. The tours start at 6:00 PM and the last one starts at 8:00. Never hurts to bring a flashlight. The cast is already getting started. There is always room for more. If anyone is interested in joining the cast just email the Historical Society or send a message on the Face Book page and we will get back to you. No experience necessary. You will be joining a very seasoned company and we promise a good time.



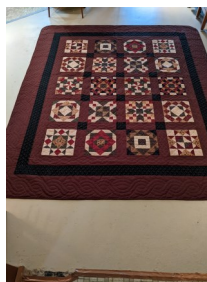
On October 25, 2023 from 7-8PM we will host Twinsburg author, Marion Starling Boyer, who will speak about how she uncovered her grandmother's secret through Ancestry.com and that led her to travel to England and write her book, The Sea Was Never Far. Join us as Boyer unfolds the mystery, shares documents of London's Foundling Home, and recreates the historical voices of fishermen and gutting girls during the English herring industry's boom from 1900 to 1913. Of shipwrecks and salvage in the treacherous North Sea; of witnesses to the bomb dropped from a Zeppelin, the first aerial bomb ever to fall on England, with images to accompany these fascinating stories.

2023 Quilt Fundraiser

CHOCOLATE CHARM 92" x 108" Queen Size

\$5.00 Donation per Ticket Drawing in December 2023

Tickets can be purchased at the museum during the monthly open house the last Sunday of the month from 2-5pm or by stopping in on Tuesdays from 9-12pm when the quilters are quilting. You can also call the museum and leave a message.



"The challenge of history is to recover the past and introduce it to the present."

David P Thelen

Renewing Members:

Bill Furey
Doug & Mary Johnson
Ed & Adrienne Kopp
Eleanor Smith
Lana Verbic
Grace Condelli

New Members:

Kenneth & Lydia Braun

This month's Featured Business Partner:



Twin Masks
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Community Theatre -
Black Box - Experimental
Theatre

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SOLON TO TWINSBURG

A JOURNEY DOWN SOM CENTER ROAD,
NORTH STREET. ROUTE 91, DARROW ROAD,

OR AS YOU LIKE IT

By William T. Gillie

Part 7

Bob's wife, Helen, had musical talent in the form of a throaty alto which might have put her in high ratings a generation or so later when broadcasting made such gifts more widely known.

She drove a yellow Mercer roadster which was the star of vehicles to young maledom. She appeared on the vaudeville stage in Cleveland as a singer of the then 'new-fangled' songs, called by the initiated "blues". Helen had resort to our home and piano for practice. This appealed to our large collie dog who invariably thrust himself into the crawl space beneath the music room and howled his accompaniment to Helen's songs. They got along famously.

South of Bob Snyder's now vanished home there were the residences of two brothers. On the northeast corner of Post and SOM Center Roads, was Charlie (may have been Karl back home in Kaiser Wilhelm's Deutschland) Schmalzle; on the west side John Schmalzle. Two brothers could not have been more different from each other than these. Their American neighbors corrupted the fine old German name to "Smeltsly" -- close enough.

John's humble dwelling was the building in which my father attended school from grades 1 through 12.

Charlie was the elder of the two and was a quiet, hard-working, scrupulously conscientious farmer in dairy cattle and grain. His wife was a nice lady obviously labor-worn with a kindly smile for the young but a gloomy world view. There were four children, Karl, Will, Frieda, and Carey. These children were *(will have to wait till next month to see the ending of this sentence)*

This Month in History: August

1943 PT-109 Commanded by Lt. John F. Kennedy Sunk

1897 Automobile Club of Great Britain Formed

1981 IBM Releases It's First Personal Computer

1965 Los Angeles Watts Riots

1920 First Commercial Radio Station Detroit, Michigan

1902 Cadillac Started In Detroit

1950 President Harry S. Truman Places Railroads Under Army Control

1937 Japanese Bomb Shanghai

Trivia Challenge:

The sinking of what ship in 1915 eventually led to the United States entering World War I?

- A. Titanic
- B. Bismarck
- C. Lusitania
- D. Monitor

Answer: C
RMS Lusitania was a British ocean liner that was sunk by a German submarine in World War I. The sinking caused a storm of protest in the United States as 128 American citizens were among the dead. It helped shift public opinion in the United States against Germany and was a factor in the United States' declaration of war nearly two years later.

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