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2024

December Newsletter

Mark Your Calendar

- 11/24/2024, Open House, 2-5PM, Museum.
- 12/4/2024, Christmas Party, 6:30-9PM, Museum. Bring a snack to share.
- 1/8/2025 Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, (At FCC)
- 1/26/2025 Open House, 2-5PM, (Museum)(Valentine Day Craft)
- 2/5/2025 Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, (At FCC)
- 2/23/2025 Open House, 2-5PM, (Museum)
- 3/5/2025 Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, (At FCC)
- 3/30/2025 Open House, 2-5PM, (Museum) Special Program starts at 3PM, "Small Towns of Ohio That Made National News" by Wendy Koile
- 4/2/2025 Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM
- 4/27/2025 Open House, 2-5PM, (Museum)(Tech Day)
- 5/7/2025 Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM,
- 5/25/2025 Open House, 2-5PM, (Museum & Riley) (Memorial Day Weekend)
- 6/4/2025 Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM

Holiday Party

Holiday Party - December 4th
 All are welcome at our annual Holiday Party - Wednesday, December 4th, starting at 6:30. This will be at the Museum and will take place instead of our December meeting. Here's a chance to show off your favorite Holiday sweater, listen to music, socialize, and enjoy some snacks - bring something to share or just enjoy ours.

Story Telling in the barn:

We had a beautiful night hosting the Library Halloween story telling in the Barn! We had approximately 50 people attend, adults with their kids dressed in the Halloween Costumes and our hosts from the library with some really goofy jokes and great stories to share.



The big hit was the Book Mobile along with Spider Man in the driveway! Smokey bubbles were fun to play with and there were science experiments for the children. Apple cider and donut holes filled their tummies, and a good time was had by all.



On Tuesday, October 29th Greg and Kathy Feketik joined us in the museum to share their slides and their stories of Ghost Hunting. We had approximately 29 people attend, and everyone seemed to have a good time listening to Greg's stories.



He told us of his first investigation in Twinsburg, wouldn't tell us where it was, but had us all wondering. They also investigated the museum and the barn before, and when Greg was asked if the museum had spirits here, his comment was - "look around - what do you think?"



Thanks to all who attended and thank you Greg & Kathy.

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Meetings as we Start 2025

Trustee meetings are open to everyone. They are still on the first Wednesday of each month unless that's a Holiday....and that means January's meeting will be on the 8th. Starting times have been moved to 6:30. And, for the first three months of 2025, meetings will be held in the warmth of the basement at the First Congregational Church (on Church Street!) - enter through the back door.

2024 in Review

As we close 2024, let's take some time to thank all our volunteers for their time and hard work for our programs. Beginning our year making Valentines is always a good time. The Black History Unity Celebration was well attended and the National Honor Society presented a program on the Solar Eclipse and helped us on our Tech Sunday. We learned about the Underground Railroad at our Annual Meeting and had good music in the barn at the Open Mic night. In a joint program with the VFW we heard the story of 2 Families, 1 Flag. We had a special Tales of Locust Grove for the Twins that came to Twins Days and had good reactions from them. Our normal programs for the Olde Thyme Fayre and official Tales of Locust Grove was a lot of work but deemed a big success. Our Library used the barn for the annual Halloween Story Telling and had Spiderman with the Bookmobile. Greg Feketik had us entertained telling about his Ghost Hunting adventures. We welcomed many authors to the Riley House at different times through out the year and those programs were very interesting. We've had a busy year and look forward to what 2025 will bring!!

This month we were saddened by the loss of one of our most dedicated volunteers. We extend our sympathy to our board member Beverly Klimas and her family on the loss of her husband Frank. Frank was always available to help when needed, no matter what the project involved. He will be greatly missed by all of us.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING!

The Craft Room at the west end of our Museum has a remarkable number of potential gift items for sale. It's certainly not too early to start your Holiday shopping! Pictured are a few possibilities: Potholders made from a quilt and Cleveland Brown's soup/chili Kozies. Come to Open House, 2:00-5:00, on Nov. 24th and at the Holiday Party on Dec. 4th and see for yourself. Cash and checks only.



Renewing Members:

Sam Scaffide (3yrs)

Ken Diersing (3yrs)

Lance & Jessica Lanier (6yrs)

Carla Vondrak (1yr)

John & Jeanie Pavelich (6yrs)

Need a year end Tax deduction?

Use your smart phone camera and scan this QR Code!!! We are a Non-Profit 501-3C. All donations are tax deductible.



Please note:

Our Facebook page is open to all for sharing historical information or old picture. It is a great way to drop great information and tasty historical tidbits. It is **NOT** for advertising or discussions about local issues or politics. We are a non-partisan group dedicated to the preservation of and participation in the history of our three communities. If you are not sure don't post. Send us a private message, email or give us a call.

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SOLO TO TWINSBURG

A JOURNEY DOWN SOM CENTER ROAD,
NORTH STREET. ROUTE 91, DARROW ROAD, OR AS YOU LIKE IT

By William T. Gillie

Part 21

Paul need not have run from his landing on the lower rock nor concerned himself about the time left in the chase, for he had left two totally stunned young men at the peak of the rock, pursuit scoured from their minds. In seeing the incredible, we found greater satisfaction than in driving the prey to the ground even had we been able. Admiration exceeded frustration and even John Yerian conceded defeat and appreciation. It was a moment to remember.

Back to the road and the Weimer family, Paul's younger brother, Charlie, was our companion in, as mentioned, our cow-pasture Wimbleton and countless forays at picnics, boating, swimming, music appreciation at Crown Hill Cemetery and, later, in his own elopement with his beloved Erma -- but these are all other stories.

Mrs. Weimer, the mother and mainstay of the group, had open arms and heart for everyone she knew. She was loving, compassionate, understanding, hardworking, and always ready for a hearty laugh. Stepping across her threshold was to become an instant table guest. Healing wounds of whatever sort, listening when listening was the job, and being ready to share any fun that developed, Mrs. Weimer was a full-time mother.

Tinker's Creek, or 'crick', crosses the road just south of Weimers. Their swimming hole was about 75 feet upstream from the bridge, but hidden from it by heavy foliage. No swimming was done there when the leaves were off the

This Month in History: December

December 1, 1941 - The American Civil Air Patrol (CAP), a U.S. Air Force auxiliary, was founded as Director of Civilian Defense, former New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, signed the formal order. The CAP currently provides aerospace education, a CAP cadet program, and emergency services such as locating missing aircraft.

December 5, 1955 - The AFL-CIO was founded after two separate labor organizations, the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations, joined together following 20 years of rivalry, thus becoming the leading advocate for trade unions in the U.S.

December 25, 1868 - President Andrew Johnson granted general amnesty to all those involved in the Civil War.

Trivia Challenge:

What was the most popular drink in colonial America?

- A. Tea
- B. Hot Chocolate
- C. Cider
- D. Whiskey

Answer: A
Practically everyone in colonial America drank tea, which explains why there was such an uproar when the British levied a tax on their favorite beverage.

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