

TWINSBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2024 - A YEAR IN REVIEW



Museum pre-1920



Museum present day

Founded in 1963, the Twinsburg Historical Society is located at 8996 Darrow Rd. in the center of Twinsburg. The stone Museum, built in the 1860's, was originally the Twinsburg Institute and later the Grange Hall. The adjacent Freeman Barn dates from 1870. The 1850's Riley House at 9577 Liberty Rd. is owned by the City of Twinsburg but furnished and maintained by the Historical Society. The Moses Roach House, 9044 Church St., is owned & maintained by the Twinsburg Historical Society and is currently occupied by the Twinsburg Chamber of Commerce.



Moses-Roach House



Freeman Barn



The Twinsburg Historical Society, a proud member of the Twinsburg Chamber of Commerce, has been in existence for over 62 years. Through the ongoing efforts of dedicated volunteers, we have continued to expand our programs and offerings to the community.

It is our mission "to inspire the community by collecting, preserving and exhibiting artifacts from the city's past and fostering connections to people and ideas". In order to meet this mission and provide services in our community, we rely on the generosity of individuals and businesses for support.

As you can imagine, we are very proud of our Museum, Barn, Riley House & Moses Roach House. They provide a visual way to help retain and pass down our heritage to younger generations. The Historical Society endeavors to share & educate visitors like yourself who are interested in our fascinating way of life, both past and present.

Events & Presentations:

- Valentine craft making @ Open House
- Two Technical Help sessions for seniors by the Twinsburg High School National Honor Society
- Special presentation with the cooperation of the VFW "Two Families, One Flag" by Bill Cook
- Black History "Unity Celebration" program
- Special presentation of "Solar Eclipses" by Twinsburg's High School National Honor Society
- Special presentation about a ghost hunter's Journey with Greg Feketik "Insights into the Unknown"
- Historic Fun & Games @ Open House
- Special Twins Days Open House including a "Mini Tales of Locust Grove"
- Two day "Olde Thyme Fayre" event
- Writer's Series "Shackleberg / Antarctica" by Marion Boyer
- Our 16th.year of presenting the two day "Tales of Locust Grove" event
- Hosted Open Mike Night @ Freeman Barn
- Participated In NEOIMC (Northeastern Ohio Inter-Museum Council) workshop
- Participated in Twinsburg Annual Community Expo
- Presentation by Dave Gates "Understanding the Underground Railroad in Ohio"
- Presentation of Halloween Stories @ the Freeman Barn for K-4
- Ongoing articles & event notifications on our web site, Facebook and monthly newsletters
- Our 14th.year of awarding the Robert Culhan Scholarship to a graduating Twinsburg senior
- 11 Monthly Trustee Meetings, Newsletters & Open Houses at either Museum or Riley House
- Participated in Kent State's "Finals DeStress Days"
- In house information discussion with Twinsburg's Director of Planning & Community Development

Fund Raisers:

Special commemorative T- Shirts of Old School, Shady Grove, Babka's

Handel's Ice Cream

Queen size Quilt named "Bizarre Stars" by our Tuesday Quilters

Olde Thyme Fayre

Bake Sale

Society Crafters

Museum Gift Shop

Century Home Plaques

Tales of Locust Grove

Donations

How much time is volunteered to the Twinsburg Historical Society you ask?

In 2019 we started tracking all the hours that the Trustees and Volunteers put in at the Museum and its properties. Every Trustee has a Volunteer hours sheet that they keep at home to track hours they put in at home and there is a sign in/out sheet at the museum for when we are working at the museum or the other properties. We started this in June of 2019. As of December 31, 2024 we had a total of 4942 line item entries in this year's data base. These numbers do not even include the amount of time that has not been recorded for documentation. We have a very dedicated group of Trustees and Volunteers. But as you can see, there are a lot of volunteer opportunities at the Museum and its properties.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Hours</u>
2019	443.96
2020	1854.11
2021	1724.82
2022	1772.50
2023	1908.17
2024	1271.07
Total:	8974.63

If you are interested in Volunteering, please go to our website, twinsburghistoricalsociety.org, click "About" then click on "Volunteer" and you can sign up to be put on the Volunteer list. We have it set up several different ways for you to do this. Volunteering is one way to see if you would like to become a Trustee!! Hope to see you soon!! You can also scan the QR code on the next page, which will take you to our web site.

The Twinsburg Historical Society wants to thank everyone who contributed their time, energy, special donations and personal monies to make our Society a significant & prominent addition to our city & surrounding neighborhoods. It takes a lot of special & dedicated people to maintain our four buildings including the Grave Markers at the Locust Grove Cemetery to make that happen.

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