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Valentines and January Open House:

2:00-5:00, Sunday, January

Join the fun - explore the Museum, make some Valentines, enjoy some cookies!

We will provide the supplies for making Valentines - just bring your ideas.

Make Valentines for your loved ones or to share with our Veterans. Any Valentines for Veterans will be taken to the Cleveland VA Center.

2/12/2026, Special Program, 7PM, Museum, "The Garfield Trail: From Cradle to Grave in Northeast Ohio".

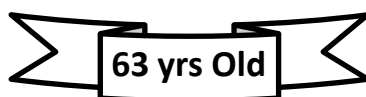
See a presentation by Tim Garfield and Debbie Weinkamer that will tell the story of James A. Garfield, 20th President of the United States. Hear about the four primary sites in Northeast Ohio that are a part of his life. Moreland Hills where he was born, Hiram College where he spent his college years and married his wife Lucretia, the Mentor Farm, now the James A. Garfield national Historic site and Lake View Cemetery his final resting place. Tim is the great great grandson of the President and Debbie is the Lead Volunteer at the National Historic Site.

Join us for our Annual Unity Celebration on 2/21/2026. Once again we will gather for an afternoon of music and entertainment at the First Congregational Church in Twinsburg at 9050 Church Street on the Square. The festivities begin at 2:00 PM and will be followed by food and fellowship. This is an opportunity to meet your local city officials from Twinsburg City, Township and Reminderville. This is a perfect opportunity to meet your fellow community members and to reunite with people you haven't seen in a while. Come as a family. Bring the kids and grandkids. Plenty of room and food for all.

**Want to help us save
some money???**

Would those of you that receive *mailed* newsletters please consider changing to email? It will save us printing and postage. You can do this by notifying our Membership Trustee by using this email address: THSMembership1817@gmail.com and we can make the necessary change. The email newsletter is the same you would receive in the mail, but you will have the added benefit of reading it in color or printing it in color. We are hoping to lower our mailing and printing expenses so we do not have to consider increasing membership costs again. Thanks for considering making these cost saving changes.

Twinsburg Historical Society Established in 1963



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2026

February Newsletter

Mark Your Calendar

January:

1/25/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum. Valentine Making

February:

2/4/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, First Congregational Church.

2/12/2026, **Special Program, 7PM, Museum, "The Garfield Trail: From Cradle to Grave in Northeast Ohio".**

2/21/2026, Special Program, 2PM, First Congregational Church Twinsburg, "Unity Celebration"

2/22/2026. Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

March:

3/4/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, First Congregational Church.

3/29/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

April:

4/1/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, Museum.

4/18/2026, Annual Meeting, 4PM, First Congregational Church, **The special program will be presented by Carl Quatraro, a popular area speaker will present: "The History of Cleveland Baseball".**

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2026 Twinsburg Historical Society Annual Meeting will be on April 18, 2026 at The First Congregational Church. (9050 Church Street, Twinsburg) All are welcome to attend. Doors open at 4PM, Dinner at 5PM, Quick Meeting at 6PM, Program at 6:30PM. Please bring a dish to share and your table service. Beverages will be provided. The special program will be presented by Carl Quatraro, a popular area speaker will present: "The History of Cleveland Baseball".

April 26, 2026 - "Tech Sunday". Members of Twinsburg High School's National Honor Society will be with us during our regular Open House, 2:00-5:00. They will be offering help with all of our challenging electronic devices, and *we will offer snacks*. We have done this for several years now and many of us have benefited. Start making a list of your questions and frustrations!

Special Feature

The Historical Society offers an opportunity to dedicate a Newsletter! For \$50 you can say "Happy Birthday", "Congratulations on Graduating or Retiring" or "Thank You". Checks and the information you want printed should be mailed to the Twinsburg Historical Society, 8996 Darrow Rd., Twinsburg 44087. Please include your own contact info in case the Editor has a question.

We need your Help!!

We would not be able to exist and provide the programs that we do with out the community support that we get. Please help us continue this journey and help provide the funds that we need to continue this partnership.

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



The **Twinsburg Historical Society 2025 Year in Review** is being put together as we speak. It will be available for you to download in the next few months, after we complete it. I will attach it to a future newsletter so you can download it. You will also be able to download it from our website at that time too.

Please note:

*Our Facebook page is open to all for sharing historical information or old pictures. 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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Renewing & New Members:

Marjorie Richner (11yrs)
Robert & Judy Schuller (10yrs)
Steve & Judy Velimesis (7yrs)
Linda S. Radloff (6yrs)
Ralph & Katherine Linton (9yrs)

Renewing Business Members:

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Crematory Services (8yrs)

Individual Perpetual Members:

Jonah Pichette

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Military Personnel of Twinsburg Killed In Action

To find the center of American patriotism, the heart of valor, you need look no further than the faces and names engraved on the monuments and markers of Public Square. Heroic deeds and the horrors endured mingle in the mind of each individual who contemplates those who fell fighting for an ideal bigger than themselves. Time may pass, but the names remain. Each of the individuals below gave his life protecting that which they loved, and each had a family that suffered an incomprehensible loss.

Civil War

Edward Bissell
John E. Carter
Walter C. Chamberlain
Henry Crocker
Dryden Ferguson
George W. Gaylord
Edwin R. Hanks
George W. Hanks
John Hansard
William Hansard
Joseph G. Hawkins
Elmore Hinkston
Anderson Oviatt
George E. Pease
Louis Shroeder
Charles H. Springer
Charles H. Stearns
Eli Thompson
Warren I. Wait
Charles B. Weatherby
Samuel B. Vail

World War I

Orland Bishop

World War II

Herbert Gill
Paul Bennett
Fred Staedtler
Bert Buganski

Vietnam War

Patrick Mortus
Alvin Robertson
Donald Malicek

Next month we will start a series on Dr. Seth Freeman

This Month in History: February

February 1, 1960 - In Greensboro, North Carolina, four African American students sat down and ordered coffee at a lunch counter inside a Woolworth's store. They were refused service, but did not leave. Instead, they waited all day. The scene was repeated over the next few days, with protests spreading to other southern states, resulting in the eventual arrest of over 1,600 persons for participating in sit-ins.

February 3, 1870 - The 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing the right of citizens to vote, regardless of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

February 14, 1929 - The St. Valentine's Day massacre occurred in Chicago as seven members of the Bugs Moran gang were gunned down by five of Al Capone's mobsters posing as police.

Trivia Challenge:

Who was Germany's first woman Chancellor?

- A. Beatrix Von Storch
- B. Maria Baum
- C. Janet Yellen
- D. Angela Merkel

Following the 2005 federal election, Angela Merkel was appointed Germany's first woman Chancellor at the head of a grand coalition consisting of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU), its Bavarian sister party, the Christian Social Union (CSU), and the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD). In December 2015, Merkel was named as Time magazine's Person of the Year, with the magazine's cover declaring her to be the "Chancellor of the Free World."

Answer: D

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