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# 2026

## April Newsletter

### Mark Your Calendar

#### March:

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

#### April:

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

4/18/2026, Annual Meeting, 4:30PM, First Congregational Church, **The special program will be presented by Carl Quatraro, a popular area speaker will present: "The History of Cleveland Baseball"**.

4/26/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum. **"Tech Sunday"**

#### May:

5/6/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, Museum.

5/9/2026, Garden Club Plant Sale, Freeman Barn, 9AM-Noon.

5/31/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

#### June:

6/3/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, Museum.

6/28/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

#### July:

7/1/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM Museum.

SATURDAY - APRIL 18 - Annual Meeting, Potluck, BASEBALL

Baseball season starts soon, with the Guardians Home Opener scheduled for April 3. What could be a more timely program to follow our annual meeting than **"The History of Cleveland Baseball"**!! This will be presented by Carl Quatraro, a popular local speaker who gives a non-stop talk on Cleveland baseball complete with pictures, facts, and humor and also fields questions.

It's a full evening. This is at the First Congregational Church Twinsburg, 9050 Church St. Doors open at 4:30 for the potluck - come in through the lower level, back of the building. Bring a dish to share and your own table service; we'll have beverages. We'll try to eat at 5:00 and then there's a short meeting.

The program begins at 6:30. Come for just the program or join us for the whole evening. All welcome!

The Twinsburg Historical Society invites you to attend our Annual Meeting, on April 18 @ 4:30pm at Twinsburg First Congregational Church. Potluck begins around 5:00 PM with a short annual meeting to follow

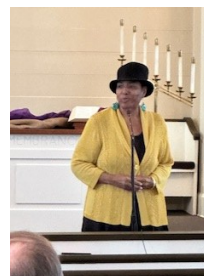
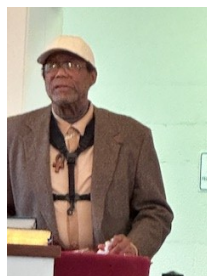
Our evening program is scheduled to begin at 6:30. We plan to welcome Carl Quatraro, who presents on a variety of historical topics. His program, *History of Cleveland Baseball*, features interesting facts, historical images, light humor, and audience questions—an ideal program as baseball season begins.

We hope you will join us for an enjoyable evening of food, fellowship, and local history!

Guests are more than welcome to attend just the evening program at 6:30 PM. Attendance at the potluck or meeting is not required.



We are already well into 2026 and our Annual Unity is behind us. It was a smaller crowd this year but no less enthusiastic. We shared song and reconnected with old friends. Saxophonist Ted Darden was on hand with Psalmist and singer Miss Lilly assisted by Danna Sha' White. Our Honoree was Stella Darden White and the keynote speaker was Ms. Dania M. King MA.Ed.,LPC,CLC. President Bonnie Williams introduced the proceedings and Dr. Constance Longmire facilitated. Everyone gathered for fellowship and food donated by the community. Special thanks to the First Congregational Church for once again sharing their sacred space.



#### **ATTENTION: High School Seniors, parents, grandparents:**

It's the time of year to apply for the Robert Culhan Scholarship, and the Historical Society is again offering one for \$1000.00. Applications are available at our website:

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and should be completed by April 8. If someone lives in Twinsburg, has an interest in history and/or has helped us out in the past, they are a good candidate.

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**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!

## History of Women in Air and Space

Explore the role of women in aviation and aerospace with a speaker from the International Women's Air & Space Museum. Learn about the first woman to fly a hot air balloon in the 18th century, and hear about Bessie Colman's dream to establish a flight school. This program is put on by the Bainbridge Historical Society, It starts at 7:00PM, on March 31, 2026 at The International Women's Air and Space Museum, located inside the Burke Lakefront Airport, Cleveland, Ohio.

Ready for spring to be here already?? Thinking about what plants you want or need this year?? The Garden Club Plant Sale is on 5/9/2026, at the Freeman Barn, from 9AM-Noon.

## Out and about in the Community:

Our Volunteers at the Community Expo on March 14: Betty Forepaugh, Colton Maslar, Bekki Salamon—Maslar, and Diana Kriedman passed out Historical Society info, sold quilt raffle tickets, and supervised as visitors enjoyed some of the more popular hands-on items from the Museum.



## Mystery at the Museum?

That would make a great movie title wouldn't it? Oh, I guess it was a title of a movie. We seem to have a mystery at our museum. We have had a wooden marble game forever in our toy section. For several months now at our trustee meetings it has been brought up if anyone knows where it got moved to. No one seems to know. But a different one, the one pictured here, bigger and painted green has showed up. No one knows where it came from. So, what we are asking is if anyone knows where the old one went to and where the new one came from, we would like to know. ***We haven't lost our marbles, just our marble game!!***



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## Renewing & New Members:

Leslie Bowers 9 yrs  
David & Deborah Hill 18 yrs  
Dan & Tabby Ogrizek 9 yrs  
Betty Schatz 7 yrs  
Muchael & Dottie Walton 3 yrs



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## Dr. Seth Freeman Series

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**1857** – He graduated as a Homeopathic Physician and began the practice of medicine in 1858 in Twinsburg. At the time, there was prejudice against the new Homopathic School of Medicine. It took time to build his medical practice.

**1860** – The Twinsburg Census shows Dr. Freeman’s occupation as a Blacksmith. His in-laws, Josiah and Mariah Harlow are recorded above with his father-in-law’s occupation also as a Blacksmith. It is likely Seth and Josiah worked together.

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SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in the Village of Twinsburg in the County of Summit State of Ohio enumerated by me, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 1860. J. W. Myrtle, A. S. Marshall.

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Family No.	Name of Head of Family	Sex	Age	Color	Description	Value of Estate Owned		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiot, pauper, or convict.
						Real Estate	Personal Estate		
248	Josiah W. Harlow	M	48	W	Blacksmith	500	200	Vermont	
	Mariah	F	47	F				Ohio	
	Hennrietta	F	23	F				Ohio	
	William Brewster	M	25	M	Farm laborer	200		Ohio	
	Charles H. Harlow	M	31	M	Blacksmith	150		Ohio	
	Caroline	F	15	F				Ohio	
	Milie	F	8	F				Ohio	
249	Seth Freeman	M	38	M	Blacksmith	50		N.Y. State	
	Faella	F	36	F				Ohio	
	Mary	F	7	F				Ohio	
	George	M	9	M				Ohio	
250	Garvia Heather	F	55	F	Shoe maker	20		N.Y. State	
	Lolly	F	57	F				New Hampshire	

No. white males, 210 No. colored males, No. foreign born, No. blind, 6680 5080 No. deaf and dumb, No. insane, No. pauper, No. convicts.



**1860** – There were four Physicians in Twinsburg. Two Allopathy, Dr. John Stearns, and Dr. Seymore Collins and two Homeopathy, Dr. A.P. Clark, and Dr. Seth Freeman. The difference being, Allopathic medicine aimed to alleviate symptoms and cure diseases using a wide range of treatments, including surgery, drugs, and other interventions. Homeopathy is believed to stimulate the body’s innate healing abilities. Remedies were highly diluted and administered based on the Law of Similars (i.e. A substance of natural origin that produces certain symptoms in a healthy person will cure those same symptoms in a sick person)

**Civil War** – Beginning during the Civil War and for years afterwards the practice of Dr. Freeman was one of the largest in Ohio, his daily visits taking him into the adjoining towns (Aurora, Macedonia, Northfield Center, Glenwillow, Streetsboro, and Oakwood)

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## This Month in History: April

**April 1, 1865** - During the American Civil War, Confederate troops of General George Pickett were defeated and cut off at Five Forks, Virginia. This sealed the fate of Confederate General Robert E. Lee’s armies at Petersburg and Richmond and has-

**April 8, 1952** - President Harry S. Truman seized control of America’s steel mills to prevent a shutdown by strikers. However, on April 29th, the seizure was ruled unconstitutional by a U.S. District Court. Workers immediately began a strike lasting 53 days, ending it when they received a 16-cents per-hour wage increase and additional benefits.

**April 14, 1865** - President Abraham Lincoln was shot and mortally wounded while watching a performance of *Our American Cousin* at Ford’s Theater in Washington. He was taken to a nearby house and died the following morning at 7:22 a.m.

**April 22, 1864** - "In God We Trust" was included on all newly minted U.S. coins by an Act of Congress.

## Trivia Challenge:

Which of the following empires had no written language?

- A. Aztec Empire
- B. Roman Empire
- C. Incan Empire
- D. Tang Dynasty

Since the Incan Empire had no written language, the main form of communication and recording in the empire were quipus, ceramics and spoken Quechua, the language the Incas imposed upon conquered peoples. The Inca’s impact outlasted their empire, as the Spanish contr-

Answer: C

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