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# 2026

## May

### Newsletter

#### Mark Your Calendar

**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

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.

open at 4:30PM, 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”. Be prepared for an hour of facts, pictures, and humor by someone who really knows Cleveland baseball.

#### April:

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”. This program is well worth the price of admission!!! (it is FREE)**

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. Olde Thyme Kids Games will be featured.

#### July:

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

7/26/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

**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!

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.

**Have you thought about the Olde Thyme Fayre yet??** Weekend of September 12th and 13th is when this event is happening. You need to start thinking about your entries now. It is spring time!! Start thinking about your plants. Are you going to enter some of your produce that your gardens have provided? What about your craft work? (knitting, crocheting, painting). Homemade items like jellies or jams. Even wine and beer!! Don’t wait till the last minute. Start your plans now so you don’t get caught short on time.

We also will be accepting gift baskets to be raffled off!!

More updated info will be coming out as we get closer to the event.

Another event to start thinking about is the “Tales of Locust Grove”. This is on Friday, October 2nd and Saturday October 3rd. Do you like to act? We are always looking for people to portray our actors in the cemetery. Don’t like to act, we can always use “Guides” to escort the tour groups from the Museum to the Cemetery and back. Give us a shout if interested.

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## FREEMAN BARN UPDATE:

If you live locally, you may have noticed that the Barn has a new look. (Pictures added for those of you out of town) Andy Krupa, Bob Davet, and Rich Bissell spent a lot of back-breaking time clearing the overgrown shrubbery from around the Barn. The City was kind enough to grind up or haul everything away.

This is all in preparation for some badly-needed preservation work....the Barn needs re-painting and the roof needs to be coated with a protective sealant. The painting will be costly because we will want to preserve the "Mail Pouch" wording. Our Barn was one of the last painted (1987) by Harley Warrick - famous for painting "Mail Pouch Barns" across 13 States in the Midwest and Appalachia.

Yes - this means we will be having fundraisers. We are also applying for grants - an arduous process, and we would welcome help from anyone with grant-writing experience - leave a message at 330-487-5565 or email [thspresident1817@gmail.com](mailto:thspresident1817@gmail.com)



Before



*Stumps to be removed at a later date.*



After



## Still a 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. Please contact us at [twinsburghistorical@gmail.com](mailto:twinsburghistorical@gmail.com)

***We haven't lost our marbles, yet, just our marble game!!***



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## Renewing & New Members:

Frank T. Carr (16yrs)

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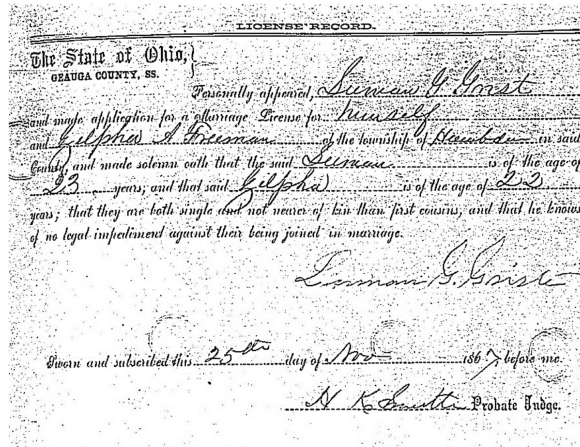
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## Dr. Seth Freeman Series

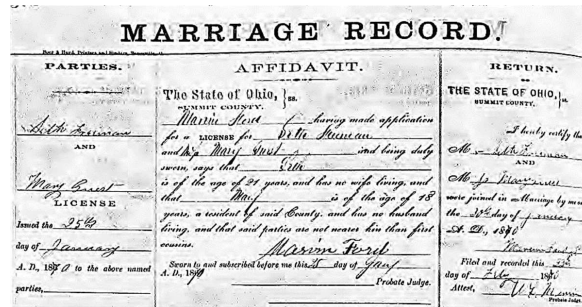
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Between 1860 to 1866 – Seth and Fidelia were divorced. Seth married his 2nd. Wife Elizabeth Guest 1837-1867.

1867 – November, Zilpha Freeman, Dr. Freeman’s youngest sister marries Civil War Veteran, Luman Griste.



1870 – January 30, Seth was a widow when he married his sister-in-law and his 3rd. Wife, Mary Guest 1843-1929. They did not have any



1870 – Dr. Freeman purchases property from the former Bissell Institute. The Rev. Bissell kept the land under his Institute but sold the balance to Dr. Freeman who built a house and barn.



## This Month in History: May

**May 4, 1494** - During his second journey of exploration in the New World, Christopher Columbus discovered Jamaica.

**May 6, 1937** - The German airship Hindenburg burst into flames at 7:20 p.m. as it neared the mooring mast at Lakehurst, New Jersey, following a trans-Atlantic voyage. Thirty six of the 97 passengers and crew were killed. The inferno was caught on film and also witnessed by a commentator who broke down amid the emotional impact and exclaimed, "Oh, the humanity!" The accident effectively ended commercial airship traffic.

**May 17, 1792** - Two dozen merchants and brokers established the New York Stock Exchange. In good weather they operated under a buttonwood tree on Wall Street. In bad weather they moved inside to a coffeehouse to conduct business.

**May 25, 1787** - The Constitutional Convention began in Philadelphia with delegates from seven states forming a quorum.

## Trivia Challenge:

How many days in a week were there in ancient Roman times?

- A. 6
- B. 7
- C. 8
- D. 9

The Roman 8-day week, known as the nundinal cycle, was designed for agricultural and commercial convenience, with a market day (nundinae) occurring every eighth day. Originating with the Etruscans and used from the 6th century BC to 321 AD, it permitted farmers to sell goods, attend legal business, and citizens to prepare for the next cycle. Plus it gave the Beatles a reason to write a song!

Answer: C

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