TWINSBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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2026

July Newsletter

NEWSLETTER DEDICATION:
This month's Newsletter is dedicated to the Twinsburg Garden Club - a long-time supporter of the Historical Society and helpful to us in so many ways. They have taken care of the flower beds at the Moses Roach (Chamber of Commerce) house for many years, have taken on the Riley House, and most recently re-did the area that houses our outdoor announcement sign that faces Darrow Rd. Thank you all!

Remember the article about the big Fund Raiser from last month?? Well , here is what is going on.

Watch your email/mail for our Freeman Barn Fundraiser Non-Event. The Barn and the metal roof are in need of a fresh coat of paint and the Mail Pouch sign needs touched up too!

We are in need of approx. $50,000 to cover the costs of this much needed work and are reaching out to our members, friends, supporters and community for your help.

All donations are tax deductible and we have Our Super Donor who will match up to $10,000 when we hit that $10,000 mark.

Please help us preserve and maintain this historic downtown building!! (See flyer insert)

You can get more info on our website:
www.twinsburghistoricalsociety.org

You can also make your donations by mailing your check to the above address or through by PayPal by using this QR Code:

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:
We're doing a Barn cleanup on Wednesday, June 24th, starting at 9:30. We will be sweeping, re-arranging, moving items out of the "stalls", and, hopefully, doing some setup for the "Olde Thyme Kids Games" open house on June 28. Any help is appreciated - we'll provide the water and donuts.

"FUN AND GAMES"
Fun and Games is the best way to describe our June 28th Open House, 2:00-5:00. It's our "Olde Thyme Kids Games" day - fun for Kids of all ages, with no screens or batteries involved. Children get points for games played and can choose a prize. We'll have skittles, corn hole, dominoes, hop scotch….the list goes on and on. Plus, a professional juggler will entertain from 3:00-4:00 and there will be sno cones for all, from Curry's Tropical Sno.
And if you need a break from all of the games, there is always lots of History to see in both the Museum and Barn.
There's no charge and all are welcome.

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Mark Your Calendar

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.

August:

8/5/2026, Trustee Meeting, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

8/7/2026, Special Twins Days Open House, 12PM-3PM, Museum.

8/26/2026, **Special Program**, "Geneva on the lake. A history of Ohio's first summer resort" by Wendy Koile. Doors open at 6:30PM, Program starts 7:00PM

8/30/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

September:

9/2/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, Museum.

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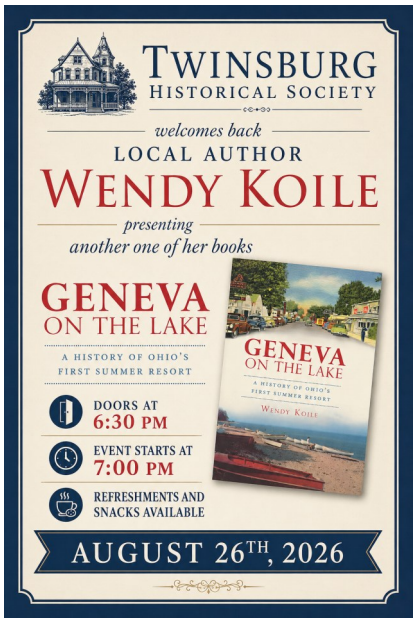
OLDE THYME FAYRE!

It's true - the Olde Thyme Fayre isn't until September - and rather late at that, the 12th and 13th. But we hope you'll keep us in mind as you care for your flowers and gardens and contemplate new craft projects. We enjoy seeing and displaying what you have created and grown, so keep us in mind…..and remember - everyone gets a ribbon.

And we are planning, too….it's a bit different each year, but you can always count on Kids Krafts, Olde Thyme tool demonstrations, and water balloon tosses. Watch for further publicity on what to expect.



She is back!!!!

On August 26, 2026, we will have Wendy Koile back to present another one of her books.

She will be talking about her book, "Geneva on the lake. A history of Ohio's first summer resort" This should be a fascinating look at Geneva on the Lake.

Doors will open at 6:30 PM

Presentation will start at 7:00 PM

Refreshments will be provided.

She will have copies of some of her books available for you to purchase.

Wendy has presented her different books several times for us and this event is well attended. Don't miss it!!

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.

Want to help us save some money???

Postage is going up AGAIN!!!

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.

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Renewing & New Members:

Beatrice J. Adzema (12yrs)

Curtiss & Betty Stewart (New)

Want to help?? We keep a list of volunteers and call when help is needed. Just scan the code and fill out the form.

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Dr. Seth Freeman Series
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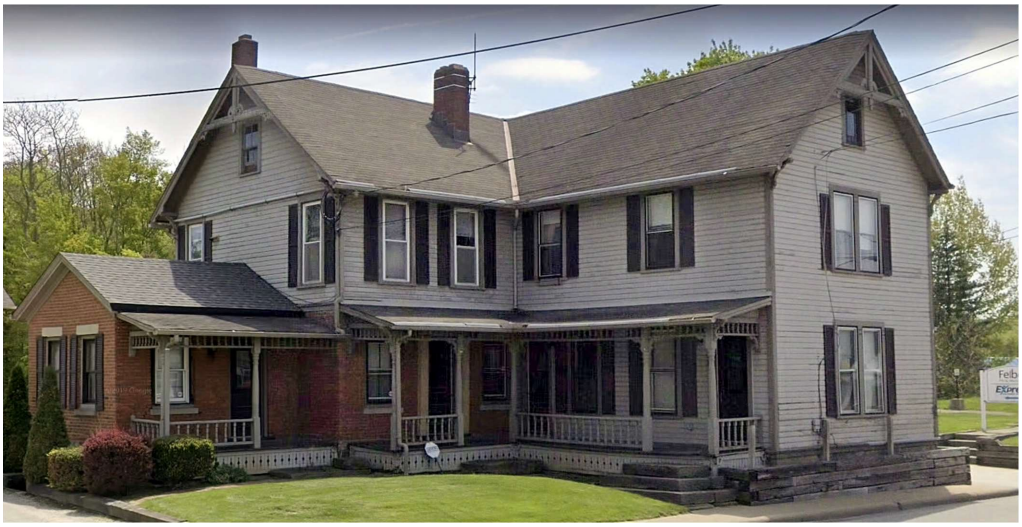
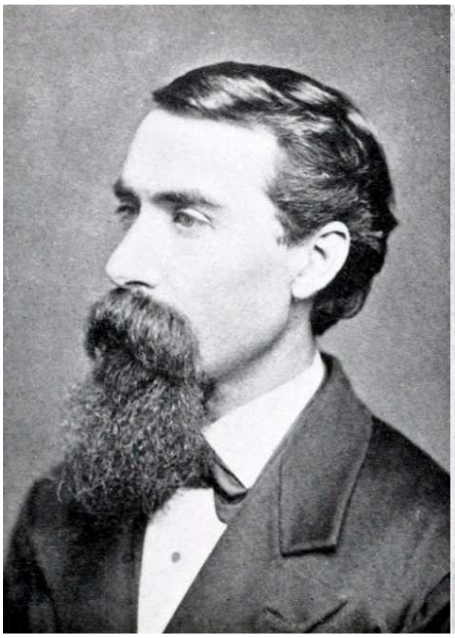
1880 – Dr's Luman and Zilpha Griste built a home across from Dr. Freeman.





Dr. Luman Griste

Dr. Zilpha Griste

This Month in History: July

July 1, 1862 - President Abraham Lincoln signed the first income tax bill, levying a 3% income tax on annual incomes of $600-$10,000 and a 5% tax on incomes over $10,000. Also on this day, the Bureau of Internal Revenue was established by an Act of Congress.

July 7, 1898 - President William McKinley signed a resolution annexing Hawaii. In 1900, Congress made Hawaii an incorporated territory of the U.S., which it remained until becoming a state in 1959.

July 24, 1945 - At the conclusion of the Potsdam Conference in Germany, Winston Churchill, Harry Truman and China's representatives issued a demand for unconditional Japanese surrender. The Japanese, unaware the demand was backed up by an Atomic bomb, rejected the Potsdam Declaration on July 26.

Trivia Challenge:

Which U.S. President was shot by Charles J. Guiteau on July 2, 1881?

A. Chester A. Arthur

B. Grover Cleveland

C. Rutherford B. Hayes

D. James A. Garfield

Answer: D
Offended by Garfield's rejections of his various job applications, Guiteau shot the President at the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Station in Washington, D.C. on July 2, 1881. Garfield died two months later from infections related to the injury. Guiteau was hanged for the crime.

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The Twinsburg Historical Society requests your presence at our:

"BARN PAINTING FUNDRAISER"

The Freeman Barn is in need of maintenance to preserve the heritage of this structure. Twinsburg Historical society hosts many events and programs utilizing this barn.

This is a "Non-Event Event"!! You don't have to leave home or put on your work clothes. Instead, put on your favorite comfy clothes and relax and donate to the cause!!

You can make your donation through PayPal or by sending us your check. Please use either method below:

Scan this QR Code and use PayPal:

Donations will be accepted starting on 6/20/2026 and continue till we reach our goal.

Checks can be made out and sent to:

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This fund raiser will help us raise the $50,000 needed to cover the recoating of the metal roof and painting of the exterior of the building which includes preserving the "Mail Pouch" sign.

Donations received up to $10,000 will be matched by our anonymous "Super Donor"

Donation Levels:

$25 Helper	$500 Lift Operator
$50 Laborer	$1000 Foreman
$100 Painter	$2000+ Barn CEO
$250 Barn VIP	

The Twinsburg Historical Society aims to inspire the community, by collecting, preserving and exhibiting artifacts from the city's past and fostering connections to people and ideas.

The Twinsburg Historical Society, is a 501c(3), nonprofit, we rely on your generous tax deductible donations to meet these needs.

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