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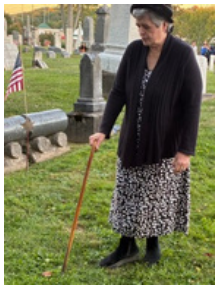
We hope you have noticed the work being done on the historic Freeman Barn.
You can see the progress on our FaceBook page!
Our fundraiser to pay for this $50,000 has continued and at this point we have raised $29,077 which is about two thirds of the total expense.
We have made payments to SprayGenX totaling $29,340 and have a balance of $19,560 when the job is completed. So, if you have been saying ***"I need to send a donation to the Twinsburg Historical Society"***, now is the time!!
Please help us to finish this project on a positive note and send your donation now by scanning the QRCode to the right!

Tales of Locust Grove 2026



We again had perfect weather on October 2nd and 3rd for our "Tales of Locust Grove" program.
Our historical visitors did an amazing job of telling the stories of their lives in early Twinsburg!
We had 60 people visit on Friday and 80 on Saturday. They followed their guide from the museum to the Vault at the beginning of the cemetery and then proceeded to hear the stories our great cast had to tell.
Refreshments were available in the Freeman Barn following the tour, which were all donated by local businesses. Thank you for the continued support of these businesses and the volunteers that helped acquire these donations.
Funds raised from this event helps us to try and take care of headstones in the cemetery.

A "Big" special thanks to all who helped with the weekend but were not reenactors - people who sold tickets, served food, arranged for donations and picked them up.
Special thanks to community businesses which once again made sure that there was plenty to eat and drink after the cemetery tours: Mr. Chicken, Michael's Catering and Cafe, Mavis Winkles, Starbucks, Master Pizza, Dunkin' Donuts, Marco's Pizza, Romeo's Pizza, Pizza Hut, Giant Eagle - and, especially, our 18-year-donors: Fresh Start Diner and George's Donuts.

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2026 November Newsletter

Mark Your Calendar

October:

10/25/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.

10/29/2026, Halloween Stories in the Barn, Contact the Library for more details.

November:

11/4/2026, Trustee Meeting, 6:30PM, Museum.

11/22/2026, Open House, 2PM-5PM, Museum.
From 4:30 to 6:30 Mr. and Mrs. Clause will be there for pictures at the "Vintage Holiday" event!!

December:

12/2/2026, Christmas Party, 6:30PM-8:30PM, Museum. Bring a Dish/Snack to share.

2027 is in the planning stages. More to come next month!!

The Annual Twinsburg Historical Society Christmas Party
Wednesday, 12/2/2026 from 6:30PM to 8:30PM at the Museum. Come dressed in your best Holiday threads! Bring a snack to share. Beverages will be provided.

HALLOWEEN STORYTELLING AT THE BARN

It's October, and that means another "Halloween Storytelling at the Barn". This is a Twinsburg Library event but it takes place in our Barn - right next to the Museum on Darrow Rd. (Yes - the newly renovated Barn with the fresh paint and shiny roof).

This is open to children ages Kindergarten thru Third Grade (accompanied by parents) and is always fun. Besides story telling there might be riddles, treats, and jokes. Children are most definitely encouraged to wear costumes. This takes place October 29, from 6:00-7:00. Library staff request that you register so that they can plan appropriately. Registration opens on October 15. Call the Library - 330-425-4268 x3 or stop at the desk in the children's section.

Need to get into the "Holiday Spirit"?

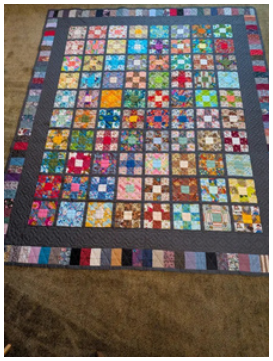
Join us for our 2nd Vintage Holiday during our November 22nd Open House! This event is in collaboration with the Twinsburg Native Habitat Association who is supplying the energy to transform our grounds into magical gardens. The barn and outdoor spaces will be brilliantly decorated for the upcoming holidays with lights, bows and enchanted photographic niches for the community to cozy up to for their family holiday portraits. The event will start in the museum with a festive scavenger hunt and autumn treats at 2pm. As the sun goes down and the lights begin to glow, Mr. and Mrs. Clause will make an appearance from 4:30-6:30pm in the barn to receive children interested in sharing their wishes with the jolly couple. An opportunity to write a letter to Santa will also be available. We hope to see you and your family there to start off the holiday cheer!

Last Call!! 2026 UNIQUE HUES Quilt

Queen Size

The 2026 Twinsburg Historical Society Quilt Fundraiser was made from 80, 9 " blocks. The hand sewn blocks were donated to us by Patricia Raudins of Hudson OH. Each block has 2 unique but color coordinated fabrics. The outer borders consist of 132 blocks of different fabrics that were also donated. Often ladies would bring their extra fabrics in pieces of a certain size to exchange with other quilting friends. The fabric (+ batting and backing) and time spent hand quilting the 3 layers are all donated. We even make our own tickets — so all Money donated through ticket sales can be Used to benefit the Museum. $5.00 per ticket. Drawing is on Wednesday, December 2, 2026 at the Annual Christmas Party at the Museum.

Tickets can be purchased at any THS Open House or special program. You can also call the museum or email us and we can make arrangements to get with you.



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Renewing & New Members:

Patricia Anne Willson (New)
Sam Scaffide (5yrs)

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Dr. Seth Freeman Series
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ADDENDUM – Newspaper Clippings

1866 – Dr. Freeman assaults his 9-year-old son, George.

Police Matters.—SETH FREEMAN, of Twinsburg, was brought before Justice Cunningham on Saturday last, charged with assault and battery upon his own son, a lad some nine years of age.—Defendant waived examination and was held to bail in the sum of $300

1874 – Broken Leg patient.

Allen Shields was the victim of a painful accident last Tuesday, The horse that he was riding stumbled and fell upon Mr. Shield's leg, breaking it near the ankle. Dr. Freeman of Twinsburg was called.

There is no little uneasiness existing concering small pox. Exaggerated reports from neighboring towns, Twinsburg especially, do not calm the public mind.

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This Month in History:
November

November 2, 1962 - During the Cuban Missile Crisis, President John F. Kennedy announced on TV, "the Soviet bases in Cuba are being dismantled, their missiles and related equipment being crated, and the fixed installations at these sites are being destroyed."

November 13, 1956 - The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that racial segregation on public buses was unconstitutional.

November 18, 1883 - A Connecticut school teacher, Charles F. Dowd, proposed a uniform time zone plan for the U.S. consisting of four zones.

November 26, 1832 - The first horse-drawn streetcar carried passengers in New York City along Fourth Avenue between Prince Street and 14th Street.

Trivia Challenge:

Which of the following was a key weapon used by the Germans during World War I?

1. The zeppelin
2. The U-boat
3. The bi-plane
4. The aircraft carrier

Answer: 2
The German U-boat submarines not only allowed Germany to break through British blockades of German ports, but they also created a virtually invisible blockade of their own, preventing supplies and munitions from entering Great Britain by sea.

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