

Marion200 Speaker Series

The Marion200 Speaker Series will provide a summary of various layers of Marion County's journey from its 1820 roots to present day. Speakers on a wide range of topics will focus not just on the where and when but also the how and why of Marion County's past. Supplemental exhibits will also be utilized to tell the story of Marion County's development. All programs in the series are presented free of charge thanks to the generosity of the Bicentennial's Legacy Sponsors.

- 1.16.2020...
Before It Was Marion County—Dr. Bradley T. Lepper, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 2.27.2020...
A Farmer's Life—Mike Brewer, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 3.12.2020...
Readin', 'Ritin', and 'Rithmetic—Jim Craycraft, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 4.9.2020...
Praise Be!—Doug Ford, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 4.23.2020...
The Show Must Go On!—Bev Ford, Palace Theatre, 7pm
- 5.7.2020...
The Business of Business —Lars Olson, Marion Public Library Meeting Room, 7pm
- 5.21.2020...
The Original Marion Made—Dave Claborn, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 6.11.2020...
Is the Doctor In?—Brett McCrery, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 10.8.2020...
Play Ball! —Dave Gorenflo, Tri-Rivers Career Center, 7pm
- 10.22.2020...
Politics & Personalities—Brett McCrery, Harding Presidential Center, 7pm
- 11.12.2020...
It's Been A Very Good Year—Mark Holbrook, Closing Ceremony & Sealing of Time Capsule— Harding Presidential Center Auditorium, 7pm

Speaker Series Venues:
Tri-Rivers Career Center Auditorium
2222 Marion-Mt. Gilead Road, Marion

Marion Palace Theatre
276 W. Center Street, Marion

Marion Public Library Meeting Room
445 E. Church Street, Marion

Harding Presidential Center Auditorium
355 E. Church Street, Marion

At each *Speaker Series* event, there will be numerous exhibits related to the presentations with experts available to answer questions and share information.

Moments & Memories

- View daily posts on **FACEBOOK**
@MarionCountyOHBicentennial200
- Interesting facts
 - Historical photos
 - Engaging events
 - Updates

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Digitization Days

Digitization Days will provide an opportunity to have family heirloom documents such as letters, photographs, diaries, and more scanned and digitally saved for preserving and sharing. Using state-of-the-art scanning equipment, trained volunteers will scan and digitize a limited number of items for each participant who will then receive the scans on a complimentary USB drive. *Digitization Days* will be available at various locations and dates around Marion County.

Steering Committee:

Randy Winland—Chairman
Brandi Wilson, Shannon Morris, Ellen Messenger, Brett McCrery, Mark Holbrook, Sherry Hall, Tara Dyer, Mike Brewer, and Vicky Branson



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Marion County Homecoming 2020 Events

1.16.2020...Marion200 Speaker Series-
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2.8.2020—6 to 10pm *Tickets Required*
“Turn Up the Heat 2020” Gala Dance Event
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion
Fun & formal dance competition among community members to assist in funding projects/programming

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3.12.2020...Marion200 Speaker Series-
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3.22.2020—2 to 5pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
Open House & Tours
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion

4.9.2020...Marion200 Speaker Series-
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4.25.2020—10am to 2pm
Marion Family YMCA
Healthy Kids Day
Marion Family YMCA
645 Barks Road East, Marion
• Activities for Children

5.2.2020—1pm to Dusk
Edward Huber Memorial Association
Homecoming 2020
220 E. Fairground Street, Marion
• Huber Machinery Museum Open House & Tours
• Steam Engine “Spark Show” at Dusk
• Refreshments: Lemonade Shake-Ups, Popcorn Wagon & More

5.2.2020—1 to 4pm *Admission Fee*
Historic Huber Home Open House
Frank Huber Home
416 E. Church Street, Marion
• Tours of the Historic Frank Huber Home

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5.21.2020...Marion200 Speaker Series-
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6.11.2020...Marion200 Speaker Series-
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6.18.2020—4:30 to 6:30pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
125th Anniversary Celebration & National Register of Historic Places Designation Ceremony
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion

6.20.2020—11am to 6pm
Juneteenth & A Celebration of Gospel
Martin Luther King Park
201-261 Martin Luther King Avenue, Marion
• Celebration of the Emancipation of Slaves in the U.S.
• Music from Gospel Choirs
• Presentations on the History of Marion’s Black Churches
• Children’s Games, Activities and Food Vendors

6.27.2020—11am to 4pm
Caledonia Homecoming 2020
• Village Square & Village Museum
• Memorial United Methodist Church
• Held in Conjunction with Village Garage Sales & Car Show

7.4.2020—8am to 10pm
Prospect Old-Fashioned Fourth of July Celebration & Homecoming 2020
Prospect Community Park, Village Hall, Streets
• Opening Ceremony with Special Guests President & Mrs. Warren G. Harding & Village Founder Christian Gast
• Various Reenactors
• “Old Fashioned” Kid’s & Adult’s Games
• Kid’s Food Eating Contests
• Tours of Historic Sites in Village – Begin at 2:30pm & Continue Throughout the Day
• Baked Goods Contest & Kid’s Pet Parade
• Lions Club Vision Screenings
• Photo Booth for “Old Time” Photographs
• Food Vendors including the Battle Run Fire Dept. Chicken BBQ
• Fireworks at 9:30pm

7.8.2020—5-7pm
Salem United Methodist Church
Ice Cream Social
1640 Salem Road, Caledonia
• Homemade Noodles, Ice Cream & Pies

7.18.2020—10am to 6pm
Tully Township & Martel Homecoming 2020
Tully Township Hall, Martel
• Tully Twp. & Martel Photographs, Ephemera, & Memorabilia
• “Old-Fashioned” Children’s Games & Activities
• Craft Show & Flea Market
• Terradise Nature Center Display

7.19.2020—2pm to 5pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
Open House/Tours
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion

7.24.2020—5:30pm
Marion Palace Theatre
“Set the Stage” Bicentennial Presentation
Marion Palace Theatre
276 W. Center Street, Marion
• The culminating activity for the Palace Theatre’s *Set the Stage Camp* where talented young performers discover there truly is “No Place Like Home” as they celebrate Marion County’s Bicentennial. The 5-day camp experience gives campers the opportunity to develop their performance skills while honoring Marion’s rich history.

7.31.2020-8.1.2020—4:30pm to 9pm
Morral Firemen’s Festival/Homecoming 2020
Salt Rock Twp. Fire Department
143 Green Street, Morral
• Morral History Displays, Bingo, Silent Auctions
• Wide Variety of Food and Desserts
• Children’s Activities & Reenactors

7.31.2020—5:30pm
Marion Palace Theatre
“Set the Stage” Bicentennial Presentation
Marion Palace Theatre
276 W. Center Street, Marion
See Details on July 24th Listing

8.1.2020—10am to 6pm
Explore-It-Torium “200 Years of Play”
Explore-It-Torium Children’s Museum
244 S. Main Street, Marion
• Exhibits/activities celebrating 200 years of kids at play
• Toys and games popular in previous decades from the handmade toys of the 1820s to the Tinker Toys and Lincoln Logs of the 1900s to today’s robotics
• Learn about Explore-It-Torium’s home in the former 1907 Carnegie Public Library

8.2.2020 —2 to 4pm
New Bloomington Homecoming 2020 & Ice Cream Social
New Bloomington Village Park
• “Old Time” Photographs with Historic Scenes Backdrop Painted by Elgin High School Students
• “Old-Fashioned” Games & Quilt Raffle
• Musical Performances – 2:30 to 3:30pm
• Pop-up Museum with Photographs & Memorabilia

8.8.2020 —3 to 7pm
Claridon Homecoming 2020 & Ice Cream Social
Claridon United Methodist Church
4834 Marion-Mt. Gilead Road, Marion
• Ice Cream Social, Entertainment & Car Show

8.22.2020—10am to 5pm
8.23.2020—12 to 5pm
Historical Owen’s Station Homecoming 2020
Admission Fee
674 Owens Road West, Marion
• Live Music Performances in Renovated Opera House
• Reenactors Including Soldiers, Pioneers, etc.
• American Indian Village
• Mill House, One-Room School, Barns, etc.
• Agricultural Exhibits – Antique Machinery
• Children’s Games including Pony Ride, Train Ride, etc.
• Blacksmithing, Glass Blowing
• Pop-Up Museum of Early Marion Ephemera & Memorabilia
• Food & Merchandise Vendors

9.3.2020 —6pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
“Busy & Brilliant” Fall Forum – Session 1
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion
• Inspiring Presentation about Women & Politics
• Featuring Dr. Margaret Sumner—Associate Professor of History, The Ohio State University at Marion

9.7.2020 —9am to 2pm
Meeker Homecoming 2020, Hog Roast & Community Yard Sales
Meeker Community Center
6400 Harding Highway West, Marion
• Hog Roast & Other Homemade Food
• Community Yard Sales
• Children’s Games & Activities

9.10.2020—9.12.2020
Marion Popcorn Festival
Downtown Marion
• Featuring “Celebrate” as the Theme
• Parade September 10 at 6pm in Downtown

9.12.2020—10am to 1pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
Open Doors Event
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street
• Open House, Tours, Costumed Reenactors

9.13.2020—10am to 2pm
Claridon United Methodist Church
Worship Sunday
Claridon United Methodist Church
4834 Marion-Mt. Gilead Road, Marion
• Celebrating 200 Years as a Congregation
• Worship Service with Bishop & Special Music – 10am
• Lunch
• 200 Year Celebration Service with Special Music – 2pm

9.18.2020
Harding Presidential Site Dedication—TBD
355 East Church Street, Marion
Dedication of Restored Harding Home and New Warren G. Harding Presidential Library & Museum.
Details TBD. www.hardingpresidentialsites.org

9.18.2020-9.19.2020
Warren G. Harding Symposium—Times TBD
The Ohio State University-Marion Campus
1465 Mount Vernon Avenue, Marion
“America in 1920: The Year of Warren G. Harding”
• Reception, Workshops, Gala Dinner. Events at Warren G. Harding Presidential Library & Museum and The Ohio State University-Marion Campus
1465 Mount Vernon Ave., Marion
go.osu.edu/harding to register

9.19.2020—11am to 5pm
Green Camp Firemen’s Festival/Homecoming 2020
Green Camp Park & Streets
• Chicken BBQ, Church Open Houses
• Fire Department Open House, Children’s Games

9.19.2020—10am to 2pm
Tri-Rivers Family Fun Days Homecoming 2020
Tri-Rivers Career Center
2222 Marion Mt. Gilead Rd, Marion
• Family Fun for All Ages

9.19.2020—11am to 9pm
9.20.2020—12:30 to 5:30pm
Waldo Community Homecoming 2020
Waldo Village Park & Streets
• Street Vendors, BBQ
• Pop-up Museum with Photographs & Memorabilia

9.20.2020—2 to 5pm
Historic Women’s Club Home “Ohio Open Doors”
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion
• Open House, Tours, Costumed Reenactors

9.26.2020—10am to 2pm
LaRue Village Homecoming 2020
• Walking Tours of Historic Sites: Oorang Kennels, Dr. Sawyer’s Home & Sanatorium, and More with Commemorative Certificate for First 100 Participants
• Food Vendors
• Lance Roberts LaRue Memorabilia Museum – Displays of LaRue & Related Memorabilia, Photographs, etc.

10.1.2020—6pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
“Busy & Brilliant” Fall Forum – Session 2
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion
See details on September 3 listing

10.3.2020—1 to 4pm
Kirkpatrick / Scott Township
Hot Dog Roast & Ice Cream Social
Kirkpatrick Church of Christ Family Life Center
5154 Columbus-Sandusky Road North, Marion
• Hot Dog Roast & Ice Cream Social
• Displays-Kirkpatrick & Scott Township Photos/Memorabilia

10.4.2020—1 to 4pm
Harding Front Porch Campaign Revisited
• A shorter version of the 1920 Harding campaign march will travel from Epworth Church Parking Lot at 249 E. Center Street leaving at 2pm to the Harding Home for a celebration of the 1920 Front Porch Campaign
• Participants are invited to carry a sign supporting Harding for President.
• Once at the Harding Home, a campaign speech will be given from the famous front porch followed by refreshments on the lawn.

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11.2.2020—6pm
Historic Women’s Club Home
“Busy & Brilliant” Fall Forum – Session 3
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion
See details on September 3 listing

11.7.2020—9am to 3pm
Historic Women’s Club Home Holiday Arts & Crafts Show with Historic Home Tours
Historic Women’s Club Home
1126 E. Center Street, Marion

11.12.2020—7pm
Closing Ceremonies & Sealing of Time Capsule
Harding Presidential Center Auditorium
355 East Church Street, Marion
• “It’s Been A Very Good Year” by Mark Holbrook, Director of Marion Area Convention & Visitors Bureau and Member of Bicentennial Steering Committee
• Sealing of the Marion County Bicentennial Time Capsule
• Closing Ceremony

