

HALLMARKS

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THE MARION COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY WANTS YOU!

The Marion County Historical Society will host our Volunteer Orientation Saturday, February 24th at 10:00 am in the MCHS Auditorium. We would like to invite anyone interested in being a volunteer at MCHS to join us for this hour-long session.

During the Volunteer Orientation, you will receive a volunteer handbook, learn about upcoming events, and the various ways volunteers are used here at MCHS.

We try to match our needs with your interests. A few of the volunteer's opportunities we have are Docent (tour guide), Gift Shop, housekeeping, artifact care/archiving, historical research, exhibit creation, desktop publishing, historical education and historic reenactment.

Volunteers are an integral part of MCHS; we would be unable to operate without your help. If you are looking for a way to give of your time, grab a friend and come out to see what opportunities await and join us for the 2018 season as a volunteer!



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SAVE THESE DATES! WHAT'S HAPPENING AT HERITAGE HALL & BEYOND

JANUARY & FEBRUARY - Museum Closed Except by Appt.
Office is Open Tues. – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm

Feb. 12 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Feb. 20 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Feb. 24 Sat. 10:00am Volunteer Training (Orientation)
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Feb. 26 Mon. 9:00am Museum Clean-Up Day
Heritage Hall

July 2-7 M – S 9am-5pm Marion County Fair – Log House
Log House at Fairgrounds
July 09 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
July 17 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
July 19 Thurs. 7:00pm Focused Volunteer Training
Heritage Hall Auditorium
July 27 Fri. 9:00am Blast From Past Final Date
Off-Site

MARCH - APRIL - Museum Open Sat. & Sun. 1:00 – 4:00pm

March 03 Sat. 1:00pm Museum Opens for Weekends Only
Heritage Hall
March 12 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
March 15 Thurs. 7:00pm Focused Volunteer Training
Heritage Hall Auditorium
March 20 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
March 23 Fri. 7:00pm Night at Heritage Hall
Heritage Hall
March 24 Sat. 7:00pm Night at Heritage Hall
Heritage Hall
April 09 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
April 10 Tues. 7:00pm Program Meeting
RV High School Auditorium
April 17 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
April 19 Thurs. 4:00pm Volunteer Open House
Heritage Hall Auditorium
April 21 Sat. 1:00pm Time Traveler's Faire
Tri-Rivers Career Center

Aug. 13 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Aug. 16 Thurs. 7:00pm Focused Volunteer Training
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Aug. 18 Sat. 11:00am First Ladies Luncheon
TBA
Aug. 21 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Sept. 07 Thurs. 12– 6pm Popcorn Festival – Open Extended
Hours
Sept. 08 Fri. 12– 6pm Popcorn Festival – Open Extended
Hours
Sept. 09 Sat. 12- 6pm Popcorn Festival – Open Extended
Hours
Sept. 10 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Sept. 18 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Oct. 08 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Oct. 16 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Oct. 18 Thurs. 11:30pm Lunch with the Presidents
TBA
Oct. 21 Sun. 1-4pm Linn School – Closes for Season
Linn School

MAY – OCT. Museum is Open Wed – Sun, 1:00pm – 4:00pm

May 01 Tues. 9:00am Set-up for Rummage Sale
Heritage Hall Auditorium
May 02 Wed. 1:00pm Museum Opens for Wed. – Sun. Hours
Heritage Hall
May 02 Wed. 1:00pm New Exhibit Opens Heritage Hall
May 04 Fri. 4:00pm Rummage Sale (MCHS Members Only)
Heritage Hall Auditorium
May 05 Sat. 9:00am Rummage Sale
Heritage Hall Auditorium
May 05 Sat. 1-4pm Linn School Opens for Season
Linn School
May 07 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
May 15 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
May 17 Thurs. 11:30am Lunch with the Presidents TBA
May 20 Sun. 12:00pm Waldo Memorial Day ParadeWaldo
June 11 Mon. 9:00am Blast From The Past Begins Off-Site
June 11 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
June 19 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
June 21 Thurs. 5:00pm Volunteer Training/Clean Log House
Log House at Fairgrounds

NOV.-DEC. Museum is Open Sat– Sun, 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Nov. 3 Sat. 5:30pm Dinner with the Presidents
TBA
Nov. 12 Mon. 5:00pm Executive Committee Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Nov. 15 Thurs. 7:00pm Volunteer Recognition
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Nov. 20 Tues. 5:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
Dec. 01 Sat. 11:00am Annual Meeting
Heritage Hall Auditorium
11:30am Potluck Luncheon
Heritage Hall Auditorium
1-4pm Holidays at Heritage Hall
Heritage Hall Gift Shop



A NIGHT AT HERITAGE HALL

On Friday, March 23rd and Saturday, March 24th, the Marion County Historical Society presents our 11th Annual “A Night at Heritage Hall.” For MCHS members, advance tickets are \$3.50; tickets at the door \$4.00. For non-members, advance tickets are \$7.00; tickets at the door are \$8.00. Four times: 7:00pm to 9:00pm both nights. Mark your calendar now so you won’t miss the opportunity to explore the museum by flashlight, meet historic personalities, and experience the past as you travel among exhibits that spring to life to tell their stories.

To purchase tickets contact the Marion County Historical Society at 740-387-4255 or purchase online at www.marionhistory.com. Pre-registration ends March 22nd.



CALLING ALL ASPIRING ACTORS & REENACTORS

We are still looking for a few more folks to portray individuals from Marion or Ohio’s past during the Night at Heritage Hall tours. Volunteers are also needed to assist with crowd control at the event.

Night At Heritage Hall takes place on March 23 & 24, Fri. & Sat. from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. If you would like to be a part of this enjoyable and educational event, or have a character who you think would be of interest to the event call 740-387-4255 and talk your idea over with us, or email: mchs@marionhistory.com.

TIME TRAVELLERS’ FAIRE

Have you ever wished you could be a princess? Or a knight? Let the Marion County Historical Society grant your wish. Queen Elizabeth I, from the Ohio Renaissance Festival, will conduct a knighting ceremony at the Time Travellers’ Faire on Saturday, April 21st at Tri-Rivers Career Center from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. In addition to her Majesty, there will be mechanical mysteries, Scottish dancers, historical re-enactors, and much more. Enjoy demonstrations of historical crafts, watch a pirate sword fight, enjoy dancing, play Civil War era games, joust in the hall, indulge in a Victorian tea, or be a part of the costume parade. Guests are welcome to come in costume, dressing from any time in the past, any place in the future, or anywhere in their imaginations.

Join the Marion County Historical Society at the Tri-Rivers Career Center in Marion on April 21, 2018, from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM for a fun-filled afternoon visiting the past, present, alternate past, and future! Come as you are, or as you want to be, from anywhere, anytime! Any Age Welcomed! Tickets are \$5 in at the door.

HERITAGE HALL AUDITORIUM RENTAL

The Auditorium at Heritage Hall is available for rent. To rent the hall for your family gatherings, bridal and baby showers, or other club meetings, contact MCHS at 740-387-4255 Mon.-Fri. 9:00am—4:00pm. We have a great facility to host your event! The auditorium is available for rent by special reservation. This room can accommodate 75 guests and includes kitchen facilities and restrooms. Museum tours are available by request.

FROM THE DIRECTORS DESK: BRANDI WILSON

2018 has started out to be a cold, snowy, and icy year. I anxiously awaited happy news from Buckeye Chuck, that news never came! There are many reasons I want to see winter end; my biggest reason is that in the Spring Heritage Hall is open again. Even though we are hard at work preparing for the 2018 season, getting exhibits ready, and events planned, the museum is a lonely place. I am excited to greet visitors and see the familiar faces of volunteers.

I want to encourage our members to come in for a tour; there are so many things to see at Heritage Hall one trip is never enough. I am here every day, and I still find new items on exhibit I missed the first dozen times I walked about the museum. Please take advantage of your membership encourage others in the community to stop and take a tour. We should all be proud to have such a wonderful museum rich with the local history of Marion County.



MORE WAYS TO HELP MCHS

- ◆ Become an Event Sponsors
- ◆ Donate Office Supplies (copy paper, post-it-notes, stamps, etc.)
- ◆ Grant Writing if you are interested in helping preserve Marion County History, have grant writing experience and would be willing to use this skill to benefit MCHS we would love to have your help.
- ◆ Assist with building repairs and landscaping.

FIND MCHS:

- ◆ Online at www.marionhistory.com
- ◆ Follow us on facebook @marioncountyhistoricalsociety

WHAT'S NEW IN THE MCHS COLLECTIONS?*Accessioned between 10/17/2016 – 01/10/2017*

JoAn Biggerstaff Johnson & Family Collection – 1821 German Bible with cloth paper pages; Assorted religious newspaper clippings

Willis & Gwendolyn Thomas Collection – Album with photo from Dille's studio in Prospect & assorted postcards; Assorted c. 1900 newspaper obituaries related to Prospect area residents; Photographs of Marion Steam Shovel Co. products; 1930 Cauldron yearbook from Central Junior High School

Judy Brady – Assorted postcards and ephemera relating to Marion area residents, places & events

Robert Swisher – B&W photographs of early 1900s train wreck at Owns Station

Gale Martin – Color notecards by artist Ellen Hines

Mary Gross – Newspaper article about a Marion Power Shovel dragline used to fly American flag at site of 9/11/01 crash of United Airlines Flight 93 as part of the terrorist attacks

Carolyn Irene Ulsh – Assorted ephemera and genealogical items relating to Ulsh family; Vintage household duster; B&W photographs; Booklets relating to Caledonia Cemetery, Caledonia "Memories", Thew family, Ulsh family

Thomas A. & Marjorie Wilson – Scioto Ordnance Plant No. 115 Fire Dept. badge

John & Marjorie Keggan – Clarence Hart Advertising Specialties, Marion, Ohio mirror

John & Barbara Johnson – 1909 U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Farmer's Bulletin on macadam roads

Chad Schnitzler – Heart of Ohio Council of Boy Scouts of America patch featuring W.G. Harding

Glenette Garver – Large c. 1901 taxidermy exhibit of birds and small animals from Marion area mounted under a glass dome along with photographs & ephemera relating to the exhibit; c. 1927 girls gym suit

Albert Ward – WWII military patch featuring "Hell Razor = VB-81"

Rebecca Yannitell – Assorted B&W & color photographs of Marion events, Huber machinery, etc. taken by Tom Yannitell

Rick Drollinger – Assorted commemorative coins, medallions & trade tokens from Marion area businesses and events

Shelby Needham Collection – 1933 & 1950 Marion Harding H.S. Quiver yearbooks

Dorothy Young – 1927 Fairview Gardens calendar; Men's suit jacket, vest & pants

Brett McCrery / Marion Harding H.S. – Assorted Marion Harding H.S. Quiver yearbooks from 1992 – 2014

Randy & Sandy Winland Collection – Assorted "science board" displays including Marion area business advertising, industries, & W.G. Harding; DVD of 2016 opening of King's Mill covered bridge

Margaret McCoy – Assorted Marion area newspaper clippings and ephemera

Nancy Holcomb – Home correspondence course ephemera

William Guide – B&W photo of home of Dr. Fillmore Young on Mt. Vernon Avenue

Dick Gorenflo – B&W photos of Lockwood Lumber Company

Mary Ellen Dune – Manuscript: My Collections of Yesteryears to My Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

Earle Butler – WWII uniform dress trousers

Please Note: If you would like to volunteer to help in Archives, call MCHS at 740-387-4255.

2018 Officers & Board of Trustees

OFFICERS

(One Year Term with Three Consecutive Terms Limit for President & Vice-President)

President: Diane Watson (2018 - 1st Term)

Vice President: Robb Koons (2018 – 1st Term)

Recording Secretary: Jan Augenstein

Corresponding Sec.: Vacant

Treasurer: Diane Mault

Immed. Past Pres: Randy Winland

Executive Committee

Officers plus one President’s Appointee:
Jack Shaffer

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Three Year Term with Two Consecutive Terms Limit)

Term Expires End of 2018

Doug Ebert 2nd Term
 Scott Hoffman 1st Term
 Mark Revere 2nd Term
 Cindy Hatch 1st Term
 Vacancy 1st Term

Term Expires End of 2020

Larry Babich 2nd Term
 Jack Bull 2nd Term
 Fred Malone 1st Term
 Mike Perry 2nd Term
 Fred Saull 2nd Term

Term Expires End of 2019

Bill Bradford 1st Term
 Bob Turner 1st Term
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 Tammy Millisor 2nd Term
 Jack Shaffer 2nd Term

Trustee Emeritus

Richard Carey

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Membership categories: Individual \$25.00, Family \$35.00, Sustaining \$60.00

Become a Pride Member :Pride Advocate \$100-249, Pride Patron \$250-\$499, Pride Sponsor \$500+

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From the President: Diane Watson

Nothing stays the same. The famous quote is “The Only Thing That is Constant Is Change.” Fatefully that is what gives us “history” to preserve.

I knew I would have some pretty big shoes to fill as Randy Winland handed over the reins of the MCHS board to me as we rung in the New Year. I have to give Randy a huge pat on the back for the hundreds (probably more like thousands) of volunteer hours he has given to the museum during his tenure. He has been and always will be a true champion for the Marion County Historical Society.

We have a great board with a couple of new members, a (fairly) new director, so I feel it’s a great time to take some time as a group and really put some thought into what we want MCHS to accomplish in the coming year, two years and even 5 years down the road. To work as a group to put together a plan. We have done some amazing things for a small local museum on a slim yearly budget. We know we want to do more and to be one of the history pillars of the Marion community. Can we? How can we do more? With more employees? With more volunteers? With more programs? With more money (who doesn’t wish for unlimited resources)? With facility upgrades? And how do we get there? This will be a time to focus on priorities. My hope for the coming months is to start the wheels in motion to put together a plan.

The only thing that is constant is change.....

2018 PRIDE DONATIONS

\$100 - \$249

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| Gene & Jan Farison | Homer & Jane Comer | Stephen & Mary Ann Jenkins |
| John & Marjorie Keggan | Jeanette White | Warren Brown Family Found. |
| Amy Deuble | Jim & Heidi Slagle | William & Nancy Gracely |
| Becky Yannitell | Kenneth & Maureen Cole | Betty Stover |
| Carolyn Ulsh | Lew & Susan Lause | Elizabeth Leeper Melick |
| David Fitkin | Meredithe Predmore | Harry Condry |
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| Gary & Carol Robinson | Phyllis Glasco | Vicky Turner Wetherell |
| Gary & Karrin Risch | Promo Costumes, Inc. | Joseph & Joyce Miller |
| Gary & Paulette Hinaman | Shelby Needham | Craig Lewis |
| Fred & Terri Malone | William & Sarah Finnegan | James Caldwell |
| Kathy Sherman | David & Karen Ream | Richard & Diane Mault |
| Larry & Mary Geissler | James & Barbara Anne Hering | Wyandot, Inc. |

\$250 - \$499

Scharer Insurance
Willam & Debbie Bowers
Fred & Judy Ann Hazen

\$500 - \$999

Judy Fox

\$1000 - \$4999

Norm & Mary Ellen Withrow
Willis & Gwen Thomas

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OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
THIS RECENTLY DECEASED MEMBER:
GERALD A. DAVIS, ANNA MARIE BUSH,
JUNE L. GRAHAM