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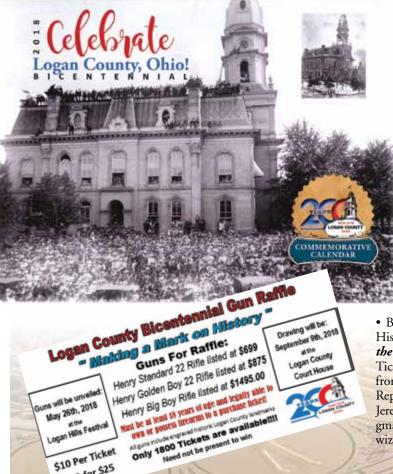
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Village history binders, and our What Is It? exhibit at the following events: June 30th

• Lakeview Car & Craft Show

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• Rushsylvania 4th of July Celebration July 8th-14th

The Logan County Bicentennial continues to be celebrated throughout the county. The Bicentennial Committee/Logan County Historical Society will have booths with Logan County Trivia, Township/

- Logan County Fair LCHS Booth August 4
  - HarborFest at Russells Point

September 9th

- Downtown Bellefontaine Parade Entry Form Parade will start at 3:30 is on page 3 • Logan County Bicentennial Parade
- Downtown tours of the Holland Theatre and other buildings from 12:00-3:00 as part of "Ohio's Open Doors"
- Logan County Bicentennial Gun Raffle Drawing

Please let us know if you know of other events in the county that the Bicentennial Committee/LCHS can set up a booth to share and celebrate Logan County's rich history. Contact Todd at 593-7557 or tmccormick@loganhistory.org.

For more information on these events as the summer progresses, watch the newspaper, listen to the radio, and check on our website at https://www.loganhistory.org.

 Bicentennial Calendars can be purchased at the Logan County History Center's Gift Shop Monday-Friday from 8:00-5:00 and Saturdays & Sundays from 1:00-4:00

• Bicentennial Rifle Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Logan County History Center Monday-Friday from 8:00-5:00 only. No raffle ticket sales at the museum on the weekends.

Tickets may also be purchased from Stout's Gun Shop & Repair, Mad River Knife, or from Jeremy Smith at jardenross@ gmail.com and Mychal Cox at wizards23\_861@hotmail.com.



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# LCHC LOGAN COUNTY HISTORY CENTER

#### Logan County History Center Includes:

The Orr Mansion The Logan County Museum The Transportation Museum Logan County Historical Society **AcuSport Meeting Room** Presidents' Meeting Room

#### **HISTORY CENTER HOURS**

Wednesday through Sunday 1:00-4:00 p.m. **ADMISSION BY DONATION** 

## **CURATOR/DIRECTOR** K. Todd McCormick

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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#### **SOCIETY'S OFFICE HOURS** Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

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### YOUNG HISTORIANS 2018 - 2019



Todd McCormick

The Young Historians Club is starting its 17th year of fun and learning about Logan County history. This year's theme will be The Tastes of Our County: Food in Logan County. We will talk

about foods the American Indians ate, preserving foods, foods grown in Logan County and much more. The best thing is, we will get to eat the food as well! Once again, the meeting dates will generally be the 4th Mondays or Tuesdays of each month from 6:00-7:00. There will be some months that we must meet on different Mondays or Tuesdays due to holidays, school schedules and scheduling conflicts at the museum. The following is the tentative 2018-2019 schedule for the Young Historians, the dates and topics may change. Our first meeting will be on September 25th. Since the school year is ending earlier and earlier, our last meeting will be in April. We will once again meet in the Presidents' Room of the Logan County History Center, 521 E. Columbus Ave. Bellefontaine, Ohio.

- September 25th (Tue.) 6:00-7:00 Introduction to this year's theme, The Tastes of Our County: Food in Logan County
- October 22nd (Mon.) 6:00-7:00 Topic to be determined
- November 27th (Tue.) 6:00-7:00 Christmas Tree Decorations.
- December 17th (Mon.) 6:00-7:00 Christmas Party. Note this is the third Monday due to the Christmas Holidays.
- January 22nd (Tue.) 6:00-7:00 Topic to be determined
- February 25th (Mon.) 6:00-7:00 Topic to be determined
- March 26th (Tue.) 6:00-7:00 Topic to be determined
- April 29th (Mon.) 6:00-7:00 End of School Year Party. Note this is the 5th Monday due to the Easter holidays.

The Young Historians is open to 1st graders on up. We hope past members will return for another year and we welcome newcomers. If you have any questions, please call Todd at 593-7557 or email at tmccormick@loganhistory.org.

> See you soon, Todd

# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Monthly \$20 Gift Certificate Drawing March 2018 Winner: **Jim DeLong** 

April 2018 Winner: **Tam VanNess** May 2018 Winner: **Diana Wackerman** 

**Logan County Bicentennial** 

# **Parade Entry Form**



## Logan County Bi-Centennial Parade

Sunday, September 9, 2018

3:30 pm

Beginning at the Logan County Fairgrounds, and traveling through the Downtown Bellefontaine Historic District. (\*parade will begin assembling from 1 pm - 3 pm. E-mail and phone # is required to receive parade line-up position/order and will depart promptly at 3:30 pm. You must be in assigned position by 3:00 pm and ready to depart by 3:15 pm.)

Name of Entry	/:
Contact Perso	n:
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E-Mail Addres	S:
	description of your entry: (NOTE: pay special attention to the notes at the bottom of this page indicating restrictions.)

#### Deadline for Entry is Monday September 3rd, No Exceptions

For more information please contact: Samantha Jackson, Parade Chair at: 937-419-3504 or E-Mail: logancountybicentennialparade@yahoo.com

Entry forms may be mailed to: Bi-Centennial Parade Committee, 1239 W. Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

Note: The Parade Committee reserves the right to reject or refuse any entry. All Entries are subject to committee regulations in force or those which may be adopted. Throwing candy is prohibited by a City of Bellefontaine codified ordinance. Please have people with your entry pass out any candy to spectators for the safety of our children. **Per Committee rules ANY** entry with animals must either have the animals bagged or make arrangements for cleaning up after these animals (this could be an opportunity for another entry with your clean-up crew.) Your clean-up plan must be in place when you arrive to check in; otherwise you **WILL NOT** be able to participate in the parade.

On August 11, 2018, the Logan County History Center was a beneficiary of the United Way's Community Care Day. Five volunteers from NEX Transport helped us clean out and transfer items from our off-site storage units. With their hard work, and the help of LCHC volunteers Terry Conley and Ray Stamm, we were able to condense our storage from 5 units to 3 units (and soon to be 2 units). The work included hauling artifacts, like tools, back to the museum's basement that we had to store in the units during the construction of the Transportation Museum. These tools were not light!

We were also able to get rid of some non-artifact items that were no longer needed and condense the other items into the remaining units. By reducing the number of storage units, we will be saving quite of bit of money.

We truly appreciate the NEX volunteers for their hard work and the United Way for putting on the Community Care Day. We also thank Terry & Ray for their time (and their trucks/trailers). The storage project was something that needed to be done and with all the help we received from these volunteers we were able accomplish our goal!

#### **HISTORY ALONG THE ROAD: HISTORICAL MARKERS**

Logan County has a rich and diverse history. From prehistoric Paleo Indians who hunted the great mastodons that once roamed this area, to the Shawnee, Wyandot and other historic tribes that called it home. to the white settlement of the area, to its heyday as a railroad artery, to its Million Dollar Playground at Indian Lake, to the present, Logan County's history has been one of immense interest and importance.

The Logan County Historical Society has preserved and promoted Logan County's history in many ways. One such way has been the historical marker program. The Society first began erecting the markers in the 1940s. Many of the early markers recognized the importance of historic Indians in Logan County's past.

Over the next several decades the Society on its own and through the Ohio Historical Society's marker program erected many more markers commemorating important people, sites and events that affected Logan County's history and development. The Society is continuing this practice today with new markers and replacing older ones that have been damaged or stolen.

The Historical Society is not the only entity that has celebrated the county's history through markers. Several of the villages in Logan County have erected monuments for certain historical events or people in their past. The county also has a few markers that individuals or organizations have sponsored. These markers, like those of the Society, were erected to commemorate people, events, and sites that helped shape Logan County's history.

BELLEFONTAIN FIRST CONCRETE STREET IN AMERICA BUILT HERE IN 1891 OHIO MPBELL Highest Point in Ohig BLUE JACKET TOWN Here lived the famous Shawnee chief who led the Seven Nations in their de-feat at Fallen Timbers. He later was prominent in the making of the famous Treaty of Greeneville.

## THE LUDLOW LINE A line surveyed by Israel Ludlow, 1804. This line and Little Miami River on the west, paralleling the Scioto on the east enclosed the Virginia Military survey. Lands held by Virginia for her Revolutionary soldiers.

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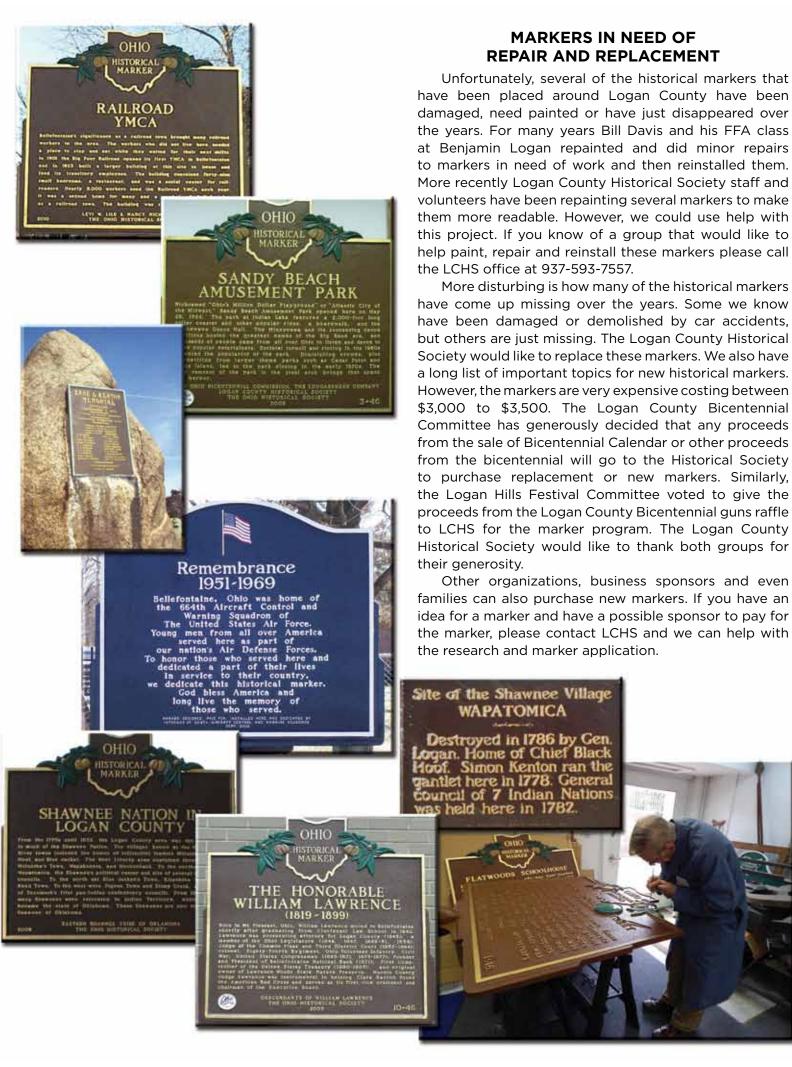
## GUNNS TAVERN 500 yards west

About 1797, John Gunn, a land agent from Canada, came to the head of McKees Creek to start a town. His two story log house, licensed as a tavern in 1805, became the country's first hotel.

# HISTORIC LOGAN COUNTY Highest point in Ohio. Site of:

Ten Indian towns; Wapatomica, Blue Jacket, Mackachack, Moluntha, Lewis, Old, Zane, Solomon, McKee and Buckongehelas.

Zane-Kenton Monument: Squaw Rock; Ft. Wapatomica; Kenton's Grave. Here first organized Methodist Church Mission movement began, 1819.



# 2018

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### JULY

NO	Building Committee Meeting				
04	Holiday - CLOSED - History Center &	Society Office			
08-2	14 Logan County Fair, visit our booth				
09	Piecemakers Meeting	7:00 pm Pres. Rm			
12	Trustee Meeting	7:00 pm			
21	BHS Class of 1958 Reunion (Private)	in Atrium			
28	Family Reunion (Private)	in Pres. Rm			
	AUGUST				
04	Building Committee Meeting	8:30 am			
04	BHS Class of 1973 & 1974 Tour	1:00 pm			
11	Miracle-Gro Tour	12:30 pm			
11	BHS Class of 1963 Reunion (Private)	5:00 pm in Atrium			
13	Piecemakers Meeting	7:00 pm Pres. Rm			
15	Society Meeting - Petanque Club	7:00 pm			
	SEPTEMBER	1			
NO	Building Committee Meeting				
08	DAR Meeting	10:30 am Pres. Rm			
10	Piecemakers Meeting	7:00 pm Pres. Rm			
11	Athenian Club Meeting	7:00 pm Pres. Rm			
13	Trustee Meeting	7:00 pm			
25	Young Historians	6:00 pm Pres. Rm			
26	Genealogy Board Meeting	6:00 pm Pres. Rm			
	OCTOBER				
03	Mary Rutan Award Luncheon (Private	) in Atrium			
06	Building Committee Meeting	8:30 am			
08	Piecemakers Meeting	7:00 pm Pres. Rm			
09	Athenian Club Meeting	7:00 pm Pres. Rm			
13	DAR Meeting	10:30 am Pres. Rm			
17	Society Meeting	7:00 pm			
	19 History Center CLOSED for KidFes	-			
20	Halloween KidFest	1:00 - 4:00 pm			
20	Young Historians	6:00 pm Pres. Rm			
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05		7:00 pm			
	9 Christmas at the History Center	1:00 - 5:00 pm			
13 Retired Teachers Christmas Luncheon (Private) in Atrium					
17Young Historians6:00 pm Pres. Rm					
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# **MEETING NOTICE**

# AUGUST SOCIETY MEETING

We will be taking a field trip for our next Society meeting on Wednesday, August 15th. The meeting will be held at Fawcett-Hall Park in Zanesfield at 7:00 p.m. Bo Johns of the Zanesfield Petanque Club will tell us about the game of Petanque and the Zanesfield Petanque Club and have a try at the sport for ourselves!

The following is from the Zanesfield Petanque Club's website:

### What is Petanque?

Petanque (pronounced "pay-tonk") is one of the world's fastest growing outdoor activities. It is simple to learn; challenging to master. A distant relative of horseshoes and a cousin to the Italian game of bocce, petanque developed in France in the early 1900's. It is one of Europe's most popular outdoor games and is growing fast in the USA, Canada, Australia, and Asia.

The goal is to toss a number of hollow steel balls (called boules) as close as possible to a small target ball (called a jack or cochonnet). Players take turns and the team that ends up nearest to the target ball, once all balls are played, scores.

Unlike horseshoes where the target stake is fixed in place, a thrown boule can move the jack and change the scoring. A thrown boule may also strike another boule and can change the score dramatically. These two factors allow for strategic play that makes the game dynamic and exciting.

For more information about Petanque check out:

http://www.usapetanque.org/



# March 16, 2018

G. Bruce & Louise Norris Local business ephemera

James & Pat Sebring Photographs of the Minnewawa Dance Hall fire

Jeff Bennett Aerial photographs of Castle Mac-O-Chee and downtown Bellefontaine taken by the donor

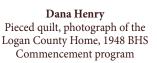
Ray Stamm American Legion Harold Kerr Post 40/8 Minutes Book 1971-1980

**Pat Rinehart-Irwin** 3-legged walker made by the Bellefontaine Lumber Company

**RB Lame** Crate from General Merchandise Services (Superfoods)

Mike & Charlotte Roby Rushsylvania Veteran Guard uniform and Mr. Roby's US Army uniform

Elaine DeMarsh Pens from various local businesses



Artifact Donation

Thanks!

Diane Rutan Book Tragic Story of America's Greatest Disasters about the 1913 Flood, includes references to the West Liberty train wreck

Mildred Dachenbach & Janie Kimball Mrs. Dachenbach's scrapbook

Shelby County Historical Society Quincy Centennial 1839-1939 Wooden Nickel

David & Marcia Crissman Architectural panels from the old Woolworth Building

David Keller Railroad lanterns, field tile mold, corn tester probe

James Scarff Civil War papers of Capt. John Riddle and book *The Letters of William B. Riddle* compiled by the donor

# June 7, 2018

William Badenhop, Jr. Dish with picture of the "New" Bellefontaine High School Building (1907)

**Don R. Thompson** Framed Discharge Certificate of Ed. V.M. Thompson (1899), photographs of the Batch family

Dan Fawcett Wm. E. Nyes Sewing Machine Oil/JE. Neff DeGraff

**The Wade Family** 1946 Logan County Fair Premium book

Monty & Rita Forsythe Book *David's Psalms* (1787) with the signatures of James Moore & Oliver Outland inside

Susan & Phillip Zack Wooden cutouts of the Benjamin Logan Schools Collection, Benjamin Logan Middle School and Elementary and Bellefontaine Middle School yearbooks **Rita Maier** FFA Jacket belonging to donor when she was the FAA Chapter Queen in DeGraff

David F. Doss Postcard of Castle Mac-A-Cheek

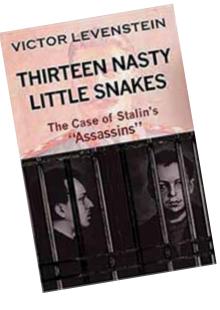
**Terri Schneider** Record Album John F. Kennedy: The Presidential Years

Steve & Janice Minton Limited Edition Print of Hudson on the Hill – Southwestern Limited at Bellefontaine, Ohio and photograph of three engines outside the Bellefontaine Roundhouse

> Diana Wackerman Girls' dresses

Randy Stebelton Letter written by Pastor C.M. Baker on Bellefontaine District of the Central Ohio Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church letterhead





# Victor Levenstein, author of *Thirteen Nasty Little Snakes*

If you have purchased Victor Levenstein's *Thirteen Nasty Little Snakes* and would like to have your copy autographed by him, please contact us at 937-593-7557 or by email at historycenter@loganhistory.org to make arrangements to get your book to him to sign.

# LOGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY WELCOMES YOU!

#### ALL MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE JANUARY 1ST!

NEW MEMBER F		amily - \$30 Individual - \$20 Business - \$50 Individual Lifetime - \$300	
Name			NOTICE:
Address			You can pay your dues on our website at
City		State Zip	www.loganhistory.org
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I can help with (check as many	as apply):		PLEASE SEND YOUR DUES
Adult Tours docent	Halloween KidFest	Docent Committee volunteer	AND/OR DONATIONS TO:
Student Tours docent Reg. Open Hours tours docent Young Historians Club assistant Open House docent/volunteer	Christmas decorating of museum Christmas Open House docent/volu Building Committee volunteer Programs Committee volunteer	Inteer Photography volunteer Fundraising Committee volunteer Other, explain	<b>Logan County</b> <b>Historical Society</b> 521 E. Columbus Ave. Bellefontaine, OH 43311-2401

**DUES:** 

Senior & Student - \$15

**NOTE:** Not sure if you are up to date on your dues? *Check* the number in the upper right hand corner of this newsletter's address label. If it says, **Life, Comp,** or **18**, *you are paid up for 2018!* 

Leave Your Legacy

It is never too early to plan ahead and to consider your gift to the Logan County History Center. Whether you think of yourself as rich or poor, or somewhere in between, your gift can make a difference. Even a small amount can have a big impact over time.

If you would like to preserve part of your life forever by sharing with the entire community, please consider donating. If you have any questions please contact Todd at (937) 593-7557 or email at tmccormick@loganhistory.org.

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