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A SALUTE TO LOGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Open House

This year's spring open house will be a Salute to Logan County Schools on Sunday, April 23RD from 1:00-5:00 pm. The open house will feature artifacts from the museum's collection, along with class composites, photographs, yearbooks, and other school-related documents from the LCHS Archives.

You can also follow us on our Facebook page and check our website www.loganhistory.org for updates and previews of the exhibits and stories that will be featured in a Salute to Logan County Schools in the next few weeks and months.



HISTORIC BARNES OF OHIO AT THE LOGAN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM

APRIL 13TH, 2023

Author and painter Robert Kroeger will be doing a painting demo, using palette knives and impasto technique, of an old barn. The painting will be available via a raffle, as a fundraiser. After finishing the demo, he will be telling stories about some of the barns he has painted. There will be a book signing after his program. Kroeger's first book, HISTORIC BARNES OF OHIO, lists the paintings and essays of barns

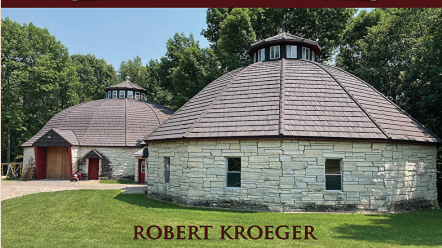
in all 88 Ohio counties (released by The History Press, March, 2021). His second book on old barns, ROUND BARNES OF AMERICA, will also be available. This book features 75 round barns in 32 states - from the east coast to the west coast - along with their paintings and stories. There are 11 Ohio round barns in the book (published by Acclaim Press in late 2022).

The event is open to the public.



ROUND BARNES OF AMERICA

75 Icons of History



ROBERT KROEGER

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CURATOR'S CORNER

The Logan County History Center enjoyed a great year in 2022 as we returned to more normal operations after feeling the effects of the pandemic in 2020 & 2021. After a two-year absence we once again welcomed local third graders on field trips to the History Center, as well as reinstating the Logan County Landmark Third Grade field trip grant program in which we take students to various historic sites in the county. These field trips, along with the programs we take

into the schools, help us fulfill one of our primary goals of working with the schools to help promote Logan County's rich history.

The History Center has returned to our full complement of programs. In December of 2021, we held our ever-popular Christmas at the History Center open house with dozens of local organizations, businesses, and individuals decorating trees throughout the Museum and the Orr Mansion, as well as lending their musical talents during the two weekends. The Fun, Funky, & Fascinating Finds of the History Center open house lived up to its name by featuring some of the more intriguing artifacts in the Museum's collection and allowed us to highlight some of the more interesting stories and people in Logan County history. Our annual Halloween KidFest saw nearly 200 children trick-or-treat through the History Center. This is always one of our favorite events. The Young Historians started up again after being unable to meet for 1 ½ years. We also resumed our Society meetings and partnered with the Logan County Land Trust, Piatt Castle Mac-A-Cheek, and the Indian Lake Area Historical Society on programs.

The History Center continued our emphasis on increasing our social media presence. Our Facebook followers keep growing and growing with some of our biweekly posts reaching over 40,000 readers! We thank you for your "likes," "shares" and comments. Social media continues to be one of our more important means of sharing Logan County's remarkable history, and a great way to use our wonderful collection of photographs and historical resources in the LCHS Archives.

The multi-year restoration project on the Orr Mansion's exterior continues to be a key focus. Over the last few years, we have repaired the 3RD floor dormers, replaced the columns and capitals on the front porch and portico, and re-stained and re-sealed the 1ST floor porch ceiling. More work on the mansion will continue in 2023 (and beyond) with plans to get the 2ND and 3RD floor balconies fully refurbished. Unfortunately, this type of restoration work is specialized and beyond the regular maintenance of the historic home.

Once again, we are asking you for your support and help. Included in this newsletter is a membership/donor card; we hope you will consider one or more of the options available. We appreciate your contribution of money or time, but more importantly, we encourage you to visit the Logan County History Center. We know you will be pleased! After all this is your museum and we want to share it with everyone. Remember your donation is tax deductible!

Thank you,

Todd McCormick
Curator/Director

Welcome NEW MEMBERS!

September 2022

Cassandra Bosworth

November 2022

James Eidemiller
Julia Ann Cline Family
Michael Red Blanket

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VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

MONTHLY \$20
GIFT CERTIFICATE
DRAWING

September

Marilyn Huffman

October

Bill McCormick

November

Sharon DeVault

FEBRUARY MEETING

There will not be a LCHS membership meeting in February. We have discovered over the years that February's weather is too unpredictable and too many times we had to cancel our meetings. More information for the upcoming Society meetings will appear in future History Matters, on our website www.loganhistory.org and our Facebook page.

The History Center will be closed December 23, 2022, through January 2, 2023, for the Christmas holiday.

2023 Calendar of Events

JANUARY

2ND CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

9TH PIECEMAKERS MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

12TH BOARD OF
TRUSTEES MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

14TH DAR MEETING

10:00AM AcuSport Room

24TH YOUNG HISTORIANS

6:00PM History Center

FEBRUARY

11TH DAR MEETING

10:00AM AcuSport Room

13TH PIECEMAKERS MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

27TH YOUNG HISTORIANS

6:00PM History Center

MARCH

7TH DAR MEETING

6:30PM AcuSport Room

9TH BOARD OF
TRUSTEES MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

13TH PIECEMAKERS MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

14TH ATHENIAN CLUB
MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

28TH YOUNG HISTORIANS

6:00PM History Center

APRIL

10TH PIECEMAKERS MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

11TH ATHENIAN CLUB
MEETING

7:00PM AcuSport Room

13TH ROBERT KROEGER
PROGRAM

7:00PM Transportation Museum

15TH DAR MEETING

10:00AM AcuSport Room

23RD SALUTE TO SCHOOLS
OPEN HOUSE

1:00-5:00PM History Center

24TH YOUNG HISTORIANS

6:00PM History Center

THE LOGAN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY WINTER CLOSURE 2023

The Logan County Genealogical Society's library will be closed part of the winter season for in-person patrons. The Genealogy Library's last day will be Wednesday, December 21st and will be re-open on Wednesday, March 1ST, 2023. The board has made this decision due in part to Ohio's unpredictable winter weather.

Our volunteers will check incoming emails regularly as well as the phone's answering machine, as weather permits. Be sure to leave your name, phone number, and/or email address and we will contact you as soon as possible. We are still committed to helping you with your genealogy research but feel this action is in the best interest of all involved.

We look forward to seeing you again in March!

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Christmas

AT THE HISTORY CENTER OPEN HOUSE

The Logan County History Center hosted our annual Christmas at the History Center Open House December 3RD, 4TH, 9TH, 10TH and 11TH. Thank you to all who participated in decorating, volunteering, performing, and attending!

TREE DECORATORS

Adult Trees

Deep Roots, Bellefontaine Lions Club, Hilliker YMCA, The Homestead, The Studio, Junior Fair Board, Logan County Art League, OSU Alumni, Logan County Visitors Bureau/Chamber, Eastern Star, Zanesfield Petanque, West Liberty Garden Club, Top of Ohio Patriots, TCN DVP Soteria House

Kids Trees

LoCo Art, Sunshine Center, Young Historians, Ben Logan Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade

FIRST FLOOR OF THE ORR MANSION

Decorated by

Kitchen - The Piecemakers

Dining Room - Betty Lloyd - First Presbyterian Church

East Parlor - Logan County Genealogical Society

Orr Mansion Entry - Ledley Farms

West Parlor - Logan County Libraries

Music Room - Wendy Made

SECOND FLOOR OF THE ORR MANSION

Decorated with a Santa's Workshop Theme by

1ST Bedroom - Pam Ark and friends, Gift Wrapping

2ND Bedroom /Nursery - Jody Nolin and

Marilyn Springs - Stuffed Animals

3RD Bedroom - Kit Wehe, Tam Van Ness, Sally Stephan, and Leslie Warne - Elves & Games

Orr Office - George & Diana Wackerman, Jeanne Jenkins - Santa's Forest

4TH Bedroom - Kit Wehe, Tam Van Ness, Sally Stephan, Leslie Warne - Dolls

Ballroom - Beth Marshall, Elaine DeMarsh, Judy Snyder, and Don Corwin - Model Trains loaned by George Wackerman, Dwight Hansen, Don Corwin, John Marshall, and David Saxby

I would like to thank the staff as well:
Beth Marshall, Mary Mortimer, John McPherson,
Toni McPherson, and Tim McPherson

MUSICIANS THAT PERFORMED

Musicians that Performed

The Bellefontaine Jazz Band, Leanna George, The Bourbon Street Strutters, Alicia Wilkins, Carol Burton, Cindy Bleininger, Bellefontaine High School Les Fons Show Choir, Friendly Senior Center Choir, The Mad River Dulcimer Society

Leanna George Piano Students

Dalton Frazier, Cardyn Rawlins, Sarah Bihn, Rebekah Heiser, Fiona Sweeney, Alexis Lambert, Keira Lambert

Paula Deardurff Piano Students

Eva Wilson, Dori Jervis, Gavin Wilkins, Lydia Francis, Ryan Francis, Jordan Fracis, Emily Church, Benjamin Church, Braden Church, Avery McCarty, Anna Kratz, Madelynn Baker, Rayven Peters, Charlie Moreland, Rosie Moreland, Ollie Moreland, Braelynn Neer, Laney Wallace, Annie Gallaway, Luke Cronkleton, Emily Cronkleton, Jacob Cronkleton, Devyn Hogan, Alexis Hogan, Gabriel Blake, Kara Hartzler

Shirley McPherson Piano Students

Brigg Adams, Carter Barnett, Brooks Bodin, Cooper Bookmyer, Julia Easton, Lara Hagedorn, Caroline Jones, Caleb King, Sarah King, Lorali Klopfenstein, Evelyn Lentz, Scarlett Lentz, Karis Martini, Britny Sliker, Evie Wagner

Thank you to our Christmas Open House Volunteers
The Christmas at the History Center open house would not have been a success without the hard work and dedication of our Christmas Committee and all of the volunteers who worked during the open house to welcome and help our hundreds of visitors. To each of you we send our heartfelt thanks.

Elaine DeMarsh

Judy Snyder

Don Corwin

Kit Wehe

Tam VanNess

Sally Stephan

Leslie Warne

Jody Nolin

Marilyn Springs

Diana Wackerman

George Wackerman

Jeannie Jenkins

Pat Ortli

Pam Ark

Amy McCormick

David Saxby

Dwight Hansen

John Marshall

Bill McCormick

Imogene Van Voorhis

Brian Harmon

Dee Dee Ricketts

Art Mortimore

Jeremy Smith

Dan Bratka

Doug Chamberlain

Keitha Dugan

Karen Tracey

John Tracey

Tyler Tracey

Bruce Norris

Sharon DeVault

Julie Schrader

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Nancy Ledley

Marilyn Huffman

Karen Beasley

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Cheryl Hawkins

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Marlyn Kelly

Kyle Springs

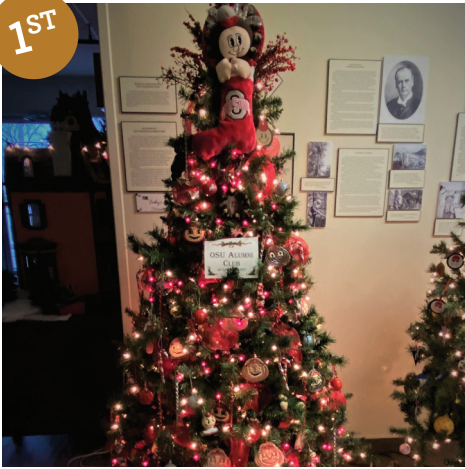
Norah Springs

Noah Springs

Terri Lamb

Best Adult Tree

1ST



OSU Alumni

2ND



Deep Roots Renovations + Designs

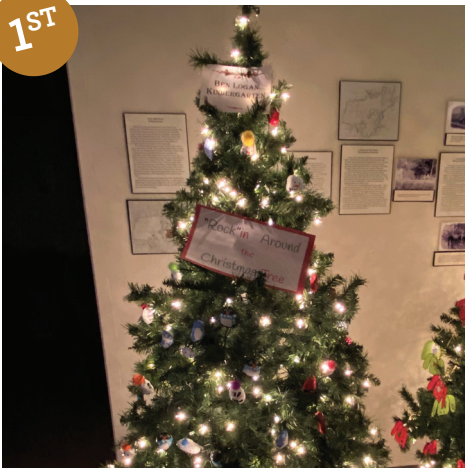
3RD



Top of Ohio Patriots

Best Kids Tree

1ST



Ben Logan Kindergarten

2ND



Ben Logan Second Grade

3RD



Ben Logan Third Grade

Best Room

1ST



Dining Room - Decorated by Betty Lloyd for the First Presbyterian Church

2ND



Kitchen - Decorated by the Logan Piecemakers

3RD



West Parlor - Decorated by the Logan County Libraries

LCHS BOARD ELECTION

The Logan County Historical Society membership elected the 2023 Board of Trustees at the society membership meeting on December 7TH, 2022. Dan Bratka was elected President and Doug Chamberlain was elected Vice-President. Bill McCormick (Treasurer), Bruce Norris (Assistant Treasurer), Karen Beasley (Recording Secretary), and Cheryl Hawkins (Corresponding Secretary) were re-elected for their respective positions. The officers will serve 1-year terms. Julie Schrader, Marilyn Springs, and Mark Butler were elected as trustees for the 2023-2025 term. Brian Harmon will be fulfilling Dan's unexpired 2021-2023 term. Robin Butler, Terri Lamb, & Doug Chamberlain termed out as trustees.

We would like to thank Robin and Terri for their many years of service on the LCHS Board of Trustees. Thanks Robin & Terri! We would also like to thank Brian Harmon for his three years as president. It has been a very eventful three years with the pandemic and the many changes that came out of it. Brian's calm and thoughtful leadership was greatly needed and appreciated during these trying times.

We also would like to thank and remember Bonnie Hansen for her service on the board. Bonnie served in nearly every capacity on the board over the last 20 plus years. Her enthusiasm, ideas, and impact on the board will be dearly missed and never be forgotten.

BONNIE HANSEN

On September 23RD, 2022, Bonnie Hansen, one of our most dedicated members of the Logan County Historical Society, passed away.

Bonnie served on numerous committees and held several positions on the LCHS Board. Bonnie's activities have included, Parades, Christmas Open House, Fair, Finance, Public Relations, Levy, Membership, and Program Committees. As a member of the Long Range and Steering Committees, she was instrumental in planning and completing the Transportation Museum project.

In addition, Bonnie served as Vice-President, (1999-2001), President (2002-2004), Past-President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and was currently Vice President (2020-2022). She was a docent on Sundays for many years and spent countless hours volunteering.

Bonnie also supported her husband, Dwight, in his six-plus year project

restoring the Wissler bi-plane by helping with various aspects of the restoration.

Bonnie and Dwight were involved with the History Center in so many ways over past twenty years. She was our cheerleader, advisor, friend, and strongest supporter. She was a not afraid to jump in and help with whatever needed done. We could always count on Bonnie to be there to offer her support and opinion.

Bonnie will be greatly missed by all of us at the Logan County History Center.



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Thank You!

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 in Memory of Chris Weeks
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*Note: Due to limited space, we did not have room to list artifacts donated.

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- \$500–\$999 Myeerah
- \$1,000–\$4,999 William Orr
- \$5,000–\$9,999 Phebe Haines Sharp
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- \$25,000 & UP Simon Kenton

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- Individual \$20.00
- Family \$30.00
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