



# The Historical Society Chronicle

## June 2023

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### Trivia Corner

Can you guess what this is?  
A device used when the laundry is done.



**Answer at bottom of newsletter.**

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## Village Happenings

On Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> we held our second annual Art & Craft Fair. We had close to 50 exhibitors sign up to show their creations. The variety of original art and handmade crafts was very impressive. There were games and craft activities for the children. Refreshments were provided by Buckeye Crepes and Kona Ice. We even had an American Gothic photo cutout board for visitors to take pictures. The weather, which had threatened for most of the days leading up to the event, turned out to be ideal.



As reported last month, we discovered wind damage to the school roof and museum roof from a windstorm we had in mid-May. We are working with our insurance company and a contractor to have both the roofs replaced near the end of July.

The landscaping around the North entrance sign to the Historical Village is being scheduled by a contractor and work should start soon. This will include a short wall made of stone to serve as a backdrop for the entrance sign to make it stand out more when viewed by drivers traveling along Main St. The ground landscaping will follow the completion of the wall. The picture below shows the results of the repair and repainting.



School tours are winding down. In June we had two private school tours, two graduation parties and a Lunchtime Live Concert at the gazebo.

Also, in June we worked with Rec & Parks by hosting a Leadership Core event the week of the 5<sup>th</sup> for high schoolers wanting to earn community hours. We taught them how we do accessions to inventory artifacts, then our member volunteers guided them on how to research items online to establish identity and value.

The **Franklin County Fair** is coming soon. It will be starting Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> and will run through Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Historical Village will be open each day with many activities for kids and adults.

If a wedding or reception is in your future, please keep our Venues in mind. We have the Colwell chapel for weddings, the Norwich pavilion for receptions, graduation parties, reunions and more. Our gazebo at the Village is great for music and we have the SBC pavilion for smaller parties. To learn more, go to our website [HilliardOhioHistoricalSociety.com](http://HilliardOhioHistoricalSociety.com), click on the menu, then click on Venues.

Got a question for our Archival Library? They are open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 10:00AM to 1:30PM or call 614-876-5880 with your questions. You may also contact them by email at [HilliardOhioHistoricalSociety@gmail.com](mailto:HilliardOhioHistoricalSociety@gmail.com).

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## Profiles in Stewardship



**Ben Buoni**

“Ben Buoni is one of those unsung heroes that every organization wishes they had more of. He will see something that needs to be done and just does it, then wants no recognition for doing it,” said Bob Eggerichs, president of the Hilliard Ohio Historical Society.

Ben became involved in the historical society some 20 years ago thanks to the late Pat Garbrant when both were members of the Old Hilliard Commission. Pat represented the society. “(The society) was trying to pass something and that is how I got used to what the society is all about,” said Ben.

[Read More about Ben](#)

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# Local Business Spotlight



## Staples- Hilliard

Staples has been in business since 1986 with stores around the U.S. and Canada. The Hilliard store at 3939 Trueman Blvd. has been in operation since 2006. “Staples is a growing company that fares well against its competitors in the business supplies industry,” said Chuck McNeal, general manager. “The Hilliard location was selected because the city is constantly growing. It is a good market.”

[Read More](#)

## Gift Shop (at the Village)

Our gift shop at the Historical Village in the museum is open Saturday's & Sunday's 1PM to 5PM. We have several items related to Hilliard.



## Country Store- (on our website)

We have a variety of greeting cards and other printed materials available. Please go to our website at [HilliardOhioHistoricalSociety.com](http://HilliardOhioHistoricalSociety.com), click



on “Visit” in our menu then select “Country Store” to see the selection and prices.



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## Members Remembered

It is with a sad heart that we remember the passing of society member John Bryner.

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## Upcoming Events

**During the months of May through October the Historical Village is open every Saturday & Sunday, 1PM to 5PM.** You are invited to bring the family and enjoy a FREE tour of all the buildings, especially our museum with hundreds of artifacts.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade** - Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. The Historical Society will have our 1918 Model T in the parade.

**Franklin County Fair** - Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Historical Village will have activities each day for adults and children.

**Sept Walking Tour of Old Hilliard** - Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10 AM, The tour starts at the Historical Society Library, 5274 Norwich St. Fee is \$10 per person.

**Old Hilliardfest** - Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM - 8 PM. The Hilliard Ohio Historical Society will have a booth in downtown Old Hilliard.

**Heritage Day & Craft Show** - Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 11 AM – 4 PM. The historical village will host Civil War reenactors, artisans, craftsmen, village tours, bean soup prepared in a cast iron kettle on the village green along with other food and drink. FREE admission (donations welcome)

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## Trivia Corner Answer:

Before electric dryers there was the clothesline.



When the clothesline was taken down for winter, it would be wound on a holder for storage. Come spring the clothesline would be easy to unwind and put back up.

## Clothes Winder



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