



The Historical Society Chronicle

Trivia Corner

Can you guess what this is?
It was a tool used in furniture making.



Answer at bottom of newsletter.

Village Happenings

Spring is right around the corner. Lots of activities are going on at the Historical Village. Reservations for school tours are arriving each week. Inquiries about venue rentals are increasing. The Archival Library is receiving more inquires for historical information. Many planning meetings are being held for events that will take place during the year. The new Gift Shop is nearing completion.

Spring cleaning is starting early this year. The barn just received a makeover including an improved blacksmithing display. The enclosed porch storage area has been reorganized for better functionality. Rolling carts for folding chairs and folding tables have been built making storage and movement much easier.

Registration of artists and crafters for the Art and Craft Fair that will be held Saturday, June 17, 2023, 10a.m. – 3p.m. has been so strong, we have had to add on additional booth spaces.

Planning for the **2023 Open House** to be held on **Saturday, May 6th** is coming along nicely. Door prize donations are increasing and activities for visitors are being finalized.

Profiles in Stewardship



Tim Woodruff

Tim Woodruff is a well-known face around Hilliard and at the Hilliard Ohio Historical Society. A current and past Board member, Tim is a two-term past president. All told, he's served in leadership roles for nine years. Of his involvement Tim said, "It's one of the most fun things I've done outside of my working life. I have a lot of friends here."

Tim joined in 2000 at the urging of his parents, Ned and Ruth Woodruff. "My parents were both members and they really enjoyed it. They had some things going on where they needed younger people and I came over and helped them out," he said. What Tim enjoys most about his activities in the Society is being a docent. "I like talking to all the people as they come through," he said. He especially enjoys the school tours.

[Read More about Tim](#)

Local Business Spotlight



American Family Insurance James D. Ford Agency Inc

American Family Insurance, James D. Ford Agency Inc. is Ohio's 14th largest insurance agency. They are a business member of the Hilliard Ohio Historical Society and a sponsor of our very popular horse-drawn wagon rides for children and adults during our annual Santa in the Train Depot event.



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Members Remembered

It is with a sad heart that we remember the passing of society members Betty Patch and Jean Bletz.

Country Store

Just a reminder, that we still have a few greeting cards left. Go to our website, www.hilliardohiohistoricalsociety.com, and click on "Country Store" in the menu to see the selection and prices.



Upcoming Events

May Historical Village Open House - Saturday, May 6th, 1 PM - 4 PM, tours start at the Norwich Pavilion, snacks & drinks available, open to the public, FREE admission (donations welcome).

Walking Tour of Old Hilliard - Saturday, May 20th, 10 AM -

noon, starts at the Historical Society Library, 5274 Norwich St. Fee is \$10 per person.

June Art & Craft Show – Saturday, June 17th, 10 AM – 3 PM at Weaver Park, featuring local artists with original art. Food and drink available. FREE admission (donations welcome)

Starting May 6th and running through October 29th, the Historical Village will be open Saturdays and Sundays 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

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Trivia Corner Answer:

This antique tool is a tenon cutter bit that was used in combination with a brace to cut round tenons for joinery in Windsor chairs and other traditional woodworking. It could make tenons from 3/8" to 1" diameter by setting the desired diameter and the tenon length.

Click this link to see the tenon bit cutter in action.

<https://youtu.be/YZuYtvOmOHw>



Antique Tenon Cutter (also called a tenoner)



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