



The Historical Society Chronicle

January 2024

Trivia Corner

Can you guess what this is?
A common home item in the mid 1800's



Answer at bottom of newsletter.

Village Happenings

Your HOHS officers elected for the fiscal year 2023 – 2024:



President
Bob Eggerichs



Vice President
Dawn Steele



Secretary
Stephanie Ledwith



Treasurer
Rod Garnet

School tours are already being booked for 2024 and volunteer docents will be needed to help with the tours. Please consider volunteering. Contact our volunteer coordinator Megan Martin at 614-565-3210 or nutmegoh50@aol.com.

Docent training will take place Saturday Apr 20, 2024 · 10am – 12pm. To sign up contact Kathy Chandler at 614-620-1135 or kathy_chandlerhohs@hotmail.com or Megan Martin at 614-565-3210 or nutmegoh50@aol.com.

It is with a sad heart that we announce that January 2024 saw the passing of society member Pat Peterson, survived by her husband, society member, Bob Peterson.

On Monday, January 15th, the MLK (Martin Luther King, Jr) Day of Service event was held at the Hilliard Senior Center. Our Society had a display table with historical artifacts. A few of our volunteers were there to talk to visitors about the Historical Village and the volunteer opportunities available.

2024 Calendar of Events

Historical Village will be open Saturdays and Sundays 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

from May 4th – September 29th, 2024

January MLK Day of Service – Monday, January 15th, 11 AM – 1 PM at the Martin Luther King Day of Service event, at the Hilliard Senior Center, the Hilliard Ohio Historical Society will have a display table to show historical artifacts, talk about the Historical Village and the volunteer

opportunities available.

May Walking Tour of Old Hilliard - Saturday, May 18th, 10 AM - noon, starts at the Historical Society Library, 5274 Norwich St. Fee is \$10 per person.

June Art & Craft Show – Saturday, June 15th, 10 AM – 3 PM at Weaver Park, featuring local artists with original art. Food and drink available. FREE admission (donations welcome),

July Franklin County Fair - Monday, July 15th – Sunday, July 21st, the Historical Village will be open for special events.

August Food Truck Festival – Saturday, August 17th, the Historical Village will be available for tours.

Walking Tour of Old Hilliard - Saturday, August 31st, 10 AM - noon, starts at the Historical Society Library, 5274 Norwich St. Fee is \$10 per person.

September Heritage Day & Craft Show - Saturday, September 28th, 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, other food and drinks available. FREE admission (donations welcome)

October Coffee Festival – Saturday, October 5th & Sunday, October 6th, the Historical Village will be available for tours.

October Haunted Village – Friday, October 18th, 6 PM – 9 PM & Saturday, October 19th, 6 PM – 9 PM, at the Historical Village, buildings decorated for Halloween tours. Food and drinks available. Admission: \$5 per person, kids three and under are FREE.

December Tree Lighting Ceremony - Sunday, December 1st, 4 PM – 6:30 PM, trolley rides from downtown Old Hilliard to the historical village, Mrs. Claus and elves will be in the schoolhouse with children writing letters to Santa and many other activities including village tours, balloon twister, face painting, holiday music and more. FREE admission (donations welcome)

December Santa & Mrs. Claus in the Train Station - Sunday, December 15th, 2 PM - 5 PM, at the Historical Village train station. Children can share their Christmas list with Santa, horse drawn wagon rides, music in the gazebo and hot chocolate & donuts available, FREE admission (donations welcome).

Venue Rental

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

<https://www.hilliardohiohistoricalsociety.com/>, click on the menu, then click on Venues.

Archival Library

Do you have 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.

Gift Shop (at the Village)

Our gift shop at the Historical Village in the museum is closed for the season. It will reopen in the spring of 2024 on Saturday's & Sunday's 1PM to 5PM. We will have several items related to Hilliard.



We have recently added Historical Village souvenir T-shirts!



Country Store- (on our website)

We have a variety of **Holiday Greeting Cards** along with other printed materials available. Please go to our website at <https://www.hilliardohiohistoricalsociety.com/>, click on "Visit" in our menu then select "Country Store" to see the selection and prices. Below are a few examples.



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Trivia Corner Answer:



Wooden Butter Churn

The tradition of churning butter has been around for over 1,000 years. The earliest documented **butter churn** dates from 6500–5500 B.C. and was found in Israel. Churns evolved from skin pouches to earthenware pots which were rocked, shaken or swung to separate the fat. Later, the dasher, a wooden stick with a blunt end was used to churn butter in a conical wooden vessel. Eventually modern production techniques developed glass and metal churns. The butter churn was primarily a device used by women and children, and the churning of butter was an essential responsibility along with other household chores. Barrel butter churns were agricultural innovations of the 18th century in Europe and operate via a hand crank to turn paddles within the barrel.

Butter churning is the process of shaking up cream or whole milk to make butter, usually using a device called a **butter churn**. In Europe from the Middle Ages until the Industrial Revolution, a churn was usually as simple as a barrel with a plunger in it, moved by hand. The process of churning involves transforming a fat-in-water emulsion (milk) to a water-in-fat emulsion (butter).

The cream is agitated until it ruptures the fragile membranes surrounding the milk fat. Once broken, the fat droplets can join with each other and form clumps of fat. As churning continues, larger clusters of fat collect until they begin to form a network with the air bubbles that are generated by the churning; this traps the liquid and produces foam. As the fat clumps increase in size, there are also fewer to enclose the air cells. So the bubbles pop, run together, and the foam begins to leak. This leakage is called buttermilk. The cream separates into butter and buttermilk. The buttermilk is drained off, and the remaining butter is kneaded to form a network of fat crystals that becomes the continuous phase, or dispersion medium, of a water-in-fat emulsion (butter).

To see a wooden butter churn in use click on

<https://youtu.be/ZcojxcQFuT8?si=qm1GtYvkw3gdApDX>



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