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HILLIARD OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY (1966 – 2016)

Message from the President:

2016 is officially upon us and many events are planned for the 50th Anniversary year.

Tim Woodruff has been named as chairman of the special events and projects for our special year. Tim and his team have been working hard on our 50th celebration. Yes, it has been 50 years since our founders formed the Northwest Franklin County Historical Society, now named the Hilliard Ohio Historical Society. There will be many activities planned throughout the year. The final big day Celebration Event is scheduled to coincide with the planned Old Hilliard Fest on September 10th (See article on Page 2 from Tim Woodruff)

Heritage Day is scheduled for the 3rd Saturday in October. The Society is in dire need for someone to step forward to coordinate this event. Shirley Russell has provided her guidebook for reference to assist in this event. If anyone is interested please contact me.

Weddings are a prime money maker for the Society. Currently Lisa Whisner Barnes had to step down as wedding coordinator. Anyone interested please contact me ASAP for details on what this position entails.

The board will be deciding on a design for a new building to house our three vehicles. The board will also be looking at ways to finance this project. Look for more information soon.

As always look for ways that you can help during any of the events that occur during the year. This includes school tours, Heritage Day, 50th Anniversary, weddings, county fair, days that the village is open and any other event that might be scheduled. Megan Martin and Barb Cash will be calling so help in any way that you can.

Again I want to thank everyone for their dedication to the Society.
Steve Smith, President 2016

Tim Woodruff – Chairman of the 50th Anniversary Celebration

Happy 50th Anniversary Northwest Franklin County Historical Society AKA Hilliard Ohio Historical Society 1966 2016. We felt it necessary to spend this year celebrating the accomplishments of our Society. We have collected, preserved, and displayed items with historical significance to our community. We have also packaged all this history in a manner that allows us to communicate to this community and educate the community as to value of History in their daily lives.

We are hoping to begin our year's celebration by building a **Bell Tower Monument** on our village green and then sell **personal engraved bricks**, which will be installed on the face of the monument. We are also thinking of burying a **Time Capsule** in the Bell Tower Monument. We have a **School Bell** that we salvaged from a one-room school that was located on Davidson Road close to Dublin Rd. We would then put the bell on the top of the Bell Tower Monument.

We would also like to publish a written **50th Anniversary Book** of both our Historical Society and the City of Hilliard. We feel that many residents do not know the History Hilliard and even less know about the history of our Historical Society. We hope to sell the History books for an affordable price to help defray the cost of publishing it.

Another activity we would like to sponsor is a **Youth Day**. We think it should be a High school and Middle school event. We would like to have a friendly competition for several events. A **Pentathlon** event that would include such things as a wheel barrow race, a skillet toss, an egg toss a ring Toss, and a competitive Tug of War Contest. There would be separate events for High Schools and Middle School.

Other things under consideration for our youth are an **Essay Contest** on Hilliard and Historical Society History with the winners to be published in our Anniversary Book. Also an **Artwork Contest** for the cover of our 50th Anniversary Book

There are several **New Displays** that we would like to incorporate into the Museum. One item would be a display of Hilliard's outstanding athletes. Did you know that we had a world Record Holder in the 70 Yard Sprint? We also had a High School athlete who set a record in the discus throw. We also had College All-American and Professional Athletes from Hilliard.

Another display consideration is "Footprints in Time" displaying Hilliard area history over different time periods. We have many items in our back room that would be available for these displays and would help clean out or storage rooms of many interesting items for these purposes.

The major event will be the actual **50th Anniversary Celebration Day** in the village. This event is planned for **September 10, 2016** to coincide with Old Hilliard-Fest. On that day in the Village we are planning a Pig Roast, Games for Kids, and Live Entertainment.

In order to get our 50th Anniversary message out to the public, we will try to get Kevin Corvo to print a piece in the This Week Hilliard version of the Northwest News. There will be other advertising and promotions we will do to get the word out to everyone in Hilliard.

There will be other things that we will do as the committee works on other options that come to our attention throughout the year.

We are going to need a lot of help in order to accomplish our goals for our 50th Anniversary year. We are going to need a lot of volunteers to help in many categories. Please call me or the Library office to volunteer wherever you feel you can be the most helpful. We are looking forward to a great year thank you in advance for your participation in making this 50th anniversary year a great success.

Tim Woodruff.