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General Information

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1. Historical Society Winter Events

*School and Senior Citizen Visits plus
*History in A Suitcase Program" during winter months with historical artifacts plus a PowerPoint Computer demo program.

2. *Special Tours – Weddings -

We welcome tours of our Village and rental of our Village Church for weddings or our other facilities for picnics, special parties or reunions. Call for fees & appointments at 614-876-5880 Email: hilliardohiohistoricalsociety@gmail.com

*Note: All planned events are posted on our website: hilliardohiohistoricalsociety.com

New Business

Election Results:

A. New Officers - 2018

President – Barbara Cash

Vice President- Bob Peterson

Secretary- Mildred Brooks

Treasurer – Rodney Garnett

B. Board Members - 2018

Ben Buoni

Randy Smith

Wally Cash

Bob Brooks

Tim Woodruff

Jeff Smith

Marilyn Evans

Megan Martin

Paul Thacker

Membership and Board Meetings

2018 Schedule:

Board Meeting Schedule:

1st Wednesday of January March, May, June, September and November and as needed or called by the President

Membership Meeting Schedule:

3rd Wednesday of March, April, May, June, September, October and December.

The location of all meetings will be posted on our website.

Message from President

Barbara Cash

My, how quickly the time goes by when we are busy presenting the Village! Here's a summary of the activities in the Village since last newsletter in September:

6 school tours, 2 weddings, 2 photo shoots, and 4 group tours and Heritage Day in October. Thanks to all of our members who gave of their time to present the Buildings and artifacts to our visitors. Additionally, Megan Martin and Bob Peterson presented "History in a Suitcase" to two third grade classes on location at area schools last week. The Society was also introduced to the Community through participation at Old Hilliard Fest and in the Veterans Day Parade in November.

Our Annual Meeting

The meeting was held in October. Our Speaker was Chief Jeff Warren, from the Norwich Township Fire Department...very enlightening!

Election Of 2018 Officers were conducted.

Special Awards were presented for:

Volunteer of the year – Megan Martin,

Outstanding New Board Member – Mildred Brooks. Both have done extraordinary work for our Society this past year.

The next Membership Meeting is scheduled for: **March 14, 2018 at the Safety Services Building at 7:00.** A special program will be presented by Liz Plummer, Outreach Reference Archivist at the Ohio History Connection. Mark your calendar, you will not want to miss this dynamic and engaging program.

Volunteer Spotlight –Darryl Walters maintaining the membership list, keeping the website up to date, pulling weeds, assisting with showcase assembly, stripping and polishing floors, etc.etc. Darryl Walters is a

behind-the-scenes volunteer without whom we would not keep the Village and the Society informed, and efficient. **Thanks Darryl!**

Wish List – A Blacksmith Shop. As a result of my request in the last newsletter, two donations have been pledged toward that goal. A special committee, chaired by Bob Brooks will research requirements, locations, and costs to present to the Board a proposal to proceed. **If you are interested in assisting on this project, please notify me. blcash@columbus.rr.com by January 1st** **Those selected to make-up the committee** which will begin their work in January 2018.

This will be a **huge** addition to the Village complex and will create another opportunity for a new presentation of our living history. As planning progresses, we will be asking for additional financial support for the project.

The December Open House will be held December 20, 2017 at the Safety Services Building 7:00. Come join us for an informal celebration of a successful year and discussions about our new 2018 plans and programs.

Message from Vice President Bob Peterson
The Montgomery Room is just about completed! Thanks to the generosity of the family and friends of A.C. Montgomery, we will soon have additional display space in the museum. We have been bursting at the seams with valuable historical items which could not be displayed in the existing Museum space. With the funds provided to honor A.C. Montgomery, we have been able to convert the storage room to a brand new display space devoted to the ongoing history of Hilliard as displayed throughout the Museum. Thanks to the Smith family team: Steve, Randy and Jeff plus many other member workers and some hired professionals. We are now at a point where we have started using the room for events and programs. Additional displays are planned and will be added as they are built. It was amazing how much space seemed to appear once the room was cleaned and old shelving and unneeded materials were disposed of. I have to mention the cleaned and

polished floor presented to us one weekend by none other than Darryl Walters, Our “Behind the scenes” special volunteer.” Ya coulda eatin’ off the floor” It was amazing!!

Lots of spectacular work was done to make this room one of our highlights in the museum.

2017 Senior Citizens Hall of Fame induction

– Tim Woodruff On Wednesday September 13, 2017 Our Historical Society member and past President, Tim Woodruff was the 31st inductee into the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. He joins many other Historical Society members bestowed with this honor from the City of Hilliard Parks & Recreation Department. Congratulations, Tim!

Repairs and Renovating in the Village

During 2017, thanks to a grant from the City of Hilliard, several buildings were painted or repaired. The whole Village is looking GREAT!! Additionally, a walkway to the anniversary tower was completed and the balance of the bricks put in place to finish that project. A drainage issue discovered when we began the renovation of the Montgomery Room was remedied. Again, the City of Hilliard stepped in to assist. What wonderful partners. We have Grant requests pending approval and hope to continue keeping the Village in shape. It is not easy to keep 100 year old buildings strong and safe for our many visitors and we are always in need of funds to do that.

Donations and Sponsors

We are a 501(c)(3) Non-profit organization. Which means all your donations and sponsorships are tax deductible. You still have all of this December 2017 to make your donation to your Hilliard Ohio Historical Society. Who knows what coming tax reforms will be next year and beyond. Here’s our needs NOW:

1. Blacksmith Shop. We are actively looking for additional new sponsors for this planned project. Estimate another 10 to 15 thousand dollars to complete it. The Blacksmith Shop was a key industry in early American Villages nationwide. This will be a major attraction for

our Village All donors will be reconized on the shop wall when the project is completed.

Donations and Sponsors (Continued)

2. Car Barn Storage & Display Building

We own a **Ford Model T**, **Model A Ford** vehicles and our 1941 **GMC truck**. Plus a display area for our Historical Artifacts of Old Signs, Replacement Parts, Advertisements and memorabilia of the age of the automobile.

3.Sponsorships to support your Hilliard Ohio Historical Society and ongoing planned events and programs

Contact: Bob Peterson Cell: 614-353-9330 or Email: peterston2700@gmail.com for any of these projects or any other donations. Thank you for your support.

News from the Archival Library

Marilyn Evans, Librarian

This Fall the Library Staff has been busy working with the land abstracts we found in the Spring. The goal is to transcribe the original copies which are fragile and hard to read. Land abstracts are the history of the ownership of parcels of land. Some of ours go back to grants given to soldiers who served in the Revolutionary War, while other abstracts are from the 1800's. Many of our land abstracts are for the Old Hilliard area, bought by John Hilliard from Lucas Sullivant.

Once we transcribe the abstracts and locate the parcels of land, we hope to map the land and trace the various owners. Some of the owners were the pioneer families of Hilliard and we are also finding new names. Jennie Spring Starr is researching the family genealogies of these new families. Needless to say, the work is fascinating and will answer the questions of residents who want to know the history of their property.

In other news, the Library will be closed from December 15 to January 2 for the Christmas holidays. As winter approaches and in the case of bad weather, please call before you come. We do close when the weather is bad and driving conditions are not good.

Sunshine & Memorials – Marge Dougherty Newson Members

-- Sue Eisner; Betty Patch; Penny Woodruff

-- Leon Boucher now lives at the Senior Living complex - Friendship Village in Dublin.

--Joanne Kuhn passed away on December 6, 2017. She was a Life Member since 1968. The Kuhn family donated the Historical Barn which is part of our Historical Village at Weaver Park

- Membership Chairman – Darryl Walters

I want to take a moment and welcome our newest life member Charles Bynner as well as all the members that renewed their annual memberships this year.

All memberships are important to the Society because they help maintain the buildings and provide funds to continue to have our two most popular annual events, Heritage Day and Santa in the Red Caboose. But it is most important to continue to keep your annual membership current because these are the funds we count on each year to budget the next year's events, building maintenance and operating funds.

Currently we have 150 life members and 20 current paid annual memberships. There are 58 annual memberships that have not renewed their membership for the year 2017-2018. A membership renewal form can be found on the website under Memberships. Please consider renewing your membership so that we can continue to plan next year's events. Thank you. - Darryl

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