

NEW PAVILION IS NEAR COMPLETION

Here it is!



This picture was taken around May 1st, looking back toward the Church and the Covered Bridge. The picture is mainly to show you the location in relation to the rest of the Village. The plan is to have the Pavilion ready for renting for wedding receptions, concerts, class reunions, family picnics etc. in June. There will be chairs and tables available for renting, plus there is electricity for lighting, with plugs on each of the posts for connecting appliances. To the right of the pavilion inside that low wall, is a brick patio for outdoor seating. By the time this newsletter is sent out the final construction will be completed. A special members committee has been established to create a marketing plan and a brochure to mail or present to possible users of this new spectacular Pavilion to our Historical Village. Norwich Township will be hosting a Ribbon Cutting and Dedication Ceremony to be held on Friday, June 21st starting at 2 p.m.

Message from the President –

Barbara Cash

New Summer Schedule

The Board has determined that we can maximize our effectiveness this summer by scheduling 4 special events throughout the summer rather than just opening the village every Sunday afternoon. These events have been published throughout the State as well as locally. Here they are:

***Saturday June 1st 1 to 4 PM**

Children's Events: Story teller, Scavenger Hunts and Village tours

***Saturday June 23, 1 to 4 PM**

An Ice Cream Social and Village Tours and Demonstrations

***Saturday August 3, 3 to 6 PM**

Cook Out and Game Day

***Saturday August 25, 1 to 4**

FUNDRAISER: Catered Meal, Bake Sale, and Special Exhibit in the Montgomery Room, plus Kids games and Activities.

***County Fair July 13 thru July 20**

For these 8 days the Village will be open to the public every day some of the Fair Hours. This event requires maximum participation of all members of the Society. Everyone local will be contacted by Kathy Chandler to determine how you can help to make this event successful. Whether you can volunteer to manage games, bake cookies, set up or make buildings ready, your help is

needed. These events will be successful if we all pitch in. So mark your Calendars now to be sure you will be available to support our Society when you get the request.

Note: If it's been a while since you have volunteered, let Kathy know so she can send you a copy of our Training Manual and our Emergency Contact Form that we need in our files for your protection.

We look forward to seeing as many Members as possible to make this a really great summer season for our Historical Society to showcase our very special Historical Village and our new Pavilion addition.

Thank You Sponsors & Donors for supporting our Village throughout the year.

A special thanks to the **Hilliard Dry Cleaners** for donating the cleaning of Afghans and all our Holiday Banners.

Hilliard Kiwanis for spreading the mulch in the Village;

Anonymous Member for \$500 to paint the Historical Barn.

The Hilliard Foundation for supporting the purchase of Tables and Chairs for our New Pavilion. This will be a significant, convenient attraction & rental source of income for our Village.

LIBRARY NEWS – Marilyn Evans I serve as the archivist or Historical Librarian for Historical Society. My primary job is to help preserve the

written history of Hilliard. Most of the Job consists of cataloging and organizing the written documents we receive. We try to limit our collection to those materials that primarily deal with Hilliard and nearby areas. In addition, we answer questions about the history of this area. Our questions come from people who visit, phone calls or visits on our website. It's an interesting range of questions and the fun of the job is trying to find answers for everyone. We refer them to other libraries or historical collections when we cannot answer the questions here. In addition, I serve on the Board of the Historical society which is the decision making arm of the Society. We meet about 6 times a year. I also serve on committees when asked.

We keep our Library during summer concerts when the Hilliard Arts Council has their concerts at the SBC pavilion on Norwich Street.

I enjoy my work but would like to see more Society Members volunteer so we can keep our archives open more hours.

**Membership Meeting –
Annual Potluck Picnic – June 19th 6 PM
Historical Society Village**

BUILDINGS & GROUND COMMITTEE

The committee members were asked to review the various existing buildings for repairs and updates that are needed now that the warmer weather is approaching. The report back so far is as follows:

1. Our School House and Church are definitely in need of a new roof. Cost estimates are about \$15K each. We are reaching out to members for other options and ideas for possibly repairs.
2. We need to paint both barns, the car barn & the historic barn.
3. The piano in the church is in need of special tuning. We are searching for a piano tuner now.

Our attention this summer is to really get the new Pavilion into the mix of the Village rental offerings so that we can obtain additional revenues to finance the maintenance and repairs needed in our Village.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Docents, setup people, greeters, Kitchen Help, Bake Sale donations, for all our summer activities and events

SPECIAL DONATION Ben Buoni donated a video security system for the Museum & Village grounds.

SUNSHINE & MEMORIALS – Marge Dougherty

Our Life member Janet Anderson is 102 and is doing well. We send our thoughts and prayers for member Penny Woodruff who is not doing so well.

Memorials: Bill Schnug passed away last month. Our prayers to all the Schnug family.

Edward Fladt passed away also this month. Our prayers are with Evelyn and all the family.

Be sure to contact Marge Dougherty if you have any noteworthy news.

Photo Collection of New Museum Displays and Activities in the Village



New Cobbler Lasts & Tools



New Civil War Artifact



New WW II Uniform



New Car Barn for Model T and Model A



Village School Tour May 2019



Teachers & Chaperons at School Tour