



To promote, preserve and protect the heritage of Plain Township Stark County

Plain Township Historical Society

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Treasurer's Report

Account Balances:

Checking	\$652.34
Money Market	13,140.58
Endowment	28,143.76

We are a 501c3. Contributions to our organization are tax deductible.

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Annual Summer Picnic

Summer is here and the weather is hot. So, it must be June and picnic time. Come and join us on Monday, June 19th at Veterans Park from 6-8 pm. Bring your favorite picnic covered dish. Water, hot dogs, buns, condiments, napkins, plates, and silverware provided. If you make a little extra, we will share with the Fire Department. This year we are celebrating our 90-year young members. After a census was taken of our membership, we realized that we had close to ten members who are over 90. That gives us a cause for celebration. Come well winded to blow out a lot of candles (I guess it is a good thing we are close to the fire station.) There are bathrooms close by. The Dog Park and Splash Pad are open too. Bring a friend, or a family member or two to join us. Great opportunity to sit around the picnic table and remember the good ole days. Plus, will our master hot dog griller get too hot under the bun and take a dip in the Splash Pad? Only one way to find out. Come and join us at the picnic. See you there!!!!

Shaking the Family Tree

May saw PTHS doing two events centered around genealogy. The first was at the Main Branch of the Stark County Library and the second was being the presenter to the Stark County Genealogical Society's meeting. We met people with ties to Plain Township and encouraged them to share and explore their family trees. Also, we were able to reconnect with our friends from other local historical societies and history groups. The information that is coming in is very valuable and filling in holes. These two events were a great way to kick off event season. By the way, have you shared your family tree with us yet? We can graft your tree with ours to expand our knowledge base and provide safe keeping of those important records.

Up and Coming 720 Sidestreet Market at Oakwood Square

The June 720 Sidestreet Market at Oakwood Square is the first event for our mobile museum. This opportunity we will be displaying "Quilt of Plain Township and Their Stories." We will have 13 quilts covering the 1900-1990s, embroidered, pieced, handmade, machine sewn, applique, crib, wall hanging, and full-size examples. Plus, the stories attached to each quilt, some will make you shed a tear or two. The overall mix of quilts will make a great display to share with the community. So, stop by and see what pops up at our mobile museum. In September, we will share these and maybe a few more at our monthly PTHS free meeting.

2nd Quarter – McDonald's Fundraiser

Hard to believe that we are in the 2nd quarter of 2023 already. That means it is time for our quarterly fundraiser at McDonald's on Market Ave across from Walsh University. Join us between 4-8 pm for a bite to eat and cool off with a sweet treat or two. You can drive-thru, order to go, or dine-in. Anyway, you order between 4-8 pm, PTHS received 20% of the proceeds. Join us inside for some rousing historical conversations. It is always interesting the stories that come out while eating a Big Mac, fries and a sundae. Proceeds from this

June Meeting

**June 19th – Annual
Covered Dish
Picnic – Veterans
Park – 6-8 pm**

Yearbook Want List:

Middlebranch HS – 1955, 1957

GlenOak HS – 1981, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005 to present

School Newspapers:

GlenOak, Oakwood, Glenwood, Middlebranch, Underground, Taft or any other school.

Grade and Middle School HAVE LIST:

Plain Center – 1940-1954, 1995

Taft JR HS – 1985, 1986, 2006

Edgefield – 1951-1955

Frazer – 1953-1955

Middlebranch JR HS – 1977, 1980, 1981, 1997-1999

Pleasantview – 1954-1955, 2001, 2004-2006

- Articles for our newsletter can be emailed to: preservingplaintwp@gmail.com.
- Articles are due the Wednesday after the first Tuesday of the month (aka Board Meeting.)

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/PlainTownshipHistoricalSociety/

fundraiser goes towards our endowment fund. Thank you for your support and hope to see you there.

Little “Gnome” Facts

Roman here, in this episode of “As the Dirt Turns,” we seek shade. Well the weather was a little too hot for us gnomes, so I decided to wander over to the amphiteater to see if I could find any shade. Wow have they made progress. It turns out there are nice shady spots very conducive to gnome naps located all around the amphiteater. The big one has a nice cantelivered cover which I can tell will be a cool place to be. The little ones are coming along as well. I can tell you this, the Wanderers’ family can not wait until we can stroll over there and take a lazy day afternoon nap. Well all this talk about naps is making me sleepy, so I am going to keep moving. Stay tuned for the next episode of “As the Dirt Turns” watching the ampitheater take shape.



My gnome senses were tingling the other day, so I sent my brother Raymond out to check out what was going on at the Hometown Veterinary Clinic on Middlebranch. So, I am letting Raymond take the lead.

Hi, Raymond here. I heard that the Hometown Vets were digging up dirt, so I wandered over to check things out. We reported earlier that Hometown Vets had purchased the Basil Wise property next door to them to expand their business. The new addition will be attached to the original building and be the cat’s meow for our local furry friends. We are excited to see their investment in downtown Oval City. They have a four-paw rating from the Wanderering family for this addition to the community. So, stay tuned for the next episode of “As the Tail Wags.” Back to truffle hunting.

**This and That – Odds and Ends**

Genealogy – We have received a couple of additions to graft onto our tree. The first comes from the Bates family. They lived in the Franklin Hall One Room school house on Harmont and East Center Rd. Also, leafing its way to us, was additional information on the Trump family. With these additions, we now have over 469,000 names in our database. This database was very useful for our quilt mobile museum project as we researched the names

Publications available for purchase

- Educating Plain Township – Middlebranch High School 1927-1957 2 volume set \$20.00 (only sold as a two volume set)
- Educating Plain Township – Glenwood High School 1957-1975 2 volume set \$20.00 (only sold as a two volume set)
- Cruising Thru Plain Township – \$10.00 each
 - Volume 1 NE Qtr
 - Volume 2 SE Qtr
 - Volume 3 SW Qtr
 - Volume 4 NW Qtr
- And the Story Continues – Vol 1 and Vol 2 - \$10.00ea
ON SALE for \$10/set

Publication available for free download from our website or Facebook page

- Exploring Plain Township – Piecing the Puzzle Together – North Canton Drive-In Theater

Donations

If you have any items to donate or share please let Cindy Guest know at preservingplaintwp@gmail.com or 330-224-2660. Also, if you know of someone in the community with information that will help us please let us know. Thank you to all that donated.



attached to each quilt. We were able to not only able to easily research the names on the two church friendship quilts but also the relationships between the names.

Time Capsule – Attached to the newsletter is an article from the GlenOak High School newspaper about time capsules that were found on the Oakwood Middle School property. We worked with Plain Local on this topic, but unfortunately, we did not have a lot of information on the topic. We are glad that the writer pursued the article and now we have the story documented.

“Invest in Plain’s History” by becoming a member, volunteering, making a monetary donation and donating items related to Plain Township!

PLAIN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2023 EVENT SCHEDULE

**Board of Directors Meetings are the first Tuesday at 2 p.m.
General Meetings are the third Monday at 7 p.m.**

General meetings are held at the Plain Township Hall, 2600 Easton St NE, Canton OH unless otherwise noted. These meetings are free and open to the public. We have a brief meeting, followed by refreshments and then a historical topic presentation. Check our website www.preservingplaintwp.org, Facebook and newsletter for a current schedule.

Jun 10th – 720 Side Street Market at Oakwood Square 10-3 pm – We will be featuring “Quilts of Plain Township and Their Stories” - Location: Oakwood Square Plaza

Jun 19th – PTHS Picnic – Veterans Park – Celebrating the 90th Birthdays of our members – 6-8 pm

Jun 21st – PTHS McDonald’s Quarterly Fundraiser 4-8 pm – Location: McDonald’s 6302 Market Ave N.

Jul 17th – “Case Mansion” – Presenter Richard Haldi

Aug 21st – Genealogy – Presenter Stark County Genealogical Society

Sep 9th – 720 Side Street Market at Oakwood Square 10-3 pm

Sep 18th – “Quilts of Plain Township” – Presenter Cindy Guest

Recent Donations

- Terry Bates – Bates and Feldner Family Tree information
- Sue Covert – Avondale Fire Dept Articles, Trump Family Genealogy
- Magnolia Historical Society – Plain Twp property abstracts
- Jeff McVay – 1875 Reproduction Stark County Atlas
- Rosemary Schnell Moegling – 1963 Glenwood Class Ring
- Cynthia Thomas Toth – 2 Plain Township Quilts

Endowment Donations

- In Memory of Don Wise – 2 donations

Endowment Giving

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Mail Check to:

Plain Township Historical Society
C/o Endowment
2600 Easton St NE
Canton, OH 44721

Or SCF Online:

www.starkcf.org/give-plain-historical



PTHS is a 501c3 organization. Your donation is tax deductible.

Dues Form

DUES RUN FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - PLAIN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

I want to join - Check One (Annual):

- | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student | \$5.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | 10.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Organization | 100.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family | 20.00 | Life Time Dues: | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit | 35.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | 250.00 |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Family | 500.00 |

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Membership is open to everyone who wishes to promote our Mission.

Please make check payable to: Plain Township Historical Society

Mail this form and check to:

Plain Township Historical Society
C/o Membership
2600 Easton St NE
Canton, OH 44721

Preserving History since 2005.

Plain Township Historical Society

Come Join the Plain Township Historical Society

At the Side Street Mkts at Oakwood Square

On June 10th from 10 am-3 pm

Located at Oakwood Square Plaza on the corner of Middlebranch Ave NE and Easton St NE

Exploring Quilts of Plain Township



Stop In for a Step Back in Time!



Plain Township Historical Society Meeting

Mark Your Calendars

What: 6th Annual Covered Dish Picnic

When: Monday June 19th, 2023

Where: Veterans Park

Time: 5-8 pm, Dinner at 6 pm

We will be celebrating our members who are 90+ years young!



- ★ Bottled Water and Hand Sanitizer provided.
- ★ Silverware, plates, napkins and cups provided.
- ★ Hot dogs, buns and condiments provided.
- ★ BYOM - Bring Your Own Mask.
- ★ Rain or Shine.
- ★ Time to Chat, Catch Up and Enjoy an Evening Together.
- ★ The shelter does provide reasonable protection from rain, so unless there is a stormy night on the horizon, we will get together. We want everyone to be safe, so that should be your first thought.
- ★ We hope you will be able to come and join us!

Plain Township Historical Society

Looking to Take a Break from the Summer Heat?

Come Join the Plain Township Historical Society

In Partnership with McDonald's for our

9th Annual Fundraiser - Part 2

At 6302 Market Ave N

(Across the street from Walsh University)

Wednesday June 21st from 4 to 8 PM

Come and get a cool refreshing drink and a bite to eat! Take your meal to a local park and enjoy the Splash Pad at Veterans Park, kick it around at Diamond Park or sit under a tree at Leno Park!



Support both the Plain Township Historical Society and a Plain Township Business. Hope to see you there!

You can either order inside to go, mobile app, eat inside or go through the drive-thru. 20% of the Proceeds during that time go to support our mission "To Promote, Preserve, and Protect the Heritage of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio". No-flyer required. Dine In, Pick-up, Drive-Thru or Mobile App.

