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 \$238.72 Money Market \$12,055.58 Endowment \$47,514.55

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

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<u>June Meeting</u>

Jun 17th – Annual Potluck Picnic – <u>New</u> <u>Location</u> Al Leno Park 6:00 pm



It Is Picnic Time!

Our June gathering is almost here and that means it is picnic time. Please plan on joining us on Monday Jun 17th 6:00 pm at Al Leno park for our covered dish picnic in the park. This is a new location this year and there is a map included to help you find your way. Al Leno park is formerly the Alpine Park off of Easton St just east of Plain Township Hall. Take Easton St NE towards Township Hall, pass the Plain Township recycling center (John A Sabo complex), just over the bridge turn left onto Pinecrest (there is a sign for the park there) and then turn left onto Alpine St. That will take you right to the parking lot. We decided to try this venue this year since there is more parking, the lot is flatter and we are not competing for park resources. I will say that the hot dog master chef will miss the Splash Pad to cool off in, but I am sure she will figure out something

PTHS provides plates, cups, napkins, silverware, condiments, and water. We thank Schoger's for once again providing the hot dogs and buns. Just bring yourself and your favorite covered dish. As we have in the past, we will provide the firemen with yummy care packages. This is a great opportunity to sit down and enjoy a peaceful evening chatting with friends. As always, what happens at the picnic stays at the picnic. Can not wait to sit down and break bread with everyone.

720 SideStreet Market at Oakwood Square

It is that time of the year, event season. Our first 720 SideStreet Market is fast approaching and we cannot wait to get out into the community and share our history. This year we are piggybacking onto the theme of education that we started with our partnership with the National First Ladies Library and Museum. We will have a display consisting of the school buildings of Plain Township past and present along with items from our collection representing the various buildings.

It is interesting to see how from a building perspective education has changed from one room schools to today's modern designed buildings. Each iteration of building addresses the everchanging landscape of our community. One room schools were located so children did not have to walk more than a mile to school (yes, it was uphill both ways) and became a community center for the area residents to meet, discuss and share the local happenings. Today, the buildings are designed to meet the growing population of the township, being able to educate more than 50 children at once and providing for arts, athletics and skills training.

So, if you are out and about on Saturday Jun 8th from 10-3, stop by and see our display on "School Days from One Room Schools to Present" at the Oakwood Square Shopping Plaza behind Plain Township Hall.

McDonald's Time

June is our next quarterly McDonald's fundraiser on Wednesday, Jun 19th from 4-8 pm. This is a great opportunity to grab a bite to eat and support the Plain Township Historical Society. Again, we receive 25% of all mobile orders and 10% of non-mobile orders. All proceeds go

Looking for....

Looking for high school jewelry to add to our collection from clubs, acitivities, sports, etc.

- Class rings
- Lavilier
- Pins
- Charm bracelets, etc
 This is to allow us to trace the meaning and history of high school related jewelry.

towards our Endowment fund to fund our future growth and plans. If you need help with the McDonald's App, stop by McDonald's and they can assist you.

2025 Meeting Topics

While the 2024 season is just getting underway, the Board of Directors has started the process of planning for our 2025 membership meeting speakers. If you have heard or know of someone who does a presentation, please let a Board member know. Also, if you are interested in helping the board plan our membership meetings for 2025 and beyond, we are glad to have you join us. We already have a great new speaker for the 2025 schedule and she will be coming in 2026 as well. Your input is important in this process as we want to bring in speakers/topics that are of interest to you.

Off To The Races

Well, the second leg of our Triple Crown gift bag fundraiser is complete and our winner is Seattle Slew representing Archival Boxes for Quilts and Coverlets. All our horses (gift bags) have entered the third leg of the Triple Crown. They are in the paddock and are getting ready to saddle up. This triple crown event is sure to be a winner no matter who you bet on; I mean support. Pick a horse to support from our lineup of triple crown winners. Each one is representing archival supplies. Just like these horses who are kept well groomed, these archival supplies do the same for our donations. We continue to work on moving our items to standard, archival quality storage to protect the items for the future. If you are not at a meeting, you can mail in or drop off a check at the Plain Township Hall, 2600 Easton St NE Canton OH 44721. We are extending our Triple Crown gift bag fundraiser until July since in June we will be at the picnic grazing and enjoying the view.

Out In The Community

May was a busy month for us out in the community. We were able to partner with the Jackson Township Historical Society to do a presentation to the Northwest YMCA after school program on the Ohio and Erie Canal especially as it relates to Canal Fulton. The kids were wonderful and full of questions. It did help that they had ridden the St. Helena III the day before. Next, we shared about PTHS and the America 250 project with the Plain Township Rotary Club at the Barrel Room on Cleveland Ave NW. This was well attended and the members were very interested in what we had to say. Thank you to Denise Evans for coordinating our appearance. After that, Judy and Cindy attended the Stark Community Foundation Spring Gathering at Gervasi. The food was wonderful and we got to chat and catch up with several of our friends. Finally, we presented the America 250 project to the Plain Township Trustees. Again, we were met with open arms. PTHS is blessed to have such a wonderful working relationship with the Plain Township Trustees and staff. Believe it or not that all took place in one week. So, no wonder we needed to put our feet up and rest.

National First Ladies Library and Museum – For those of you who may not be aware, the National First Ladies Library and Museum has a Third Thursdays Night Out. The next one is on Jun 20th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm cost \$30 plus tax. https://firstladies.org/programs click on "Third Thursday" to purchase ticket. This is a great behind the scenes look at the current exhibit with appetizers and a drink. Each month is a different topic. So, if you are looking to do something different or want a girl's night out, check out the National First Ladies Library and Museum Third Thursdays.

Yearbook Want List:

Middlebranch HS - 1955

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

Elementary, Intermediate and Junior High School yearbooks.

School Newspapers:

GlenOak, Oakwood, Glenwood, Middlebranch, Underground, Elementary, Junior High, etc.

- Articles for our newsletter can be emailed to: <u>preservingplaintwp@gmail.</u> <u>com</u>.
- Articles are due the by the first Tuesday of the month (aka Board Meeting.)

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Web:

www.preservingplaintwp.org

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/PlainTowns hipHistoricalSociety/

Publications available for purchase

- Historic Ridgewood \$15 for PTHS members; \$20 for non-members
- 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)
- <u>Cruising Thru Plain</u>
 <u>Township</u> \$10.00 each
 - o Volume 1 NE Qtr
 - o Volume 2 SE Qtr
 - $\circ \quad \text{Volume 3 SW Qtr} \\$
 - o Volume 4 NW Qtr
- And the Story Continues –
 Vol 1 and Vol 2 \$10.00
 ea. 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.

Little "Gnome" Facts



The Wanderer's here. Well, we were out in the fields planting seeds and the rain has help to keep the ground moist. Now, we wait. While we are waiting for the seeds to grow, we have worked on contacting people who have stories to share. It is amazing how many stories are out there. We are of course referring to our grassroots efforts to raise awareness about the American 250 – Ohio Project for Stark County. The Stark County group is

currently working on the design for a documentary that will explore 250 years of Stark County history in 25 items. Not an easy task but we are sorting through the candidates. As we continue to explore our area's history, more and more interesting stories keep sprouting up. There is more coming, so stay tuned as plans continue to develop. Right now, we are currently developing a list of potential stories and making people aware of this project. Our job is to go "truffle hunting" for those stories we need to preserve. So, join us on this adventure. Out for now, we will be back next month.

"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 2024 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. Board of Directors meetings are held at the Plain Township Hall. Check our website www.preservingplaintwp.org, Facebook and newsletter for a current schedule.

Jun 8th – 720 Sidestreet Market at Oakwood Square 10 am – 3 pm

Jun 17th – Annual Picnic – NEW LOCATION Al Leno Park off Pinecrest off Easton St – Covered Dish – 6:00 pm

Jun 19th – McDonald's 2nd Quarter Fundraiser 4 pm – 8 pm

Jul 15th – Demise of the William McKinley Home – Presenters Richard Haldi and Judith Pocock

Aug 19^{th} – Scams and How to Avoid Them – Presenter Stark County Sheriff's Department

Recent Donations

➤ Kim Demor – Judy Russell items

Endowment Donations
In Memoriam



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
In Partnership with PTHS is a 501c3 organization. Your donation is

stark community foundation

Dues Form

DUES RUN FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - PLAIN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY				
I want to join - Check One (Annual):				
Student	\$5.00	Patron	\$50.00	
Individual	10.00	Organization	100.00	
□ Family	20.00	Life Time Dues:		
Non-Profit	35.00	Individual	250.00	
		Family	500.00	
Name:				
Address:				
Phone:				
Email:				
Amount Enclosed \$				
Membership is o	pen to everyor	ne who wishes to prom	ote our Mission.	
Please make che	ck payable to:	Plain Township Histori	cal Society	
Mail this form ar	nd check to:			
Plain Township Historical Society				
C/o Membership				
2600 Easton St NE				
Canton, OH 44721				

Preserving History since 2005.

Plain Township Historical Society Meeting

tax deductible.

What: 7th Annual Covered Dish Picnic When: Monday June 17th, 2023 Where: Al Leno Park **

Time: 5-8 pm, Dinner at 6 pm New Location This Year

Take Easton St NE to Pinetree Ave NE to Alpine St NE. Map shows directions from the Plain





Plain Township Historical Society Off To The Races

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Saddle up and load into the gate, we are off to the reaces. Make sure you have your fancy hat ready and a mint julep in your hand. Let us make a "Plun for the Roses," "Run for the Black Eyed Susans," and "Plun for the Carnations," this triple crown event is sure to be a winner no matter who you bet on. I mean support. Pick a horse to support from our lineap of triple crown winners. Each one is representing archival supplies. Let us see who wins. The horse with the most support wins.

Please include your name and the Triple Crown winner. Checks can be dropped off at the Plain Township Offices 2600 Easton St NE, mailed to PTHS 2600 Easton St NE Canton OH 44721, brought to a meeting or given to one of our Board Members. Thank you for helping to fulfill our wish list.

8.5"x11" Plastic Sleeve Protectors 600 Pack Archival Storage Box 3" O-Ring Binder Cost \$40 Each Cost \$30 each Archival Boxes for Quilts and Coverlets

• Isaac Shaefer Coverlet

• Pocock Family Coverlet

• Sunflower Applique Photo Sleeves for 3x5 and 4x6 Photos Cost \$10 each Quilt
• 1975 Quilt Cost \$50 each Archival Boxes for Textiles

Child's Dress from Vicary
Family

Boy Scout Uniform

Fireman Apparel Endowment Fund
General
Scholarship
Any Amount Cost \$25 each

