

LOGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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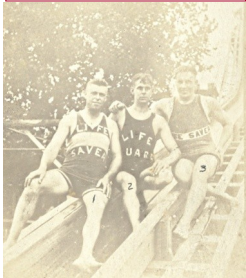
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Logan County Historical Society Membership Meeting

Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.



Indian Lake History

with **Bob MacDonald**

Bob MacDonald will be sharing his extensive knowledge about the Indian Lake area. Bob has been interested in the history and collecting photos of the Lake area for many years. He was one of the participants in our recent "Indian Lake Information Gathering" at the Lakeview library to help us with the "Logan County Digital Collection".

In October of 2009 the Logan County Historical Society joined the Logan County Libraries in participating in a grant-funded digitization project. The Northwest Regional Library District applied for the grant which involves 12 public libraries digitizing items that are included in the Ohio Historical Society's "Ohio Memory" online project.

The Logan County Digital Collection presently consists of history books, an atlas, postcards of railroad depots, and postcards from all around Logan County. There are currently 195 postcards of the Indian Lake area from the Logan County Historical Society's collection, which can be viewed by people all over the world through the internet.

After scanning the images, they are shipped to the Ohio Historical Society to be uploaded to www.ohiomemory.org. Then we add the information, called "metadata" to the images on the computer. Research on all the images has been time consuming, and Bob has helped us to identify many of the photos.

Come join us for a fun and informative program, where we will hear Bob tell us about many of the pictures we have of Indian Lake.

For additional information, please call Todd at 593-7557. Free and open to the public.



CURATOR'S CORNER

One of the most important functions of a museum is to educate its patrons whether they are children or adults. This past spring the Logan County Museum fulfilled this goal with numerous programs and field trips with local schools. Jean Leininger was very busy scheduling tour guides for the third grade field trips to the museum. Northeastern, Southeastern, Indian Lake and West Liberty 3rd graders all visited the museum in May (Benjamin Logan came in October). We also had Amish students visit the museum.

In addition to students coming to the museum, the museum went to the schools. I visited the four Northeastern 3rd grade classes with a couple of the museum's traveling programs: *That Was Then...This Is Now* and *Local Footsteps* (students dress up as famous and not-so-famous Logan Countians). I also went to the 2nd grade students at Southeastern. In the fall I shared with them the program *From Indians to Honda* traveling program on Logan County history and then this spring returned with *That Was Then...This Is Now*. In addition Indian Lake and West Liberty 3rd grade classes borrowed a couple of the traveling programs during the school year.

This spring we saw an increase in the Logan County Museum's 3rd Grade Field Trip Grant program. Northeastern, Southeastern, Benjamin Logan, Indian Lake and Calvary Christian third graders all participated in the program. It was the first year for Benjamin Logan to participate in the program. It was also the first time Indian Lake did the field trip, although Huntsville Elementary did it a few years ago. We went to various landmarks in Logan County like the Oldest Concrete Street, the Highest Point in Ohio, the Holland Theatre, Castle Mac-A-Cheek, and many others, including talking with the Logan County Commissioners. With this program the museum pays \$150 per bus to take 3rd graders (the grade they learn local history) to some of the county's most important landmarks and historical places. The program also offers a curriculum and activities teachers can use to help teach local history.

The comments we heard from the teachers and the students were all very positive. I hope we will be able to continue this program for many years to come as well as continue having the schools come to the museum and using our traveling programs. I cannot thank Jean Leininger enough for all that she does with our school field trips from scheduling the field trips to the museum to finding docents for the field trips to helping me as a guide for the 3rd Grade Field Trip Grant tours.

THANKS JEAN!

Todd McCormick



Artifact Donations- Thanks!

April 14 – June 21, 2011

- Rosalyn Rinehart** - in memory of husband Charlie – BHS Yearbook 1917
Eileen Charles — in memory of Phyllis Braden – Silver tea set, rug hook & shuttle
Ralph & Ann Wood – A.C. Elliot & Co. school desk (made in Bellefontaine) Eavey's coffee tin, ginger tin & cider vinegar bottle
Jesse Langman – Photos of the Flying Jordans aerial group (Lewis Jordan was from Bellefontaine)
June L. White – children's silverware, milkshake stirrers and spoons
Margaret Lockwood – Nurse's uniforms
Joan S. Smith – Wedding dress, umbrella and photo of Dorothy Louise Schrader (Lynn) **Carroll J. Hoge** – Navy uniforms of Harold Leroy Landis
Jacquie Ledley – postcards, tickets, etc. found in walls of a house
Elaine DeMarsh – Indian projectile points collection, Delaware Indian pictographs (recreation) used for education programs
John Dete – Car tire chain from the 1930s
James Bradley – 1914 postcard of W. Center St. in West Mansfield
Pat & Dick Ortili – 1898 Van Bergh Silver-plated tea set, glass planter
Diane Dirkson – 1913 East Liberty High School graduation book, 1913 E.L.H.S. class photos, high school admission exams of donor's grandmother-Edith Smith (Prior)
Everetta Titus – Record album - "The Mills Brothers and Their Mellow Years"
Charles Rice— Bellefontaine City Schools booklet
Greg & Patty Miller—Lady's 1950s dress, lady's 1960s hat
Marsha Roberts— Railroad time book
Bob MacDonald—Indian Lake Postcards
Ray & Cindy Quay – Replica Civil War Union soldier uniform and women's Civil War era replica clothing.

Items on loan to the Logan County Museum

- Lou, Judy & Louie Vito** – Louie Vito's first professional snowboard, photos of Louis's snowboarding career and time on *Dancing with the Stars*
Soundra Elliott-Kennedy— Mastodon Femur & Jaw bones



Logan County Museum's 2011 BUS TRIP!
 to Lima, Ohio's Civic Center
Saturday, October 1, 2011,
Bus leaves promptly at 6:30

Program begins at 8:00

The Logan County Historical Society's annual bus trip will offer something different this year. We will go to the Lima Civic Center for Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain Tonight. The veteran actor continues to enthrall audiences with his unique portrayal of the truly American author/humorist, performing 20-25 shows a year. By Mr. Holbrook's estimation, he has now performed the show well over 2,000 times. Just as Mark Twain brought his wit to far-flung places a half-century before, the much-acclaimed portrayal has taken Mr. Holbrook around the world, from Saudi Arabia and Warsaw to Edinburgh and New Delhi. Mr. Holbrook is not just an impersonator of Mark Twain, he is an authority on the writer about whom Hemingway said "American literature began."

The event takes place Saturday, Oct. 1. The bus will leave the museum promptly at 6:30 p.m. Plan to have dinner and be at the museum a bit early, so we're not arriving in Lima at the last minute.

The cost is \$50 for LCHS members and \$60 for non members. As in past years, volunteers who worked during the 2010 calendar year will get 50 cents off the cost for each hour worked. **Reservations and payment are DUE by Friday, Sept. 2.**

JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING A SUCCESS

Although we feared being rained out, the weather cooperated and we had an excellent turn out for our June 15th *Bellefontaine Cemetery Walk* society membership meeting. Guest speaker, Dr. Michael Gleason, started things off by telling us about his parents, Bellefontaine educators, who are interred on the corner of Hayes & Allison overlooking Northeastern Elementary School. His story was followed by many interesting stories from John McPherson, David Wagner, and Todd McCormick. Visit your local cemetery sometime there are many interesting people there!

THANKS DR. MIKE!



2011 Museum Hours

Nov 1—Apr 30

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 1:00-4:00 p.m.

May 1—Oct 31

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday
 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Curator's Office Hours

(in basement of Mansion)

Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

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LOGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY WELCOMES YOU!!

NOTICE: You can now pay your dues on our website at www.logancountymuseum.org using either PayPal or your credit card!

NEW MEMBER _____, RENEWAL _____

All dues will be deposited into the society's Levy Fund unless stated otherwise. Please check if you do **NOT** _____ (✓) wish your dues to be deposited to this fund .

Dues: Single - \$15, Family - \$20, Business - \$25

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

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I can help with (check as many as apply):

- Adult tours docent _____,
- Student tours docent _____,
- Regular open hours tours docent _____,
- Young Historians Club assistant _____,
- Open house docent/volunteer _____,
- Tent at Fair _____,
- Indian Lake Festival booth _____,
- Halloween KidFest _____,
- Christmas decorating of museum _____,
- Christmas Open House docent/volunteer _____,
- Building Committee volunteer _____,
- Gift Shop Committee volunteer _____,
- Programs Committee volunteer _____,
- Newsletter Committee volunteer _____,
- Docent Committee volunteer _____,
- Photography volunteer _____,
- Fundraising Committee volunteer _____,
- Other, explain _____.

PLEASE SEND YOUR DUES AND/OR DONATIONS TO:

LOGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
 521 E. COLUMBUS AVE.,
 BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO 43311-2401

2011 HISTORICAL SOCIETY OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

David Wagner	President
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Pat Ortlí	Corresponding Secretary
Chris O'Connor	Trustee (2011)
Bonnie Hansen	Trustee (2011)
Dan Bratka	Trustee (2011)
David Pennington	Trustee (2012)
Mary Mortimer	Trustee (2012)
Charlie Patrick	Trustee (2012)
Doug Chamberlain	Trustee (2013)
John Tucci	Trustee (2013)
Nikki Smith	Trustee (2013)

New Members 2011

June— Greg & Lorena Helentjaris, Westville



Logan County Historical Society
521 E Columbus Ave.
Bellefontaine, OH 43311

2011

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

11-17- LOGAN COUNTY FAIR- Come visit us in our tent!
14-Thu-Trustee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
23- Private party in Presidents' Room
26- Tue- CT Bus Tour 1:30

AUGUST

17- Wed- Society Meeting, Indian Lake History with Bob MacDonald 7:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

8- Thu-Board of Trustee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
24- Sat- Genealogical Society Banquet in Presidents' Room

OCTOBER

16- Sun- Society Meeting, Stoneyfield Farm Orchard, 2:00 p.m.,
Bonnie & Dwight Hansen's, 4267 St Rt 47 E Bellefontaine,
29- Sat- Halloween KidFest