

OTTAWA COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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Our County Museum – The Ottawa County Historical Museum was opened in 1932 in the Port Clinton City Hall. The early 1980's saw the museum relegated to the building's basement. The site dampness and potential for major flooding led a group of concerned citizens to find a more suitable location for the museum. The museum was re-located to its current location with the consent of the city in 1990. Our mission, as always, is to preserve and protect records and artifacts pertinent to the development of the county, and provide an educational information and artifact base for future generations to study.

Current Happenings – After about one year in the position of curator, I am still "learning the ropes". There seems to be an endless amount of projects and organizing to do. With the help of several volunteers, many projects are underway. Currently we are working on file organization, museum library categorization, exhibit reorganization and record computerization. If you are interested, we are always looking for volunteers, mainly during the summer months.

We are also very pleased to announce the addition of a new Board Member. Dianne Rozak has become an active trustee and adds her skill and experience to the Board of Trustees. In addition, our Board is also working on plans for a museum expansion, due to generous gifts from donors earmarked for that purpose.

Yearly Membership Drive – The month of May brings our annual membership drive. Dues remain at \$15.00 for an individual, or \$20.00 for a family. A sponsoring membership is \$50.00. If you wish to make a donation to the building fund, please designate it for that purpose.

The museum's "No admission charge" policy continues. Your continued or new support is the museum's lifeline. Please continue to think of this as your museum and come in and visit it often. A coupon and envelope is enclosed. **THANK YOU!!**

Thomas Day
Curator