

We're looking for:

- Photos and stories of:
 - Ice Fishermen
 - Snow and ice storms
 - Ice Boating
 - Ice Harvesting
 - Winter scenes and activities
 - Personal stories of the Great Depression in Ottawa County

Memberships:

—Please remember your museum! Donations, memberships and grants are our only sources of support.

Volunteers:

—We have a great group of volunteers—why not join us and have a laugh or two while working for a good cause!

History Spotlight: appears in the News Herald each Saturday and usually highlights something from our museum.

Memorials

Help preserve our past by designating the Ottawa County Historical Museum for a memorial donation in your memory or by making one in memory of a friend or loved one.

OUR BOARD MEMBERS:

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OTTAWA COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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Until Memorial Day, Open Wednesdays Noon to 3 pm
Or whenever you want—call Peggy Debien: 419-732-1039

NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2011

Greetings from the Curator! This wonderful print of the Battle of Lake Erie can be found at the East Second Street Gallery of Erie Cottage Antiques, across from the Post Office. I think it belongs in our museum and have already received one donation toward its purchase. The cost is \$325, but I have asked the seller to make a donation to the museum by lowering the purchase price.

—If you would like to help buy this beautifully framed print, a (tax-deductible) donation toward its purchase can be sent to the above address, and please indicate it is for the purchase of this Battle of Lake Erie print. In any case, stop in at Erie Cottage Antiques to see it.



The Battle of Lake Erie
September 10, 1813

After the 1887 painting by Julian O. Davidson

—**Holiday Open Hours** were very successful!

Look for more holiday hours in the future and remember to call for an appointment if our open hours do not meet your needs.

Peggy Debien, Curator

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- THANK YOU for the following donations:**
- Joe Gall**—Roster, Ohio Soldiers, War of 1812
 - Jim Frederick**—Postcard collection of local area
 - Kevin Winters**—Display items related to military campaigns
 - Doug and Toni Garrett**—old navigation chart of Lake Erie Islands
 - Diane Conte**—photos and articles about Sam Conte, Sr., and his business making trains and boats used in Cedar Point Amusement Park
 - Dan Kurtz**—Oval stoneware platter found in recent Waterworks Park excavation
 - Mardella and Jess Burdine**—Engraved Sugar Bowl from the Victory Hotel, Put-in-Bay on the occasion of Mardella's birthday
 - George Dages**—Boy Scout Pack 361 complete uniform
 - Barbara Heller estate**—porcelain bird figures and marine paintings
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Memorial Donations

- Virgil and Joyce Murphy** in memory of Harold Cooley, Marvin Grover
- Lock and Janie Zeis** in memory of Ron Hudak, Frankie Stefano, Norma Audiano, Dodie Mason, Maureen Campbell, Pauline Chapman, Eugene Bolte, Simon Overmyer, Marvin Grover

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Historical Websites. Volunteer researcher Adrienne Melena has found these historical websites:
www.midwestconnection.com/lighthouses—Marblehead Lighthouse
www.ci.port-clinton.oh.us/history—Port Clinton city history
www.ohiotraveler.com—links to Marblehead, South Bass Island, Lake Erie Coastal Trail
www.coastalohio.com—historical sites, museums
www.ohiohistoricalsociety.org—links to Put-in-Bay, Matthews Boats, Battle of Lake Erie
www.rbhayes.org—Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center
www.ohiohistorycentral.org—Battle of Lake Erie, Civil War, Johnson’s Island, Ohio National Guard, Treaty of Greenville
www.nps.org—National Park Service site, Perry’s Monument, Battle of Lake Erie, National Parks

Volunteer Update: Don Melena has been contacting county schools to determine their needs for county history to help us develop an outreach and tour schedule for schools. Ellen Frias has been reviewing and filing news articles for researchers. Bill Smith has been scanning photos and postcards. Wayne Walter keeps the volunteers scheduled and busy and set up the Ohio Chautauqua performance by “Andrew Carnegie” which had around 40 people in attendance. Adrienne Melena has researched our old books, as well as websites. John Gibson fills in to open the museum when needed.

Thank you to **TOM OBERLE** of SEAWAY BUILDING SERVICES for lending us his painters to paint the museum doors and shutters and to **SAM CONTI** of LAKECRAFT CORPORATION who donated his time to paint the frame of the historical marker next to the museum.

Antique Books Available for a Donation !!!!!!! We have a number of books not related to Ottawa County available for a donation. Stop by and find a new treasure!

HISTORY MYSTERY!!

This 1936 photo of workers with pumpkins at the Port Clinton Canning Company is from the Louis Warner Collection in the museum. Do you know who these people are? Can you tell us more about the Port Clinton Canning Company? Call us at 419-732-2237.

Ottawa County Historical Society’s Pumpkins-on-Parade will be at the Wolcott Keeper’s House, Saturday, October 25, 3:30 to 7:30 p.m., with pumpkin carving for children 6 through 11 years of age, a pumpkin illumination at sunset, bonfire, activities and stories. Open to the public.

