

### Thank You!

**Tim Cutler** of Moorestown NJ—early documents and maps from Rocky Ridge and Carroll Twp. Tim's family, the Walkers and Cutlers, were early owners of local property, though they never resided here.

**Peg Ormsby**—local postcards and a china trivet circa 1914 from the Ficken & Huntress grocery store in Oak Harbor.

**John Liske**—CD of county photos from the Oak Harbor Library History Room.

**Pamela Migot and family of Emmett Hofacker**—brown 1/2 gallon Esmond Dairy milk bottle.

**Scott Hitchings**—CD and paper copy of PC postcards.

**Frank Reinheimer**—box of papers related to oil leases in Ottawa County

**Judy Buehler**—photos of "John's Crew" seine fishing.

**Linda Kolinko**—photos of area and manufacturing.

**Mike Winters**— *United States Gypsum: A Company History 1902-1994.*

**Ted Wierzba**—family diploma.

**Phoebe Borman**—1858 Danbury Twp. baptismal

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# OTTAWA COUNTY MUSEUM

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## NEWSLETTER

## Winter 2013



### *Greetings from the Curator!*

You can always tell a good event by the "buzz" in the room afterward. Not only was there good buzz, but also lots of applause from our standing-room-only crowd when Chuck Grindstaff gave a program using glass slides of early Port Clinton donated to the museum by Rudy Dracka. The audience identified many "then" photos, which were followed by "now" photos taken by

Chuck from the same point as the early photographer. Photo by volunteer Peg Ormsby shows the interest of attendees following the presentation.

A "buzz" also followed John Liske's very entertaining presentation on the history of Oak Harbor. John highlighted many of the similarities and differences between the village and Port Clinton, getting in his share of digs at the Port Clinton folks in attendance! John's extensive knowledge and his keen sense of humor made this an educational and fun afternoon!

*Peggy*

### **There are some moves afoot!**

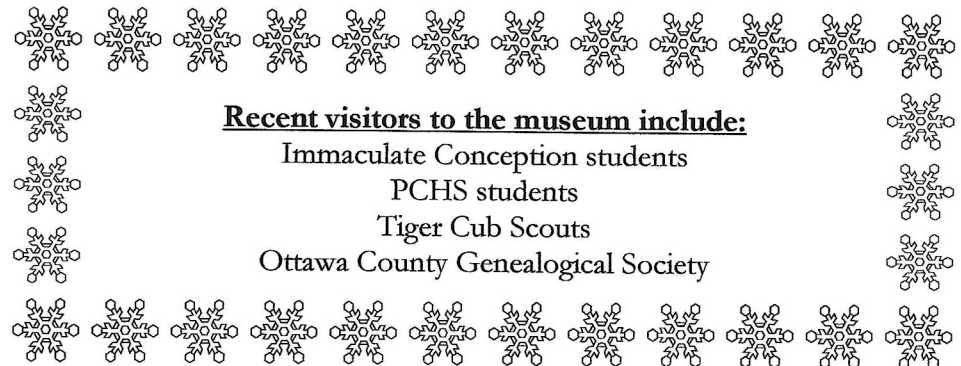
We will be replacing the furniture in the curator's office with some "new" furniture available from the Port Clinton City Schools. We have moved the commercial fishing display to the Elizabeth Denney room and will be converting the fishing room to a storage room during and after the renovation.

### Memorials

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fleming: Loraine Hofacker  
Mr. & Mrs. Lockwood Zeis: Dick Wolfe, Myrt Streeter  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Holz: Dale Trent, Myrt Streeter  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Zeis: Dick Wolfe  
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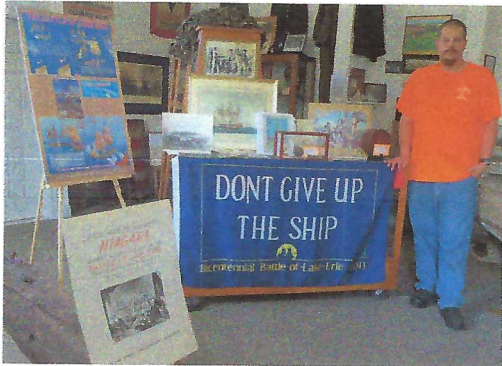
### Recent visitors to the museum include:

Immaculate Conception students  
PCHS students  
Tiger Cub Scouts  
Ottawa County Genealogical Society



**Your membership renewals keep coming in—MANY THANKS! You still have 5 months to renew for 2012-2013 and help us continue our preservation and education mission for Ottawa County.**

**Upcoming Programs: Sunday, November 25th, 2-4 p.m.**—Audience participation slide show using Rudy Dracka's slides from 1917. Audience will try to identify PC locations with local historians' help.



Volunteer Kevin Winters is shown here with our newest exhibit, which he put together. Using a history written by the Masons and the detailed research of Pat Jeremy, Kevin also developed a list of participants that includes not only local names such as Clemons, Velliquette and Lockwood, but also many men who enlisted from around and outside Ohio, such as Samuel Manahan, born in Kentucky, an Ottawa County township trustee and commissioner and buried in Elmore. One British soldier who fought in Washington, D.C., eventually settled in Bay Township. A drummer boy named after British admiral Horatio Nelson is buried in Rusha Cemetery in Carroll Township. Thanks to George Mylander for his donation for the exhibit. Also, see easels by John Smothers (Ottawa County Community Foundation donation) displaying a battle scene donated by Bob and Linda

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**New History Mysteries**—What construction company built the drive-in movie theater on Rt. 163? (Request from a visitor.) When was Buckeye Blvd.

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**Nov/Dec/Jan Holiday Hours:**

**Wednesdays** 12 noon to 3 pm

**Thanksgiving Week:**

Friday 11/23 12 noon to 3 pm  
 Saturday 11/24 12 noon to 3pm

**Christmas and New Year Weeks:**

Friday 12/28 12 noon to 3 pm  
 Saturday 12/29 12 noon to 3 pm  
 Friday 1/4 12 noon to 3 pm  
 Saturday 1/5 12 noon to 3 pm

**History Mystery Solved**—according to Rudy Dracka—the Port Movie Theatre was another name for the Madrid Theatre.