

## Looking for:

- *Reflections of Rocky Ridge 1830 to 1939 (book) by William Jay Risch*
- *Revistas from 1957, 1958 and 1960 through 1963, 1979, 1981 and later*
- *Other county yearbooks*
- *Photos of old Rocky Ridge*
- *String trimmer*

### Thank You!

**Novella King**—time and talent for our Tall Ships exhibit.  
**Fred Meckfessel**—laminated photos of old PC  
**Donald Humphrey**—WWI cavalry boots  
**Emmett Hofacker family**—brown Esmond Dairy bottle  
**Colleen Gill**—PCHS class of 1941 scrapbooks  
**Jim Wightman**—photos  
**Perry Maloney**—1949 PC telephone directory  
**Lowell&Elaine Petersen family**—PCHS 1922 photo, church yearbooks, History of Ottawa County Families  
**PC Schools**—cornerstone from Middle School, 1922  
**Masonry Construction**—slab for displaying cornerstone  
**Lea Debien**—vacuum cleaner  
**Jim Stein & Diane Zeis Stein**—1974 Revista

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## OTTAWA COUNTY MUSEUM

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## NEWSLETTER

Fall 2013



**Greetings from the Curator!** This is one of the rarely seen photos included in our exhibit for the Experience Tent at the Tall Ships Festival. We have set the exhibit up in the museum for the remainder of 2013 so that anyone who missed it can take a look. In keeping with the tall ships in Port Clinton, the theme of the photos is the maritime heritage of Port Clinton. Novella

King carried on her late husband Roger Long's tradition of interest in history by helping with every step of the project and doing great layouts. Come and see them. Call me and I'll open up the museum for you to take a look.

Our Facebook page has been followed by thousands of readers so far. We post photos on a regular basis and keep our activities up to date. Now we (I mean volunteers Marianne and Peg) are working in earnest on a website.

The museum has been the fortunate recipient of the thoughtfulness and generosity of the PC City Schools via their rep, Jan Gluth, with our latest acquisition—the 1922 cornerstone from the Middle School. There was no time capsule inside, but we are going to make one for 2013 and include the Battle of Lake Erie celebration and other events. Any ideas? E-mail me! *Peggy*

### Memorials

- Dave Audiano—Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Warnike; Mr. & Mrs. Lockwood Zeis
- Jake Mackey—Karen Wise & Michelle Kokinda; Lester & Linda Mackey;
- Joyce Baumeier
- John Drummer—Carol McLauray; Mr. & Mrs. Lockwood Zeis
- Tom Allen—Mr. & Mrs. Lockwood Zeis

We have resumed our winter hours until Memorial Day: Wed, noon to 3pm. And always by appointment. Call Peggy at 419-732-1039.

During the school holidays, we will have additional open hours, including the day after Thanksgiving and December 26th—check local papers or the Ottawa County Museum Facebook page for updates.

Here is a new website for Ohio history online: [www.envisionthepast.com](http://www.envisionthepast.com)



Some of our fun-loving forebears promoting the 1885 Masque Ball at Turner Hall (across from museum).  
(Photo donated by Judy Crosser)

**DID YOU KNOW????** Port Clinton was once famous for its nuts!

During 1936, over 15 tons of nuts were roasted, salted, sacked and distributed from the Herbert Nut Company factory on State Street. While the majority of these nuts were consumed by Ottawa County residents, peanuts, pecans, cashews, Brazil nuts, filberts and English walnuts were distributed from Zanesville to Napoleon and Bryan to Norwalk. Mr. Herbert moved from Wisconsin to Port Clinton in May, 1931, and started his business in PC's second school building in back of the old Post Office on Madison St., later expanding to State Street. Herbert's nuts were purchased from an importer, with nuts coming from South America, Spain, India, Italy, Syria, California, Georgia and Virginia. Cashew nuts reached the American market for the first time in the 1920's. Mr. Herbert employed sales agents and three "girls" in his business. The slogan "Eat more nuts, Keep Port Clinton people employed" was suggested in the February 1937 news article that told this story.

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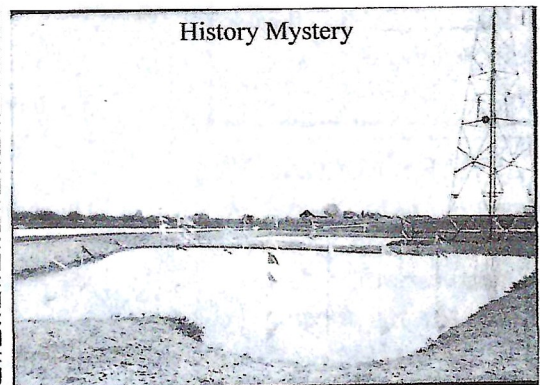


Chuck Grindstaff our museum "picker!"



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**Chuck Grindstaff** has been volunteering at the museum for about 5 years, and we all realize how lucky we are to have him! He walked in one day, saw what a mess the photos and archives were in, then came back another day and volunteered to clean up the mess—he has been true to his word and has done so much more. From repairs to the building, painting, organizing archives, sharing his unparalleled knowledge of Port Clinton and its buildings, rescuing artifacts from torn down buildings—he seems to be able to do anything he puts his mind to. He lives in Port Clinton with Jenny and Timmy and on top of everything else, he is an expert on the Beatles! Thank you, Chuck, for everything you do for the museum.



We have several photos of Riley Water Lily Gardens in the museum. Where were they? When?