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- Photos we can scan
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### **Thank You!**

**Meridith Beck**—*Archeological Atlas of Ohio* by Wm. Mills (re: Indians)  
**Karen Hill**—photo of Camp Perry in a blizzard, 1917  
**Louis Brodnick**—box of airplane jigsaw puzzles, including Tin Goose  
**David Thompson**—various books and papers from Bob & Elizabeth Thompson estates

### **Our Board**

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## **OTTAWA COUNTY MUSEUM**

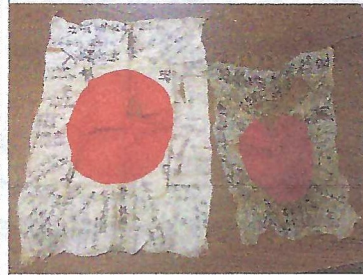
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Memorial Day to Labor Day: Tues/Wed/Thurs, Noon to 3pm; or by appt. (Call Peggy at 419-732-1039)

### **NEWSLETTER**

### **Autumn 2017**



Hello, members! Some of you may have read how Japanese flags from WWII are being returned to former owners through the Obon Society. These flags have great symbolic meaning to the Japanese former owners because the Japanese writing conveys good wishes for the soldier from family and friends. The museum has one of these flags, which is in very bad shape. We have received permission from the donor to return it. Museum member Jeff Brown (formerly of Port Clinton, now of Canton) has one, too, and it is in better shape than ours. Photo shows his on left, ours on right. Around mid-November, we mailed them to the Obon Society in Astoria, Oregon, using information and forms we found at [www.obonsociety.org](http://www.obonsociety.org). If you would like help mailing yours, we can advise, though you can look up the Obon Society and do this yourself. It is very easy to do and it costs nothing but the postage to mail the flag. If you do decide to do this, please let me know—I'd like to take a photo and record it in our museum.

You may see some changes in our newsletter soon—all of our Port Clinton printers have closed their businesses and we are currently exploring other options.

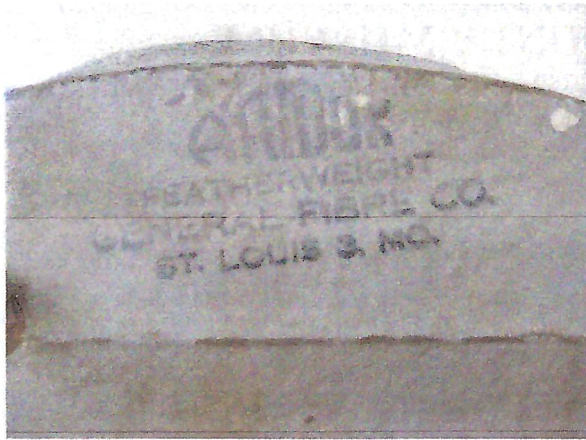
**OPEN HOUSE**—the museum will be holding an OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, December 31st from 1 until 5 p.m. Stop by after church for homemade cookies and cider, to visit with us and to see any new items we have received from our generous contributors!

Many thanks for our volunteers from 2017: Chuck Grindstaff, Joanne Fleming, Clair Jeremy, Dottie Douglass, Louise Worthington, Ellen Frias, Linda Kresser, Meridith Beck, Maria Moon, Scott Cross, Tristen Laird, Joleene Ross, Taylor Griffith, DeVonte Bates, and Diane Rosiar.

### **MEMORIAL**

Lock and Janie Zeis in memory of Dan Thompson  
Lee and Natalie Bredbeck in memory of Dan Thompson  
Peggy Debien in memory of Dan Thompson, Doug Garrett, and Butch Long

**End of year donations:** According to “experts,” the number one reason people do not donate is that they are not asked. This is a reminder that the Ottawa County Museum exists only because of memberships, donations and grants. A particular opportunity for older donors is for IRA owners, age 70½ or older. They have until Sunday, Dec. 31 to make a direct transfer of part or all of their IRA distributions to an eligible charity. As a 501(c)3, the Ottawa County Museum is one such charity. Please see your tax advisor if you would like to do this.

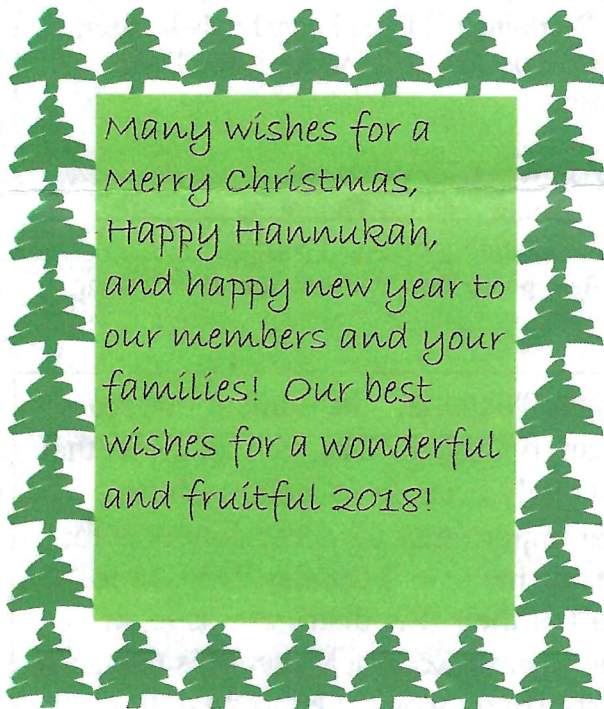


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**Ed Jeremy brought in five decoys that were used by his grandfather Dave Jeremy. They are all paper mache, and one is stamped on the bottom "ARMOR FEATHERWEIGHT, GENERAL FIBRE CO., ST. LOUIS 3, MO."**

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*Many wishes for a Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, and happy new year to our members and your families! Our best wishes for a wonderful and fruitful 2018!*

**History Mystery—again!**  
We still haven't figured this artifact out. The consensus is that it is a sausage stuffer. We are still looking for ideas!

