

We're looking for:

Photos and stories of:

- Snow storms
- 1918 flu pandemic
- Polio crisis 1940s/50s
- Old photos (not just PC)
- Agriculture/Farm
- Rural Townships
- Ottawa County veterans
- EPG Echo and similar news

Thank you!

Lyndsey Gargas—Plat map of Port Clinton, 1942.

Joe Gall—Miner's pick axe, lunch box, wrecking bar used by Louis Gall at U.S. Gypsum Company

Bill Streeter—Various Issues of PCHS

"Compass," *Ohio and its People*, collections of local pamphlets and brochures

We have raised roof!!

Literally! Thanks to the Stensen Memorial Foundation, we replaced the roof on the east wing of the museum (the old museum) and the gutters on the entire museum.

OUR BOARD MEMBERS:

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Many thanks to Melanie Watling, who served as treasurer while working as a very busy nurse during the pandemic and looking after her two teens. She's been great!

OTTAWA COUNTY MUSEUM

126 W. Third St., Port Clinton, OH 43452 419-732-2237

ochm@cros.net. **Open hours:**

Memorial Day Until Labor Day, Tues., Wed., Thurs., noon to 3 pm

Labor Day Until Memorial Day, Wednesdays Noon to 3 pm

Or whenever you want—call Peggy Debien: 419-732-1039 (home)

NEWSLETTER

Fall 2022

Dear Members and Friends,

Ottawa County has a rich military history and has been or is home to hundreds of men and women who have served our country over the last 246 years. The county has proud heritage of honoring those men and women on major holidays such as Memorial Day, Veteran's Day and other special days to recognize their service. The museum board is planning to add another special day, National Purple Heart Day, August 7, to annually honor those who have been wounded in combat. The Purple Heart was awarded to military personnel wounded in combat starting in 1952. However, the War Department at that time grandfathered those who were wounded in combat in WWI. The Museum Board is working with the Ottawa County Commissioners to designate the museum as a Purple Heart Museum. Dave Barth is leading this effort and trying to locate all Purple Heart recipients in the county. You may reach him at drb360@gmail.com or 419-357-2057. **Peggy**

P.S. Please excuse the lateness of this newsletter—we have had a few illnesses among family members and yours truly. P.

Another Lifetime Membership!!!

Thank you, Skip and Ellen Honsperger

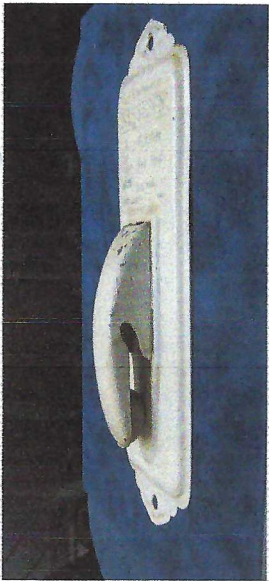
Memorials

For Lockwood Zeis—Ronald & Phyllis Lardson, Anne

Colston Family

For Louise Worthington—Anne Colston Family, Peggy

Debien



HISTORY
MYSTERY???

This was among many PC collectibles that Jeff Brown brought in. It says:

**Buy Your Shoes at
N I S S E N'S
Walk Over Boot Shop
Home Phone 220
Port Clinton
Ohio.**

A wooden ball is inside the claw-like appendage. Stop in to see the STRANGE item and make a guess.

HISTORY MYSTERY SOLVED!!!

Christine Hostrup, who was a PCHS classmate of Joanne Fleming, visited the museum during one of her class reunions a few years ago and joined the museum before she left. A few years later, we rec'd a request via the Ottawa County Historical Society, from Ole Lumholt in Denmark, who was looking for a local relative from the Hostrup family. We put him in touch with Christine and in July, Ole visited Christine in Florida where she now lives! Another family connection is that Christine's great uncle Milt Hostrup was one of the founders of the Ottawa County Historical Society (and museum) having originated the idea in 1928! That reunion was just meant to be!

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Maria Moon has been volunteering at the Ottawa County Museum for **YEARS!** When you see flowers outside the museum, you can thank Maria, who also tends flowers at the Adams Street Gazebo, PC cemeteries, and probably many other places that she does not tell us about. She is busy with the Friends of the Cemetery in PC and is currently planning a series of historical markers for the downtown. Maria came to us from Poland with her family and married Paul Moon, before he became The Judge! She and Paul have two daughters, Elisabeth and Laura, who live in Port Clinton.