

History at a Glance

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WHAT HAPPENED IN 2017? --a few programming highlights

Scanning Day for historic photographs--Tuesday, February 7, White Memorial Library

"The Railroads of Auglaize County," Thursday, March 2, St. Paul UCC, Wapakoneta

"A Woman's Place is in Auglaize County" exhibit—March, St. Marys Library

Scanning Day for historic photographs--Wednesday, March 8, Wapakoneta Library

Throwback Thursday—March 23, J. Marie's Restaurant, Downtown Wapakoneta

"Auglaize County as World War I Begins" exhibit—April, St. Marys Library

Annual Trivia Competition—Friday, April 7, St. Marys Eagles Lodge

"I Got This From Vern: A Sampling of the Collections of Vern Doenges" --April 24-May 13
Wapakoneta Library, with a reception on May 11

Annual Spring Bus Trip –Thursday, April 27, Galion, Bucyrus and Crawford County

Debut of the *Auglaize County: In Motion* banners and brochures &
countywide open house--Sunday, April 30 (made possible by Ohio Humanities)

"The Songs of World War I" --Thursday, May 18, White Memorial Library

4th Sunday Open Houses, in conjunction with our heritage tourism initiative
May 28, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, and October 22

"Gordon State Park"--Thursday, June 1, St. Marys Community Public Library

"Auglaize County: On the Homefront" exhibit—July 31 through August 5, Fairgrounds

Annual Fall Bus Trip—Thursday, September 28, Cambridge and Guernsey County

"Fort Amanda: An Historical Redress"--Thursday, October 5

Annual Meeting—Thursday, November 2, St. Joseph Parish Life Center, Wapakoneta

Annual Fund Campaign—December 3, 2017, through January 31, 2018

The Historical Society needs your help to assist with a 50th Anniversary



Exactly fifty years ago the Auglaize County Public District Library's building in Wapakoneta was under construction. The *Wapakoneta Daily News* provided frequent updates on the building project. As some long time county residents may remember, the community's library was previously housed at Blume High School. Construction of the new building would also necessitate moving all the collections from Blume up Blackhoof Street and over to the Perry Street building. The Historical Society is working with the library to create an exhibit with photographs of and stories about the library over the past fifty years. If you have any photographs we can borrow and scan or if you have any memorable stories about how the library has influenced your life, please contact the Historical Society at auglaizecountyhistory@bright.net, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE Thank you! We look forward to assembling a fun exhibit about the library and its important role in the community over the past half century.

RESEARCH *by the Historical Society*

Looking for information about family history, but short on time? Let the Historical Society help. Our former trustee has extensive experience in research, and is available to assist with applications for the Ohio Department of Agriculture's CENTURY FARM designation. The fee is \$15/hour. All fees are then donated to the Historical Society. Contact our office, 419/738-9328 or auglaizecountyhistory@bright.net, for more information.

Staying in the Loop. . .

Don't forget that the Historical Society has begun sending out occasional e-updates about events and happenings. But you won't receive this information unless we have your email address! Please contact us, auglaizecountyhistory@bright.net, and we'll add you to the mailing list. Join the almost 900 individuals and families who LIKE the Auglaize County Historical Society on FACEBOOK as well.

Earn Money for the Historical Society!

Support the Society's programs and services each time you shop at Kroger and swipe your Plus Card. The process is easier than ever. To register or re-register:

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<https://www.kroger.com/account/update>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page to Community Rewards and click edit.

Type in Auglaize County Historical Society as your charity.

Click the circle to the left of *Auglaize County Historical Society* and then click ENROLL.

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*What an easy way to support ACHS
every time you shop at Kroger.*

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**Brenda Meckstroth was elected ACHS
trustee at the Annual Meeting.**

WE WELCOME BRENDA!



Bus Trip to Guernsey County,
John and Annie Glenn Home



Scenes
from 2017

The image to the
left is from our fair
exhibit, "Life on
the Home Front."

Who can guess
what this
Cridersville
artifact is?



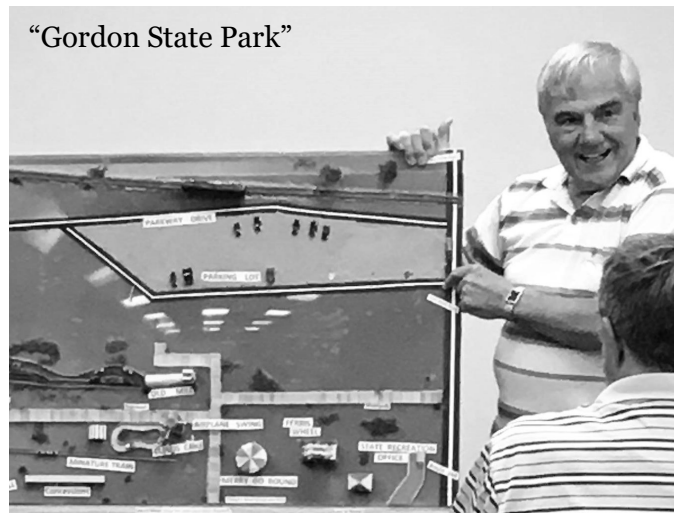
"Terrorizing Immigrants and Catholics,"
Program for the Annual Meeting



Intern Brittany Venturella at work!



Those banners we love!



"Gordon State Park"



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The Auglaize County Historical Society collects, preserves, interprets, and shares the history of Auglaize County and its people through exhibits, programs, and publications.

LOOKING AHEAD to 2018

January 28, 2 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, Moulton:
“Journey the Oregon Trail,” with Chandra Hoffman

Take a trip back in time with local historian and former ACHS president Chandra Hoffman as she shares her adventure following the Oregon Trail. Learn the history of the trail as she presents photos and commentary about actual river crossings, mountain passes, forts, pony express stations, grave sites, pioneer diaries, and many miles of original trail ruts still visible today. See the changing and breathtaking scenery of the journey west and imagine the extraordinarily difficult feat the pioneers faced crossing the plains and mountains to reach the fertile Willamette Valley. In the process, we'll all learn about how to plan a great heritage tourism vacation!

February 10, 17,24: Docent Training Sessions

March: New Bremen Library:

“A Woman’s Place is in Auglaize County” exhibit,
in conjunction with Women’s History Month

April 6: Our Annual Trivia Competition

April 26: Spring Bus Trip—to Cleveland

*Also, the Building Doctor Program, Graveyard Groomer workshop,
Walking Tour of Greenlawn Cemetery, and much more*