



Pickerington-Violet Township HISTORICAL SOCIETY

News for Members and Friends

HOLIDAY 2022

Find us: 15 E. Columbus Street, Olde Pickerington Village ~ www.PickHistory.org

Call us: 614-382-5989 ~ **Email us:** pickhistsociety@hotmail.com ~ We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

Museum Holiday Events

Nov 29, 8am thru Nov 30, 5pm: 33-Hour Give for non-profits. (see details below)

Dec 1, 6:30-8pm: PVTSH Members-Only Holiday Dinner to be held at the Pickerington Senior Center.

Dec 2, 5-8pm: "Holiday Gathering" in Pickerington's Olde Village & our Historical Society Museum. Keith Ebright's "North Pole Village" will be featured.

Dec 4, 2-4pm: Sunday Open House featuring Keith Ebright's "North Pole Village". This is our Museum's last event until re-opening on March 31-April 1, 2023 for an Indoor Yard Sale. Yard Sale donations will be welcome!

Happy Holidays to all!

— *Peggy Portier, PVTSH President*
Pickerington-Violet Twp Historical Society

Members-Only Holiday Dinner



This year's Historical Society Members-Only Dinner will again be catered by Blue Moon and held at the Pickerington Senior Center, 150 Hereford Drive. The date is Thursday, Dec. 1, beginning at 6:30 PM.

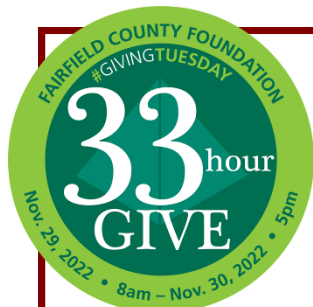
Dulcimer dinner music will be provided by Kim Richardson. The cost-per-person for dinner is \$5.00 payable at the door. Our Historical Society will be covering most of the dinner's cost as a "Thank You" to members for their generosity and support throughout 2022.

Dinner menu: Ham, hot chicken salad, scalloped potatoes, green beans, spinach salad, coffee/tea, with sherbet/cookies for dessert.

Registration for the dinner is required and may be made by:

- Replying to this email or sending an email to: pickhistsociety@hotmail.com
- Leaving a voice mail message at 614-382-5989.

Dinner reservation deadline: Friday, November 25.



2022 Fairfield County Foundation's 33-Hour Give

The Fairfield County Foundation will gift \$33,000 in matching funds for donations made online or in person **between 8:00 AM on Tuesday, Nov 29 thru 5:00 PM on Wednesday, Nov. 30.**

You can help support our Museum's 2023 Window Repair Project and other programs and projects by giving to our non-profit Pickerington-Violet Twp Historical Society Fund during the 33-Hour Give:

(1) Donate online at www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org Click the Donor "Learn More" box on home page, then "Donate" button on page 2; in "Search" box on page 3 type: **Pickerington-Violet Township Historical Society Fund**. Click on that fund to enter your donation amount; then click "add to cart" to proceed to payment page.

(2) Deliver your donation to the Pickerington-Violet Township Historical Society Museum on Tuesday, November 29, between 10:00 AM and NOON. Date your check November 29; make it payable to Fairfield County Foundation; and write Pickerington-Violet Twp Historical Society Fund on your check's memo line. Direct questions or your request for donation pick-up from your Pickerington home by text or call to Peggy Portier at 614-595-5867.

AROUND OUR MUSEUM



← ***"A look back at the 1970s"*** took place at our Museum on Sept. 11 with "Best Dressed" awards going to (from left): Barbara Freeman, Peggy Portier, David Williard, Heath Scofield, and Rachel Scofield. Besides fashions, the event included 1970s' music, newspaper highlights, toys, electronics, games, and a display of 1970-1979 Pickerington High School graduate photos.

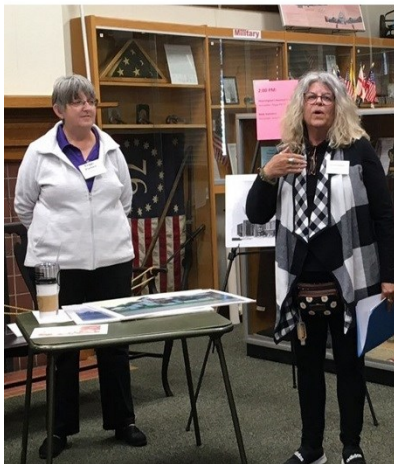
October "Stories from the Grave"

Photos below clockwise from upper left: (1) Jack Whitaker



portrayed Russell Stiverson, Pickerington's only pharmacist from 1951-1970. With him is Linda Stiverson Wilson, Russell's daughter. The drug store was located at 6 Lockville Road.

(2) Barbara & Gary Taylor and Patsy Patrick Woodruff told stories about Walter and Wilma Moore who operated Moore's Pool Hall from 1957 until their 1983 retirement.



(3) Tony Mills portrayed Clyde P. Leach, Pickerington Railroad Depot Agent from 1907-1942. He showed railroad artifacts, photos, and demonstrated telegraph equipment once used to send messages between trains and rail stations.

(4) Peggy Portier (left) told tales of haunted houses in Pickerington, while Kristi Huskey described the 1879 snatching of her Boyer relative's body from his grave.

Wilma Moore's Potato Salad Recipe for a Crowd

1 qt. Miracle Whip
1 c. sugar
1/2 c. vinegar
1/4 c. mustard
9 lb. Idaho potatoes
2 large onions
2 stalks celery
10 large boiled eggs

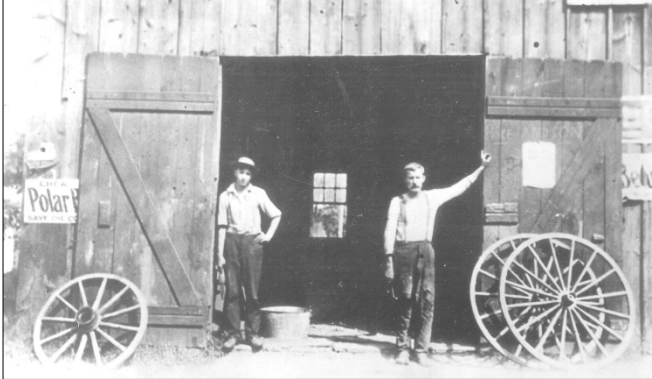
Boil, peel, and dice potatoes in a large bowl. Dice onions, celery, and eggs on top. Sprinkle salt, pepper, celery seed, and parsley to suit your taste. Mix dressing and stir lightly until well distributed. Makes 40 servings.

If she were still alive, Wilma → Moore (1983 photo) would love to share her famous potato salad recipe with us. Guests at our Moore's Pool Hall "Stories from the Grave" event raved about Wilma's cooking. Gary and Barbara Taylor found her potato salad recipe for us. Happy eating!



LOCAL HISTORY

Memories from 100 Years Ago



↑ Frank Price (right) and son, Glen, in front of Price's Blacksmith Shop at 30 W. Columbus St. in Pickerington. The shop was torn down in 1922 to make way for Hanna's Auto Repair. In the 1960s the building was sold and became Kelly's Food Center. Currently, Resale Furniture occupies the building.



↑ From 1922-1934, Shoemaker's Hardware housed Pickerington's Post Office at 18 W. Columbus St. In the center of this photo is Postmaster C. Frank Shoemaker. At left is Billy Hoy; at right is William Henry Kraner.

Help Keep Local History and our Museum Alive!

2023 Window Repair Project: Our Historical Museum is 106 years old and some of its windows are in a state of disrepair. Recently, we asked Window Gurus, from Plain City, to evaluate the situation. During October a technician examined the windows — inside and out — and made these recommendations and estimated costs:

- Rebuild the sash of four Museum upper level north-facing windows at a total cost of \$2,214.90.
- Paint and reglaze windows; perform yearly window maintenance including cleaning sills, checking window bottoms for softness/paint/stain touch up; spraying silicone lubricant on side zinc tracks. Cost estimates for these additional window repair/maintenance projects still need to be obtained from vendors.
- If you can help our Museum with this 2023 window repair project, please make a donation during the Nov 29-Dec30 "33-Hour Give".



Recent Roof Repairs: To stop water leakage inside our Museum during rainstorms, a roof contractor hired by the City of Pickerington (the building's owner) installed a white rubber-like sealant. It covers the top of the wall cap and comes over the inside of the wall to cover the seam with the roof. The contractor said the roof should be good for another 10 years.

In order to be able to check the roof periodically for any damages, the contractor agreed with our thoughts that a fabricated caged ladder could

be installed on the west side of the building for access to the roof. We are pursuing this project with the City of Pickerington.

MEMBER NEWS

2022-2023 PICKERINGTON-VIOLET TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXECUTIVES

Elected Officers

President: Peggy Portier

Advisor (Past President): Gary Taylor

Vice President-Administration: Keith Ebright

Vice President-Programs: Jack Whitaker

Secretary: Mary Herron

Treasurer: Fiona Spears

Members-at-Large: Barbara Freeman, Stephanie Johnson, and Greg Karoly

President's Appointees

Historian: David Williard

Membership/Volunteer Chair: Stephanie Johnson

Publicity Chair/Website-Newsletter Editor: Maggie Arendt.

Open Positions: Curator, Librarian.

2023-2024 Historical Society Projects

(1) Begin task of preserving our Museum's windows, starting with north side of building. (2) Digitize, repair and preserve Pickerington H.S. class photos (display rack purchased in 2021). (3) Purchase video equipment to create Oral History Stories by community members in partnership with the Pickerington Public Library.



Gary & Barbara Taylor

braved the rainy weather on Sept. 5's Lions Club Labor Day Parade. Gary was Parade Grand Marshall and presented with a proclamation and key to the city by Mayor Lee Gray.

New Music at our Museum

Canal Winchester resident, Larry Flowers, donated 24 Player Piano music rolls once owned by his grandfather. The tunes include "For me and my Gal" from Gene Kelly/Judy Garland's 1942 movie to the 1970's hit "Let It Be" by The Beatles. New holiday tunes include "O Holy Night" and "Silver Bells". Be sure to stop by our Museum and sing along to these memorable tunes played on our Player Piano during the Friday, Dec 2, 5-8pm "Holiday Gathering" in Pickerington's Olde Village.

Gifts for Sale in our Museum

Find inexpensive (50¢-\$5) holiday gifts in our Museum Gift Shop — open Dec. 2 (5-8pm) and Dec. 4 from 2-4pm.



Anticipated 2023 Spring Museum Events

- March 31-April 1 (Friday & Saturday): PVTSH Indoor Yard Sale. Member donations will be welcomed!
- May 5 (Friday): Olde Village "Chocolate Hop" with a stop and chocolate treats at Historical Museum.

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