



# Pickerington-Violet Township HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## News for Members and Friends

## 2024 FALL/HOLIDAY

Find us: 15 E. Columbus Street, Pickerington, OH 43147 ~ Visit our Website: [www.PickHistory.org](http://www.PickHistory.org)

Phone us: 614-333-8951 ~ Email us: [pickhistsociety@hotmail.com](mailto:pickhistsociety@hotmail.com) ~ We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

### Museum Fall/Holiday Events

**Oct 6, 2-4pm, Museum Open House Program:**  
*"Elixirs, Poisons & Cures."*

**Oct 24, 6-8pm: "Haunted Village"** inside the Museum and throughout Olde Pickerington Village.

**Nov 3, 2-4pm: Museum Open House Programs:** 2-4pm: *Pickerington H.S. Student Art Show.* 2:30pm *Spence Funeral Home: "What you're dying to know about funerals."*

**Dec 3, 8am - Dec 4, 7pm: Fairfield County Foundation's 35-Hour Give.**

**Dec 5, 6:30-8pm: PVTHS Member Annual Holiday Dinner** to be held at the Pickerington Senior Center.

**Dec 6, 5-8pm: "Holiday Gathering"** in our "Olde Village" and Historical Society Museum.



### Member Holiday Dinner

Our Historical Society Member Holiday Dinner will be catered by Blue Moon and held at Pickerington's Senior Center, 150 Hereford Drive. The date is Thursday, Dec. 5, beginning at 6:30 PM.

Dinner will be hosted by our Historical Society as a "Thank You" to current members for their generosity and support. Members are encouraged to register/bring guests to the dinner. Guest fees are \$18 per person which includes dinner and a free 2025 Historical Society membership! Guest payment options: (1) We will email you an invoice to pay by credit card; or (2) pay by check to PVTHS, PO Box 732, Pickerington, OH 43147.

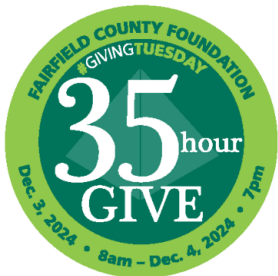
**Entertainment:** Bingo/Prizes; Dulcimer music by Kim Richardson.

**Dinner Menu:** Hot chicken salad, meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, spinach salad, rolls, coffee/iced tea, sherbet/cookies.

**Members/Guests should register for the dinner by:**

- \* Replying to this email via: [pickhistsociety@hotmail.com](mailto:pickhistsociety@hotmail.com)
- \* Leaving a voice mail message at the Museum: 614-333-8951.

**Dinner reservation deadline: Friday, November 29.**



### 2024 Fairfield County Foundation's 35-Hour Give

The Fairfield County Foundation will gift \$35,000 in matching funds for donations made online or in person between 8:00 AM on Tuesday, Dec 3 thru 7:00 PM on Wednesday, Dec 4.

You can help secure a portion of that \$35,000 by giving to our non-profit Pickerington-Violet Twp Historical Society Fund during the 35-Hour Give. Here's How:

**(1) Donate online at [www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org](http://www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org):** Click the Donor box on the home page, then locate the 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, December 3, between 10:00 AM and NOON. Date your check December 3; 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



### Annual Summer Sunday Afternoon Member Picnic

Our Historical Society's Annual Summer Picnic was held at Pickerington's Disc Golf Shelter. President Peggy Portier (1st photo at left) grilled hot dogs and led a "Wild Bird Trivia Contest" which Museum Librarian, Terry Guay, won hands down!

↑ Terry, with her "Wild Bird" prize, can be seen above. Besides hotdogs and trivia, members enjoyed watermelon, chips, ice cream, cookies, camaraderie, and a sunny Sunday afternoon.



*Do you recognize some of your fellow Historical Society member picnic goers pictured here?*

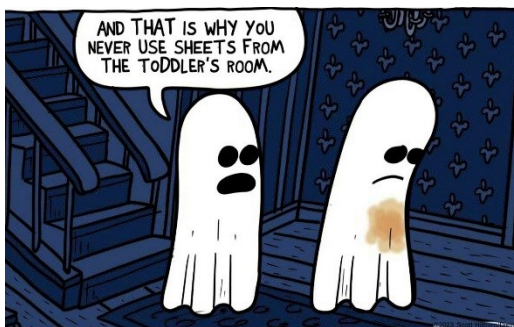


### Don't Miss These Fall/Holiday Museum Events



**Sunday, October 6, 2-4pm: "Elixirs, Poisons & Cures":** Toby Scofield and Jack Whitaker will show and tell what kinds of mysterious medicines and weird cures were offered in the Pickerington area during the early 1900s.

*Be sure to bring your Halloween Candy donation to this event to help supply treats for the children who come to our Museum for Haunted Village!*



**Thursday, October 24, 6-8pm: "Haunted Village"** inside our Museum and throughout Olde Pickerington Village: Tour the Haunted Museum. Children can get a free tattoo and candy treats. See scarecrows, wild costumes, and other scary happenings in Pickerington's downtown!

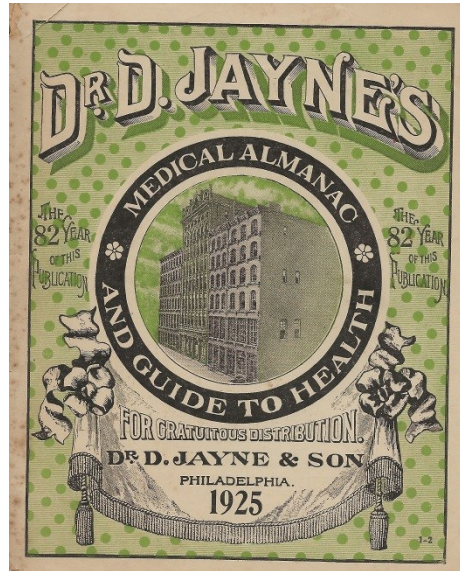
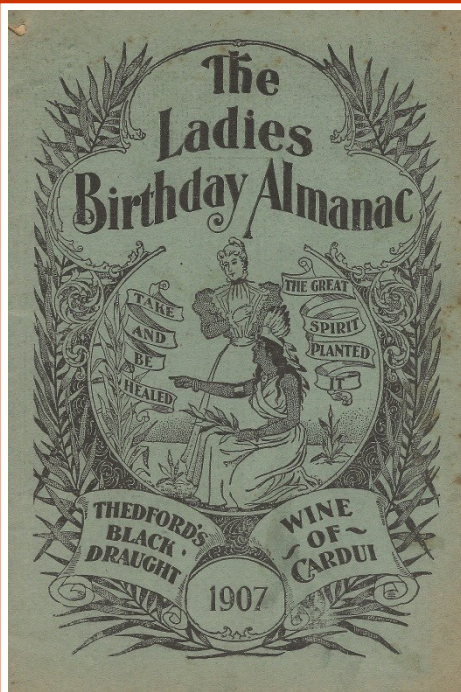
**Sunday, November 3, 2-4pm:** See **Pickerington H.S. Students' Art Show** and learn interesting information from long-time Pickerington funeral director Dwayne Spence: **"What You're Dying to Know About Funerals."**

**Friday, December 6, 5-8pm:** Enjoy the annual **"Holiday Gathering and City Christmas Tree Lighting"** throughout Olde Pickerington Village and inside our Historical Museum.





## LOCAL HISTORY



### Early Pickerington History

The early 1900's booklets shown at left were complimentary for customers at James Schirm's Drug Store located at 19 W. Columbus Street in Pickerington. The Drug Store occupied the downstairs while Mr. & Mrs. Schirm lived upstairs. These types of booklets held information about weather forecasts along with medical advice for people and farm animals. The booklets can be seen in our Museum on Sunday, Oct. 6, from 2-4pm when Toby Scofield and Jack Whitaker present "Elixirs, Poisons & Cures." Admission to this Historical Museum event is free!

### Keeping Track of Pickerington-Violet Township Artifacts

Most days our Historical Museum's new Curator (Peggy Winter) and new Librarian (Terry Guay), can be seen surrounded by books containing donation information, a laptop, and file cabinets/glass cases filled with artifacts of many shapes and sizes.

Earlier this year, they started their journey of tracking our local antiquities with training and assistance from the Ohio History Connection. The duo's work really began when they tackled matching donation accession numbers to the artifacts housed in cabinets and hanging on the walls in our Museum's lower level. Currently, they are working on tracking items on the mezzanine level, and hope to finish the Museum's main level collections before the end of 2024.

Their plan is to computerize information (artifact, donor, location, and accession number) so that the thousands of artifacts housed in our Museum can easily be tracked and found when visitors are looking for a particular item.

Peggy and Terry already have updated our "Artifact Information Sheet" that new donors are now completing.

Be sure to stop by the Pickerington-Violet Township Historical Society Museum during one of our Sunday Afternoon Open Houses to meet Peggy and Terry and see what they've been doing to help make our Museum and its artifacts easier to find.



## MEMBER NEWS

### 2024-2025 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

#### President's Appointees

**Historian:** David Williard  
**Membership/Volunteer Chair:** Stephanie Johnson  
**Publicity Chair/Website-Newsletter Editor:** Maggie Arendt.  
**Curator:** Peggy Winter; **Librarian:** Terry Guay

#### 2024-2025 Historical Society Projects

(1) Continue planning preservation of our Museum's Windows. (2) Purchase video equipment to create Oral History Stories told by community members in partnership with the Pickerington Public Library.

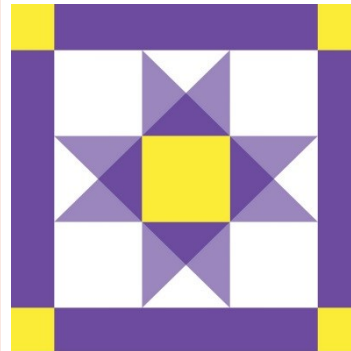


### Help welcome our new Pickerington-Violet Township Historical Society Members

- \* *Pickerington residents who recently joined our Historical Society as "Individual" members include **Carole Bockey** and **Lori Sanders**. **Gloria Womble**, from Suffolk, Virginia, also joined as an "Individual" member.*
- \* ***Scott and Katie Sears**, from Pickerington, joined as "Family" members.*
- \* *The Columbus **German Village Society** became a "Reciprocal" member in our Historical Society.*

### A Member we recently lost:

*Historical Society member, Abby Planisek, passed away on August 21. She is survived by her children, grandchildren, and husband, Historical Society member Ken Planisek.*



Have you traveled Fairfield County's Barn Quilt Trail? Our Historical Museum's entry (pictured here) can be seen on the south side of our Museum on Lockville Road.

### New revised musical hits from the 1960s for Baby Boomers

- Mrs. Brown, You've Got a Lovely Walker** (Herman's Hermits)*
- I Get By With a Little Help from Depends** (Ringo Starr)*
- A Whiter Shade of Hair** (Procol Harum)*
- Denture Queen** (Abba)*
- I Am Woman, Hear Me Snore** (Helen Reddy)*
- It's My Hormones & I'll Cry If I Want To** (Lesley Gore)*
- On the Commode Again** (Willie Nelson)*

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