

JACKSON TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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Hours of Operation

Monday 6-8

Tuesday 9-Noon or
by appointment

See schedule of events

Admission to JTHS

\$5 ages 14+

Members Free

Membership

\$5 McGuffey Kids Club (grades K-12)

\$15 Individual

\$25 Family (2 adults in same house)

\$50 Patron

\$100 Sustaining

\$150 Business (annual contribution)

includes business card size
advertisement in the newsletter and
your name posted at JTHS)

\$300 Lifetime (one time, per person,
personal contribution)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have had a busy year and were unable to get the newsletters out. There are several volunteer positions we would like to fill. Please see page 4 and let us know if you are interested or able to help.

The scanner and the Christmas in July fundraisers were a huge success. Thank you to all who helped. In October we will have the Battle for the Rail Challenge. Read more about that on page 3.

Behind the scenes the trustees have been busy with the business of the society. We applied and received a grant from the state for capital expenses on our building. By laws are being updated, long range planning, the collection policy and disaster plans will be looked at during the winter.

We only have a few open houses left that shows Jackson from 2000-present day, see the calendar on page 4.

Although it was sad that the Montgomery's moved away from Jackson, we had a great going away party for them. They will be truly missed. Don Speight is the new vice president and is doing a wonderful job. We also added John Ney as a trustee. He has wonderful ideas that will be presented in future issues.

At our October 15th annual meeting you will hear of even more great things that is happening at JTHS. Watch the next newsletter for more information.

We will continue to have our gift wrapping fundraiser in December. See the dates on the calendar.

Have a wonderful autumn and we hope to see you at JTHS.

Kim Demor

President

Picture from barn tour presentation



Robert Kroeger -Barn Artist

On Sept 17th Judi Malinowski took Robert to 15 barns in Jackson. They were able to meet with some of the families to talk about the barn and its history. That evening, Robert did a program for us about some of the barns he had painted and about his books. He has taken pictures of the barns he visited and will be back next year with paintings of some of the ones he has chosen. He left us with paintings of three barns from other areas that we can use as a fundraiser. Robert is very talented and we are honored that he asked to come and talk to us and that he will be back in 2025.



Jackson 3rd Graders



The 3rd graders from all four Jackson schools will be visiting JTHS in October. The Jackson School of the Arts puts on a living history school day for the students. Several years ago, Don and Nancy Montgomery presented to the trustees, a different way to deliver our program to these students with hands on experiences. Susie Gardner from the High School supports the program from her side. The program is financed through grants from the Jackson Schools Foundation and Jim Camp. Kim Demor has traveled to two of the schools and presented a "What to expect" program to the students. She talked about the 1860's desks, heating, plumbing, getting to school, and so

much more. She answered questions the students had and shared information on what they will do while at the schoolhouse. This is a great learning cooperation between the groups and students.

Building Update

*The addition to the building is about 25 years old and was in need of some care. Todd, and Randi Morris with help from some high school students, are almost finished siding the addition. Unfortunately, there was rotted wood found under the door and added time to the project in order to repair. Drainage and a small ramp will be added to the backdoor. The trim has been painted white to match the rest of the building, The bell tower is in the process of being painted as well.

*We believe we found the cause of the dampness on the walls of the basement and are in the process of getting it corrected.

*Damaged window panes were replaced.

*The required yearly Backflow System was tested and everything was good .

*Julian Strub, who is working on his Eagle Scout Award, has lead the team to re-waterproof the damp basement walls, added shelving and will be adding a protective cover to parts of the basement ceiling.

*Items still on the Wishlist: parking lot, light for flagpole and sign, the wood floor of the schoolhouse, more painting.



Archival Update

Thanks to the Christmas in July fundraiser and the scanner fundraiser, we received enough money to purchase a Czur Book scanner, a digital microscope, and several archival boxes for the newspapers, some toys, some clothes, a family bible, and Constable papers. Thank you to all who thought these projects were important.

We have trained some volunteers to use the new scanner and they are moving through large documents, newspapers and other documents very quickly. The process is easy and anyone can help, you just place and click.

We have a new process for what we do with items that have been donated. We have received several large donations and are looking for helpers who would like to learn to catalog the items. If you are interested in learning please let us know.

Battle for the Rail Fundraiser

The Jackson-North Canton Hoover football rivalry has been going on for a long time, but football is not the only rival between the two. Jackson Township Historical Society and North Canton Heritage Society are going head-to-head **October 11- 24** with the last week being "Beat Jackson/Hoover Week".

We are in competition to see who can raise the most money for their organization. This is the second year of this competition. Last year, Jackson beat North Canton and we want to do it again this year. The funds received will go towards keeping the building and grounds updated and repaired. It is expensive to maintain a building that is over 160 years old.

We are asking members, school alumni, and communities for support. The winner will be announced October 25 during the Jackson-Hoover football game held at Robert Fife Stadium in Jackson Township. Can we count on you?

Show your community spirit, pride, and support the Jackson Township Historical Society. Please make your tax-deductible donation to:

Via mail: send a check to Jackson Township Historical Society
PO Box 35171, Canton, OH 44735

Or **drop off** your donation at the schoolhouse 7756 Fulton Dr, Massillon (Room schoolhouse) October 14, 21 from 6:00-8:00pm, or October 22, 24 from 9:00am -1:00pm

Visit the **website** www.jacksontwphistory.org or

Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/jacksontwphistory>

For this competition only money received from October 11 through midnight October 24 can be counted.

Looking to add Trustees

The new by-laws state that there can be up to nine (9) trustees. Currently there are seven. We are looking for professionals in the following areas to guide with important decisions. Retirees welcome.

- ◇ Legal
- ◇ Construction/Trades/ Building
- ◇ Grant writing
- ◇ Archives
- ◇ Accounting
- ◇ Corporate
- ◇ Fundraising
- ◇ Marketing
- ◇ Publicity
- ◇ Social Media
- ◇ Someone with a heart for Jackson

Contact

Jackson.township@gmail.com

*if you have interest or questions about
the volunteer position*

Members Annual meeting

October 22nd at 7:00

at Jackson Center School

We hope all the members can be in attendance as there is several pieces of business to be presented.

- 1 By Law Change
- 2 Vote for Trustees
- 3 New Logo and slogan will be revealed
- 4 Trustee report
- 5 Volunteer of the Year Award presented
- 6 Look-



Looking to add to our Collection

When going through items please consider donating your “Jackson” unwanted items. Anything with which you are not ready to part, can be scanned.

Here is a brief list of items we are looking for:

- Pictures from Jackson Township and the schools
- Programs for Jackson events and school events
- Yearbooks/Annuals from elementary schools and recent years of JMMS and JHS
- Memorabilia from life in Jackson
- Basically anything pertaining to life in Jackson and the schools.

Volunteer Opportunities

- ◇ Someone to scan documents, newspapers and Photos
- ◇ A Social Media person who will keep our accounts updated.
- ◇ A grant writer– there is money for organizations we just need help applying for it.
- ◇ A website manager who will keep our website up to date, find information to add to it so it is an informative site
- ◇ A trustee. They meet once a month to make decisions about the building and the society. Professional input would be great when making decisions. They are a working board, so volunteering to take on a project would be very helpful.
- ◇ A hospitality person to make sure we have refreshments at our public events.
- ◇ A project person who will take charge of one of the many programs that are planned. Such as kids club, yard sale, gift wrapping, Battle of the Rail, and so much more
- ◇ Someone who can do fundraising for us with corporations, businesses and the community.
- ◇ Someone who can research and set up the displays for the open houses 2x a year. You can be in charge or be a helper.
- ◇ Someone who would like to be on our America 250 committee
- ◇ Writers to write articles for a magazine, the township and newsletters. Also write press releases and articles for the newspaper.
- ◇ If you have a special interest in volunteering we can find something you enjoy doing
- ◇ Someone to interview people who lived, worked, or has some affiliation with Jackson for our project
- ◇ Someone who likes cemeteries

Contact Kim at Jackson.Historical@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

Upcoming Events

Oct. 6, 1-4	Open House: Jackson 2000 - present day
Oct. 15, 7:00p	Annual Membership Meeting & voting
Oct. 19, 5-7	Haunted Stories (safe for kids)
Nov. 3, 1-4	Open House: Jackson 2000 - present day
Nov. 25, 6-9	Gift Wrapping
Nov. 26, 9-1	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 2, 6-8	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 8, 1-2:30	McGuffey Kid's Club: Holiday party
Dec. 8, 2:30-5	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 9, 6-8	Gift Wrapping
Dec 15, 6-9	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 16, 6-8	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 17, 9-1	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 19, 6-9	Gift Wrapping
Dec. 23, 5-8	Gift Wrapping

GIFT WRAPPING

Are you are tired of gift bags, and would like to have your gifts wrapped in paper with ribbon and bows? Then JTHS will wrap your gifts while you wait.

Come to Jackson's one room school house on any of the dates listed above to have your gifts wrapped in paper with bows.

Enjoy Holiday music, refreshments, and good company.

Everything is provided (although boxes for clothing would be helpful).

This is a fundraiser so donations are appreciated.

The donations help maintain the one room schoolhouse as an educational museum.

Email us to schedule a time or be put on the schedule for the day listed above

Membership Update by Don Speight

Why not join the Jackson Township Historical Society and discover the rich heritage of our community? As a member, you'll enjoy exclusive access to fascinating local history events and opportunities to preserve Jackson Township's unique stories. Whether you're passionate about historic preservation, curious about genealogy, or eager to learn more about our community's past, your membership helps us protect and celebrate our shared history. Be a part of our history and make a lasting impact on future generations—become a member today and help keep our history alive!

We've welcomed 13 new members so far in 2024 and currently have 79 Society members. These range from individual to lifetime membership levels. We're always looking to add more!

New Accessions

Jim Wertz-items from Doris Wertz Collection, photos, display stands, binders of information, 2 rolling racks, books, clothing, file cabinet, typewriter desk and many other items
 Barb Reikowsky– Braucher genealogy, poems by Leo Braucher, Hosslet Genealogy
 Linda Renner– genealogies for braucher, Rhodes, Clay, Crofut & Renner. Bus driver shirts & photos, prom invite and more
 Don Montgomery– yearbooks, reunion programs, photo, teacher of the year binder, scrapbook of high school plays, bell from halter school, books,
 Jim camp– George Washington Framed picture from original schoolhouse, Fremont Montgomery framed picture, and Nancy Nutter framed photo when she was Miss Jacksonite
 Mary Zwisler-yearbooks, tassel, sports and academic program books
 Liz Adams– Cub Scout hat and fanny pack
 Jackson Township– newsletters, chamber photos, newspapers and videos
 ___ white jacket signed by students, dvd's, report card, musicals
 Dave Matheson Sr– lightening rod from Jackson Center School
 Chani Peterson– doll carriage, ornaments, carriage, day décor and more
 Geri Hein– yearbooks
 Karen Vallejos– 4 VHS tapes of the Purple Army
 Lexi Rochford– Band uniforms, band hats, majorette cape & garment bag
 Natalie Morgan– History of the Polar Bear
 Julian Strub– Bell from JHS
 Lori Schaffner– yearbooks
 Jean Prichard- 1900's quilt and ___
 Greg Weekley– History of lake Cable, display cases
 Kim Germano- JHS– yearbooks
 Bill Gamble– 5 JHS baseball jerseys 1980-2000
 Ellen Schaufele– picture of 1st fire station
 Troy Gardner– 4 JMHS yearbooks
 Margaret Reichenbach– yearbooks, photos, articles
 Tiffany Welch Schwendeman– cheerleading items
 Rosalie Dolan– JMS yearbooks, Jackson Retirees newsletters
 Sue Corrigan– Books

Welcome New 2024 Members

Janice Amstutz
 Shawn Bates
 Lee Dolan
 Bonnie Fraser
 Todd Hawke
 Louise Leiendecker
 John Ney
 Chani Patterson
 Barbara Schwitzgebel
 Eugene Starr

New Lifetime members

Justin Hardesty
 Todd Hawke
 Todd Morris
 Bonnie Popa



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