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President’s Remarks – Jenny Quigney 937-459-8090

On yet another rainy day I am sitting here writing this letter to you. Our spring seems to have finally arrived and summer is following closely behind. By the time you read this I hope all the crops are planted and growing well. That being said I’m sure summer will bring a lot of sunny skies and many activities with AWTHS commemorating our 15th anniversary.

Coffee & Conversation Series is a great time to reminisce and to learn more about our communities. The grave stone hands-on workshop will be a great opportunity to learn about cleaning and restoring grave markers. Maintaining our cemetery stones is important in preserving our past. If you have never helped staff the fair gate or you have not helped recently, contact Bev Rench. Help is always needed as people find they need to change their schedules. September is a busy month with the Arcanum walking tour. Also the bi-monthly speakers programs begin this month.

During the past few months AWTHS hosted a DCCA music event. We participated in Serve Arcanum, Trash Bash as a fund raiser, the Old Fashioned Day parade and additional open house hours during special events. I would like to thank everyone who helped with all of these activities, especially the high school students who worked hard mulching flower beds, planting flowers and helping with Adopt-A-Highway. We had a display at the Arcanum library commemorating our 15 year anniversary along with various displays at the Historical House.

The bank balance at the end of May was \$15,797.73.

Old buildings are always in need of repairs. Replacing front porch floor will begin soon. It is time to reseal exterior bricks and the wrought iron fence is in need of repairs.

At this time I would like to congratulate all the parents and grandparents of our recent graduates from area schools. These young people are our future and we wish them well. I will close with a final thought, please be aware of what is happening in our community and our goal to preserve the past for future generations.

2019 Coffee and Conversation Series 10:00 a.m.

Coffee and Conversation Series continues for the sixth summer. Those attending the past sessions have enjoyed sharing laughs, memories, and stories of growing up in Southern Darke County with our guest as they tell their stories.

Enjoy a cup of coffee and a donut while reminiscing with neighbors and friends. You are welcome to bring memorabilia to share with us during these morning sessions.

July 13th Guest: Annette Stewart - Annette will share how she uncovered some of the history of a log house on her family’s property, the decision to dismantle it after so many years, the steps of that process and finally the journey of the log house to its new location.

August 10th Guest: Glenn Eley - Glenn is a longtime resident of Arcanum and a WWII Veterans. Glenn was a friendly face at the Hardware store for many years, he always enjoyed sharing stories. Feel free to bring Veterans you know, they may enjoy taking part in the conversation also.

Sept. 12th 7:00 p.m. Program; James and Sophia Clemens Farmstead and Longtown, Ohio

Presenter: Roane Smothers, Descendent of James and Sophia Clemens

Join us when Roane Smother tell the history of Longtown. James Clemens, a freed slave who came from Virginia in 1818, became a prosperous farmer. Many former slaves migrated to the vicinity and Longtown was formed.

Longtown, located at 467 Stingley Road, one mile from the Indiana line, was a community far ahead of its time, a bold experiment of integration. The tri-racial settlement included the Union Literary Institute where trades were taught which helped the community to be self-sufficient. Hear how it became a center for the Underground Railroad.

Join us Sept. 12 at 7:00 to learn more about James Clemens, a significant individual in the history of Darke Co.

AWTHS Officers

President Jenny Quigney 459-8090
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Acquisitions – Carolyn Furlong 548-6556 & Annette Stewart 417-3746

19000	Red River School photo class list- circa 1928 and Nealeigh reunion framed picture & some names, 4 books FM baseball, 3 books Farmer Institute, Franklin; Tintype photos and advertisement	Sue Johnson
19001	Photo of Burk Farm – late 1800; several mementos from Monroe School 1901	Dick & Barb Garrison
19002	West Alex Sesquicentennial book & Joe's Journal	Greenville Library
19003	Photo family found in year books	Reynolds Family
19004	3 Town of Pittsburg books & 2 seals (on Loan)	
19005	1890 Twin Township map book	Greenville Library
19006	3 photos of parade and Renchs working at AWTHS	Rench Family
19007	1974 City Hall photo	Connie Norris
19020	10 photos of AWTHS renovation	Joan Rench
19021	Arcanum Class Picture 1925, no names	Jerry Boolman
19022	Glass slides purchased at Roland & Thelma Gilbert's auction A photo of Wisenbarger store	Joan Rench
19023	Bicentennial program 1976, old school book. John Smith Purina pencils, 1974 clippings, including Kincaid Kleeners	Merrie Ann Brown
19024	Photos of basketball state championship team homecoming parade, No date for which year.	Lon & Norma Chaney
19025	Miller's Tavern coffee mug, 2010	Miller's Tavern
19026	26 stamp book collection; and two pictures of Joan Dunlap collage	Edith Murphy
19027	10 photos of basketball championship	unknown

Membership- Sharon Troutwine 692-5128

Please check- have you remembered to renew your 2019 dues? It's never too late.

We are very pleased to welcome our newest members – Darryl and Mary Anne Mehaffie, Jacklyn Vietor, and Georgia Arnett. We are glad that you have chosen to be part of AWTHS and to help preserve the history of our communities.

We are sorry to report the passing of Duane Reynolds and Wilson Bunger. Our condolences to their families.

Farmers Market June –July- August * Every Saturday * 9 a.m. - Noon

Plan to visit the Veterans Park this summer to participate in the Farmers Market. There is always yummy food and also useful items to purchase. Be a vendor and sell foods, crafts, or flea market items. There is no registration, no fee or anyone to contact. Vendors may set-up their "wares" any weekend they have something to sell.

Christmas Bazaar 2019 Nov. 29 and Nov. 30

We are always thinking "Christmas" at AWTHS. Wonderful Christmas decorations have already been donated. Spread the word that we are always accepting contributions. Donations can be left on the back porch. For a large donation contact us for pick up. The annual bazaar is our major fundraiser.

DVD's available - Summer Coffee Sessions and Programs

The DVDs can be had for a suggested donation of \$2.00.

Currently these DVDs of Summer Coffee Sessions and programs are available:

Presenter:	Date:	Program:
Marilyn Rosser Strickler	March 2012	Rosser Family History
Scott Trostle	November 2013	Lincoln Funeral Train
AWTHS/Veterans	November 2014	Salute to Veterans
Linda Newbauer	May 2015	Lowell Thomas
Earlene Morris	June 2015	Gordon

Not all programs were taped but these are the copies we have so far. Further list forthcoming.

We are making the DVD's on request by the Daugherty's so if not available they can be ordered. Contact us thru email and list the DVD's you're requesting. Donations can be made at pick-up at AWTHS on open Saturdays or other times by prior notification or appointment.

Available now - 1969 Boys Basketball State Semi-Final and Finals game on DVD.

Southern Darke County History - Annette Stewart 417-3746

Cemetery Stone Preservation Workshop – July 20th

A joint effort with Twin Township Trustees is a hands-on workshop to be offered to the public on cemetery stone cleaning, setting, and preservation. It is scheduled for July 20 from 9-5am at Ithaca Cemetery. Rain date is July 27. The instructor will be Mark Morton with Gravestone Guardians and Cemetery Conservators For United Standards. <https://cemeteryconservatorsunitedstandards.org/> is their site to read about safe practices for cemeteries and gravestones or markers.

The fee is \$30.00 per person with a prepaid registration by end of July 8. In the event there is not enough interest and attendees a refund will be made to those registered. Contact to register: See our web site for registration form. Mail completed form and check (made out to AWTHS) to Annette Stewart. Questions? Email contact@arcanumhistoricalsociety.org or thru messenger on Facebook.

The class is limited to first registered 25 people. Bring your own sack lunch. Mark is not always available in this part of the state so please take advantage of this workshop and register early as well as share this event. Let's do our part to help preserve cemeteries before it's too late!

New Donations

Bruce Shank recently donated some materials on Potsdam, Pittsburg Church of the Brethren 150th's Anniversary, WWII letters and the Waymire family history. Some interesting reads in the research library. Anyone who has church history records that haven't been previously submitted please donate to our research area.

Historic Walking Tour of Arcanum

On September 7 Fred Troutwine will be leading a walking tour of the town including many historical buildings and businesses. The AWTHS will open at 9 a.m. for refreshments and a self-guided house tour. At 9:30 there will be a short program on our organization and renovation process, how the society was formed and the transformation that took place. Following the presentation we will start the tour at AWTHS led by Fred.

Rain date is September 14 with the same agenda.

Brochures will be available for those attendees as well as downloadable from our web site. Thank you to Kathy Daugherty for finalizing the walking tour brochure as well as Roger Martin from Pleasant Hill History Center who started the template for the brochure.

Please check in with our event thru Facebook to keep updated about tour sites or if the tour needs to be postponed.

Come and learn about our village in celebration of AWTHS 15th year!

Go green and download brochure from here: <http://arcanumhistoricalsociety.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/A-Walking-Tour-for-web.pdf>

DULL FAMILY

In preparing for the Historic Walking Tour and Baker Project I came across the Dull's.

Welcome Jefferson, or WJ, Dull was quite a busy man involved in many businesses. He was born to John and Delilah (Baker) Dull and married Mary Elizabeth Fourman in 1874.

He worked for his uncle Josiah Baker digging ditches and later his own business of building streets. With Charles Williams, they operated four tobacco warehouses. One being at 120 S. Main where Trojan Pizza was located in 1967-69. One of the gas wells was also located here.

WJ Dull was also President of the Farmers National Bank which was located at 20-24 W. George and is on the tour. When not working on his farms or in town, WJ was near Rockledge, FL overseeing his orange grove. He also purchased the building where Tom Wetzel's "The Olde Nostalgia Shoppe" is today. Interesting is his home was located at 113 E. South and Albright here in Arcanum. His son, Samuel lived on Tom Jackson's farm in Twin Township where the old Center School Houses lies. The farm was called "Fair View". It can be seen on the 1910 plat map of Twin Township.

One of WJ and Mary's farm was in Franklin Twp on Delisle Fourman Road. Sources of this info came from the Dull file at Greenville Public Library Genealogy Dept. We have the articles in AWTHS research file on their 50th wedding anniversary; History of Darke County, OH by Wilson, 1914; obit from Arcanum Times 1935 on Mrs. Mary Dull; and various Bible records and marriage certificates. The clippings and info will also be on display later this summer and fall in the house.

Around Town

Taking a ride are Shirley, Phyllis and Dean Furlong, first three of nine children of Emerson and Joy Furlong. Circa 1938



Shirley Bailey, Jane Bailey Morrison, Fred Troutwine, Dick Troutwine and Joe Bailey. Photo taken in front of Bailey Farm Service. New hog house for sale sitting in background. Circa 1948



Editor's note: Bailey Farm Service circa 1944, then Bailey Motors & Farm Services until 1950 when Bailey Farm Service was sold to Gerald Hency.

NEED A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE CLIPPER FOR RESEARCH LIBRARY

We need someone to clip newspaper articles from Early Bird and/or Advocate about Southern Darke County area and put in sleeves in a binder. The project is already started and we have the supplies. Thank you Betty Sease for doing this for a number of years and at her request we are trying to find someone to fulfill this responsibility. If you can help out for at least this year please contact Barb Deis or Annette Stewart. This is an easy but vital volunteer position, a good way to preserve our area history.

The Great Darke County Fair will soon be welcoming fairgoers, animals and vendors. Once again, AWTHS will be staffing Fair Gate #3. Below is the schedule and important notes. As scheduling coordinator, I look forward to working with our volunteers. If you have not volunteered before, please contact me and we will get you added.

Thank you for your time and effort to help AWTHS!!

Coordinator- Bev Rench 623-0468

2019 Darke County Fair Gate #3 Schedule Friday August 16 thru Saturday August 24			
	<i>7 am -12 noon</i>	<i>12 noon - 5 pm</i>	<i>5 pm -10 pm</i>
Fri 16	Dave & Beth Flora 693-8413*	Deo Miltenberger 678-0185 Jean Aukerman 692-9922 Sally Sharrits 692-5245	Connie Norris 692-8085 Tasha Anderson 621-4569 Carolyn Furlong 417-2966
Sat 17	Karen & Michael Young 737-0016*	Wallace & Trump 620-2800 548-6116	Gary & LaJeanne Riegle 459-0947 Maria & Steve Threewitts 765-960-0014
Sun 18	Denice & Jason Trimble 416-7178 Kathy & Mike Fout 467-6534*	Sally Sharrits 692-5245 Jim & Barb Deis 662-0119	Dick & Sharon Troutwine 692-5128 Jerry & Bev Kramer 692-5764
Mon 19	Dave & Ardis Hamlin 623-8963* Tom Staley 692-8634	Jean Aukerman 692-9922 Marilyn Graeff 692-8140 Susy Weisenbarger 692-5597	Dick & Sharon Troutwine 692-5128 Linda Newbauer 417-1166
Tues 20	Bill Campbell Annette & Rex Stewart 417-3746*	Jenny Quigney 459-8090 Joyce Colville 417-3344 Sue Stammen 941-650-6071	Bev Rench & Kirk Honeyman 623-0468 Deo & Pam Furlong 272-8886
Wed 21	Karen Young 737-0016 Carolyn Fulong & Jenny Quigney* 417-2966 459-8090	Wendell & Jeannie Miller 692-8425 Kirby & Lori Sutton 692-5717	Rose Lambert 623-7333 Terry & Judy Mills 692-5582
Thurs 22	Fred Troutwine 692-8939* Alan Fourman 692-8635	Jean Aukerman 692-9922 Linda Newbauer 417-1166	Cary & Teresa Wogoman 692-5877 Mike Schweiderman 692-5021
Fri 23	Gene & Nelda Morris 884-5424 Fred Troutwine 692-8939*	Shirley Winger 678-7864 Dave & Ardis Hamlin 623-8963	Dick & Sharon Troutwine 692-5128 Cheryl Gray 423-1549
Sat 24	Jim & Barb Deis 662-0119* Carolyn Trump 548-6116	Larry & Annabelle Wallace 620-2800 Rob Lindenborn	Kenny & Holly Daugherty Lynn Trump 548-6116
	* Will pick-up cash box at Grandstand.		On Call: Bev Rench 623-0468

IF YOU MUST CHANGE YOUR SCHEDULE TIME, PLEASE CONTACT ANOTHER VOLUNTEER ON THE SCHEDULE TO SWITCH TIMES. PLEASE CONTACT BEV RENCH 623-0468 OF ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES.

NOTE: On Veterans Day, veterans with proper ID along with his/her immediate family members enter free (defined as those living in household, but essentially spouse and children). If veteran is deceased, spouse with proper papers would also be admitted. Active military in uniform or proper ID are free any day.

Also be aware that solicitation of signatures or demonstrations for specific causes within 1000 feet of fair property is prohibited. PETA and the US Humane Society representatives are usually identifiable by ID tags around their neck and clipboards. If you notice anyone that might be connected to these organizations soliciting signatures, simply notify the deputy sheriff and he should deal with it.

Fair Gate Notes continue**Important Notes For All Shifts:**

1. All people 12 yrs. and older pay adult fee for a day ticket.
Tear off a ticket from the roll, per person and drop into the bucket.
2. All weekly passes are \$20. Be sure the passes are filled out and signed.
3. All vehicles must have a parking pass and each person, 12 yrs. and older must have a day or week pass.
4. Money boxes will be changed out at 2 pm. Additional money pick-ups for the first few days will be at 5 pm and 7 pm.

7 am – 12 noon Shift

- Arrive at 6:45 am to pick up the money box. Enter the fair office backdoor under the grandstand (knock, they will let you in).
- Set up table at gate.
- Put out appropriate sign for the day, if any. (Seniors Day, Veterans Day, refer to NOTE below.)

12 noon – 5 pm Shift

- At 2 pm, one person should go to the fair office to pick-up a **NEW** money box for the rest of the day. Enter the fair office backdoor under the grandstand.
- Go to the Sheriff's building next to the grandstand to get an escort back to the gate. Return with the deputy and the **OLD** money box. Be sure to place ticket roll and passbooks in the old box because you will get new ones. It would be helpful if the person that remains at the gate, has an approximate money count.

5 pm – 10 pm Shift

- Start counting money at 9:30 pm
- Deputy will take you to the fair office between 9:45 pm and 10 pm. Take money box and gate book with you.
- Close tent flaps and turn off lights. Leave gate open.

A huge thanks to Carolyn and Keith Furlong for coordinating the schedule for so many years.

Celebrating 100 Years * Women's Right to Vote

1919 The federal woman suffrage amendment, originally written by Susan B. Anthony and introduced in Congress in 1878, is passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate. It is then sent to the states for ratification. August 26 1920 The 19th Amendment to the Constitution, granting women the right to vote, is signed into law.

Finally, on August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified. And on November 2 of that year, more than 8 million women across the United States voted in elections for the first time. <https://www.history.com/topics/womens-history/the-fight-for-womens-suffrage>

ARCANUM WOMEN GET TO VOTE TOO!

"Women Voters Take Honors at Election. In Precinct B. Mrs. Harry Kester cast the first vote at 5:45 a.m. In both Precincts A & B the last votes were by women--in B, Mrs. D.E. Etzler cast the last ballot and in A, Mrs. John Koehler cast the last vote.

There was some doubt about the number of votes that would be cast by women but at the election Tuesday (November 2) it was clearly demonstrated that they are just as interested in the results as the men, the normal vote of the town being practically doubled. Another surprise to the men voters, was the intelligent way in which the women went about voting."
(Arcanum Times, November 4, 1920)

Old Fashioned Days Parade May 18th



Thanks to Monty Clark for providing his truck to pull our float decorated to recognize AWTHS 15 years of collecting, preserving and sharing through educational programs, displays, special events and tours.

Riding on the float this year were Keith and Carolyn Furlong, along with Fred Troutwine, representing those who first meet in March 2004 to form the Arcanum Wayne Trail Historical Society.

Founding Members

Keith and Carolyn Furlong - Bill Gunder - Jo Anne and David Hill - Anita Short - John and Holly Trigg
Fred and Carolyn Troutwine

2019 Membership Form		Clip and Mail to AWTHS, P.O. Box 4, Arcanum, OH 45304	
Name _____		New _____ Renewal _____	
Phone Number _____		Receive Newsletter by Email? Add email _____	
Address _____			
City, State and Zip Code _____			
Annual Fees	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Single	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Family	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Sponsorship
			<input type="checkbox"/> \$150 Corporate
			<input type="checkbox"/> \$1000 Lifetime
Your additional tax deductible contributions are also greatly appreciated \$ _____			
Please check the area where you would like to help.			
Acquisitions	Newsletter	Membership	Programs
Garden Care	Yard Care	__Genealogy	Ways & Means
__Help Reference Librarian			__Publicity
			__Displays
			__Publications
			__Adopt A Highway
			__Serve as Host/Hostess during Open Hours
			__Type Research Papers

Calendar of Events

Visitors Open House Hours

Each Saturday of July 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
August 3rd & 10th Sept. 7th open 9:00-10:00 a.m. followed by tour
Euchre Parties 1st and 3rd Friday of each month 1:00 p.m.
Board Meetings 1st Monday of the month 7:00 p.m.

Farmers Market * July & August * Each Saturday Morning * 9 a.m. till Noon

July 13, 2019	Coffee & Conversation Session Annette Stewart – Her Family Log Cabin	10:00 a.m.
July 20, 2019	Cemetery Stone Preservation Workshop in Ithaca	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
August 10, 2019	Coffee & Conversation Session Glenn Eley – WWII Veteran and Longtime Resident	10:00 a.m.
August 16 – 24, 2019	Staff Darke County Fair Gate #3	7:00 a.m.– 10:00 p.m..
September 7, 2019	Historic Arcanum Walking Tour and Presentation	9:30 a.m.
September 12, 2019	James and Sophia Clemens Farmstead and Longtown Presenter: Roane Smother, a Clemen’s descendent	7:00 p.m.
September 14, 2019	Rain date for Arcanum Walking Tour	

On Going Projects

Hall Rentals – Carolyn Furlong 548-6556 * Aluminum Recycling – Lynn Trump 548-6116 *
Donation of Appreciated Stocks – Richard Troutwine 692-5128 or Todd Durham, 2nd National Bank, 548-2206 *
Adopt-A-Highway – Jim Deis 662-0119 *