Dear Society Friends and Members,

I enjoyed seeing many of you this year at the Fulton County Fair. How different it was to see life in 1941 at our log home. Also, our group was excited to be able to show potential funders that the new Museum and Welcome Center of Fulton County is under construction across the highway from the fairground!

Planning is underway for the 12 sections of the new museum’s permanent timeline, and two sections have financial sponsors to date. These names will appear at the beginning of each part of the exhibit. If we haven't contacted you yet to become part of this groundbreaking project, give me or the museum a call. We'd love to sit down with you and go over the blueprints. To date, we have garnered over $277,000.00 in gifts and pledges toward our million dollar goal. Some sponsors have chosen to divide their donation, which makes giving easier, and spreads out possible tax deductions over several years.

If you haven’t seen our new WWII exhibit at the museum, you have till Thanksgiving to see this large collection of artifacts. Our annual banquet, a fish fry and our fifth annual Haunting History Tours will be keeping us on our toes. Hope you all can come to one of these events and help us celebrate our future in preserving our past.

Aut inveniam viam aut faciam (I will find a way or make one)!

Fulton County Motto, 1850.

Sincerely,
Carl Buehrer,
President

Museum Hours thru November:
Tuesdays - Fridays 10am—4pm
Saturdays 10am—2pm
$4 General Admission
$3 Seniors
$2 Students
Train Depot Tours scheduled at museum and begin when museum closes that day

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A sketch by Lewis H. Morgan at right, shows the custom that prevailed among the Iroquois in relation to the mode of burial (in a sitting posture, with the face to the east).

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Call the museum to place an order.

SANTA AT THE DEPOT
After 7pm Wauseon Holiday Parade, November 26
Sat & Sun December 17-18 2:30—4pm
Mon—Fri December 19-23 6:30—8pm

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From the President

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Fulton County Ohio

Fighting for Freedom
in WWII
Now on exhibit till Thanksgiving Day

1941 Farm Life Re-enacted at the 2016 Fulton County Fair

To promote the museum's new special exhibit and to remember the 75th anniversary of the U.S. involvement in WWII, the society re-interpreted the 1838 Canfield Cabin to show Clarence and Plessie Root. Mr. Root is a retired cobbler, and his wife's weekly chores were brought to life each day of the fair. An 1890s lean-to at the rear of the cabin was recreated this year to show Plessie's laundry room. In two years, their grand daughter Janice will be arriving to stay with them, and the room will be converted into her bedroom. Looking up into the loft, visitors can see that the second floor is now only used as an attic for old possessions. A brand new chenille bedspread is on the couple’s rope bed which has been converted into a coiled mattress, and a 1939 radio shows that the cabin now has electricity. On September 4, visitors heard the fireside chat of FDR who announced the bombing of a U.S. Cargo ship by Germany. Pictured above is our museum director, John Swearingen and volunteer Ashley Palmer who helped us in 1861/2011.

These two couples met in the Navy and married at the conclusion of WWII. Both men and women gave their all for the war effort— at home and in service.

Photo from the Virgil & Jean Bauman Collection
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Gift of Lowell & Judy Warncke

In Memorial

Jean E. Rupp
1950–2016
Operations Manager

Hidden Heroes

The Fulton County Historical Society’s members are very busy throughout the year, and every volunteer is vital to the continued success of our mission.

In this newsletter, we want to especially thank those people who are NOT members, and yet volunteered to help one of our events or projects.

In November, several rooms in the museum were decorated for our Christmas displays, including the room shown at right by the Fulton County Young Pioneers 4H club.

In April, the same group helped clean tables and serve food at a Fish Fry fundraiser. Former members of the Fulton County Red Cross helped our group during a spring chicken dinner and at the Fulton County Dairy Association milk shake booth at the annual county fair.

In May, the Doodledbug scout troop (above) donated flowers and planted them in the museum’s front yard. This summer, the Von Seggern family in Delta helped restore the luggage cart (right) at the society’s depot in Wauseon.

During the fair, the Palmer family, some new blacksmith assistants and students from Wauseon High School volunteered to bring history to life at our historic sites.