



Letter from the President

Hello Members,

As I write this, we are experiencing our second heat wave of the summer season of 2024. Please remember to check on family, friends and pets.

We have several positions open within the Historical Society. The *office of Treasurer* currently held by Chuck Kessler, who accepted the position temporarily and *two open Trustee positions*. If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact me. The Board meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 3 pm. Meetings are held at the American Legion 377 N. Third St.

We want to resume the *Cemetery Walks* (If Tombstones Could Talk) in 2025. If you are interested in *chairing* this, please let me know.

The Museum is open on Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm. and we are looking for *volunteers to fill open spots*. Please stop in for a visit, we would love to see you.

I have a few save the dates:

September 24, 2024, Oral history taping at 2:00 pm at the Tipp City Seniors on N. Hyatt St.

The panel discussion will be about growing up in Tipp during the 50's & 60's

Please bring your own drink. Snacks will be provided.

September 27 & 28, 2024 Tipp City Mum Festival.

Volunteers are needed to staff the booth.

December 5, 2024 at 1:00 pm. Christmas Brunch at Bob Evans, Tipp City.

The Historical Society is financially sound but in *need of new members and volunteers*, like many other organizations. For additional information, please contact any Board Member or stop by the Museum on Saturday. If you have a question regarding dues, please contact me.

Thanks for all you do,
and we are looking forward to your support.

Joanna Pittenger



THS Banquet



The annual dinner was held on Thursday, June 13th at 6:00 p.m. upstairs at the Coldwater Café.

Three dinner choices were offered.

Joe Hammann presented the program "Humor in American Presidential and Political History"

Photos by Karen Kuzienschky

Old School Spirit



Prepping the Roundhouse for an after-game dance. The football game was between Tipp City and West Milton in 1948.

They celebrated even though Milton won the game. The score was 18-7.

On the right is Barbara Kyle (Class of 1951). Nada Greenwood (Class of 1951) is holding the Beat Milton sign.

Barbara Shafer (Class of 1949) is holding the hammer.

Kids Tour the Museum



Skyler Rose and Sofia Roberts stand in front of a graduation dress (Left) from 1915 and an athletic uniform worn (also 1915) worn by Leota Hoover as Captain of the Tipp City High School basketball team.



Lucy Resor, Westin Wale & Shiloh Harbour look at scrapbooks of newspaper articles from past years.



Susie Spitler shows Westin Wale a gun that played an important role in a trial. The display was put together by Ron Re, former Tipp City Police Chief.



Twins, Luke and Leia Fabirgar stand in front of the beautifully restored dog statue that once resided in the Maple Hill Cemetery, before "standing guard" for many years near the corner of Evanston Road and County Road 25-A.



Oliver Brown takes a closer look at canned products sold by Tip Top Canning Company

On Thursday, July 18 we had this group of 3rd-5th graders tour the museum from the Tipp City Enrichment Program. This program is located in the 1916 High School on Dow and Fifth Streets. They run a preschool program year-round including day care before and after school during the school year. In the summer they are a daycare for preschool through fifth grade.

Barbara Smith was in charge of half of the group, and I took the other half. We started out in different areas so each group could hear us and see what we were talking about. They were very polite and listened well. They were there long enough to have time to look around after our presentations.

Susie Spitler
Photos by Barb Smith

Report from the Museum Director

I would like to extend a sincere "thank you" to our volunteers. Without them we would not be able to keep regular hours at the museum. Also, a sincere "thank you" to Liz Miller for filling the schedule every month. It is not always an easy job to fulfill so I know she, too, appreciates all those who are able to help.

In addition to the kids tour on Thursday, on Friday kindergarten through second grade kids from the Enrichment Program toured the museum. It was a smaller group and a lot of what we talked about was a little over their heads. We tried our best to keep everything on their level. Karen Jackson took one group, and I took the other. They were also very well behaved and listened well. They enjoyed the Iron Dog story and were fascinated with Ross Smith's cash register. Different adults/teachers accompanied them each day, who were all polite, interested and helpful. When something like this is planned, we never know just what to expect. Thanks to Barbara and Karen everything went well, and it was a lot of fun.

A lady from Hilliard, Ohio, called asking about a piece of furniture she had purchased. It had a label stating it was manufactured by the Garver Furniture Co., Tippecanoe City, Ohio. I was able to send her some pictures and a packet of information about the company and the family.

Wayne, the Building Manager, has been doing some maintenance. He opened the vents on the sidewalks that allow air to circulate through the crawl space. He met with a professional to test out the furnaces and air conditioners. He painted the exterior of the metal window on the south wall and the sills of the others.

He scraped, primed and painted the sills of the north windows and did the same on the bottom siding on the front of the white house.

Susie Spitler



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, August 13th, 3:00 pm – Board Meeting at the American Legion

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Tuesday, September 24th, 2:00 pm – Oral History Panel – Growing up in Tipp in the 50's & 60's
Tipp Senior Center, North Hyatt St.

Saturday & Sunday, September 28 & 29th – Tipp City Mum Festival – THS Booth

Tuesday, October 8th, 3:00 pm – Board Meeting at the American Legion

Thursday, December 5th, 1:00 pm – THS Christmas Brunch at Bob Evans in Tipp