

Weymouth Preservation Society

The Weymouth Preservation Society is dedicated to preserving the history and enhancing the beauty of our historic Western Reserve village.

2021 Year in Review

WPS activities started returning to normal in 2021, as they did for many of you.

The Museum: Our museum was open as normal in 2021. The excellent collection of 1800's autograph books from Weymouth and surrounding communities will be loaned to the Hower House in Akron in 2022, look for a new display in that space. The Medina



Township Police Department has donated the uniform of the first Chief of Police, Ken Turk who served from 1978 to 1995. The uniform is now on display. Continuing exhibits highlight the

historic Weymouth Church and the Weymouth Pantry, as well as artifacts from some of the prominent citizens of Weymouth. Our regular museum hours are 2 – 4 PM on the second Sunday of the month from March through December or by appointment.

2021 Events and Activities:

Adopt-A-Road: A group of WPS volunteers participated in a neighborhood road clean-up in May. We collected 15-20 bags of rubbish from Remsen, Old Weymouth, Frantz, Myers, Cook and Tompkins Roads.

Plant Faire: The WPS Plant Faire returned in 2021, and it was a beautiful day and a big success.

Potluck: We had our community potluck in August. It was a lovely summer day. It is always nice to gather with our members and supporters and share delicious dishes!

Weymouth Day: More great weather and we had a super Weymouth Day. Many of

our yard sale vendors returned, along with some new ones. The Capo 5 band returned to entertain us with their music. We had many visitors to the museum, and lots of interesting conversations about Weymouth and Medina Township history.

Luncheon: Our planned April 2020 luncheon was *finally* held on December 11, 2021!! The talk



on “How Women Served in the Civil War”, presented by folks from the Smithville Octagon House, was excellent and well-received. We will continue with the holiday-time luncheon in 2022, scheduled for December 10.

The Church: The Ohio Historic Marker for the historic Weymouth church was dedicated on October 10 with a nice ceremony and a reception at the WPS hosted by the church parishioners.



The historic marker commemorates the fact that it is the oldest church building in Medina County, it is a fine and remarkably original example of the Greek Revival style, and the congregation was active in the anti-slavery movement.

Research: WPS staff remain busy researching our history. The plaque project



continues, wherein we document the history of a house or property and the people who lived there.

We had a wonderful visit from a gentleman who grew up in Northropville and donated much family information and photos. (Where is that? See the “Lost Medina Towns” on our web page.)

Acquisitions: We received an original Weymouth church pew, donated by the Church of God International. It will be put on display after refurbishment.

The Grounds: WPS staff keeps the school and grounds looking nice – tending flower beds, trimming evergreens, clearing away fallen limbs and shoveling the walk during winter. We also tend the Weymouth Cemetery grounds and fence.



Have you visited our Little Free Library? Stop by and peruse the take-a-book/leave-a-book collection.

WPS Officers: We have two new members of our team. Judy Sutherland is now our Secretary, and Nancy Scholz a Trustee. They have been *most* helpful this year! Mary Doermann, one of our founders, has retired from the Board; we thank her for her years of dedication to the WPS.

Looking Forward to 2022

We will continue our Weymouth-community activities in 2022. Plan for these WPS events:

March 13: Museum Open House

May 5: Adopt-a-Road Clean-up

May 14: Plant Faire

July 30: Community Pot Luck

Sept 17: Weymouth Day

Dec 10: Luncheon

Quilt Show: The WPS will be hosting Medina County Historical Society’s Antique Quilt Show on March 26 at the school.

Did you know that the Community Room is available for use by Township residents? There is no fee for room use, but a deposit is required and there are modest rental fees for tables/chairs and such.

Our Social Media Presence: Don’t forget to visit the WPS website. The site hosts a variety of historic information, and provides updates on our events. Follow us on Facebook as well!

The WPS Board: The WPS is still in need of a Treasurer. For more information on the duties of this position, please contact us. We would also like a volunteer to lead our Grounds activities.

The current board:

Scott Benson – President

Susan McKiernan – Historian/Trustee

Richard Clark – Trustee

Lila Lehrer – Trustee

Janet Baran – Trustee

Nancy Scholz – Trustee

Judy Sutherland – Secretary

The board appreciates the support we receive from the community. Please consider becoming a member of the Society, or renewing your membership.

Membership levels:

- Single – \$10
- Family – \$20
- Contributor – \$50
- Sponsor – \$100
- Any amount welcome!

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