

Reflections

...then and now Loveland Museum Center

Spring-Summer 2023

"The Doolittle Raid - An Incredible Story of Courage"

Lunch & LearnMay 17 – 11:30 to 2:00

By popular demand, Rick Rosesel returns to tell the amazing story that's in danger of being lost to the ages.



The Doolittle Raid, also known as Tokyo Raid, took place on April 18, 1942, a few months after the Pearl Harbor attack. It was the first American air operation to strike the Japanese archipelago. It was led by Lieutenant Colonel James Doolittle.

Reservations are required by May 15th. The cost 0is \$10 for members, \$15 for nonmembers. Send name(s) and check to LMC, 201 Riverside Ave., Loveland OH 45140. Or you can use PayPal - indicate the date of the event please.

There will be a light lunch and social time before the talk.

Excuse our dust!

Although not finished, the renovation is moving forward – drive around the parking lot and you will see a big difference. Hope to open for weekends in mid-May.

Loveland Art Crawl
June 24 – 4:00 – 9:00



LMC will open our doors to art lovers as we participate in the second annual Art Crawl, sponsored by the Art League of Loveland.

Many local artists will exhibit at a variety of venues, including Art House II, Art Studios on Main, William Schickel Gallery, Arts on Main, Quilter's Workshop, and Whistle Stop Clay Works. Other artists can be found in Old Loveland.

LMC will feature selected Nancy Ford Cones prints and some of our pictures of Loveland buildings from the past.

To provide an extra element of fun for art crawlers, most galleries will provide individual raffles, and one large LAGC raffle prize (draw for money prizes) will be offered to those crawlers who complete the entire art gallery circuit.

The gift shop will be open, and Nancy Ford Cones reprints from glass plates will be on sale. Wine and light snacks available.

School Tours Return!

After two years of no school tours, LMC has scheduled 13 third-grade school tours during two weeks in May. Thanks to Peggy French and Tami Funke, all these classes will learn about life of the past generations.



Peggy French talks to students before the Timeline changed to digital.

Peggy French, a retired elementary school teacher, started doing school and scout tours in the early 2000's. She is currently looking for a substitute/replacement since she is not sure she can continue this volunteer work. We are asking for volunteers who might be interested in attending one or more of these tours to see how Peggy does it. The time is 10:00 to 11:00 beginning May 9th – four days the first week, three days the following week – two classes each day.

Tami shares the history of the log cabin, while a tour guide discusses the artifacts found in the old-fashioned kitchen, the formal dining room and two parlors of Bonaventure.

If you are interested in this volunteer position, please call Jan at 513-683-5692 for more details.



Tami Funke talks to third grade students

July 4th Parade

Board member Andy Bateman has agreed to be in charge of organizing the July 4th parade this year. The theme will be looking at the past – stay tuned for a surprise!



LMC on July 4, 2021

Outdoor Jazz Concert Thursday, July 27

LMC has invited the Simon Grome Jazz band to perform on the porch of Bonaventure on Thursday July 27, 6;00 to 8:00. Free to the public

Bring a picnic, your own beverage, lawn chair, and friends to enjoy this entertaining band. The band members are formerly from Loveland and have entertained LMC in the past.



Concert in 2022



Concert in 2021

Membership Report

Thanks to all the members who have paid their 2023 membership dues. Although we take in new members any time of the year, our membership year is January 1 through December 31. As this goes to print, there are still over 75 memberships unpaid. We would like you to remain on our membership mailing list; if your mailing label is yellow, be advised that your dues are overdue. To help our accounting, please send your membership donation by the end of May. Your name may be deleted if we do not hear from you.

Welcome new members:

Gary Fishman 6872 Norfolk Dr. West Chester, Oh 45069	513-607-4603
Jeff Filaseta 5668 Wyntree Ct. Maineville, OH 45039	937-716-7160
Nancy & Dave Holder 6 Comanche Ct. Loveland, OH 45140	513-702-2755
Michael & Carlene Hall 414 Park Ave. Loveland, OH 45140	513-403-3336
Bob & Connie Kuhn 2 Maryknoll Dr. Loveland, OH 45140	513-368-1719
Bill & Eileen Riethle 655 Hanna Ave. Loveland, OH 45140	513-683-5678

In Memoriam

Donald Books August 20, 1931 - March 16, 2023

Long time museum member, Donald Books died March 16th at the age of 92. He was the husband of the late Bobbie Rene Books, father of Tim (Mary Kay) Books, Robert Books, Janice (George) Pirtle, David (Rachels) Books, Mike (Mary Jo) Books, the late Donald A. Books, and late Diane Books, father-in-law of Phyllis Books, 17 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Donald served in the US Air Force in the Korean War. He was an active member of the Loveland Presbyterian Church, City of Loveland Council and other local organizations.

Services were held at the Loveland Presbyterian Church on March 22.

Cemetery Tour

Saturday, Sept. 30 - 1:00 to 4:00 **Evergreen Cemetery** State Rt 126. Miamiville. Clermont County

Ever wonder what all those epitaphs and illustrations on headstones mean? Who are these people and what can the carvings tell us? What do terms such as "finial, footstone, or mausoleum" mean and what can they tell us about the person?

Many 18th & 19th century Loveland residents are buried in the oldest section of Evergreen Cemetery in Miamiville.

Donna Amon, the former administrator of Promont, is an expert on gravestone facts, myths and illustrations and what they can tell us. She and several LMC members will present stories, using tombstones from sections A through F, the oldest in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Reservations are required – Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers. Send check with name(s) to LMC, 201 Riverside Dr. Loveland, OH 45140 or use PayPal (please event or date). Event will begin at 1:00 pm, please meet at the Evergreen Cemetery just beyond the entrance gate.



Dr. W.A. Carmichael and wife, a well-known Loveland family in the late 1800's.

His home was located on Third Street.

News from LMC.....

March Annual Meeting

About 25 guests and members attended the Annual Meeting on March 9th to witness the election of the 2023-2025 Board of Trustees, hear the annual report, and see a presentation of the founding of the Greater Loveland Historical Society in 1975.



President Jim Grethel welcomes guests and gives the 2022 annual report.



Long time member RJ Grethel introduces the incoming Board and presides over the installation.



2023-2025 Board of Trustees

Mark Krum, corresponding secretary, Jenny Shives, Jim Grethel, President, Kim Grethel, RJ Grethel, Ken Davis, V. President, Pat Benton, Andy Bateman, Sue Peterson, Peggy Goodwin, Becky Giver, Pete Bissman Kathryn Lorenz (recording secretary), absent

Jan Beller and Jenny Shives presented the 48th anniversary power point telling the story of the development of the Historical Society and museum.

Lunch & Learn April 12th

About 35 members and guests came to the Lunch & Learn to hear about the Loveland Symmes Fire Department – a brief background and updates about all the many services the department provides for the community.



Chief Ott Huber engaged the audience and answered questions about the Fire Department

Loveland Farmer's Market

LMC will man the educational booth at the local Farmer's Market, for three months this summer. Tami Funke and Ken Davis have taken on the endeavor for the past several years and will again be at the parking lot the second Tuesday of June, July, and August.



Unknown children stop at the LMC booth last year.

The Farmer's Market opens May 2nd

Renovation Update from the president......

Many of you may have noticed some changes taking place on the grounds of the museum center. Our main building and museum, Bonaventure, is getting a much-needed exterior makeover. The result will include all new siding and trim, the return of corbels on the upper structure, a porch refresh, and new sidewalks. The previous aluminum and vinyl siding was likely 50 years old (or perhaps even older) and was deteriorating rapidly. Our aim is to restore Bonaventure to resemble how it looked when built by Dr. Law in 1862.



Removing old siding – note original vertical siding, also known as board & batten siding

As with any renovation of an historic house, surprises were found. It was determined that the lower roof was falling and needed to be completely replaced. The good news is the 161-year-old structure still has good bones and no major structural problems were uncovered.



More vertical siding on the porch

As with our previous projects, the museum board chose to shop locally when selecting John Hill Construction as the primary contractor. John Hill and his team have been instrumental in helping to restore Bonaventure to her former glory.

The renovation, and our fundraising effort, has not yet ended. If you have already donated towards this effort, we

thank you for your continued support. If you have not yet donated, please know that your gift will help ensure that our museum can continue to preserve the wonderful history of Loveland,



Steps and the door in back are removed.



Corbels attached



Note the removal of the railings and new rounded columns

New porch flooring and new railings will be installed.

Do You Remember??

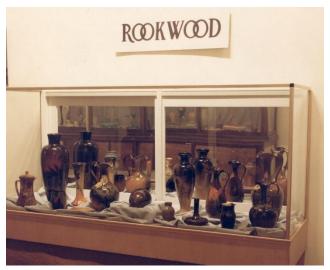














All of these pictures were found in our scrapbooks from the late 1980's – after the museum was opened in 1984.

Have fun reminiscing!

Loveland's Best Kept Secret



The JoAnn Richardson History House available for rent Call 513-683-5692 for details.

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The Works Thanks for your support

Whistle Stop Clay Works

High School Year Books Available

If you are searching for a lost copy of your Loveland High School yearbook, please call and see if we have what you are looking for. We have donated copies from the 1920's through the 1990's. For a donation of \$5.00, we may have the copy you need.

Memorabilia For Sale

The Museum Center continues to sell the Historic Site Coverlet in both green and cranberry (\$48.00) and the 25th Anniversary Cookbook (\$10.00). Also books by local authors, and County Historical Books. **The Museum Gift Shop also** has Loveland Memorabilia, T-shirts and sweatshirts, hand painted Bonaventure ornament, Loveland pottery, Nancy Ford Cones cards, and reprints of NFC glass plates.

"Passages Through Time"



Published by Greater Loveland Historical Society, this fascinating book is brimming with period photographs and historical information. Copies are available in the Museum Gift Shop for \$15.00 each. All proceeds benefit ongoing programs & preservation.

We'll be happy to mail a copy anywhere in the U.S. for an additional charge - \$7. Please send check along with mail instructions to Loveland Museum Center, 201 N Riverside Ave.; Loveland, OH 45140

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