



# Wayne Historical Society Newsletter

Summer 2018



The Society held a small Memorial Day gathering at Veterans Plaza after the parade was cancelled due to lack of interest. City Council member Tony Miller and the Bike Club participated.



The \*finally\* finished entry and gift shop at the front of the museum. Our chalkboard wall will be used to display upcoming events, and the gift shop will have some new merch soon.



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Our Fairy Garden fundraiser was a major success! We hosted three groups of twenty men and women who created their own unique succulent/fairy garden. All the guests loved it, and we had some great designs by some very creative people. In the end, we made a profit of over \$700, which is great for one day of work. Thank you to all who helped gather materials for the event, and after this success we will probably host another in the fall!



## Yard Sale Items Needed!

-The Historical Society is seeking donations for two upcoming yard sales in July (Romulus Historical Park, July 7 and Downtown Days, July 14). Clean out those closets and basements and help us raise some money. Member donations last year helped us raise several hundred dollars for our general fund.

## We need volunteers!

-We need volunteers for several upcoming events and fundraisers. Do you like to dress up? We need live actors for the cemetery walk and for a new haunted museum event in October. We could also use help for Downtown Days doing crafts, selling merchandise, and setup/teardown. Let us know if you can help!



# Museum Update



The museum has been undergoing many changes over the past year and a half. One of the first areas you will see when visiting is the new Native American/Fur Trade hallway. Large numbers on the door frame let you know you're entering the 1600s, and you'll be greeted by large artificial trees to give the feeling of being in the forest. We have a colorful board to tell the history of the Potawatomi and early French fur traders, as well as some actual arrowheads found in Wayne.



## Conference Area

Just after the Native American hallway are the Founders and Railroad cases, as well as our conference area. We recently finished covering an ugly wall with some corrugated steel panels and hung a new flat screen TV that can be used for presentations during meetings. The conference area will work well for us, Main Street and other groups that have already expressed interest in using the space for their meetings.



# Wayne Historical Society

## Upcoming Events

Summer 2018

- All events are at the Historical Museum, unless otherwise noted
- Events are free and open to the public
- Light refreshments are provided

### Historical Museum

1 Town Square  
Wayne, Michigan 48184  
(Corner of Main and Biddle)

### Historical Society

P.O. Box 486  
Wayne, Michigan 48184

### Museum Hours

Wednesdays 10-7  
Thursdays 10-5

### Board Members

Ann Zimmerman  
Al Damitio  
John Mills  
Kathy Kovalesky  
Tyler Moll  
Brenda Ozog  
Phil Lewis

### Support the Historical Society

- Select the Wayne Historical Society as your charity on Amazon Smile
- Make us a part of your legacy planning

Join us for some exciting events!

- **July 12 - History of the Wayne Civic Players**  
-7pm. - Guest presenter Bob Weibel will give a presentation on the Wayne community theater group which was active from the 1950s-1980s. He will have pictures of various shows and plenty of stories.
- **July 14 - Downtown Days at the Museum**  
-10-6pm. - Join us for the car cruise, old fashioned engines, kids crafts, vendors, garage sale and of course the museum will be open!
- **Aug. 19 - The Titanic**  
-7pm. - We will have Navy Veteran Rev. Gerald Bechard here to present on the history of the doomed liner and answer questions.
- **Aug. 26 - 140<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Museum**  
-3pm. - Come celebrate as the main building of the museum turns 140, as it was built in 1878. This will be our ice cream social event.
- **Sept. 13 - Urban Renewal - (Repeat from March 2017)**  
-7pm. - Many of you missed it the first time, and we're bringing it back. Join us for the story of Urban Renewal in Wayne from the 1950s-70s.
- **Oct. 7 - Historic Cemetery Walk**  
-1-3pm. - Come out for our annual free historic cemetery walk, where we will have live actors portraying members of Wayne's past. This will be held at Old Wayne Cemetery on Michigan Ave.
- Stay tuned for future events!

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