



Wayne Historical Society Newsletter

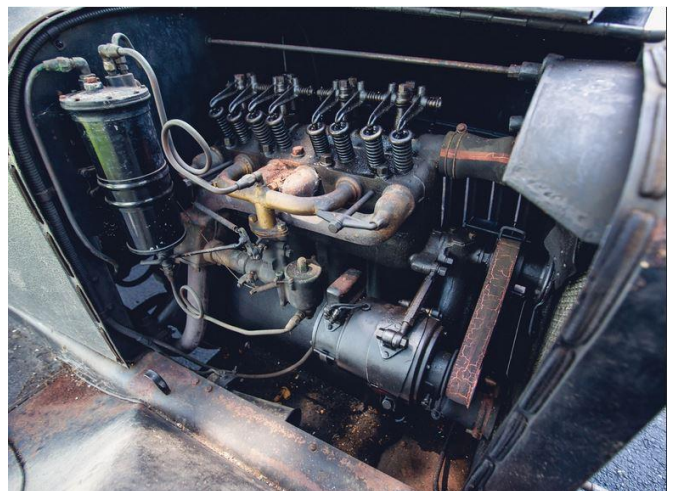
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Harroun Found!



A 1919 Harroun Car has recently surfaced for auction in September. The car was originally bought by a Wayne family and never left Michigan for its 100-year history.

The previous owner passed away last year and his estate has put it up for auction through Sothebys. With an estimated sale price of \$15-20,000 it is out of our reach to buy, but it is nice to know that one has survived. Only around 3,000 Harrouns were made between 1916 and 1921, and none were known to survive until now. The car has a 4-cylinder, 3-speed manual, black body and convertible top. There are rumors that another one is out there and sold a few years ago, but no pictures have surfaced. It would be great to have one of these in our museum one day, as a piece of made-in-Wayne history.





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THE HAPPENING

On Saturday October 19 we will have our second Happening event. This is a spooky guided tour of the museum that follows the stories of 5-6 Wayne characters. This tour is historically accurate, but embellished in places to add comedy or drama. The museum will be transformed with mood lighting, set pieces and costumed actors for full immersion. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased online or at the door. If you would like to help out, let us know!



Object Spotlight – James Hosie’s Pocket watch

-This gold Elgin branded pocket watch belonged to James Hosie and dates to 1889. Hosie emigrated with his parents from Scotland and settled in Wayne. He became a good businessman, running a dry goods store, feed mill and a bank. James carried this watch everyday until his death in 1928, and today it is part of the permanent collection. It and a few other Hosie family pieces will be on display soon in the Wayne families section in the south gallery.

We need Volunteers!

-If you have an interest in history and a few extra hours on a Wednesday or Thursday, consider volunteering at the museum. We need help with a wide range of things and can surely find something you’re interested in.

Family Day at the Museum



We had a very successful summer event!

On July 13 was our 3rd annual summer event at the museum, which runs during the US12 Car Cruise and Sidewalk Sales. Re-named this year to Family Fun Day the event was more successful than ever, with an estimated 1,000 attendees. We had various vendors and booths, the museum store, 2 bounce houses, a live pottery demonstration, kids crafts, the old engine club and the Methodist church across the street sold a great lunch to attendees. A special thank you to the Congregational Church and Methodist Church for joining with us to have a fun community event. If you have ideas or want to help out next year please let us know!





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Upcoming Events

Fall 2019

- 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
Business Meetings:
First Wed. of Month 6pm

Museum Hours

Wednesdays 10-7
Thursdays 10-6

Board of Trustees

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- Select the Wayne Historical Society as your charity on Amazon Smile
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- **Aug. 25 - Annual Ice Cream Social**
-1-3pm. - Join us for our annual free Ice Cream Social at the museum. We will have Sundae supplies and also dedicate a sesquicentennial plaque for the city purchased by the society.
- **Sept. 12 - Sears Kit Homes**
-7pm. - Guest speakers Andrew and Wendy Mutch will be giving a presentation on the history of Kit houses in Michigan. If you live in one in Wayne let us know so we can make a master list.
- **Oct. 6 - Annual Cemetery Walk**
-1-3pm. - This years cemetery walk will be at Glenwood cemetery and will highlight several Wayne families and figures. This is an outdoor walking tour so dress appropriately. Donations accepted.
- **Oct. 10 - Margaret Mitchell and Gone with the Wind**
-7pm. @ The Wayne Library - Presenter Kathleen Marcaccio will present on the Movie and Book versions of Mitchell's famous Civil War classic and give some background to the story.
- **Oct. 19 - The Happening**
-7-11pm. - Join us at the museum for a haunted tour where you will meet several Wayne characters in a spooky setting. Admission \$5.
- **Oct. 26 - Ghost Hunt at the Museum**
-8-11:45pm. - Join Great Lakes Ghost hunters as they hunt for paranormal activity in our 140 year old building. 1 hour spot is \$25.
- **Nov. 14 - Food and Restaurants of Wayne**
-7pm - Learn about food pioneers ate, social status, the rise of restaurants and hear about some local places you may remember.
- **Dec. 7 - Holiday Night at the Museum**
-6-9pm - Come out and see Santa, get cookies and hot chocolate, and join in the Christmas cheer as the town Christmas tree is lit.
- **Stay tuned for future events!**

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