



Wayne Historical Society Newsletter

Fall 2022

The Historical Museum



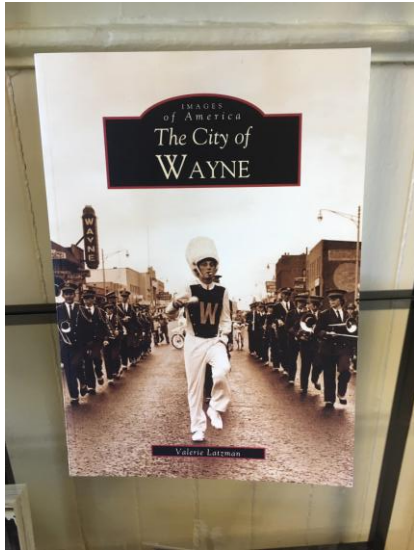
In 1878 the Wayne Village Hall was built to a design by James Lewis of Detroit. It was built in the Second Empire Style, which is a French eclectic style of architecture that is known for its mansard roof, like the one on the museum. The village hall was the main square part of the museum with an upstairs, and no basement yet. The city official's offices were upstairs on the second floor. The basement, along with the jail cells was added in the 1920's when the building was turned from a village hall into the police and fire department. Also, an addition was added to the rear and side to house two fire engines. As the years went by, the police and fire department moved out into their own buildings. In 1965 the building opened as a Museum. During Urban Renewal in the 1960's, the two cannons dating from 1865 were moved to the front lawn of the Museum, and the big green urn was added, which was originally a horse watering trough. In 1986 two additions were added and the Museum was added to the Michigan Historic Building Register. There are numerous artifacts and displays in the Museum that we are always working on. We have a brand new display of quilts made in Wayne by talented women which will be on display for the rest of the year. The Museum is open on Wednesdays and Thursdays 10 am to 6pm. Please come in and visit us. We would love to have you!



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Gift Ideas!

With the Holidays right around the corner, it's good to have a place where you can buy unique gifts. At the Museum we maintain the Gift Shop. The store has items like T-shirts, postcards, note cards, prints of old photos, mugs, pens, ornaments, earrings and books on the City of Wayne and other local places. You can also buy our items in the Makers Market on Michigan Ave in downtown Wayne, or our online store.



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. Also, we have many events like our Cemetery Walks that we could always use volunteers. Due to being short on volunteers this year, we will be cutting back on events for the year 2023. Of course, we will still be doing some events, just not as many.



We've had a very successful summer so far!

In June we had an excellent on-site tour and history lecture at the site of Carpenter Lake on Hannan road, about 100 people attended. Special thank you to Mr. Aigeltinger for hosting us and to Phil Naud for bringing his CCC artifacts and setup. We have new Eloise zip code t-shirts in green and red in the gift shop and online. The Michigan Avenue Cruise went well with over 100 kids coming over to our kid zone. Hillcrest ran carnival games and a bounce house, while we hosted the Dearborn Old Engine Club and did crafts. We also had a great make-and-take craft night where we made coasters using an alcohol-ink paint. Extras will be for sale in the gift shop and up at the Makers Market next to Leos.





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Upcoming Events

Fall 2022

- 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

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- **Aug. 11 - History of Farmhouses**
-7pm. -Our Museum's Curator, Tyler Moll will be talking about the history of farmhouses. Learn about these very functional houses that served an important role in agricultural life.
- **Aug. 24- Fairy Garden Craft**
-6:30pm. -Make an enchanting fairy garden. This craft will enlighten any room or make a charming gift. Cost \$20
- **Sept. 8 - Simons Family**
-7pm. -Join us at the museum to hear a fascinating talk by Norma Lloyd Simons on one of Wayne's pioneering families, the Simons.
- **Sept 28- Witch Hat Craft**
-6:30pm. -Make a spooky hat for Halloween or the Witch's Tea. Decorate it any way you want. Cost is \$20
- **Oct. 2- Old Wayne Cemetery Walk**
-1-3pm. -This falls cemetery walk will be downtown at the old Wayne Cemetery and will highlight several Wayne figures. This is an outdoor walking tour so dress appropriately. Donations are accepted.
- **Oct. 8 - Ghost Hunt**
-8-11pm. - Join us at the 144 year old Museum for the opportunity to hunt for spirits and ghostly former Museum Curators. Explore the Museum in the Dark! Price is \$20
- **Oct. 15 - Witch's Tea**
-2-4pm - Join us for a wonderfully charming Witch's Tea catered by Victoria's Tea Salon. Dress in your most enchanting spell castor's outfit and enjoy the spooky decorations while sipping tea and eating tea sandwiches. Ticket price is \$45 (must be purchased in advance, will sell out)
- **Stay tuned for future events!**

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