



Wayne Historical Society Newsletter

Winter 2022

Historic General Store Found!



Barnards Variety Store before it was moved

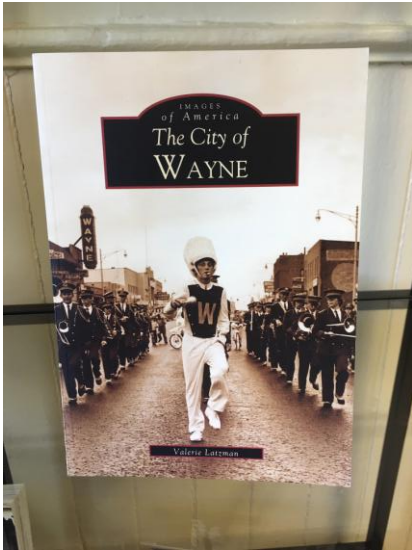
In the 1870s the Barnard variety store sat on an awkward triangle of land at the intersection of Monroe, Biddle and Norris street. In 1877 Henry Barnard, a Civil War Veteran, and his wife Olive opened a book and stationary store in this building. The business grew to include confectionaries, stationary and evolved into a variety and gift store, similar to Leos. In 1907 Wayne was getting electricity and a spot in the center of town was desired for the substation. Barnards store was moved from its old location to 35457 Brush Street and turned into a house. The museum has been doing a series on Facebook about houses that were moved and some of the oldest houses, and we traced this one down. The house is now sideways on the lot, with the above pictured original front now facing East to the house next door. You just never know where pieces of Wayne history have moved off to.



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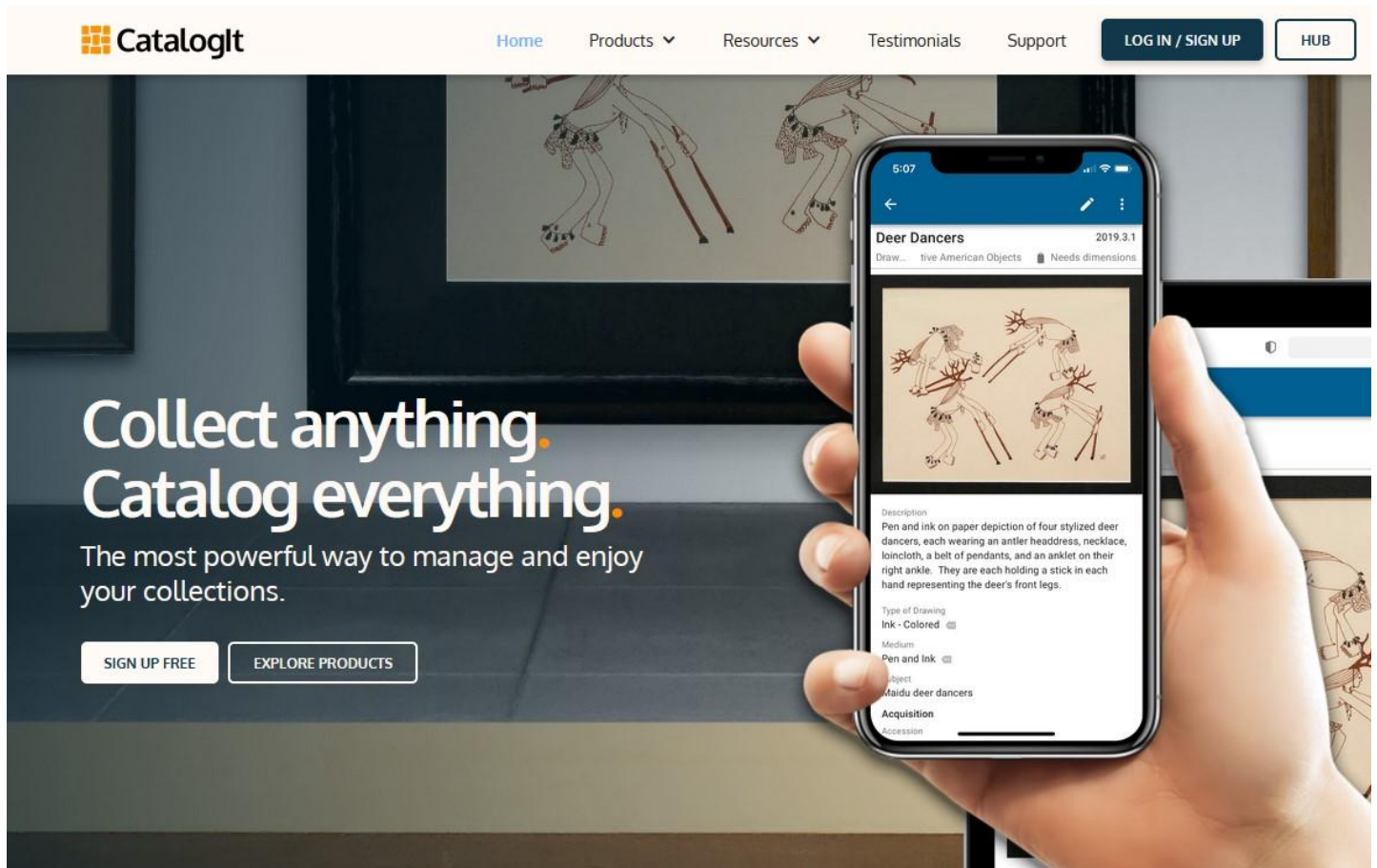
Gift Ideas!

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.



The Museum moves into the 21st century

The museum recently purchased a new digital cataloging software called CatalogIt, which will allow us to digitize and make searchable all of our photos, documents and objects. The great thing is that it is hosted on servers far away, so if our computers go down the info won't be lost, and because of this we can also make it searchable and accessible from your home. Soon we will have a link up to our database and anyone from anywhere in the world can search our stuff for free. At the moment we only have about 200 pictures entered and can only add about 100 per day, so this will be an ongoing process. We've been digitizing pictures, slides, negatives and VHS tapes since November and have over 10,000 images scanned so far. If anyone is interested in helping us input pictures to make them searchable contact Tyler at the museum.



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Upcoming Events

Winter 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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- **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)
- **Nov. 10 - Firehouse Museum Lecture**
-7pm. - Join us for a lecture about the Michigan Firehouse Museum and some general fire department related history.
- **Dec. 2 (Friday) - Holiday Night at the Museum**
-5:30-9 - Join us as we bring in the holiday season in front of the museum for the annual Holiday Night. We will have ice carving, hot chocolate, cookies, Santa, carriage rides and much more!
- **Dec. 17 - Christmas Tea Party**
-2-4 pm. - Join us for a highly themed Christmas tea party in the museum, catered by Victorias Tea Salon. Tickets are \$40 and must be purchased in advance in person or online.

- **Stay tuned for future events!**

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