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Wayne Historical Society Newsletter

Spring 2023



We've had a very fun year!
But we could really use your help!



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Info

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Volunteers Needed

The Historical Society could really use some help with volunteers for 2023. At the moment only a handful of people volunteer at the museum and at our events, and the same people are planning and putting on the events, which gets a little tiring. If you like the museum or Wayne history, consider volunteering a few hours per month. We understand people are busy, but any amount of time helps. We have many types of events that we run, and also have many projects at the museum. We are also open to your new ideas or suggestions for events and fundraisers. Wayne is a wonderful city and community that has great history. If you would like to know how the Society runs come to our historical society board meetings, which are before our talks on the second Thursday of every month, at 5:30 pm. Spread the word to neighbors, friends, co-workers, children and grandchildren that Wayne Historical Society could use some volunteers for this exciting year of events and fundraisers.



Membership Dues

- **Individual Annual** - \$15
- **Couples Annual** - \$25
- **Individual life** - \$150

Membership Information

We will be calling Members soon to confirm contact info, membership and collecting dues.

Donations needed:

- **Paper Towels and bottled water**



Teas at the Museum

Join us!



Quickly becoming one of our most popular events are our Teas. Our Tea parties cost \$45 each and we hold three a year, one in May, October and December. The events are professionally catered by Victoria Tea Salon, a small business based in Wayne. The teas are heavily themed and everyone is encouraged to come dressed up for the occasion. On May 27th, there will be a 1940's Theme Spring Tea at the Museum, from 2 pm to 4 pm. We will have lots of 1940s vintage fashion and WW2 artifacts on display. Our Witch's Brew Tea will be October 21, and the whole museum will be decked out in spooky Halloween decorations and creepy themes. Be sure to wear your Witch and Warlock costumes! Our festive Christmas Tea is December 16, and the Museum will be decked out in beautiful Holiday decorations. It will be Merry Fun! Be sure to get your tickets for the teas online or in person at the museum.

A little History.....Afternoon Tea and Tea Parties started around 1840 in England. They were started by Anna Maria Russell, the Duchess of Bedford. At that time, people ate a big breakfast early, a light lunch and a late dinner. The Duchess started taking tea and light snacks around 4 pm, and started inviting friends to join her, including Queen Victoria. People starting hearing about this and the idea of afternoon Tea started spreading around England, then to other countries in the upper and middle classes.



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Upcoming Events

Spring 2023

- 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:

Second Thursday of the Month 6pm

Museum Hours

Wednesdays 10-6
Thursdays 10-6

Board of Trustees

Al Damitio
John Mills
Kathy Koveleski
Tyler Moll
Julia Ottolini
Evan Hall

Support the Historical Society

-Make a tax-deductible donation to the Society, we are a registered 501C3 charity.

-Make us a part of your legacy planning

- **Mar. 9th - History of Quilts talk**
-7pm. - Guest Speaker Susan Frazier of Kindred Spirits Quilting Guild will talk about the history and tradition of quilts. Susan Frazier wrote a book about quilting, "Picking Up Pieces".
- **March 29 - Stained Glass Workshop**
-6:30. -Join us in making fabulous little stain glass windows with Michelle's Pieces. These will make great gifts or keep sakes.
Cost \$55
- **April 13 - Eloise Talk**
-7pm. -a-Join us for a talk about the famed Eloise Asylum and Poorhouse from Curator Tyler Moll. Eloise was the county poor house, general hospital, mental hospital and a sanitarium in its day.
- **April 26 - Fairy Garden Workshop**
-6:30pm. - Come make adorable fairy gardens with us! These make Great Gifts and will brighten up any home. Cost \$20
- **May 11 - "Station Houses" Lecture**
-7pm - Guest speaker Anthony Rzucidlo will talk about the history, design and use of police stations from the worlds smallest to large grand buildings. Local departments and little known stations will be included, and that week is National Police Week.
- **May 27 - 1940's Theme Spring Tea**
-2 pm.-4pm. - Join us for a Spring Tea sent in the 1940's. Our Teas our always very popular with patrons and members. Victoria Tea Salon will be catering, and we will have lots of vintage fashion and artifacts on display. Cost \$45
- **June 8 - Octagon House Destination Talk**
-7pm - Join us at Westland Historic Village's Octagon House to learn about the history and architecture of octagon houses. You won't just hear what curator Tyler Moll will say about octagon houses, you will see it too.

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