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Happy January, and I hope everyone is keeping warm and perhaps enjoying the snow. January is a welcome time of year when we can all catch our breath and refocus and re-energize our historical society. We are currently working on our 3-year strategic plan where we reflect on past years and set goals for the upcoming years. If anyone is interested in serving on this committee, please contact Penny Huber, 931-6420.

It is also time to file our taxes, and we would like to encourage anyone who receives a tax refund to consider donating a portion to the Ohio History Fund (see more below).

Best wishes for an outstanding 2019.

Penny Huber, president

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The Mt. Healthy Historical Society Museum is open most Tuesday and Saturday mornings, 9-11, and the first Sunday of each month (except January and February), 1-3 p.m.

The tollhouse is looking good



In 2017 the exterior of the tollhouse was looking pretty bad. Decades' worth of layers of paint were coming off in chunks, and we knew that something had to be done to save this treasured building. (Image left.)



This fall we hired painters to come take care of the problem. They scraped off the failing paint (image right) and gave everything a bright new coat. Our thanks to Bob Curley for repairing the rotted places on the shutters.



December dinner and program

We had a lovely carry-in dinner on December 5, followed by a presentation by Shane Meeker, the historian for Procter and Gamble. Mr. Meeker told us all about the early history of the company and how many well-known P&G products came into existence.



Christmas Open House 2018



It was a rainy, yucky day, but we still had about 50 people attend our Christmas Open House on December 15. We had a Bhutanese refugee woman demonstrating the art of spinning yarn on a spinning wheel. Her daughter came along to translate for anyone who had questions. Mt. Healthy's own Tikkun Farm has a group of Bhutanese refugees who gather there to spin each week.

We also had wood carvers demonstrating their wares.

Over in the tollhouse we offered children's crafts; the children decorated paper gingerbread men with stickers.

And of course we had punch and cookies and Santa.

Thank you to everyone who braved the nasty weather to visit or to help.





'Twas the Night before Christmas

Our latest display features the theme “’Twas the Night before Christmas.” Inspired by the 1822 poem by Clement Moore. As in the verse, mother, father, and children are all dressed in their night clothes and looking forward to Christmas morning. The exhibit includes vintage nightgowns for mother and the children, and a vintage nightshirt for the father. A feather tree adorns the table, along with some good books for a long winter night. The little girls have their dolls, and the book of *A Visit from St. Nick*, the real title of Moore’s poem, stands ready for bedtime.

Our display case by the stairs also features the same theme, with assorted versions of *’Twas the Night before Christmas* in book form.



Feather trees ~ the first artificial Christmas trees

By 1600 Germans had introduced the modern idea of the Christmas tree, an ever-green brought into the home and decorated for the holiday.

By the mid-1700s the Christmas tree concept had spread to England and North America, most likely introduced by German immigrants. In the 1840s, Queen Victoria’s German-born husband, Prince Albert, made the Christmas tree even more popular in Britain.

In the mid-to-late 1800s Germany was facing the problem of deforestation. The cutting down of trees for Christmas added to the crisis. Even the common practice of simply cutting the top portion off to make a table-top tree kept the tree from further growth, and so offered no solution. In an effort to save its forests, the German government limited the cutting of trees, and so the first artificial trees were created.

These trees were crafted using wooden dowels and feathers, most often goose feathers and most often painted green to resemble the needles of an evergreen tree. These feather trees became immensely popular through the rest of the 19th century and into the early 20th.

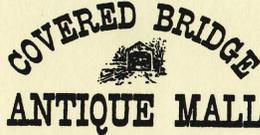


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