



Modern Times

GENERAL INFORMATION

Museum Hours

The museum is closed for the season. We look forward to seeing you in the Spring!

Archives Open

Researchers: Please use entry on the west side of the building. Archivists available to assist researchers during hours shown below or by appointment.

THURSDAY	9	TO	12
	1	TO	4

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Collection Volunteers at Top of Calculations

With the close of 2016, the notebook containing the entries of volunteer hours for the various "departments" of the Granville Historical Society was reviewed and the total donated hours calculated. Topping the chart were the devoted men and women who spent time working to maintain, photograph, and catalog the Society's collection of artifacts. With just the hours logged in the book, the crew that meets each Friday gave 652 hours. Since the logging routine was new, it seems likely that all categories are missing hours that were donated but not recorded.

The men and women who served as museum hosts also logged impressive numbers with 472 hours entered, the board and committee members donated 340 hours, work on exhibits took 218 hours, while archives documentation and research reached 249 hours. Other areas also benefitted from volunteer work: Administration 335 hours; Education 75 hours; General & Misc. 55 hours; Finance 5 hours; Programs 51 hours; Gardening 95 hours; Tours 82 hours; and Publications 69 hours.

Total hours logged during 2016 were 2,700 with an unknown number that were spent aiding the various activities of the Society but not recorded. These hours are not only valuable for the work of the Society but they also provide proof to the various institutions that make grants to non-profit groups like us that we are an active and viable organization.

Museum 'Downtime' Is Creative Work Time

After the Candlelight Walk Open House, the museum closes its doors for a few months to visitors, but in recent years activity behind the door has been constant. First comes the removal of the seasonal decorations; next comes the planning meetings; then the physical labor of putting away parts of the former exhibit and bringing in pieces of the collection for the new exhibit. New signage, new exhibit displays/construction, refocused lighting - all of these details have to be in place by April. (See the 218 exhibit volunteer hours for 2016 above) Come see the results of this winter's work next Spring & Summer.

It is obvious that the many individuals who contribute their time and talents to the Society are invaluable to the continued success of the organization. The Society is the grateful recipient of a supportive community that not only donates funding but also man-hours of work to accomplish our mission—*As the community's collective memory, the Granville Historical Society acquires, preserves and tells Granville's story to residents and visitors to inspire curiosity about, instill knowledge of, and foster a commitment to our history.*

If you are interested in joining these volunteers, please contact us. If you are already volunteering, please remember to log in your hours during 2017.

Artifact of the Month

The Society's collection includes several examples of spinning wheels, including this flax wheel. The wood and metal wheel would have fit comfortably into the living space of most families and certainly would have seen many



hours of activity during the winter months when garden and field work waited for warmer weather. The thread created might have been woven on a family-owned loom or it might have waited for a traveling weaver to arrive in the neighborhood. Watch for our new exhibit of wheels in Granville.



Love Gone Wrong

February 4th from 10:30 - noon
Granville Public Library

Society past president Kevin Bennett and Granville Public Librarian Julia Walden join efforts sharing local tales of love gone bad that rocked the local community. Some of these stories are straight from the headlines of The Times and Sentinel newspapers.