



Modern Times



Virtual Tour Showcases Museum Exhibits

The Granville Historical Society's website has a special new feature—a 3-D Virtual Tour of the Museum. Look for the bright yellow stripe across the top of the page to click your way to this impressive visual.

The 3-D Virtual Tour was done by Dustin Gardner of 3-D Virtual Reality Tours of Dublin, Ohio, through cooperation with the Granville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The tour begins with a 360-degree view in the museum's front room where the Granville on Wheels exhibit will continue this year and continues into the Cherry Room where the Remembering WWI exhibit also remains, with some new additions. The tour also includes the circa 1940s Oese's Kitchen and the Opera House poster exhibit. New posters on the history of the Granville Fire Department and a Granville postcards exhibit will be added this year.

Along the way, those taking the 3-D tour can click on small blue dots for a few words about several of the exhibits. The tour also includes a "dollhouse" view of the museum building and all of its rooms.

To see this fascinating new feature, log onto: www.granvillehistoricalsociety.org.



Lose the Screen

Turn Off Your Screen week has become an annual event in Granville. With many participating Granville organizations, including the Society, this year's varied events take place at the end of April. From 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, April 30, the Society will present "Family Games at the Old Academy Building."

Families are invited to enjoy an evening playing a variety of board games and activities from the 1950s and 1960s. In addition to the hand-on fun provided by the mid-20th century games, there will also be a display of games from earlier eras that are in the Society's collections.

Be a Museum Host, Greet Museum Visitors

Planning and scheduling has begun for the opening of the Granville Historical Society Museum for the 2018 season. Granville Historical Society members who enjoy meeting and greeting people are invited and encouraged to volunteer as museum hosts to ensure the museum is fully open this spring, summer and fall.

Hosts will welcome guests, asking them to sign a register, and then give a general outline of the exhibits using a guide that will be provided to all hosts. Thorough knowledge of Granville history is NOT required. A more experienced host will typically be scheduled to turn on lights and other audio-visual gadgets.

The museum will be open starting the weekend of April 28-29 through the end of September. Hosts are needed for two-hour shifts on Thursdays through Sundays in June, July & August. The museum will be open weekends only in May and September.

Shifts with two hosts each are 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays; and noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays. It is hoped that hosts can take at least once shift per month, and preferably two.

For more information, contact Chuck Peterson at 740-403-1438 or Jodi Lavelly at 740-587-3951 for more information and how to sign up.

Artifact of the Month



When spring weather warms the soil, farmers and gardeners are eager to get out to their fields and vegetable patches and begin preparing the ground for planting. This cultivator in the Society's collection is from the farm of Deacon Daniel Shepardson, dates to circa 1840, and is handmade of wood and iron. Cultivators are used for secondary tillage, after plowing which turns the soil more deeply. They prepare soil for planting or loosen just the top layer of soil between rows of plants and thus eliminate weeds.

This year, the museum will be showcasing items in the collection that relate to agriculture, a primary occupation in the early days of Granville. Stop in during our open hours and see the new exhibits.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Museum Hours

The museum is closed for the winter season but will reopen with regular hours the last weekend of April. Call for information on tours by appointment.

Archives Open

Researchers: Please use Robinson entry on the west side of the building. Archivists are available to assist researchers from 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 to 4 p.m. on Thursdays or by appointment.

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