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### THS & COVID-19 UPDATE

Due to the COVID-19 Virus and the President and Ohio Governor mandates, Please check our website for changes to our Open House, Meeting and Program schedules. I'm sure there will be changes. (There already have been) **We are not cancelling them across the board.** As we get closer to a scheduled event, the decision will be made to keep it or cancel it, all depending on what restrictions are still being placed upon us at that time. We will let you know in plenty of time. Keep checking the website and Facebook page for any changes to the published schedule.

### New Feature

Have you ever looked for another way to honor or congratulate someone or to celebrate a special occasion?? The Historical Society offers a new opportunity to dedicate a Newsletter! For \$50 you can say "Happy Birthday", "Congratulations on Graduating or Retiring" or "Thank You". The possibilities are endless! AND, you are helping the Historical Society. Checks and the information you want printed should be mailed to the Twinsburg Historical Society, PO Box 7, Twinsburg 44087. Please include your own contact info in case the Editor has a question.

### This months Newsletter Dedication: *Marianne Davet*

She is a hometown girl with DEEP roots in Twinsburg. Graduated from THS in 1958. History is important to her. She has taught us strong values and how to be productive members of society. Mom never met a stranger and would love to hear from you. Her address is: Summit Point, 9633 Valleyview Rd., Macedonia, 44056. RM 1609

We are excited to announce that we have three new trustees. Since we have postponed our Annual meeting we would like to virtually install them right here in our May Newsletter.

**Keith Harris** is President and CEO of Futuregen LLC Keith was the keynote speaker for our first Black History Celebration in 2019 and he acted as our Master of Ceremonies in 2020. He was a panelist on our presentation of "Voices of the Hill" about growing up in Twinsburg Heights. Keith spent most his life in Twinsburg. His wife Robin has been here all of her life and their three children Anne Marie, Steven and Keith are all graduates of the Twinsburg schools

**Kim Barrett Malusky** is newly retired from Swagelok in Solon after 38 years. Her grandmother, Betty Barrett was involved with the Society since its very earliest years. Both of her parents were natives as is her daughter Katrina Cook Belvin. Kim's husband, David and their son Logan are legacies as well.

**Leslie Roach Bowers** has been married to Brian for 42 Years. They both grew up in Twinsburg. Both of their daughters Lyndsey and Lacey graduated from Twinsburg Schools. Leslie is the last of her father's family still living in Twinsburg and a descendant of Moses Roach of the Roach House on Church Street.

# 2020

## May Newsletter

### Mark Your Calendar

- May 6, 7PM, Trustee Meeting
- May 9, 8AM-Noon, Freeman Barn, Garden Club Plant Sale
- May 31, 2PM-5PM, Open House at the Museum
- June 3, 7PM, Trustee Meeting
- June 28, 2PM-5PM, Open House at the Museum, **Program: In Your Back Yard presented by Summit Metro Parks**
- July 1, 7PM, Trustee Meeting
- July 26, 2PM-5PM, Open House at the Museum
- August 5, 7PM, Trustee Meeting
- August 7, 12PM-4PM, **Special Open House, Twins Day's**
- August 30, 2PM-5PM, Open House at the Museum and the Riley House
- September 2, 7PM, Trustee Meeting
- September 12, 10AM-5PM, Museum and Barn, **Olde Thyme Fayre**
- September 13, 12PM-5PM, Museum and Barn, **Olde Thyme Fayre**
- September 27, 2PM-5PM, Open House at the Museum
- October 7, 7PM, Trustee Meeting

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## **Trivia Challenge:**

Many organizations are offering ways to stay engaged and perhaps learn something new during this time of social distancing. We thought we would join the crowd and are offering a Twinsburg History challenge. Answers may be submitted online by May 15 to [president@twinsburghistoricalsociety.org](mailto:president@twinsburghistoricalsociety.org) or mailed, postmarked May 15 or earlier, to PO Box 7, Twinsburg OH 44087. The three best submissions get a prize - the choice of a t-shirt or book! If there are several who answer all correctly, we will draw three.

Good Luck!

1. What was the first year for our event - "Tales of Locust Grove"?
2. What was Twinsburg called before it was re-named "Twinsburg"  
Why did it have that original name?  
Who caused it to be re-named Twinsburg and what was the price paid?
3. In what year was electricity first brought to Twinsburg?
4. When was the first Twins Days Festival?
5. What years in the past were Twinsburg Schools closed because of pandemics?
6. What team from Twinsburg was the first to win a High School State Championship? What year?
7. Who was the first female Firefighter in Twinsburg?
8. What year was Twinsburg's first Library established?

## **Dear Historical Society member:**

We received information from the National Trust for Historic Preservation regarding the CARES ACT that passed the House on 3/27/2020. There is a provision for non-profits that apply to the Twinsburg Historical Society.

Specifically:

### **Charitable Giving Provisions**

The legislation includes a universal (or non-itemizer, above-the-line) deduction allowing all taxpayers to deduct up to \$300 in charitable contributions made in 2020. It also lifts the annual contribution cap for individuals who itemize their tax returns and raises it from 60 percent of adjusted gross income to 100 percent

We all know that when charitable donations fell off most people's tax returns, some donors disappeared as well. It appears that this provision may encourage some of those donors to come back to help.

We know you readers are fully aware that Historical Society activities, meetings, events, and open houses are on hold for now. However, electronic messaging is available and the answering machine at the Museum is monitored. If you have a question about future activities or perhaps are doing some research, email: [president@twinsburghistoricalsociety.org](mailto:president@twinsburghistoricalsociety.org) or leave a message at 330-487-5565. And, you can like us on Facebook and check the website ([twinsburghistoricalsociety.org](http://twinsburghistoricalsociety.org)) for any new information. We miss you....want you to be well....and look forward to seeing you again.

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## New Members:

Regina Taussig

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## Renewing Members:

Barbara Bejger

Beverly Hegedish

Audrey Turner

Charles Gant

Patricia Jabre

Chuck & Cherie Piazza

Randy & Donna Oyaski

Marion & Arnold Blitzer

Ronald & Annette Hazlett

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## Featured Business Partner:

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Jordan Construction, Inc. has served as a Construction Manager and General Contractor in commercial, industrial and high-end residential construction for more than four decades. Our excellent reputation reflects our management staff and field supervisors' sensitivity to quality and service. Our ability to meet deadlines and work within budgets are endorsements that we truly care about each of our client's individual needs. Our vast diversification of building techniques has always been our strongest asset. Architects perceive us as being able to manage complex projects in a timely and efficient manner while achieving superior quality and meeting the budget and timeline of our customers.

## New Business Partnerships:

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Please support the Twinsburg Historical Society by shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

Smile has the same products, **prices**, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on **AmazonSmile**, the **AmazonSmile** Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. For example: the Twinsburg Historical Society

All you need to **do** is start your shopping at **smile.amazon.com**. The donation **will** be made at no extra cost to you. On your first visit to **AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com)**, you are prompted to select a charitable organization from their list of eligible organizations or better still, type in the Twinsburg Historical Society.

To see how much you have donated, hover over "Hello, [your name] Account & Lists", then in the right column of the drop-down, click on "Your **Amazon Smile**." You'll see your orders, what **donation** you've generated for your charity (us), and how **much** your charity(us) has collected overall from **Amazon Smile**. It **REALLY** adds up and is a perfect way to support a great organization at no cost to you.

## Charitable Giving

The Historical Society relies upon the generous financial support of private individuals & of our local businesses to help us preserve and care for Twinsburg's historical legacy. We hope that you will help your Twinsburg Historical Society continue its important work by considering us in your will, trust or by beneficiary designation.

History is preserved not through government institutions but through the actions of selfless individuals who became aware of a momentous event or were touched personally, then inspired to do what they could do to save it. As a society we grow learning from our past and we hope you will join us in preserving this knowledge for the future.

Bequests in your will, trust or by beneficiary designation cost you nothing now. You can hold on to your assets for as long as you need them & you can change your beneficiaries at any time.

Leaving a financial gift in your will to charity is not done on a whim. It is a deeply personal decision that reflects your values and beliefs. It is an easy thing to do. Just contact your lawyer or financial advisor & tell them that you appreciate the Twinsburg Historical Society & want to support it for future generations with a gift by bequest in your will.

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