Celebrations, Renovations, Transitions, Awards, and More: 2014 Highlights

In 2014 the Oberlin Heritage Center (OHC) continued its strong tradition of documenting, preserving and sharing the community’s history in varied and creative ways, appealing to diverse audiences, young, old, and in between from near and far. OHC continued to provide a dynamic array of well received programs, tours and events for the local residents and for visitors from all over Lorain County and the United States (32 states), as well as from as far afield as Australia, Bermuda, Canada, Germany, Ghana, India, Pakistan, Spain, the Ukraine and the United Kingdom. 45% of OHC’s tour visitors came from throughout Lorain County.

New program offerings for 2014 included the Amazing Oberlin Smart Phone Race, a fun learning activity offered for teams developed by Museum Education and Tour Coordinator Liz Schultz. The new ‘One Step More’ women’s history walk was researched and first presented by OHC’s Ohio History Service Corps/AmeriCorps member Jen Graham. After Jen’s AmeriCorps term ended we were pleased to welcome new AmeriCorps member Kaitlyn Goss, whose 2014-2015 projects include helping other area historical organizations.

The recollections of fifty-two women included in OHC’s newest publication were among many stories collected by Oberlin Oral History Project volunteers over the course of the past three decades. Tracy Chevalier, best-selling author of The Last Runaway, calls the book “a treasure trove of strong voices and intriguing details.”

Pat Murphy (front, center) and representatives from OHC staff and volunteers accepted a History Outreach Award in the Media and Publications category for Bonnets to Boardrooms at the Ohio Local History Alliance annual meeting and conference held in Worthington, Ohio in October 2014. Past President Walt Edling (back, second from left) was recognized at this same time with an Outstanding Individual Achievement Award. The Heritage Center has received 16 achievement awards from the statewide local history association in as many years.

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strengthen their operations through the American Association for State and Local History’s Standards and Excellence Program “SiEPs.”

OHC reached 1,860 school children through its onsite and off-site outreach programs. This represented 700 more Lorain County school children than last year thanks to public school classroom programming supported by Nordson Corporation. The annual Oberlin third grade classes’ visit to the Little Red Schoolhouse was a highlight (as always) during the busy spring field trip season. Over 300 children from throughout the county took part in OHC’s hands-on history program at the Lorain County Metroparks’ Pioneer Craftsman Experience in September.

Continuing a decades-old tradition, OHC volunteers and student interns from throughout the community, Oberlin College, local high schools, Leadership Lorain County, and Kent State University’s graduate programs provided energy, expertise and many, many hours of service. They were busy leading tours, assisting with public relations and office work, researching an array of local history topics, preserving and cataloguing the collections, working on special projects such as the Oral History Project and the Westwood Gravestone Inventory, caring for the buildings and grounds, welcoming guests to events, serving on committees and the Board, and much more.

OHC also increased its online and social media presence. During 2014 sixteen blog posts were added to the website. OHC also added 218 new Facebook friends, a Pinterest board, and had 27,000 website sessions. Thanks to receiving a highly competitive federal Museums for America grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, work is underway for future website enhancements, developing electronic tablet-based history tours, and creating history panels to be displayed in businesses and buildings in the downtown Oberlin historic district. Using advances in technology to attract new audiences is well underway.

OHC worked with Reverend David Hill of The First Church in Oberlin, U.C.C., Oberlin historian/OHC member Marlene Merrill and the United Church of Christ national headquarters to secure a new Ohio Historical Marker honoring Antoinette Brown Blackwell (1825-1921) and the history of First Church (1844). Located on the lawn near the church, the marker was dedicated with a participatory and community-wide celebration of Oberlin’s history through hymns organized by Mary Louise VanDyke and held in the historic Meeting House. The marker was funded in part by the Ohio History Connection and in part by the United Church of Christ (U.C.C.) national office.

In 2014 OHC achieved a five-year recertification by the Ohio Association of Non-Profit Organizations’ Standards for Excellence Program. This organizational accomplishment entailed submitting operating documents, policies and procedures that were then reviewed by non-profit peers at the state and national level. The recertification process was ably driven by OHC Business Manager Bethany Hobbs.

The long-awaited new OHC publication Bonnets to Boardrooms: Women’s Stories from a Historic College Town made its debut in the spring and featured powerful recollections from fifty-two 20th century Oberlin women. It was compiled and edited by Eugenia Poporad Vanek, with assistance from Charles E. Dial, Sarah MacLennan Kerr, Marlene Merrill, Prue Richards, and many others, including a host of interviewers, interviewees, transcribers, and others whose work on the Oberlin Oral History project over the past three decades made the book possible. Reviewing and organizing the interviews became a labor of love for super volunteer Vanek, who devoted more than five years to researching and writing the publication. Dr. Vanek gave numerous presentations about topics from the book throughout Northeast Ohio and in Florida. The book received a state-wide Ohio Local History Alliance History Outreach Award, which was presented to OHC’s executive director Pat Murphy at OLHA’s annual conference in Worthington, Ohio on October 4th.

Walter H. Edling, the Oberlin Heritage Center’s Board President from 2010 to 2014, was recognized by the Ohio Local History Alliance at their annual meeting with an Outstanding Individual Achievement Award noting his strong leadership and important contributions to the work of local history in Ohio. Walt has worked tirelessly on planning and organizational issues and also masterminded the restoration and installation of the former Morgan Street Bridge iron railings as a decorative fence along the south side of the Jewett House property. He also serves as president of Vineway, L.L.C. where he has facilitated the attractive renovation of the main facade of the Vineway Building. Walt’s OHC fans and friends who attended the awards presentation included Mary Anne Cunningham, Mike Galbreath, Steve and Mary Ann Johnson, Pat Murphy, Jean Simon, Liz Schultz, and new OHC AmeriCorps member Kaitlyn Goss.

Pat Holssworth, OHC Board President from 1998 to 2001 who subsequently served as OHC’s Financial Assistant and Librarian for a decade, received well-deserved kudos as the 2014 recipient of Oberlin College’s Award for Distinguished Service to the Community. This award, presented at Oberlin’s Commencement Exercises in 2014, acknowledged Pat’s work with OHC’s Oral History Committee and in building and developing OHC’s resource center library and genealogical resources, as well as her extraordinary work in creating and building a research database of more than 70,000 Oberlinians from 1820 to 1970, a treasure trove for local historians.

Another highlight of the year was the establishment of the Oberlin Heritage Center’s annual Hubbard Prize recognizing a superior entry from Lorain County student historians who present an outstanding paper, documentary or website at the National History Day in Ohio District 3 competition in Cleveland. The prize, supported by Oberlin Heritage Center Endowed Life members, Ned and Gail Hubbard, of Centreville, Virginia, was established in memory of Ned Hubbard’s grandparents, Pliny Deane and Laura Rote Hubbard, the second owners of the Jewett House (73 S. Professor Street) where they lived from the mid-1920s to the 1960s, when our organization acquired the property.
Thanks in part to The Nord Family Foundation, the Heritage Center accomplished significant renovations to its historic buildings, including installing a new wood shake roof on the Little Red Schoolhouse and making extensive repairs and recoating the standing seam metal roof on the Jewett House. OHC’s staff and volunteers monitored the condition of the buildings day in and day out and enjoyed frequent praise from visitors about their excellent care.

The exterior renovation of OHC’s Vineway Building on South Main Street, which houses three tenants (Lupita’s and Mandarin restaurants and The Bridge Community Technology Center), continued in 2014. Projects included the completion of brick cleaning (to remove the paint) and mortar repointing and installation of new insulated storefront windows and signs. The exterior appearance of the building has improved dramatically in the few years since OHC acquired the property. Some interior improvements have been made also. More work is planned by the Vineway Board and will be done in phases as funding is available.

Kendal at Oberlin’s volunteer woodworkers (spearheaded by OHC trustee and Board Treasurer Ed Wardwell) created a fun, new permanent addition to the Heritage Center grounds enjoyed by residents and visitors of all ages. OHC’s new Little Free Library - a built to scale miniature of the Little Red Schoolhouse – was installed in July. It is part of the national Little Free Library movement (“take a book, return a book”) and a county-wide project of the Stocker Foundation. OHC’s contingent in this year’s Big Parade also included a replica of the Little Red Schoolhouse, created in cardboard by Jen Graham and helpers.

OHC Properties, Inc., a subsidiary of the Heritage Center, has overseen the management and rehabilitation of three residential rental properties on the perimeter of the main OHC campus since these properties were purchased by a donor in 1998-1999. OHC Properties is governed by a separate Board appointed by OHC from its membership and chaired by Cathe Radabaugh, a former Heritage Center Board President. Its Board members are neighborhood residents and OHC members. After exploring various options and determining that the properties were not of strategic importance now that OHC has access to its own campus from Vine Street and adequate parking as a result of the acquisition of the Vineway property, the Board decided to sell two of the properties (44 and 30 W. Vine Street), yielding about $150,000. Use of the sale proceeds will be determined within the overall long range planning process. The third OHC Property at 81 S. Professor Street (directly south of the Jewett House and north of the Group Home) continues in operation as a student rental property.

In 2014 OHC saluted and applauded Collections Assistant Prue Richards, who retired after 15 years of exceptional service (and who remains active as an OHC volunteer). Prue was of invaluable help in all aspects of the care and management of OHC’s collection of objects, archival and library materials and its historic buildings during her tenure. Working closely with volunteers from the Collections Committee, she researched and spearheaded the dramatic renovation of the parlor of the Monroe House so that it more accurately reflected the 1880s period when Julia Finney Monroe undertook extensive redecorations in the Anglo-Japanese style.

Prue Richards helped orient OHC’s new Collections Manager, Maren McKee, who was selected for the 24 hour per week position after a national search. Maren is from Naperville, Illinois and graduated from the Master’s Degree program in Historical Administration at Eastern Illinois University (Charleston). Prior to her arrival at the Heritage Center, McKee served a one year Curatorial Technician internship at the

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Preservation All Around the Grounds

Throughout the year, visitors to the Heritage Center could find preservation projects underway at every turn. Oberlin contractor Pat Ives removed the deteriorated wood shake roof of the Little Red Schoolhouse and installed a new and properly ventilated wood shingle roof in keeping with recommendations from preservation architect Lorri Sipes, F.A.I.A. The project was funded by a grant from The Nord Family Foundation.

Oberlin Heritage Center passersby probably looked twice at the two-toned appearance of the signature burnt-orange color roof on the Jewett House – and wondered “What’s going on here?” Historic restoration specialists from Grunwell-Cashero Co. did extensive patching and coating to repair leaks in the Jewett House’s badly deteriorated standing seam metal roof. Happily, the repairs returned the roof to its once-gleaming condition and will help protect against the elements for many years to come. The project was funded in part by a grant from The Nord Family Foundation.

Work continued at the Vineway Building at 82-86 South Main Street with the latest project involving the removal of east and south side storefront windows, replacing them with new frames and glass, with transom windows going in above. The restoration is in keeping with the original design of the 1929 building that initially housed the H.G. Klermund Ford Dealership. Today's occupants include Mandarin and Lupita's restaurants and the Oberlin Public Library’s community technology center known as The Bridge. All of the businesses remained open during the renovation.
State Historical Society of North Dakota (Bismarck). She also has done museum internships at the Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site (Lerna, IL), the Byron Museum of History (Byron, IL) and the Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum (Decorah, IA). She received a BA in History with a minor in Museum Studies from Luther College in Decorah, IA.

2014 also marked the retirement of OHC Honorary Trustee Ann Livingston from her roles as volunteer treasurer for OHC Properties, Inc. and as coordinator of OHC’s annual bed and breakfast fundraiser, where community volunteers provide bed and breakfast accommodations in their homes for parents of incoming first year college students when they arrive on campus each August. Ann’s big shoes have been filled by OHC trustees Rich Fredrickson (now OHC Properties Treasurer) and by Barb Enos and Gail Wood (now the co-coordinators of OHC’s bed and breakfast program). Happily, Ann continues to serve on the OHC Properties Board and on OHC’s Finance Committee. OHC Properties, Inc.’s long-time part-time property manager George Clark retired in 2014 and his position was filled by Rob Dillon.

OHC’s Board, staff and members all helped make the 2014 annual fund campaign successful. Contributions from 278 individuals, including 100% of the Board and staff, raised a new record high of $44,000 to support operating expenses.

Several OHC members also pitched in to help defray the costs of sending Museum Education and Tour Coordinator Liz Schultz to the three-week “Developing History Leaders @ SHA” (Seminar for Historical Administration) in Indianapolis in November. Liz was one of 21 participants from history organizations throughout the country who were selected to participate in this nationally recognized professional development program offered by the American Association for State and Local History in collaboration with other professional organizations. Upon her return, Liz presented a fun and enlightening community program that introduced the audience to new trends and practices in the history and museum field.

Accomplishing a lofty goal sometimes takes a very long time. In 2003 OHC began its Endowment for History Education campaign to endow its full-time Museum Education and Tour Coordinator position. Endowment fundraising is difficult even in the best of times and became exceedingly difficult during the economic recession. Happily, after a decade, in 2014 OHC reached its goal of $800,000 for this endowment. This momentous achievement was made possible by contributions from over 400 individuals, a challenge grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, support from other foundations and an array of fundraising events, such as the 2013 Anniversary Celebration of 20 years of leadership by Executive Director Pat Murphy and Assistant to the Director Mary Anne Cunningham, and special projects that varied from producing and selling Oberlin Historic Playing Cards to seeking pledges of support for each mile of Pat Murphy’s 26.2 mile Boston Marathon run.

We are particularly grateful to long-time supporter David Ignat who helped to bring the endowment campaign to a close by funding the new Oberlin Heritage Center History Education Fund at The Community Foundation of Lorain County. His gift was made in part in appreciation of the late Evan W. Nord’s instrumental role for more than four decades in building the Oberlin Historical and Improvement Organization (O.H.I.O.) and helping pave the way for its transformation to today’s Oberlin Heritage Center. The Oberlin Heritage Center’s Endowment for History Education campaign was certainly more of a marathon than a sprint. It ended at a good time as OHC began work on a new strategic plan to establish future priorities for the organization and serve as OHC’s road map in the coming years.

Walt Edling  
Board President (to 4/2014)  
Nick Jones  
Board President (4/2014-on)  
Pat Murphy  
Executive Director

Annual Meeting Features 20th Century Oberlin Women’s Stories

The Oberlin Heritage Center annual meeting on April 9th drew an enthusiastic crowd of 158 members and friends. The program celebrated OHC’s brand new oral-history publication compiled and edited by Eugenia Poporad Vanek. Bonnets to Boardrooms: Women’s Stories from a Historic College Town, with selected stories presented by OHC Board, staff and volunteers. Narrated by

Community Awards recipients: left to right: Jeanne McKibben, Allan Patterson, Louise Petrov (representing Mature Services, Inc.’s Elyria Office), Michaelene "Mickey" Walzer, and Eugenia “Geni” Poporad Vanek.
OHC trustee Steve Johnson, the presentation showcased stories of familiar and not so familiar Oberlin area women whose experiences spanned the 20th century and represented many diverse facets of life in a small, rural college town. Several presenters, including Camille Hamlin Allen (Elizabeth Thomas), Mary Anne Cunningham (Millie Arthrell), Barb Enos (Lee Wood), Prue Richards (Molly Ludwig), Jean Foggo Simon (Delores Carter), and Gail Wood (Shirley R. Johnson), had known the person whose stories they shared. Others, including Jen Graham (Adora Godette), Bethany Hobbs (Magdalene Cox), Maxine Houck (Mildred Chapin), Renee Romano (Florence Worcester), Liz Schultz (Margaret Schauffler), Brittnie Sherrod (Marvyl Fields) and Donna Shurr (Marion Kelly), may not have met the people whose stories they shared but their presentations were equally impassioned. The program showcased the talents of OHC members in so many ways, including the sartorial talents of some OHC members who came in costumes of various vintages. The audience comments demonstrated it was a huge hit.

The 13th Annual Oberlin Heritage Center Community Awards presentation honored leaders in history education, historic preservation, and community service:

W. Jeanne McKibben, M.D. (Community Historian) was applauded for her work in preserving and recording the history of medicine in Oberlin over many years and for her service on OHC’s Board and the oral history committee, as well as to the Oberlin Rotary club whose history she documented in a 75th Anniversary publication.

Allan Patterson (Heritage Guardian) was honored for his many years as an Oberlin educator and champion of preserving and recording local history and oral history. His pioneering work was key in helping to incorporate Oberlin history into the public school curriculum.

Eugenia “Geni” Poporad Vanek (OHC Volunteer of the Year) was saluted as the creator, editor and compiler of Bonnets to Boardrooms: Women’s Stories from a Historic College Town and for her many other contributions as an OHC Board member and volunteer.

Michaelene “Mickey” Walzer (History Teacher of the Year) was recognized for her extraordinary career as a teacher in Oberlin’s Langston Middle School for over thirty years. There, she shared her passion for history with her students while ensuring their future success as active, productive citizens.

Mature Services, Inc.’s Elyria Office (Business Leader Service Award) was acknowledged for helping the Oberlin Heritage Center for many years by providing Senior Citizen job trainees in half-time office assistant and buildings and grounds positions at the Heritage Center. Many of OHC’s Mature Services workers have remained active as Heritage Center volunteers and members after moving on from the program.

The annual meeting also celebrated the sponsors of the new Oberlin Heritage Center Hubbard History Day prize and honored its first History Day Award recipients. Gail and Ned Hubbard, who established the award to recognize Lorain County young historians, traveled from their home in Centreville, Virginia to enjoy the festivities and to meet this year’s inaugural Hubbard Prize award recipients who were all in attendance: Jack Babet, Thaddeus Barnette, and Alayna Doeringer, along with teacher Mike Demchak, from the Christian Community School in Grafton.

Heritage Center Board President Walter Edling conducted the annual business meeting. It included the election of Board officers to two-year terms: new Board President Nicholas R. Jones, Robert B. Calhoun as first Vice President, Gail Wood as second Vice President, and Ken Grossi as Board Secretary. (Treasurer Ed Wardwell was not up for re-election because his current term extends to 2015.) Several Board members were re-elected to three year terms: Ken Grossi, Stephen Johnson III, Kurt Russell and Donna Marie Shurr. New trustees elected to the Board were Judy Cook (three year term) and Brittnie Sherrod (two year term).

The meeting concluded with a wrap-up of highlights of the year from Executive Director Pat Murphy, followed by a call to action from Board members Gail Wood and Barb Enos to encourage all in attendance to make a gift to the Endowment for History Education campaign to encourage and support Pat’s run in the 2014 Boston Marathon. Many who attended signed an Oberlin Heritage Center tee shirt that Pat subsequently wore at the event. Their support helped raise over $6,000 for the endowment and put a huge smile on Pat’s face. All in all, OHC’s 2014 Annual Meeting was deemed an overwhelming and upbeat success.
Page 7 of this annual report shows the Statement of Activities, Statement of Financial Position, and Functional Expenses for fiscal year 2014 for the Oberlin Heritage Center. The full audit and IRS Form 990, conducted by Cohen and Company annually since 2009, are available on OHC’s website and show the consolidated results of the Oberlin Heritage Center and its two wholly owned subsidiaries, OHC Properties, Inc., and Vineway, LLC. OHC Properties, Inc. is a property holding agency for 81 S. Professor Street while Vineway, LLC manages the commercial rental property at 82-86 South Main Street. We are pleased that the organization’s audit yielded a clean, unmodified opinion for another year.

2014 saw generous support to the Oberlin Heritage Center in its various revenue sources. General operating revenue saw increases in its retail sales, fundraising, and annual fund contributions. OHC’s new publication Bonnets to Boardrooms helped to boost overall museum store sales by 65%. Bed & Breakfast contributions brought in over $5,000. Most exciting was our record breaking annual fund campaign which accounts for 20% of general operations income. $44,000 was contributed by 278 donors – 60 of whom made an increase to their gift from the previous year. The average annual fund gift was $159 (a 17% increase).

As the market continues to rebound from 2008, OHC benefits from increases in the Endowment and Investment Fund annual distributions which fund staff salaries and general operating expenses. The completion of the Endowment for History Education campaign at $800,000 allows us to now fully fund the Museum Education and Tour Coordinator full-time staff position. OHC also received income through a federal grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) for website renovations and a new historic downtown tablet tour. Funding from The Nord Family Foundation was used to complete much needed repairs on the Jewett House and Little Red Schoolhouse roofs in 2014. Other expenses remained steady from the previous year.

Your support to the Oberlin Heritage Center’s mission (through membership, annual fund donations, tour, and museum store purchases) and its long-term growth and sustainability (from Endowed Life Memberships, endowment gifts and planned giving contributions) is vitally important. It is a pleasure to serve as Treasurer and Board member of this effective, efficient, and well-managed organization that plays such a vibrant role in our community. Please let me know if I can answer questions you may have about OHC’s finances or can give you any additional information.

Ed Wardwell, Board Treasurer

Matching Gift Companies
IBM Corporation
The Nord Family Foundation

In addition to their regular duties at the Heritage Center as docents, researchers, office helpers, and more, Oberlin College student interns (from left) Hanna Van Reed, Rand Zalzala, Monica Monsalve and (not pictured) César Palacio presented an OHC-sponsored community program in the fall titled “Sharing Stories from Overseas.” Each of the students talked about global perspectives that enhanced their internships and education either through international roots or recent studies abroad.

Treasurer’s Report

Grants and Special Project Support

Ellen Adams
Underground Railroad Research Project

City of Oberlin/Oberlin Business Partnership/Bed Tax Grant
OHC Education Program brochures
OHC Take-Away brochures

Community Foundation of Lorain County

The Jane & Eric Nord Fund
(Mrs. Jane Nord)

The Vanek Family Charitable Fund
(Dr. & Mrs. John A. Vanek, Matthew D. Vanek, and Mrs. Jessica P. Dubilkar)

Edward W. and Gail F. Hubbard
Hubbard History Day Prize

David and Eleanor Ignat
General operating support and Endowment

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) / Museums for America
Serving 21st Century Audiences

The Nord Family Foundation
Roof Projects

Nordson Corporation
Educational program support

Support for Internships, Training Programs and Professional Development

Leadership Lorain County Internship Program
Mature Services, Inc.
The Nord Family Foundation (AmeriCorps)
Oberlin College Bonner Center for Service and Learning
Oberlin College Student Work Study Program
Ohio History Service Corps/Ohio History Connection (AmeriCorps)
## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

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The Oberlin Heritage Center’s finance committee, which reports to the Board of Trustees, provides fiscal oversight. The complete audited financial statement is posted online at www.oberlinheritagecenter.org and is available upon request.
OHC Program Summary for 2014

JANUARY 29
Marriage Made in Japan and Nourished in Oberlin presented at Kendal at Oberlin by Norman Craig included new information on the Jewetts acquired through research by Japanese colleague Yoshimitsu Miyagi.

FEBRUARY 26

Do Roots Matter? Change at Three Religion-Born Schools – Cedarville, Malone, Oberlin – from the 19th-21st Centuries presented at Kendal at Oberlin by Oberlin College Archivist (and OHC Board member) Ken Grossi (center) and fellow historians John Oliver (left) of Malone University and Tom Mach (right) of Cedarville University. This event was co-sponsored with the Oberlin College Archives.

MARCH 15

National History Day Ohio District 3 Competition included three OHC representatives among the judges: Liz Schultz, Jen Graham, and Ron Gorman. This was the first year that the Oberlin Heritage Center Hubbard Prize, supported by Gail and Ned Hubbard, was presented to an outstanding paper, documentary, or website produced by students residing in Lorain County.

MARCH 20

The Oberlin Oral History Project: Looking Backward and Moving Forward presented at Kendal at Oberlin by Allan Patterson, Priscilla Steinberg, and Liz Schultz. This event was co-sponsored with the Kendal Third Thursday Lecture Series.

MARCH 24-25 AND 26-27
Spring Break Camps: Undercover History: Spies, Detectives, & Police and Ancient Egypt.

APRIL – OCTOBER

The new Amazing Oberlin Smartphone Race guided two teams in a friendly “race” through the community while learning about Oberlin architecture and historic landmarks.

APRIL 9

The 2014 Annual Meeting and Dinner at the Oberlin Inn featured 20th Century Oberlin Women’s Stories and the presentation of OHC’s 13th Annual Community Awards.

APRIL 30

The screening of Sandusky Library’s documentary Under the Baton: Music at Old Cedar Point at Kendal at Oberlin featured a Q&A with the film’s producer, Dennis McMullen, the Library’s Director of Reference Services and Museum Service.

MAY 3

AmeriCorps member Jen Graham created a delightful Little Red Schoolhouse on wheels, as the Heritage Center’s entry for Oberlin’s legendary Big Parade.

MAY 10

OHC Spring Grounds Clean-Up Day at the Heritage Center.

MAY 14

“Speak as though you had a right to!”. Oberlin & the Question of Womanhood presented at Kendal at Oberlin by OHC’s AmeriCorps member Jen Graham (OC 2012).

MAY 23-26

Commencement/Reunion/Memorial Day Weekend – Freedom’s Friends, Oberlin Women’s History, Scholars & Settler’s history walks and the Sneak Peek: Oberlin Origins Tour offered throughout the weekend.

MAY 31

Reception to honor Pat Holsworth (second from left). Friends and colleagues saluted OHC’s Honorary Trustee, former Board President and retired Financial Assistant/Librarian who received Oberlin College’s Award for Distinguished Service to the Community during this year’s commencement exercises. The event was held at the Oberlin Public Library and was co-sponsored with the Friends of the Oberlin Public Library and Oberlin Community Services.

JUNE-SEPTEMBER


JUNE 3

Repealing the Fugitive Slave Law, in observance of the 150th anniversary of the notorious Fugitive Slave Act of 1850, Ron Gorman presented a talk at Kendal at Oberlin on the efforts of Ohio Republicans to overturn the law.
OHC Program Summary for 2014

JUNE (Wednesday Afternoons)
History Hikes and Happy Hour, a series of four themed walking tours in and around downtown Oberlin led by Liz Schultz. Participants could opt to continue the discussion afterward at a local watering hole.

JUNE 23-27
Middle Earth Camp offered teens a fun week-long opportunity to learn about the culture and history of J.R.R. Tolkien’s Middle Earth and record their own mini-movie. Held at The Bridge, this venture was a creative collaboration with FAVA and the Oberlin Public Library.

JULY 2015
The Heritage Center launched a “mini-schoolhouse” Little Free Library (built to scale by the great Kendal woodworking team of Bud Spierling, Jim Sunshine and Ed Wardwell) as part of a Lorain County initiative overseen by The Stocker Foundation. Wardwell (left) and volunteer Terry Hobbs (right) installed the charming replica on the grounds just north of the full-size schoolhouse. Visitors are welcome to stop by anytime to “take a book, return a book” and enjoy!

JULY 1
Batter Up! Life-long Oberlinians Sid Comings and Marianne Cochrane presented a program at Kendal at Oberlin sharing stories of past summers spent playing baseball.

JULY 28 - AUGUST 1
Hands on History: Oberlin Expedition Camp for children aged 8-13 led by Museum Education & Tour Coordinator Liz Schultz. Campers went behind-the-scenes of museums, businesses, and landmarks in Oberlin, including these stops at the Allen Memorial Art Museum (top), Oberlin Fire Station (middle) and (lower) the Oberlin Municipal Light and Power System (OMLPS), to learn more about what makes the town run.

AUGUST 2
Family Fun Fair, with free family activities throughout Oberlin, included hands-on history fun, lawn games, and mini-tours at the Oberlin Heritage Center.

AUGUST 4-8
Hands on History: World Cultures Camp for children aged 8-13 led by educator (and former OHC Museum Fellow) Maria Surovy.

AUGUST 11-15
Hands on History: Architecture Camp for children aged 8-13 led by Museum Education & Tour Coordinator Liz Schultz.

AUGUST 23
Potluck Picnic for Prue celebrated OHC’s Collections Assistant Prue Richards as she retired after 15 years of amazing service.

SEPTEMBER 27
The Oberlin Heritage Center participated in the Smithsonian Magazine’s 10th Annual Museum Day with free guided tours.

SEPTEMBER 29
Be Not Conformed to this World: Oberlin and the Antebellum Fight for Freedom and Equality presented at Oberlin College’s Moffett Auditorium by J. Brent Morris. The event was co-sponsored with the Oberlin College Library and Archives, the Oberlin College History Department, and the Oberlin African-American Genealogy and History Group.

OCTOBER 15
Jacob Cox and the ‘Oberlin Letter’ – Military Hero and Controversial Politician presented by historian Eugene D. Schmiel at Kendal at Oberlin. The event was co-sponsored with the Oberlin College Archives.
OHC Program Summary for 2014

OCTOBER 16

History for Lunch, this brown bag event at the Oberlin Public Library featured a presentation on Jacob Cox: Oberlin’s Finest Civil War General by Eugene D. Schmiel. The event was co-sponsored with the Oberlin College Archives and the Oberlin Public Library.

OCTOBER 17

Community Arts and Culture Day, with its theme “Arts in the Americas,” offered free activities for children on a teacher professional development day (and day off from school for kids!). The Heritage Center’s events took place at the Little Red Schoolhouse and included folksinger Judy Cook singing Early American Songs; other collaborators included the Allen Memorial Art Museum, FAVA, and the Oberlin Public Library/America Reads/Eastwood-Prospect School PTO.

NOVEMBER 7-9

Oberlin College’s Parents’ Weekend included tours and history walks hosted by the Oberlin Heritage Center.

NOVEMBER 9

Oberlin Connections through Hymns and the Dedication of Ohio Historical Marker for Antoinette Brown Blackwell and First Church, brought together a large audience from near and far for a stirring hour-long “sing” of historic hymns in First Church’s Meeting House, followed by the dedication of the newest Ohio Historical Marker in Oberlin on the church grounds. Beth Marshall (in costume) portrayed Antoinette Brown Blackwell, while Mary Louise VanDyke coordinated the hymn sing (assisted by right-hand man and husband, Don). Speakers at the marker dedication included Reverend David Hill (left), Pastor of the First Church in Oberlin, United Church of Christ, and Oberlin College Professor of History (and OHC Honorary Trustee) Carol Lasser (second from left) and historian/author Marly Merrill (far right). The event was co-sponsored by the First Church in Oberlin, U.C.C., with assistance from the Ohio History Connection and the United Church of Christ national headquarters.

NOVEMBER 20

20th Century Stories from Around Town presented at Kendal at Oberlin by author Eugenia (Geni) Poporad Vanek, an Oberlin Heritage Center Honorary Trustee. Vanek devoted more than five years to researching and writing the OHC’s oral-history based publication Bonnets to Boardrooms: Women’s Stories from a Historic College Town from which these stories were selected. The event was co-sponsored with Kendal’s Third Thursday Lecture Series.

NOVEMBER 25

Sharing Stories from Overseas featured OHC college interns Hanna Van Reed, Monica Monsalve, Rand Zalzala, and César Palacio in this illustrated program at Kendal at Oberlin.

DECEMBER 9

Cass Gilbert and the Allen Memorial Art Museum in Context was the subject of an AMAM “Tea Talk” presented by Pat Murphy in the museum’s East Gallery. The event was co-sponsored by the Allen Memorial Art Museum and the Oberlin Heritage Center.

DECEMBER 10

The Heritage Center’s new AmeriCorps member, Kaitlyn Goss, presented a free introductory session of the American Association of State and Local History (AASLH) Standards for Excellence Program (“StEPs”) to representatives of area local history groups to assist them in reviewing current policies and implementing best practices in their organizations. The program was offered in cooperation with the Ohio History Connection’s Local History Office.

DECEMBER 17

What’s New in History Museums and Historic Sites Leadership presented by Liz Schultz at Kendal at Oberlin. The program was based on Liz’s recent experience in Indianapolis attending the three-week “Developing History Leaders @ SHA” (Seminar for Historical Administration), a premiere training course for museum administrators sponsored by the American Association for State and Local History, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and others.

In addition, OHC staff members and volunteers presented off-site programs for other organizations including the American Alliance of Museums, Delta Nu (Cleveland region), Huron Public Library, Leadership Lorain County, Lorain County Metro Parks, Oberlin College classes, Ohio Local History Alliance, Rocky River Book Club, Rotary International, St. Pete Beach Public Library (FL), Women’s Equality Day and numerous area schools.
Who’s Who at the Oberlin Heritage Center in 2014

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(January – April); President (April –
December)
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(January – April); 1st Vice-President
(April – December)
Gail Wood, Secretary (January – April);
2nd Vice President (April – December)
Ken Grossi, Secretary (term began April
2014)
Edward J. Wardwell, Treasurer

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Scott Broadwell
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Barb Enos
Adam Freas
Rich Fredrickson
Stephen Johnson III
Renee Romano (term completed April
2014)

Kurt Russell
Brittnei Sherrod (term began April 2014)
Donna Marie Shurr

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Shirley Shubert
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Thelma Quinn Smith
Martha Stacy
James R. Underwood
Mary Kirtz Van Nortwick
Eugenia “Geni” Vanek (appointed April
2014)

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BOARD PRESIDENTS
PAST AND PRESENT*

Oberlin Improvement Society
(later renamed Oberlin Village
Improvement Society) (OVIS)
1903 - J.F. Randolph, pro tem
1903 - Giles Waldo Shurtleff
1903-1910 - Adelia Field Johnston
1912 - W.F. Bohn
1915 - Helen White Martin
[1916-1923: OVIS is affiliated with
numerous agencies, with various
presidents]
1923 - Helen White Martin
returns as president of an again
independent OVIS
1927-1947 - Louis E. Lord
1947 - Paul B. Sears
1950-1959 - Ira L. Porter

Oberlin Historical Society
1960 - Cliff A. Barden
1961-1964 - Donald M. Love

Oberlin Historical and
Improvement Organization/
Oberlin Heritage Center
1964-1967 - Frank C. Van Cleef
1969-1972 - Raymond A. Campbell
1985-1990 - Robert D. Jenkins
1990-1998 - Marianne Cochrane
1998-2001 - Patricia Holsworth
2001-2003 - Roberta Garcia
2003-2005 - Cathe Radabaugh
2005-2010 - James W. White
2010-2014 - Walter Edling
2014-Present – Nicholas R. Jones

(*List is incomplete due to missing
records)
Quilt Conservation Project Honors Prue Richards’ Retirement

Collections Assistant, Prue Richards, was the toast of the town on Saturday, August 23, 2014 as nearly 100 of the Oberlin Heritage Center’s Board, staff, volunteers and friends, gathered on the OHC grounds for a Potluck Picnic in honor of Prue’s retirement following 15 years of service to the organization.

Gifts made in Prue’s honor are being collected to conserve and stabilize a wonderfully unique and very worn early-19th century quilt in the collection that has always been a favorite of Prue’s (and until this opportunity, it has been too brittle to display). If you wish to find out more or contribute to the project, contact Assistant to the Director Mary Anne Cunningham at members@oberlinheritage.org or call (440) 774-1700.

At the top of Prue’s “Retirement Priority List” is spending plenty of time with her family.

Prue shares a story with collections volunteer Anne Wardwell, former Curator of Textiles at the Cleveland Museum of Art.

Thank you to the following contributors to the Quilt Conservation fund in 2014:

- Roland M. & Phyllis A. Baumann
- H. Scott & Ellen Broadwell
- Marianne Dickerman Caldwell
- Norman C. & Ann Craig
- Don & Mary Anne Cunningham
- Craig & Barb Enos
- Jeff & Bethany Hobbs
- Dick & Pat Holsworth
- Stephen & Mary Ann Johnson
- Nicholas R. & Susan C. Jones
- Glenn Loafmann & Katherine Linehan
- Pat Murphy & Keith Koenning
- W. Bruce Richards & Phyllis Gorfain
- Thomas E. & Donna M. Shurr
- Edward J. & Anne W. Wardwell

Prue’s fondness for this ca. 1830 quilt is evident as she explained: *The design is absolutely unique, and the joy this quilter had creating the pieced and appliquéd blocks is obvious. It deserves to be able to be displayed, enjoyed, and provide inspiration for years to come.*
A Toast for Prue on Her Retirement

Come, one and all,
Come, faithful hearts and true,
Come, and give a call
For any who might miss
Or lag, or be remiss,
Whether old or new–

**To raise a glass to Prue!**

Who would not run
And join the grateful crew,
In thanks for all that she has
done,
And with our hopes for times to
come,
And for all that will ensue–

**And join the toast to Prue!**

What can we say?
Our words will be too few
To properly convey
It all, we'd need an extra day!
But let us do what we can do,

**To celebrate the work of Prue.**

All right, let's start:
She knows our town,
So well: Its history of renown,
its fierce reforming crew,
She knows them all;
And knows the art,
Too, to make them new,
Bringing the past to life.
She tells us 19th-century
rumors,
and makes us view
The past as if it we knew
what it had meant to fight its
fights:
She brings to life
the age-old strife
Of slavery, and women's rights,
And even the wearing of tights
(or was it bloomers?).
All this, and more, is true,
**And much of it we learned from Prue!**

She sews our dresses,
And dresses up, herself,
In garb of old historic hue;
She transforms herself, she
becomes Ju-
-lia Monroe!
And not only does she sew,
She knows the proper glue
to keep collection boxes just so!
She manages an amazing stash
of stuff, both what is fash-
-ionable and what is not;
Keeps records of the lot;
Answers questions on the spot–
So here's my thought for you:

**Could we please accession Prue?**

There's nothing she can't do;
Knows every bug that lives,
and mops the water from the
basement floor!
There's so much more:
She handles every split
infinitive;
And even in Monroe House
parlor,
We never hear an anguished
snarl or groan from her!
Oh, friends: there are but few

**That do so many things as Prue!**

So now's the fateful hour,
The day when she retires;
and let us not be sour,
but do what's in our power,
And what the day requires,
Whatever may ensue.
We're glad she's still around,
Within a phone call's sound,
And most of all, we have a clue
That OHC
Could never be
As strong, as organized, as true
As it is now,
Without this pow-
-er house that's known as Prue.

So, friends, again I ask
That you now raise a glass;
Don't fret or stew,
Don't cry boohoo,
But let me know that you
Will really hoot
and cheer, and maybe coo,

**to join this heartfelt toast for Prue!**

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Board President **Nick Jones**, OHC
volunteer poet extraordinaire (and an
Oberlin College Professor of English)
recited a delightful original tribute to Prue
that brought smiles all around.

A beautiful summer's evening on the grounds of the Oberlin Heritage Center served as a lovely backdrop for a retirement picnic salute
to Collections Assistant **Prue Richards**.
Who’s Who at the Oberlin Heritage Center in 2014

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STAFF MEMBERS
Patricia Murphy, Executive Director
Deloris Bohn, Museum Housekeeper+
Mary Anne Cunningham, Assistant to the Director+
Bethany Hobbs, Business Manager+
Maren McKee, Collections Manager+ (hired August 2014)
Prue Richards, Collections Assistant+ (retired August 2014)
Elizabeth Schultz, Museum Education/Tour Coordinator
Maria Surovy Education Assistant+ (Summer 2014)

Ohio Historical Society Ohio Service Corps/AmeriCorps Member
Jennifer Graham (term completed August 2014)
Kaitlyn Goss (term began September 2014)

Staff Provided by Mature Services /Title V
Linda Gates, Front Office+
Linda Gilmore, Front Office+
Peggy Loescher, Front Office+ (April – August)

Kelsey Voit devotes a lot of time to the Heritage Center’s collections care and cataloging, and she represents a growing number of interns who come to the Oberlin Heritage Center from outside the immediate community. Kelsey is a Kent State University graduate student pursuing a Masters in Library and Information Science with a focus on Museum Studies.

Student Interns (from Oberlin College except as noted)
Madison Bishop (Summer, Fall Semester)
Melissa Clifford (Graduate Student Intern/ Kent State University)
Katie Hirabayashi (Spring Semester)
Monica Monsalve (Work Study and Bonner Scholar) (Fall Semester)
Vishnu Neppala (Spring Semester, Summer)
Alexandra Nicome (Work Study) (Spring & Fall Semester)
César Palacio (Work Study and Bonner Scholar) (Spring & Fall Semester)
Austin Spener (Miami University) (Leadership Lorain County Intern) (Summer 2014)
Hanna Van Reed (Fall Semester)
Kelsey Voit (Graduate Student Intern/ Kent State University)
Rand Zalzala (Spring & Fall Semester, Summer)

Board Committee Chairpersons++
Development – Gail Wood
Executive – Walt Edling (January – April); Nicholas Jones (April – December)
Finance – Edward J. Wardwell
Governance – Donna Shurr

Oberlin Heritage Center docents enjoyed an autumn field trip to Malabar Farm State Park (Lucas, Ohio). An important part of the docent team’s ongoing education (and a fun social outing as well!) includes an annual road trip to visit another history museum or historic site. It’s a great way to learn more about the history of the region as well as an opportunity to get an insider’s look at how others do it.

Strategic Planning – Walt Edling (January – April); Nicholas Jones (April – December)

New Faces at the Heritage Center

In July, we welcomed Linda Gilmore, a long-time Oberlin resident and graduate of Oberlin High School, who came to OHC through Mature Services, Inc. Linda helps handle front office duties at the Heritage Center.

New part-time Collections Manager Maren McKee joined the staff in August, as the successor to retiring Collections Assistant Prue Richards. A recent graduate of the highly regarded Master’s Degree program in Historical Administration at Eastern Illinois University (Charleston), Maren (right) and Prue (left) enjoyed the opportunity to work several weeks together side-by-side to make the collections management transition a smooth one.

Kaitlyn Goss arrived in Oberlin in the fall as the new Local History Corps/AmeriCorps member for Northeast Ohio (Cleveland area). Based at the Heritage Center, Kaitlyn devoted half her time to OHC activities and the remainder to assisting other history organizations in our region.

Kaitlyn Goss
Who’s Who at the Oberlin Heritage Center in 2014

Membership is a pulse-point upon which the Heritage Center measures its support both near and far—while also providing a gauge for outside funders to determine the health and vitality of the organization. As 2014 came to a close, OHC membership totaled 711 individuals, households, businesses and organizations. Every membership is tremendously important as an indicator that the Heritage Center is a valued asset in the community. We extend a BIG thank you to all who were OHC members this year! And we encourage those who are not current members to join in the year ahead—a new membership is always needed and appreciated (see the membership form on page 23, or join online at www.oberlinheritagecenter.org).

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(donors whose cumulative giving totals $2,000 or more to an endowment fund)

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(St. Paul, MN)

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Rob Calhoun & Elizabeth Wilmer
Barbara Garret
Jeptha* & Demaris Carrell
Marianne Cochran
Don & Mary Anne Cunningham
(Elyria)
Emiko Hara Custer, in honor of Jiann and Pearl Lin
Jim & Linda* Donovan
David & Susan Egloff
John & Margaret Erikson
Adam & Heidi Freas
Alan & Nancy Gage
Thomas A. & Nancy Gayters
(Oakland, CA)
Dean & Susan Gibson (Columbus)
Norma & Dick Gilbert, in honor of Jim White and Prue Richards
Nancy J. Gray
Ken Grossi & Sharon Sutherland
(Cleveland)
Edward W. & Gail F. Hubbard
(Centreville, VA)
Don & Joy Ilig
Bill* & Betty James
Stephen & Mary Ann Johnson
Jamie Jurado (Elyria)
Gary Kornblith & Carol Lasser
Bert Latran Jr., in memory of Margaret Latran Harold and Florene Worcester and in honor of Patricia Murphy
Dayton & Ann Livingston
Elisabeth M. Mahjoub
T. K. & Emily McClintock
(Cambridge, MA)
W. Jeanne McKibben, MD
Anthony J. Mealy
David & Sandra Melott
(Bay Village)
Andrew & Pat Missler (Willard)
Jane Ross Moore
Maxwell G. & Muriel P. Morgan
Benjamin G. & Jane Norton (Lorain)
Julia S. Shaw
Warren & Judy Sheldon
Thomas E. & Donna M. Shurr, in memory of Margaret Shurr
In memory of Bob & Wanda Singleton
Jim Sunshine
James & Andrée Underwood (Vermilion)
Don & Mary Louise VanDyke
Edward J. & Anne W. Wardwell
Etta Ruth Weigl* Jeff & Merrill Witmer
Reid & Gail Wood
Robert* & Helen Woodward
(Sheffield Lake)
Keith R.* & Victoria K. Young

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Heritage Collector ($75), continued
Tina Brandes
Jack & Kathy DeRuiter
Craig & Barb Enos
Eleanor W. Helper
Roger & Judy Laushman
Thelma J. Morris
Frank Pease (Bellevue, WA)
Mary Simons
Steven Wojtal & Wendy Kozol

Household ($50)
Martin & Susan Ackermann
Ken & Elizabeth Allen
(Cheshire, CT)
Kathleen Amerkhanian (Elyria)
Constance Anderson
(Athens, Greece)
Erik & Michele Andrews
Geoffrey & Cynthia Andrews
George & Marlene Andrews
Bill & Betty Annable
Hank Annable
Anonymous
John & Rebecca Bagley
Chuck & June Bailey
Maryann Baker (Parma)
Anthony Ball & Cheryl Peek-Ball
(Hamilton, Bermuda)
Randall J. & Virginia N. Barbato
(New York, NY)
Teresa Barnes (Urbana, IL)
Jack & Fran Baumann
Roland M. & Phyllis A. Baumann
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(Chevy Chase, MD)
Jeanne Bay
Dick & Donna Baznik
Fred & Mary Behm (Grafton)
Ruth Bent
Jerome J. Berner
Richard Bethell & Patricia
McConnell (New York, NY)
Bill & Kay Bigglestone (Tucson, AZ)
Roger & Edie Binkley
Jill Blake
Deloris Bohn (Wellington)
Tom & Janet Bolland
Albert & Terry Borroni
Nancy Boutiller & Christa
Champion
Sue Brady
Mr. & Mrs. Art Brenner (Wellington)
Joan Brensick
Patricia Breuning (North Ridgeville)
Neil & Pat Bright
Marjorie Wood Brittingham
Howard & Jean Broadwell
David R. & Nancy A. Browne
Anita Buckmaster (New Haven, CT)
Robert & Marilyn Burns
Susan Husted Burrows
(Centennial, CO)
Samuel Carrier & Susan Kane
John Cavanaugh & Sarah Colson
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Tom & Nancy Hubbard Cheshire
(Orchard Park, NY)
John R. & Kathleen M. Clark
(Lorain)
John & Sheryl Clark
Susan K. Clark DVM (Mansfield)
Ed & Marianne Clary (Amherst)
Thomas Colam & Jennifer
DeStefanis
Cynthia Corin & Michael Henle
Rollin & Anne Conway
Dennis & Judy Cook
Roger Copeland & Michele Gross
Carol L. Correthers
Bill & Emerson County
Tim Cowling
Robert K. & Judith D. Creasy
(Corte Madera, CA)
Peter Crowley & Conleth Crotser
Anne S. Davis
Dr. Nicole DeBose-Barnett
(Fairfield, CA)
Sean Decatur & Renee Romano
(Gambier)
Jerry & Jan DeMarinis
William & Suzanne Denneen
Mr. & Mrs. Albert C. Doane
(Amherst)
James Dobbins & Suzanne Gay
Ed & Amanda Dobos
Dave & Estelle Dobrow
Richard & Lauren Donegan
(Peekskill, NY)
Mae Alice Doner
Durand S. Dudley (Bluffton)
Bernard & Sheila Eckstein
Jim & Kim Eibel (New London)
John & Anne Elder
Milton & Margaret-Ann Ellis
Matt & Elizabeth Elrod
Ray English & Alison Ricker
Rob & Kathy Ernst (Avon)
Joseph & Jean Ferris (Saline, MI)
Gay Fischer
Daniel & Carol Fishwick
(Willoughby)
Stephen & Kimberly Fixx (Elyria)
Kevin & Gail Flanagan (Grafton)
Dennis & Sue Flood
Rick & Margaret Flood
Frieda Fuchs
Ann L. Fuller
Gene* & Marilyn Gallagher
Clare & Allison Gallagher (Grafton)
Eugene & Barbara Getty (Medina)
Donald & Barbara Gilbert
(Stone Mountain, GA)
Kim Gorman
Mike & Connie Grube
Denny Gulick (Adelphi, MD)
Don & Arlene Hall
Larry A. & Nancy A. Harper
(Amherst)
Dick Hasenplug & Katie Nutter
(Routtscottdale, AZ)
Ruth S. Hayes (Amherst)
Shirley Hayward
Carl & Marcia Heckert (Wellington)
Sigrun B. Heinzelmann & Charlotte
Balfour
Jean M. Heller
Herb & Sabra Henke
James & Christa Hieb (South
Amherst)
Tom Hinson & Diana Tittle
(Chesterland, OH)
Jeff, Bethany & Glenn Hobbs
Kevin Hobbs (Athens)
Clyde Hohn
The Rich Holsworth Family
Chris Howell & Susan Clayton
Dennis & Karla Hubbard
Robert A. Hyman & Susan E. Roth
(St. Paul, MN)
Jay & Fern Ingersoll
Gary & Penny Jaffe
Mark & Kathy Jaffe
Albert W. Jascoe & Lori Barker
Adelbert & Betty Jenkins
Gregory L. Jewett (Lexington, VA)
William & Robin Jindra
Ben Jones & Tanya Rosen-Jones
Robert K. & Claudia W. Jones
(Lorain)
Robert & Marilyn Kasayka
(South Amherst)
Sean Kennedy & Ailah Byrne
Kennedy (Lakewood)
Ilo Koening (Moorhead, MN)
Mari Kuroda
Adina Langer (Decatur, GA)
Michael & Cheri Lavigne
Bruce & Nery Layne
(Shelbyville, KY)
Irwin Lewis
Jiann & Pearl Lin
Paul, Cindra & Willow Lipke-Benn
Glenn Loafman & Katherine
Linehan
Tom & Anita Lock
Bert* & Penny Locke
The Thomas Lopez Family
Nina Love
Joseph R. & Dorothy S. Luciano
Nick & Lucy Malaker
Jim & Betty Mason
Charles & Nancy Matthews
Ellen Mavrich
Carl & Mary McDaniel
Darren & Jane McDonough
Richard & Mary McKee
Barbara Mehwald
John & Nicola Memmott
Bill Miller & Ann Pilisy
David Miller & Marie Anderson-
Miller (Cleveland)
Leslie J. Miller
Andrew & Erin Miranda
Richard & Kathleen Nord
(Merrill)
Don & Joanne Norenberg
Eric & Kaye Norenberg
David & Mary Jo Ockenga
(Wakeman)
Bob & Bonnie Oliphant
(Withfod, MA)
Allan & Elizabeth Patterson
(Shelbyville, CA)
John & Anne Pecorino
John E. Petersen & Nancy L. Long
Mark & Kendra Petras
Bill & Patti Pitts
Ann M. Potter
Dale & Kim Preston
Michael & Kelly Prill
Tom & Eloise Pulsifer (Xenia)
Ray C. & Diane L. Radabaugh
(Holland, OH)
Ray O. & Jessica L. Reeder
Don & Barbara Reeves
Kathy J. Reynolds & Judith M.
Connolly
Mark & Margaret Reynolds
Mr. & Mrs. William Rice
W. Bruce Richards & Phyllis
Gorfain
Melissa Rogers (Wellington)
Ron* & Barbara Rolls
Paul & Jerene Rosa (Wakeman)
Dave & Anne Ryan
Andy & Cindy Ruckman
Kurt & Donna Russell
Marion R.atts Russell
(Avon Lake)
Jacter Rutzky & Dyane
Sherwood
John & Karla Sanderson
William & Kathryn Scheirner
John & Rebecca Schroth
John & Jenny Sekulic (Wakeman)
Gayle Sherry
Thomas E. Shoup (Amherst)
Patrick & Maureen Simen
Harold & Linda Slocum
Michael L. & Karen A. Smith
(Wichita Falls, TX)
David Snyder & Deborah Roose
Steve & Genny Sottow (Wellington)
Don & Kathy Spencer
Paul R. Spierling & Pauline
Handman
Kent & Sharon Spieh (Avon Lake)
Daniel Steinberg & Kimberli
Diemer (Shaker Heights)
Ira S. & Priscilla Steinberg
Hank Swagger & Jillian McFarland
(Cleveland)
Robert & Janis Thompson
Jason Trimmer
Bill & Mary Ann Trow
John & Fely van der Pyl
Cynthia R. Verda (Savannah, GA)
Gerry & Aleta Wallace
(Penn Valley, CA)
Lauren Watkins (Naperville, IL)
Tom & Eva Weber
Kevin & Susan Weidenbaum
Frances Weill (Elyria)
R.B. & J.K. Werner
Richard & Shirley Williams
Amy Winnicki (Medina)
Janet Winslow (Elyria)
Fred & Diane Wolf (Wakeman)
Peter H. Wood (Longmont, CO)
Tom & Edie Wood
Barbara A. Wurster (Elyria)
Andrew Young & J. Lynn Haessler
David Young & Georgia Newman
Elizabeth E. Young
Larry & Sue Young
James E. & Janice C. Zinser
(Wakeman)

Individual ($30)
Mary Adams (Westlake)
Elizabeth McCall Aldrich
Yveline Alexis
Camille Hamlin Allen

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Anonymous
Chelsea Baker (Ada, OK)
Andaleeb Banta
Elizabeth A. Bates* (Wellsington)
Genevieve S. Baudoin (Wamego, KS)
Barbara Bickel
Rachael Blake (Baton Rouge, LA)
Sharon W. Blecher
Tania Boster
Jennifer Bowman (Elyria)
Alvin G. Brown (Somerdale, NJ)
Betsy L. Bruce
Barbara J. Bruer
Richard W. Bryant (State College, PA)
Bâni Casson (Broadview Heights)
Melissa Clifford (Wellington)
Thomas L. Cramer
Lesslie Crowell (Charlottesville, VA)
Marsha Darcy
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Andria Derstine
Anna Dillon (Amherst)
Steven R. Dupee (Wellington)
Kathy Earle (LaGrange)
Jonathan Edmonds (Brooklyn, NY)
Dale Embry (Clinton, MI)
Janet English
Anna R. Ernst (Chicago, IL)
Joanne Erwin
David V. Foos
Linda Gilmore (Elyria)
Eli Goldberg (Portland, OR)
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Carol Graham
Jim Hamilton
Carrie Handy
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Jack Heaton (Washington, DC)
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Rocio Leon (San Diego, CA)
Bracy E. Lewis (Cleveland)
John Lopatkovich (Wakeman)
Dianne Mahar (Amherst)
Patricia Manns-Birmingham
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Sue McKain
Maren Ann McKee
Steven J. McQuillin (Westlake)
Lauren Miranda
Sharon L. Miranda
Brittany Mittler
Monica Monsalve
Elizabeth C. Morris
Patricia C. Morrisson (Lorain)
Mary C. Nelsen
Michele Norton
Catherine Oertel
Mrs. Hugh D. (Gretta) Pallister* (Willoughby)
Barbara B. Patterson (Streetsboro)
Bill Pfeiffer Jr. (Kansas City, MO)
Kate Pilacky
Brenda Pitts (Columbus, IN)
Michele Poling (Los Alamos, NM)
Pat Ganske Price (Vermilion)
Elizabeth Ragosta
Joyce L. Redden
Kathy Reichard
Kevin Rogers (Grafton)
Beth Rosenquist (Omaha, NE)
Kathleen C. Ross
Sarah Schaffer (Washington, DC)
Eugene Schmiel (Gainesville, VA)
Ruth E. Searles
Cary Seidman (Cleveland Heights)
Drew H. Severs (Pacific Grove, CA)
Brittnei Sherrod
Louise Shoemaker
Beatrice A. Skeens (Amherst)
Chris Smith (North Ridgeville)
Sharon Fairchild Soucy
Ruth E. Spencer
(Poughkeepsie, NY)
Austin J. Spence (Avon Lake)
Patricia B. Stetson
Marilyn Stock (Elyria)
Mrs. Jarvis A. Strong Jr. (McLean, VA)
Preston Sundin (Taipei City, Taiwan)
June D. Swartwout
(Erin Swenson-Klatt
(Minneaplis, MN)
Salvatore Talarico
Harriett A. Thomas
Rebecca Ganzel Thompson
(St. Paul, MN)
Grace M. Tompos
Emily Troiano
Carol Tufts
Carla VanDale
Debbi Walsh
Andrew Laurence Watiker
(Tuckahoe, NY)

Leave a Legacy: Preserving History for Future Generations

Jean F. Wright loved Oberlin and was proud of her deep roots in this community. Jean’s father, Fred, was co-owner of the Wright & Parsons grocery store – a downtown business he operated for more than 40 years. Jean enjoyed quietly supporting the Heritage Center as a member and friend for many years. We were delighted when she shared one of her family treasures with us in 1993 when she donated a beautiful lace tablecloth to the Heritage Center. The hand-crocheted “windmill pattern” was the work of Jean’s Aunt Nellie, whose father was Capt. A. B. Parsons, the business partner of Fred Wright. In February 2014, we lost our gentle, caring friend at age 96. Jean’s legacy continues to keep Oberlin history alive through a bequest that she made to the Heritage Center which was designated to the Endowment.

We are grateful to Jean and other dear OHC friends like her whose generosity has greatly helped the organization move forward toward a goal of future sustainability. Through the years, bequests have come to the organization from the late Frederick B. Artz, Marguerite Ball, Sara Carter Balogh, Charles Martin Hall, Richard R. Hallock, Evan W. Nord, Margaret Glider Papworth, Lt. Col. Jarvis A. Strong Jr. and Jane Reamer White.

You, too, can help the Oberlin Heritage Center in a lasting way by remembering our organization in your will or estate planning. Contributions may be made to the Heritage Center’s endowment, for general operating expenses, or for a special purpose with a simple statement in your will or trust such as this:

I give, devise and bequeath to the Oberlin Heritage Center/O.H.I.O., a non-profit educational and charitable organization whose mailing address is Oberlin Heritage Center, P.O. Box 0455, Oberlin, Ohio 44074, _____ percent of my estate (or, the sum of $_____; or _____ percent of the residue of my estate) to support the Oberlin Heritage Center’s endowment fund (or for a special project of the donor’s choosing).

If you have included the Oberlin Heritage Center in your will or estate planning, please consider letting Assistant to the Director Mary Anne Cunningham know so that we can thank you and recognize you for this important commitment. For more information, contact Mary Anne at members@oberlinheritage.org or call (440) 774-1700.

Jean Wright’s quiet kindness extended to many nonprofit organizations throughout the community. She preferred doing good deeds away from the limelight as she supported the causes that were dear to her heart.
Who’s Who at the Oberlin Heritage Center in 2014

Individual
($30), continued

Wilma Weber
Eleanor H. Whitehead
Robert G. Williams (Sarasota, FL)
Dudley A. Wood* (Albany, NY)

Mrs. Lee B. Wood
(West Branch, IA)

Richard Wood
Rhonda Worcester (Wellington)
Tyrone Yates (Cincinnati)
James H. Young
Lynn M. Youngblood (Wellington)

Senior / Student ($20)

George & Cleo Abram
Frampie Alley
Judith Appleton
William G. Arthrell
(George Town, TX)

(Cleveland Heights)

Gabriella Bachnica
Dorothy Baker
Suzanne Barsay
Barbara Baughman*

Phyllis Benenti (Columbia Station)
Jean Binford*

David W. Blood
Viola M. Blount
Louise Breese
Walker & Joanne Brock
JoAnn Bruno
Roger Buffett (Madison, WI)
Theron Burnett (Elyria)
Joanne Busiel
Catharina Meints Caldwell
Marion Campbell
Terry & Claudine Carlton
Mrs. Glenn M. Clapp
Jim & Joan Cobb
Randi Coleman
Sid Comings
Charlene Connors (Lorain)
Randal W. & Ivy E. Cooper (Lorain)
Don & Susie Cunningham
(New Waterford)
Jane Currie (North Ridgeville)
Bill & Bonnie Butcher ( Vermilion)
David S. Davies (Wellington)
Eleanor W. Devereux
Charles E. Dial (North Olmsted)
Kay L. Diedrecker
Marion Drummond
Robert M. Dudash
Roy U. Ebihara
Eugene English
Cherie L. Fabian (Elyria)
Andrew Ferko (Seven Hills)
Gerry & Ann Findlan
Stuart & Diane Friebert
Bertha Brown Fusselman
(Avon Lake)

Lori & Nancy Garver
Linda C. Gates
Mr. & Mrs.* William J. Gorman
(Wooster)

Mary Lynne Grove
Ovidia Guaderrama
Janet K. Haar (North Olmsted)
Kenneth Hahn (Mansfield)
Dolores Harper

Beverly A. Hentges
(Bowling Green)
Margo Hirth (Avon)
Gretchen Holden (Portland, OR)
Aliene C. Holliman
Bobbie Gil Holtwick
Stephanie Howe (Miami, FL)
Esther Hunt*
Carolyn L. Husted
Ann Emerich Ingram
Lesa Inman (Jonesboro, AR)
James Jablonski (Elyria)
Doris J. Jewett (Elyria)
Molly Johnson
Sarah Knaill
Dr. Vassanti P. Kharkar
Roderic Knight
Gerlind B. Koerner
Chie Kondo
Sue Ely Krueger (Elyria)
Judith K. Kruger
Dennis C. Lamont (Wakeman)
Phyllis Lawson
John & Mary Leek
Pam Lenz
Diana Leonard (Collins)
Larry Lepard (Norwalk)
Catharina D. Lester
Stanley Levine
Mr. & Mrs. Donald E. Lewis
(Williamough)
Becky Lower
Doris Y. Lyle (Amherst)
Claudia Macdonald
Al & Ann MacKay
Judith Makens (Kent)
Anne Martin
Jean Marie Matthews
Robert S. & Nancy McClusky
Patricia E. McCready
Vivian McCullough (Sheffield Lake)
Marilyn K. McDonald
Cheryl Johnson Mees
(Georgetown, TX)
Sue E. Meyer
Laraine Meyers (South Amherst)
Beverly B. Miller (Vermilion)
Carolyn Moes (Vermilion)
Naomi Moore
Tom & Cindy Moroney
Michelle Myers (Elyria)
Bill & Carol Neumann
Karyn Norwood (Burlington, VT)
Katherine Nunley
Noel Oakley
Betty O’Connor
Margaret O’Neal
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Tom Peters (Elyria)
Wilma D. Petch
Betty Pippert (Wakeman)
Sarah Pyor (Wakeman)
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Elena Rippel (Pittsburgh, PA)
Cathe Ritz (Wakeman)
Catherine M. Rogers (Youngstown)
Mary Eileen Romney
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Tom & Phyllis Roth (Sylvania)
Ed Rowe
Retta L. Russell
Sandra Ruth (Amherst)
Jean Schaefer (Tombahawk, WI)
Jo-An Schmauch (Avon)
Peg Schultz
Nancy E. Schwarzwalder
Joyce Scott (Wellington)
Ronald & Diane Senyak
Jean L. Shannon
Eugene Foggo Simon
Jean Sionneger
Taylor J. Smith (Avon)
Kathy Sobieski
Arthur W. Sprague (La Grange, IL)
Linda A. Stang (Grafton)
Janet Stephenson (Lakeside)
Geraldine R. Stewart
Mark R. Stewart (Elyria)
Mr. & Mrs. George Duncan Strom
(Elyria)
Dorris Sturges
Karen Susan (Amherst)
Barbara Sunroy (Amherst)
Lillie Faye Taylor
Heiden Thoman Tewarson
Charles A. Thodt
Francine Toss
Tommy Trice (Elyria)
Naomi R. Twinning (Toledo)
Donna L. Van Raaphorst
Patric R. Verlotti (Wakeman)
Donna B. Ward (Bedford)
Dorothy West
Jerry White (Bedford)
Mrs. Martha J. Wilkins
Shirley Coleman Wilson
(Westerville)
Kenneth & Joyce Wolfe
Carol H. Zavodsky
Gerald & Aiden* Zeitlin
May Zitani

Business & Organizational Members

Heritage Ambassador
($500-$999)

McKay Lodge Fine Arts
Conservation Laboratory, Inc.

Heritage Leader
($250-$499)

Cohen & Company (Cleveland)
General Plug & Manufacturing
(Grafton)

LorMet Community Federal Credit
Union (Amherst)
Meadowbrook Investment
Advisors (Livonia, MI)

Oberlin College
Oberlin Family Dental / Melanie B.
Satterfield, DDS

Heritage Rescuer
($100-$249)

John Berkmeier Painting LLC /
John & Betty Berkmeier
Broadwell Painting
Kevin Carr Roofing
Emerge Inc. (Avon Lake)
Forthofer Alarm Systems (Elyria)
Green Circle Growers
Ives Roofing / Patrick & Diane Ives
The Jewett Family of America, Inc.
(Medway, MA)

Lorain County Community College
(Elyria)

Lorenzo’s Pizzeria
19th Century Club

Oberlin College Inn
Oberlin College Office of
Government & Community
Relations

PlaceMakers Land Co., Ltd.
Premier Toyota Scion (Amherst)
Rafter A., Ltd. / Rich Fredrickson
(Elyria)

Eric R. Severs Co., L.P.A.
Tabor Historical Society (Tabor, IA)
Turnbull Plumbing & Heating, LLC
Turnbull Trucking & Excavating
Watson Hardware

Welcome Nursing Home

Sustaining Members
($50)

Adeva Salon and Spa
Beaud Paradise II
Cochrane Inc.
Cowling Funeral Home
Dounds Veterinary Hospital, Inc.
1830 Hallauer House Bed &
Breakfast / Joe & Susan
Woodward

Gardenscapes by Joanna LLC
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Leonard & Anne Jacko DDS
Kuno Creative Group (Avon)

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Linda Jones (Amherst)
National Business Brokers, Inc. /
Michael F. Galbreath

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Kurt G. Sarrinhaus Co., L.P.A.
Sliman’s Sales & Service (Amherst)
Southern Lorain County Historical
Society (Wellington)
Wooddresses / Doren & Marilyn*
Fedelchak Harley

Active Members ($25)

Amherst Historical Society
(Amherst)

Ben Franklin Store / MindFair
Books
Business Advisory Services LLC
Campbell House Antiques
Carlyle Gift and Flower Shop
City of Oberlin
Cleveland Restoration Society
(Cleveland)

Dicken Funeral Home Inc. (Elyria)
Edward D. Jones & Co. / Curt Paul

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Who’s Who at the Oberlin Heritage Center in 2014

2014 VOLUNTEERS

Excluding all Board members whose names are listed on page 11. Includes those staff members and paid student interns who volunteered hours beyond those for which they were paid.

- Martin Ackermann
- Erik Andrews
- Sarah Andrews
- Sue Barsay
- Fran Baumann
- Jill & Tracy Blake
- Will Blake
- Eugenia Bobo
- Deloris Bohn
- Ellen Broadwell
- Jean Broadwell
- Barbara Bruer
- Theron Burnett
- Marilyn Burns
- Marianne Dickerman Caldwell
- Marianne Cochrane
- Sarah Colson
- Sid Comings
- Judy Connolly
- Anne Conway
- Dennis Cook
- Roger & Fran Cooper
- Norm & Ann Craig
- Mary Anne Cunningham
- Anne Davis
- Charles E. Dial
- Garrett Dickerson
- Richard Dunn
- Anne Elder
- Craig Enos
- Ann Fuller
- Roberta Garcia
- Phyllis Gorfain
- Ron Gorman
- Jen Graham
- Nancy Gray
- David Hill
- Glenn Hobbs
- Jeff & Bethany Hobbs
- Kevin Hobbs
- Terry & Karen Hobbs
- Clyde & Maryann Hohn
- Dick & Pat Holsworth
- Maxine Houck
- Ann Ingram
- Penny Jaffe
- Gary Jamison
- Judge Thomas Januzzi
- Mary Ann Johnson
- Molly Johnson
- Sue Copeland Jones
- Sarah MacLennan Kerr
- Sarah Khalil
- Keith Koenning
- Alice B. Kohl
- Audrey Kolb

A festive group gathered at Kendal at Oberlin in December in celebration and appreciation for all the time and talent OHC volunteers so generously shared with the history organization throughout the year.
Who’s Who at the Oberlin Heritage Center in 2014

Volunteers, continued
Darlene Rae Krato
Elizabeth Kuperman
Carol Lasser
Bert Latran, Jr.
E. Gaye Laurell
Michael & Cheri Lavigne
Dayton & Ann Livingston
Tom & Anita Lock
Tom Mach
Betty Mahjoub
Samiya Mansour
Beth Marshall
Pat McCreedy
Sue McKain
Jeanne McKibben
Dennis McMullen
Dan & Marly Merrill
Sue Meyer
Beverly Miller
Yoshimitsu Miyagi
Jane H. Moore
J. Brent Morris
Pat Murphy
Katherine Nunley
John Oliver
Allan Patterson
Cathe Radabaugh
Liz Ragosta
Helen Randel
Dan Reiber
Pete & Prue Richards
W. Bruce Richards
Kay Rider
Julia Robinson
Melanie Satterfield
Eugene D. Schmel
Dina Schoonmaker
Liz Schultz
Annalee Sekulic
Victor Sergent
Jean Foggio Simon
Bruce & Sue Simonson
Steve & Genny Soltow
Paul (Bud) Sperling
Priscilla Steinberg
Jim Sunshine
Barbara Suroy
Tommy Trice
Jim & Andréa Underwood
Mary Kirtz Van Nortwick
Don & Mary Louise VanDyke
Jack & Geni Poprad Vanek
Anne Wardwell
Elizabeth Wilmer
Reid Wood
Tom & Edie Wood
William Yin

DONORS TO THE ENDOWMENT FOR HISTORY EDUCATION

The Heritage Center was thrilled to complete the Endowment Fund for History Education campaign in 2014, a major objective of OHC’s strategic plan during the past decade. Through the years, more than 400 donors contributed just over $800,000 to fully endow the salary of OHC’s Museum Education and Tour Coordinator, one of two full-time positions at the Heritage Center. A deep and sincere thank you to all of our generous contributors. The following donated to the fund in 2014 (and does not include payments made on previous-year Endowment pledges from Endowed Life Members, who are listed on page 15).

Camille Hamlin Allen
Kathleen Amerkanhrikan
Hank Annable
Anonymous
Dick & Donna Baznik
David & Sign Boe
Tom & Janet Bolland
Tania Boster
H. Scott & Ellen Broadwell
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