

## Sharing The Secret

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### President's Remarks Larry Wallace 937-620-2800

We are saddened with the death of Gayla Metzcar, member, secretary and always a volunteer to AWTHS and the community of Arcanum. Gayla will be greatly missed. It was a pleasure to have known her and worked with her during my time as president of AWTHS.

I appreciate that Connie Norris will be taking on the responsibilities of secretary for the remainder of the year.

Summer is moving along pretty quickly. The week couldn't have been any better working gate #3 at the Great Darke County Fair. The attendance could be another record year. It's always interesting to talk to different people attending and entering through gate #3.

We wish to thank everyone who has volunteered this year for AWTHS. The work done by Dave Kepler and Connie Norris on the grounds and flower beds were a tremendous help. There were others that contributed their skills to our association this year who we fully appreciate.

We are all looking forward to the Christmas Bazaar in November. The Friday evening opening was a big success last year and will continue this year. The Christmas Bazaar is our main fundraiser of the year. Everyone can attend and purchase some great deals for their holiday decorating. If interested in helping out contact Sharon or Richard Troutwine.

The checking/savings balance at the end of August was \$9,528.94.

Since the founding of AWTHS we were fortunate to have two local historians, the late Anita Short and Bill Gunder. Both researched and wrote extensively on local history. It is difficult to replace these AWTHS members who were so knowledgeable and who contributed so much toward starting this historical society. We are now in need of a historian. Until a historian is appointed the board voted to establish a committee to perform the many responsibilities: computer skills, knowledge of history, writing & researching skills, willing to work with others, assist with the library and act as a host to answer questions during open hours. Each person would not need to have all of these skills. One person may be interested in helping in only one area. This does not have to be a long term commitment. If you are called to help please say "yes". Better yet, volunteer. Please contact Annette, 692-6462 or at [contact@arcanumhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:contact@arcanumhistoricalsociety.org) for information

I hope to see you at the program November 12th which promises to be a fun evening of "Show and Share".

The membership meeting I look forward to also is the January 8th annual meeting and Carry -in-Dinner. The food is good and plentiful. Election of Officers and Directors for 2016 will be held at this meeting..

### \*\*\*\*\* Meeting & Program November 12th 7:00 p.m. "Show and Share" \*\*\*\*\*

At our November 12th meeting we are asking everyone to bring in one family heirloom or personal treasure to share with us. We are interested in seeing and hearing about something "old" that you are willing to bring in and briefly share its history. Remember one man's junk is another man's treasure. This meeting is sure to be fun and a relaxing night for us all at AWTHS. We hope to see you there.

#### AWTHS Officers and Directors

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#### One Call Now

The phone system used to notify a select group of people has been established by AWTHS to notify members of upcoming events. The One Call Now system allows 1000 calls a year at a cost of \$93.15. The first notification was placed the third week in September. If you did not receive a call by this method and would like to receive reminders of activities please contact Richard Troutwine, 692-5128.

<b>Acquisition List</b>	Carolyn Furlong - 548-5665	Fred and Carolyn Troutwine - 692-8939	
15035	Genealogy of Hanes Family and other pertinent information - Gordon, etc.		Jean Hanes
15036	Preble Co. tax lists 1827-1834, Mont. Co. Census 1900, wooden Stereoscope viewer with slides, Cemetery Inscriptions, Vol.1 Anita Short, Greenville Cemetery records, Vance Book.		Garst Museum From the Susan H. Kendall Collection
15037	Black Book - Eastern Star, Documents and Minutes, several yearend reports		Order of Eastern Star
15038	Genealogy of Pearce/Geeting family books, 50 volumes (binders) plus (6) books		Susan Ruse for Mary Pearce
15039	Preble Co. records -deaths, marriage, newspaper obits, land records		Rose Shilt
15040	Picture of Gordon one room school class of 1919, Copy of deed of Philip Gordon for Town of Gordon		Mike Stump
15041	Two magazines about Smith's Dept. Store - Ohio Magazine		Linda Newbauer
15042	Greenville Memories 1912-1917 by Marquerite Stoltz		Bruce Shank
15043	Armed Forces Album and Rosser Collection, WWII ration books, newspaper article concerning 14 class members of 1943 serving in Armed Forces, Journal of William Frederick Rosser and Rosser Family lineage chart		Marilyn R. Strickler
15044	1945 Commencement Greenville, Ohio, 1944 Recital Program from Cong. Christian Church, Ohio Emblems Memorabilia, framed Marriage Certificate of George Delk and Margaret Poush		Delk Family-Susan H. Kendall Collection
15045	Castine photos and information on town		Mark Baker
15046	Post Office Stamp used on mail during Arcanum Sesquicentennial - 1999		Gary Naylor
15047	Settee - floral pattern (sold out of residence and estate of Louis and Gladys Munday)		Myrtle M Hutchinson
15048	DVD-FM vs Arcanum 1976 with (3) other games, newspaper clippings 1976 games - set of (5) cassettes		Brent Cline
15049	(1) tennis racquet constructed at Dayton Racquet Factory, Arcanum		Nancy Cooper
15050			
15051	Beverly Floyd WWII large photo, snapshots and newspaper article		Barb Troutwine
15052	John and Scott Wiltshire military photos		John Wiltshire
15053	Larry Wallace Navy photo		Larry Wallace
15054	WWI group photo (taken from Arcanum - A secret Place - Sesquicentennial Book)		Annette Stewart
15055	Gary Hittle and James Sheffield photos (military), Discharge of Gilbert H. Smith		Susan Hittle
15056	Military photos of George Garbig and Billie Campbell and a biographic story of George Garbig		Linda Campbell
15057	Bob Weisenbarger's Military Photo		Susie Weisenbarger
15058	Hicks and Hinkle photos and biography (military)		Joanne Hicks
15059	Jeffrey Simpson - photo, Justin Deis - photo, Jim Deis - photo (Military)		Barb Deis
15060	Article on Doug LeFever		Bill Brown
15061	Remembering Doug LeFever		Ted Murphy
15062	William Jack Stephens (Navy photo)		
15063	Harold Goubeaux (Military photo)		Mary Goubeaux
15064	John B. Davis (Navy Photo)		
15065	Jesse Buckner photo - Seaman 1st Class Navy WWII		
15066	Ray Arnett - Private Army 1943-1944 photo		
15067	Old inkwell pen and newspaper articles, Lenders Record book		Rose Shilt
15068	Various newspaper articles, several old postcards, Arcanum Hardware playing cards, Ithaca School register of students Sept.16, 1889 - May 1, 1894		David Frazee
15069	Many Class photos (Arcanum) - 1928, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950		Jim Gray
15070	Construction pictures of Historical Society storage building, 1933 Arcanum High School Basketball Team photo, Twin Twp. #16 school 8th grade graduation photo		Fred Troutwine
15071	School photo of last students to attend Ithaca two-room school 1949-1950		Richard and Norma Hoover
15072	Book, "Wayne Lakes, A Pioneer's Dream", by James M. Sage		Ray Fellows

**In Our Collection** We now have among our acquisitions a vintage Stereoscope viewer along with a collection of slides of world landscapes and news events of past days, circa.1900. A stereoscope is a device by which two photographs of the same object taken at slightly different angles are viewed together creating an impression of depth and solidity.

ReportsMembership Sharon Troutwine 692-5128

New members: We have a new member, Kay Luce Girbert from Greenville. Welcome Kay.

Membership Renewals: We are glad to report Mike & Kathy Fout, Peggy Didier, Mildred Hoover, Ted & Mary Murphy and Tom Jones have renewed their membership.

Membership Correction: We apologize to Eleanor Freese for not including her name as a renewed member in the previous newsletter.

It is with sadness we note the passing of Gayla Metzcar, Miriam Lockman and Kerlin Wilt.

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Christmas Bazaar 2015 Richard and Sharon Troutwine 692-5128

Friday Nov. 27th 6:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. \* Saturday Nov. 28th 9:00 a.m. - 5:30p .m.

Believe it or not- it is time to prepare for our 2015 Christmas Bazaar. Last year's profit was \$3,716.28.

We will again have our Preview Sale Friday evening. We plan to have 3 checkout lanes due to the long wait lines last year. Another change will be expanding Beck's Boutique by including the middle room where we've previously had our Bake Shoppe.

Our kitchen will become Mrs. Claus's Christmas Kitchen. We hope you again will be generous with your donations, filling the kitchen with lots of delicious candies, cookies, pies, cakes, cupcakes, breads, coffee cakes and snacks. Please make your old stand-by recipes and for fun try some new ones too. Everyone loves our homemade goodies and now they will only be available at the Christmas Bazaar. Remember to list ingredients on your donations. We will be accepting your donations on Friday Nov. 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We will not have a Cookie Walk as last year.

We do plan to continue our 50-50 Raffle as well as the In-House Raffle and Nightly Door Prizes.

Please keep these date and times in mind:

\*Nov. 12 Thurs - Regular AWTHS Meeting 7:00 Following the meeting carry downstairs all Bazaar items.

\*Nov. 27 Fri. All Bake Shoppe items brought to AWTHS 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.

\*Nov. 27 Fri. Preview Sale 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

\*Nov. 28 Sat. Second Day Sale 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

\*Nov. 30 Mon. Box-up/Clean-up 9:00 a.m.

Any help you can give will be appreciated! What can you do? Check out the following list!

1. Donate items for the Bazaar
2. Volunteer to help tear apart old donated trees, wreaths, etc.
3. Help setup & decorate Christmas trees
4. Help carry items downstairs Thursday night after Nov.12th meeting
5. Help unpack bazaar items.
6. Sell & Buy 50-50 Raffle tickets
7. Bake / Make goodies for Mrs. Claus's Kitchen
8. Work at Bazaar
9. Buy at Bazaar
10. Help Box-up and Clean-up after Bazaar on Mon. Nov. 30 at 9:00 a.m.

***THANK YOU FOR HELPING !!!***

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**2015 Darke Co, Fair Gate #3** Keith and Carolyn Furlong 548-6556

We thank each of you for your willingness to help staff the fair gate. There were 64 individuals who volunteered for the 27 time slots during the 135 hours of coverage. The board increased the payment to **\$1,250.** This a 25 percent increase. Again thank you for your assistance and flexibility.

**Reference Library Coordinator** Annette Stewart 692-6462

***WHAT'S UP?***

Our library hosted during Saturday morning open hours, answered approximately six inquiries from e-mail about research, met with three researching in house and lots of other appointments regarding donations. We've updated our website (take a look) and freshened it up with some new photos and tabs to list our new collections, digital files, and contact information which includes a map and hours. To help us save time when donating please have your family tree and history organized at least by families. Those in binders will go on the shelf; loose papers will go in our surname file drawer.

**Gordon** John Stump recently showed us his collection of very old deeds from his property east of Gordon which is supposedly the founder of Gordon. Some of these are signed by President Adams in 1820. Copies were made and a list was typed which list all the property owners from the deed records to the present.

Brent Cline transferred some media materials from video over to DVD for us. We have a complete list on our website but you might remember Arcanum winning the state in basketball in 1956 and 1969. We have these games as well as the Kalida Semi State in 1967. And also F-M games from 1973.

**REFERENCE LIBRARY'S GOAL:** We are a part of the AWTHS. Our mission is to collect, record, and preserve history from the past and the present for the future. We collect by obtaining collections, books, photos, and reference materials. We record by videoing programs, organizing materials into binders or digital files, researching and writing or (typing) articles and having a system so researchers can use our facility and library. Preservation methods include binders (paper copies) digital files, CD's and DVD's. Preservation also includes sharing – thru communication, programs, and having the library and research area open.

My goal as a coordinator is to “teach” others how to use these methods and materials. When you learn then you can accomplish your own goals as well as “help” others to learn and then help our library by working on various projects. If you wish to help or learn join us when we are open First Saturdays this fall. Due to staffing we simply do not have the means to research extensive history or projects for others. We are there to assist and point you in the right direction.

**NEEDS:**

Several of those hosting have assisted with small projects at the AWTHS which is a tremendous help. Some have worked on various things at their homes. Thanks to Fred and Carolyn Troutwine and Susie Weisenbarger. Also thanks to the Furlongs for researching the Delisle School.

- (1) A Volunteer to make DVD's from our videos. Possibly to assist with the video portion and transfer.
- (2) Assistants to help with research questions from the AWTHS e-mail. Many involve looking up some information and answering questions from looking in our library and binders.
- (3) Ongoing projects: If you would like to assist please let me know. I would like to work on (1)Twin Township old school houses numbering and names from the plat maps. (2) Gathering history on the town of Gordon (3) United Brethren Church history in regards to Nealeigh School on Alt. 49 East (not Gordon) and the Albright family.

I appreciate those who have helped out; these little things help me to be able to focus and research on other projects as well as organize the information and resources we already have. If you would like to write or research a particular topic on your own, that is fine, too.

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND THANK YOU'S**

Thanks to Nick Dimmick for transferring our programs this year to DVD. These are available for viewing. Nick also helped get our website up to date. Check it out-we've added some new pages and pictures.

And also Brent Cline for helping with tech support during our Coffee and Conversation with Dave Gray. Brent has assisted with running the DVD and supplying us with Arcanum and F-M basketball history for all you sports fans. Thank you to our hostesses this summer: Susie Weisenbarger, Carolyn and Fred Troutwine, Jenny Quigney, JoAnne Hill, Sharon Troutwine and Carolyn Furlong.

**HOURS**

We are back to Fall Hours. Open the First Saturday of each month: 9 a.m. - noon and by appointment, 692-6462.

**On Going Projects**

**Euchre Parties - First and Third Friday of each month - Dave & Beth Flora 692-8413; Hall Rental - Carolyn Furlong, 548-6556; Aluminum Can Recycling - Lynn Trump 692-6116; For Sale - Arcanum Books and Arcanum Note Cards - Barbara Deis 678-7832; Donation of Appreciated Stocks - Richard Troutwine, 692-5128 or Todd Durham, 2nd National Bank, 548-2206**

**SOUTHERN DARKE COUNTY HISTORY**

ANNETTE STEWART 692-6462

**EXCITING NEW COLLECTIONS**

The reference library has obtained numerous large collections this summer of family histories and reference materials.

\* First we received from the late Tom Hanes and wife Jean, an extensive collection of genealogy and trees on Frederick Shank (Revolutionary War), Corwin family (Revolutionary War), Hanes, Bonham and related families. This has been organized and will be available for researching. Interesting note is the Bonham families go back to the Mayflower and the Corwin includes the Golden Lamb in Lebanon, OH as well as Simon Kenton line. Also ties with the Gordon town founder through the Bonham's. In Dayton newspaper collections we have a photo of Tom Corwin.

\* Second collection is from Mary Pearce from Ithaca. There are over 30 binders on: Pearce, Geeting, Jenkins, Jordan, and Dent as well as donations of census and cemetery records, family history books on Mackey, Siler, Ulrich Rinehart families and the sought after "Early Schoolhouses of Darke County" by Beatrice Campbell. This collection was already organized and in binders which is helpful.

\* Third was a donation of the Susan Haines Kendell collection from Garst. Names include: Sharp, Delk, Vance, Reichard, Kress, Woods, Shively, Tillman, Van-Doren, Stephens, Weaver, Byers, Thorp, Haines, Wagner (Waggoner), Hansbarger, Dynes, Drew, and Pfander as well as Ninevah Church history and Garst donated census books for Darke (our first!), Montgomery Co. Tax records, Preble Co Tax List, History of Lewisburg, and Anita Short's cemetery records for Mote and Arcanum area. These family names needed sorted which took some time. There is a nice collection of photos from the Sharp-Delk family. However, there are also numerous that are not identified and those have been left out at the AWTHS for possible identification.

\* Fourth was Rose Shilt's collection of Preble County reference books on newspaper obits, marriages, births, deeds, and court records. In fact a total of over 50 volume's! In speaking with Rose I found out she has Ashley ancestors and met Anita Short at the courthouse one day recording documents. Anita helped Rose and then Rose started helping Anita with recording since she started doing publications. On our website we have "Rose Shilt' Obits" from the Arcanum Times papers. Rose has worked endlessly with the Darke, Preble, Montgomery and OH records copying and doing typing and indexing. Montgomery County wills are copyrighted in her name.

\* Fifth: We've went through most of Bill Gunder's records and binders. His daughter kept the family history. The records that we received so far were some church history which included the United Brethren Church, the Methodist, Pilgrim's Progress, and the Immanuel Baptist Church. These will need to be typed and put into Word. Most of Anita Short's work was typed by Nancy Baker and perhaps others but these records were put in digital files that are available on our laptop. This was done to save space. A few of the binders remain and are also available to view. This includes the City Hall, Fire Dept. and various newspaper articles. Interesting tidbit: We have an old photo of Bill's house, before the addition which looks to be early 1900s.

**Making the Connection      Lewisburg -Ithaca-Arcanum      Annette Stewart**

As most of you are aware, our spring Historic Driving Tour of Ithaca focused on the founder, John Colville. We learned his wife, Dicy, was the daughter of Martin Rice and sister to Nancy Rice Gunder, the wife of the founder of Arcanum. One of our donations was the book on Lewisburg, History of Lewisburg, Preble County Sesquicentennial booklet, 1818-1968 which is in our collection. To my delight, it told the story of Martin Rice and the fact he helped to establish and buy land in Lewisburg. Through this book and the recent donations from Rose Shilt we were able to learn more about the Martin Rice family and Dicy who later married John Colville.

We then started researching John Colville and his stone in the Ithaca Cemetery. Through Find-a-Grave website I found another researcher who was actually related to the Colville family and she had some family history on the Colville's. This is where we obtained the photo of Lucy Colville, sister to the Founder. In the book on Lewisburg we also found two photos which go along with our story on the Rice's and the driving tour: One is the log house of Martin from Lewisburg and the other is the toll house mentioned on Darke Preble County Line Road in Preble County, at the intersection of Rt. 503.

The following article gives information about Lewisburg families, many of whom later moved north into Darke County, helping to establish new communities. Many people in Southern Darke County can trace their heritage back to Preble County families.

**Lewisburg, Martin Rice and John Colville**  
**Notes from the Lewisburg Ohio Sesquicentennial 1818-1968**

In 1804-1805 the Pottawatomie Indians camped in Twin Creek Valley, section 3 and 10 in Twin Township, Preble County. It was the 8<sup>th</sup> village to be platted in Preble and first to secure self-government by incorporation. Joseph Singer was first settler in 1804. The first house was located at 522 South Commerce Street. Ohio became a state in 1803 and The Treaty of Greenville was signed on August 3, 1795, at Fort Greenville, now Greenville, Ohio. It ended the Northwest Indian War in the Ohio Country and limited strategic parcels of land to the north and west. The second treaty was signed July 22, 1814. This gives you a time frame of the settling of our area.

In 1804 Frederick Miller bought section 34 of Twin Twp. His wife was Elizabeth Sharp. Her sister Catharine was married to Tobias Tillman. In 1805 nephew to Tobias, John Tillman left for Ohio from Norris Lake, TN. This is the group who came to Ohio and were "First Families".

Tillman's: John Sr., Tobias and wife Catharine, John Sr. son, Catharine Tillman's father and aunt which was Henry and Rebecca Sharp. Children of Tobias and Catharine include Alexander McNutt and wife Elizabeth along with children John, Eli, and Hiram.

Martin Rice was 26 years old, his wife Barbara was 27. Their children at this time were: Elizabeth 5 yrs; Tilman 3; Nancy 1 (later wife of William Gunder). Others were Jacob Loy with wife Phoebe and son Job; James Abbot and wife Catharine; John Tilman Jr. and wife Nancy Harless, Nancy Tilman's brother who was George Harless and Harvey Medlam and some Albrechts and Myers.

In March of 1809 Martin Rice bought the west ½ of section 27 from federal land office. Today this is the heart of Lewisburg. There is photo of the log house he built in the book, **History of Lewisburg, Preble County Sesquicentennial booklet, 1818-1968**, which is in our collection. This was along Lexington Road. (Would be Rt. 503 today and Dayton Street) A road then started in Eaton and ended up at Rice's house. Today this is possibly Lewisburg Western Road. The property contained a large spring on the SW ¼ near the intersection of Lexington-Western Road. In December 1809 Martin sold the north half of his land (NW ¼ section 27) to Frederick Black. His was the first log house in later days known as Euphemia. Martin was a land speculator and was also one of the first township officials and served as the treasurer. We find his land records in the Preble Land Records 1821-1827 on page 63 for Martin buying property and on page 68 for selling property in 1825. Also in 1819 to Henry Horn. Marriage records are also seen in Volume 2 1831-1840 which list marriage of daughter Nancy Rice to William Gunder August 2, 1821; Betsy Rice to John Nealy December 19, 1816; and Temperance Rice to Jesse Ozias on September 24, 1829.

Per William Gunder's book "The Secret Town" we find William Gunder, the founder, working for Martin Rice his future father-in-law. So that's how he met Nancy. Later after his wife died at 44 yrs. old from cholera, William remarried in 1849 to Huldah Loy in Preble County. They returned to Lewisburg area in the fall of 1854 for the education of the children.

Per Find A Grave website it lists Martin and his wife's burial at Hunt-Tillman Cemetery in Preble County which is an old farm cemetery located in section 3, Harrison Twp. east of Rt. 503 and north of Georgetown-Verona Road. According to the Lewisburg book, this cemetery was the joint family cemetery of John Tillman, Jr. and his brother-in-law Jacob Loy. It was established very early in the center of their farms which was center of section 3, Harrison Township. In 1831 this plot was sold to the trustees of a non-denominational church and became the graveyard for the log church built there. Together with the Union Church graveyard, it served as a burial ground for most of our early settlers in this region.

Per the Obituary Abstracts 1850-1890 and Eaton Register and Eaton Democrat Newspapers we find the obits for Tillman Rice, son of Martin, who died May 20, 1875 in West Sonora at 73 years old. He was married to Mary Meroney in 1826. We learn of the early Rice history through the obit that Tillman was born in Knox County TN. At 3 his parents

emigrated to Preble County, Ohio. Tillman had 4 children and 12 grandchildren. These spellings were copied from the newspaper abstract.

Per Find a Grave Martin Rice is listed as being born June 1779. He married Barbara Tilman on November 16, 1790 or 1799 in Knox, Tennessee. Barbara was born 1778. Martin and family came to Ohio 1805. Their children are listed as Elizabeth, Tilman, and Nancy in the Lewisburg book. Other daughter is Dicy. Martin died October 24, 1849 from cholera and later Barbara in 1865. Both buried old church cemetery.

Per Preble County records donated by Rose Shilt we find Martin's will which confirms his wife, Barbara and relation of the children. Listed are Elizabeth wife of John Nely; Tilman Rice; Heirs of Nancy Gunder late wife of William Gunder; Henry Rice of state of Michigan; Dicy wife of John Colville.

<b>2016</b>	<b>All memberships are renewable January 1st of each year</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Use the form below to renew or join for the first time. Fill in your email address if you wish to receive the newsletter by email.</b>		
<b>Please consider volunteering your time or services. "Many hands make light work"</b>		
<b>Membership Form</b>		<b>Mail to AWTHS, P.O. Box 4, Arcanum, OH 45304</b>
Name _____	New _____	Renewal _____
Phone Number _____	Receive newsletter by Email? add address _____	
Address _____		
City, State and Zip code _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Single	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Family	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Sponsorship
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Your additional tax deductible contributions are also greatly appreciated \$ _____		
Your participation is needed for AWTHS to exist and for continuous growth. Please check the area where you can serve.		
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		<input type="checkbox"/> Ways & Means
		<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Garden Care
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yard Care
		<input type="checkbox"/> Publications
		<input type="checkbox"/> Set Up Hall

**It Was In the Newspaper \*Arcanum Times October 1920**

**October Humor - Arcanum Times 1920**

**October**

October brings equinoctial storms, political promises, autumn leaves, winter coal bills, fall plowing, threshing, Hallow'en, second-half taxes, Indian summer, corn-husking, cotton-picking, apple-bobbing, and several thousand other things.

October is the last month in which a candidate for office can kiss babies prior to his retiring to private life. Politically speaking, it is the most promising month in the year. More voters-both sexes nowadays-are called buy their first names in October than in any other month. What the defeated candidates call them in November is not fit to print.

October is the month in which city people burn up two dollars worth of gasoline driving out to gather a nickel's worth of pignuts, which they think are hickory-nuts. Nutting parties are quite popular. Most of the nuts are not on the ground under the trees-until the city folks get there. Anybody that would live in a city in October couldn't be expected to have any sense.

It was in October that "nut brown ale" used to be considered quite a drink, before the 18th amendment went into effect. Now there seems to be something ailing with the ale.

October is a fine month to pile up wood alongside the kitchen door for the good housewife to have handy during the winter. Buggy rides, during the full-moon period, are likely to prove dangerous; many a man has lost his independence as a result. The open season for pumpkin pies comes toward the close of the month. On the last night of the month it is considered quite a joke to pull the farmer's buggy up to the roof of the barn or overturn some of the outbuildings. It is not nearly so much fun undoing the mischief the next day.

A good American poet wrote of October as the time "when the frost is on the punkin, and fodder's in the shock." It is sometimes hard, however to keep the frost on the pumpkin; it is apt to slop over on something else.

Prune picking is at its height in California in October. A funny thing about the prune is that even the youngest is wrinkled! *Farm Journal*

**Store Club Meet Sept. 16, 1920**

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Weisenbarger entertained the members of the M.L. Weisenbarger Company Store Club in their regular meeting at their home Monday evening. After the business session a musical program was rendered. Four new members were added to the club; Misses Mae Johnson, Alene Eubanks, Faye Parker and Mr. Russell Julian. Sherbert and cake were served. (The Weisenbarger's lived at 5 W. South St.)

**School Trivia Sept. 23, 1920**

Franklin Township High School opens the school year with the largest enrollment recorded in the history of the school. Forty-six students have already enrolled and prospects are favorable for one or two others to enter soon.

**AWTHS**

**P.O. Box 4**

**Arcanum, OH 45304**

**Calendar of Events**

October 2 & 16, 2015	Euchre Card Party	1:00-3:30 p.m.
October 6, 2015	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
November 3, 2015	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
November 6 & 20, 2015	Euchre Card Party	1:00-3:30 p.m.
November 12, 2015	Membership Meeting Program: Show and Share	7:00 p.m.
November 27, 2015	Christmas Bazaar	6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
November 28, 2015	Christmas Bazaar	9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
November 30, 2015	Pack-up and Clean- up after Bazaar	9:00 a.m.
December 4 & 18, 2015	Euchre Card Party	1:00-3:30 p.m.
<b>January 14, 2016</b>	<b>Annual Membership Meeting/ Carry in Dinner</b>	<b><u>6:30 p.m.</u></b>



## Election of Officers and Directors

### **Reminder**

Attend November program \* Bring something "old" to share

Donate Christmas items \* Bring friends to shop at the Bazaar

Volunteer to maintain AWTHS website

Volunteer to scan photos

Learn reference library and research materials to help visitors and coordinator

Read past issues of the newsletters on the website.