

Massillon Heritage Foundation

Spring Newsletter 2015

Massillon Heritage Foundation Receives Ohio History Fund Grant

President - Gary Martzolf

The Massillon Heritage Foundation is pleased to be one of only thirteen organizations statewide to receive an Ohio History Fund Grant. The foundation will receive \$17,900 to continue the restoration of Five Oaks Historic Mansion. This grant will enable the foundation to initiate interior restoration by repairing damaged plaster and paint in the mansion's parlor, library, music room and second floor hallway.

Matching Funds Needed

Ohio History Fund grants are matching grants and the foundation will be required to contribute 40% of the total project cost that is anticipated to exceed \$30,000. This translates into \$12,000 that the foundation must raise in order to receive the state funds. Plans are being finalized for a capital campaign to raise the necessary funds.

Ohio History Fund

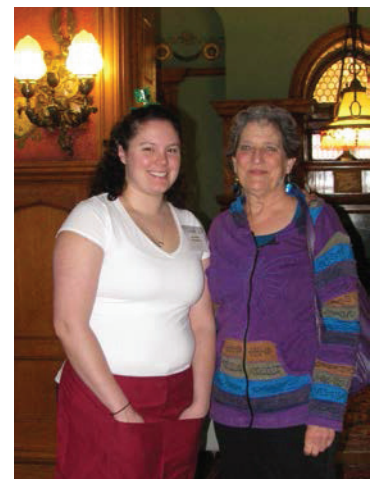
The history fund is a competitive grant-matching program that is one of four "tax check-off" funds found on Ohio taxpayers' income tax forms. "The fund helps us share and preserve Ohio's story by supporting local projects and programs in communities throughout the state" said Burt Logan, Executive Director and CEO for the Ohio History Connection.



Gary Martzolf, MHF President, receives the History Fund "check" from (L to R) Mark Sundlov, Manager, Local History Office, Ohio History Connection, Stacia Kuceyeski, Director Outreach Division, Ohio History Connection; and Glenda Greenwood, President, Ohio History Connection.

Massillon Heritage Foundation Hosts Regional Meeting

On March 14, forty-five representatives of historical societies from five Ohio counties gathered at Five Oaks for the Ohio Local History Alliance (OLHA) Region 5 Spring Meeting. Following welcoming comments from Massillon Mayor, Kathy Catazaro-Perry, attendees participated in presentations for recruiting & retaining members and alternative & entrepreneurial sources of income. Additional sessions were moderated by Kathy Fernandez, OLHA Treasurer and Executive Director of the North Canton Heritage Society and Kate Smith, OLHA Region 5 Representative and Special Projects Coordinator for the Dennison Railroad Depot Museum. Lunch was provided by the Massillon Woman's Club and served by Massillon Heritage Foundation volunteer waitresses. Mark Sundlov, Manager, Local History Office, Ohio History Connection stated that "the Region 5 meeting was a tremendous success" due in large part to the efforts of the Massillon Heritage Foundation volunteers.



Two Board Members Resign

It is with great regret, that we accepted the recent resignations of Robert Yund and Gretchen Schrantz from the Massillon Heritage Foundation Board. Thank you, Bob and Gretchen, for your service.

Capital Campaign – Ed Hare, Chairman

HELP!! PLEASE SAVE ME!!! That's the cry echoing through the mansion of Five Oaks, home of the Massillon Woman's Club. Restoration projects and critical repairs have been completed thus far and the Massillon Heritage Foundation is grateful for your support. Your continued gifts are necessary to assist in matching the Ohio History Fund Grant recently awarded to MHF that will enable us to begin repairing damaged plaster and paint on the interior of the building. Soon you will receive a letter and envelope asking for your tax deductible donation. We all will benefit from your consideration in keeping Five Oaks the treasure she truly is.

Summer Tour Schedule Announced

We hope to keep Five Oaks open for Sunday Tours during this summer's construction project to restore the plaster and paint in several rooms. However, if we believe public safety could be compromised during the construction process, the home will be closed for summer tours.



Sunday Afternoon Tours at 2:00 & 3:00 PM

July 12, July 19, July 26
August 2, August 9, August 16, August 23

Special Events

Massillon Millionaire's Row

Saturday, June 27, 2015

\$15.00 per person

(Massillon Heritage Foundation Members \$7.00)

\$40.00 family (Up to four persons)

Spend a long leisurely morning on Historic Fourth Street, the home of Massillon's wealthiest entrepreneurs, financiers, and industrialists from the early 1830s through the 1930s. The residences—crowned by the magnificent 1894 stone mansion, Five Oaks—represent more than a century of intriguing history and architectural excellence. Begin the tour in the Victorian splendor of Five Oaks, where delicious pastries are included—baked fresh at the historic Liebermann's Bakery, where five generations of the same family have served Massillon since 1880. Join Margy Vogt for a guided stroll along the slate sidewalks lining the brick street to visit Massillon's historic Fourth Street.

9:00 AM - Tour of Five Oaks

with continental breakfast

(Coffee, Tea, juice, Liebermann's pastry)

10:30 AM - Walking Tour of Historic Fourth Street with

Margy Vogt

Historic Fourth Street Walking Tour

with Margy Vogt

Sunday, July 12, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

\$7 per person

On this date, the Five Oaks mansion will offer a separate tour at 3:00 p.m.

\$6 per person (Massillon Heritage Foundation members – free)

Saunter along the slate sidewalks lining the brick street to visit Massillon's historic Fourth Street. The rich history and architectural excellence of the town's grandest old neighborhood qualify it to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Savor an exterior look at the mansions spanning a century of design (1830s to 1930s), the homes of Massillon's entrepreneurs and bankers, prominent families who hosted Presidents McKinley and Garfield, and humanitarians who harbored fugitive slaves. See the "Lillian Gish" house, where the actress stayed as an adult when she visited Massillon.

Spring Gala Report – Mary Ann Poling, Chair

The annual Spring Gala was held at Five Oaks on Saturday, April 18. A delightful evening was had by all that attended. We enjoyed dinner and lively entertainment performed by Peggy Coyle and Brad Bolton. Many thanks to our attendees and sponsorships that made this evening a great success! Special thanks for basket, cookies, and wine donations from Judy Radel, Jean Rice, Tracy Spyker, Gretchen Schrantz, Pam Stephan and Sue Reid/Massillon Woman's Club Gift Shop.

Our wonderful sponsors and guests contributed \$4,287.29 with matching funds pending of \$105. These dollars will go toward the matching grant from the Ohio History Fund for plaster and paint restoration inside Five Oaks.



Many thanks to our generous Gala sponsors!

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Membership – Peggy Haunty

As of the end of April, we have 321 Heritage memberships and \$15,695.00 in total membership dues paid for the year from Fall 2014 to Fall 2015. A special thank you to all of our members who are contributing to the restoration and preservation of our beautiful "Five Oaks"! An additional \$3,464.00 for restoration was donated by some members with their dues.

Those memberships with extra donations are marked in the membership listing with an asterisk. If you have not joined the Heritage Foundation this year it is never too late to give your support. If you need any further information or corrections, call Peggy Haunty, Membership Chair at (330) 833-7108.

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