Clinton County Historical Society
Museum & Archives
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Beginning our 51st Year

Volunteers Needed

The CCHS runs on volunteers. We are always looking for new people to step up and help. We could use museum docents, help with museum maintenance, people willing to make presentations to schools and other groups, and help with record digitization and organization. If any of these sound like something you'd be interested in let us know.

Meet the Volunteers

Wayne Summers



Wayne has lived in eleven different towns in four states, but has spent the last 36 years in Clinton County. After graduating from MSU he taught at Pewamo-Westphalia Schools for over 40 years.

He and his wife, Linda, have four children and six grandchildren.

Wayne has always had an interest in genealogy and local history. He has written a history of Clinton County schools and assisted with other books.

Among his retirement activities are serving on the DeWitt District Library Board, MIGenWeb webmaster, and volunteering at the Archives of Michigan.

For the CCHS Wayne is currently the CCHS Board Secretary, helps maintain the webpage, works on archives projects, and writes articles for the *Clinton County Trails*.

Newspaper Digitization

CMU has informed us the digitization of Ovid and Elsie newspapers has been delayed and won't be completed until sometime in the first quarter of this year. We have also begun digitizing *Fowler Post* newspapers.

After catching our breath after a busy 50th anniversary year, your Executive Board has been diligently meeting to update our by-laws and plan future activities which will be shared in a future newsletter.

The museum, while closed for the winter, is updating exhibits, planning a theme for 2025, and getting ready to reopen in the spring.

Everything we do is dependent on our members who support us through membership dues and gifts. For 2025 we will continue to have two separate memberships. One is for the CCHS (including archives) and second for the museum. We are looking at ways to possibly combine them into a single membership for 2026.

This newsletter will also continue through 2025 to keep you informed of CCHS news and events.

Christmas Party

The CCHS Board and volunteers met at Swaney's in St. Johns for their annual Christmas luncheon on December 5th. Along with enjoying good food and conversation, ornaments were exchanged and a good time was had by all.

