



## MUSEUM MESSAGE

Ohio's Oldest Museum May 2018  
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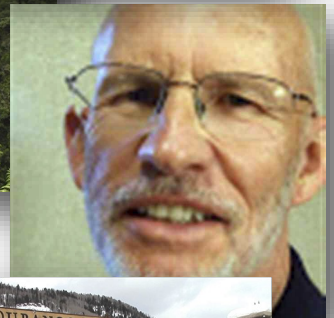
### Firelands Historical Society Reservations for May 16 Annual Dinner Meeting

This year's dinner meeting will be held at Norwalk Elk's #730 on the corner of St Rt 250 and South Norwalk Rd. just south of Fisher – Titus Medical Center.

The dinner will be Lasagna Roll, Romaine Cranberry Salad, Bread roll and Pie. The event will be catered by Catering by Design. The cost of the dinner is \$15 per person and will be complimentary to our Museum and Laning volunteers.

This year we will be having **Jim Busek** as guest speaker. Jim will be presenting his "*50 Adventures in 50 States*"

Payment must accompany reservations. Reservations may be made by using the form below. Reservations and check are to be sent to Firelands Historical Society, P.O Box 572, Norwalk, Ohio 44857. Reservation deadline is Tuesday May 8. If you are unable to come to the dinner, members may come for the annual meeting which includes the election of officers and trustees followed by the program.



Please remember to send us your change of mailing address and E-mail. Also, if you would like to have your newsletter sent by E-mail, please let us know.

Send information of change to [curator@firelandsmuseum.com](mailto:curator@firelandsmuseum.com).

## Constitution Change

This winter, the Board of Trustees voted to change the length of time an officer can hold the same office.

The elected term for the office of President, 1st Vice-President, and 2nd Vice-President shall be two (2) years, at which time the office of 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President shall advance toward the office of President. The terms shall run from the day of the annual meeting to the next annual meeting at which an election is held for the position. No person shall hold the same position as President, 1st Vice-President or 2nd Vice-President for more than one (1) term at a time. At the conclusion of his/her term the outgoing President shall fill the position of Immediate Past President.

The elected term for the office of Secretary and the office of Treasurer shall be three (3) years, running from the day of the annual meeting to the next annual meeting at which time the election is held for the office of Secretary or the office of Treasurer. No person shall hold the same position as Secretary or Treasurer for more than two (2) terms consecutively.



## Norwalk Home and Business Show

In late February, the Firelands Historical Society participated in the yearly Norwalk Business and Home Show which was held in Norwalk's Middle School auditorium. Participation in this event helps us to advertise our museum and also obtain new members. This year we added a few new features to our booth which had the Native American theme. We featured a large picture of Uncus, our Life Form Mannikin, and several trays of Native American artifacts. We also had a computer generated picture slide show which continually featured museum rooms and artifacts. To encourage people to visit our museum complex, we held a drawing for a free tour for two people. The winners were: Samantha Perry-White, North Fairfield, Carol Tkach, Huron, Ohio, and Dave Serl, Norwalk.

**2017 TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**FIRELANDS HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**GENERAL FUND:**

**JANUARY 1, 2017 BALANCE** **\$30,656.65**

**INCOME:** **2017 ACTUAL**

Admissions	\$1,071.00
Fundraising-Benedict	\$6,425.00
Fundraising-Garden Tour	\$2,070.00
Fundraising-Stewards	\$15,015.00
Gifts Received	\$16,045.46
Gift Shop Sales	\$5,687.88
Interest Income	\$1,628.58
Library Rent	\$360.00
Meeting Income	\$660.00
Memberships	\$3,340.00
Other Income	\$301.47
Research Fees	\$10.00
Special Projects Income	\$7,614.00

**TOTAL 2017 INCOME** **\$60,228.39**

**EXPENSES:**

990 Filing	\$200.00
Advertising	\$1,320.00
Education & Meetings	\$335.00
Equipment	\$581.92
Expense-Garden Tour	\$53.76
Expense-Gift Shop	\$3,023.92
Information & Technology	\$1,450.39
Insurance	\$2,073.00
Maintenance	\$3,855.82
Midway Bldg. Demolition	\$3,000.00
Newsletter Expense	\$708.82
Occupancy-Midway Bldg.	\$226.80
Occupancy-Museum	\$1,829.58
Occupancy-Research Ctr.	\$2,712.46
Office Expense-Museum	\$810.79
Office Expense-Research	\$637.30
Office Expense-Supplies	\$1,992.89
Programs & Meetings	\$606.00
Programs-Benedict Event	\$2,055.11
Security & Protection	\$810.00
Special Projects Expenses	\$6,268.00
Taxes-Newton Real Estate	\$169.40
Taxes-Sales	\$312.98
Workers Compensation	\$120.00

**TOTAL 2017 EXPENSES** **\$35,153.94**

**DEC. 31, 2017 BALANCE** **\$55,731.10**

**SPECIAL FUNDS:**

ACQUISITIONS FUND	\$3,500.00
ENDOWMENT FUND	\$102,130.63
FORD MEMORIAL	\$18,000.00
LIBRARY FUND	\$264.00
LANING-YOUNG BLDG.	\$3,200.00
MAINT/CAPITAL FUND	\$28,520.04
OLD BUILDING SURVEY	\$1,057.00
PUBLICATIONS FUND	\$1,080.09
WINDSOR/ADMIRAL	\$77,455.13
WINDSOR II	\$18,401.68
BLACK ENDOWMENT FOR AMER. INDIAN ARTIFACTS	\$9,081.84

**SPECIAL FUNDS TOTAL** **\$262,690.41**  
 (AS OF 12/31/2017)

**John Elmlinger, Treasurer**  
**Firelands Historical Society**

Firelands Historical Society  
4 Case Ave.  
P.O. Box 572  
Norwalk, OH 44857-0572

Firelands Historical Society Officers:

Pat Mak, President  
Dan Rood, 1st Vice President  
Chris Hipp, 2nd Vice President  
Mary Carabin, Secretary  
John Elmlinger, Treasurer

The Firelands Historical is proud to be a member  
of these fine organizations:

Firelands Council of Historical Societies  
Huron County Chamber of Commerce  
Lake Erie Firelands Tourist Council  
Norwalk Economic Development Corporation  
Ohio Association of Historical Societies & Museums  
Ohio Genealogical Society  
Ohio Historical Society

dues:

Individual - \$20  
Husband and Wife - \$35  
Business - \$100

Life Membership dues:

Individual - \$500 (or \$50 annually for 10 years)  
Business - \$1000 (or \$100 annually for 10 years)

Send Correspondence to:

The Firelands Historical Society  
P.O. Box 572  
Norwalk, OH 44857-0572  
Museum phone: 419.668.6038

Research Center phone: 419.663.0392

E-mail: [curator@firelandsmuseum.com](mailto:curator@firelandsmuseum.com)

**Museum Hours**

**May, September and October - Saturday 10-3 and Sunday 12-4.**

**June thru August - Tuesday thru Saturday 10-3 and Sunday 12-4.**

**Closed on Monday's.**

**For group tours and other special arrangements call 419-668-6038**

**or E-mail: [curator@firelandsmuseum.com](mailto:curator@firelandsmuseum.com).**

Annual  
Membership