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# The Benninghofen NEWSLETTER

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## Summer Time in Butler County

Summer time keeps the Butler County Historical Society busy. Our multi-generational programs featured some new topics this summer (quilts, autographs) as well as a few old favorites (laundry days, and the upcoming ice cream social). These programs are once again free to the public thanks to a grant from the W.E. Smith Family Trust of Oxford. The National Model T Ford Convention was in town and around 75 participants toured the Benninghofen House. The last week of July we could be found at the Butler County Fair. At the booth in the Art Hall we had books for sale, and mystery items were once again a big hit! This year we were also able to set up on Friday in the Farm Zone. Over 270 fairgoers learned about Butler County's agricultural history and saw items from the "Then and Now" program. The popular activity for the children was doing laundry with the antique agitators, washboards, and wringer washer. Special thanks to all who volunteered this summer to help make these events successful!



Executive Director Kathy Creighton (above) works on a drop spindle during our July multi-generational program. Volunteer Sarah Beckett (right) demonstrates how to use the wringer washer at the county fair.



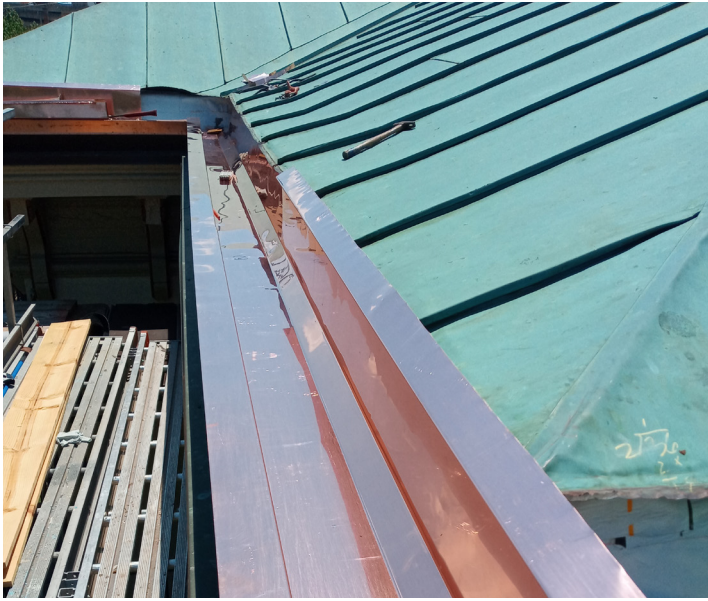
The Butler County Historical Society Summer Hours  
Tuesday - Friday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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## Gutter Update



The Benninghofen House received some necessary repairs this spring/summer. Scaffolding surrounded the house as the box gutters were replaced. This was an unexpected, but much needed repair. Work began in May and was completed the first week of July. We stayed open for tours and research throughout.

## 65th Model T Tour - Model T Ford Club International



The Model T Ford Club International Tour came to town this summer. It was exciting to see the cars throughout the week around the streets of Butler County. The BCHS hosted the group on Saturday July 16th for tours and a display of Ford related memorabilia. A good time was had by all.



# Heritage Hall

Did you ever wonder why McCloskey's Lentil played the harmonica?

Like many children of his day, parents wanted their children to be musically inclined and forced them to play the piano. You can see his attitude toward piano practice, and he complained that you can't take a piano when you go for a walk in the woods. Visit Heritage Hall's McCloskey Museum and see these illustrations and more.

Heritage Hall/Robert McCloskey Museum  
Open 10:00am - 4:00pm Friday and Saturday



## Halloween Haunted Tour



**Butler County Historical Society:**

**HALLOWEEN PARANORMAL INVESTIGATION/ HAUNTED TOUR**

**Experience the paranormal activity yourself!**

SRPI partners with BCHS once more to bring you a Halloween edition of our public investigation/haunted tour. You will get to experience the activity yourself while using our equipment and being guided by our professional team of investigators!

- ✓ General Admission: \$72  
- 8pm-2am (6 full hours!)
- Use professional equipment
- On site medium/sensitives
- ✓ VIP Admission: \$117  
- General admission PLUS 2 hour gallery medium reading (5-7pm)

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October 15th 2022  
VIP: 5pm-2am  
General Admission:  
8pm-2am

## Join Us

Butler County Historical Society

# ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Saturday September 10th 10:00am - 2:00pm



Butler County Historical Society  
327 North Second Street  
Hamilton, OH 45011

## Members Only Events

Thursday September 22: "Ghost Towns of Butler County" 7:00 PM  
Presented by BCHS Board Member Brian Smith

Thursday October 27: "1800s Medicine" 7:00 PM  
Presented by BCHS Executive Director Kathy Creighton

Thursday November 17: Annual Dinner Fitton Center - Invitations Mailed Soon  
Confederate Spy of Oxford Lottie Moon - our "special guest"

Thursday December 8: "Butler County Christmas Memories 1950s & 60s" 7:00 PM  
A trip down memory lane by everyone

mark  your **Calendar**