



Crosby Township Historical Society Newsletter

OCTOBER — DECEMBER 2024

2024 Programs

Thursday, July 18

**Terry Viel:
Harrison's
Old Mansions**

Thursday, August 15

**Walt Westrich:
US Constitution, the
Product of Compromise**

Thursday, Sept. 19

**Annual Picnic at
Passmore log cabin**

Saturday, Oct. 12

**Terry Viel :
rescheduled
(see above)**

Saturday, Nov. 9

**John Kiesewetter:
Joe Nuxhall & Me**

Saturday, Dec. 14

**Annual Christmas
Party**

Passmore Log Cabin Repaired

In the summer of our first year, the Society was given the opportunity for historic preservation of a log cabin thought to have been one of the first cabins built in New Haven. The cabin ca. 1815 stood on lot 29 at the northeast corner of Passmore and Willey roads. The Elias Passmore family occupied it for more than fifty years.

Over the years, additions and improvements were made including covering the exterior with shingles which hid its identity. The last owner decided he did not want the structure and donated it to the Society. Society volunteers painstakingly disassembled the original cabin log by log, labeling each one in order to facilitate reconstruction.

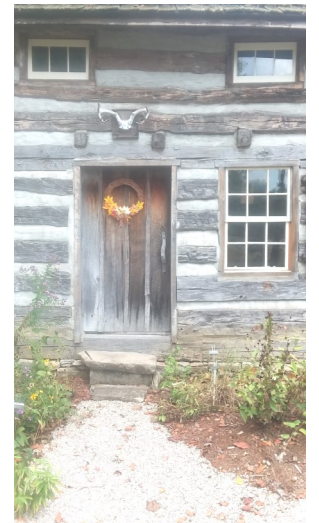
The Society secured a location to rebuild it on township property at the New Haven Fire Department lot between New Haven and Baughman Roads. By 2002 the 16 x 18 1/2 foot cabin was finished. The Passmore log cabin has been open during special events or by appointment. Among those who have visited it have been Passmore descendants.

It has been over twenty years since the cabin was reassembled. The current Board, who has maintained the cabin, inspected it and found that it needed necessary repairs and replacements. The roof will be replaced in October with composite shakes that will last fifty years. The logs will be sprayed to protect it from water (cont.)





damage. Window frames have been painted. Rocks were installed to fill in the foundation where time and wild critters moved them (The critters were removed.). The path, put in by Boy Scouts years ago, received another layer of gravel. A shed was constructed to hold outdoor equipment for the Society and the Garden Club volunteers who maintain flowers around the cabin. A Garden Club volunteer also repaired the bench in front of the cabin and added poles and a birdhouse next to the bench. Finally, the inside received a good cleaning and fall decorations were placed at various spots including on the outside of the doors for a seasonal atmosphere. We wish to thank all those who donated money and time to keep this historical structure in good shape.



PASSPORT TO THE PAST

On Saturday, October 5th from 2 to 5 p.m., Passport to the Past once again showcased various historical places in Harrison and Crosby Townships. This is their seventh year for the event. Each year the public is invited to visit The Harrison Village Historical Society Museum on Walnut Street and the Othniel Looker home on Marvin Road. In Crosby Township they can visit Fernald Feed Materials Production Center off of Willey Road, the White Water Shaker Village on Oxford Road and our Passmore Cabin. It is a time where history comes alive for those who participate. People from all around enjoyed the day.

Upcoming Speakers: (be sure to bring a friend)

(Members, don't forget our Christmas Party, Saturday, December 14th at 10:00 a.m.)

Terry E. Viel

Avid collector of historical Harrison images and author of several books

“Harrison’s Old Mansions”

Saturday, October 12

10:00 a.m.

Crosby Township Senior Center

John Kiesewetter

“My Conversations with Joe Nuxhall about the Reds, Baseball & Broadcasting”

Saturday, November 9

10:00 a.m.

Crosby Township Senior Center

Email Addresses Wanted

If you haven't yet given us your email address, the Board is asking you to allow us to place it on file with the Society. Having email addresses makes it easier to contact you. It will also be a way to send you this newsletter and save the Society money on printing and postage. To give us your email address, contact Melba Guard either by her email at guard_m@fuse.net or phone at 513 519-6237.

~ Sales Corner ~

Crosby Township Bicentennial History
\$18 plus shipping

Stanley McClure’s Crosby Township Cemetery Transcriptions Collection

\$5 plus shipping

Back Issues of the Newsletter \$1.00

Passmore Log Cabin Reconstruction CD
\$5 plus shipping

2024 Membership Dues

Membership dues are still being accepted for the year. For a single person, it is \$10.00. For a family of two or more in the same house, it is \$15.00. If you would like a lifetime membership, it is \$100.00. Instructions on how to send your dues are on the back page of this newsletter.

The McClure Book Reprint

Order Blank for:

History of Crosby Township (reprint)
by Stanley W. McClure

\$22 a book, plus postage if mailed

Make checks available to:

Crosby Township Historical Society

Send check and this order to the following address:

**Chuck Heis, Treasurer,
8910 Willey Road, Harrison, Ohio 45030**

I want to buy _____ copy/copies

My name, address and phone number is:

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CTHS Board meetings are held an hour before the regular meetings. **April through August** regular meetings are held on the third Thursday at **7:00 p.m.** **October, November, December and March** are on the second Saturday at **10:00 a.m.** Meetings are held in the Crosby Township Senior Center, 8910 Willey Road and are open to the public. **September** member picnic is the third Thursday at **6:00 p.m.** at the log cabin,

Our Purpose...to encourage the preservation of historic structures and sites; identify, collect, and preserve literary, graphic and artefactual materials significant to prehistoric and historic cultures, schools, churches, businesses, and families of Crosby Township; to increase community awareness and appreciation of this heritage through documentation, educational programs and other public events; and to assist persons interested in this history by making our collected cultural resources available for study.

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Life Member \$100.00

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