

Historic Landmark Commission
Mantua Village
Mantua, Ohio

2017 Annual Report

The Landmark Commission met 4 times during 2017. There were two open positions on the Commission, which were filled by years end.

Terri Vechery and Nicholas Ehlert have continued to inventory and research property deeds of 39 properties that had been listed on the Ohio Historic Inventory in the 1970's. The data for each property is being updated and new photographs taken. The data is recorded on Excel sheets manually and photo copies are taken of deed records, especially the first and last records. Renée Henry has scanned the data that has been collected so far.

A Walking Tour brochure of Mantua's Historic Home Walking Tour was created by Commissioner and Chair Nicholas Ehlert. Nick conducted a sample Historical Home tour for DMRC in September.

Mr. Ehlert also submitted thoroughly researched and detailed articles to the Villager (Dvorak-published 1/5/2018) and the Community Journal (Boyle-published 4/6/2017) on several local historical homes that are in the Village.

The LMC had a display booth at Art on the Hill with brochures of the Historic Business District and the Historic Home Walking tours as well as a display of local historic buildings. Across the street the Livery, which is featured in the Historic Home Walking Tour, was open to tour as well.

Nathan Bevil of the Ohio History Connection sent to Mantua Village a certificate from the National Park Service celebrating the 50 year anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. The LMC had it framed and presented it to the Mantua Village Council at the September 19th meeting

One theme that comes up at each meeting is how to educate the community and property owners of Mantua Village about the role of the Landmark Commission and what we can do for them. How we can help foster pride in our community, its history and encourage each other to preserve what former generations worked so hard to build and develop for future generations. Plans for this next year are taking shape and include newspaper articles, walking tours and a Historic Marker for the Village. We are also researching century home plaques for local home owners. We are working with the DMRC on the marker and plaque projects.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Renee Henry
Secretary
Historic Landmark Commission
Mantua Village