

WALL of REMEMBRANCE

Historical Societies are Forever

Jark County's historical societies have written their own unique chapter in Ohio's history. Their formation and subsequent activities predate almost all other historical institutions in the state, including the Ohio Historical Society.

In 1870, the Mad River
Valley Pioneer and Historical
Association was formed.
Later, in 1897, the current
Clark County Historical
Society came into being. It
continues to be the repository
of our community's heritage.

THE HERITAGE CENTER of Clark County

The Clark County Historical Society, through its Heritage Center, preserves and fosters an appreciation for Springfield and Clark County's unique place in American history.

The Heritage Center, which opened in 2001, contains one of the nation's most extensive collections of artifacts maintained by a county historical society.



The more than 200,000-piece collection includes items of local, regional and national significance, many of them displayed in exhibits acclaimed by museum designers and historians as being of Smithsonian quality.

The most striking artifact of the entire collection is the majestic



Heritage Center building itself
– a Romanesque structure that
was built in 1890 as Springfield's
City Hall. On the National
Register of Historic Places, the
building was restored through
a public and private partnership
and now stands tall as a model
for historic preservation.

In addition to its impressive collection, the Heritage Center serves as a center of historical research with



that boast more than 100,000 primary documents, 600 bound volumes of newspapers, 5,000 photographs, 50,000 government records and bountiful genealogical, biographical and business records.



THE WALL OF REMEMBRANCE:

-Honoring the Cornerstones of Clark County-

he Clark County Historical Society has reserved a place of honor to recognize those individuals who have made significant educational, cultural and economic



contributions to improve Clark County's quality of life.

The impressive Wall of Remembrance greets schoolchildren and other visitors as they enter the Heritage Center. It visually demonstrates the importance of the values of personal industry, leadership, philanthropy and volunteerism in bettering society. The Wall complements the collections and exhibits,

as it honors exemplary individuals who have had key roles in shaping our community.



The Wall of Remembrance is an exclusive honor for individuals who have made a significant, positive imprint on our community, demonstrating high moral and ethical standards as well as one or more of the following:

- Exemplary civic responsibility and community involvement
- Contribution to the improvement of the human condition
- Noteworthy achievement in a chosen area of endeavor
- Outstanding leadership in one's organization or profession

THEY LEFT A LEGACY...

THE WALL OF REMEMBRANCE:

A Lasting Tribute

ou and your family and friends can help enhance the Heritage Center's Wall of Remembrance as you support the Historical Society's mission of preserving local history for current and future generations.

By making a tax-deductible \$25,000 gift to the Clark County Historical Society, you, as a sponsor, can assure a lasting place of honor for a loved one who meets the Society's criteria for inclusion on the Wall. Your gift will support the Heritage Center operations, as well as its endowment fund, and thus help preserve local history for the benefit of current and future generations.

Each Wall of Remembrance honoree is featured on a distinctive 12-by-16 inch wooden medallion. Each medallion includes a laser-etched portrait of the honoree and a legend of achievements.

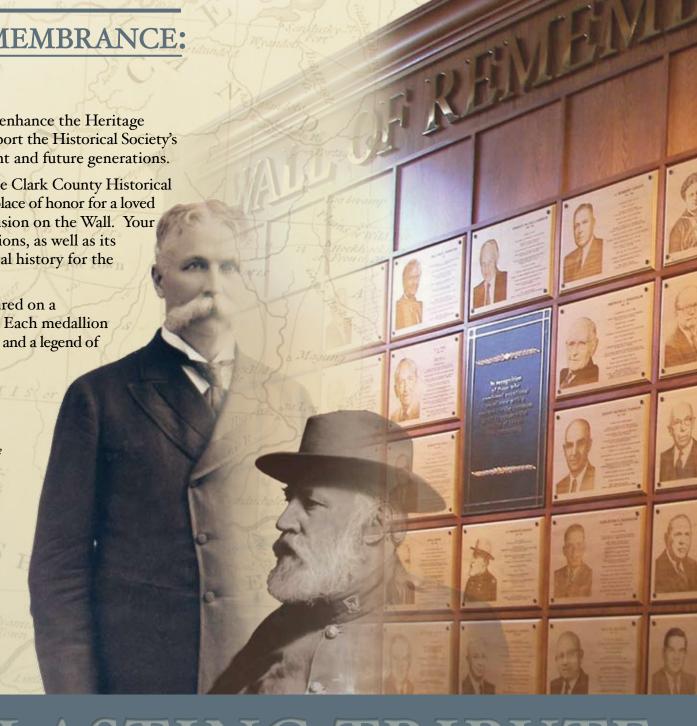
To Submit a Nomination... Contact the Wall of Remembrance Selection Committee

Please submit nominations to the Wall of Remembrance Selection Committee, Clark County Historical Society, 117 South Fountain Avenue, Springfield, OH 45502. Telephone: 937.324.0657

www.heritagecenter.us

After review by the Wall of Remembrance Selection Committee, the nomination will be presented to the Clark County Historical Society's Board of Directors for final approval.

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MAKE A LASTING TRIBUTE