OHRAB Final Report

Date: January 30, 2018.

Institution/Organization Name: New Straitsville History Group.

Project Title: Digitizing and Preserving Panoramic Photographs and the Kachlemacher Mine Map Collections.

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Summary of Project Activities and Accomplishments.

This project's goal is to digitize and preserve the largest items in the History Group's collections: panoramic photographs and maps. The goal is divided into four segments:

- 1) Inventory.
 - a. List, match with existing accession numbers, create accession numbers if needed.
- 2) Sort.
 - a. Group by storage drawer and size.
- 3) Digitize.
 - a. Photograph.
- 4). Preserve.
 - a. Using archival film and accepted storage standards.
 - b. Digitized files processed, labeled and stored with backups.

This table summarizes each step and its status. (\checkmark =completed).

Step	Panoramic Photographs	Maps
Inventory	✓	✓
Sort	✓	✓
Digitize	✓	started
Preserve	started	

Titles, series titles, dates & cubic footage/images scanned, of records addressed.

Panoramic Photograph collection. 43 images. Time frame: 1800s to 1900s. Kachlemacher Map Collection. 210 items. Time frame: 1800s to early 1900s.

Copies of catalog entries and other finding aids.

- 1. Panoramic Photo finding aid. (Attached).
- 2. Kachlemacher Map Collection Inventory. (Attached).

Narrative of self-assessment about how the project met the objectives submitted in your application.

The New Straitsville History Group is a small organization located in a former coal mining town. It is staffed entirely by volunteers and funded through donations and grants. Though the community is economically challenged, donations often consist of goods or services rather than monies. (For example, a gravel company donated rock for the parking lot next to the museum. The tractor and labor to spread it were also donated). Just prior to the project period, the History Group began to move all archiving and preservation to a trailer next door donated by local resident Paul Nutter.

This move delayed the project somewhat, however, the first two steps of inventory and sort continued while the move was in process. We hired the intern during this time frame, Casey Csipke, an Ohio University senior Anthropology student. The project director, Nancy Tatarek and museum volunteer Betty Forester round out the main project workers. Susan Miller (Group President) also participated. History Group facilities manager Tom Craig built a large photography table (using a donated cabinet and donated wood).

Also during this time, we began the process of ordering equipment. The process took longer than expected for several reasons. The History Group needed to obtain a debit card for online ordering. Additionally, the treasurer and her assistant are unfamiliar with online ordering procedures. The orders went through several false starts. However, the equipment and archival film were eventually ordered and arrived at the History Group.

An initial inventory of the map collection had been located prior to the grant writing. However, it did not reflect all the items in the collection. The final total of items in this collection was 250. The panoramic photographs totaled 43. This was twice the initial estimate of items to be digitized. Looking back, perhaps a better choice would have been to create a more recent inventory rather than relying on the older document prior to writing the grant.

As of this writing, all panoramic photographs have been inventoried, sorted and digitized. Nearly 80% of the electronic files have been processed (examples attached, panoramic #27. Shriner's Convention). The inventory and sort stages for the map collection have been completed. The setup for photography of the maps has been completed. While we could use a smaller table for the panoramic photographs, the map require the large photography table. One factor that we did not fully appreciate is due to the move from Dunkle Hall, where all previous archival work took place, to the trailer. The trailer has white ceilings and walls, creating more reflective surfaces than in Dunkle Hall. This necessitated constructing a slightly different setup to minimize the reflection (photograph attached).

The History Group would like to have an extension for this project. It's likely that we will need the winter and well into the summer to finish just the photography for the maps. Winter is a time where the History Group work is affected strongly by the weather, as volunteers prefer not to travel during snow and ice. Additionally, our intern has classes during the Group's work day so we will need to find another way to have her continue to work with us.

Impact

Although this is not a required section in the report, I am including this statement on the impact of this project. As mentioned, the small size and economic challenges of the History Group make grants such as this one highly significant. Due to having the laptops purchased through this grant, the choice was made to put wi-fi into the trailer. This will allow online research to happen that previously needed to take place off-site. The electronic files generated from this project can be immediately backed up in the cloud. The History Group can continue to develop its online presence. Membership donations allowed for the purchase of security cameras for both the trailer and the museum. This is one example of how a piece of technology used for the process of digitizing History Group collections has ramifications far beyond the original intent. The funds and activities from this grant will continue to impact the Group, the collections and the town for a long time.

Quotes from local press coverage (if any) and also copies of any articles cited.

NA (Project has been posted on our Facebook page. We also informed our membership in the annual membership letter-Attached).

Itemized list of expenditures.

People: (worked/planned)

Intern: 57/120 hours. Volunteer: 70/48 hours. Volunteer: 70/48 hours.

Supplies: Purchased/total:

Archival Film: \$581.89/\$600.00 Receipt attached).

Supplies: \$100.00/\$370.00

Equipment: Purchased/total:

Canon Cameras: \$918.00/\$960.00. Photography Lights: \$79.98/\$80.00.

Laptops: \$856.98/\$915.00.

Microphone Stands: \$39.98/\$40.00.

Total (plus S&H): 1946.99/1995.00

(Receipts attached).

Inclusions:

- 1. Panoramic photograph. 4 original slices of photograph and processed/join photograph.
- 2. Panoramic photograph finding aid.
- 3. Map Collection inventory.
- 4. Equipment receipt.
- 5. Gaylord archival film receipt.
- 6. 2017 New Straitsville History Group letter.

Item #	Accession #	Description	Photograph date
0		NS Fire 1923	
1	T0008	Golden Wedding of Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Nixon	
		Graduation picture at Robinson Cave, Hazel Matthews (7), Cyril	
3	NSHS 0008		1913
		New Straitsville Carmel Babtist Church Congregation TWO	
4	AC 0045	COPIES	
5	AC 0043	Old Straitsville Babtist Church Congregation	
6		NSHS Class of 1925	1925
7	CM-0030	Coal mine-men with names	
8		f Bessie Furnace-men & horse	
10	TP005	New Straitsville by Fire William J. Davis Lost \$15000	1923
11	POL-0001	Political Ad on cardboard	1948
12	` ,	Methodist Church congregation THREE COPIES	
14	TP0014	New Straitsville oil Fields	1910-1915
15	NSHS 0063		
16	NSHS 0062	New Straitsville School-UNIQUE	
17	NSHS 0064	New Straitsville School THREE AND A HALF COPIES	1921
18	CM 0029	Keyota Mine Train at McCunville	1927
22	MILT 0041	Army Training Camp	1941
23	MILT 0042	Company H 332nd Infantry	1919
24	BP 0111	Impervious Brick Plant TWO COPIES	
27	FRA-0002	Shriners (Willam J. Davis) Aladdin Temple Columbus OH	
28	AC-0077	Perry Co. Sunday School Convention New Straitsville May	1915
29	169	SOOHIO Dealers Convention-Neil House Columbus OH	1935
30		Elk's New Straitsville-May 1922- TWO COPIES	1922
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32	T009	Group of Men w/ names	
33		View of New Straitsville	before 1916
34	TP0015	1913 Fire (3 pictures) TOOK OFF CARD 10/16/17.	1913
35	TP0016	New Straitsville Oil Rigs	
36		New Straitsville Oil Rigs	
37	AC 0076	Women of Methodist Church	1921
38	BP 0048 e	Brick plant with names TWO COPIES	1920
39	BP 0048 e	Brick plants with no names TWO COPIES	1920
40		USS West Virginia	
41		US Naval Training Services	
42	0031	Co-operative store TWO COPIES	
43		Methodist Church women	1921

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18			duplicate	
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24	47	8	framed	
27	41.5	7.5	photograph in bad condition	
28	47.5	8		
29	40	9		
30	36.25	4.75	duplicate	
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34	9.5	7		
35	37	8	framed/oil display	
36	45	8	framed/oil display	
37	39	8		
38	37	8	framed	
39	37	8	framed	
40	27	8	framed/military display	
41	16	7	military display	
42	34	8	duplicate	0031
43	42.5	8	framed/women's corner	

Drawer	Number	Accession #	Description
1	1	MAP CM0015A	Map of S.M.A.C. Coal Co U.S. Government Jones Coal Co.
1	2	MAP OF0003B	Blue Piece with 49 degrees shown
1	3	MAP CM0015B	Map of S.M.A.C. Coal Co U.S. Government Jones Coal Co Duplicate 1-1
1	4	MAP CM0013B	The Buckeye Coal and Railway Co. (385A,528A)
1	5	MAP CM0013A	The Buckeye Coal and Railway Co. (385A,528A) - Same as 1-4
1	6	MAP CM0008A	Map of Esco Coal Mine
1	7	MAP CM0016B	Pike TP, Saltlick TP
1	8	None	Pike TP, Saltlick TP - Same as 1-7
1	9	MAP CM0010E	Map of Essex Coal Co.'s Mine No. 37
1	10	MAP CM0010B	Map of Essex Coal Co.'s Mine No. 37
1	11	MAP CM0010C	Map of Essex Coal Co.'s Mine No. 37
1	12	MAP CM0010D	Map of Essex Coal Co.'s Mine No. 37
1	13	MAP CM0011	Buckeye Coal & Ry Co. Mine No. 5
1	14	MAP CM0003	Sunday Creek Co. Section 31 - Mine No.5
1	15	MAP CM0007	HVP Co.'s Mine No. 51 - Duffy, McAloon, Nelson
1	16	MAP CM0010	C&H, C&I Co.'s Mine No. 37, abandoned 1913
1	17	MAP CM0012	Lost Run Coal Co. Mine No. 3
1	18	MAP CM0014	Hazel Property Mine No. 3 (B&O Side)
1	19	None	Map showing part of Hocking Valley Products Co. Sections 31-32 T14 R15
1	20	MAP CM0008	Piece of Esco Mine Map - Nov. 15, 1914
1	21	MAP CM0006	Sines Bro's and Co's Mine in Section 30, 8, 31
1	22	None	Photograph of First National Convention of United Mine Workers of America
1	23	None	Town 14 Coal Maps from the Atlas of Perry County 1875

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2	1	MAP CM0015	Map of Nelsonville and Vicinity
2	2	None	Photograph of Oils Rigs (Apostolic Church - Bottom Right)
2	3	None	Photograph of City with Oil Rigs in Background (Velcro on back)
2	4	None	Photograph of City with Oil Rigs in Background
2	5	MAP OF0002	Hocking Valley Products of Property (Blue)
2	6	MAP OF0001	Copy of map of New Straitsville Oil Wells
2	7	None	Torn off broken piece of blue map
2	8	MAP OF002	Map of New Straitsville and Vicinity (Oil Field) Large Piece
2	8	MAP OF002	Map of New Straitsville and Vicinity (Oil Field) Fragment 1
2	8	MAP OF002	Map of New Straitsville and Vicinity (Oil Field) Fragment 2
3	1	None	Map of Penn Township Morgan Co. (Brown & Faded)
3	2	None	Map of Penn Township Morgan Co. (Same as 3-1, but White)
3	3	None	Oil/Gas Well Locations K. Estate Logan 4/1933
3	4	None	Map of Edward Polings Farm
3	5	None	K. Estate Egleston Oil and Gas
3	6	None	Bern Athens Co. Map
3	7	None	Tiverton Map
3	8	None	Swan Vinton Co. Map and Key
3	9	None	Map of VJ&M Studer Farm Jackson Township Perry County
3	10	None	Map of K. Estate Wells on Lost Run Coal Co. Property 612A
3	11	None	Geologic Map of Carter County Kentucky
3	12	None	Map of Hemlock Coal Co. Coal & Monroe Township, Perrty County
3	13	None	Department of the Interior U.S. Geological Survey
3	14	None	Map of Chartiers Oil & Gas Co. York and Dover Townships Athens Co.

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3	15	None	Map of Counties
3	16	None	The K. Estate O/G Lease Map
3	17	None	Raccoon and Gallia Co. with Well Legend
3	18	None	Bearfield Township Perry County
3	19	None	Bearfield Township Perry County
3	20	None	Bloomfield, Jackson Co. (Same as 3-19)
3	21	None	Map of Proposed Oil or Gas Wells K. Estate.
3	22	None	Carshner Heirs Map of Oil and Gas Lands
3	23	None	Map of Drill Hole K. Estate
3	24	None	Bloomfield, Jackson Co. (Same as 3-19 and 3-20)
3	25	None	Bloomfield, Jackson Co. (Same as 3-19, 3-20, and 3-24)
3	26	None	Waterloo Blueprint with Railroads
3	27	None	Map of Aid Lawrence Township
3	28	None	Blueprint of Athens
3	29	None	Saltlick Coal
3	30	None	Wilkesville Map Vinton Co.
3	31	None	Saltlick Coal (Same as 3-29)
3	32	None	York Plat Map
3	33	None	Windsor Township Morgan Co. Plat Map
3	34	None	Starr Township Hocking Co. Plat Map
3	35	None	Symmes Lawrence Township Plat Map
3	36	None	Design Eleveation of Addition to Dunkle Hall
3	37	None	Design Layout of Addition to Dunkle Hall
3	38	None	Design Layout of Addition to Dunkle Hall (Same as 3-37)

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3	39	None	Design Eleveation of Addition to Dunkle Hall (Same as 3-36)
4	1	None	Pike/Perry Co. Plat Map PF1-P3-F1-DWG
4	2	None	Pike/Perry Co. Plat Map (Bottom Left)
4	3	None	Pike/Perry Co. Plat Map (Top Left)
4	4	None	Pike/Perry Co. Plat Map (Top Right)
4	5	None	Cemetary Plot Points Old Side/ Numbered Side
4	6	None	Perry Co. Coal Township Kenton C Cannon P.E., P.S.
4	7	None	Map of New Straitsville Placeville Purple Ink
4	8	None	Monday Creek Township Perry Co. T14-R16
4	9	MAP T0008	Straitsville Community Plot Sealed
4	10	MAP T0005	Unknown Section A (A1,A2) Below Drive
4	11	None	Hocking County Original AWS 3/22/38 Section 22 TWP 13 Range 16
4	12	None	Hocking Co. Original AWS 3/22/38 Secion 23 TWP 13 Range 16
4	13	None	Hocking Co. Original AWS 3/22/38 Secion 24 TWP 13 Range 16
4	14	None	Hocking Co. Original AWS 3/22/38 Secion 28 TWP 13 Range 16
4	15	None	Hocking Co. Original AWS 3/22/38 Secion 29 TWP 13 Range 15
4	16	None	Hocking Co. Original AWS 3/22/38 Secion 29 TWP 13 Range 16
4	17	None	Key Horizons - Top Weird Elevations - 500
4	18	None	Rush Creek Blueprint of Plat Map
4	19	None	Harrison, Perry Co. Plat Map
4	20	None	Harrison, Perry Co. Plat Map Part 2
4	21	None	Pleasant, Perry Co. Plat Map
4	22	None	Coal, Perry Co. Plat Map (Bottom)
4	23	None	Ward, Hocking Co. Plat Map (Top)

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4	24	None	Monday Creek and Falls Gore Plat Map
4	25	None	Decatur Square Plat Map
4	26	None	Green Township Hocking Co.
4	27	None	York Township Section 11 Town 12 Range 15
4	28	None	York Township Section 5 Town 12 Range 15
4	29	None	Sketch of Bratton and Franklin Townships
4	30	None	AID Lawrence Plat Map
4	31	None	Elizabeth Township Plat Map
4	32	None	Elizabeth Township Plat Map White
4	33	MAP T0001B	New Straitsville Plat Map
4	34	None	New Straitsville Downtown Plat Map
4	35	None	Perry Co. Large Map
5	1	None	Property Map of Millfield Lease- Kachelmacher Estate
5	2	None	Same as 5-1 with Drawing
5	3	None	Topigraphic Map (2 Copies)
5	4	MAP T0004	Plat Map Unknown Location
5	5	MAP CM0001AB	Pike and Saltlick Townships Coal Mine #5
5	6	None	Nelsonville, OH C&O Yards (Train)
5	7	None	Green Township Hocking Co.
5	8	None	Irontron Elevation Map
5	9	None	Irontron School District Plat Map
5	10	None	Plat Map of Monroe Township Perry Co. 1936
5	11	None	Vinton Co. Plat Map
5	12	None	Monday Creek Falls Gore Hocking Co. Copy

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5	13	None	Ward Township Hocking Co.
5	14	None	Huntington Gallia Co.
5	15	None	Map of Woodsfield Qudrangle, Ohio (Fragile)
5	16	None	Map of Summerfield Quadrangle, Ohio (Fragile)
5	17	None	Contour Map Noble, Monroe, Guernsey Co.'s
5	18	None	Carbon Copy - Topigraphic
5	19	None	Positive of the Carbon Copy in 5-18
5	20	None	Topigraphic (Same as 5-18 and 5-19)
5	21	None	Topigraphic (Same as 5-18, 5-19, 5-20)
5	22	None	Carbon - Elliot Co. Kentucky
5	23	None	Plat Map of Madison Co. (2 Copies)
5	24	None	Plat Map of Oil Wells Ward Township Hocking Co.
5	25	None	Partial Map of Village of Logan (K. Park)
5	26	None	Topigraphic Map of Paint Creek Uplift Kentucky.
6	1	None	Hemlock Coal Co. (4 Copies)
6	2	None	K. Estate York Township (Dates: 09/1937, 01/1938, 03/1938, 04/1938)
6	3	None	Plat Map Lost Run Coal Co. Oilwells (3 Copies)
6	4	None	Lease Map L.B. Head Lease York Township
6	5	None	Continental Oil Co. Property Oilwells
6	6	None	K. Estate Oil Wells Lost Run Coal Co.
6	7	None	Perry Pertroleum Oil Wells
6	8	None	Carbon Copy - The American Producers Co.
6	9	None	Oil Well Map Falls-Gore Township Hocking Co.
6	10	None	Oil Well Map Murphey - Hocking Coal Co.

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6	11	None	Plat Map of K. Addition
6	12	None	Eleveation Map of Pomeroy Area
6	13	None	Upper Township Lawrence Co.
6	14	None	Bearfield Township Map - 4 Positions
6	15	None	Valley Mining Inc. York Township (3 Copies)
6	16	None	Clay Township Plat Map
6	17	None	Pleasant Township (3 Copies - 1 Carbon)
6	18	None	L.B. Head Lease York Township
6	19	None	Hazelton Oil Co. Mineral Lease (2 Copies)
6	20	None	Muskingum Pottery (2 Copies)
6	21	None	York Township Plat Map Perry County - Muskingum Co.
6	22	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy (2 Copies) York Township Athens Co.
6	23	None	Plat Map Carb Copy (2 Copies) Saltlick & Coal Township Perry Co.
6	24	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Unknown
6	25	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Monroe Township Perry Co.
6	26	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Marion Township
6	27	None	Perry Pertroleum Contour Map
6	28	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Lawrence Co.
6	29	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Hocking Co.
6	30	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Windsor Township Morgan Co.
6	31	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy New Straitsville
6	32	None	K. Estate Starr Township Oil Well Map
6	33	None	Plat Map Coal Township
6	34	None	Plat Map Coal Township (Copy)

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6	35	1016 o/p	Railroad Map
6	36	MAP MF0001ABC	Minre Fire Barrier (1 Copy A, 2 Copies B, 1 Copy C) Photocopies
6	37	None	Plat Map South Logan
6	38	None	Elevation Map Southern Ohio
6	39	None	Property Map West Side Elliot Co. Kentucky
6	40	None	Elevation Map Elliot Co. Kentucky
6	41	None	Plat Map Carbon Copy Marion Co.
6	42	None	Topographic Map of Kentucky and West Virginia
6	43	None	Geologic Map of Ohio
6	44	None	Plat Map of Madison Co. (2 Copies)
6	45	None	Mineral Industries of Ohio 1928
6	46	None	Falls-Gore Township Oil Wells
6	47	None	Plot Map Black Fork Lawrence & Gallia Co.
6	48	None	Plat Map Thorn and Hopewell Township
6	49	None	Plat Map Benton Township Hocking Co.
6	50	None	Oil and Gas of Sunday Creek Coal Co.
6	51	None	Sunday Creek Oil and Gas Wells
6	52	None	Map of K. Park
6	53	None	Set of K. Clinic
7	1	MAP 0002	Township Section 32
7	2	MAP 0002B	Township Section 32
7	3	MAP OF0003A	49 (Blue)
7	4	MAP CM0009	(Blue) Columbus & Hocking Coal and Iron Co.
7	5	MAP CM0004A	(Blue) F.L. Jones Surface Allen Riley No. 6 Coal

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7	6	MAP CM0004B	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	7	MAP CM0004F	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	8	MAP CM0004C	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	9	MAP CM0004E	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	10	MAP CM0004D	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	11	MAP CM0004H	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	12	MAP CM0004B	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0004A)
7	13	MAP CM0014	(Blue) NYC Co. XX Mine
7	14	MAP CM0014	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM00014)
7	15	MAP CM0005A	(Blue) C & HC & I Co.
7	16	MAP CM0005C	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0005A)
7	17	MAP CM0005B	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0005A)
7	18	MAP CM0005D	(Blue) Same as above (MAP CM0005A)
7	19	43A	K. Estate Vol. 73-189 Handwritten Letter December 31, 1926
7	20	43B	Empty Envelope (Asst Maps) K. Estate Attention John B Conner
7	21	43C	Drawing C.B. Gordan Land Oil Spring
7	22	43B	Deed for K. Estate

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2	5	31X27	X
2	6	48X36	X
2	7	10X14	X
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Dear Friends,

As we approach mid-summer, greetings to you and yours! Due in large part to the support of our members, the History Group had an exciting time these last 16 months. We're excited to fill you in on all the events that have happened at the History Group, which is in part why our yearly letter is late. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support! Members like you ensure the Group's continued development and success.

The past months have been quite busy for the History Group. Among our more important accomplishments are the following:

- Complete digitization of the Wallace-Angle collection.
- Development of a New Straitsville walking tour by Ohio University interns.
- More than 30 visitors hosted in our 1st annual Open House in April, 2016.
- History Group members attended a small museum conference in Columbus, Ohio.
- Development of a new exhibit featuring the WPA Chief Engineer James Cavanagh and the mine fires in New Straitsville. The exhibit was inspired by a donation from Mary Ann Aue who sent a copy of a radio Ripley's Believe it Or Not! (available for any interested parties who wish to hear). The family of James Cavanaugh visited during the Moonshine Festival and donated 76 original photographs.
- A grant obtained through Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board to digitize the Kachelmacher mine map collection.
- Project for Wayne National Forest to identify local mine locations and owners.
- Work with Little Cities of Black Diamonds to add to the Coal Miner's Registry.
- Spaghetti dinner fund-raisers to gather money to replace broken historical marker. Cost to replace the sign will be \$2300.00, and so far \$245.77 has been raised. The marker has been temporarily fixed through the skilled welders at Logan Welding at a minimal cost to the History Group.
- The Group's Facebook page now has regular weekly posting on a theme. Past themes include the town's military and the Moonshine Festival.
- History Group members participated in local and regional events such as Ag Days in Hocking County and Rally in the Park in Fairfield County.

We are looking forward to an exciting remainder of 2017! Currently our plans and goals include:

- Completion of the minor repairs and renovations to the trailer. There will be new space for archiving and preservation as well as office space.
- Hiring and working with an intern to digitize the Kachelmacher mine map collection.

As I'm sure you are aware, the History Group could not meet its goals of preserving New Straitsville history without your help. I'm writing to encourage you to become a member of our group today. We are proud of the History Group's participation in community events. Our members are crucial to continuing this involvement in our community and preservation of New Straitsville's rich history. Your membership will contribute to the maintenance and preservation of the Dunkle building, its collections and our rich heritage. We continue to believe that the strength and support of our community will move us ever forward—remember we can't do it without you!!

Warmly,

Myrna Angle Treasurer, New Straitsville History Group