



Heritage News

Don't miss the
SEPTEMBER SOIRÉE
Saturday, September 21 ~ 5 to 8 p.m.

On September 21, GHP will present its first SEPTEMBER SOIRÉE, an elegant evening event, at 60 East Fountain Avenue, the home of Brandon and Judy Cordes. Known as "Stonolden," this fabulous English Cottage was built in 1920 and designed by architect Stanley Matthews as his home.

A scion of two of Glendale's leading families (His grandfathers were William A. Procter, an executive of Procter & Gamble, and Stanley Matthews a US Senator and US Supreme Court Justice.), he completed the house the same year he graduated from architecture school at Columbia University. The home appeared in the July 1923 issue of *Country Life* magazine, which was quite a coup for an architect just starting out.

The name Stonolden is apt for an old-English-style home built of stones gathered from a nearby creek. The charms of the house include a central living room with a cathedral ceiling, inglenook and sunroom. Many original features remain, including handcrafted sconces, leaded glass and tile. Numerous quirky details throughout the

house include busts of the craftsmen who built the house on porch posts.

Priced at \$100 per person, the event is open exclusively to members of GHP (Household memberships are just \$30.) and includes a tour of the house followed by a reception on the rear terrace with delicious hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer, and live jazz piano by Glendale's own Rob Allgeyer.



Don't wait to reserve for this fabulous fundraiser because capacity is limited to 50 people. Use the reservation form on the back of this newsletter and mail or deliver to GHP at 44 Village Square. The deadline is September 14. In case of rain, the event will be held on Sunday, September 22, at the same time.

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Fire Department Exhibit Open

On June 7, a new GHP exhibit opened at our museum in the old railroad depot. The exhibit celebrates the 125th anniversary of the official formation of the Glendale Fire Department. It also marks the recent expansion of the historic firehouse.

Most important, the exhibit honors the dedicated men and women who volunteer their time and talent to protect our lives and property. These individuals spend countless hours honing their skills and learning to work together so that Glendale can have an exceptional fire department. The department has been recognized with a Class 2 rating from the Insurance Services Office, placing it in the top 3% of all fire departments nationwide.

The grand opening of the exhibit was attended by hundreds of people, including many of the firefighters the exhibit honors. Frances Thacker, whose late husband Thomas E. Thacker served the department for more than 30 years and was chief from 1996 to 2000, was guest of honor.

Those who attended said the exhibit does an excellent job portraying the history and current status of the fire department. It also indicates the outstanding contribution the volunteer firefighters make to our community. The exhibit will remain up in the museum until mid-November to provide plenty of time to see it.

Submitted by Carl Stritzel

Glendale: What's in a Name?

The name Glendale is the anglicized version of the Gaelic “Gleann Dail,” which means valley of fertile, low-lying arable land. The name originated on the west coast of the Isle of Skye in Scotland. To this day, there is still a farming community in that fertile valley of Glendale on the Isle of Skye. From those humble origins, twenty-one states now have neighborhoods, communities, villages, towns or cities called Glendale.

The closest one to Glendale, Ohio, is Glendale, Kentucky, just south of Elizabethtown. In 1864, an L&N railroad employee called the new train depot Glendale. Then the depot’s name was adopted by the community.

If that wasn’t a reference to the employee’s hometown of Glendale, Ohio, as has been suggested, the Glendale neighborhood of Queens, New York, was definitely named, by the developer George C. Schott, in 1860, after his hometown of Glendale, Ohio. Similarly, Glendale, Indiana, was also named in 1866 after Glendale, Ohio.

While Glendale, Ohio was the first community, in 1855, to be incorporated in the United States under the name Glendale, it is by no means the biggest or most famous Glendale in the country. The largest Glendale is in Arizona (founded 1895), near Phoenix, with 100 times the population of our Glendale. The glitziest has to be Glendale, California (founded 1884), just north of Los Angeles. It is the home of

Warner Brothers Studios, Universal Studios Theme Park, and the Dodgers’ stadium.

Of course, in discussing the name Glendale, we cannot overlook the coincidence that the land for Glendale came from a farmer called Edmund R. Glenn. The combination of Glenn Farm and the fertile Miami Valley area must have been the catalyst for choosing the ancient Gaelic name of Glendale for our community.

Submitted by Martin Sinnott



This is Glendale!

Watch a special segment about our SEPTEMBER SOIRÉE on the August edition of the Village video show “This is Glendale.”

Click on the hot link in the weekly Village email news or go directly to <http://icrctv.com/community/glendale>.

You can also watch the show on Spectrum Channel 4 or Fi optics Channel 834, Tuesdays at 6 pm, Thursdays at 10 pm and Saturdays at 11:30 am.

This is Glendale is a monthly video show hosted by Joe Dubinski and Bett Kooris. New editions are released the first Friday of the month.



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(Open to GHP Members Only) (Rain date, Sunday, 9/22)

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Glendale Heritage Preservation

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