

HOME *Sweet* HOME

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The Marion Women's Club Home

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Thank you, Donors!

We couldn't have done it without YOU! We'll soon be raising our new roof on the **Historic Women's Club Home**, thanks to YOU, along with a generous local foundation matching gift. **We thank each of you for joining our vision to preserve and protect the Marion Women's Club Home.** Gifts received as of 7/22/2021:

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"We are so blessed to have such generous community support for this iconic treasure," says Valerie Wigton, Campaign Chair. "This outpouring of generosity confirms our belief that **our community wants to join in preserving the Historic Home and its contents**, as well as its significant role in Marion's history."

Roof donors, including designated gifts made in honor or in memory of a loved one, will be **recognized inside the Home**.

Three Cheers for the Roof

Thank you — those two simple words come from the heart, from each of our members, as well as the thousands of women who came before us, working tirelessly to improve our community. You are just as integral in helping to preserve and protect the Marion Women's Club Home. **Thank you, again.**

Mike's Roofing will begin installing the new roof soon, weather dependent. Thanks to an especially competitive bid, we can also replace the roof on the Carriage House behind the Home. Anticipated cost for **both** projects: \$23,430. **Total raised: almost \$18,000.** With the matching local foundation gift of \$12,500—as well as a Waddell Foundation gift—we can also make a few critical repairs and recover lost revenue due to Covid.

With sincere appreciation,

Nancy

Nancy E. Hafer, President



From the Front Porch, Club President Nancy Hafer invites you to visit the Women's Club Home, built in 1903.



'Come Home' for Fall Forum Series: Ohio's Women Writers

From Frances Gage to Erma Bombeck to Toni Morrison, **Ohio has produced some of the most vibrant and vocal women writers** in the nation. Explore with us how Ohio women writers always provoked cultural change when they published their thoughts. **Free and open to the public** at the Women's Club Home, 1126 E. Center St., Marion.



Margaret Sumner

7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 2: "A History of Ohio's Literary Women: Provoking as They Publish" featuring Margaret Sumner, Associate Professor, History Dept., Ohio State Marion. With a PhD in American History

from Rutgers, Professor Sumner has partnered with the Marion Women's Club to create a new version of her American Women's History course: *"Busy, Brilliant, and Bossy: Discovering Histories of American Women's Community Activism."* Each Spring, she turns the Women's Club Home into a classroom for her students, who study the

history of women's activism — from the Revolution to the present day. A member of the Marion Women's Club and its board, she has published one book, and has started her second.



Michelle Herman

7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 7: An Evening with Michelle Herman, novelist, essayist, advice columnist, and professor of English at The Ohio State University. Professor Herman is also the Executive & Artistic Director of the Young Writer's Workshop and co-founder of the MFA Program in Creative Writing.



Layne Fargo

7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 4: An Evening with Layne Fargo, Marion-born novelist, screenwriter, and the co-creator of the "Unlikeable Female Characters" podcast on Lit Hub Radio.

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IT'S WORTH WHAT?

ANTIQUE APPRAISAL EVENT

Find out what that extra-special piece is worth — or not — at the Women Club Home's Antique Appraisal Day **Saturday, Aug. 7, 2 - 5 p.m.** **Open to the public.** Tours of the Historic Home, too!

Bring up to three items (no jewelry or firearms) and have your treasure appraised at just \$5 each.

Appraisals will be conducted by Andrew Richmond, who specializes in professional appraisals of art, books, collectibles, documents and furniture. He has helped sell million-dollar paintings — and Benjamin Franklin's pocket watch!



Holiday Arts & Craft Show

Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021
Women's Club Home



Interested in joining WCH? Call 740.387.1366 or find us on [f](#)

Give the Gift of Life—'at Home'

Relax in the Historic Home's Abigail Harding Lewis Auditorium **Thursday, Sept. 23, 1 - 7 p.m.** and help save three lives when you donate blood. Schedule your appointment using the Red Cross donor app or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.



Making History! The Marion Women's Club Home is now listed on the **National Register of Historic Places** by the U.S. Dept. of the Interior. Vice President Heidi Jones mounts the permanent plaque on the Home's Front Porch at a ceremony announcing the award.

Save the date!

TURN UP THE HEAT: March 12, 2022

THIRD ANNUAL LOCAL CELEBRITY DANCE GALA
BENEFITING THE MARION WOMEN'S CLUB HOME