

## Explore the Rich History of Oakwood



*Oakwood Street Railway horsecar, before conversion to electric in 1895*

**Oakwood, Ohio is a special place**, distinctive with its tree-lined streets, historical architecture, and strong sense of community. Please join The Oakwood Historical Society in its mission of preserving the past, present and future of the Oakwood Community.

### *Opportunities and activities include:*

**Research and Outreach** – As your local historical society we strive to protect and share Oakwood’s history. We do this by researching neighborhoods, conducting oral histories, gathering historical photographs and papers from private collections, and publishing walking tours - fascinating and gratifying activities for the history enthusiast.

**Children’s Programs** – Introducing children to the wonderful world of history is fun and rewarding. Consequently, our year-round, hands-on Children’s Programs have been extremely popular and always in high demand. Every child should experience the past!

**Education** – Don’t miss our *Far Hills Speaker Series*. We partner with Wright Memorial Public Library to host local speakers highlighting the history of Oakwood and Dayton. In October, join us for our annual *Walking Tour Program*. Each year we feature one of Oakwood’s local neighborhoods. Enjoy the crisp cool air as you experience the history and architecture of Oakwood. And, as a member of the historical society you will receive our newsletters that feature articles about Oakwood’s unique past.

**Fundraisers and Events** – We hope you’ll join us for our May Wine Tasting or come by in August for our annual car show, *Classics on the Lawn*. You won’t want to miss our *Holidays at the Homestead* in December. It’s a great way to ring in the holidays! These are just a few of our annual events held at the Long-Romspert Homestead. We look forward to seeing you and hope you’ll bring a friend.



*Maypole Celebration, Smith School, circa 1930*

**Gardening and Cooking** – The next time you are driving South on Far Hills Ave., before you get to the business district, look up to the right and see our beautiful Homestead and gardens. The gardens and grounds of the Long-Romspert Homestead are nurtured and cared for by volunteers - a year-round labor of love! Stroll around to the back and you will see the original Summer Kitchen which proudly boasts a working, wood-fired stove. You can almost smell the bread baking!

**Long-Romspert Homestead & Museum Restoration** – Beautiful old homes require tender loving care, and our House Museum is no exception. The Long-Romspert Homestead is one of only three individually listed buildings in Oakwood on the National Register of Historic Places. She tells the story of Oakwood’s development starting in 1863 through 1923. We can always use additional help in maintaining and restoring our Homestead. What a grand old dame she is!



*Long-Romspert House Museum*

Get involved! Please visit [www.oakwoodhistory.org](http://www.oakwoodhistory.org) or call (937) 299-3793 for more information on how you can make a difference and support your local historical society.

## Annual Membership \*

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Bronze	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$35	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Business	\$50	<input type="checkbox"/> Gold	\$200

\*\$5 Discount:  Students  Seniors  Active Military

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### Payment Information

**Checks** - Please make payable and send to:

The Oakwood Historical Society  
1947 Far Hills Avenue  
Dayton, Ohio 45419

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**Thank you for your support!**

**\*Information about membership benefits and discounts may be found on our website.**

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Lemonade Booth at The Far Hills,  
John H. Patterson's Oakwood Estate, circa 1903

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## Make History With Us!

Join our efforts to maintain, protect and promote the stories, artifacts and environment that make Oakwood unique. As a member you'll have the opportunity to participate in many facets of our work.

Please check your area(s) of interest:

- Historical Research and Outreach
- Event Coordination
- Education
- Children's Programs
- Gardening
- Cooking, Weaving and Needle Art
- Homestead Restoration and Upkeep
- Written Communications (Newsletters, Fliers, etc)
- Docent Tours



Questions? Call 937 299-3793

