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Holiday Open House Celebration

On Saturday, December 1, 2012, the Greater Monessen Historical Society will host the annual Holiday Open House celebration at the Heritage Museum. Mark your calendars and join us for good times, light refreshments and delightful music. The much-anticipated front show windows will be decorated as usual.

Following the parade, we will welcome a special visitor from the North Pole. Come and have your photo snapped with the jolly elf himself!

For your Christmas shopping pleasure, the Museum Shoppe will be filled with ethnic cookbooks, local history items and many wonderful gift suggestions. We look forward to seeing you that day.



Annual Fund and Membership Drive in Progress

Your help is needed to keep the Museum moving forward into the coming year. Through your membership and generous extra donations, our volunteer organization is able to sustain its mission of preserving the ethnicity and industrial heritage of the Greater Monessen area. Just like everyone, we, too, have regular monthly bills to pay. We rely on contributions to keep us going.

Membership fees are \$15 a calendar year of January through December for an individual or \$20 for a family. Business memberships are

\$50 a year. With a membership, we send you four issues of the "Valley Historian" filled with historic looks back into our history. Please renew your membership and buy gift memberships for friends, neighbors and relatives.

If possible, please send an extra donation to help us as we remodel the Museum Annex building or to help us provide additional programming in the coming year. The Historical Society belongs to all of us. Thank you for any contribution you are able to send.

Holiday and Winter hours

The Monessen Heritage Museum will be closed during the week of December 23 until January 2, 2013. For the winter months of January through March, please call the Museum or check our Facebook page.

Schoonmaker Holiday Recipe

Mrs. James M. (Treecie) Schoonmaker II has generously shared a favorite holiday recipe with us.

Old Fashioned Pumpkin Pie

Preheat oven to 425 degrees.

- 3 cups cooked, mashed pumpkin
- 2 cups firmly packed dark brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- ½ teaspoon cloves
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 4 well-beaten eggs
- 2 tablespoons brandy
- 2 unbaked pie crusts

Mix pumpkin with all the dry ingredients.

Mix cream with the beaten eggs.

Add brandy (or two teaspoons vanilla).

Combine with pumpkin and beat until smooth.

If desired, 1 ½ cups of chopped pecans can be added at this time.

Line pans with crust and pour in the batter.

Bake in the preheated oven for about 45 minutes or until set.

Pies with custard fillings are done, when a silver knife inserted in the center comes out clean.

Serve with whipped cream. Makes two 9-inch pies.

Admittance to the Heritage Museum is FREE!

We have a webpage:

www.monessenhistoricalsociety.org

We also are on **Facebook** under Greater Monessen Historical Society. Log in and look at many photos of our events and of old Monessen. Tell your friends and help spread the word about GMHS!

Looking for ghost stories!

Yes, Halloween is over for the year, but we need your GHOST STORIES! Looking ahead to next year, we want to do something with Monessen ghosts. Tell us what is haunted in town. What lurks in the attic or cellar? Please call the Heritage Museum at (724) 684-8460, email or write to us.

Croatian photos and items needed

The Greater Monessen Historical Society will honor the Croatian heritage of the area in our Spring 2013 ethnic exhibit. Please look for photographs, handiwork, items, clothing, and music that tell their story. Bring it to the Museum. Items can be either loaned or donated. We can scan any photographs and return the originals to you.

Recent Donations to the Heritage Museum

Greyhound Victory pin (2007, 2011) / Joe Gladys

Woven stainless steel wire bracelet, 1943 silver penny, antique folding glasses, 1942 school newspaper / Carol Throop Pollak

MHS basketball jacket (1985-1986), greyhound pennant, WWII uniform, Xmas Gazette (1935), Foxhole in France letter (1944), Class of 1935 photo, Class reunion flyer (1995) / Frances Williams

Large Mason canning jar, Fighting Hubans Honored article, Foremen's pension plan audit (2008-2009), Monessen School District Teachers Agreement (2010-2013) / Dan Zyglowicz

Antique victrola / Maria Kerr

P&LE Railroad Co. with Pittsburgh Steel Co. postcard, P&LE Railroad postcard / Janice Dominico

Class of 1935 invitation (1965), two reunion tickets (1965), menu card, Glogosh envelope, Stamp copy from envelope / Fran Williams

Large collection of reports, programs, photos, board minutes, etc. / Monessen City School District

Spanish American War grave maker, World War I grave marker, World War II grave marker, Vietnam War grave marker, VFW grave marker / Ron Chromulak

Wedding photo of Vincent and Agnes Korab Sobszak / Gerald E. Barron

Two 8 x 10 photos of downtown Monessen at night / Betty McLaughlin

Pictures of U.S. Presidents from Washington to Lyndon Johnson / Rosalie Nicksich

Valley Independent of March 4, 1995 and March 10, 1995, General Electric iron and iron rest, Joe's Appliance Hospital hanging light / Joe Vizza

Crystal chandelier with 12 lights / Ron Chromulak

Two Western Penna. History Summer magazine / Ted Harhai

Polio brace / Val Gene Veschio

Black and white framed picture of W. C. Sutherland ship and the Pittsburgh Steel Company / Anonymous

Lock Four photo / Paul Dzyak

Nine inch plate from the Sheetz Hotel and Room #3 key / Chuck Povich

Memorials

In memory of Richard J. Lenio, Sr. by Dr. Martin and Mrs. Madeline Dudas.

In memory of Richard J. Lenio, Sr. by Teresa Gaul.

One Hundred Years ago in the newspapers November 1912 – January 1913

The large frame schoolhouse in McMahan Borough was destroyed by fire in less than an hour. The whistles of the P&LE engines sounded the alert, but the Tin Mill whistle was not sounded until twenty-five minutes after the blaze was discovered. The loss is estimated at \$6,000. (11-01-1912) Monessen News

Through the untiring efforts of Colonel James Schoonmaker, passenger service will be arranged from Fairmont to Pittsburgh. (11-02-1912) Daily Independent

The Tin Mill is extending its building another fifty feet to make it more than 1800 feet long. It will extend from Fifth to Eighth Streets. (11-26-1912) Monessen News

The Board of Directors of the Page Woven Wire Fence Company has decided to start a new department at the Monessen plant that will make lawn fences, gates, window screens, reinforcing products and other wire specialties. (11-29-1912) Monessen News

The trustees of the Finnish Protective Association of Monessen are William Knosman, Anti Hilve, and Erkki Jylba. (12-03-1912) Monessen News

The grocery store of Steve Check at the corner of Maple Avenue and Fourteenth Street was destroyed by fire along with the meat market, owned by his brother, Andy Check, next door. The dog awoke the family to the danger. The loss amounts to about \$7,000. (12-04-1912) Daily Independent

B. E. Brown has erected a magnificent clock manufactured by the Brown Street Clock Company that is illuminated by four large electric lights. (12-10-1912) Monessen News

Burgess Reamer and Police Chief Wheatley have issued orders that all gambling, slot machines, and raffles must be done away with. Unfortunately, there are twelve bawdy houses near the brewery, up Third Street Hollow. and in the vicinity of Wireton that are just outside the borough limits and local officials are powerless to act against these immoral women. (12-24-1912) Monessen News

R.S. Kelly, the local undertaker, has received a new ambulance that is finished in light grey. It is valued at over \$1,000. (12-31-1912) Monessen News

Colonel James M. Schoonmaker, Vice President of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad, furnished a special train to carry Governor John K. Tener and other guests of honor to the third annual Monessen Board of Trade banquet, which was held in Turner Hall. Before the dinner, a reception was held at the Kilroy Hotel at Third Street for the governor. (01-14-1913) Daily Independent

Robert Huchinson, an employee of the Niccola Construction Company, fell feet first from the Third Street Viaduct that is being constructed, a distance of about seventy-five feet. He landed on a number of wheelbarrows under the bridge but only suffered a broken arm and minor scratches. (01-17-1913_Monessen News

Frank Bumer received his second patent on a guard pen. Its feature is that from one dip of ink from 100 to 300 words can be written without dripping ink. (01-17-1913) Monessen News

Red carnations were worn in town in honor of the late President William McKinley's birthday. (01-31-1913) Monessen News



Late autumn and early winter weddings and engagements of 1912-1913

Mr. and Mrs. John McMahan, of Webster, celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary on Halloween. (11-02-1912) Daily Independent

C. A. Rowe, formerly of Monessen, and Miss Virginia Ewing Howell, of Uniontown, will marry in Uniontown on November 12, 1912. The groom is connected with the Chicago office of the Pittsburgh Steel Co. (11-08-1912) Monessen News

George Uhrin and Anna Otavka, both of Monessen, have taken a license to wed in Greensburg. (11-08-1912) Daily Independent

Charles Yaskim and Hellma Wiszavink, well-known Monessen foreigners, are to be married. (11-08-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Anna Smith, of Morgantown, and Roley Williams, of Monessen, were wed on November 8, 1912. The couple will live in Monessen. (11-11-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Borenstein celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on November 10, 1912 in Elk's Hall in the People's National Bank building. (11-12-1912) Monessen News

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bornstein entertained one hundred and fifty guests in Elks Hall to celebrate their tenth wedding anniversary on November 10, 1912. (11-12-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Virginia Ewing Howell, of Uniontown, and Charles Arthur Rowe, of Chicago, were married on November 12, 1912. Bride is from one of the oldest and wealthiest families in the Fayette county seat. The groom is the nephew of W. A. Rowe, President of Pittsburgh Steel. (11-15-1912) Monessen News

Miss Nelle Jones, of Charleroi, eloped with Harry J. Richmond, of Donora, on November 25, 1912 and were married in Pittsburgh. (11-26-1912) Monessen News

Miss Nell Jones and Harry J. Richmond were married in Pittsburgh on November 25, 1912. The groom is

manager of the Ward store in Donora, where the couple will reside. (11-26-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Jane Cornwall and Hugh Nicolay were wed on November 28, 1912 at the home of the bride on Oneida Street. The groom, who lives in Belle Vernon, is employed in the Tin Mill. The couple will reside in Belle Vernon. (11-29-1912) Monessen News

Levi Grimsley and Miss Isabella Mae Brown had a rainbow wedding on November 28, 1912 at the Christian Church. The wedding reception was held at the home of Andrew Manown. (11-29-1912) Monessen News

Miss Louise Leonard, formerly of Monessen, and Lee Thomas, of Cleveland, Ohio, were married on November 27, 1912. They will live in Cleveland. (11-29-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Rose Dietrick, of Roscoe, and George Sharrow, of Monessen, were married on November 28, 1912. They will live on Linden Avenue. (11-29-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Jane Cornwall, of Schoonmaker Avenue, married Hugh J. Nicholay on Thanksgiving Day. They will live on Graham Avenue in Belle Vernon. (11-29-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Wilmeretta Planton and Leonard Sigler were united in marriage on November 27, 1912. The bride formerly worked for Kirk and Clark Dry Goods store. They will live in Lock Four. (11-30-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. George Moore celebrated their fortieth anniversary on December 1, 1912. Mrs. Moore was formerly Mary Sheppard and wed at the age of fifteen. (12-03-1912) Daily Independent

Edward A. Wilkie and Miss Martha Roberts, both of Monessen, received a marriage license in Greensburg on December 4, 1912. (12-06-1912) Monessen News

Miss Viola VanVoorhis, of Monongahela, and Harry Irwin, of Monessen, were wed on December 7, 1912. The bride was formerly a Monessen school teacher, while the groom is superintendent of the pickling department of the Tin Mill. They will live at 449 Reed Avenue.

Robert Swaney, an employee of Pittsburgh Steel and a member of the All Star Football team, and Miss Pearl Magee were married in Cumberland on December 7, 1912 in secret. (12-09-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Agnes Marshall, of Monessen, and Harold Corbine, of Pittsburgh, were married quietly. Miss Marshall left home suddenly two weeks ago, which is common for her, and secured a waitress job in Pittsburgh. Mr. Corbine, who claims to be 21, but seems only 17 or 18, became a regular customer, and it was love at first sight. The boy's father learned of their plans and locked the boy in his

room. The bride's grandmother hired two detectives to bring the young lady home. The groom escaped, came to Monessen and wed his bride. (12-13-1912) Monessen News

Miss Bertha Ruse and Frank Stevenson, both of Monessen, received a marriage license in Pittsburgh. (12-13-1912) Daily Independent

Frank Stevenson and Miss Bertha Ruse, both of Monessen, obtained a wedding license in Pittsburgh on December 10, 1912. (12-13-1912) Monessen News

Nathan J. Wise and Betha Gottiob, both of Monessen, received a marriage license on December 11, 1912. (12-13-1912) Monessen News

Miss Katherine Jacobs and Finlay Morgan were married on December 12, 1912. The groom is employed at Pittsburgh Steel. They will live in North Charleroi. (12-16-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Helen Link, of 533 Donner Avenue, will marry Frank A. Garrett, of Eighth and Donner, during the Yuletide. While on their honeymoon, they will call on Governor Tener, he being a personal friend of the groom. (12-17-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Metz, of Railroad Street, entertained fifty-two guests in honor of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on December 12, 1912. (12-17-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Metz, of West Monessen, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on December 14, 1912. Mr. Metz is a school director and councilman of West Monessen. (12-17-1912) Monessen News

Simon Tulley, of Cleveland, was summoned to the local police station, due to a demand by a seventeen year old girl and her father, both from Cleveland. According to Officer Lang, if a dispensation arrives from the bishop of Cleveland, a wedding will take place this afternoon. (12-20-1912) Monessen News

Clarence A. Pickett, of Monessen, and Nettie Price, of Rostraver Township, obtained a marriage license in Greensburg. (12-20-1912) Daily Independent

Frank A. Garrett and Helen Link, both of Monessen, received a marriage license in Greensburg. (12-20-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Alice E. Neil, of Belle Vernon, wed Robert Worcester of South Brownsville, on December 13, 1912. The groom is a bookkeeper in the office of the Peoples Natural Gas Company. The bride is the assistant to the paymaster of the American Window Company of Belle Vernon. They will live in Belle Vernon. (12-20-1912) Monessen News

Miss Anna Carlson became the bride of Carl Forst on December 25, 1912, after a courtship of eight years. (12-26-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Margaret S. Quinn, of Monessen, and Leo A. McQuillin, of Pittsburgh were married on Christmas in Pittsburgh. They will reside in the Smoky City. (12-27-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Mina Gallatin announced her engagement to John Gibson, of Monessen, at the meeting of the Delta Tau Sigma Club of Donora. The wedding will occur in March. (12-27-1912) Monessen News

Orphie Myers, of Weirton, West Virginia, formerly of Belle Vernon, and Miss Olive Smock, of Belle Vernon, were united in marriage on December 26, 1912. The groom is employed in the Tin Mill. (12-30-1912) Daily Independent

Alonzo L. Blose, of the Grand Hotel, married Miss Anna Doris, of Youngstown, Ohio, formerly of Monessen, on Christmas Day. The groom is a roller in the Tin Mill. They will live in the Grand Hotel. (12-30-1912) Daily Independent

Mrs. Sarah Gallatin, of McKean Avenue, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Mina Gallatin to John L. Gibson, of Monessen. The wedding will take place in March of 1913. The groom is employed by Pittsburgh Steel. (12-30-1912) Daily Independent

Harry Batch, of Braddock, and Miss Ethel Hilton, of Monongahela, were wed on Christmas Day. (12-31-1912) Monessen News

Elmer Leadman, of Braddock, will marry Miss Alice DeVore, of Monongahela, on December 31, 1912 in Greensburg. (01-02-1913) Daily Independent

Elmer E. Leadman, former manager of the Johnson Cash Meat Market, but now residing in Monongahela, and Miss Allie E. Devore were quietly married on December 31, 1912. (01-03-1913) Monessen News

Miss Elsie M. Williams, of Scottdale, and John M. Thompson, of Monessen, were married in Scottdale on January 2, 1913. (01-07-1913) Monessen News

Lewis A. Lang, of Monessen, and Miss Jessie P. Law, of Newell, received a marriage license in Greensburg on January 3, 1913. (01-07-1913) Monessen News

Lewis A. Lang and Jesse P. Low were wed on January 4, 1913. The groom is an ordinance officer in Monessen. (01-06-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Safier were surpised by the Hebrew congregation on January 6, 1913 for their tenth anniversary at the home of Max Janavitz. (01-07-1913) Daily Independent

Rabbi H. Levendorf officiated at the wedding of Miss Mollie Horwitz and William Freedman at Charleroi on January 7, 1913. (01-10-1913) Monessen News

Miss Elsie M. Shockey, of Scottdale and J. Martin Thompson, of Monessen, were married in Greensburg on January 9, 1913. The groom is a chemist with the Pittsburgh Steel Company. [Story varies with one published on Jan. 7, 1913.] (01-14-1913) Monessen News

Miss Elsie M. Shockey, of Scottdale, and J. Martin Thompson, of Monessen were married. The groom is a chemist with the Pittsburgh Steel Company. (01-15-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Margaret Emma Kepple, of near Conguity, and Clarence W. Steele are married. (01-15-1913) Daily Independent

George Kabolor and Anna Yessick, both of Monessen, obtained a marriage license in Greensburg on January 14, 1913. (01-15-1913) Daily Independent

Andy Macnyik, of Coal Center and Meri Kalazik, of Monessen, obtained a wedding license on January 14, 1913 in Greensburg. (01-15-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Anna A. Dailey, of Latrobe, married Frank P. Foster, of Monongahela, on January 15, 1913. They will winter in Florida. They are sister and brother to Nora and Fred, who also were married at the same time. (01-16-1913) Daily Independent

Oake Nienminen and Ida M. Valji, both of Monessen, received a marriage license on January 15, 1913 in Greensburg. (01-16-1913) Daily Independent

George Lata and Semijak Naca, both of Monessen, were granted a marriage license in Greensburg on January 15, 1913. (01-16-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Nora E. Dailey, of Latrobe, married Fred H. Foster, of Monongahela, on January 15. 1913. They will winter in Florida. (01-16-1913) Daily independent

John M. Miller, of Monessen, and Ruth S. Timmons, of Homestead, were granted a marriage license in Pittsburgh on January 21, 1913. (01-24-1913) Monessen News

Joe Dyky and Mary Topanowski, both of Monessen, took out a marriage license in Greensburg on January 21, 1913. (01-22-1913) Daily Independent

John A. Miller, of Monessen, and Ruth S. Timmins, of Homestead, received a marriage license in Pittsburgh on January 21, 1913. (01-22-1913) Daily Independent

Don H. Santos, of Monessen, and Forence R. Cerutti, of Pittsburgh, were granted a marriage license in Allegheny County. (01-24-1913) Daily Independent

George Duche and Mary Bires will be united in marriage on January 30, 1913 in St. Anne's Church of Homestead. (01-27-1913) Daily Independent

Simon Holawck, of Monessen, and Lizo Prokapchak, of Donora, were granted a marriage license in Greensburg on January 30, 1913. (01-31-1913) Daily Independent

Mukaly Margitrecz and Meri Donkkancz, both of Monessen, received a marriage license on January 30, 1913 in Greensburg. (01-31-1913) Daily Independent

John Gulya, of Brownsville, and Meri Cziberry, of Monessen, took out a marriage license in Greensburg on January 30, 1913. (01-31-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Phoebe Riley, of Park Way, Monessen, and Harry L. Carpenter, of Pittsburgh, eloped on January 29, 1913 to Cumberland, MD. The bride was training to be a nurse at St. Francis Hospital. The groom is manager of the Ajax Metal Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh. It was a case of love at first sight, although the groom is fifteen years older than the bride. He also purchased a new Packard touring car. (01-31-1913) Monessen News

Late Autumn and early Winter Births and Birthdays of 1912-1913

Mrs. Charles (Emma Meager) Williams had a son on October 25, 1912 in Pendelton, Oregon. The child was named William Meager Williams. (11-04-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. James Currie, of 154 Schoonmaker Avenue, had a ten pound baby boy on November 3, 1912. (11-07-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jackson are the parents of a baby boy born in Dutchtown the day after the election. They have not said if he will be named Woodrow. (11-07-1912) Daily Independent

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leland, near Kittanning, celebrated her fifth birthday on November 5, 1912. (11-07-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. William McLaughlin, of Knox Avenue, had a ten pound baby boy on November 7, 1912. (11-07-1912) Daily Independent

Vecelles Smock, celebrated his fourth birthday on November 9, 1912. (11-12-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. D. Zambelli, of Third Street, had a baby girl on November 8, 1912. (11-12-1912) Daily Independent

James Rice, of the Rice and Gorman Store, is the father of an eleven pound baby daughter, who was born on November 18, 1912. (11-19-1912) Daily Independent

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Eisenberg on November 18, 1912. (11-20-1912) Daily Independent

Miss Grace Plummer celebrated her birthday at the home of her parents, 643 Reed Avenue on November 19, 1912. (11-22-1912) Monessen News

Fisher Motz celebrated his fourth birthday on November 29, 1912 with a pink and white party. (11-29-1912) Daily Independent

George Dennis, Jr. celebrated his thirteenth birthday on December 2, 1912 with a party. (12-06-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry, of Reed Avenue, had a twelve pound baby son on December 20, 1912. (12-21-1912) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. William Cratty had a baby boy on December 29, 1912. (01-01-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Kelly had a baby girl on New Year's Eve. (01-03-1913) Monessen News

E. H. Watson celebrated his birthday with a family dinner on January 5, 1913. (01-07-1913) Daily Independent

Donald Drake, of 10 McKee Avenue, celebrated his seventh birthday on January 8, 1913. (01-09-1913) Daily Independent

Pittsburgh Steel General Superintendent, George Nash, celebrated his fifty-fifth birthday with a party at the Sheetz Hotel for seventy five officials of the mill on January 14, 1913. (01-17-1913) Monessen News

Miss Pearl Austin entertained her friends at her home on Donner Avenue in honor of her thirteenth birthday on January 16, 1913. (01-17-1913) Daily Independent

A baby boy was born at 7:30 AM to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. White, of Reed Avenue, on January 20, 1913. (01-20-1913) Daily Independent

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. White are the parents of a baby boy, who arrived on January 20, 1913. (01-21-1913) Monessen News

Victoria Brunberg, of Reed Avenue, had a party for her eighth birthday on January 18, 1913. (01-21-1913) Daily Independent

Miss Fannie Smith, of West Brownsville, was thrown a surprise party of her birthday on January 17, 1913. (01-23-1913) Daily Independent

We have been busy!



On the first day of Autumn, we had the Civil War Experience: a dinner featuring favorite foods of the north and south during the Civil War years. It was a tribute to Colonel James M. Schoonmaker, our Founder and a Medal of Honor recipient. Our Southern belles, Dolores Michaels Zyglowicz and Shirley Beneccio pose for the camera.



A week after the Schoonmaker dinner, there was a bus tour to see Monessen's Byzantine art and culture. Photo is of St. Michaels Church on Patton Avenue.



Very Truly Yours: a Tea with Mrs. Abraham Lincoln. It is the morning of April 14, 1865, in the Executive Mansion, Washington City. Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln, as portrayed by Joanne P. Shelby-Klein, reflects on her life with the President, the Civil War, her divided family, and her hopes for the future as the war ends. (Nov. 3, 2012)



Local high school students enrolled in the special summer art academy program at Douglas Education Center created a "Monessen Memories" mural showing two of the former Pittsburgh Steel Company blast furnaces. It was attached to the upper brick wall of the Monessen Heritage Museum building, as a reminder of Monessen's industrial history.



We wish all of you peace and good will as we observe the coming holiday seasons. Our thoughts and wishes are with you. We hope you will find good health and happiness in the coming year and will be a frequent visitor to the Heritage Museum.

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