

# 2020 SEASON - PLANS FOR OPENING MUSEUM

**NOTE:** *This year we will be open noon to 5 pm Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July through Labor Day Monday.*

*We have updated our displays with new donations and added a 1940s bedroom to our home front living area in the basement.*

*This year we are pleased to have living history displays OUTSIDE on most weekends. A full schedule will follow. Opening weekend D-Day Ohio CEO Betsy Bashore will be displaying her newly restored WWII Jeep.*

*Masks, health screening, and temperature scans will be required to enter the museum. We have added 5 hand sanitizing stations. Attendance inside the museum will be limited to 20 guests at a time.*

*Further details of our plans to safely reopen are as follows:*

## **COVID 19 update:**

1. Docents, volunteers, and visitors are **REQUIRED to wear masks** to enter the museum. Fabric or disposable masks will be given to anyone that does not have their own mask.
2. Docents, volunteers, and visitors are **REQUIRED to complete a health screening** to enter the museum
3. Docents, volunteers, and visitors are **REQUIRED to have a forehead temperature scan** of 99.9 degrees or below to enter the museum. Docents and volunteers are **REQUIRED** to record their daily temperatures in the logbook.
4. **Anyone exhibiting COVID 19 symptoms upon arrival or during their visit will be instructed to go home and contact their healthcare provider.**
5. Docents, volunteers, and visitors are **REQUIRED to wash or sanitize their hands** upon entry and frequently throughout their visits.

There are **five hand-sanitizing stations** located in the museum: S1 is located inside the front door with health screening; S2 is on the front wall of the museum; S3 is near the newspaper display, S4 is at the bottom of the basement stairs, and S5 is at the rear entrance to the museum with health screening.

**Docents and Volunteers are ENCOURAGED to use the bathroom and laundry room for hand washing.**

6. Signage has been installed to promote and maintain minimum **6' social distancing** of non co-residential groups, establish traffic flow as needed, restrict touching of artifacts, and as otherwise needed to enable docents to maintain safe and best practices.

Children's play area has been removed. All items patrons were encouraged to touch in previous seasons (such as some artifacts, uniforms, books, newspapers, scrapbooks, photo albums, and other ephemera) have been removed or access restricted. Displays have been rearranged to encourage social distancing while moving through the museum.

7. **Attendance will be limited** to no more than 30 total in the museum at one time including docents and volunteers. Docents are encouraged to further restrict the number if visitors are unable to comply with social distancing requirements. If needed, the ramp will be utilized to safely social distance the line waiting for admission to the museum.

8. **High touch areas** (such as doors, display cases, handrails, bathrooms, etc) will be sanitized with an 80% alcohol spray prior to opening, after closing, and throughout the day. A general weekly cleaning including sanitizing of surfaces will also be performed.

9. Our four window A/C units and fans will be used along with opening windows and doors to promote **air exchange** and maintain a comfortable climate.

10. **Gift Shop** - All will be encouraged to wash or sanitize their hands after touching merchandise. Cashless transactions will be utilized when able. Hand washing will be required after handling money.

11. **Donations** - Sanitizing or hand washing will be required after counting the daily donations.

12. Different small living history displays and demonstrations of less than 10 participants are scheduled to appear outside most weekends. Social distancing will be maintained using rope lines, barriers, signage, and other methods as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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