

ITEMS BEING SOUGHT FOR WILLARD TIME CAPSULE TO BE OPENED IN 2074

The City of Willard and Willard Area Historical Society (WAHS) is still seeking items to include in the Sesquicentennial time capsule. The time capsule will be set in the Clock Tower to commemorate Willard's Sesquicentennial Celebration as well as the past fifty years (1974 – 2024). It will be opened in 2074 for the Bi-Centennial Celebration.

Items will be accepted until December 7th at the Willard Area Historical Society (WAHS) in the Historic Jacobs Building, downtown, 114 Myrtle Avenue, every Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. To set up a drop-off time outside of that time frame, please call (419) 566-3490 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Please include your full name, address, and telephone number with the items you want to place and their significance to you, your family, your community, or time period. No hazardous materials, actual liquids, batteries, wood, or rubber may be included as they can deteriorate, releasing sulfur, acid vapors, and hazardous materials. (However, you can include photographs of those items for the future to reference.)

Items for the time capsule should be kept in a container to preserve your item for fifty years. Neither the City of Willard or WAHS guarantees the condition of the item once placed in the capsule; however, the item may be best preserved by using the following recommendations.

- Keep items in a Perma Life bag or envelope
- Put photos in a clear archival sleeve or heavy-duty plastic envelope

A committee from the WAHS will approve all submitted materials to be placed in the time capsule. Any item not placed in the capsule will be returned to the owner. Suggestions for items placed in the timeline include, but are not limited to:

- **Willard Historical Items:** Items showing life in Willard, from 1975 through 2024, or historical events and places.
- **Personal Items:** Letters to grandchildren and others, photographs, family heirlooms, clothing articles (providing there is room)
- **News and Media Items:** Newspaper articles, magazines articles, church bulletins, club pictures, agendas, member lists, advertisements, TV guide.
- **Family History:** Genealogical trees, short historical summaries, award certificates.
- **City Items, Factories, Businesses, and Restaurants:** Business cards, ads, pictures, building pictures, news articles, and other items.

For further information please contact the Willard Area Historical Society at (419) 566-3490.