Adena MANSION & GARDENS

Adena Now and Then

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What's Happening at Adena Mansion and Gardens

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2015 Special Events

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December 6: Wreath Workshop

December 12: Breakfast with Santa

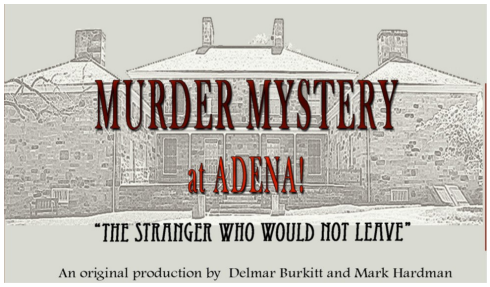
Facility Rentals at Adena

Did you know that Adena is available to rent for your party, wedding, or business meeting? There are numerous options available to suit a variety of different needs.

Full site rentals are a popular option for weddings and receptions and allow couples to utilize their favorite areas of the site. Weddings can be outdoors, under tents, or even in the barn! This option is only available after business hours. Barn-only rentals are also available during business hours if desired.

The conference room in the Visitor's Center provides a flexible space for meetings and events of all sorts. The room can be set up in a variety of formats and features presentation equipment and free wireless internet, available day or night. The outdoor picnic pavilion offers a casual space that can be used for group dining, workshops, and even fun gatherings such as birthday parties or baby showers. For more information and pricing, please call (740) 772-1500 or visit www.weddings@adenamansion.com

Murder Mystery-"The Stranger Who Would Not Leave"



Adena Mansion and Gardens is the place to be to hone your skills as a rookie crime solver in an entertaining atmosphere filled with great food and a Murder Mystery. This year's murder mystery is "The Stranger Who Would Not Leave." It is an all new production co-written by Delmar Burkett and Mark Hardman, both familiar faces in and around the Adena Mansion. Several experienced actors will be returning with a few new faces around to keep you guessing.

Guests will first arrive at the Visitor's Center to find their seats. Then they will be split into groups for the entertainment portion of the evening. Each group will have a guide to lead them through parts of the mansion and the grounds, where guests will see and hear the different characters tell their version of events.

After the performance, the groups will return to the Visitor's Center for a catered buffet dinner prepared by Chef Shawn Immell. Everyone will fill out a ballot to guess "whodunit" and finally, the murderer will be revealed!

The story is set in the 1880's, when James Taylor Worthington, the eldest Worthington son, lived at Adena with his second wife, Martha Piatt Reed. Guests will meet James and Martha as well as some of their employees. The town sheriff will be on hand as you help solve the mystery.

Grounds open at 5:30pm with the mystery part of the evening beginning at 6:00pm and dinner will follow at approximately 7:00pm. The buffet dinner will be provided by Fire & Stone Pizzeria. Tickets are $50 per person for AMGS members and $55 for non-members. Admission includes both the mystery and the dinner. Prizes will be awarded each evening at the conclusion of the program.

Tickets are available for all three performances, Friday, September 11, Saturday September 12 and Sunday September 13. Tickets can be purchased in person at 847 Adena Road, Chillicothe, or by phone at 740-772-1500. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Payment may be made by cash, check, or credit card (MasterCard or Visa).

For more information, please phone 740-772-1500 or email info@adenamansion.com

Spotlight: Scrapbooking Nov 14, 2015

Do you find yourself constantly interrupted when trying to scrapbook at home?

Adena Mansion & Gardens has the solution for you! Join us for 12 peaceful hours on Saturday, November 8th and scrap those wonderful memories of families, friends, vacations, and more.

The day begins at 9:00am and lasts until 9:00pm. Lunch and dinner will be provided, along with snacks throughout the day. Scrappers will each have their own table so they can spread out. Each scrapper will be eligible for door prizes. Vendors will be on hand so scrappers can check out some exciting new products.

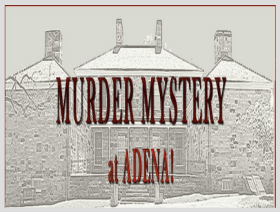
Preregistration on or before Friday, October 31st is $55 per person. After October 31st, $60 Reservations can be made by telephone at (740) 772-1500. For more information, please phone 740-772-1500 or email info@adenamansion.com

From Farm to Table

Date: Sunday
September 6, 2015
Time: 2pm

Murder Mystery!

Date: Fri, Sat, & Sun
September
11—13, 2015
Time: 6pm



Pioneer School Harvest Homecoming

Date: Sunday
October 4, 2015
Time: 12pm—5pm

Scrapbooking Crop

Date: Saturday
November 14, 2015
Time: 9am-9pm

Event Spotlight: Harvest Homecoming

Join us Sunday, October 4for the 5th annual Harvest Homecoming, a fundraiser for the Pioneer School. Their mission is to provide life opportunities for children and adults in Ross County who have developmental disabilities. They provide assistance through programs for infants, preschoolers, school age children and adults. The Harvest Homecoming exhibits lots of fun, early American activities on the grounds of Adena, including horseshoeing, sheep shearing, blacksmithing, basket making, wood carving, and children's games. There will also be live music and a raffle. This event is fun for the whole family!

They will also sell a bean dinner just outside the Visitor's Center. It is your choice of navy or pinto beans, which comes with a corn muffin, a drink, and dessert.

Admission to the grounds and activities are at no cost; Additional cost for the bean dinner. Mansion tours are available at regular rates throughout the day.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: Will be held October 28 at the Visitor's Center, dinner will start at 5:30 pm

Volunteer Harvest Fest: Will be held October 31 at the Visitor's Center, the Festivities will start at 5:30 pm

Event Spotlight: Holidays at Adena & Wreath Workshop

Historic and modern traditions will be intertwined at Adena Mansion and Gardens gala weekend, set for Dec. 5-6. *Start the weekend Saturday December 5 with Holidays at Adena*, than on Sunday December 6, make reservations for the Holiday Wreath Workshop.
While Adena is closed for the winter season, it reopens for this special event for one weekend only.
The Mansion will be decorated for the season in early 19th century style. A drama will take place inside the mansion, as visitors move from room to room to see all the scenes. The Tenant House will show off German traditions to reflect the heritage of many of the indentured servants who worked at Adena. Visitors will find a Christmas tree, handmade decorations, German cookies and mulled cider.
At the Visitor's Center, live entertainment and refreshments will be offered along with other unique items available for sale at the Adena Gift Shop. Elsewhere on the grounds, horse and carriage rides will be offered at an additional charge.
The event will run from 11:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday, December 5 and Sunday, Dec. 6th. Admission to *Holidays at Adena* will be $9 for AMGS members and
$10 for Non-members.

On Sunday, December 6th, join Adena Mansion and Gardens for our annual *Holiday Wreath Workshop*. The Wreath Workshop will take place from 11:30pm to 4:00pm. For a fee of $35, the workshop will provide a live evergreen wreath base for participants to decorate. The workshop will also provide decorations such as dried flowers, fruits and other natural materials, and instructions. Participants are welcome to bring their own items to use as decorations.
Reservations and advance payment are required for the *Holiday Wreath Workshop* by calling 740 -772-1500

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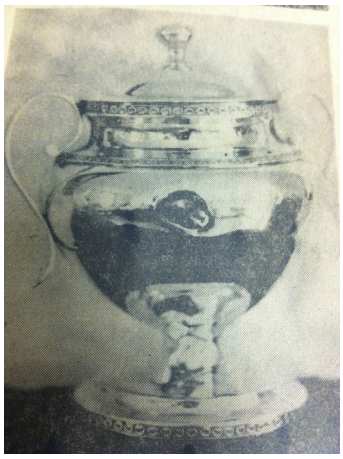
Did You Know? First Scioto Agricultural Society Fair



In the fall, One hundred ninety-six years ago Ross County held the first Scioto Agricultural Society fair, to promote and encourage agriculture, domestic manufactures, and breeding and raising the best kinds of horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs. The fair took place four miles south of Chillicothe.

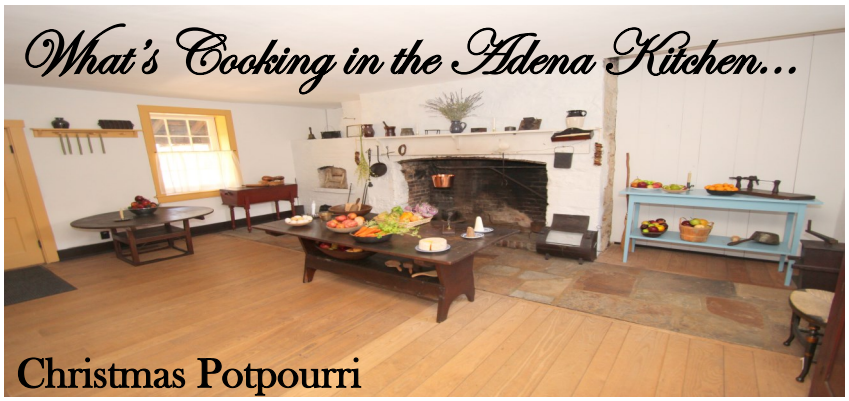
Nine prominent Ross County pioneers made up the standing committee: George Renick, Mr. Harness, John Carlisle, William Renick, John Waddkes, John Johnson, David B. Macomb, David Kinkead and Abraham Claypoole. Membership to the Society cost five dollars per year for one share.

The Scioto Agricultural Society was not limited to Ross County, but included surrounding counties as well. William Renick of Pickaway County, won first premium with best heifer under two years, William Houseman of Madison County had the largest quantity of fall potatoes from an acre and Gov. Thomas Worthington won a sterling sugar bowl for "best bull over 18 months". First premiums in several classes received a silver covered sugar bowl, which was styled in Philadelphia or $25 in cash.

Become an AMGS Volunteer...

Have you thought about volunteering at Adena but haven't quite gotten around to it? Adena relies on its volunteers and many opportunities are available.

Contact (740) 772-1500 for more information.



Ingredients

1quart fragrant pine needles
1dozen small pine cones
1 cup bay leaves
1 cup bayberry leaves
3 cups sassafras leaves
3 cups orange peel
1 cup cinnamon sticks
1/2 cup whole cloves

Make this recipe by the (dry) gallon, as its popularity causes its disappearance by the basketful. Brown needles or fresh green ones can be used. If the needles are very long, they can be cut, by the handful, to about two inches in length.

Cones, if larger than a teacup, may be incorporated after other ingredients are mixed. Bay leaves and bayberry leaves can be left whole. Use oak, magnolia, orange or holly in place of, or in addition to the sassafras leaves. Tree leaves are used fresh or dry, with about one half of them crushed or broken at time of mixing. Save and dry orange and other citrus peels throughout the year for the potpourri. Cinnamon sticks broken to three-inch lengths or less, and whole cloves complete the recipe.

Jayne, Kate L., & Mautor, Claudette S. (1988). Living with Potpourri. p41-42

Holidays at Adena

Date: Sat & Sun
December
5—6, 2015

Wreath Workshop

Date: Sunday
December 6, 2015

Breakfast With St. Nicholas

Date: December 12, 2015

Christmas Potpourri

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Adena was the 2000-acre estate of Thomas Worthington (1773-1827), sixth governor of Ohio and one of the state's first United States Senators. The mansion house, completed in 1806-1807, has been restored to look much as it did when the Worthington family lived there, including many original Worthington family furnishings.

The house is one of only three houses designed by Benjamin Henry Latrobe still standing in the country.

Situated on the 300 remaining acres of the original home place are five outbuildings and formal gardens. The gardens have undergone major renovation. Visitors may stroll through three terraces of flowers and vegetables, as well as the shrubs and trees in the grove. Looking east from the north lawn of the mansion, one can see across the Scioto River Valley to the Logan Range. This view was the inspiration for the Great Seal of the State of Ohio.

A new Museum and Education Center features interactive exhibits that use the stories of people connected to Adena to give visitors a picture of life in Ohio in the early 1800s as well as classrooms, meeting and rental space.

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2015 Information

Hours of Operation
April 1—October 31
Wednesday—Saturday: 9:00am—5:00pm
Sunday: 12:00pm—5:00pm
Monday and Tuesday: Closed

Admission
Adults: $10.00
Seniors: $9.00
Children 6 and up: $5.00
Children under 5: Free
OHC and AMGS Members: Free
Special group rates available

Memberships
AMGS Membership: $30

Rentals
Adena is available for corporate rentals, weddings, and other special events. Contact us for more information and rates.