

January—February 2016

What's Happening at Adena Mansion and Gardens

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2016

Calendar of Events

March 5: Statehood Day
 March 19 & 26: Scrapbooking Crop
 April 9: Spring Awakening
 May 1: Adult Lecture (TBA)
 May 7-22: Heirloom Plant Sale (Closed Mon-Tues)
 May 15: Teddy Bear Tea
 June 4: Art with Skip
 June 5: Adult Lecture (TBA)
 June 12: Children Series (TBA)
 June 12: Kill the Hill
 June 19: Living History
 July 2: Ice cream Social
 July 3: Independence Day Celebration
 July 9: Art with Skip
 July 10: Base Ball Game
 July 17: Living History
 August 6: Art with Skip
 August 7: Adult Lecture (TBA)
 August 14: Children Series (TBA)
 August 21: Living History
 September 9-11: Murder Mystery Dinner
 October 23: Halloween Storytime

A Note from the Director...

Adena Mansion and Gardens Society has now completed our sixth successful season. We continue to strive to expand our programs and offerings to the community. We hope that you will be able to take part in one or more of the many exciting events that we are offering this year and experience firsthand the

pride we take in supporting our cause.

It is our mission to commit to the preservation and promotion of the legacy of Thomas Worthington and family, and to help people connect to and understand Adena's role and presence in Ohio History. In order to meet our mission, we rely

on the generosity of individuals and businesses for support. Without the assistance of community-minded individuals, we wouldn't be able to fulfill our mission each year.

I look forward to seeing you at "Adena!"

Kathy Styer,
Executive Director



2016 Membership Drive

Memberships are extremely valuable to Adena and its mission. Contributions help with the maintenance of the site, ensuring the beauty of the gardens, our education and cultural outreach, our special events, and the preservation of our heritage. Memberships purchased now run through 12/31/2016

Family Membership

A \$30 family membership in the society entitles you to: Unlimited admissions for you and your immediate family (member, spouse and

children under 18) during regular hours, 10 percent discount in the Adena Mansion and Gardens Gift Shop, and reduced prices for select events.

Grandparents Membership

A \$30 grandparent membership entitles you to: Unlimited admissions for you and your grandchildren (member, spouse and grandchildren under 18) during regular hours, 10 percent discount in the Adena Mansion and Gardens Gift Shop, and reduced prices for select events.

Your **tax deductible** membership helps preserve and maintain Adena Mansion and Gardens, keeping it open for the public to enjoy.

Membership forms are available at Adena Mansion and Gardens Visitor Center Gift Shop, or online at www.adenamansion.com. You may also give us a call at 740-772-1500 Thank you for your support.

Information: Statehood Day

Admission is Free

Hours: March 5,
10:00am-4:00pm

Debate will take place every hour beginning at 11:00am. The last debate will be at 3:00pm.

Mansion tours every 30 minutes, beginning at 10:30am. The last tour will begin at 3:00pm.

The museum and grounds will also be open, 10:00am-4:00pm.

Volunteer Orientation Breakfast

Saturday, March 12,
9:00am-11:00am

Come eat breakfast and learn about all the volunteer opportunities Adena has to offer! For new and returning volunteers. Please RSVP to Beth Beatty.

Event Spotlight: Statehood Day

Yay or Nay! Ohio became a state in 1803, but not without conflict! Now it's your turn to witness the fiery, debate over whether Ohio should become a state or remain within the Northwest Territory. Visitors will step back to 1802 and learn about Territorial Governor Arthur St. Clair's and Representative Thomas Worthing-

ton's differing plans for Ohio's path to statehood. This Statehood Drama is directed by Beverly Gray.

Tours of Governor Worthington's beautiful mansion will also be available.

Other historical sites in Chillicothe will also be celebrating Statehood Day with free

admission, showcasing the importance of our town in Ohio history: Ross County Heritage Center, Lucy Hayes Heritage Center, David Nickens Heritage Center, and Ross County Genealogical Society. Hours may vary, so please confirm with each organization.

Become a Volunteer at Adena!

Have you thought about volunteering at Adena but haven't quite gotten around to it? Have you volunteered in the past but life got in the way? Do you volunteer occasionally but want to get more involved?

We would love to have you!

Adena relies on the generosity of our volunteers and many opportunities are available. Different positions require varying levels of training and time commitments, so there really is something

for everyone.

Do you want to dress in period costume and interpret the Mansion, Tenant House or Barn? Would you prefer to answer questions in the Museum? Do you like working with school kids? Perhaps you want to help "behind the scenes," or get your hands dirty in the garden?

Contact Beth Beatty at (740) 772-1500 ext. 102 or bbeatty@adenamansion.com



Did You Know?

The legislated name of Adena Mansion & Gardens is the "George Hunter Smith and Clara Boggs Smith State Memorial."

The Adena estate stayed in the Worthington family from the time it was completed, in 1807, until the death of Martha Piatt Reed Worthington, James Taylor Worthington's

second wife. After Martha's death in 1896, the house stayed vacant until George and Clara Smith purchased the property in 1903. They paid \$17,000.

The Smiths lived in their home on East Fifth Street in the winter and used Adena as their summer home. Their main house is

now the Green House Bed & Breakfast, located on East Fifth Street.

After the Smiths passed away, they left Adena to their daughter, who, according to her parents' wishes, donated the house and surrounding 320 acres to the state of Ohio in 1946.

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!



The classroom 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 Kathy at 772-1500 or visit www.adenamansion.com



What's Cooking in the Adena Kitchen...

Red Velvet Cake

- 3 tsp. cocoa
- 1/2 oz. red cake coloring
- 1/2 c. Crisco
- 1 1/2 c. sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 c. flour
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1c. Buttermilk
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. vinegar

Grease and line three 8 inch round bake pans with wax paper. Make a red paste with the cocoa and red cake coloring and set aside. Cream together the Crisco and sugar. Add the eggs and vanilla and beat. Add the red paste, flour, salt, and buttermilk and mix. Dissolve the baking soda into the vinegar and fold all at once into the cake batter, but do not beat. Bake at 350 for 35 minutes.



Icing

- 5 T. flour
- 1 c. milk
- 1/2 c. Crisco
- 1/2 c. butter
- 1 c. granulated sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla

Make a paste by combining the flour and milk in a small saucepan and cooking until thick, stirring constantly. Cream together

the Crisco, butter, sugar and vanilla. Add the paste and beat very hard until fluffy.

Kathy Styer
Family recipe from
Grandmother Mabel
Stoer 1907-1987

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Adena Mansion & Gardens Society manages this site on behalf of Ohio History Connection.

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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2016 Information

Hours of Operation

April—October
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.