



JACKSONTOWN - A small metal box held nearly a lifetime of memories for the former students of a Jacksontown school. Sunday afternoon, 77 spectators attended the unveiling of a time capsule that was placed 66 years ago in the cornerstone of what is now the Excel Academy in Jacksontown. The time capsule was opened to coincide with Ohio's bicentennial.

"I can't believe this many years have gone by," said Dale McFarland, who attended the school in 1936, when the capsule was sealed. McFarland said there was also a large crowd for the placing of the capsule into the cornerstone, although it was tough to hear the speaker that day over the mooing of the cows, which then surrounded the school.

Although time-worn, many of the contents uncovered Sunday were at least recognizable. They included an American flag, newspaper stories about the construction of the school's new wing built in 1936, a complete Newark Advocate newspaper from March 31, 1936--the headline read, "Hauptmann Doomed to Chair"—and signatures and photos of the students from various grades.

"There are some things in there, we're not sure what they say," said McFarland. "Sixty-six years in a tin can is a long time."

"There are a lot of memories for these folks. This is really meaningful for a lot of people," said Licking Township Trustee President Joe Cooper. "You have to see where you've been to know where you're going."

Trustee Ron Acord explained that the school's original structure was built in 1914, for the price of \$14,000. In 1936, an addition was created that included the gymnasium, and the cornerstone that held the time capsule for so many years.

"It's amazing the amount of people that are here for this event," said Acord. "There are a lot of good people here. I don't think many of us knew the capsule was even in there."

Lawrence Clark, graduate of the Class of 1937, remembered that his graduation was held in the gymnasium, even though it didn't have a roof yet, and he and his classmates were very hopeful it wouldn't rain during the ceremony.

"You never heard of a graduation out in the open then," he said. The contents of the time capsule brought back quite a few memories for Clark, but he was disappointed in the contents' condition.

"It should have been in better shape," he said. "The capsule didn't hold up well." The capsule may not have stood the test of time, but Clark thought the gymnasium and its surrounding wing had.

"This was a big improvement to the community when this opened up," he said. Finally, community members and students had a place to meet, and the school had a place for its notable basketball team to play.

Cooper thanked Steve White, owner of the building, for allowing the capsule to be removed from the brick structure, and for allowing the township trustees to retain the contents of the capsule. Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m. , a new 2003 time capsule will be installed in the Licking Township Hall in Jacksontown. The new time capsule will be opened in 50 years.

The yearbook, which contains Clark 's class and many others, is available to be viewed on Licking Township 's website at www.lickingtwpohio.us.

Story and photos by Scott Rawdon

About 77 people attended the unveiling of a time capsule, which was placed in the cornerstone of what is currently Jacksontown's Excel Academy in 1939. The Licking Township Trustees will place a 2003 time capsule in the Licking Township Hall July 20.



Placing of the Time Capsule



Capsule Celebration Committee (CCC) members:

Don McFarland, Jr., Chairman

Joe Cooper

Dale McFarland

Cheri Garvin

Georgianna Rutledge

Dave Eagle

Rod Hill

Walter Bruah

Charlotte Wilson

Nancy Rey

Advice from many others

Time Capsule Contents

Program for Corner Stone Laying

March 31, 1936

Prayer, Elder Corwin Dore.

Laying of the Stone, Pres. of Board, Clem
Frymate, presiding.

Speeches by —

Mr. M. M. Young, State Dept. of Education

Dr. Carl Watson, Administrator of N. P. A. in Ohio

James B. King, Architect

L. C. Gibson, Director N. P. A., District 4.

Ralph Stadler, Chief Engineer, " " "

Samuel Anderson, State Representative

J. R. Mattocks, Field Engineer, Licking Co.

S. S. Nethers, General Foreman.

Lester Black, Co. Supt. of Schools

Leary C. Ascraft, Co. Probate Judge.

Local Board Members,

Clarence Rutledge

Harry Jones

Russell Lees

John Ryan

Paul Jury, ex member

W^m Osborne, Clerk.

Dale M^cFarland, Pres. of Student
Council.

Loren Hadley, Principal

Contents and completion of filling the
Copper box; placing of Copper Box by Pres. Frymate.

1st Verse of America the Beautiful.

Late fall, 1933. C. W. A. presented a possible project

January 1934 possible plans formulated for an auditorium - gymnasium.

The Board of Education of Licking Rural township composed of R. B. Less, Pres. C. F. Frymire, Vice pres., H. W. Jones. P. A. Jurey, & C. E. Rutledge investigated any possible plans for erecting an auditorium - gymnasium with govt aid under C. W. A.

Jan. 24, 1934. A motion was made by Mr. Jurey and seconded by Mr. Frymire that Mr. Lester Black, County Superintendent, to secure the facts asked for and present them to the local Board for approval.

May 14, 1934. The C. W. A. Administration rejected the project.

The next possible plan investigated was the F. E. R. A., under the supervision of Mr. Hess. This was Aug 30, 1934.

Aug 31. Mr. Less, Pres. of Bd. of Ed. called a special meeting for Sept. 4.

Sept 4, 1934 The Motion was made by P.

2. July 4 seconded by C. F. Frymire asking for
a bond issue of \$8,000.00. The motion carried.

Nov 6, 1934. The bond issue carried 376 for and
115 against.

An Architect, Mr. Merl Orr, was employed on
Nov 26, 1934.

June 13. He was dismissed.

Aug 19, 1935. The State Bd. of Ed. was consulted.
The same day Mr. King and Mr. J. Hillis were
employed as architects.

Aug 26, Tentative plans and estimates were
submitted to the board.

Sept 3, 1935 The Architects' plans were approved
and submitted to local and district W. P. A.
representatives, Mr. Henry & Mr. Ryan.

In the fall election, the Bd. of Education
asked for an additional \$4,000.00.

Nov 15, 1935 The Bond issue was approved.

Nov 12, 1935 was a Red Letter Day in
in the procedure. The Gov't approved the project.

The Cost to be 35,000; size 78' x 100',
Consisting of a gymnasium-auditorium, dining
hall, domestic science rooms, vocational Agr.
unit, & shower rooms.

Nov 18. 9. AM. The first dirt was
turned. Mr. Frymire pres. of the board
turned the first shovel-full. He expressed

his gratitude for receiving this honor. Other Board members followed; Mr Jones, Mr Jurey & Mr Pulegge. Also Mr Osborne, Clerk.

The Faculty members were next they were; Misses Burrell, Junison, Cooper, Fleming, Mc Fadden Mrs Horner, Messrs, Bels, Trumm, & Dady

The shovel which turned the first dirt was plated and presented to the school by Mr Jones.

The Classes followed, every pupil taking part.

The boys of the graduating class of 1936 manned the wheel barrows.

Dec 12, 1935 was the first actual pouring of cement.

January 14, 1936, First brick laid!

Student Council laid bricks along the north wall. The Pres. of the Council, Dale Mc-

Fairhead laid the first the others followed;

Martha Ryan, Janice Jones, George Larason, Burrell Swarty, James Lemp, Jesse Woodard, Billie Swinehart. Mr Dady took part as the Faculty Advisor.

March 31, 1936. First floor wall almost completed and the corner stone laying @ 2. P. M.

- Alice Baker

Work on School At Jacksontown Started Monday

Breaking of ground for the new addition to the Jacksontown high school was accompanied by an impressive service Monday morning at 9 o'clock. L. S. Hadley, principal of the school, dismissed the classes and everyone from the first and second grades on up through the rest of the grades, participated in the ceremony.

The board of education were first to break the ground with Clem Frymuth turning the first shovel full. He was followed by the other board members, Paul Jury, Harry Jones, Clarence Rutledge, and William Osborn, clerk of the board. The school teachers then did their bit followed by the student council and then every member of the school.

The senior boys, using wheelbarrows, carted the turned dirt to the adjoining field where a ball diamond is in the progress of making.

The addition to the school, a WPA project valued at \$34,180, will include an auditorium, gym, home economics classroom, the Smith-Hughes Vocational Agricultural Unit and dining room.

The seating capacity of the auditorium will be between 400 and 500 while the gym will be of regulation size.

The work will take about four months. Sixteen or 18 men under Foreman Nethers began work immediately following the ceremony.

The Licking township in which Jacksontown is included, supported the bond issue at the recent election by a 3 to 1 majority.

Board of Education

Wm. F. Frymote.
President.

Russell B. Lees.

C. E. Rutledge Vice President

John A. Ryan

Paul A. Jurey

W. W. Jones

W. M. Osborne Clerk Treasurer

Faculty

Gertrude Mcadden First and Second

Pauline Fleming Third and Fourth

Bessie Cooperrider Harner Fifth and Sixth

Aun Luida Cooper Seventh and Eighth

Iva Mae Love, Linnville School

Helen F. Burrell, Home Economics, Social Science.

Helen Inneson, English, French.

Wilfred L. Ballo Vocational Agric.

Arch B. Krumm Music

Loren S. Hadley, Science, Mathematics,
Principal.

Jesse Blade

Janitor.

The following masons, at work on
the project, donated the trowel with
which the stone was set:

Clarence Kinser
Richard Mathews
Roy Wagner
Jesse Kinser
Milber Parks
T. A. Walton
Earl Adams
Barnett Kinser
Chauncey Waitt

Foreman S. S. Nethers donated
the stone.

nes Fields
Grover

ie Hupp
Second Grade
Edna K reager

Third Grade
Tammy

Seventh Grade

Bernard Mack
Betty Morrisow
Martha Jane Clark
Carl Goldsmith
Hoskison

Eighth Grade

Martha Cochran
Rol Kreager

John Morrison
Harold Hupp

4 First Grade

Marjorie Jones
Janice Mae Helser
Patsy Ann Lowry
Virginia Mary Fuller
Ann Stridge
Emma Jean Endleton
Wanda Lane Boring
Alice Satterfield
Johnny Bruffer
Howard David Eagle
Donald Messick
Buddy Crist
Johnny Furtz
Wilbert Dickens
Russell Zoster
Frank Wolard

Second Grade

Norma Jean Barnett

Richard Andrew Beard

Robert Marvin Vermillion

Esther Dodson

Kenneth J. Duthirner

Rozella Young

Robert Vernon Prince

Sarah Irene Rutledge

Marjorie Schwartz

Harry Anderson Prince

Virgil Drumm

Frances Irene Hendren

Johnny Robert Ryan

Virvian Jean West

Grade 3

Marwin Prince

Erene Pundleton.

Belford Dean Wise.

Goldie Margaret Black

Mary Anna Rine

Peggy Nan Davis

Johnn Murphy

Naomi Ruth Stretton.

Grace Foster.

Winfield Drake

Pauline Fleming - Teacher

Fourth Grade

Mary Josephine Martin

William Barnett

Berton Aidenour

Lester J Shelly

Jane - Pal Davis

James S. Cormican

Paul K Swartz

Pauline Fleming - Teacher.

GRADE 5

Barbara Jeanne Dorsey
Chester Dean Cullison
Thelma Jean Taylor
Anna Josephine Thompson
Clyde Jennings Turner, Jr.
Donald Lee Drumm.
Helen Marie Hendren
Carol Joann Porter
Clara E. Longhenry.
Orval J. Jones.
Myron E. Barnett
Robert L. Meredith
Kenneth Merle Lees

Bessie McCooperrider Harner, Teacher

GRADE 6

Charis Ann Frymutter
June Ann Fuller
Anna Genevieve Hadley
Betty Maxine Mc Knight
Laurena Eugene West

Townsend Adair (Jerry) Jory
Rachel Lucille Stretton
Mary Louise Hamilton
William L Rutledge

Betty Marie Swartz
Walter Eugene Prince
atha Prince

Bessie N. Cooperider Harner, Teacher

Seventh Grade

Mary Parker

Ruth Clem

Virginia Strutton

Clinton Garrison

Leland Barnett

Robert Drummond

Richard Hiffitt

Mary Aderson

Junior Swartz

Sarah M. M^{rs} Farland

Francis Ryan

Bessie S. Tillwell

Leland Messick

Eighth Grade

Oliver Lees.
Laurence Black
Paul Shelby
Gladys Hendren
Emma Jones
Pleasant Lees.
George Blade
John B. Dove
Pearl Black.
Ruth E. Norman.
Merl E. Banister
Mary Eloise Fuller.
Frederick D. Loughery
Charles W. Eagle
Joe A. Davis
Georganna Baker
Earl Jones
Raymond Loughery
Zella R. Osborne
Lucille McKnight
Bruce W. Barber

Freshmen

William T. Swinhart

George F. Griffith

Irene Satterfield

Jess Swartz

William Goldsmith

Eugene Field

Martha E. Stetter

Harden E. Thompson

James M. Young

Robert Hopkinson

Gene Pickens

Eugene C. Swartz

Paul Myers

Ella Jane Baker

Robert Long

Dashimer

Martin Jones

Earl Grubbaugh

Sophomores

John House
Zona Tavenner
Cassy French.
Martin Ryan
Edward Myers
Robert Messick

Horothy Haskinson
Joice Jones
Burrell Swartz
Murrell Swartz
Virginia Morrison

Julia Young
Lester McKnight
Pearl Bowling.
Raymond Hoskinson
William Stotler
Marjorie Potter
Harold Treass

Robert Moorman
Floyd Prosser
Mary Jo. Griffith
Harold Arnold
Dewey A. Bright
Maurice Lutridge
Bruce Dorsey
George Larason
Lena Wood
Helen Tuld

Junior

William Varnellion

Martha Ryan

Raymond Morrison

Isabel M. Hasland

Eleanor Hrubaug

Martha Hrubaug

James Cochran

Verd Goldsmith

Virginia Glen

Lawrence Clark

Harold Shaw

Marcella Black

Ralph E. Cullison

Roy R. Brown

Paul Halland

Lester King

Seniors

Don Larson.

W. Satterfield

June Walden

Helen Jones

Dick Johnson

Bob Davis

Evelyn Hutchinson

Bernice Hutchinson

Violet Grubough

Bob Griffith

Ray Adamson

Alice Baker

Gladys Cooperrider

Bill Kustimer

Joseph Foulk

Juanita Young

Paul Dove

Annabelle Eagle

Jim Lamp

Wals Jones

Wilbur Swartz