



## Simple Pleasures, Think Local: Lake County History Omnibus Edition

As the calendar pages are about to turn to 2021, there are brighter days ahead. The single word that serves as a fitting representation of 2020 is resilience. A pandemic like no other tested our ability to adapt, innovate and pivot both globally and locally. While the first months of 2020 started off well, Covid-19 hijacked the month of March and continues to circumvent a quicker return to normalcy. Sporting seasons have been lost entirely like the Lake County Captains or drastically altered by a bubble or fan limitations. The brick and mortar world has pivoted to curbside, online or

obsolescence. Many familiar retailers have been lost.

Simple pleasures like eating out or meeting friends regularly have been placed on hold. Hardest hit are the many local shops, non-profits and museums who survive on annual or impulse visits by locals and travelers alike.

While I wish you a bright and healthy upcoming year (albeit socially distant start to 2021), I urge you to make a New Year's resolution that includes shopping and touring locally. Area museums and non-profits will be waiting for you. As you hunker down for the remaining winter months, here are a few titles that can demonstrate why Lake County, though Ohio's smallest, has the most history. Reading remains one of life's simple pleasures unaffected by the turmoil surrounding us. As the world of print succumbs to the daily march of social media, the turning of pages, smell of ink and feel of the book spine are still woven into the fabric of all generations. This literary omnibus of local history is available to secure from a local library or maybe even to purchase. Local History never grows old!!

### LOCAL HISTORY COLLECTION for LAKE COUNTY, OHIO

**Morley Library – Painesville** (county seat) holds extensive Local History Archives  
<https://www.morleylibrary.org/genealogy-local-history>

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**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

The Lake County History Center, area museums and libraries have additional historical & archival materials including newspapers & newsletters, individual church histories, school yearbooks, organization & local government records. An excellent place to start is to search the Clevnet catalog from your favorite library's home page or give the reference / information desk a call.

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