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NEW CONTENT

at the Darrtown website

VILLAGE SQUARE
PAVER PROJECT
CONTINUES!

DARRTOWN
BASEBALL TEAM
ENDS ERA

DARRTOWN HIGH
SCHOOL COLORS
CONFIRMED

23RD SET OF
MEMORIES ADDED TO
RECOLLECTIONS PAGE

WOOD FROM
COLLAPSED TOWN
HALL REPURPOSED

FOUND! OLD
SOMERVILLE MOVIE

POPST HOTEL AND BLACKSMITH SHOP IN
DARRTOWN FOR QUARTER OF A CENTURY

MORE DARRTOWN-RELATED OBITUARIES DISCOVERED

SEE DETAILS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES...

COMMEMORATIVE PAVER PROJECT CONTINUES!

The paver project in the Milford Township Memorial Park in Darrtown seemed in peril recently, when Ronald Wiley announced his decision to retire from the voluntary position of paver project manager.

Fortunately, John Newman, a Darrtown resident and military veteran, agreed to take on the role of paver project manager.



As a result, people will, for the foreseeable future, continue to have the opportunity to purchase pavers and commemorate their memories of Darrtown and Milford Township military personnel, individuals, families, businesses, and events. Information about ordering pavers is available at the Darrtown website [paver page](#) and in this [paver movie](#). You may also call John Newman at 513-314-5187.

FUN FACTS ABOUT THE PAVERS...

1. As of Nov. 2020, **484** pavers have been sold.
2. In preparation of the 2014 Bicentennial, the first batch of pavers was installed in June 2013. **Guess how many pavers were included in that first batch:**
(A) 46 | (B) 86 | (C) 106 | (D) 146
(The answer appears on the next page.)



The Northwest quadrant of the park includes a memorial for military veterans. Many veterans were drafted for World War II service.

At what age were men exempt from registering for the WWII draft?

(A) 35 yrs. | (B) 45 yrs. | (C) 55 yrs. | (D) 65 yrs.

See the answer on the [WWII draft page](#).

IN MILFORD TOWNSHIP HISTORY...

A new page, related to the Somerville School community, appears as the **third link (below right)** and it includes a **movie made by Samuel Inman** of Somerville.

If you can identify anyone in the Inman movie, please inform the Darrtown webmaster, so that names may be added to the film.



[The Somerville School](#)

[The Somerville School Centennial](#)

[The Somerville School Community](#)



The **school colors of Darrtown High School** were mentioned in the Thursday, January 31st, 1929 edition of the Hamilton Journal News. The article summarized a Darrtown vs. Somerville basketball game played at Somerville. According to the news item the "blue and gold quintet" of Darrtown scored its eighth consecutive victory of the season.

This news article confirms what has been previously reported on the [Darrtown High School page](#).

In 1923, the end of an era occurred, when the Darrtown baseball team exited from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana (KOI) league.



Read the June 30, 1923 Hamilton Journal news item at ["Poor Crowds Cause Withdrawal of Darrtown from Baseball"](#)

146

That's the number of pavers in the **first batch sold and installed** in the Milford Township Memorial Park

MORE

Before Ron Wiley retired as the Paver Project Manager, he reported the number of pavers sold by category.

PAVER

227 Families
127 Individuals
092 Military
023 Businesses
009 Organizations
003 Events

INFO

For info about ordering pavers to be placed in the Memorial Park at Darrtown, click the following link to the [paver page](#).

RISE AND FALL OF THE TOWN HALL

Yes, it's true!
Darrtown once had a
town hall.

The existence of the town hall in Darrtown was recently reaffirmed by a **news story, printed 91 years ago**, that described how some woman at a club meeting won a contest and received prizes that were made of wood gleaned from the town hall, after it collapsed, and the prizes displayed an inscription of **two dates** - one for when the town hall went up and one for when it came down.

See the details at the [Town Hall page](#).

Recently, Andy Popst shared some memories related to Darrtown. See Andy's contribution at the [Recollections page](#).



Andy is the **23rd person to contribute** memories of Darrtown.

If you would like to share some of your Darrtown-related recollections, please contact the [Darrtown webmaster](#).

And, speaking of the Popst family...

A recently discovered obituary of Jacob Popst (1860-1932) reveals these tidbits about Jacob and Darrtown:

- ◆ Jacob learned the blacksmith trade in Hamilton, at an early age.
- ◆ He was born in Millville and moved to Milford township near Darrtown.
- ◆ Jacob ran the [Popst hotel](#) and blacksmith shop in Darrtown for 25 years.



*In
remembrance of...*



Glenna (Keller) Burns: See her obituary at
Dartown.org/Individuals A-C



Fred Decker: See his obituary at
Dartown.org/Individuals D-G



George Long: See his obituary at
Dartown.org/Individuals H-L



Helen (Hickernell) Mee: See her obituary
at Dartown.org/Individuals M-Q



William M. Ramsey: See his obituary at
Dartown.org/Individuals R-Z

If you know of Darttown-related obituaries that should be included, please inform the webmaster.

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