

THE WAY IT WAS

POLAND — RANGE . 1. TOWN . 1.



Transcribed January 1927

from Franklin Lewis 1911

Surveyed 1840

Charles M. Chase Recorder - Adair County 1911

1840 Township Map



Johnston Hardware



Stone Tavern



High School



Grade School



The old Law School



Old M. E. Church



M.E. Church



A typical Sat. morning at the Smolen Main St. market during 1943 & 44. Meat was in short supply, but Judy and Pete Smolan saw that each customer received a portion.



The McKinley Home in the early 1942. Was Poland's first self-serve market.



The Johnston Co. Building and McKinley Home at Approximately 1970 after being joined into one building.



A Play! Out doors in front of the Presbyterian Church.



Store of Cunningham Furniture & Undertaking Company Lowelville, Ohio



Remember the A&P and Isaly?



Pa and Ma Cover going for a ride in their buggy.

Poland Township

1915 *Wm McComb*
George Bishop
Ralph Darron

1919 *Wm McComb*
George Bishop
Ralph Darron

1921 *Wm McComb*
George Bishop
Ralph Darron

1923 *Wm McComb - Str*
George Bishop -Pol
Ralph Darrow- Llv

1929 *George Bishop- Pol*
H.G. Fitch - Str
Hugh Nixon - Llv

1931 *Henry Fitch - Str*
Hugh Nixon - Llv
O.W. Heldman

1933 *Hugh Nixon - Llv*
Henry Fitch - Str
John Godward -Str

1935 *Henry Fitch - Str*
John Godward -Str
John Shaffer -Llv

Trustees 1915-2003

1937 *John Godward -Pol*
C.J. Hartzell - Str
Henry G. Fitch -Pol
Clerk H.B. Huston - Str

1939 *Wm Hoffman*
John Godward -Pol
C.J. Hartzell Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse Str

1941 *Wm Hoffman -Str*
John Godward -Pol
C.J. Hartzell -Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse -Pol

1943 *Wm Hoffman -Str*
John Godward- Pol
C.J. Hartzell -Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1945 *John Godward-Pol*
C.J. Hartzell-Str
Wm Hoffman-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1947 *Wm Hoffman-Str*
John Godward-Pol
C.J. Hartzell-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse

1949 John Godward-Pol
Wm Hoffman-Str
C.J. Hartzell-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1951 Wm Hoffman-Str
John Godward-Pol
C.J. Hartzell-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1953 John Godward-Pol
C.J. Hartzell-Str
Wm Hoffman-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1955 Wm Hoffman-Str
John Godward-Pol
C.J. Hoffman-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1957 John Godward-Pol
John Tabak-Str
Wm Hoffman-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1959 Charles Kimmel
John Tabak-Str
Wm Hoffman-Str
Clerk Donald Sicafuse

1961 John Godward-Pol
Paul Stevens-Poland
Charles Kimmel
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1963 Paul Stevens-Pol
John Godward-Pol
Thomas McGarry-Lfv
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1965 Paul Stevens-Pol
John Raupple-Pol
Thomas McGarry-Lfv
Clerk Donald Sicafuse

1967 Walter Pekkanen-Pol
Paul Stevens-Pol
Thomas McGarry-Lfv
Clerk Donald Sicafuse

1969 John Raupple-Pol
Cloy Stewart-Pol
Walter Pekkanen-Pol
Clerk Donald Sicafuse-Pol

1971 Walter Pekkanen-Pol
John Raupple-Pol
Cloy Stewart-Pol
Clerk William Neil-Pol

1973 John Raupple-Pol
David Ludt-Pol
Walter Pekkanen-Pol
Clerk William Nelis-Pol

1975 Nick Jeswald-Pol
David Ludt-Pol
John Raupple-Pol
Clerk William Neils- Pol

1977 David Ludt-Pol
Peter Sturbi-Llv
Nick Jeswald-Pol
Clerk William Nelis-Pol

1979 Nick Jeswald-Pol
David Ludt-Pol
Peter Sturbi-Llv
Clerk William Nelis-Pol

1981 David Ludt-Pol
Peter Sturbi-Llv
Nick Jeswald-Pol
Clerk William Nelis-Pol

1983 Nick Jeswald-Pol
David Ludt-Pol
Peter Sturbi-Llv
Clerk James Sharville-Pol

1985 Peter Sturbi-Llv
Nick Jeswald-Pol
Daavid ludt-Pol
Clerk James Sharville-Pol

1987 Nick Jeswald-Pol
Wm Kennedy-Pol
Peter Sturbi-Llv
Clerk James Sharville-Pol

1989 David Ludt-Pol
Connie Coloutes-Pol
Nick Jeswald-Pol
Clerk John Rosensteel-Pol

1991 James Sharville-Pol
David Ludt-Pol
Connie Coloutes-Pol
Clerk John Rosensteel-Pol

1993 David Ludt-Pol
Connie Coloutes-Pol
James Scharville-Pol
Clerk Catherine Stacy-Llv

1995 James Sharville-Pol
Connie Coloutes-Pol
David Ludt-Pol
Clerk Catherine Stacy-Llv

1997 Franklin Bennett-Pol
Mark Naples-Pol
James Sharville-Pol
Clerk Catherine Stacy-Llv

1999 Annette Jeswald DeVito
Mark Naples-Pol
Franklin Bennett-Pol
Clerk Catherine Stacy-Llv

2001 Mark Naples-Pol
Robert Lidl-Pol
Annette-Jeswald DeVito
Clerk Catherine Stacy

2003 Mark Naples-Pol
Robert Lidle-Pol
Annette Jeswald DeVito
Clerk Joseph Granitto-Pol

THE HISTORY of the POLAND Who We Are

An integral part of Poland, Ohio's heritage is the building known today as the "Little Red Schoolhouse". Originally built in 1858, it stands on its original site at the corner of State Rt. 224 and Struthers Road in Poland Township. In 1915 the building ceased to function as a school, but continued to serve the community in various capacities. In the late 1970's Poland's Board of Education began to consider selling off the building and property as it was no longer needed and had fallen into disrepair.

In 1979, the Poland Township Historical Society was formed under the leadership of Mrs. Dan B. Jones, Jr. and many more interested and concerned residents, for the primary purpose of saving Poland's "Little Red Schoolhouse".

A lease agreement between the Historical Society and the Poland School Board was arranged for \$1.00 per year for a period of 99 years, and thus became the home to the newly formed Poland Historical Society. Poland is the only District in the State of Ohio to still have a one room schoolhouse.

Through the rigorous efforts of Society members, a Federal Grant was secured for restoration of the building along with numerous donations of time and money from the community.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The building has qualified for placement on the National Register of Historic Places.

As Poland's Historical Society we are dedicated to procuring and displaying of artifacts relating to Poland's place in history as Town 1, Range 1 in the Connecticut Western Reserve.

Over the years, the Society has offered numerous lectures as well as educational programs concerning a variety of local history and interest.

We continue to plan fund raisers such as our Flower Sale in the spring and of course our popular Christmas Tour of Homes, there has even been some discussion of adding a summer Garden Tour to our fund raising efforts. The Society's future plans include the creation of a Museum in the building known as the "Little Red Schoolhouse" highlighting the diverse and generous donations from our community. We look forward to expanding our role as a valued educational resource for the Poland Community.

Our meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Little Red School House, 4515 Center Road. Meetings are open to members as well as the public. You are encouraged to attend.

OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2003

Application for Grant Monies

Donations of Historical
Significance

Restoration of Brick Walkway

Installation of Handicap
Accessible Driveway

Acquisition of Additional
Display Pieces and
Showcases

GOALS FOR 2004

Acquisition of more Showcases

Painting outside

Window repairs

Wooden Roof Shingles

Cleaned and Sealed

Stone for front door seal

Open the First Sunday of

May, June, July, Aug, Sept, & Oct.
from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. or by
appointment

YES!

You can count on Me!

Several membership levels are available for both individuals and business.

Use this form to enroll or to renew your membership today.

Please complete the form and enclose a check payable to:

POLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P. O. BOX 5052

POLAND, OHIO 44514-2343

Attn: Membership

Name: _____

Company: _____
(if applicable)

Address: _____

Phone: 330- _____

New: _____ Renewal: _____

Membership categories

Associate	\$10.00
Contributing	\$25.00
Donor	\$50.00
Patron	\$100.00
Contributing	\$1,000.00

**THE POLAND
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

**Membership is the lifeblood of
The Historical Society,
providing a substantial portion
of the overall budget.
your support will help continue
our mission to preserve the
history of Poland, to create
exhibits that show the
significance of our area, and
your membership dollars help
to fund educational programs.
It takes members to
TO GET THINGS DONE.**

**It is a great way to help your
Community and make some new
friends too. If this sounds like
you, we would love to hear from
you!**

*PRESERVING OUR
Past*



FOR THE FUTURE

Poland Historical Society
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