



**Towamensing Township Historical Commission**  
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Dear Township Residents,

I'm writing this letter on behalf of the Towamensing Township Historical Commission. We have had this committee in the township since 2008.

Our primary function has been to document our township's history through discovery, assessment and interviews. We keep an updated index of all historic buildings and sites within our township. Rich with photos and information, our index is kept in the township office for public viewing—a great resource for genealogy and fact-finding. When indexed structures are condemned, we photograph, document and catalog them prior to demolition. We also keep a resource list on file of specialists, which residents can evaluate for potential hire if so desired.

As an organization we are very involved in our community. We attend and also create several events annually for public enjoyment. While mainly represented locally, we also participate in events outside of the township. As an example, we recently attended the 150-year celebration in the town of Weatherly. Along with municipalities from all over the region, we represented Towamensing by decorating the township truck and entering it in their parade.

In 2010 we created a Historical Preservation Award, which we've presented annually. The award goes to residents selected for their efforts to restore or maintain indexed properties in their original, historically-accurate condition.

This past year the Greenzweig One Room Schoolhouse was donated to our township. Now saved, we have the opportunity to restore one of our community's historic treasures. There is much to do and funds are needed. We are currently creating a historic recipes cookbook to sell. If you have any old family recipes or pictures you would like to donate, please contact us. Our goal is to complete this edition for printing by March, 2015.

If volunteering for our committee or simply participating interests you, our meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building at 7:00 pm on the fourth Thursday of every month—come join us!

Thank you for your consideration,

**Karl Rolappe - Chairman**  
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