

## Linwood **Historical Society**

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## The History of the Leedsville Schoolhouse **Continued: Its Next Job**

As our museum building enters its 150th year, let us continue to review its history. The last two issues of the Linwood Historical Society Newsletter talked about the building at 16 W Poplar Avenue as starting its long service to the then Borough of Leedsville as a one room schoolhouse. With the opening of Belhaven Avenue School in 1908, it was no longer needed as a school and it eventually became used as a Borough hall until 1931 and then as City Hall, when the town became incorporated.

In 1965 a new city hall was built on New Road. In that same year the little schoolhouse on Poplar Avenue became a library. Linwood Public Library became the central meeting place in town. Students doing research for school, moms and dads taking out picture books for their children and the latest novels for themselves. People visited the library daily just to read that day's newspaper or popular magazines.

The librarian would take a card from the book you were checking out and write your library card number on it then replace it with a card telling you when the book needed to be returned. When was the last time someone asked you where you're going and you said, "To the library."



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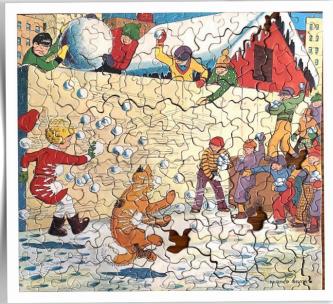
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## Curious Things Found Around the Museum

A trip around the museum always turns up some very unique things. This 1943 jig saw puzzle was donated by Jim Kirk, one of the Historical Society founders. puzzle has over 250 pieces. The finished scene is the last panel in the four panel Orphan In order to learn what happens to Annie and Sandy you have to assemble the puzzle. So luckily for you, we at the museum worked very hard piecing it together, which was not an easy job as there was no picture to guide us.







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We are looking for ways to help celebrate our 150 year old building.



Contact us with any of your appreciated ideas.

## Photogravure: Second Grade at Seaview School 1964-65



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