# Preserving the Memories: The 1913 Flood in Warren County

### **PROGRAM**

8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-9:50	Ohio's Greatest Disaster: The 1913 Flood in Warren County and Beyond. Presented by Trudy E. Bell, Science/Technology Writer and Editor
9:50-10:00	Break
10:00-10:45	History and Memory: the 1913 Flood. Presented by Dawne Dewey, Head of Archives and Director of Public History Program at Wright State University.
10:45-11:00	Break
11:00-12:00	March of 1913: Family Stories and Memories from the Flood. Speakers: Thomas Foley, Earl Gorsuch and Eva Louise Polley
12:30-4:00	You are on your own to enjoy lunch in Franklin and visit the Franklin Area Historical Society's Harding Museum Flood Exhibit and Open House.

Exhibits designed by Wright State University Public History graduate students, Tricia McEldowney and Phillip Elam.

# Directions to Franklin Public Library Traveling from Dayton, heading South

- Take Interstate 75, heading South
- Take Exit 38, OH-73 toward Franklin-Springboro
- Make a right turn off exit ramp to OH-73/East Second Street
- Take a left at the first traffic light onto Conover Dr.
- Conover will dead end at Fourth St.
- Make a right onto Fourth St. and follow fourth until you see the library on your left.

### Traveling from Cincinnati, heading North

- Take Interstate 75, heading North
- Take Exit 36, OH-123, toward Franklin
- Turn left onto OH-123
- Once you make that turn you will go straight through three traffic lights. At the fourth light, make a right turn onto Riley Blvd.
- Go one block to Fifth Street. Make a right turn. Our parking lot is the next left—almost immediately after you turn onto Fifth Street.

~Additional Parking will be available at the Fire Station located across the street from the library (Intersection of Fourth St. and Riley Blvd.)~

# The Franklin Area Historical Society Invites you to a Symposium Preserving the Memories of the 1913 Flood



March 30, 2012

at



44 East Fourth Street

Franklin, Ohio 45005

We hope that you will join us for this very informative Symposium.

This program is free, but space is limited.

Registration is required.



Please respond no later than

March 2, 2012

By contacting

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#### Memories of 1913

As the year 2013 approaches, marking the 100th anniversary of the 1913 Flood, it would be appropriate that Ohioans be reminded or become aware of a major flood control program in Ohio which resulted from this disastrous event. The widespread damage along the Miami Valley from Tipp City, north of Dayton, to Hamilton, prompted the formation of the Miami Conservancy District in 1915 with Arthur E. Morgan as Chief Engineer. His engineering brilliance in flood control and drainage led to the ultimate technical success of the entire project of the Miami Valley Flood Prevention Association. From project's end in 1923, the work in flood prevention initiated and maintained by the Miami Conservancy District has essentially eliminated the threat of major flooding in the Miami Valley.



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