

# Schumacher Homestead

8350 Bixel Rd  
Bluffton, OH 45817

## OPEN HOUSES

1-5 p.m. Saturdays  
June-August

## ANNUAL EVENTS

Spring History Program  
Swiss Day Potluck  
Bluffton Fall Festival  
Christmas Open House

## Tours

School and other large and small groups are invited to schedule tours.

Call 419-358-4822 and leave a message to schedule a visit.

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SWISS COMMUNITY  
HISTORICAL SITE

# Preserving the Past

The Swiss Community Historical Society connects visitors with the story of settlers in northwest Ohio.

Our volunteer docents lead tours and give demonstrations at the 1843 Schumacher farmhouse and surrounding garden, summer kitchen, workshop, and bank barn.



# Building for the Future

A large climate-controlled Heritage Center is being created from an 1850s timber-frame barn. The facility will dramatically expand access to society programming and resources.

This project is a modern-day barn raising! Become a member or donor to receive regular updates on events and campaigns.



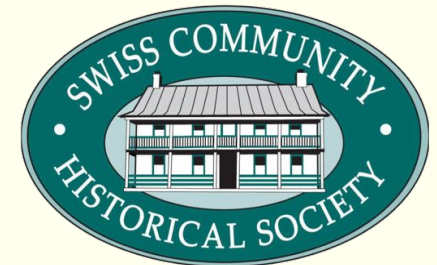
# A Swiss Family

Christian and Barbara (Luginbuhl) Schumacher built their northwest Ohio homestead in the 1840s-1850s after immigrating from Switzerland.

Their son Peter and his wife Elizabeth would raise sixteen children there. Elizabeth (Suter) Schumacher was later commemorated by Ripley's "Believe It or Not" for having 163 grandchildren!

A 21st century visitor wrote:

*A beautiful spot in a peaceful rural location. The house is a historical gem & was well restored. We were amazed at the size of the rooms & to think that so many children were raised there (I think we heard the laughter).*



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