Salem, Ohio was founded by Zadok Street and John Straughan (Strawn) on April 30, 1806. Many of the early townspeople were Quakers. Salem was the site of the Western Headquarters for the Anti-Slavery Association, which published THE ANTI-SLAVERY BUGLE. In 1850, Ohio's first Women's Rights Convention was held in Salem, the second such convention in the United States.

The Salem Historical Society was formed in 1947, with Roy W. Harris as president. The Salem Historical Society Museum is a nonprofit volunteer organization which maintains three buildings to house and display many historical artifacts. The main building is two Victorian houses joined together, a garage with exhibits, and Freedom Hall, which emphasizes the Civil War and Underground Railroad era. A separate research Library is under construction. Volunteers will assist with research, at varying costs.

COLLECTIONS
Dale Shafer’s research material for his 25 books on Salem history
Salem & Abolitionist Women’s Rights Convention of 1850 - photos
Anti Slavery Bugle Newspapers
Phillip Triem Camp Civil War Materials – books records
Alan Freed Rock Radio DJ (from Salem) – PBS DVD
Atlases, Bibles, and Salem directories from 1877
Salem China Co. – pieces, ledgers, sample books
Mullins Manufacturing Co. - pieces, ledgers, sample books
Civil War books, published in 20th century
Daniel Hise diaries (1846-1878)
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MEMBERSHIP FEES  ADMISSION FEES
$20 Single  Adults - $4.00
$40 Family  Children - $2.00
$1,000 Life Membership

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Upon request with a small fee