Clues Continued...

Mural at your back, safely cross Cherry and then E. High. Pass two houses and slow down. It's not the time to fly. The blue "saltbox" house, right, is your next destination. Built at the peak of the Canal Era, it was an 1847 creation.

This was a typical home for workers living in this town. Notice the short roof in front that, in back, slopes down. Bedrooms were upstairs. Downstairs was living and eating, Plus a room for births and illness that needed treating.

What is the name of this house?

Face the town's center and walk four blocks southwest. Turn left on the Towpath Trail to continue this quest. The boat here is made of cement! You need a ticket to enter. It replaced the wooden one you first saw behind the center.

The replica, christened in 1992, Travels the canal, operated by a costumed crew. The boat provides public rides to and from Lock 4. A team of two Percheron horses pull it from shore.

What is the name of this boat?

On this quest, we hope you've had fun and have learned. Now, where is the treasure you've certainly earned? Step inside the Canalway Center for one final task. With your answers ready, for the quest box please ask.

Take a moment to sign the logbook and stamp in, if you choose. Hand the box back and ask the staff about Canal Fulton news. After logging and chatting, continue on your way. Are you off to explore any other quests today?

This quest was created by Amanda Ammon, an intern for the City of Canal Fulton, and Mary Hultman, a naturalist for Stark Parks. It was updated by Arrye Rosser and Volunteer Marybeth Cieplinski of Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

How to Quest

Quest clues and maps—created by teachers, volunteers, and/or park staff—will help you discover the natural and cultural gems of the Ohio & Erie Canalway. At the end of each quest is a hidden treasure box. Sign your name in the logbook, stamp this page, and return the box to its hiding place.

The questing season runs from April 15 through November 15.

Notice a problem or have suggestions for improving this quest? Contact Stark Parks at 330-409-8096 or information@starkparks.com.

About This Program

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So far, more than 100 teachers, volunteers, and park staff have been involved in writing and field testing Canalway Quests. Our plan is to create many more in the years ahead. If you would like to volunteer, contact me at cuva_questing@nps.gov.

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The Ohio & Erie Canalway celebrates the rails, trails, landscapes, towns, and sites that grew up along the first 110 miles of the canal that helped Ohio and our nation grow.

For more information and to get copies of other quests, visit ohioanderiecanalway.com and search under Activities for Questing.







STARK COUNTY SECTION

CANAL FULTON

ST. HELENA HERITAGE PARK





Boat rides from Canal Fulton Canalway Center. COURTESY / STARK PARKS

Canalway Quest

Historic Canal Fulton Quest

Learn about local history on this easy stroll around a Canal Era town.

Planning Ahead

This treasure hunt takes about 30 minutes. Except for climbing aboard the replica canal boat, it is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Most surfaces are flat and paved. You will need a pen or pencil to answer the questions and sign the logbook. Some people prefer using their own signature stamp and ink pad or marker.

Allow extra time to explore nearby shops and restaurants. To extend your visit with a canal boat ride, call the Canal Fulton Canalway Center at 330-854-6835 or visit discovercanalfulton.com.

Getting There

Start in the parking lot at St. Helena Heritage Park, 125 Tuscarawas Street (Route 93), Canal Fulton, Ohio 44614. The Canal Fulton Canalway Center is open in April and October on Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and from May through September on Mondays through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please do this quest during those times.

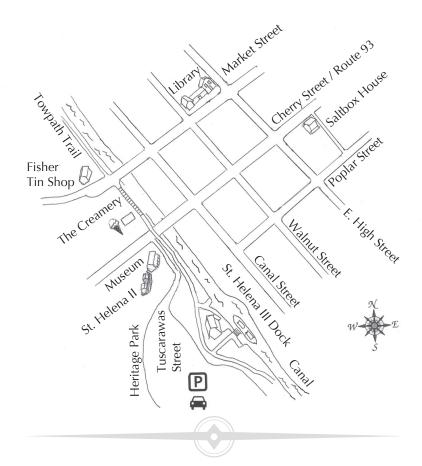
Clues

Welcome to Canal Fulton! Let's take a walk around. Over 70 historic buildings are within six blocks downtown. In its heyday there were 30 coal mines and busy boat traffic. Use your imagination to picture the past demographics.

See the boat on dry land? Explore this representation Of 19th-century Ohio & Erie Canal transportation. Moving goods and people, canal boats changed the state—New industries and a good economy they did create.

Look beyond the boat's rudder to find the next stop: The Heritage Society Museum, a great photo op. This is where the old and once famous Babst Tavern was run. It hosted three presidents: Garfield, Adams, and Harrison.

On the porch railing is an Ohio-shaped sign That shows the level of a high-water line. One March, long ago, a destructive flood raged, Bringing a wet grand finale to the great Canal Age.



What year was the flood that is marked by the plaque?

Cross over and go left along the watery canal's side.
Turn right at Cherry and to Canal Street stride.
Brimstone Corners was once this intersection's name.
A bar on every corner added to its disreputable fame.
Frequented by canallers and others "looking for action,"
These liquor establishments drew an unsavory faction.

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Cross Cherry to read the Great Western historical sign. A canal warehouse was replaced, local tastes to refine. Here stood the Opera House which held 500 seats—A cultural center where respectable people could meet. Circle the painted trash bin on the sidewalk to see This imposing building before and after it burned in 1930.

Backtrack on Cherry. Turn right onto the Towpath Trail. Return later for ice cream if your willpower does fail. Cross boardwalk and Market Street where you will find A business whose window is filled with flowers of all kinds.

Fisher Tin Shop is what this store used to be. For citizens in the 1800s, such tin shops were key. Products like tin cookware and toys did abound. In every household such items could be found.

What business is housed in this building now?

With your back to the tin shop, follow the metal rail. Check out the canal flowing below as forward you sail. Stop at the Market and Canal intersection, called Public Square. Here locals shopped at respectable businesses plying their ware. Ladies and gentlemen wanting to keep above the fray Were only a block from Brimstone Corners, a social world away.

Right (crossing Market) and immediately on right, seek The E.R. Held building, now missing its peak. It was Canal Fulton's first bank and main grocery store. Do you see lion heads gazing down from the top floor?

Cross Canal Street and up Market Street explore.

To get to the next stop, you must travel one block more.

The big yellow building, left, now suits book lovers fine,
But it started out as the Sullivan family home in 1879.

After the Sullivans moved out, E.R. Held laid claim. A banker's home, his showplace in town, it became. When E.R. Held left town, a funeral parlor held the lease. After the Kellers, the Mulhausers gave the city the keys.

What is the building used for now?

Continue walking straight until you reach the next corner. Turn right onto E. High Street—you're getting warmer! Pass the fire station and immediately swing right. A mural with charming scenes of the past is now in sight. Next is an I Spy challenge for you, my hearty sightseer. Find the police constable. The town jail once stood here.