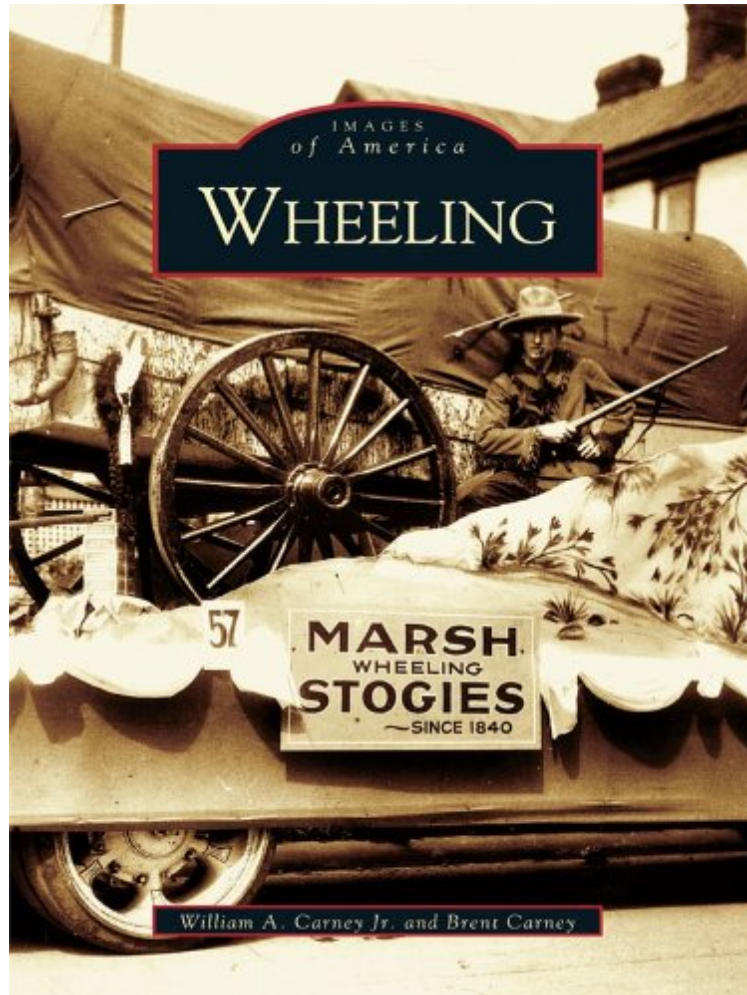


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William A. Carney Jr., Brent Carney : Wheeling (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Wheeling (Images of America):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Excellent!By Jon Christopher JonesHaving grown up in Wheeling I had to get this book. Not at all disappointed, nor were the rest of the family. I bought this and the Oglebay Park book for everyone in my family and they all loved it. Great memories and a lot of history about the town we grew up in and still love going back to.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. WheelingBy M. WestWe are from Wheeling, and we love these books with the old photos and stories. It's great fun to read!3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Great historical interest bookBy Lori A. WittThis book had me hooked before I even got to the table of contents. The pictures are just fantastic. Having grown up in the Wheeling, WV area, I found it so interesting to study these photographs and see what the area looked like in years past. I especially enjoyed reading the captions under each photo. In addition to just explaining what the picture is, the captions include little bits of information about the

subjects in the photo. I think I'll be getting more copies of this book to give for Christmas presents.

When most people think of Wheeling they remember Independence Hall and the birth of West Virginia, but Wheeling's history goes back even further to the frontier legends of Lewis Wetzel and Maj. Samuel McColloch. Images of America: Wheeling includes photographs of both Wetzel's cave and Major McColloch's smoke house, as well as a multitude of historic photographs depicting the way life used to be in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Famous visitors such as Babe Ruth, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Charles Lindbergh, President John F. Kennedy, actress Sarah Bernhardt, and Buffalo Bill are featured. Within these pages memorable snapshots document some famous moments in the history of the 20th century, such as when President Eisenhower decided to keep Senator Nixon on the ticket at the Ohio County Public Airport and Sen. Joseph McCarthy's famous speech about Communists in the State Department at Wheeling's McLure Hotel. However, the real stars of this book are Wheeling's own buildings, industries, and people, from machine workers on the job to millionaires at play. A chapter devoted to the African-American experience in Wheeling includes Center Market's slave auction block as well as an image of the great jazz saxophonist Leon "Chu" Berry. This collection highlights some of the horrific natural disasters that occurred at the turn of the century as well as Wheeling's Victorian architectural treasures, which were erected during the same era.