

West Elmira Computers Museum

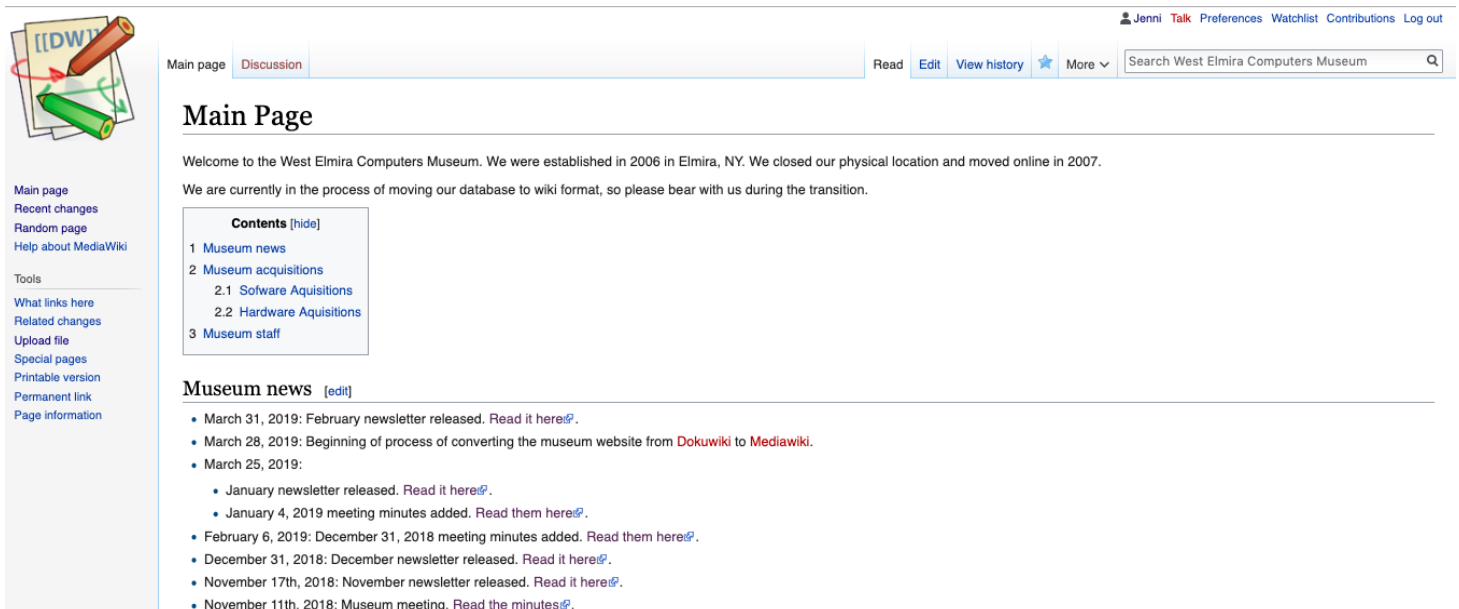
March 2019 Newsletter

Museum website wiki converted to MediaWiki

It's once more a small newsletter. This month, like the last, had no acquisitions added to the museum.

However, this month the wiki at <http://www.wecmuseum.org/> has been converted from Dokuwiki to the more popular, and better supported, MediaWiki, which was created for use by the wikis run by the Wikimedia foundation, such as Wikipedia.

Content is steadily being added to the wiki, but there will still be a number of red links for the next few months as the process of migrating pages to MediaWiki continues. Thank you for your patience during this process.



The screenshot shows the MediaWiki interface for the West Elmira Computers Museum. At the top right, there are user links for 'Jenni', 'Talk', 'Preferences', 'Watchlist', 'Contributions', and 'Log out'. Below this is a search bar with the text 'Search West Elmira Computers Museum'. The main navigation bar includes 'Main page', 'Discussion', 'Read', 'Edit', 'View history', and 'More'. The page title is 'Main Page'. The main content area starts with a welcome message: 'Welcome to the West Elmira Computers Museum. We were established in 2006 in Elmira, NY. We closed our physical location and moved online in 2007. We are currently in the process of moving our database to wiki format, so please bear with us during the transition.' Below this is a 'Contents' table of contents with three main items: '1 Museum news', '2 Museum acquisitions' (subdivided into '2.1 Software Aquisitions' and '2.2 Hardware Aquisitions'), and '3 Museum staff'. The 'Museum news' section is expanded, showing a list of recent events with dates and links to read more, such as 'March 31, 2019: February newsletter released. Read it here!' and 'March 28, 2019: Beginning of process of converting the museum website from Dokuwiki to Mediawiki.'

Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) Filed

The Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) has been submitted to the Internal Revenue Service for the year of 2018.

Console Maintenance

The museum's consoles have been tested. The Nintendo Entertainment System displays a grey screen unless the cartridge is inserted in a specific way, so it will probably need a new cartridge loading mechanism.

One of the Nintendo Entertainment System controllers has a faulty 'A' button, and will need to be replaced or repaired.

The Wii U GamePad does not turn on. It may need to have the battery replaced. If that doesn't solve the issue, the entire unit will need to be replaced.

Backing Up Data

The museum's documents and website have been saved to a retroUSB Super Media Bros. USB stick that resembles a Nintendo Entertainment System cartridge.

