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Regular meeting held first Wednesday of each month, 7:30 PM
Presbyterian Church, 6474 Beechmont, unless otherwise noted

NEWS FLASH

DID YOU FORGET? Membership dues for the year May 1, 1986 to 1987 are now payable as follows: Single Membership - \$3.00; Family - \$6.00; Patron - \$10.00; Lifetime - \$100.00. Please make checks payable to ATHS and mail to P.O. Box 30174, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wednesday, June 4th - ATHS Monthly Meeting - KATHLEEN REHLING, SPEAKER
Baskets are definitely the "In Thing" to use for practical purposes and also decorative purposes. It follows that making baskets has become a popular craft project. Our speaker holds a fine arts degree from the University of Cincinnati and could speak on many forms of fiber artistry, but has chosen basketry - its history - uses and the many fibers and designs used in the weaving.

Wednesday, July 2nd - ATHS Annual Picnic. Where - LOG HOUSE at 6:30 PM. Bring your own picnic basket. Dessert and drinks will be furnished. Musical program planned. Let's make this a pre-Fourth of July celebration and at what better place than our Log House.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROJECTS - Florence Makepeace - Chairperson. Please mark the following dates on your calendar.

Saturday, June 14th - 10 AM to 4 PM; Sunday, June 15th - 1 PM to 4 PM.

A GARDEN PARTY WITH FASHIONS ON DISPLAY

The Log House offers a fine setting for showing the vintage clothing owned by ATHS. Adult fashions will be shown and be sure to bring the children to see what their age group wore in the mid and late 1800's. After admiring the fashions, enjoy some strawberry shortcake (small charge) served at tables set up in the yard. Let us hope this is one of those rare days in June to enjoy at the Log House.

Saturday, July 19th - 10 AM to 4 PM; Sunday, July 20th - 1 PM to 4 PM.

LOG HOUSE CRAFT SHOW

An Open House the whole family will enjoy, watching craftsmen share their skills in making pottery - woodworking - stitchery - weaving - tatting - baskets. Any member who is skilled or interested in any other craft is invited to take part in the show. Please call Florence Makepeace at 231 7090.

Saturday, August 16th - 10 AM to 4 PM; Sunday, August 17th - 1 PM to 4.

THE WAY WE WERE

Out of the files of the Research Department will appear pictures, maps, stories of Mt. Washington and Anderson Township, showing the Way we Were. The Genealogy Department will display family histories and be on hand to answer questions. The Accessions Department will make it

all come alive by displaying possessions of people shown in pictures, parts of buildings, utensils and tools. The three departments have spent hours and hours, researching, recording and guarding history for AHS and there is no better way to show your appreciation than to visit this open house and learn more about the history of your community.

The Log House will be open each Sunday from 1 PM to 4 PM, starting June 22nd. If you are willing to give up a Sunday afternoon to spend a few pleasant hours serving as a host or hostess, please call Jane King - 231 9557 or Florence Makepeace - 231 7090.

RESEARCH - Roland Lowery - Chairperson, Submitted the following.

A ROAD BY ANY OTHER NAME

The busy Beechmont Levee was constructed in 1950-51, replacing the much lower Union Levee, built in the first decade of the century and badly damaged in the big flood of 1937. Beechmont Avenue was once part of the Cincinnati and West Union Turnpike, better known locally as Ohio Pike, except the section in Mount Washington Village, which was, officially, Main Street.

It, and many other of the village streets had to be renamed, because of duplication, when annexation took place in 1911. British influence must have played a part in the selection of new names such as, Aberdeen, Cambridge, Berkshire, Oxford, Plymouth, Roxbury, Suffolk and Sussex. The signs on many of the area roads bear the names of early settlers and landowners, viz; Corbly, Sutton, Markley, Mears, Wolfangle, Ayers, Woodruff, Bennet, Ebersole, Nordyke and Bridges.

From the mid 1800's up to about 1910 there were five toll roads in the Township - Clough being one. Fees were also collected from travelers on Salem; the New Richmond Turnpike (Kellogg Ave.); the Batavia Turnpike, now State Route 32; and the first mentioned West Union Rd.

Note: Roland and his committee are always happy to research any questions you might have about the history of this area.

ACCESSIONS - Alice and Jack Massey - Co-Chairpersons.

You will note that two new names appear in this heading. Alnola Stimpert retired from the department after serving about five years and she is deserving of a sincere thank you for organizing and keeping our belongings in such good order and condition. Fortunate for us, she is leaving it in the care of Massey's and we thank them for accepting the chairmanship.

The Log House Committee - Dr. Victor Frame - Chairperson

The next time you visit the barn, you will be surprised and pleased to see new concrete flooring in the front and middle sections. The necessity of new flooring was discussed by the Board and Dr. Frame was asked to get bids on the replacement. One bid of \$1,385. was approved and the proposal was brought before the membership at the May meeting, and voted on and passed. This makes the barn a safer and more comfortable place to work.

Note: Whenever an improvement is made for the benefit of a majority, something or someone is bound to suffer. When the workmen removed the old flooring in the barn, a very irate mother raccoon and two babies

were robbed of their comfortable home. Mr. Shoop had to convince the mother ---- that it would be to her advantage to vacate. This story has a happy ending. If you are wondering what happened to the babies, after dark, the mother rescued them from a galvanized trash can where Mr. Shoop had placed them, amongst some nice clean rags.

THANK YOU. - - to all who helped with the Plant Sale, held on May 3rd and May 4th. Florence is especially grateful to the members who donated plants as a good percentage of the profit (\$ 235.00) came from the sale of plants that were given by members.

NEWS ITEM: Each year the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums requests that Societies in Ohio submit, for an award, the accomplishment of a society or of a member of a society that would pertain to the history of the area.

ATHS is very pleased to enter Roland Lowery's book, titled "Township Tales" for consideration. There are nine different categories and Roland's book was accepted for consideration under "publications".

The Mt. Washington Cemetery Association is in great need of funds for the maintenance of the grounds. The Board asked the membership to vote on a proposal at the monthly meeting, to contribute \$500.00 to the Association. This proposal was approved by a majority vote. The Board also voted to support the efforts of the Mt. Washington Cemetery Restoration Company, Inc. in establishing an endowment fund and also to take out a membership in the Cemetery Restoration Company, Inc.

COUNTRY STORE: Connie Whitaker - - 474 1637

Needed: Stitchery - Any unfinished items given out during the year; Victorian style linens - napkins, towels, doilies, tablecloths, etc. call Bernice Dunham - 231 7885. Jewelry - used, old or modern; Gladys Kachel - 231 3377; Scraps of lace, ribbon, material - Nmy Lowery - 231 5169. HELP - Kitchen, Herbs and Cheese. Call Connie.

New Members:

Mrs. Ellen Mueller, 1675 Alcor Terrace (30) 232 6703
 Mrs. Katherine Skoff, 6288 Salem Rd., (30) 231 5290
 Mrs. Lisa Ann Stiegler, 7400 Plainfield Rd., (36) 793 7784
 Mr. and Mrs. Edward King, 1726 Sutton Ave., #4, (30) 232 5904
 Mrs. Edith F. Morganenthal, 8503 Clough Pk. (44) 474 2012
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Babbs, 5397 Salem Rd., (30) 231 9279
 Mr. and Mrs. David Tarter, 6931 Goldengate Dr. #502, (44) 232 6363
 Miss Diane Powers, 7092 Jeannie Ln. (30)

Changes of Address:

Mrs. C.B. Ayer, New England Club, 8135 Beechmont Ave. (30) 474 5773
 Miss Melitta Forbiger, " " E-260 474 4842
 Mrs. Tom Rickard " " E-246 474 4901
 Mrs. Jean Williamson " " E-145 474 2193
 Mrs. Katherine M. Albiez, 4140 Mt. Carmel Tobasco, Apt. 8-E 474 0643
 Mr. George Hurst, 3580 Shaw Ave., Marjorie Lee, 45208
 Mr. & Mrs. Howard Johnson, Asbury Woods Villa, 1149 Asbury, #107, 231 8987
 Mrs. Gladys W. Knox, 7679 Anderson Oaks Dr., (30) 231 9282
 Mrs. Nancy W. McClure, 640 Daniel Ct. #10-D (44)
 Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Van Pelt, 7439 Gungadin (30) 232 1545
 Mrs. Heloise E. Tucker, 13 Washington Ct., 6242 Corbly Rd., (30)