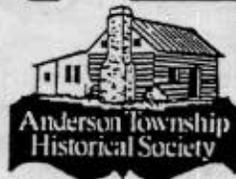


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Regular meeting held first Wednesday of each month, 7:30 PM
Presbyterian Church, 6474 Beechmont, unless otherwise noted

THE ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

DATE: TUESDAY, MARCH 3rd 6:30 P.M.
Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church
Fellowship Hall

COST OF DINNER \$5.00
Payable at the Door

Ruth Clark is preparing a very tasty dinner of BAKED CHICKEN BREAST, PARSLIED RED POTATOES, MIXED VEGETABLES, FRESH FRUIT JELLO SALAD and LEMON ANGEL DESSERT. Reservations are necessary and must be made by Friday, February 27th. CALL: EDITH HOWARD-RUTH SMITH at 232-4313 or MARIAN ULRICH at 474-4911.

Cancellations must be made by Saturday, February 28th. If you forget to cancel your reservation, we ask that you reimburse the Treasurer for the cost of the dinner.

(Please note that the day of the meeting has been changed from Wednesday to Tuesday because of Ash Wednesday).

Florence Makepeace has chosen QUILTING BEE as the theme for the evening which suggests that you will be viewing a display of quilts. If you have an interesting quilt that you would like to display, please call Florence Makepeace - 231-7090; Alice Massey - 231-6562 or Nola Stimpert - 232-8735. Also, call any one of the three listed if you have any old fashion or quaint sewing supplies such as baskets, thread holders, pin cushions, etc. that could be used for table decorations.

COMMITTEES:

A nominating committee, consisting of Lloyd Everhard, Florence Makepeace and Roland Lowery, was instructed to prepare a slate of candidates to be elected as officers of the Society at the annual meeting in March. It does seem odd that, with the number of members we have, it is so difficult to find a few who are willing to serve in these important and vital positions. We understand that it has been said that "the same old gang is running the show". Well, here is a chance for you, or someone you think capable, to get a "hat in the ring". Besides, there is a rumor that salaries are to be doubled next year. If you have a suggestion, get in touch with me or make a nomination from the floor. Roland Lowery - 231-5169.

Log House - Marjorie Frame reported that the damage to the stone work around the well, caused by vandals, has been repaired and looks beautiful. The cost was almost \$500.00 and fortunately the insurance took care of all except the \$100.00 deductible. Marj suggested that a barrier, possibly a chain, be installed at a location in the parking area on the west side of the Log House that would prevent a car from circling around the property. The Board approved.

Research

If you subscribe to our local papers, Mt. Washington Press and Forest Hills Journal, you are aware that our Research Chairman, Roland Lowery, is establishing himself as a well known authority on Mt. Washington and Anderson Township history. This coverage is no longer limited to local press.

On the evening news program on TV Channel 12 of January 23, area viewers saw "mug shots" of Red Lowery and Will Wolfer as they were being interviewed by newsman Randy Little. They told about their experiences during the "Great Flood of 1937". Lowery's interview took place in the AHS library and pictures from our archives were used in the film.

Accessions - Submitted by Nola Stimpert

One of the treasured quilts on display in the R.B. Hayes Presidential Center in Fremont, Ohio from February 15th to June 15th, is the red and white quilt given to AHS by Carol Banks. (Reported in the January, 1985 issue of The Surveyor).

Carol's grandmother, Carol Jacobus Brush, who lived in New York City, made the quilt in the late 19th Century. The pattern of the quilt is called "Drunkard's Path" and it provided a perfect center for the autographs of four gentlemen, said to be close friends of Mrs. Brush; namely, U.S. Grant, J.A. Garfield, C.A. Arthur and A.B. Cornell, a brother of the founder of Cornell University. Can't you see these men sitting about as the quilt was being made and suggesting what interest this would create at sometime in the future.

The quilt came to Ohio when Carol and her husband moved to Cincinnati and it was first offered to the Cincinnati Art Museum and to the Cincinnati Historical Society but was declined as the signatures had not been authenticated. However, since then, the curator of R.B. Hayes Presidential Center has confirmed the signature as being authentic.

The quilt will be returned to AHS on June 15th and later displayed at a collection of ALL OHIO QUILTS to be held in Cincinnati.

Projects

WERE YOU THERE - on one of the Sunday afternoons when the Log House was to be opened for visitors and a mother, father and their young son waited for the Guide to open the house. The Guide asked the little boy if he and his father would please raise the American flag on the pole in front of the house. If you were there, you will not forget the pleasure that showed on that little boy's face and you will certainly remember the proud salute he made to his flag.

WERE YOU THERE - when a couple commented on the "walking spinning wheel", and saying, "with all the weaving and the spinning we have done, never have we been able to use a wheel of this kind." The guide explained that the wheel was tied down to discourage little fingers turning the wheel, but that could be remedied and they were privileged to try it. They were delighted and before a group of interested visitors, completed enough threaded wool for a nice little remembrance of the "walking spinning wheel".

WERE YOU THERE - on the afternoon when an older gentleman, accompanied by his son and daughter, visited the Log House and began to reminisce. He had stories to tell and songs to sing that he had written and sang on early radio. There was one song that he happily said, had been very popular and many years later was sung by Bing Crosby. He was paid \$2,000 for the song and in 1930 that was a lot of money. Do you remember "I ONLY WANT A BUDDY, NOT A SWEETHEART"?

(These are just a few little happenings that make hostessing at our Log House such fun. - Nola Stimpert)

Jane King reports the following tours of the Log House during November:

11 Anderson Hills Nursery School Classes - 165 Children plus Leaders.
2 Third Grades from Hyde Park School - 46 Children and Teachers
1 Girl Scout Troop - 20 Scouts and Leaders

The interpreters during November were:

Jane King, Marjorie Frame, Marge Groppenbecher, Helen Sweet and Nola Stimpert.

Recently trained interpreters:

Alice Massey, Florence Makepeace, Heloise Tucker, Connie Whitaker and Betty Reagan.

A thank you to Albert Shoop for turning on the heat in the house on cold days and for taking the shutters off and putting them back on the house on tour days.

BICENTENNIAL 1988:

A meeting on January 29 at Anderson Township branch library brought out about thirty people from Anderson Township, California, Newtown and Mt. Washington. ATHS was represented by three individuals.

The theme of the meeting was a plan by the Centennial Commission to establish community task forces in cities, villages and communities to produce "History Panels" suitable for mounting and display that would depict historic maps, photos, documents, etc. of those communities.

In 1988 these "Panels" are to be displayed all over the tri-state area giving people the opportunity to learn something about the history of other communities. At the end of the year they would become the permanent property of the home unit.

This only briefly describes the project. There is to be another meeting on February 12 at Anderson Library to coordinate efforts of groups in the township, and to work out further details. This project seems to be very worthwhile and, if you are interested, it would be well to attend this meeting.

We believe that ATHS members should get involved with the Task Group of their areas and that the Society must give all possible support to the groups in coordinating their efforts and providing assistance.

There will be more information about the project at a future meeting.

AN INVITATION

The Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church is celebrating its Seventy-Fifth Anniversary. A very cordial invitation has been extended to ATHS members to attend an Open House on Thursday, February 12th from 2:30 PM until 5:30 PM and from 7:30 PM until 9:30 PM. Visitors are invited to tour the church and points of interest will be shown by hostesses. Many members of ATHS are members of the church, and will be at the Open House. Let's stop in to greet them and congratulate them on reaching their 75th Anniversary.

Another greeting should be given to the new members since the last Surveyor:

Mr. J. Robert Rouett, 2238 Clough Ridge Drive, 45230 - 232-1177
Miss Sue Wettstein, 4501 New Market Court, Batavia, O. 45103 - 752-3796
Mr. and Mrs. Dana Ewell, 7176 Royal Green Dr., 45244 - 232-5100
Mrs. Mary Jane Zellers, R.R. #6, Box 167, Rochester, IN 46975

A notice from the Editor.

Due to another commitment, I find it necessary to resign as Editor of The Surveyor. I do wish to thank all who contributed articles these past three years and especially the chairpersons of committees. Special thanks to Ruth Walters for preparing the envelopes and to Lloyd Everhard for undertaking the "Non Profit Mailings" of The Surveyor.

19, 1 Feb 1987

Ruth Smith

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The Nominating Committee submits the following slate of officers and trustees to be voted on at the March 3rd meeting.

President - Albert Wettstein
Secretary - Judith Radcliffe

Vice President - Ruth Clark
Treasurer - William Strayer

TRUSTEES

Alnola Stimpert

Elizabeth Kuhlman