

# SURVEYOR

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## SOCIETY MEETINGS

Probably because the ATHS is not quite two years old, the regular meetings still hold many surprises. Such was the case in Dec. and Jan. For example, in Dec., after the very delicious "pitch-in" turkey supper, a silent auction was held with Pres. Roland Lowrey and Past Pres. Don Fetzer acting as auctioneers. They sold all kinds of items--antique and otherwise. But the mystery of the evening was: "Why did Jean Williamson buy the hula skirt?" Several members teased her about that purchase.

We had almost impossibly cold weather accompanying our January meeting, with the result that our attendance was understandably poor. This is most regrettable because our speaker that evening was one of the best we've ever heard. Dr. Simon Anderson, Asst. Dean U.C. College-Conservatory of Music spoke on American Revolutionary War Music. His subject was very well researched and most informative. People who doubt the value of fife and drum music to our Revolutionary soldiers, or the existence of small bands as entertainment for all the social gatherings in Boston and Philadelphia, etc., should hear Dr. Anderson or read his dissertation. The heavily guarded private letters of Gen. George Washington were his chief source of information. Only a few of us realized that Washington's papers are guarded by a man with a shot-gun. Those of us who braved the cold that night are truly sorry the rest of you missed this meeting.

Our next meeting, Feb. 4, 8:00 p.m., Salem Methodist Church, will feature Ray Culter and Paul Weiser who will report to us the progress made this past year on the development of the Little Miami Conservation Program. Most of you know that their presentation to us last year and our response to it became the spring-board for the formation of the Lower Council of Little Miami, Inc. representing many groups and individuals interested in the preservation of the Lower Little Miami. Please try to come the first Wed. in Feb. to hear first-hand just how much has been accomplished this past year and what is hoped can be done in the future. Guests will be parents, children, and teachers from the Science Dept. of Forest Hills Schools.

In March we will hold an election of new officers for the coming year. We know you want to keep our enthusiastic spirit growing, so come out and vote for your officers the first Wed. in March. There are some exciting projects rumored for this coming year. Don't miss out on the fun!!

Program suggestions and/or project ideas should be given to our officers. They need YOUR talents too!!

## SOCIETY NEWS

RESEARCH - Did you know that the first Caesarian Section in the United States was performed on April 22, 1827 by Dr. John Lambert Richmond in what is presently known as Newtown? Well, it's true and his house still stands there on Main Street. Jean Williamson, Mary Wersel, Betty Wettstein, Daisy Sticksel, Marjorie Frame and Margaret Thomas have contributed to underwrite the cost of researching his home; and that research will be donated to ATHS when it is completed. (Who says history is dull? Ours certainly isn't!!!!)

NEW ADDRESS - In case you have correspondence for our young Society, we now have an Official address. It is: Anderson Township Historical Society, Box 30174, Cincinnati, Oh. 45230.

THANKS TO JANE GOODRICH - The ATHS is now a member of the Anderson Township Community Council with Jane as our official representative. We know she'll be an excellent emissary for us.

CONGRATULATIONS STEVE SMALLEY - Since 1967, The Martha Kinney Cooper Ohioanna Library Association has recognized Stephen Smalley as the author of four historical books about Anderson Township.

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CONGRATULATIONS MARGIE FRAME - One of the most interesting and talented women in our organization is Mrs. Marjorie Frame, the good doctor's wife. "Margie" as most of us know her, has been the major "generator" of this Society since its inception. She has spear-headed many projects of the group, worked endlessly in organizing and conducting the exciting bus tours for adults and the children of the elementary schools in our township, and has given enthusiasm to all of us who have worked with her. How in the world she managed to work in the writing of a well-researched history of our beloved area is almost incredible, but she's done it! She "unveiled" Anderson Township, How it Began for us at our Jan. meeting and everyone is thoroughly delighted with her writings and "Gus" Nepper's illustrations. Along with previous books by Steve Smalley, Margie's book has been accepted by the Library of the Ohio Historical Society, and purchased for sale by the Cincinnati Historical Society and the Walden Book Store in the new Mall. Mr. Richard W. Haupt, Director of the Cincinnati Historical Society, wrote her a glowing thank you letter which we'd like to quote in part. He wrote: "It is excellent! It is one of the best done publications that I have seen from a local historical association. It is readable and well written and enhanced by the typography and illustrations." (Gus, your work is very much appreciated!) Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, Librarian of the Ohio Historical Society, wrote Margie a very complimentary letter, too, and sent along a message to you, the members of the ATHS. She wrote: "Please convey our congratulations to the Anderson Township Historical Society on their noteworthy purpose in bringing to light contributions of the "southeast corner" of Hamilton County to the development of the Northwest Territory and Ohio." Now, how about that!!!!

#### FOR SALE

PUBLICATIONS - For those of you who have not as yet completed your set of Vol. 1 of Anderson Township Homes, please contact Ralph Whitehead, 231-8033 or see him at the next meeting in February.

Contact Stephen Smalley, 231-9595 for the complete, beautifully bound copy of Historic Homes of Anderson Township, which includes an early map and an introduction. (Vol. 1)

You may purchase Anderson Township - How it Began at Dr. Frame's office, or by phone (231-6453), or by mail. Please address your request to Mrs. Frame, 1481 Sutton, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230. The books are \$1.00 each plus 25¢ for postage and packaging. (Margie says if any imperfect copies were obtained at the Jan. meeting, she will be happy to exchange them. Some were improperly cut.)

#### MEMBERSHIP

The Society welcomes applications for membership from all persons interested in the history of our township. Dues are: \$2.00 individual, \$5.00 sustaining, \$10.00 patron, \$100.00 life. Applications for membership should be made to the membership chairman, Mrs. Sarah McGee, 2210 Salvador Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230. -- 231-6797. Dues payable to Mr. Whitehead, Treasurer.

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