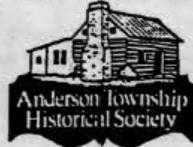


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ATHS meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Bartels Road, unless otherwise noted.

25TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER - MARCH 3 - 6:30 P.M. - AT SWEETWINE LODGE

ATHS will celebrate their 25th anniversary at a gala dinner at the Vineyard Golf Course's Sweetwine Lodge, 600 Nordyke, on Wednesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m. The menu includes baked chicken, salad, side dishes, coffee, tea & anniversary cake. The cost is \$8.00. Please make or break your reservations by Feb. 19. Call: Edvina Rees (231-8698), Marge Groppenbecker (231-7631) or Kay Wambach (232-6185) to reserve a spot. We hope all our members can attend.

The annual election of officers will be held at this meeting. (See slate elsewhere on this page.) Many thanks to Edvina Rees, Cindi Dietrich and Florence Makepeace for their work on the arrangements and decorations.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday, February 3, 7:30 p.m.

Members will share their hobbies and collections at this meeting. Please call Connie Whitaker (474-1637) to get on the list to talk about your hobby/collection.

Refreshments: Call Cindi/Gregg (474-1020)

Wednesday, March 3, - 6:30 p.m.

Annual Dinner Meeting at Sweetwine Lodge, 600 Nordyke Road at the Vineyard Golf Course. Cost: \$8.00 for baked chicken and all the trimmings. Call for reservations or cancellation by February 19. After this date, you will be liable for payment if you have to cancel. CALL: Edvina Rees (231-8698), Marge Groppenbecker (231-7631) or Kay Wambach (232-6185).

Program: Election of Officers & Local
Celebrity Guests

DRIED ARRANGEMENTS MAKES REQUESTS FOR 1993

Florence Makepeace is asking members to save silk flowers, cookie cutters and buttons (any size). The buttons don't even have to match. If you have some of these items to donate for Country Store, let Florence know (231-7090).

COUNTRY STORE 1992 WRAP UP

Departments Chairs should turn in their completed 1992 reports (along with your 1991 folder) to Lyn Scheper or the brick house as soon as possible. The new chairperson will need to review them soon.

PROPOSED 1993 BICENTENNIAL EVENTS

ATHS is committed to making 1993 a grand celebration by bring historic demonstrations to the Log House on Clough. In conjunction with or in addition to our summer open houses, the Society proposes to offer demonstrations for the public. Some suggested activities include:hearth cooking, butter churning, weaving, quilting, milling wood, kraut making and an ice cream social. Members are encouraged to submit any additional suggestions or ideas to the Board.

We will also be entering the parade on Memorial Day, May 31, with out lovely horse-drawn wagon. Perhaps we'll be on a historic house tour as well.

SLATE OF OFFICERS & TRUSTEES FOR ELECTION AND INSTALLATION AT MARCH MEETING

The nominating committee is proud to announce the following slate of officers and trustees for election at the 25th Anniversary Meeting on Wednesday, March 3:

- President - Gregg Dietrich
- Vice President - Judy Radcliffe
- Secretary - Sue Wettstein
- Treasurer - Bill Strayer
- Trustees - Bill Hornschemeier
- Carol Vorhees

Respectfully submitted:

Wilbur Rees
Helen Sweet
Al Wettstein

1993 Nominating Committee

RAFFLE WINNER RECOUNTS MEMORIES OF ANDERSON AND MILLER-LEUSER LOG HOUSE

Editor's Note: Marilyn Drev, who won the dinner for 8 could not make arrangements to collect her prize. The Society sent her the cash prize instead and received this gracious reply and informative piece of oral history about the Leuser's.

Dear Linda:

In September I visited the log house for the first time in many years. I had wanted to sooner but years previous I had to work on Saturdays and I couldn't get out there. This year I'm retired, getting an opportunity to attend happenings with my husband that I hadn't before.

To my amazement I won something - a dinner for 8. I was excited at that prospect but couldn't get my son, wife and four kids pinned down to a date to come. So I thought I blew it! But here comes your check. Thanks so much for that & I appreciate it.

I'd like to say you all have done a wonderful thing in preserving this place. It brought back so many childhood memories for me. Also it is a treasure to my brother and sisters (there are 8 of us kids) who live in the Anderson Township area.

Mrs. Leuser was an exceptional woman, besides being a good mother and farm wife, she was a wonderful midwife who delivered 3 of my brothers into this world.

Mom & Dad (Steven & Clara Justice) spent each Friday at Leuser's house playing cards -- us kids went along. I babysat my brothers and sisters while the folks played. I didn't think to keenly of this because Mr. Leuser smoked some horrible black cigars which filled those rooms with smoke!

My oldest brother Dan and I picked sweet peppers one summer in Leuser's fields. 7 - 12 we picked 12-1 we ate dinner -- fried chicken, mashed potatoes, corn on the cob -- cooked by Mrs. Leuser -- then back on the track to the field from 1-5. \$2 a day. Kids in those days were satisfied with less.

My sister Pat Koch and brother John Justice live on Bridges Lane off State Road. and could probably tell you more stores than I know about these folks. I left home after high school to go into nurses' training in 1945 and never lived at home after that. My training and subsequent work took me to Northern Kentucky and St. Elizabeth Hospital. Got married to a wonderful man in 1950, 2 years after graduating, who I met in the hospital where his mother was a patient and she introduced us. Met in May and married in September and have been together 42+ years with four sons and six grandchildren.

I apologize for not getting in touch with you sooner. Now you know a little of my story. Keep up your good work -- like taking care of the Miller-Leuser house. Have a happy holiday.

Thanks again. See you next year.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Drev



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