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Anderson Township Historical Society

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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.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE & OPEN HOUSE - DECEMBER 4 & 5

The Miller Leuser Log House will be open to members and the community, Saturday, December 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., and again on Sunday, December 5, 12 noon to 5 p.m. The cabin will be decorated for Christmas by Tammy Dunham. Visitors may view the main room, enjoy the hospitality of a cup of tea and purchase small Christmas gifts and home-baked cookies and candies. Mary Brafford has once again agreed to chair this open house. She will need workers and donations of cookies and candies for the sale. Please drop off your goodies on Friday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. when Mary will be setting up, or early Saturday morning. Call Mary (232-1559) to sign up as a host/hostess or helper. There will be a fire in the grate and the latchstring will be out. Please bring your family and friends.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday, December 1 - 7:30 p.m.

Patsy Gaines will be back with one of her famous monologues. Her topic for the night is "Silent Night, the Miracle Carol. Please bring a canned good to the meeting.

NO MEETING IN JANUARY
Wednesday, February 6 - TO BE ANNOUNCED
Wednesday, March 6 - Dinner Mtg. at Sweetwine Lodge

SOCIETY WELCOMES NEW BABIES

Three new babies have joined the families of our members.

Betty and Mike Reagan have a new son named Patrick Spencer , born September 10. Member, Susan Dowers Lyons, also had a son on Oct. 7 - Andrew David weighed 6 lb. 6 oz. Beulah Dowers is the proud grandmother.

Our president, Gregg Dietrich, and wife Cindi welcomed the arrival of their son, Jonathan Paul, on October 24. He weighed 9 lb. 3 oz. This "little" guy arrived two weeks early.

Congratulations to all three families. We are delighted to have three new, albeit tiny, members to our group.

HAUCK HOUSE TOUR - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

This one-day tour will feature the historic Hauck Home on Dayton street. Holiday decorations will abound at this time of year. Lunch will be at the Washington Platform Old Saloon and Restaurant (circa 1860). The Dayton Street district is rich with the history of German brewmeisters and immigrant canal workers. After lunch , our bus will tour the streets and we can view holiday decorations on the way to the Eden Park Conservatory to see the lovely poinsettia tree.

The cost, including all fees and lunch is $17. Departure is from Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church at 9:30 a.m., returning at 3 p.m. Call Helen Sweet at 474-5678.

COUNTRY STORE NETS $6,702.91 PROFIT

Many thanks go to all the fine people who give so much to this event. They give their time, talent and their hearts to maintain our wonderful old cabin. Special thanks go to Carol Vorhees and her assistants Connie Whitaker and Lyn Scheper for pulling it all together. But it could not be done without the help of each and every person who gives so unselfishly to make the Country Store a huge success year after year.

Unfortunately, their is an "unsolved mystery" -- two dried arrangements disappeared from the brick house between 3 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday before Country Store.

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BICENTENNIAL LOGHOUSE COOKBOOK COMING

In addition to reprinting our ever-popular Log House Cookbook, committee members Judy Radcliffe, Ruth Clark, Barb Cushman and Lou Cobb will begin work on a NEW bicentennial cookbook based on the delicious recipes of our members. If you have a favorite recipe you would like to submit, the committee will review all entries for the new edition. The cookbook will probably follow a similar format as the first, with menus tied to Society celebrations and events. There may even be a few "hearth cooking" recipes.

Contact one of the above members or mail your entries soon. The planned publish date will be in the Spring.

GENEALOGY "TREES" ARE GROWING

Betty Wettstein has been kept busy with numerous inquiries concerning Township families. On occasion there have been people waiting at the door for her to open up. Some of the inquiries result in additional information for our files as well. She is happy to report that many visitors say we have more material concerning Anderson Township than either the Cincinnati Public Library or the Cincinnati Historical Society. If you are interested in getting back to your "roots", call Betty and she'll help you research your family tree.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE & BOUTIQUE
DEC. 4, 10-5 AND DEC. 5, 12 - 5
HOME-MADE CANDIES, COOKIES & GIFTS

SOCIETY ACKNOWLEDGES GIFTS

Pamphlet titled "Beechmont Today and Yesterday", published in 1933 by T.P. White - Ralph P. Erlick Jr.

Sun bonnet worn by her mother - Pearl Congliaro

Box full of papers, etc. from the LeClere family of Mt. Washington - Mr. & Mrs. Lynn Bellamy.

Signature quilt (circa 1906) quilted by members of Cherry Grove United Brethren Church - Charles Shanks.

Various papers - Thelma Widman Helfin Estate.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

The ATHS library now contains a large quantity of materials about Township history covering schools, churches, families, historic homes, places, businesses, roads and streets, etc.

We also have a collection of more than 1500 photographs and another of over 500 slides, plus several dozen books, including school records, organization records, a collection of the 208 published stories of Steven Smalley, and another of the many stories of township history written by Arnold Nichols for The Mt. Washington Press. This accumulation has been sorted, categorized and cataloged by the Research Committee and is available at limited times to any member or historic researcher.

The committee is always on the lookout for more things about the people, places and events of the past, be it from 1793, 1900 or later. Pictures, clippings, documents, records or anything that deals with families, businesses, organizations, etc. having to do with Anderson Township/Mt. Washington will be greatly appreciated. Once more we ask you, your friends and neighbors, to examine your attic, trunks, bureau drawers and scrapbooks and share with us and coming generations. Don't let important pieces of Anderson history be lost.

If you have, or know of anything like this, please contact Red Lowery (474-0519), Edwina Rees (231-8698), Luella Cobb (231-7235), Bill Hornschemeier (231-6205) or bring it to a Society meeting. We can make copies of your family documents, etc. This is an important part of the Society's purpose -- historical preservation.

GET WELL WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS

Dolly Fern Widman is in Salem Parke Nursing Home; Roland Lowery & Jack Clark are recovering from surgery; Beulah Dowers had a bout with pneumonia, and Jack Massey is feeling better since his hospitalization. If you know about any member who is sick or needs a dose of "sunshine", call Marge Groppenbecher at 231-7631 so she can send a card.

SURVEYOR GETS A NEW LOOK THANKS TO TECHNOLOGY AND A NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM

SILVERMANS ENTERTAIN FLORIDA FRIENDS

Bob and Ruth Silverman moved to Plantation, Florida. Their new address is 171 S.W. 61st Ave, 33317. At a recent meeting of the Plantation Historical Society, the scheduled speaker failed to show, so the Silvermans entertained the group with stories of ATHS's log house, activities, etc.

MEMBERS WORK HARD TO MAINTAIN GROUNDS

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We had a great gang to help clean up the grounds before the Country Store. It really was a great effort and I can't begin to name all who helped. There are, however, three separate maintenance groups who have worked all during the year as volunteers on the grounds. Harold Wiley has trimmed the hedges. Sherwood Forest Garden Club maintained the garden and planted the roses along the fence. (Unfortunately, some of the plantings were damaged when workmen treated the logs with needed preservative.) Tom Landers Lawn Service kept the grass cut free of charge. Thanks to all the individuals and groups who helped.

LOG HOUSE ON TOUR TO MANY RESIDENTS

Our Log House was included in the Bicentennial House Tour on October 3. Over 70 tourists were greeted by Jane King and her assistants. With the help of Beulah Dowers, Marge Groppenbecher, Helen Sweet and Betty Reagen, Jane entertained over 800 children and adults who visited the cabin between April and November, 1993. Tour guides work hard but get a lot of joy out of greeting our visitors. Call Jane King (231-9557) to become a tour guide. We need you!

DINNER FOR EIGHT IS RESOUNDING SUCCESS

Thanks to all those that helped with the "Dinner for 8" at the Log House, November 7. Judy Guju and her guests really enjoyed their prize. Thanks to the great cooks: Beulah Dowers, Kay Wambach, Helen Utter and Lyn Scheper. Thanks also to the other helpers, too: Sue Wettstein, Al Wettstein, Jane King and Cindy & Gregg Dietrich.

- Carol Vorhees -

DON'T FORGET YOUR CANDY & COOKIE DONATIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE - DEC 4 & 5

HELP WANTED: RESEARCH CHAIRPERSON

ATHS has an opening for a chairperson of the Research Committee. Long-time chair Roland "Red" Lowery has submitted his resignation. Lowery, who has served on the committee for about 12 years, says that he is sure that some member is just as capable and perhaps more so than he. He is also willing to continue working with the new chairperson.

It is not necessary to have a degree in Library Science or years of experience, and no resume is required for this position. The responsibility is minimal and the job is interesting and educational. Basically, the job requires only a few hours, one day a week, at the Society library in the company of some very capable and devoted helpers.

If any one is interested, please call Gregg Dietrich (474-1020). He will be happy to consider any and all volunteers for this most important post.