

# SURVEYOR

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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.

## ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY DINNER - MARCH 6

The annual dinner meeting will be held, Wednesday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Cherry Grove United Methodist Church. A magician, Mr. Fehtastic, will entertain members and guests dinner.

Cost of the dinner is \$10. To make reservations, call Helen Sweet (474-5678) or Ron Makin (231-5185). Make or break all reservations by Thursday, February 29. If you do not cancel by this time, you will be accountable for the \$10 charge.

The room will be open for arrival at 6 p.m. A fruited jello salad will be served at 6:20 p.m., with the buffet line opening at 6:30 p.m. The menu includes: Citrus chicken, herb rice, green beans, tangy potatoes, cinnamon carrots, rolls, coffee or tea and dessert.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

Anniversary Dinner Meeting, Cherry Grove Methodist Church, on 8 Mile Road, north of Beechmont. Cost: \$10 Call Helen Sweet, 474-5678, or Ron Makin, 231-5185 for reservations. Slate of Officers for 96-97:

Judy Radcliffe - President  
Ron Makin - Vice President  
Sue Wettstein - Secretary  
Bill Strayer - Treasurer  
Trustees: Beulah Dowers & Robert King

### Wednesday, April 3 - 7:30 p.m.

Get ready for the Easter Bonnet Parade! Rebecca Frank will bring over 100 hats, including one owned by Lillian Gish, dating back as far as 1895. Wearing or bring your own favorite hat will add to the fun. If you like, Ms. Frank will consider buying your hat, after you model it.

Wednesday, May 1 - 7:30 p.m. - Earl Clark will present the History of Old Time Transportation, 1856-1951, in Cincinnati & Eastern Suburbs.

### Wednesday, June 5 - 7:30 p.m.

The Milford Historical Society will present a "Walking Tour of Milford".

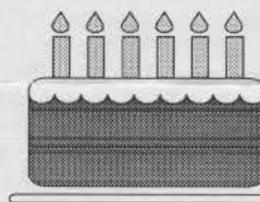
July 3 - Annual Picnic - Details in next issue  
August 7 or 14 - Possible Theater Party

September 4 - Ron Makin will talk about Disappearing Outhouses as well as finalizing Country Store.

## 200TH ANNIVERSARY PLANS NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY SOCIETY BOARD

Here's your chance to get your two cents worth in on the plans for our "200 Years in the Neighborhood" celebration. Members are already committed to participating in the Mt. Washington Bicentennial Parade, but we are also planning special events throughout the year at the Miller Leuser Log House

Some suggestions being considered are a Flea Market, Pioneer Days (with demonstrations on quilting, weaving, candle dipping, butter churning, cider pressing, etc.), Ice Cream Social, Quilt Show, Harvest Festival, Hearth Cooking, House Tour, and of course the Country Store and Christmas Boutique. We hope to have a special event each month starting in the spring through December. Members (and non-members) with ideas and enthusiasm are welcome to see the Board on the first or third Wednesday of the month with your input.



*200 Years  
in the  
Neighborhood!*

## Society Replaces Old Windows

After removing the window air conditioning units in the brick house, it was discovered that the 3 rear windows in the brick house were in very bad shape - too far gone to simply replace the glass. Thus, 3 vinyl, tilt-in double hung windows were installed this fall.

### Notes From Our Coordinator - Al Wettstein

**Donation:** In 1995, the Society won first prize. How? Bob Wettstein got the ticket. He waived the dinner and sent the \$50 cash back. He said he bought the tickets to make a donation, and he did.

**Retiring Trustees:** We are very thankful for the very dedicated service of the two Board Members whose terms expire March 6. *Bill Hornschemeier* has served on the Board for the past 5 years. He attended every meeting and was usually the first to arrive. Bill served in a number of ways before he became a trustee and we know that he will continue to be an active member.

*Carol Vorhees* has served on the Board for the past three years and has been very active, serving twice as Country Store Chairperson and also as Assistant Chairperson. She is representative of the younger members of our Society, and we know that she will continue to be very active. Many thanks to both Bill and Carol.

**Improvements to the Brick House:** The Brown Family, our neighbor whose property borders on Bartels Road, graciously and gratuitously gave the Society an easement over their property so that the gas line could be run from Bartels Road to our property. We're lucky to have such nice neighbors on both sides of our property. With this easement, we are now in the process of installing the central heating and air conditioning unit that was approved by the membership several months ago. The window air conditioning units have been removed and new windows installed in their place. We are acquiring badly needed furniture and lighting fixtures for Genealogy, Research, Office and Accessions.

**Suggestions:** Now that we have the whole house, we need to plan more activities and use of the facilities. Give the President or any Board Member your ideas. Better yet, attend a Board meeting at the Brick House on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

**Important Date:** Mt. Washington's 150th Anniversary. We plan to have our wagon, cart and possibly a truck or trailer with a cabin and proper signs to advertise our 200th year in their parade. So start gathering costumes. We'll need everyone's help.

### Society Looks For Talent Donations

There are many areas in and around the Log House and barn that are in need of assessment and repairs. The side door of the cabin is in particularly bad shape. Also, the supports for the first floor need to be checked by taking a skilled carpenter into the cellar to look. Are any of our members, or their family's knowledgeable in carpentry? We could use some help and/or advice as to what needs to be done to keep our house in tip-top condition. If you're not into historic renovation, how about more contemporary (brick house) work. It takes a lot of effort to keep things working.

### B&B Lunch Cruise On Hold

The December 9 B&B Riverboat lunch cruise was postponed due to bad weather. It will be rescheduled by Helen Sweet in the Spring. This is not the same boat as the Star of Cinti., which has closed down.

## Mt. Washington Bicentennial Celebration & Parade Set for June 14 & 15

Get ready for the big parade on Saturday, June 15 at 10 a.m. A.T.H.S. will be represented by our old wagon and cart. Our trusty work horse team has been reserved for this exciting event. A concert and festival in the park are also planned as part of the weekend-long event.

Member who wish to ride or march in costume should make their plans now to attend. More details about the parade and about our own centennial celebrations at the Log House will appear later in THE SURVEYOR.

### Signatures Still Being Accepted for Quilt

There is still time to get your name and those of your loved ones on the commemorative quilt.

Signature squares cost \$5 for the first name (and \$3 for each additional family member's name). Anyone in community and elsewhere who wishes to have their name go down in history should send each signature on a 3 X 5 piece of plain white paper along with your donation of \$5/first name + \$3/additional names to:

A.T.H.S.  
P.O. Box 30174  
Cincinnati, OH 45230-0174

### Society Acknowledges Donations and Gifts

Thanks to the generous donations made during the last months, our Genealogy library is growing. Some of the books and papers donated include:

- A copy of *Newtown Ohio 175th Anniversary*, plus church and school papers saved by Lottie Kelley and donated by her daughter, Ruth Byles.
- *Barrere Funeral Records*, compiled and donated by Margie Thomas.
- Two books *Descendants of John Jacob Markley* and *Ancestors of John Nelson Sibcy*, compiled by Ruth Smith of Oxford, Ohio (sister of early member Jasper Wiley) and donated by her.
- Galleys of two books *Tombstone Trivia* and *Tombstones I Have Known*, which Lamar Weaver hopes to have published later, were donated by Lamar Weaver and Don Bates.
- Great pictures from the *Mathews, Hopper, Maddux* family collection. Kenny Burck had copies made and added descriptions on the back of each. These pictures are now in a notebook on our shelves.
- Computer family records in a notebook of the *McCarthy* family compiled and donated by Martha McCarthy.
- Computer family records of the *Deimling* family, compiled and donated by Ruth Deimling.
- A 1956 Anderson Annual, bought at Bob Slade's auction and donated by Betty Wettstein, showing teachers and students of our area.