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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.

200 YEARS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD - COUNTRY STORE 1996 SEPTEMBER 28 & 29 - Saturday, 10-5 & Sunday, 12-5

It's time to make our annual plea for members, family and friends to donate their time and efforts as shoppers, bakers, phone callers, kitchen workers, dessert makers, vegetable growers, tent pitchers, table & chair movers, postcard labelers, sales people, etc.

We also need you to bring your family and friends to spend your money and have fun.
We can't do it without you! Call Ron Makin (231-5185) and volunteer today.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday, September 4 - 7:30 p.m.

Ron Makin will present a talk about Disappearing Out-houses. Some members may remember the interesting outhouse "finds" in the Urban Archeology program presented downtown last winter.

The most unusual being all the metal buttons, badge, belt buckle and revolver of a Cincinnati policeman who was kicked off the force for misconduct. He was so upset he through his entire uniform in the latrine and his name had be wiped off the force's records.

Wednesday, October 2 - 7:30 p.m.

TO BE ANNOUNCED.

A REALLY GREAT FISH STORY

Bob and Judy Radcliffe organized a fine picnic. Bob worked in the Summer Kitchen frying delicious fish. Many satisfied members stopped by to thank the cook. Both the food & the air conditioning were wonderful.

In Memoriam

Our dear friend and member Bill Hornschemeier will be sorely missed by the Society. He had a wealth of knowledge of the neighborhood and the Cabin. In fact, he lived in it right after he was married. When he volunteered to do something, he did it without fanfare. Flowers and produce from his garden were at hit at Country Store, and his knowledge of farm tools was an education to those who were interested. Our sincere sympathy to Jane, his family and friends.

Commendations for Heroic Effort

The parade in Mt. Washington was lots of fun and very exciting for 28 riding and walking members. Edmund Motz steam cleaned the wagon and cart and Ron Makin helped him apply linseed oil to both - they looked beautiful.

Edmund booked the 3 horses (cost \$175) and loaded our wagon and cart on his flatbed truck and hauled them to and from the parade grounds. He also made an emergency repair to the "double tree", while Ron Makin persuaded the parade officials to delay the start by 10 minutes so we could get harnessed in time. Bill Hornschemeier proudly repeated his role as brakeman. Walkers passed out candy along the route. Afterwards Edmund Motz and Lyn Scheper devised a short-cut for the horses to return from Eastern Hills to Mt. Washington School which involved taking rails out of a split rail fence (with the owner's permission) and driving the wagon down Honeysuckle. It worked!

Special thanks to Betty and Al Wettstein who set up the tent display and sat through thunder, lightning and rain on Friday night. Then switched to sun and scorching temperatures all day Saturday. Many other members, including Mae Donovan, Sue Wettstein and the Lowerys, also came by to help and visit at our booth. We sold pens, books, dinner raffle tickets and took 28 orders for limited-edition, bi-centennial Christmas ornaments commemorating the log houses' 200th year. Cost: \$10 each. (Available at September meeting.)

An historic display of facts and photos (cost \$94) used at the Mt. Washington celebration will probably be on display in our museum later in the year. It was a great event and many members came to help despite the rain, and heat and humidity. We need more events like this.

Notes From Our Coordinator

Limited edition ornaments are in. Bring your money to the September meeting. Cost is \$10. See Al.

Mike & Betty Reagan reserved the display case outside the Records Office on the 2nd floor of the Administration Building on Court Street at Main in Cincinnati. It's well done. Thanks for your efforts.

ABOVE & BEYOND THE CALL

Tom Landers, owner of Landers Lawn Care Service (561-3997) has voluntarily kept our grass cut and edged all year. (This is the fifth year he has donated his services.) If you need lawn work, give him a ring. Mae Donovan has been a one-woman work crew, cleaning, painting, weeding and planting around the brick house and grounds. She also donated lace curtains in the museum room. Kenny Burke keeps the hedges and bushes neatly trimmed and hauls away the trimmings. The grounds are looking great!

New trustee Bob King, who planted flowers by the cabin door for the birthday party, also bravely removed the critter cage from the log house. Damage and the now removed racoon were confined to the upstairs. A second racoon was trapped in the barn and released "up the road". Squirrels have gotten in and torn up the insulation and fiberboard inside the summer kitchen and the ground hogs still reside in and around the barn. It seems our property is a good place to "winter". (So much for Florida.) Ah, the joys of home ownership!

200TH BIRTHDAY PARTY A SUCCESS

Many people visited the cabin and new museum on July 14th for the 200th birthday celebration. Home made ice cream donated by Beulah Dowers, Kay Wambach, Gregg & Cindy Dietrich was a real treat. Cakes were made by Katherine Ewers, Mary Baird, Mary Brafford, Helen Sweet, Judy Radcliffe, Lyn Scheper and Alice Massey. Kenny Burke, Bob King, Mae Donovan and Al Wettstein trimmed hedges, weeded, planted flowers and tidied up before, during and afterwards. Jane King and Anne Chapman decorated with balloons.

ZOO ANIMALS & GAMES ATTRACT KIDS

Many children and their families visited the cabin during the Kids Festival on August 11. Zoo animals included a milk snake, millipede, baby alligator, red tail hawk and a hedgehog. Children tried their hand at the horseshoe and beanbag toss, stilt walking, dropping clothes pins in a bottle, button spinning and jump rope. Some children asked to climb in the hay wagon. All children received a wooden nickel to take home.

ACCESSIONS NEEDS HAT BOXES

Now that accession has a little elbow room, some of the hats would be better preserved if hat boxes could be obtained. If you can donate or know where to get some, please let Alice Massey (231-6562) know. Alice would also like a very small maniquin with head & arms for clothing displaying items.

COUNTRY STORE ITEMS

STITCHERY - Keep your eyes open for old fashioned linens for the Victorian Table. Call Mary at 231-0763, so she can clean and starch in time. It's not too late to hand tie a quilt, decorate a sweatshirt or make an apron.

DRIED ARRANGEMENTS - This department will need help moving arrangements from the brick house to the barn on Saturday morning, Sept. 28.

RAFFLE - 1st prize - a framed, numbered, limited-edition print of "Bufflehead Ducks" (Donated by John Ruitven), 2nd prize - (to be determined) and 3rd prize B&B Cruise Tickets. Tickets are \$1 each on the days of Country Store. We need workers to sell tickets both Saturday & Sunday.

DOLLS & TOYS - Carol Makin (231-5185) will be setting up and scheduling workers in this very popular department.

FARMER'S MARKET - Bring your fresh produce and perennial plant donations to the corn crib on Friday, Sept. 27 or Saturday morning.

COBWEB CORNER - Call Judy (474-5377) or Susan (231-0981) Radcliffe for pick up, or drop off at the porch. We take garage sale leftovers too.

NATURE'S NICHE/HERBS - Katherine & Jack Ewers will chair this booth, selling Betty Reagan's herbs and other environmentally friendly items.

BAKERY - We always sell out early in this department. Freezer space is available in the brick house, if you bake ahead. Call Beulah Dowers (232-6507).

BEVERAGES - The brick house will be open for leaving soft drink donations 10-1 on Mondays and Tuesdays. Coffee is also appreciated.

KITCHEN - Gregg & Cindy Dietrich (474-1020) are back in the kitchen and in need of help. They need workers and people to make side dishes, desserts, etc.

ICE CREAM - Undecided.

PHONE COMMITTEE - We need volunteers to call members for bakery donations the week before Country Store.

19th CENTRY FURNISHINGS DONATED

Thanks to Michael & Linda Massie for generously donating a 1830's circa settee and chairs which are now on display in our new "museum". The furnishings belonged to Michael's Aunt Anne Bedrick. The glass display cabinets and some of the society's prized possession are now in the front room. Bob Radcliffe will fit the bookcases with clear sliding doors, allowing more display space. Bob, Judy and Mae have both worked diligently painting and fixing.

Last Chance for Payment of Dues - Call Carol Voorhees 232-1166