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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.

Miller-Leuser Log House Summer Open Houses on the 2nd & 4th Sundays - 1 to 3 p.m.

Anderson Township's 201 year old historic treasure will be open on the second & fourth Sundays during the months of June through October. Jane King and her committee will be spruced up and ready to greet visitors, from 1 to 3 p.m. on the following Sundays: June 22, July 13 & 27, August 10 & 24, September 14 & 28 (Country Store), and October 12 & 26. Call Jane (231-9557) and sign up as an open house host.

There are many featured "events" we could include with our open houses, including a quilt show, ice cream social, old time tool demonstration, etc. If you would like to see these activities take place, call a board member or Jane King to volunteer!

October (probably the 26th) will feature our postponed PioneerDays with a Pioneer/Pumpkin Festival. Possible ideas include having children's pictures taken on a pony, or in the hay wagon, pumpkins for sale, bean soup on the hearth and pocket lady. If you have an idea for this event, we'd like to hear from you.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday, July 2 - Annual Picnic - 4 - ?? p.m.

Our picnic will be a cookout at the home of Ruth & Lynn Bellamy at 6995 Paddison Road, starting at 4 p.m. Dinner will be served around 5:30 or 6. Bring a dish to share and your own place setting. Drinks and meat will be provided. Call the Bellamy's at 231-9537 if you have any questions.

Wed., August 6 - Showboat Majestic - 8 p.m.

Pump Boys & Dinettes. All our reserved seats have been sold, but we can probably book more. Send checks to Lyn Scheper, 6567 Kentucky View Drive (45230) no later than July 23. Parking right in front of the boat is free. Lyn will distribute tickets between 7:30 and show time.

Wednesday, September 3 - 7:30 p.m.

Rick Campbell will speak on *General Grant's Life Before West Point*. Final Country Store preparations will also be discussed.

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

Long-time resident Edmund Motz will talk about the *History of Clough Valley*. Ed grew up in this area, runs a successful farming business and has a multitude of stories to share with our members and guests.

Wednesday, November 5 - 7:30 p.m.

Veterans from the Merchant Marine in World War II will talk about their work and service during WWII.

Two Raffles Set for 1997

Dinner for 8 - You can win the coveted ATHS Dinner for 8 at the Miller Leuser Log House. This home-cooked meal with all the trimmings is a unique dining experience. ONLY 100 raffle tickets will be sold at a cost of \$5 each. Remember, your odds of winning are better than ever!

Country Store Raffle - These tickets will cost \$1 each. First Prize is a hand-tied queen size quilt made by Ruth Bellamy. Second Prize is to be determined. Third Prize is B&B Riverboat cruise tickets.

We will be selling tickets for both raffles at Cherry Grove Kroger on July 19 and Forest Hills Kroger on August 23. We need volunteers to take a turn selling. Call Ruth Bellamy (231-9537) with your availability.

Donations are Welcome & Greatly Appreciated

Gen Vontz gave a gift of \$1000 to ATHS in memory of her husband **Oscar Vontz**. Both were very active members for many years. With Gen's consent and agreement, this gift will be used to purchase a Multi-flex Display Stand which should be arriving any day. Many of our pictures and historic items can be displayed at one time in this versatile stand. We are very grateful for this thoughtful donation.

Dorothy Stoutenburgh donated numerous braided rugs and runners to the Society. Check them out on your next visit to the Log House or Brick House. They look simply MARVELOUS!

ATHS COUNTRY STORE '97 - SEPTEMBER 27 & 28

Bob King is busy lining up chair persons and making arrangements for our annual weekend event. Please call Bob (231-9557) or Judy Radcliffe (474-5377) to lend your support of our worthwhile cause.

STITCHERY - Mary Brafford (231-0763), assisted by her daughter Lyn Scheper (232-1559), are busy making items for this department. Keep your eyes open for hand crafted linens for the Victorian Table. Mary is very adept at cleaning up these lovely treasures. **If you can stitch, stuff or cut out, call Mary.**

DRIED ARRANGEMENTS - Donations of interesting containers and baskets, as well as shells, interesting buttons, ribbons and silk flowers are always welcome. Florence Makepeace (231-7090), Ruth Clark, Ellen Mueller and Pat Staggenborg will be making arrangements in the basement of the brick house in July and August. **Help is needed to harvest.**

RAFFLE - OPEN. Chances are \$1 each. First Prize is a hand-tied queen size quilt made by Ruth Bellamy, Second & Third Prizes are yet to be determined. **We need a chairperson for the day of Country Store.**

DOLLS & TOYS - Carol Makin (231-5185) chair this department. Betty & Sue Wettstein and Amy Lowery are busy stitching and stuffing. **We need set-up help & workers in September.**

FARMER'S MARKET/HEBR'S/NATURE'S NICHE - CHAIR OPEN. Anne King (231-9557) needs your donations of home-grown produce and perennial plants for this very popular booth. Katherine & Jack Ewers (752-2667) will help sell Betty Reagan's herbs and aromatic plants. Volunteers are needed to set up and sell. Lynn Bellamy, Frank Deimling and Bob Zimmerman may be donating **woodworking** items to be sold at this combination department.

CHILDREN'S GAMES - The Voorhees family (232-1166) aided by Diane Schneider will organize this department again in '97.

COBWEB CORNER - Lynn Bellamy, chair, Judy & Susan Radcliffe, Lee Beringhaus and Joyce Whitaker have volunteered for this department. We take garage sale leftovers. Sorry, we can't evaluate your gift but will give you a donation receipt.

CHEESE - Jack & Alice Massey slice, package and price it, while Jane Hornschemeier chairs. We have a mix of cheeses in addition to the Tastee Cheese Spread, made by Michelle Scheper.

BAKERY - Beulah Dowers (232-6185) has need for workers, jelly makers and goody bakers. Keep in mind that most baked goods freeze well and ATHS has freezer space available for those who bake ahead. This is a pure profit department thanks to donations.

PHONE COMMITTEE - If you can't sew, bake or work, please offer to make phone calls the week before Country Store to remind people to bake.

BEVERAGES - Barb & Martha Christman (232-1299) request you leave soft drink donations in the Brick House basement. Please check the date on the bottom of diet soda before purchasing. Coffee is also an appreciated item.

KITCHEN - Cindi & Gregg Dietrich (474-1020) will co-chair this department. Menu changes are possible. Desserts and workers will also be needed.

ICE CREAM - **This booth is in need of a chairperson to purchase supplies and organize the workers. It's fun and easy.** Former chair, Lyn Scheper (232-1559) will act as consultant.

Books - OPEN

Popcorn - Carol & Edmund Motz

Set Up - Wettstein, Sweet, Dietrich, Motz, Vorhees, Deimling, Makepeace, King, et. al

Finance - Bill Strayer

VISA/Master Card - Wilbur Rees

Publicity - J Morrill/A King/A Wettstein/T Whitaker

Clown - Mary Lou Goulding (Saturday only)

Notes from Our Coordinator - Al Wettstein

Volunteers at our last work sessions include: May 10: **Leona Darling, Carol Motz, Ron Makin, Bob King, Lynn Bellamy and Betty & Al Wettstein** worked on cleaning up the log house. May 14: **Lynn Bellamy** made plumbing repairs in the upstairs bathroom and donated the materials he used. Lynn also worked on repairing the cabin roof in June. May 16: **Jane & Bob King** cleaned the furniture. May 17: **Leona Darling, Carol Motz, Ron Makin, Judy Radcliffe, Frank Deimling, Lyn Scheper and Betty & Al Wettstein** finished clean up at the cabin. June 7: **Ron Makin, Bob King, Stirling Moore, Frank Deimling, Jan King, Lyn Scheper, Judy Radcliffe and Betty & Al Wettstein** rearranged room in the Brick House.

For those of you who attended our June 4th membership meeting, you know that those that didn't attend missed a great program. The speaker, Ed Gassert, charged \$50, but told me to make the check payable to Reading Community Schools Early I.D. program, which "works with kindergarten and first grade students to refine their pre-literacy skills in the areas of visual perception, fine motor and basic language concepts." On June 6 ATHS received a letter from the school thanking us for the generous donation. It's nice to know that our enjoyment of the program also helped young children on their way to become proficient in the reading and writing process.

The recommendation for Ed Gassert's program came from the Sharonville Historical Society who read our plea in the Surveyor.