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Upcoming Programs

Wednesday - May 4, 2016, 7:30 P.M.

“Vanishing Cincinnati” Our May ATHS meeting will host **David and Barbara Day**, who are partners in their professional design practice in downtown Cincinnati. Their firm offers a broad spectrum of design services including public art, landscaped gardens, ceremonial architecture, interiors and graphic design. They have directed the restoration of some of Cincinnati’s landmark buildings, including the former Cincinnati Enquirer Building.

Barbara and David would like to chat with our group about their design practice, their love for early Cincinnati buildings needing restorative help and their roots here in Cincy. Their illustrations and photographs from their beautiful and exciting book *Vanishing Cincinnati* will be shown.

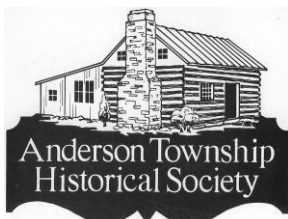
In a review in “City Beat,” critic Jane Durrell wrote “When David and Barbara Day cast a clear eye on the city, they see things the rest of us can no longer find.” In their book, you will see the #49 streetcar cruising through Eden Park, the art deco Greyhound bus terminal at Fifth and Sycamore and steamboats docked at the foot of Mount Adams. They have much to share with us and will have copies of *Vanishing Cincinnati* for sale and, yes, they will autograph copies.

- Lyn Scheper & Lucy Moore, Program Co-chairs

No meeting on Wednesday, July 6, 2016

See ATHS on the web:

www.AndersonTownshipHistoricalSociety.org.



ATHS meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. at Anderson Center, 7850 Five Mile Road, Lower Atrium, near the History Room, unless otherwise noted. Meetings are free and the public is invited.

Refreshments and fellowship follow the programs. We look forward to seeing YOU at these interesting and informative meetings.

Plant Sale Saturday, May 14, 2016

Don’t Forget the Plant Sale at the Log House!

The Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Notice that the Sale this year is on the Saturday of the weekend after Mother’s Day. This Sale is very popular and mid-May is the perfect time to garden. Most of the plants at the Sale are “home dug.”



Set-up for the Plant Sale May 16, 2015.

Photo by J. Heywood

The May Plant Sale event provides a major contribution to the operating costs of the Society and the maintenance of the Log House. Members can help by providing donations. Ferns, tomato plants, and vegetable plants are welcomed. To make donations, please call Plant Sale Chair **Jan Hawkins** at 231-7078.

Members also can help by spreading the word. Tell your friends and neighbors about the great plant sale at the Log House, Saturday, May 14.

Miller-Leuser Log House Open Houses 2016

1:00 – 4:00 pm on the first and third Sundays, May through October. Mark these dates: May 1 & 15; June 5 & 19; July 3 & 17; August 7 & 21; September 4 & 18; and October 2 & 16.

ALERT ALERT ALERT

2016-17 Membership Dues Due NOW

ATHS annual dues for *this year* May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017 are due on May 1, 2016. Please send along your dues payment and stay up-to-date. **THANK YOU.**

Please send your check to ATHS, c/o Linda Scheper, P.O. Box 30174, Cincinnati, OH, 45230 or pay at the next meeting. The rates are:

Single	\$ 10.00
Couple	\$ 20.00
Family	\$ 25.00
Patron/Corporate	\$ 300.00
Lifetime – Single	\$ 150.00
Lifetime – Couple	\$ 200.00

Thank you!

Forty-eighth Annual Dinner and Election

The new Officers and Trustees were elected at the March 2, 2016 Annual Dinner Meeting. The newly-elected Officers and Trustees are:

President	Don Perry
Vice President	Kenny Burck
Treasurer	Robert King
Secretary	Linda Magee
Trustee (3 year term)	Debbie Ruehlman
Trustee (3 year term)	Bob Malinzak

Trustees who continue to complete their elected terms are Ann King (elected to a 3 yr term in 2015), Charles Wallace (elected to a 3 yr term in 2015), Sue Wettstein (elected to a 2 yr term in 2015) and Sonia Shively (elected to a 2 yr term in 2015).

Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new members who joined recently:

Marian Barton
Kathleen Bateman
Lee and Nancy Murrell

The *Surveyor* is the quarterly newsletter of the Anderson Township Historical Society, mailed to all members. If you have a change in address, phone number or e-mail address, please contact ATHS at P.O. Box 30174, Cincinnati, OH 45230 or send an e-mail to ATHS at athslighthouse@yahoo.com.

Articles, comments, photos, ideas and suggestions for the *Surveyor* are always welcome. E-mail them to picapica@msn.com or give me a call at 231-3390.
– Janet Heywood, Editor

Wednesday, June 1, 2016, 7:30 P.M.

Want to learn more about the WHO'S WHO in Cincinnati - like the Shillitos, Alms and Doepke families? Come to our June 1st program and meet **Phil Nuxhall**, Spring Grove Cemetery's well-known historian. He can tell us all about the historical figures buried there. His slide show will feature pictures of the people, their monuments and archival material he has researched about so many of Cincinnati's famous movers and shakers. **Spring Grove Cemetery** is such a naturally beautiful place for their final resting spot. Yes, Phil is Joe Nuxhall's son but says it is his brother Kim who has followed Joe's baseball legacy. Phil has authored several books about his Spring Grove research and is looking forward to sharing with us. So plan to come to meet Phil and his historical friends through his eyes. You will be enriched, we promise.

Wednesday, August 3, 2016 Annual Picnic

Join us as we continue the long tradition of the summer picnic. We will again enjoy the comforts and air-conditioning of Anderson Center for the event. Tables and chairs will be set up in the Lower Atrium. You can walk outside before dinner and enjoy the nature trail around the ponds if you like.



Annual Picnic, August 2015. Photo by J. Heywood

The Society will provide the meat, drinks, plastic utensils and paper products. The rest of the feast is provided by the members; please bring a dish to serve at least eight people. We are asking ATHS members whose last names start with **A – D** to bring **salads**; **E – L** to bring **vegetables**; **M – R** to bring **starches**; **S – Z** to bring **desserts**. The doors open at 6:00 p.m.; dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

- Lucy Moore and Lyn Scheper, Program Co-Chairs

ATHS E-mail Notices

If you would like to receive e-mail reminders for all the monthly meetings, send an e-mail to athslighthouse@yahoo.com and we will add your e-mail address to the ATHS e-mail list.

President's Message

At the start of a new season, I would first like to take the occasion to recognize a couple of contributions by members over the last years. I am particularly pleased to thank the efforts of our two departing Trustees. **Lucy Moore** and **Lou Trent** have both completed their terms as Trustees after three years. Fortunately, both will continue their efforts for our Society. Lou continues to serve as the Chair of the Property Committee. Lucy will, thank goodness, continue to contribute in many ways. She locates and arranges for speakers and helps coordinate the programs at our monthly meetings, frequently acts as a Docent at both the Log House and History Room, aids with History to Schools programs, organizes the bakery at the Country Store and provides important insights into our Society.

Our Needs for 2016 We are starting into an active 2016 season with a lot of need for volunteer help. We have opened the Log House two months early thanks to a great deal of effort in preparation this winter. We will need volunteers to staff our **Open Houses** as well as to help maintain the property.

In addition to four more Open House Sundays, we will be a stop on the **Anderson Garden Tour** on Sunday, June 5. It is also our plan to have the Log House open during the Plant Sale on Saturday, May 14. Please contact Diane Schneider to help with hosting at the Open Houses. Contact Ann King to help prepare and maintain our yards and gardens. We can train you to be a docent and provide guidance in the maintenance of the grounds. Rather than having you look for phone numbers of these two and other coordinators, please feel free to contact me at 231-4304 or by email at Sperry38@Zoomtown.com.



Preparation for the May 14 Plant Sale -- freshly-dug and potted Winter Aconites in bloom on February 29. The golden cup-shaped blooms are one of the first harbingers of spring. Come to the Plant Sale & select some special plants for your garden.

Next on my list is the **Plant Sale** on Saturday, May 14. Jan Hawkins can use both home-grown plants and help in the preparation for this event and help on the day of the sale.

In April and May, we will again be serving our schools with the "**History to Schools**" program. Projects Chair Diane Schneider can, I am sure, use additional people to serve as teachers, timers, and, in general, guides for the 750 second and third graders who visit Anderson Center during the seven "History to Schools" program days.

The **History Room** at Anderson Center also consumes a lot of hours each month. If you are interested in becoming a docent at the History Room, we can train you and shadow you in the early times to provide relief to our hardy group of History Room volunteers. Janet Heywood coordinates the coverage for the History Room, if you are interested.

Other activities that need support are:

- Refreshments Monthly Meetings – Sharon Perry
- Property Maintenance – Lou Trent
- Lawn and Garden – Ann King
- Country Store - volunteer now!

Finally, ATHS has received an **OHRAB grant** to fund our archiving efforts. The award of about \$1,500 is for the purchase of archival-quality supplies for the storage of important records both to safeguard them and improve access to them. We provide matching funds in form of about 120 hours of volunteer time on this project. Please contact Janet Heywood for more information.

So Many Opportunities!

- Don Perry, President



First Open House Log House Sunday of 2016, April 3. L to R: Linda Jacobs, Don Perry, Charlie Wallace & Diane Schneider. Photo by Jim Heywood.

New Corner Cupboards

Thanks to the generous donations by Jim and Nancy Goetzel and Karl and Cindy Sieber, we have two corner cupboards to enhance the Log House.

The "Decorating Committee" met each Thursday in February and March to decide a prominent location for the cupboards and what to display in each. As we researched appropriate items, we discovered that the Eastlake rocking chair upstairs is similar to a chair used in the White House 1877-1881 during the term of the 19th President of the United States, Rutherford B. Hayes. Hayes was also Governor of Ohio 1868-1872 and also 1876-1877.



Sue Wettstein sweeping during one of the Decorating Committee work sessions at the Log House, March 17, 2016. Photo by Janet Heywood.

Wanted for the Log House

The "Decorating Committee" is hoping to acquire more objects. Since Ichabod Benton Miller was a surveyor, having survey equipment would allow visitors better to understand how Ichabod made a living. A "plain" compass with a "chain" 66 feet long consisting of 100 links would show how a surveyor measured the surface of the earth. The Committee is also looking for a Wag on the Wall clock, a chest of drawers from the early 1800s, an earthenware chamber pot and a sewing box or basket from the early 1800s. Please contact a member of the Committee if you have information about any of these items.



- The Decorating Committee:
Sharon Perry,
Sue Wettstein,
Bill Dreyer, Linda
Jacobs and Diane
Schneider

One of the donated corner cupboards in the Log House front room, April 3, 2016. Photo by Nancy Heywood.

What You May or May Not See

In 2015 many members noticed workers repairing shingles and gutters on the ATHS Brick House next to the Log House. Others wondered about the boards covering the front and upstairs windows of the Log House as the windows were being refurbished. Often we see people just working on the ATHS property on Clough Pike and Bartels Road. Do you ever wonder what they are doing?

Two years ago, the Property Committee developed two lists with fourteen pages of things on ATHS property that needed to be repaired or replaced as well as lists of routine seasonal maintenance tasks. The lists also contained ideas about improvements that could be made to the facilities and landscape. Some big ticket repairs are very visible such as replacing shingles and gutters. Other maintenance projects are not noticeable. Examples include such repairs and maintenance tasks as replacing screws in hinges, attaching an electric meter to a building or trimming bushes and planting flowers. The Property Committee always has things to repair and new projects to complete.

In 2016 there are a number of activities around the property that you may observe. Part of the stone walkway around the Log House will be replaced which will make the area easier to navigate. Chinking on the Log House will be repaired. The wooden exterior portion of the Brick House will get a fresh coat of paint. If you drive by or visit the "upper" property on Bartels Road, you might see gutters and downspouts being replaced on the large barn or the roof over one of the porches of the Browne house getting primed and painted. Of course, there are many smaller projects, mostly unnoticed, that will also be completed.

If you see work going on and wonder what is happening, stop and ask what our members are up to. Would you like to help? Just say so. The Society is always in need of extra hands to help with projects and activities. If you wish to get involved but do not know who to talk with about your interests, please contact Lou Trent at 513-231-3015. There are always projects that could use your energies, and you do not need to be an expert.

- Lou Trent, Chair, Property Committee

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Worry is like a rocking chair. You are busy but don't go anywhere. However, nothing diminishes anxiety faster than action.

- Lou Trent

Join the Kroger Community Rewards Program to Support ATHS! RENEW NOW!

If you're a Kroger shopper, you can chose to support the Society by registering for the Community Rewards Program and using your Kroger Plus Card. Once you have enrolled online, you benefit ATHS each time you shop and use your Kroger Plus Card. ATHS received \$502.46 in 2015 from the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

Remember that everyone has to renew each year in April to continue in the program.

Visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com. Click Cincinnati Ohio and follow the step by step instructions. Enter agency number 80156 or Anderson Township Historical Society.

Thank you for supporting ATHS and spread the word to your families, neighbors and friends!

WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?

Baseball season has arrived, so it is time for a related term. "Out in left field" originated on the baseball field. Occasionally a player would wander a little too far into left field giving himself almost no chance to catch a ball hit down a main alley. He would be ridiculed by fans and teammates for this action. He might also be accused of not being "on the ball" (guess where this term originated). "Out in left field" became a derogatory term and entered everyday speech being used to indicate that a person was an oddball, wacko, or simply unorthodox.

- Lou Trent



Forestville/Cherry Grove baseball team, photo thought to be from 1909. Photo from Miss Rosella Ludlow. Players identified as (l to r): front row: Theodore T. Hawkins, Frank Ludlow, Julius Richardson, Ed Hawkins, Frank Kuhn; second row: Wilbur Hawkins, -- Richardson, Roy Johnson, Garrett Van Saun; rear row: Ed Johnson, Stanford Johnson, Charles Lucas, George Hirschman, and James Johnson.



Memory Garden on the west side of the Log House in early spring. April 2, 2016. The Redbud tree was just beginning to show bright pink blossoms. Photo by Janet Heywood.

Log House Yard Update

I would like to thank the members who came on a cold Saturday morning on April 2 to help prepare the property around the Log House for upcoming ATHS activities. A lot was accomplished but we do have more to go. If you have some time to volunteer, please contact me (Ann King 231-9557). We have a list of gardening needs.

We are very grateful that Tom Landers of Landers Landcare, Inc. continues to donate lawn cutting services for the Clough Pike property. Landers has been making this generous donation since 1993.

We are looking forward this year to being one of the stops on the Anderson Garden Tour on Sunday, June 5. The description we submitted for the Tour information bulletin mentions that "The volunteer members of ATHS want to share with the community a garden made up of many perennials, herbs, fern and old style plants. In the spring, our "Memory Garden" has a variety of plants blooming. Some of the plants in the garden are Bluebells, Bloodroot, Buttercup, Chinese Lanterns, Celedine Poppy, Oriental Poppy, Rudbeckia, Grape Hyacinth, Tansy, Peony, Iris, and white and pink Phlox, Mullein, and a variety of ferns." The Tour event is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Log House will be open for visitors during the Tour hours.

We are beginning to label the plants and make an updated list of the plants for our members and guests to enjoy. Nancy Krueger and I usually work on Thursday mornings.

- Ann King, Yard Chair

Phone: 513-315-1629

Email: akc7526@gmail.com

“History to Schools” Project in 2016

For the last three years, second graders from each elementary school in the Forest Hills School District and third graders from IHM Elementary School have visited the History Room at Anderson Center in the spring. Dates have been scheduled for the fourth “History to Schools” program in 2016.

During the visit to Anderson Center, the students come to the History Room and enjoy imagining what school was like 100 years ago. They also tour the Emergency Operations room, learn about the habitat of the ponds and at the end of the visit receive a seedling to take home in honor of Arbor Day.

Several volunteers are needed to guide the students around the History Room, act as our “one-room” school teachers or serve as time keepers.

Please check your calendars to see if you can help share the history of Anderson Township with these young students. The planned dates are:

Wednesday, April 13 (Mercer)

Monday, April 25 (Wilson)

Wednesday, April 27 (Sherwood)

Thursday, April 28 (Maddux)

Friday, April 29 (Summit)

Wednesday, May 4 (IHM)

Thursday, May 19 (Ayer)

Diane Schneider, ATHS Projects Chair, will be recruiting volunteers to help cover the scheduled days from 9:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Please call Diane at 513-232-6552 to volunteer; she'd love to hear from you.

- Diane Schneider, Projects Chair



“History to Schools” program at the History Room, 2015. ATHS volunteer Linda Jacobs (at left) shows a chalkboard to the amazed second grader visitors. Photo by Kathy Hoescher.

Visit the History Room This Summer

Come visit the History Room during its open hours: Sunday and Wednesday afternoons, 1 to 4 p.m., and Tuesday evenings, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Learn about the history of Anderson through photos, hands-on exhibits and artifacts. Lower Level, Anderson Center, 7850 Five Mile Road. The History Room is a joint project of ATHS and Anderson Township. Volunteers from ATHS staff the History Room.



This spring we added a 1913 Underwood typewriter to the displays in the History Room. Last year during the “History to School” programs, many of the second-grade students thought an adding machine on display was a typewriter. Lyn Scheper obtained this handsome vintage typewriter on loan from Carolyn Sears so that our visitors can see some of the mechanical devices that preceded today’s computers, tablets, I-pads and smart-phones. Photo by Janet Heywood.



Photo on display at the History Room from the Anderson High School Yearbook of 1932: members of the school newspaper “The Lantern” posed in the typing class room. The centralized school for Anderson opened at Beechmont and Forest in the fall of 1929 and for the first time high school classes were offered. Courses included training in modern office practices.

“Then and Now” Log House Open Houses

The featured display for the May and June Open Houses is called “Then and Now.”

Some things change dramatically over time. Think of the wall telephones of the early 1900s compared to cell phones we use every day.

Other things do not change much. For example, Quaker Oats are still sold in the cylinder-shaped boxes most of us remember.

Stop by the Log House during one of the Open Houses in May or June to see several interesting comparisons of “Then and Now.”

Sunday May 1 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday May 15 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday June 5 from 10:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday June 19 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

If you visit on Sunday May 15 you will also be able to purchase plants remaining from the Plant Sale on Saturday May 14.

If you visit on Sunday June 5, you will be part of the Anderson Garden Tour event.

We invite you to view these informative and interesting displays.

The need for Log House host guides will increase this year so please consider volunteering. An expanded docent manual as well as training sessions are available. Your knowledge, expertise and willingness to share your love of all things historical are needed.

- Diane Schneider, Projects Chair
Phone 513-232-6552.



“Then and Now” items are on display in the Annex, along with the farming heritage display of images and artifacts. Photos by Nancy Heywood.



Aluminum Can Recycling

Bill, the Aluminum Can Man, reminds all to continue to save your aluminum cans for recycling. ATHS received \$91.39 recently from turning in cans. Bring your cans to the monthly meetings or leave them by the Log House Outhouse or call Bill Dreyer (474-0568) and arrange for him to pick them up.

Thanks for Your Service

Jim and Nancy Heywood, Ann King, Lucy Moore, Don & Sharon Perry, Linda Scheper, Diane Schneider, Lou Trent and Charlie Wallace for contributing to this issue. And to **Linda and George Scheper** for printing envelopes for the *Surveyor*.

Many thanks to those members who served as docents for the History Room in February, March and April 2016: **Janet Heywood, Tom Lovejoy, Lucy Moore, Sharon and Don Perry, Michael Rhein, Bev Robinson and Charlie Wallace.**



“Open This Sunday” sign out on display April 11, 2016. This year we are offering Open Houses on the first and third Sundays during April and May (weather permitting) as well as the months of June through October. Photo by Charlie Wallace.

ATHS Dine & Donate at Applebee's on Tuesday, May 17, 2016

ATHS will have a fund raiser at Applebee's on Tuesday, May 17 at 7920 Beechmont Avenue. Applebee's opens at 11 a.m. In order to participate, a "Dine & Donate" leaflet must be given to the restaurant when paying your bill. Then the restaurant will send ATHS 10% percentage of the check. A copy of the "Dine & Donate" leaflet flyer is enclosed with this *Surveyor*.

Since we all have to eat and do enjoy eating out, this is an easy way to make some money for ATHS projects and for the costs of maintaining the Log House and other properties. **Please "mark" the date on your calendars. Keep your leaflet flyer handy to take with you.** Hope to see you. Please ask your family, neighbors and friends to come have lunch or dinner and support ATHS.

- Barbara Christman, Dine-out Fund Raiser



Adopt a Roadway/Road Cleanup 2016

The Historical Society has joined forces with Anderson Township and is participating in the "Adopt a Highway" program. We are helping to keep roads and areas litter free. This year is the fifth year for the Society to participate in the program. We are responsible for keeping clean both sides of Bartels Road from Newtown Road to Clough Pike and Clough in front of the Log House to Royalgreen. The Township supplies gloves, bags, vests and T shirts, and pickup tools for our use. The bags of trash are left at the roadside and the Township picks them up. The Township will provide liability release forms for each participant.

Please put on your calendar the following tentative dates: **Saturdays, April 23, July 23 and October 23, 2016.** We will be out then cleaning our adopted roads starting at 9:00 a.m. Hope to see a lot of our members out those days for the more we have working the easier it will be for all. For additional information, contact Bill Dreyer 474-0568.

Mark Your Calendars - Busy Days ahead!

Date	Event	Start Time
May 1	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
May 4	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
May 14	PLANT SALE	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
May 15	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
May 17	Applebee's Dine & Donate Fund Raiser	
May 18	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
June 1	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
June 5	Anderson Garden Tour & Log House Open House	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
June 15	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
June 19	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
July 3	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
July 17	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
July 20	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
July 23	Road Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Aug 3	Annual Picnic	6:00 p.m.
Aug 7	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Aug 17	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Aug 21	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Sept 4	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Sept 7	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sept 18	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Sept 21	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sept 24	Country Store	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sept 25	Country Store	Noon - 5 p.m.

Remember members are invited to attend Board Meetings if they wish. Board Meetings are held at the ATHS Brick House, 6550 Clough Pike.

Member Meetings Snacks

Thanks to the following cookie providers and "foodie" setup people, we again managed to provide snacks on our table for the monthly Wednesday night meetings: Joyce Ewers, Helen Fehn, Bob King, Bev Robinson, Mike Rhein, and Sonia Shively. Special thanks to Diane Schneider for the delicious variety of cupcakes at our annual March dinner meeting! If you are interested in becoming a "foodie," please call Sharon Perry at 231-4304.



Adopt a Roadway sign on Clough Pike near the Log House.