
SURVEYOR

Volume 49/ No. 1

May, June and July 2017

Upcoming Programs

Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 7:30 P.M.

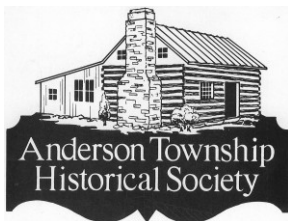
“Lindner Center for Conservation and Research of Endangered Wildlife (CREW),” Our May ATHS program is all about saving endangered wildlife, both plants and animals. Our speaker **Fouad Ezra** will present the program about the Carl H. Lindner, Jr. Family Center for Conservation and Research of Endangered Wildlife, called CREW for short. CREW has been located at our Cincinnati Zoo since 1991. The Center is staffed by internationally recognized scientists who are at the forefront of research dedicated to saving endangered species from extinction. Fouad will take us on a fascinating adventure into CREW’s signature projects that include exceptional plant species, Sumatran and Indian rhinos, threatened small cats and polar bears. Come and join in learning about what goes on in science at the Zoo.

- Lyn Scheper & Lucy Moore, Program Co-chairs

No meeting on Wednesday, July 5, 2017

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.

Miller-Leuser Log House Open Houses 2017

1:00 – 4:00 pm on the first and third Sundays, May through October. Mark these dates: May 7 & 21; June 4 & 18; July 2 & 16; August 6 & 20; September 3 & 11; and October 1 & 15.

Plant Sale Saturday, May 13, 2017

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

The Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Notice that the Sale this year is on the Saturday just before 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."



Operations at the Plant Sale May 14, 2016.

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. Good sellers are peonies, iris, coneflowers, wild flowers, trees, shrubs, and herbs. Ferns, tomato plants, and vegetable plants are welcomed. Also if you have any yard decorations (bird baths, bird feeders, etc.), garden equipment (tomato cages, shovels, rakes, etc.) or decorative pots you would like to donate, please call Plant Sale Chair **Jan Hawkins** at 231-7078. If you are interested in helping to prepare for the Sale or assisting during the Sale, please let Jan know.

Members also can help by spreading the word. Tell your friends and neighbors about the great Plant Sale at the Log House on Clough Pike, Saturday, May 13.

ALERT ALERT ALERT

2017-18 Membership Dues Due NOW

ATHS annual dues for *this year* May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 are due on May 1, 2017. 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-ninth Annual Dinner and Election

The new Officers and Trustees were elected at the March 1, 2017 Annual Dinner Meeting. The newly-elected Officers and Trustees are:

President	Kenny Burck
Vice President	Don Perry
Treasurer	Robert King
Secretary	Linda Magee
Trustee (3 year term)	Lyn Scheper
Trustee (3 year term)	Sonia Shively

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), Bob Malinzak (elected to a 3 yr term in 2016) and Debbie Ruelhman (elected to a 3 yr term in 2016).

Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new members who joined recently:

Harold Motz
Bill and Terry Miller

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 7, 2017, 7:30 P.M.

“Narrow Escapes of George Washington” Over and over again, George Washington was in mortal danger with others falling all around him, but he was never injured. **Millie Henley** of Historical Connections will share these exciting stories of our first president. Henley, says that she noticed this pronounced pattern while researching George Washington’s life. “It boggles the mind how he could have escaped injury so many times, starting in his youth on the frontier and going through the War of Independence,” she says. “The more I learned, the more intriguing the pattern became and I wondered how this could have happened.” Listeners will be able to hear what happened, then make up their own minds about it.

Henley has studied history most of her life. She



travels to reenactments of the 18th and 19th centuries and loves doing historical dancing. Through her enterprise Historical Connections she takes great joy in sharing her interest in history with people who may not have known how fascinating it is. Henley believes that knowing history helps us to understand our own times. The talk will be

presented in 1770s attire with a Power Point presentation to bring the stories to life.

Wednesday, August 2, 2017 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 and enjoy the nature trail around the ponds if you like. 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 **vegetables**; **E – L** to bring **starches**; **M – R** to bring **desserts**; **S – Z** to bring **salads**. The doors open at 6:00 p.m.; dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

Save the Date:

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

Cheri Brinkman will entertain us with "Festivals and Frolics: A History of Cincinnati's Most Famous Festivals and Food."

President's Message

Your newly elected President is Kenny Burck. This is my second time around as President. I live in Greenhills and am involved with the Historical Society because my ancestor Tabitha Noble bought the Log House in 1836 and rented it as early as 1826.

We had our first board meeting in March with the new and previously elected trustees and officers. Our main topic of discussion was the language to be used in a proposed revision of our Code of Regulations concerning the duties of the Finance Committee to manage ATHS investments. The proposed change is published in this issue and will be presented to the membership for a vote soon. The duties of the Chair and the Finance Committee members will include managing ATHS stocks, bonds and other Society assets. In the past we had savings accounts and certificates of deposit that generate little income for us today.

Our other main topic was the barn on the Clough Pike property near the Log House. As you have probably heard, the roof and gutters and other enhancements are in the works. But there are also stabilization issues and several other improvements we are considering. Our plan is make the barn most useful for displaying items and showing our visitors about farm life in "the olden days" and still make the barn available for the Cobweb Corner sales area at the Country Store in September.

Please mark your calendars for the **Country Store**. There are five Saturdays in September this year so don't be confused. The dates for our event are **September 23 & 24**. It is our main fundraiser for the Society and we always need much help from volunteers. Please ask any board member about ample opportunities.

Our revenues from the Country Stores have been down the last few years. We always have much competition with other events going on. Please put your "thinking caps" on for any new ideas of how to



Kenny Burck as Farmer Burck at the Country Store September 25, 2016.

increase the number of people attending the Country Store or what new things they might want to see that can generate more income. Perhaps a new display, or a new booth or new item to sell. Perhaps another way to advertise the event. Again, let any board member know about your ideas.

We have been fortunate that we have had hardly any vandalism to our properties throughout the years. However, Lou Trent was recently on the Bartels Road property and noticed a door to the Browne house had been forced and entry was made. While not much seemed to be disturbed, he had the door secured and filed a police report. Hopefully this was just a rare incident that will not be repeated.

Some repairs do need to be made on the Bartels Road property, but the Board made a decision to concentrate on the Clough Pike property until at least all critical repairs have been completed. Please call or email with me with any concerns or ideas. I look forward to serving all of you.

Kenny Burck 513-260-0238 or kburck@juno.com

With Deepest Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to members Don and Sharon Perry and their family on the loss of Don's mother Mildred Wolfangel Perry on March 14, 2017 at age 100.

We are also saddened to report that ATHS member **Ken Wilson** passed away on April 15, 2017. Ken and his wife Betty were active members of ATHS, helping at Log House Open Houses and the Country Store. They were ambassadors for ATHS as the History Room was being established. Ken served as ATHS Trustee, Finance Committee Chair and a member of the committee that set-up the ATHS computer system in 2004.



Vintage view of the Clough Pike barn from the 1970s. Notice the display of harness and tools mounted on the wall.

Proposed Amendment to the ATHS Code of Regulations

NOTE: Text in ***bold italic type*** represents changes to the existing ATHS Code of Regulations.

Proposed Code

Article XII Standing Committees

(a) The chairpersons of the Standing Committees and the Coordinator shall be appointed annually to those positions by the President, with the ***advice*** and consent of the Executive Board at the March Board meeting. Each Standing Committee chairperson shall select at least two (2) other members to serve on that committee.

(b) The Standing Committees shall be:

(1) Finance: Shall be responsible for the financial affairs of the Society, including establishing a budget, an annual audit of the Treasurer's records, management of the Society investments, and methods and resources ***for*** raising revenue. ***The Finance Chairperson will select at least two additional members. These additional members will be approved by the President and the Executive Board. The Society Treasurer will be a standing member of the committee (but not one of the three defined members) and will be the primary contact with any financial institutions or consultants.***

A report of the budget will be presented to the membership on an annual basis. The budget shall be prepared based on the requests of the other standing committees and input from the President and the Executive Board. The Executive Board will approve the budget before presentation to the general membership.

The status of the Society investments will be reviewed at least on a quarterly basis and reported to the Executive Board. Any recommended modifications to the investment strategy must be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

EXISTING WORDING OF CODE OF REGULATIONS:

Article XIII Standing Committees

(a) The chairpersons of the Standing Committees and the Coordinator shall be appointed annually to those positions by the President, with the advise and consent of the Executive Board at the March Board meeting. Each Standing Committee chairperson shall select at least two (2) other members to serve on that committee.

(b) The Standing Committees shall be:

(1) Finance: Shall be responsible for the financial affairs of the Society, including establishing a budget, an annual audit of the Treasurers records and methods and resources of raising revenue. A report of the above shall be published in the "Surveyor" on an annual basis.

Join the Kroger Community Rewards Program to Support ATHS!

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 \$483.87 in 2016 from the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

In the past everyone had to renew each year in April to continue in the program. Kroger has changed this policy. As of April 1, 2017, if you are enrolled you do not have to re-enroll!

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?

It is that time of year again. Spring training is over and the Reds are back in Cincinnati. We all hope they will keep their eye on the ball and have a stellar season. However, whether you play baseball, basketball, soccer, etc., ball players are constantly being told to keep their eye on the ball. That is necessary to be successful.

Although the term originated on ball fields, it easily made the transition into every day conversations. So if you want to be successful, stay motivated and always "Keep your eye on the ball."

- Lou Trent



Cincinnati Reds at Crosley Field, September 1939. The Reds had their eyes on the ball in 1939, winning the National League pennant race. Unfortunately they lost the World Series contest to the New York Yankees. In 1940, however, led by the outstanding pitching of Paul Derringer and Bucky Walters, the Reds won 100 games, the National League pennant by a 12-game margin and won the WORLD SERIES against the Detroit Tigers! Photo by Margaret Burnes Heywood.

GARDENING NEWS

The **Anderson Township Garden Tour** will be held on Sunday, June 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This will be the second year that the ATHS Log House area will be one of the gardens on the Township tour. ATHS members Ann King (231-9557), Nancy Krueger (478-7480) and Diane Schneider (232-6552) are serving as ATHS chairs preparing for the day. This is an opportunity to show off our wonderful gardens and to invite visitors to tour the Log House.

It takes the time and work of many volunteers to prepare for the day and to host this event. Last year we had around 160 people visit the Log House property. We need volunteer gardeners and helpers to prepare the area and need volunteers to handle the set-up on June 4, to prepare refreshments, and to serve as greeters and tour guides of the Log House and surroundings. We also need folks to handle the sale of any plants remaining from the May Plant Sale. We plan to offer lemonade and homemade cookies to visitors.

We have prepared a Plant List brochure that includes a list of the plants and their locations in the gardens around the Log House. The brochure also includes information about the Society and a membership form. We have been labeling the plants, and so far we have about 100 labels in place on the grounds.

ATHS Gardens Update. We have recruited a team of volunteer gardeners who will be responsible for maintaining one garden area. They will find other volunteers to help them. We are in need of a few more volunteers to select a garden area. By having this system of individuals responsible for specific garden areas, it is hoped that garden care will be easier for all and better for each garden area. This year the ATHS Log House area has been adopted by the Hamilton County Master Gardener group and its members will be helping us throughout the growing season.



Potted plants on rock steps, June 2016.



Refreshment table set up for visitors at the June 2016 Garden Tour. ATHS volunteers (l to r) Nancy Krueger, Don Perry (in back by the Annex), Ann King, Linda Scheper and Bob King.

The garden areas contain mostly perennials with a few annuals. There are some potted plants (with annuals and perennials) placed on some of the old rock steps near the Brick House to keep people from trying to use these steps.

We have developed a herb garden near the side door of the Log House. In pioneer days, herbs were planted by the kitchen door so they were close to the kitchen for use in cooking. Also when the women walked by, their long skirts would brush the plants, giving off pleasant scents. There are different displays and plants to be seen throughout the seasons.



Lady in Red Fern and pink Phlox, Mullein, and a variety of ferns. Please come to see our property and the gardens.

- Ann King, Yard Chair

Phone: 513-315-1629. Email: akc7526@gmail.com

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Aging is the only way to live a longer life.

- Lou Trent

Property Committee Report

Over the last year, the Property Committee has been very active. Major projects which the Committee has addressed and which are readily recognizable included: replacement of some of the stone walkways which were a severe tripping hazard, removal of two sheds from the upper property on Bartels Road, installation of new stone steps for the front door of the Log House, and painting of the Brick House trim. No less important but less noticeable projects included: re-pointing chinking at the Log House, stabilization of the east side of the creek which will help preserve the barn and corn crib, replacing the gutters on the Bartels Road barn, removal of trees/limbs/shrubbery threatening property on both the Clough Pike and Bartels Road properties, initiation of stabilization projects at the barn near the Log House, and increased insect control at the Log House and both barns.

As always, many people have been working on smaller projects that keep the property functional and attractive. Some of these include repair of the stone steps and wall, replacing broken windows/screens/locks, labeling mail boxes with the street addresses, repairing hinges for doors and shutters, etc.

This year expect to see contractors installing gutters and downspouts on both sides of the Clough Pike barn and the continuation of major stabilization projects. The metal roofs on the Clough Pike barn, corn crib, Annex, and the Browne House porch will be renovated to prevent leaks and preserve the roofs. New shake shingles will be installed on the outhouse and rotten wood on some Clough Pike property structures will be replaced.

There is one big item on the wish list for this year. If there are any property repair funds remaining, the asphalt parking lot will get a protective black seal coating. It is very important to apply this sealant either this year or next year.

In conclusion I would like to say that it has been a pleasure to work with the members of the Property Committee and numerous others who have diligently striven to complete so many projects. My sincere thanks go out to each of you.

- Louis Trent, Chair, Property Committee

Aluminum Can Recycling

Bill, the Aluminum Can Man, reminds all to continue to save your aluminum cans for recycling. 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.

Open Houses for the Log House

We are planning for another busy season of visitors to the Log House. Sunday, May 7 will be our first Open House of the year. We will then have the Log House open on the first and third Sundays of each month May through October. We also plan to be open on Saturday, May 13 during the Plant Sale and on Sunday, June 4 for the Anderson Township Garden Tour.

Please consider being a host for these Open Houses and share your appreciation of history with the guests. Call Diane Schneider 232-6552 to volunteer.

- Diane Schneider, Projects Chair

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 AHS and Anderson Township. Volunteers from AHS staff the History Room.

Member Meetings Snacks

Thanks goes out to **Helen Fehn, Nancy Meyer, Bev Robinson, Meredith Roos, Lyn Schepher, and Sonia Shively**. Each in their own way helped with contributions, cookies, snacks and/or set up for our monthly meetings. Special thanks to **Diane Schneider** for her delicious homemade, flavored cupcakes at our annual March dinner meeting.

- Sharon Perry

P.S.-If you wish to share your favorite taste with us, just call me at 231-4304.



Here's a close-up of one pair of "Then and Now" items at the History to Schools events. The "Then" glasses on the right belonged to India Boyer (1907-1998), first licensed female architect in Ohio, and active member of AHS in the 1970s. The "Now" glasses on the left are an example of the fashionable decorative glasses available today.

History to Schools

ATHS will again be part of the History to Schools field trips to the Anderson Center for all second graders in the Forest Hills Schools and third graders from Immaculate Heart of Mary School.

Our members will create a display of items representing "Then & Now" for students to enjoy. We also introduce them to highlights in the History Room and some unique aspects of a one-room schoolhouse.

We hope students appreciate the history of Anderson Township after spending some time with volunteers from ATHS.

The 2017 dates are:

Wednesday, April 5 – Mercer, 99 students

Thursday, April 20 – Maddux, 71 students

Monday, April 24 – Wilson, 101 students

Friday, April 28 – Summit, 86 students

Wednesday, May 3 – IHM, 78 students

Monday, May 22 – Ayer, 73 students

Thursday, May 25 – Sherwood, 68 students

- Diane Schneider, Projects Chair



Tables of "Then and Now" items were set up for the History to School event. ATHS volunteers Linda Magee (far left) Don Perry (right) and Bob King (center) showed off the wide array of items on display. Photos by Janet Heywood.

Some Comments on their April 5, 2017 Visit from Mercer Second Graders

"Thank you for teaching us Then and Now stuff and also the desk and writing on the chalkboard. That was really my favorite thing. And also my favorite was you teaching and me learning." - Cassie

"My favorite part was the Then and Now. And in the Then and Now I liked doing then what school was like and now what school was like." - Harper

"I especially liked Then and Now. It was so much fun! I really liked writing on the board on the desk. This was my favorite field trip ever!" - Ella

"It was super fun learning about our history. I will like to go back with my family." - Will

"I loved learning about all the cool things in the past. I never knew the Anderson Town Center had a history room. It was something I will never forget." - Marc

"My favorite part of the field trip was when we went downstairs and went to see the Then and Now. It was the funest part of the field trip in my opinion. Thank you!" - Sophie



"My favorite thing that happened is when we saw the Then and Now items. I liked that because I got to see what life in the past was like." (note included drawings of a mobile phone with apps and games and a wall crank phone.) - Henry



History to School event at Anderson Center on April 5, 2017 for second grade students from Mercer School. ATHS volunteer Don Perry is showing students some of the examples of tools from "Then and Now" collections on display on tables in the Lower Atrium just outside the History Room.

ATHS Dine & Donate at Arthur's Cafe on Wednesday, May 17, 2017

ATHS will have our spring fund raiser at Arthur's Cafe on Wednesday, May 17, from 11 a.m. till 10:00 p.m. at 8221 Beechmont (half way between Nagel and Eight Mile). In order to participate, please tell your server that you are there to support the Anderson Township Historical Society! A leaflet is enclosed in this mailing as a reminder. Arthur's will send ATHS 10% percentage of the check.

Arthur's Cafe in Anderson opened in 2104 and brings the same "great food, cold beer, and fun atmosphere" for which the original location in Hyde



Park has long been known. Dining out is an easy way to make some money for projects and for the costs of

maintaining the Log House and other properties.

Please **mark** the date on your calendars. Keep your leaflet handy to remind you. Hope to see you! Please ask your family, neighbors and friends to come have lunch or dinner. Please be sure to tell your server that YOU are supporting ATHS.

- Barb Christman, Dine-out Fund Raiser

Adopt a Roadway/Road Cleanup 2017

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, July 22 and October 22, 2017.** 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 3	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
May 7	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
May 13	PLANT SALE	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
May 17	Arthur's Dine & Donate Fund Raiser	
May 17	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
May 21	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
June 4	Anderson Garden Tour & Log House Open House	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
June 7	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
June 18	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
June 21	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
July 2	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
July 16	Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
July 19	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
July 22	Road Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Aug 2	Annual Picnic	6:00 p.m.
Aug 6	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Aug 16	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Aug 20	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Sept 3	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Sept 6	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sept 17	Log House Open House	1 - 4 p.m.
Sept 20	Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sept 23	Country Store	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sept 24	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.

Thanks for Your Service

Kenny Burck, Barb Christman, Ann King, Bob King, Lucy Moore, Sharon Perry, Linda Scheper, Diane Schneider, and Lou Trent 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 2017: **Janet Heywood, Lucy Moore, Sharon and Don Perry, and Charlie Wallace.**

ATHS E-mail Notices

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