
SURVEYOR

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Upcoming Programs

Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 7:30 P.M.

We are pleased to have **Stephanie Marks**, a Holocaust Survivor, from Cincinnati's Holocaust & Humanity Center, present the personal story of her family's experience during WWII. Stephanie, was born in Konin, Poland in 1925, where her grandfather owned the town flour mill. As anti-Semitism rose in Poland, her family decided to move to Belgium, but they often returned to visit family. During a visit in 1939, the family became trapped due to the German invasion. As residents of Belgium, they could use their Belgian passports to escape, but they needed permission from the occupying German forces. Stephanie's mother heard that a top Nazi officer was in town and demanded a meeting. Afterward, the Nazi officer signed each family member's ID cards for safe passage on a train back to Belgium.

However, Stephanie's family was soon forced to flee Belgium. Their journey of hiding and fleeing took nearly two years and consisted of 7,000 miles, five countries and two continents. Finally 1941, they arrived in Cincinnati. Two years later Stephanie graduated from Hughes High School. In 1945, her parents opened the West End Hardware at Linn & Poplar, which they owned for over 25 years. Stephanie helped in the store; later she spent over 30 years in the real estate business.

Stephanie is a member of the **Coppel Speakers' Bureau**, consisting of volunteers who have been affected by the Holocaust and the events of World War II: Holocaust survivors and refugees, World War II veterans and concentration camp liberators, other eyewitnesses and children and grandchildren of survivors are available. Survivors Trudy & Werner Coppel spent their lives supporting Holocaust education and these speakers ensure their legacy lives on. You can watch this adorable couple's story at www.holocaustandhumanity.org

"If we do not talk about it, if we do not remember, then the world will never know. And that has made me speak about it."

—Henry Meyer, Holocaust Survivor

Wednesday, December 5, 2018, 7:30 P.M.

Dann Woellert, local foodie and author of many books, will speak about ***Cincinnati Candy: A Sweet Story*** at our holiday meeting. His talk covers Maverick Chocolates at Findlay Market as well as Schneider's, Aglimesis and Fawn Candies. Newtown's local candy company, Doscher Bros. gets the cover spot on his book.

For more than a century, Cincinnati's candy industry satisfied our national sweet tooth. Stick and drop candies appeared here long before their Civil War popularity. Opera creams, rich fondant-filled chocolate candy brought here by Robert H. Putman, provided decadence.

Doscher invented the French Chew and made caramel corn a baseball concession at Redland Field decades before Cracker Jack became synonymous with our national pastime. Dann Woellert tells these stories and more in this delectably sweet history.

Dann also writes the blog "Dann Woellert the Food Etymologist," which discusses the origins of local and regional foods and is the author of *The Authentic History of Cincinnati Chili* and *Historic Restaurants of Cincinnati: The Queen City's Tasty History*. He will have books for sale at a \$2 discount. Dann is affiliated with many local preservation and historical groups and is a four-time recipient of the Ohioana Award for Literary and Artistic Achievement. Don't forget to bring your favorite Christmas cookies and sweets to share.

- Lyn Scheper & Lucy Moore, Program Co-chairs

Wednesday, January 2, 2019 No meeting

ATHS Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. at Anderson Center, 7850 Five Mile Road.

See ATHS on the web:

www.AndersonTownshipHistoricalSociety.org



Membership Dues

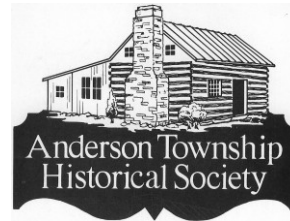
ATHS annual dues run from May 1 of one year to April 30 of the next year.

NOTICE that dues for the current year May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019 were due on May 1, 2018 and are overdue. **NOW** is a good time to renew for the *coming* year May 1, 2019 to April 30, 2020. Please double check that your dues payment is 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
Corporate/Patron	\$ 300.00
Lifetime – Single	\$ 150.00
Lifetime – Couple	\$ 200.00

Thank you!



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.

ATHS Dine-out Fund Raiser at the Urban Grill on Main on Thursday, November 8

ATHS will have a fall fund raiser at the Urban Grill on Main on Thursday, November 8, 2018 from 11 a.m. till 9:00 p.m. The Urban Grill is located at 6623 Main Street in Newtown. In order to participate, please take the leaflet enclosed in this mailing with you and give it to your server. The Urban Grill will donate a percentage of your bill to ATHS. The Urban Grill on Main has excellent reviews, mentioning delicious home-style meals, freshly made, a friendly staff and is family owned. 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. Hope to see you! Please ask your family, neighbors and friends to come have lunch or dinner. Please be sure to give the server your leaflet.

- Barb Christman, Dine-out Fund Raiser

SAVE THE DATES:

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 ATHS Monthly meeting with program "Anderson Township: a Photo Album" by ATHS member Janet Heywood.

Wednesday, March 6, 2019 ATHS Annual Dinner & Election of Officers Reserve the date for the 51st ATHS Anniversary banquet. Dinner is followed by the election and installation of Officers and entertainment. Details for the banquet location and reservation forms will be in the next *Surveyor*.

Anderson Township book available!

Anderson Township by ATHS was published by Arcadia Publishing as one of the "Images of America" series this spring. This 128-page book contains more than 200 vintage photos with captions and introductory text.

ATHS will have copies for sale for a special price of \$20 at ATHS events and meetings and at the History Room.

- Janet Heywood, Research Chair
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Need a Gift Idea? Give the Gift of History!

You can give a gift membership in the Anderson Township Historical Society. It is a good way to get a friend, relative or neighbor interested in what ATHS does. Single memberships are only ten dollars, a couple is \$20.

ATHS publications make good gifts and stocking stuffers and are for sale at the History Room.

Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new members who joined recently: **Dennis Nichols as Life member**

**Marcie Smith and Ruth Flinn Smith as Family
Gay Straub**

ATHS E-mail Notices

If you want to receive notices of monthly meetings, send us your e-mail address. If you have given us your e-mail address and are not receiving these notices, let us know. E-mail ATHS at **athsloghouse@yahoo.com** and we will add, correct or delete your e-mail address as you wish.

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 **athsloghouse@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

President's Message

Good news is that all the repair projects including the lower barn, corn crib, outhouse, Annex and Log House have almost been completed. One small item is a contractor has yet to bury a drainage pipe coming from one downspout in the back of the barn. All of the repairs look GREAT. Thanks to **Lou Trent** and the Property Committee for seeing all these projects to fruition. Many items we have been collecting for years but unable to display have a new home in the barn with labels and some information signs identifying most of the items. Thanks to **Don Perry** for taking the lead on this. Several items were taken from the Annex and also placed in the barn for display. We plan to use the Annex (after being cleaned from being used as the kitchen for the Country Store) to display a demonstration of how log houses were built.

The barn is now part of the tour of the Clough Pike property surrounding the Log House as it once was in the years following the purchase of the Log House in 1971. It will require more work or an additional docent to cover this new exhibit area during Open Houses. Over the years, the barn had evolved into one of our places to store junk and variety of other items, but now it has been transformed back into part of our outdoor museum. We plan to add some lighting that will be directed on individual displays to highlight them.

It takes much work to prepare for the Country Store. **Mary Bailey** and **Nancy Krueger** were very busy sorting and pricing items for the Cobweb Corner. Because the barn is now occupied with display items it is no longer available for the Cobweb Corner so the size of the items for sale had been downsized to fit under one of our tents and some open space near the creek. This will save storage area needed throughout the year and will make it much easier not having to carry out large items before the sale or during the sale. The "Bakery Babes" with **Marcia Jelus** and her crew set up their bakery on the screened side porch of the red brick house this year due to several episodes of water leaking into the basement and soaking the carpet, raising the possibility of mold or other issues. The new location seems to have worked out just fine. Others were baking items for the sale. The set-up crew worked under extremely warm conditions to clean and set up the Annex for the Country Store kitchen. Then on another day volunteers set up the tents and moved other items around. Boy, was it hot! Of course, the kitchen volunteers had to cook for days, drinks had to be purchased or were donated, vegetables and other items were obtained, items for the Silent Auction

were rounded up and prizes for children's games were also bought, etc., etc.

Earlier in the year I discussed my plan with the Board to attempt to reduce some of the work associated with the Country Store as "some of us" are getting a little older and the numbers of volunteers for this event are not being equally replaced. Other than reducing the size of items for Cobweb Corner, the effort was just as burdensome in 2018 as in past years. Perhaps we can revisit this plan for 2019 to ease the work.

Our Sheriff Deputy on duty at the Country Store for as long as I can remember has been **Craig Nance**. He knew many of the local people and he and his wife Holly (who is a cousin of mine who also had ancestors in the Log House) are members. Craig spent much of his pay he received from us on tickets for the Dinner for 8 in the Log House. Now Craig has retired so we had a new Deputy this year. We also did not hire the dulcimer group but did have dulcimer player **Cindy Brandyberry** performing and explaining the history and the instrument to the attendees. She was just perfect for the kids who thoroughly enjoyed her.

The Country Store was a great success. The weather was just about perfect. The regular group of volunteers along with some new members helped on the effort. We met our budgetary goal. Proceeds have not all been counted as of this writing. I am sure the Treasurer Bob King will have the final total soon.

Our plans for an "Urban Farm," or some other effort to utilize our red barn and properties up on Bartels Road, are moving ahead. Member **Daryl Meyerrenke**, who is the owner of the Family Pet Store on Clough Pike, has developed a Facebook page and in other ways has been notifying people who are interested in this project. He recently met with some citizens in an attempt to come up with a plan to do "something." The group initially walked around the property and into some of the buildings. Several ideas have been suggested, but this new Board of volunteers (who will work with our Society Board) will meet to discuss how to proceed. If any members would like to join this new Board or get involved in some way, it is open to all. We plan to start small and see what works - perhaps a community garden, small animals for a petting zoo, organizing the red barn for tours, etc. All ideas are welcomed. More about this as plans progress.

Again a BIG THANK YOU to all who assisted with the Country Store.

- Kenny Burck, cell phone 513-260-0238 or
email: kburck@juno.com

Anderson Township 225th Celebration

The 225th anniversary of the founding of Anderson Township has helped create a better appreciation by the residents of the Township for the history of our area. It has also presented several opportunities for the Historical Society to increase our presence in the community.

Preparation for the 225th celebrations started in late 2017 with the formation of a committee comprised of Township employees, interested residents and a number of representatives from ATHS. **Steve Sievers**, Township Assistant Administrator for Operations, spearheaded the effort. His efforts kept the initiative on track and resulted, we believe, in excellent results.

Street banners were produced by the Township, incorporating many archival images from the ATHS collections. The banners have been displayed on street poles in commercial areas and at major intersections. They were erected in April and will remain until the end of the year. These colorful banners presented many different themes all related to our Township.

The 225th anniversary played a role in making the 4th of July parade special this year. As reported in the previous *Surveyor*, ATHS successfully participated in the parade after an absence of many years. ACTV produced a number of video interviews discussing points of historical interest. These video included the Clark Stone House, Five Mile Chapel, Miller-Leuser Log House, historic cemeteries, Salem Community Church, and some early family histories.

Three events were of particular interest to the Society. An open house was held at the James Clark House in June as a part of the Anderson Garden Tour. This was the first time the house had been open to the public in this century and resulted in between 50 and 100 visitors to both the Clark House and Miller-Leuser Log House.



The new Ohio Historical Marker for the Clark Stone House that was dedicated at the Clough Pike history walk on September 16. Photo by N. Caine.



A new cedar roof was installed on the front roof of the historic ATHS Miller-Leuser Log House by Brandstetter's Kanga Roof in August 2018.

On September 16, the Ohio Historical Marker for the Clark Stone House was dedicated as a part of the Clough Pike history walk. Over 180 visitors were counted at the Clark House. The Log House had more than 150 visitors at that time. As a part of the celebration, about 40 visitors toured the Clough Pike Baptist Cemetery between Bridges and Berkshire roads and over 150 went through the History Room. Overall, it had to have been one of the outstanding touring days for ATHS.

Finally, a self-guided tour of Anderson Township occurred on September 30. The ATHS Country Store was also in operation that afternoon. ATHS had docents placed at the Clark House, in the front of the Log House and at the History Room. About 60 to 80 visitors were counted at the Clark House. No tally could be made for tour visitors at the Log House but we noted a significant number of visitors at the Country Store who were first time attendees and interested in touring the site.

Over-all, the 225th Anniversary Celebration created a lot of press for ATHS and has required the efforts of many of our members. For example, the September 16 events required 15 members to staff the Clark House, Log House, Clough Baptist Cemetery, History Room and literature table at afternoon Clough Pike history walk and the party at Anderson Center later in the day. Many hours were spent in meetings, providing research, acting as docents and participating in the social media presentations. We have provided the Township with important information about our community, fulfilling one of our primary goals: Education. Basically, ATHS and our many volunteers provided an outstanding service to our community.

- Don Perry, ATHS Vice President

Country Store 2018

Department Net Figures

Bakery	\$	869.70
Beverages		150.50
Children's Games		20.25
Cobweb Corner		1,333.00
Farmer's Market		615.95
Honey		110.00
Kitchen		1,020.00
Slate/Pumpkin Painting		60.00
Raffle		703.00
Silent Auction		552.30
Stitchery		577.10
Watercolor Art Sales		<u>420.00</u>
Total	\$	6,431.80

Expenses, overall

Officer (Saturday & Sunday) (272.00)

NET (Country Store Profit) \$ 6,159.80

Country Store 2018 Farmer's Market

We just want to thank everyone who worked, bought items, helped carry items, worked at the booths or just came to help in any way. I was very disappointed that the blacksmith who had planned to come on Sunday was unable to attend because he had car problems. The lady who demonstrated playing the dulcimer was really delightful. She made us want to learn to play.

I want a special "Thank You" to go out to **Bob King**, who took me to get mums from Grants Farm and Fries Brothers. He carried potatoes, mums, tomatoes, large pumpkins, Indian corn, small pumpkins, pickles and all the other items we sold at the Farmer's Market. Plus he did a wonderful job on his Treasurer's duties.

- Sonia Shively, Farmer's Market



Farmer's Market and Children's Games.

The 2018 Country Store Raffle Winner

Congratulations! This year's raffle ticket winner of the dinner for eight in the Log House is **Karen Winstead**. Thanks to our head start pre-Country Store ticket sales by **Diane Schneider**, **Sonia Shively** and the **Family Pet Store** on Clough Pike, and to your purchase of raffle tickets during Country Store we made \$703.

Special thanks to those who sold tickets on the event days: **Kenny Burck**, **Gregg and Cindy Dietrich**, **Loren Fullen**, **Sue Hirsh**, **Karl Sieber**, and **Elaine Ritter**.
- Sharon Perry

Many Thanks to Our 2018 SILENT AUCTION DONORS

Anderson Township Pub
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Bentley Pet Stuff
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Family Pet Center
Greenfield Plant Farm
Inspiring Kind Boutique Bakery
LaRosa's Pizzeria
Luckman Coffee Co.
Mt. Washington Jewelers
Outback Steakhouse
And AHS Members:
Barb Christman
Bob King
Lyn Scheper
Carol Taylor



Silent Auction table at the Country Store. Photos on this page by Charlie Wallace.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK . . .

Talk is cheap...except when Congress does it.

- Lou Trent

The Brick House Bakery 2018

As we packaged, priced, and sold all the sweet things that people brought to the new site for the bakery, the "**Bakery on the Brick House Porch,**" we could look out and see the Log House and the all the Country Store activities people were enjoying in support of ATHS. The view was lovely. We raised an amount slightly below last year, which was excellent, as fewer people stopped by on Sunday. A new secret recipe "Ice Pick" cake was brought in by a new member! It was delightfully delicious. The "Hundred Year Old Secret Recipe Cookies" returned this year, and they are a long time favorite for flavor and fun!

Thank you goes to everyone who baked and brought those wonderful cakes, cookies, and candies for resale. Additional thanks goes to those who moved both very heavy and light things stored on the porch, gave the area a top notch cleaning, and showed tremendous patience during the "staging" of our bakery!

The bakery "Babes" are an amazing team. **Judith Malinzak** helped arrange the porch, baked and decorated. **Marty Burnes** and **Jackie Canter** were packing and pricing experts. **Sherry Vogel** made phone calls as did the others, and **Kathy Hosking** was a baker, caller, and back-up. New Society member, **Gay Straub**, baked and stopped by to see if she could help. Versatile **Lucy Moore** helped set up, bake, and divided her time as a docent in the Log House.

Another successful Bakery is behind us! Thank you to those who made sweet and monetary donations, and we note the nice comments about the delicious goodies the Bakery provided for the October meeting.

- Marcia Jelus, Marty Burnes and Judith Malinzak
Bakery Co-chairs 2018



Bakery on the Porch - Judith Malinzak, Linda Magee, Marcia Jelus and Marty Burnes (l to r). Photos on this page by Charlie Wallace.



Cobweb Corner was organized by Nancy Krueger and Mary Bailey (seen l to r with customers in the image above).

Log House Country Store Kitchen 2018

Once again this year the German potato salad and deviled eggs were popular menu items. Saturday was cool so the chili and Shaker tomato soup flew out the screen door. Folks also chose pumpkin pie or another delicious dessert to finish their meal. Thanks to these generous people, the kitchen was a savory place.

Elaine Ritter

Sharon & Don Perry

Debbie Lovelace

Gregg & Cindy Dietrich

Bob Malinzak

Bob King

Linda Magee

Carol Voorhees

Lori Trent

Brenda Greer

Jan Hawkins

Wendy Chalk

Ed & Janet Yorgen

Linda Jacobs

Lyn Scheper

Ann King

Charlie Wallace

Kay Lawler

Dana Arey

Kathy Hoelscher

Mary Lou Van Eman

Betty Zude

Sonia Shively

Betty Howell

Mary Bailey

- Diane Schneider



Kathy Hoelscher, Lucy Moore and Brenda Greer at the Farmer's Market during the Country Store.

Join Kroger Community Rewards Program

The following is a statement from Kroger's regarding their Community Rewards Program:

"The Kroger Company Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to go beyond being a part of the community to also helping create a stronger community. We appreciate your participation in our Community Rewards program to help accomplish that mission!"

Kroger's has recently upgraded their Community Rewards system, and as a result, the Anderson Township Historical Society's Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number: **CI262** (that is *two letters CI* and *three numbers 262*). Please reference the new account number when contacting Kroger's for assistance. AHS is communicating this new number to our members and is updating any materials with this change. While the previous number will continue to be associated with our organization, it will not be visible to you when enrolling. **Current members of the reward program do not have to re-register again.** New members can enroll by searching for either the new number or the name of our organization. We encourage all members to link their reward card (Kroger Plus Card) with the Community Rewards Program. There is no impact on your reward points and it helps AHS earn money at no cost to you. Members of the rewards program don't have to re-enroll every year. Once enrolled; always enrolled. We currently have only fifteen member enrolled. Let's do better. The more members enrolled, the more money we get from Kroger's. **To register**, visit

www.krogercommunityrewards.com.

Click Cincinnati Ohio and follow the step by step instructions. Enter agency number **CI262** or Anderson Township Historical Society. Call 1-800-294-4438 option #2 for assistance.

If you have any questions, you can also email CincinnatiCommunityRewards@kroger.com or visit Kroger's website at <http://www.kroger.com>

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

Visit the History Room This Winter

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. The History Room will be closed on dates around the holidays (Nov. 20, Nov. 21 & Nov. 25 and Dec. 23 - 31 and Jan. 1 and 2). Learn about the history of Anderson through photos, hands-on exhibits and artifacts. Lower Level, Anderson Center, 7850 Five Mile Rd. Volunteers from AHS staff the History Room.

ATHS Garden Report 2018

The **ATHS Gardens** looked so nice this summer due to the hard work of the members of the Garden Committee. The **Memory Garden** by the Log House is still a work in progress and we have a volunteer group who will help with this garden. The **Sherwood Forest Garden Club** will be taking on this project. This garden club was responsible for this area in years past. The **Plant Sale** on Saturday, May 13 was a success again this year. Jan Hawkins chaired this event; we made over \$4,000. The **Anderson Township Garden Tour** was held on Sunday, June 3. We participated again this year, and our 'native gardens' of perennials, bushes, trees and our rocks surrounding the various garden areas looked great. The Log House and surroundings were also open for visitors on June 3. We put two inches of wood mulch around the spirea bushes and white lilac trees in the planting area between the parking lot and Clough Pike sidewalk to end the weed growth. It was bad and the mulch has worked!!! We purchased a new label making machine and label tape to make labels to replace earlier ones that faded or peeled off. The new labels look great and we have had many compliments!

Saturday, November 3, 2018, is the day chosen to prepare the yard and gardens of the Log House area for the winter. By fixing the yard now, it will be easier to have the gardens ready for the May Perennial Plant Sale and the Anderson Township Garden Tour next spring. Please come to help us on our yard clean-up day, We're looking forward to hearing/seeing from some of you. We have jobs for all skills!

Ann King; Home phone 513-231-9557; Cell phone 513-315-1629; Email: akc7526@gmail.com

Nancy Krueger; Cell phone 513-478-7480; Email: nrunner@fuse.net

Member Meetings Snacks

Thanks goes out for all the delicious dishes prepared by our guests at this year's August picnic at the Anderson Town Center. Set up for our August, September, and October meetings included: Drinks: **Ann King, Bob King, George Scheper**, and **Lyn Scheper**; Entrée: **Bob King**; Table décor: **Diane Schneider**; and Treats: **Kenny Burck, Helen Fehn, Marty Burnes, Nancy Meyer, Sonia Shively**, and the Country Store bakery staff. Please remember our December Christmas meeting includes a cookie exchange. "Bring Some Take Some"! This is a great way to participate in fellowship leading up to the Holidays.

- Sharon Perry, Refreshments Chair, 513-231-4304

**PLEASE SUPPORT THESE COMPANIES
WHO HAVE DONATED THEIR SERVICES
TO MAINTAIN ATHS PROPERTY
(2000 - PRESENT)**

Landers Landcare Inc (513-561-3997)
Grass Cutting Log House Area

The David Vogel Landscaping Company
(513-753-1007) *Tree Care; Walkways;
Retaining Wall; Building Structure Support*

ScherZinger Pest Control (513-831-8081)
Chemical/Trap Treatment for Termites

Hessel Stone Fabricating (513-248-0191)
Limestone Steps for Log House

SECO Electric Co., Inc (859-491-2984)
Electrical Work in Log House

Mark Your Calendars

Date	Event	Start Time
Nov. 7	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Nov. *tbd*	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Dec. 5	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 19	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
January 16	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
February 6	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
February 20	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
March 6	Annual Dinner	6:00 p.m.
March 20	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.

**tbd* - to be decided - The date of the Nov. Board Meeting will be decided at October 17 Board Meeting. Remember members are invited to attend Board Meetings if they wish. Board Meetings are held at the ATHS Brick House, 6550 Clough Pike.*

WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?

Originating in the USA around the beginning of the 20th century, the term "bats in one's belfry" has an interesting origin. At the time in small town America, the tallest structure was typically a church with a steeple containing a bell tower at the top. It was tall so that the bells could be heard clearly throughout the town. However, the belfry was also the closest thing to a cave or cavern that bats could find, and bats loved to sleep in them. At dusk bats could be seen swirling and flying around the belfry in ways that appeared to be total and utter confusion. Appropriately, "bats in one's belfry" refers to someone who appears to have confused thinking or bats careening about in his or her top most part --- their head. Of additional interest, one of the earliest written uses of the term appeared in an Ohio newspaper, *The Newark Daily Advocate*, October 1900.

- Lou Trent

Adopt a Roadway/Road Cleanup 2019

The Historical Society has joined forces with Anderson Township and is participating in the "Adopt a Highway" program in Anderson Township. The last cleanup was a great success picking up trash along the road. We are helping to keep roads and areas litter free. 2019 will be the eighth 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 Pike in front of the Log House to Royalgreen. The Township supplies gloves, bags, vests, 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. There is a sign in front of our parking lot which gives us recognition for our work. Our sponsorship is also on the Township website and in Township publications. Please plan to support this worthwhile project for another year. **Put on your calendar the following dates for 2019: Saturday, January 19, Sat. April 20, Sat. July 23, and Sat. October 16.** We will be out those days cleaning our adopted roads starting at 9:00 a.m. It doesn't take much more than an hour so you will have plenty of time for other activities the rest of the day. 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 513-474-0568.

Thanks for Your Service

Kenny Burck, Bill Dreyer, Marcia Jelus, Ann King, Bob King, Nancy Krueger, Don Perry, Sharon Perry, Diane Schneider, Sonia Shively, 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 August, September and early October 2018: **Bill Dreyer, Janet Heywood, Lucy Moore, Sharon and Don Perry, Charlie Wallace and Sue Wettstein.**



Cindy Brandyberry playing the dulcimer at the Country Store. Photo by Charlie Wallace.