# SURVEYOR

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# **Upcoming Programs**

# Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Our Wednesday, February 6, 2019 ATHS meeting will feature "Anderson Township: A Photo Album," a program given by Janet Heywood, ATHS Research Chair. Last year the ATHS book Anderson Township was published by Arcadia Publishing as part of its Images of America series. The publication helped to celebrate the 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Township and 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Society. Janet researched the images and materials for the book in the archival collections established and organized over the decades by members of the Society. She is very pleased that many of the fascinating images and stories collected by members since the founding of ATHS in 1968 are now readily available in print form. This February program will highlight some of the remarkable images taken in the Township and discuss the needs we have to continue the documentation of the development of our area and the need to add to and organize the Society's collections. Save the date, plan for good winter weather on Wednesday, February 6 to review what we remember, learn some new "history bites," and ask questions about Anderson's past.

# Wednesday, March 6, 2019, Annual Dinner

# The 51st Anniversary ATHS Dinner Meeting

Our yearly banquet meeting includes the election and installation of ATHS Officers and Trustees.

For entertainment we will have "Frank Sinatra" singing for us. His name is Ricky Davis. He and his father run a barbershop in nearby Williamsburg, Ohio. He portrays a young Frank Sinatra. Ricky will put us all in a happy nostalgic mood whether we are remembering the music of our younger years or our grandparents' times. Here's Ricky's note:

"Hello all! My name is Ricky Davis and I'll be singing for your upcoming event in March. I'd like to take the time to tell you a little about myself and what you can expect for the show. I am a jazz singer and I mostly do songs that were made famous by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Bobby Darin and many others. I started out singing my freshman year of high school and liked it so much that I kept with it and I hope to continue it for a long time. I am very excited to perform this March and I'll see all of you soon!"

The **March 6, 2019 Annual Dinner** will be held at the **Holiday Inn Eastgate**, 4501 Eastgate Blvd., Cincinnati, OH 45255, phone 513-752-4400. This is the same location as the Annual Dinner the last two years. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m.; dinner is served at 6:30 p.m.

The dinner cost of \$25 per person includes a buffet dinner of chicken, salmon, potatoes, vegetable, salad, rolls, dessert and beverages. Bring your family and friends.

The book *Anderson Township*, published as one of the Images of America series by Arcadia Publishing, will be available for sale, along with other ATHS booklets.

If you need more information, call Bob King (513-474-6988). Please send the enclosed reservation form and your check payable to ATHS to ATHS, Bob King, Treasurer, P.O. Box 30174, Cincinnati, OH 45230 by the reservation cut-off **February 26**, **2019**.

- Lucy Moore & Lyn Scheper, Program Co-chairs

# 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.

2019-20 Membership Dues ATHS annual dues for the year May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020 are due on May 1, 2019. 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!			

# Wednesday, April 3, 2019, 7:30 P.M.

On Wednesday, April 3, our monthly meeting will host **Barbara Jennings** from the Cincinnati Museum Center speaking on the warm and tasty subject of "**Cincinnati Style Chili**." Her happy sense of humor and delightful photographs of many of the chili parlors in town will whet your appetite to visit and try a few recipes. By the way, do you know how many kinds of chili Cincinnati can claim? You will be surprised! Here is what Barbara says about her illustrated talk.

"One of the most interesting local success stories of American immigrants is that of Cincinnati Chili, the culinary delight that means home to many Cincinnatians. The story of the families who developed this epicurean delight is filled with mystery, as they develop their companies and hold close the recipes that are uniquely their own. Come hear of the more famous companies and as well as some of the lesser known chili parlors in the area."

Plan on attending our April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and enjoying the speaker and sweet refreshment afterwards (no chili).

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 <u>picapica@msn.com</u> or give me a call at 231-3390. – Janet Heywood, Editor

# Election of Officers and Trustees

The Nominating Committee (Kenny Burck, Bob King and Don Perry) will present the following slate of Officers and Trustees at the March 6, 2019 Annual Dinner Meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor.

The Slate is as follows:

President	Kenny Burck	
Vice President	Don Perry	
Treasurer	Robert King	
Secretary	open	
Trustee (3 yr term)	Robert Malinzak	
Trustee (3 yr term)	Debra Ruehlman	

# SAVE THE DATE:

# Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 7:30 P.M.

On Wednesday May 1, 2019 our monthly meeting program will be **Millie Henley** of Historical Connections presenting "**Clever and Unusual Escapes from Slavery.**" Desperate enslaved people of the pre-Civil War South devised all kinds of ways to escape from bondage. Some of their methods were quite ingenious. From hiding in plain sight, to disguises, to piloting a ship under Confederate guns, brave people on the run used all their daring and ingenuity to make a better life. Hear their unusual and stirring stories. Millie Henley will wear period attire and use Power Point illustrations to bring these inspiring stories to life.

#### Join the Kroger Community Rewards Program and Support ATHS!

If you're a Kroger shopper, there's no easier way to support the Society than registering for the Community Rewards Program and using your Kroger Plus Card. The Anderson Township Historical Society has a new account number: **Cl262** (that is *two letters* **Cl** and *three numbers* **262**). **Current members of the reward program do not have to register again.** We encourage all members to link their Kroger Plus Cards with the Community Rewards Program. There is no impact on your reward points and it helps ATHS earn money at no cost to you. Members of the rewards program don't have to reenroll every year. To **register**, visit

#### www.krogercommunityrewards.com.

Click Cincinnati Ohio and follow the step by step instructions. Enter agency number **Cl262** or Anderson Township Historical Society. Call 1-800-294-4438 option #2 for assistance.

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

# **President's Message**

I believe we are very fortunate to have such a vibrant historical society. We have a healthy treasury, a dedicated and cooperative Board of Directors, a fabulous centerpiece for our organization (our Log House), great potential with our 10-plus acres of land and buildings and an active membership who regularly attend our quality programs. Of course, we would like to have more members and we will have to continue to work on that.

Now that we have upgraded, improved and stabilized our buildings on the lower property on Clough Pike we have been turning our attention to the upper property off Bartels Road. This has been mentioned before but you really "gotta" see the changes being made "up on the hill.' The Urban Farm concept is moving ahead. This group has successfully obtained a grant to assist them with having the ability to begin some initial projects. At our January ATHS Board meeting we will be discussing insurance issues, township variances to rules concerning animals and property use, and the direction to take concerning working with local schools to get them involved in our educational projects, moving ahead with a community garden, the need for water to support a such a garden and a host of other potential ideas the Urban Farm group is looking into.

This Urban Farm group meets at various locations and times but any Society member can join this group and get involved or just sit in the meetings to see what direction they are taking. All of their suggestions are then submitted to our Society Board before any action is implemented. **Daryl Meyerrenke**, owner of the nearby Family Pet Center on Clough Pike, is the organizer of the



November 10, 2018 volunteers working on cleaning up at the ATHS upper property on Bartels Road. Photo by Ann King.

group and he regularly attends our Society Board meetings to keep us abreast of their actions. Our Board has been very supportive of their plan of action to date.

I hope many of you can attend the ATHS Annual Meeting on March 6. We had to look at several sites and dates, etc. to make it happen. Thanks to **Bob King** for all his leg work to finalize the arrangements. We will elect some new officers and two trustees and have a slate of candidates ready for a vote but anyone could be nominated from the floor.

**Don Perry** has been moving various tools and other items around in preparation to create a display to demonstrate how a log cabin (or a log house) was built. This display will go in the summer kitchen Annex while the farming display (previously in this location) has been moved to the nearby Clough Pike barn.

Many things have accumulated over the years that will be reorganized, highlighted in new displays or in some cases sold or scrapped. When the weather breaks (although it has been pretty good so far) this effort will go into high gear making many improvements.



Some of the tools Don Perry collected in the Annex this January as a new exhibit on log cabin/log house and barn building is being prepared.

Lou Trent and the Property Committee regularly make inspections of the entire property prioritizing what needs to be done to maintain what we own. It will not be long before Ann King and Nancy Krueger and their volunteers begin their annual outside garden activities.

The work never ends but we are lucky to have a great base of volunteers to move our society forward. So a big THANK YOU to the officers and board members, committee chairs and committee members and all others who contribute.

# President's Message (continued)

I belong to several non-profit organizations, but I do not believe any of them have such a dedicated **Finance Committee** members who go over all the details of bills and investments as do Don Perry, Bob Malinzak, Janet Heywood along with our Treasurer Bob King. In future years their meetings and actions will be so documented to leave no doubt where every penny has been spent and invested. This is just another example of things we are doing so well.

The Board will again look at how we "do" the **Country Store** in September. We had a follow up meeting of chairpersons and other members to go over what went well or not so well last year and what improvements can be made in 2019. In the last few years we looked into how we might downsize some of our activities to make the set-up and tear down and types of money-making functions easier to accomplish or more effective. We also discussed what things we could do, or could stop doing, and still make some money for our Society. We will continue to look at our options. Submit any ideas to any Board member for further discussion, or bring your ideas to any Board meeting.

For several years about six to twelve of our members have met about four times a year to participate in a township roadside clean-up project. Our society picks up trash on Bartels Road to the top of the hill and on Clough Pike on both sides of our Log House. Note the times and dates in this issue of the *Surveyor* (see page 8). We usually work from 9:00 a.m. to just over one hour or so.

And I hope you all have a Happy New Year!

Kenny Burck, President, cell #513-260-0238 or kburck@juno.com



President Kenny Burck and Treasurer Bob King (left to right) at the ATHS Country Store, September 29, 2018. Photo by Lucy Moore.

# WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?

Marking the traditional midpoint between the winter solstice and the spring equinox, Groundhog Day always falls on February 2.

Centuries ago, it was about this time of year that farmers started to plan for planting their crops. They needed some way to determine when the planting season would begin. Would there be an early spring or would winter linger longer?

Traditionally the thought was that if it was sunny on February 2, winter would linger. If it was cloudy and dark, rain and warm weather would follow, warming the fields and making them ready to plant. Groundhog Day is a result of this belief. If the groundhog sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter. If he doesn't, spring will be right around the corner.

For centuries, a badger was used in Germany to predict the weather. In the 1800s, German immigrants came to Pennsylvania and brought this tradition with them. However, no badgers were found in Pennsylvania, and they decided to adopt the groundhog to meet their needs.



Punxsutawney Phil began predicting spring's arrival in 1887.

Although not the only way weather is currently predicted, it provides an occasion for fun and celebration.

- Lou Trent

One of ATHS's own groundhogs, posing near a shed on the ATHS Bartels Road property, June 17, 2014. Photo by Janet Heywood.

# Visit the History Room This Winter

Learn about the history of Anderson through photos, hands-on exhibits and artifacts at the History Room, 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.

UPDATE: As of February 1, 2019, the History Room open hours are Sunday and Wednesday afternoons, 1 to 4 p.m.; and Thursday evenings, 6 to 8 p.m.

# Log House Open House

# Season 2018 Wrap-up

It was a long and busy open house season at the Log House. We cleaned it top to bottom in April and opened for the first time on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Over the 2018 season volunteers conducted tours for Girl Scouts, Mercer third graders, folks on the Anderson Township June Garden Tour, private tours, visiting grandchildren, a photo session, and for many history lovers.

Our smallest group was on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> with 2 guests. Our largest crowd was on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> with 160 visitors for the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Anderson Township. Total attendance at the Log House for 2018 was 723 people.

#### **ATHS Volunteer Team**

Wow, what a team it was. Veteran docents served 8 or 9 times, always willing to cover last minute schedule changes or the anticipation of more guests. Some volunteers served for the first time this year and we're excited that they have joined the team. Hopefully all docents enjoyed sharing our treasure, the Miller Leuser Log House. Sincere appreciation to these members:

Charlie Wallace	Linda Jacobs
Bob King	Sue Wettstein
Sharon & Don Perry	Sherry Vogel
Bill Dreyer	Nancy Meyer
Marty & Don Burnes	Barb Christman
Lyn Scheper	Ann King
Judith & Bob Malinzak	Helen Fehn
Linda Magee	Sonia Shively
Nancy Krueger	Mary Bailey
Kenny Burck	Lucy Moore
Jane Kinsley	Barb Nordheim

#### Mary Lou Van Eman

If you would like to join our team of hosts, training and a docent notebook will help you feel confident. Call Diane at 513-232-6552 to volunteer.

- Diane Schneider, Projects Chair

# THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK . . .

The best way to make good friends is to be one. - Lou Trent

# **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.

# Log House Open House Dates for 2019

#### First and Third Sundays, April through October

April 7 (April 21 is Easter, so *not* open) May 5 and 19 June 2 and 16 July 7 and 21 August 4 and 18 September 1 and 15 October 6 and 20

# "History to Schools" in 2019

Once again ATHS volunteers will attempt to inspire second graders in the Forest Hills School District and third graders at IHM Elementary School with an appreciation of all things history.

We will set up a one-room school experience, a display of items representing then and now, and a slide show explaining the beginning of Anderson Township. These activities will happen in and near the History Room at Anderson Center on these seven dates:

Monday, March 25 Monday, April 8 Wednesday, May 1 and Mond

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We will need volunteers to share the love of history. Call Diane Schneider at 513-232-6552 if you are willing to help.



History to Schools day at the History Room, Anderson Center on May 9, 2018. ATHS volunteer Lyn Scheper (on left) with some of the 79 second graders from the Sherwood Elementary School who visited that day along with four teachers and 25 parents.

# Accessions 2018

The ATHS is exceedingly grateful for donations of items of interest to the Historical Society. Here is a condensed list of the accessions added to the ATHS collections in 2018.

Since the early 1970s, ATHS has followed the practice used by historical societies and museums, both large and small, of assigning accession numbers to items added to the collections. The accession number consists of a trinomial: "the year. the lot number. the item number." This number is permanently affixed to the item and is recorded in the master sets of Accession Volumes.

- 2018.1.1 3 Articles from the Forest Hills Journal. 1 August 9, 2006, "Life Scout completes Eagle Project at Miller-Leuser Log House;" 2 October 17, 2007, "History Room to Incorporate Barn;" and 3 August 7, 2008, "Law Director Kiel did it his Way." Donated by Sonia Shively.
- 2018.2.1 3 Three items related to Greater Milford Historical Society from 1980s. 1 Press clipping December 6, 1989 announcing "Christmas at Promont;" 2 Postcard of Promont; and 3 Brochure for Milford Area Historical Society. Donated by Ann King.
- 2018.3.1 11 **Antique tools** relating to barn building and log cabin and house construction. Purchased from Carol Taylor.
- 2018.4.1 62 **Issues of Historic Preservation** (published by the National Trust for Historic Preservation). Donation includes about half the issues published during the years 1979 to 1998. Donated by Ronald K. Edgerton.
- 2018.5.1 2 **Items from Mary Louise Goulding**. 1 Color photo (3.5 x 5 inches) of Mary Louise Goulding dressed as a clown at an ATHS County Store event; and 2 a copy of S. Smalley's *History of Mt. Washington* from the 1984 printing. Donated by Ann King.
- 2018.6.1 *Flood Souvenir: views of Hamilton, Ohio during and after the disastrous flood of March 1913.* Published by the Republican Publishing Company. Donated by Kathleen Helmes.
- 2018.7.1 Anderson High School Yearbook dated 1937. Donated by Anne Marie Wolfer.
- 2018.8.1 **"ANDERSON answers: a directory of** community services and activities - 5<sup>th</sup> edition" published by the Anderson Township Area Chamber of Commerce. Copyright 1986, Spectrum Map Publishing. Donated by Ann King.
- 2018.9.1 2 **Two antique chairs**. Donated by Laura Wilson.

- 2018.10. 1 **"A Century of Service: a collection of historic reminiscenses (sic)."** Publication of the General Protestant Orphan Home, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated November 29, 1949. Donated by Brenda K. Murphy.
- 2018.11. 1 25 Books from the estate of Margie Stegemeyer Thomas. Donated by Elizabeth Moran.
- 2018.12. 1 45 Papers and items from the estate of Margie Stegemeyer Thomas. Donated by Elizabeth Moran.
- 2018.13. 1 Antique sewing pouch. Donated by Gerry and Barbara Beebe.
- 2018.14.1 **Antique coffee grinder.** Donated by Lois Key.
- 2018.15.1 *Bible* (copyright 1881) published by Cranston and Stowe of Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis. Includes an opening chapter on the "Origin and



History of the Books of the Bible" by Reverend Calvin E. Stowe and an Illustrated Bible Dictionary. Once owned by James H. Markley (1860-1914) and his family. May have been a gift or purchase at the time of the marriage of James H. Markley and Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Richards on May 19, 1886 Georgetown, Ohio. in Donated by the

Anderson Township Library Association.

- 2018.16.1 13 Books including the 9 volumes of the **Foxfire books** published in 1970s-1980s along with four related books. Donated by Carol Taylor.
- 2018.17.1 x **Antique tools** relating to barn building and log cabin and house construction. Donated by Carol Taylor.
- 2018.18.1 **Civil War Diary** of John S. Hawkins (1847-1914), written during the time he served in the U.S. Navy from September 17, 1864 to August 1865. Donated by Jason Dearwester.
- 2018.19.1 2 Anderson Township Record Volumes from the 1840s-1850s. Donated by Terry and Joyce Cooper from the collection of Walter B. Simpson, Jr.
- 2018.20.1 21 **JPG files of images** from the 2018 ATHS Country Store. Donated by Lucy Moore.
- 2018.21.1 100 **JPG files of images** from the 2018 ATHS Country Store on September 29. Donated by Charlie Wallace.



Signs of Spring: Snowdrops on the hillside behind Annex, March 3, 2018

ATHS Gardening Committee Update

The **Gardening Committee** will be meeting before gardening season begins to plan the Spring 2019 projects. Projects include the following.

- 1) The labeling of the plants will continue.
- 2) A Peony garden will be started in a sunny part of the property, moving the peonies from around the area to this new garden. Many are now located in the shade and not doing very well. At one time, there were many peony bushes growing at the Log House property and many people stopped just to see them.
- The Memory Garden next to the Log House is going to be cared for by the Sherwood Garden Club, a new group to help with our gardens.
- 4) Preparing perennial plants for the May Plant Sale.

The yearly ATHS **PLANT SALE** will be held on **May 11, the Saturday** before Mother's Day. We could use some plants and volunteers to help prepare the plants for the sale and to help sell them. Last year this fundraising project made around \$4,000.

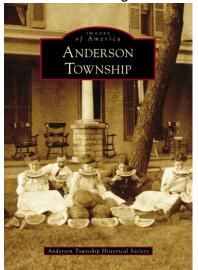
Co-Chairs: Ann King, email: akc7526@gmail.com, phone: 513- 315-1629; and Nancy Krueger, email: nrunner@fuse.net, phone: 513-478-7480.



View of the ATHS Plant Sale at the Log House, May 12, 2018. Mark your calendars for this year's Plant Sale on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

# Anderson Township book available!

Anderson Township by ATHS was published by Arcadia Publishing as one of the "Images of



of the "Images of America" series in the spring of 2018. 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

#### With Deepest Sympathy

We are saddened to report that ATHS life member Cindi Dietrich passed away at her home on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at age 60. Cindi was an active ATHS member for many decades along with her husband Gregg. Long-time members will remember seeing Cindi, Gregg and their son Jonathan at years of ATHS activities. After graduating from Anderson High School and Xavier University, she pursued a career in accounting. Cindi worked for the Ohio River Valley United Methodist District and was a devoted supporter of the United Methodist Church. Cindi Dietrich was also a leader in the preservation efforts to save the James Clark Stone House on Clough Pike and served as the chair of the Clark House Preservation Committee in 1997



*Cindi Dietrich (left) and Sue Wettstein (right) in April* 1992, *demonstrating dipping candles at the Log House. Published in the* Forest Hills Journal.

#### 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

Brandstetter's Kanga Roof (513-713-0418) Roof Installation, Repair & Replacement

# **Mark Your Calendars**

Date	Event	Start Time
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.
April 3	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
April 7 Log	House Open House	1:00 p.m.
April 17	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
April 20	Road Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
May 1	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
May 5 Log	House Open House	1:00 p.m.
May 11	ATHS PLANT SALE	9:00 a.m.
May 15	Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
May 19 Log	g House Open House	1:00 p.m.
June 2 Log	g House Open House	1:00 p.m.
June 5	Member Meeting	7:30 p.m.
June 16 Log	g House Open House	1:00 p.m.
June 19	Board Meeting	7:00 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 all those who baked for the "Bakery Babes" Country Store Event as the freezable leftovers did give us great snacks for our October meeting. And again the Christmas cookie exchange at the December meeting was a "Wow." The "Bring Some, Take Some Exchange" was a great success, thanks to all of you.

- Thank you, Sharon Perry

# 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. 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 upcoming dates in 2019: **Saturday, January 19** and **Saturday, April 20.** Dates for cleanups in July and October will be in the next *Surveyor*. 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, Ann King, Bob King, Nancy Krueger, Lucy Moore, Sharon Perry, 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 October, November, and December 2018: Janet Heywood, Lucy Moore, Sharon and Don Perry, and Charlie Wallace.



On the warm day February 20, 2018, Common Wall Lizards were out on the rock walls near the Log House. These lizards (Podarcis muralis) are thought to derive from the 10 or so that young George Rau brought from

Lake Garda near Milan, Italy to Cincinnati in 1951 or 1952. Photo by Janet Heywood.