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Submitted by Gerry Smalley, Dir. Living History

The Fall Living History program is currently underway for 2010. Beginning September 27th, Shaw, Valley and St. Luke third graders have been coming to Wartinger Park to learn about life in the early 1800's. The program continues through Oct. 14.

A big thanks goes out to all who are volunteering and working hard for our children. If you are interested in helping with this important project, there is still time and we will definitely put you to work!

Also, we are in need of cotton fabric (old bed sheets work) and yarn for our rag dolls and finger knitting projects. Please call Gerry at 937-426-5869 or e-mail to gjet@sbcglobal.net if you are able to help in either manner. We'll be glad to make good use of your time and/or treasure.



**PAST POLITICAL SCOOP
- WHAT WAS IT?**

Mark your calendar so you'll be sure to attend the October 26 Quarterly Meeting for insight into politics of the past. As we approach November 2010's election day, John Weaver of Sinclair Community College will share his knowledge of past political thought covering the years 1840 - 1920, with details of the presidencies of the eight native Ohioans who served in our nation's highest office. Come and bring a friend or neighbor for an interesting evening. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Beavercreek Board of Education Board Room located at 3040 Kemp Road. There is, as usual, no charge. See you there!

ATTENTION MEMBERS!

The membership for 2010 is now expired. It's time to send in your dues for 2011 if you haven't already. Please check your mailing label on this newsletter for your membership expiration date. If you've paid for 2011 disregard the label if it still says 2010 and thanks for your continued participation in the Beavercreek Historical Society.

FAMILIAR NAMES OF EARLY HISTORY

Excerpted from **BEAVERCREEK NEWS**, March 1953.

Glancing over the early history of Beaver creek, one finds many familiar names. The same names of many of the early settlers indicate in many cases direct descendancy.

John Harbine and Soloman Shoup owned and operated flour mills. F. C. Trebein was also a mill owner. Jacob Lentz, Adam Glotfelder, Jonathan Snyder, and George Long were charter members in 1809 of the German Reformed Church. Hawker

Church had as charter members Michael Swigert, Daniel Haines, Andrew Smelzer and Adam Hawker. Some of the original members of the German Baptist (Dunkers) included George Koogler, Eli Trubee, S. C. Bates, Daniel Overholzer, David Gray, John Harbine, Soloman Glotfelder, Jacob Miller, Moses Shoup, John Stone Berber, Jacob and Aaron Coy, William and Daniel Shoup, B. F. Darst, Henry Duncan and David Bates.

Other names found in the records include George Shoup who settled on the B. F. Darst farm; Jacob Haines and Adam Gerlaugh were on farms southwest of Alpha. Around 1810 we find in the old records Philip Morningstar, George Wolf, William Miller, Dr. Hagenbaugh, and the Hon. John M. Miller.

In that period there were many pretentious homes scattered throughout Beaver creek. Among them were the John Harbein, Adam Hawker, F. C. Trebein, W. C. Cline, John T. Hawker, David Gray, John Harshman, Horace Ankeney, John W. Miller, Adam Gerlaugh and Arthur Gerlaugh in the Alpha Trebein area.

In other sections were the Capt. B. F. Darst, John Schantz, Dr. W. A. Hagenbaugh, David Gray and J. M. Weaver.

Beaver creek takes great pride in the sound constructive efforts of these forefathers, since they have built for the present generation a community everyone is proud of.

Ice Cream Social Makes for a Cool Meeting

Approximately 65 people attended the Ice Cream Social And Annual Meeting on July 27, 2010.

Cartons of vanilla ice cream, assorted toppings, cool whip, iced tea and gallons of water were enjoyed at the event. Musical entertainment for the evening was provided by Hank Erbaugh; and during the business meeting, members elected officers (see picture Pg. 5) and approved Bylaw revisions.





Beavercreek Heritage Days and Herb Days

The annual Heritage and Herb Days Festival received high marks from the many visitors of all ages who attended the event at Wartinger Park over the weekend of September 18 and 19. Attendees enjoyed shopping among the various vendors and at the Flower Trail Garden Club's dried flower and herb sale. The little ones were thrilled with the activities available to them, proudly showing off their handmade dolls and more; while the musicians added a whimsical touch to the atmosphere.

We were blessed with wonderful weather and lots of friendly, willing volunteers that made the event successful. It simply couldn't have happened without all of you sharing your time not only over that weekend, but in making advance phone calls, baking sweets, etc., for the good of the Society. Special thanks to Jenny Harvey who chaired the event this year and to her committee members, John Rhodehamel, Julie Sanderson and Bob Wagley. Thanks to each and every person who contributed time and talent.

The final figures are not yet tallied, but all indications are that we were able to profit nicely from the event which will help to fund the continuing operations of our Beavercreek Historical Society. The pioneer setting at Wartinger Park is ideal for this type of festival, and it is a wonderful way to share this Beavercreek community gem with people from all over the Miami Valley and beyond.

Congratulations Winners!

At this year's Heritage Days event, attendees were asked to guess the number of buckeyes in a jar for three chances to win an annual membership to the Beavercreek Historical Society.

We ended up with five winners:

- 1st Place – Elaine Koogler
- 2nd Place – Kathy Seifrit
- 3rd Place (tied) – Gerd Schrick
- Linda Davis
- Helen Beverly

For those who participated but didn't win, the magic number was 242. Also, the winner of the Floral Arrangement that was raffled off was Elizabeth Faulkner. Congratulations to all our winners!

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!!!

Nancy Makley & Laura Bader

Many thanks to all the volunteers who graciously responded to requests for pies or cookies served in the Heritage Days food tent. Historical Society members were quick to respond for food items and also to help serve in the food tent; members also worked at the welcome-registration table. Thanks also to members of our City Council as well as

Township Trustees for help in the food tent. Thank you also goes to those volunteers who have assembled hundreds of doll kits and colorful yarn balls for use in Society activities. Many of the doll kits were used for the children's activities at Heritage Days. Several hundred are available for the Living History Program that began in September. Donations of both yarn and cotton material (both white and colorful cotton prints) are always welcome.

Call Laura Bader, 426-4871.

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Harvest Dinners Selling Out!

Bob Zimmer reports that the ever-popular Harvest Dinners set for late October are now entirely booked. If you are interested in being on the waiting list for possible openings due to cancellations, call Bob at 426-7959. The seating is always limited for the Harvest Dinners, and we are sorry if you were hoping to attend but now find you are closed out. This event is a special one, and reservations fill very quickly. We are grateful to Bob for all the work he does to present such a unique dining experience in an authentic historic setting.



From left to right: Wendy Kirchoff, Treasurer - Bob Wagley, Vice-President (Internal) - Jill Kincer, Secretary - Lynn Hickman-Long, President - Nancy Wagner, Vice President (External)

Do you have something to submit?

The next issue of Log By Log will mail on January 3rd, 2010. If you have something to include, please send it to the editor by the December 23rd deadline. Submissions can be sent to:

sbaldwin@baldwincreates.com

ACQUISITIONS

Recently several people have made donations to the historical society. Roger Coy donated a hay rake which is now hanging in the barn. Chuck Allport donated a Hired Man's Bed which is now located on the second floor of the Harshman House and a selection of tools which are on display in the barn.

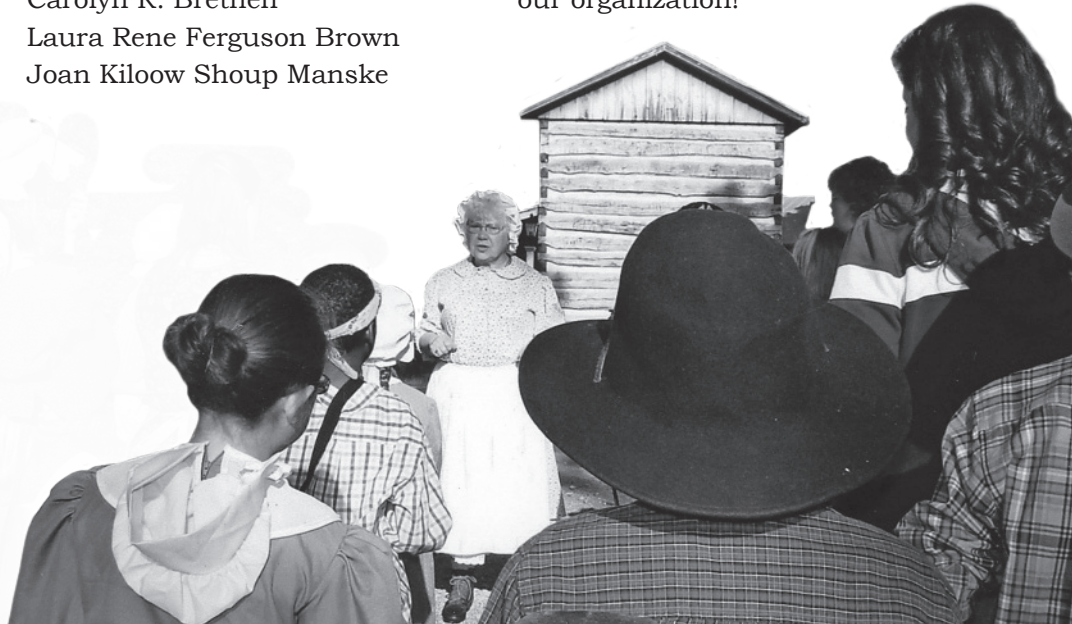
A heartfelt thanks goes to these - and all donors - who share in our historical appreciation.

If you are interested in donating items, please call Lorraine Wagley at 426-8325.

Welcome New Members

Marcia R. Rouse
 Deborah Adams
 Dona Smith
 Carolyn R. Brethen
 Laura Rene Ferguson Brown
 Joan Kiloow Shoup Manske

Joyce Ruberson
 Mrs. Bakos
 Thank you for being part of our organization!



Yes, I'm interested.

I'd like to join!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Annual Memberships (check one):

- \$5 Student (age 18 and below)
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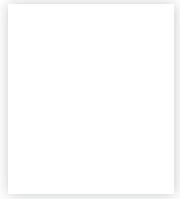
- \$500 - \$999 Preservationist
- \$1000 (and above) Historian

How can I help?

Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

- Developing oral history of Beaver Creek
- Writing or editing for monthly newsletter
- Tours and historical programs at the park
- Craft demonstrations
- Acquisitions committee
- Publicity committee
- Working on barn or house preservation
- Creative fundraising opportunities
- Membership committee
- Educational committee
- Hospitality committee

Send checks (payable to Beaver Creek Historical Society) and this form to:
 1368 Research Park Drive, Beaver Creek, Ohio 45432



Upcoming Events:

Living History Through October 14
Wartinger Park

Board Meeting October 14
Coy House

Quarterly Meeting October 26
Beavercreek Board of Education Room,
3040 Kemp Road

Harvest Dinners October 29, 30, 31

Board Meeting November 11
Coy House

Newsletter Submission Deadline
December 23

January 25, 2011 Quarterly Meeting,
Beavercreek Board of Education Room

1368 Research Park Drive
Beavercreek, Ohio 45432

"The objectives of the organization are to preserve structures of historical significance, to develop and present community education programs, and to create a learning center for historic education."

Beavercreek Historical Society Quarterly Meeting

October 26, 2010
7:00 PM

"Ohioans in the White House"



John B. Weaver,
Professor of
History, Chair of
the Humanities,
Government and
Modern Language
Department at

Sinclair has published many
articles and made numerous
presentations at meetings

and conferences. He is well
qualified to enlighten us on
our state's presidents.

"Ohioans in the White House"
presents many interesting facts
and highlights about the eight
U.S. presidents from Ohio who
served our nation between 1840
and 1920. During that time period,
almost half of the presidents were

Ohioans. Some of these presidents
ranked among the least successful
and none of them are ranked
among the great presidents. The
topic is revealing because the
election of these eight individuals
reveals what the nation was like
during those years and what it
was looking for in its presidents.

The meeting is free and open to the public. The program will be presented at the
at the Beavercreek Schools in the Administration Building, 3040 Kemp Road.