

Museum Muses

HIGHLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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STATE CHAMPIONS 1928 Marshall High School Red-Flashes



Marshall Red Flashes. State Basketball Champions, 1928. Front, L to R: Hubert McCoy, Olin "Snipe" Brooks, Lowell Smith, Joe Vanzant. Second Row, L to R: Delbert Fawley, Kenneth Bumgarner, Lloyd Chestnut, Archie Gilletly. Back Row, L to R: Noah "Snag" Emery (Coach), Leo F. Hodgson (Superintendent).

Photo Courtesy of Janey Chestnut Shoemaker, Jim, and Bob Chestnut, descendants of Lloyd Chestnut, above.
See story inside.

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**ST. PATRICK'S DAY
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Sunday March 17, 11:30
\$7.50

Highland County Historical Society

March 2002

Director's Corner:

The holidays have come and gone and what excitement and exceptional volunteerism, attendance and community usage. Our thanks go out to the clubs who adorned the rooms of the museum, to the persons and clubs who reserved our facility, to the many who shopped our gift shop, and to **ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS**. The children's Tea Parties were again very successful and we feel all the children enjoyed the atmosphere of a "High Tea". Tara Rand-Butler chaired the event and did a superb job. Our sincere appreciation goes out to her.

The museum has been closed during January and February, during which time the pioneer kitchen/gift shop and upstairs' back hallway floor have been repainted. Now a new project looms on the horizon - refurbishing the interior of the log house. It is exciting to visualize what the room might look like if we are able to solicit a few furnishings and a few funds. More information will be forthcoming as plans are formulated. All those interested in lending help and ideas, please call the museum. We need your involvement, and it is personally rewarding.

GIFT SHOP:

The Pioneer Kitchen/Gift Shop has had a face lift. Everything looks so fresh and gives a wonderful background and atmosphere for displaying our Pioneer Kitchen artifacts, and the Gift Shop items.

During the Spring and Summer months the Gift Shop will have a lot of things for sale which can be used as Gifts for friends when you are traveling, teacher gifts and Easter Gifts. You will find many items with the Highland House Motif on them - bells, paperweights, key chains, along with the wooden ornaments of the Highland House, The Log Cabin, Bell Opera House, the Court House and the High School. We just received new pewter ornaments of The Highland House, Bell's Opera House and the Court House.

Other items include Chenille Clothed Bunnies and Bears, and our Bargain Basement. Please support the Highland House Museum with your purchases.

MEMBERSHIP:

The Membership Committee wishes to thank all of our members for their support of the Historical Society. We saw many of you during the holidays and certainly invite you to the re-opening for the coming year. We have spruced up the museum with your dues support. Our new membership year begins on the 1st of July, 2002, and we will be contacting you at that time for your renewed support. Today membership stands at 175 regular members, 117 lifetime members, and 22 sustaining members, for a total of 314. We also have two corporate members: Merchants National Bank and Firstar Bank. Please come visit the Museum, March through December on Fridays, 1 - 5 PM, and Sundays, 1 - 4 PM.

Thank you, Lenora and Frieda.

MEMORIALS:

In Memory of

TED and JEAN PERIN -----Nancy Axmacher

BILL LUKENS -----Nancy Axmacher

In Memory of

NANCY ALLEN -----William G. Huggins

MARSHALL RED FLASHES

The headline in the Hillsboro-News Herald, Thursday, January 26, 1928:

"MARSHALL WINS FROM LEESBURG.

Take Close Game in Which Feeling Ran High with Two Stars Out - Big Crowd.

Although Post had been ruled to be ineligible and Brooks their other forward was sick and unable to play, Marshall High defeated Leesburg High at the Armory Saturday night by the score of 25 to 23. This was the first defeat for Leesburg in thirteen starts. The result was a surprise, especially to Leesburg as it was thought that with Post and Brooks out, Leesburg could not lose.

Every available inch of space in the Armory was occupied long before the game started and many were turned away....

Leesburg got off in the lead, making three points on free throws before Marshall scored. Smith, lanky center and the outstanding star of the game, broke the ice for Marshall with an under the basket shot. From here on it was close until the finish, not more than three points separating the teams at any time. At the end of the first half the score was knotted at 12 all."

Marshall went on to win the game by a score of 25 to 23, which was typical of the low scoring defensive game of that day and time.

A month later however, in the finals of the Class B division of the county tournament, Leesburg upset the Marshall boys by a score of 25 to 20. "The game between these two teams was fast and furious. They had met twice before this season and each had a victory to their credit." In order to reach the finals Marshall beat Samantha by a score of 32 to 3, and Highland 34 to 14. Later that same evening Hillsboro High defeated Cincinnati Withrow, 35 to 22.

By the rules in effect in those days, both Marshall and Leesburg went on to represent Highland County in the district tournament at Athens, Ohio.

This time on March 15, Marshall made the front page of the Hillsboro Dispatch: "MARSHALL HIGH ARE CHAMPIONS, of District in Class B for Second Year in Succession. Make New Record When They Win Athens Tournament - Win all of Their Games by Impressive Scores - Leesburg Out in First Round."

"Marshall High set a new record in Class B at the district tournament Saturday when for the second consecutive year they won the championship of southeastern Ohio. While Marshall is one of the smallest high schools in the state they must grow basketball players there for they have had a team that could hold its own

with the best in the state.

The victory of the Red Flashes this year was impressive as they won all five of their games easily and were the class of their division. For the second year in succession they go to the state tournament. Last year at the state tournament they were put out at the semi finals. If they can keep up the gait they went at Athens, the team that beats them will be state champions."

In their first game Friday morning the Red Flashes beat Hollister 38 to 21. That same afternoon they beat Hemlock (the team that eliminated Leesburg in the morning) 27 - 16.

On Saturday morning, they beat Gloucester 34-16. "While this looks like a one sided game, Coach Emery says it was the hardest game of the tournament and that it was not until the second half that the Red Flashes secured a lead that was safe." The next victims of Marshall were the boys from Laurelville. This game was marked by close defense with a final score of 19 to 13. "Having played four hard games in two days the Marshall boys were fairly tired when it came to the finals and they adopted a new style of play to conserve their strength. They started with a rush, McCoy getting a field goal from the tipoff. They soon added another, and then the boys played some of the headiest basketball ever shown by a high school team. Getting possession of the ball, they would stall near the middle of the floor. When their opponents would come out to force the play they would break fast and time and time again went through for a basket. At the halfway mark, Marshall was leading 17 to 8. From here on they never were in danger and finished on the long end of a 27 to 21 score, beating Pomeroy for their second championship."

The following weekend at the Fairgrounds Coliseum in Columbus, the Marshall five attained the state championship, defeating Castalia 26 - 21; Marysville 21 - 13; and Manchester 20 to 17. Team captain Lowell Smith and Joe Vanzant were named to the All Tournament State Team.

The team photo and story were featured on the front page of the Hillsboro News-Herald for March 22. "Marshall is the first Highland county team ever to win a state championship in any kind of athletics."

APPALACHIAN CULTURAL FAIR

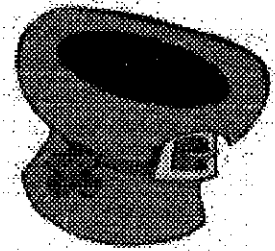
Historical Society member Paula Wright invites our members to attend, at Pondlick Farm, April 20th, 2002. "We will be introducing local artisans with their Appalachian art on display. We also want to make the public aware of the Samuel Lyle Log House, which was entered into the National Register of Historic Places in June, 1995. The day will be focused on the history, Appalachian Art, and natural resources of the region."

Remember to save your antiques and other items for sale at the Spring Fund Raiser at the Museum.

Call 393-3392 \$7.50 per person

LIMITED RESERVATIONS
ST. PATRICK'S DAY BRUNCH

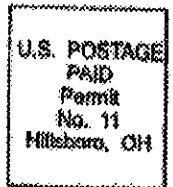
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