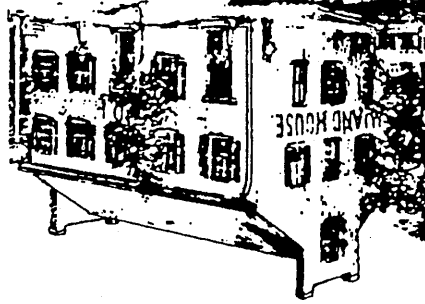


HIGHLAND HOUSE MUSEUM



HIGHLAND COUNTY
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OLIVER AND MARMO
HARRIS

by
Mary E. Arnott

~*~
JEAN S. PERIN

by
Charles T. Perin
and
Nancy Perin Axmacher

~*~
BESS EASTER ROSS
(1901 - 1904)

by
Harold Hosea

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Welcome New Members

Steve & Ann Schad
Dr. & Mrs. Paul Terrell
Jean & Warren Webster
M/M Robert Schieldman
M/M Dennis Strouse

David Collins
Jim Fetro
George Foltz
Robert Wickline
M/M F. Mokray

New Lifetime Members

Wendell Harewood
Freda Harewood
Elise Gossett
Marge Barney
Jack Garman
Paul Garringer

Deidre Garringer
Clarence Geese
Marilyn Geese
Betty Wilkin
Lester Wallis
Jean Wallis

Museum Muses

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MARCH 2000

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



The museum has been closed during January and February and we had great hopes that a few of our projects would be completed, but to no avail, so we will re-open and be a little inconvenienced.

What a tremendous holiday season we experienced. Four Hundred Forty-four persons signed the register and we know of some who did not. We thank the groups who scheduled their events at the museum and the volunteers who assisted; they are the ones that made it possible for so many to cross the threshold. It is gratifying to realize that our efforts to share our charming museum are being rewarded with more public awareness and participation.

We also extend a huge public thank you and deep appreciation to the Home Town Project Committee: Kathryn Matthews, Ann Rhude and Catherine Meade. The building chosen and executed was again stupendous. This group has the privilege each year of selecting how the funds achieved should benefit the museum. This year, they have chosen to have floor of the meeting room refurbished. Thus, the start of a fresh look for the Highland House.

All members and friends should plan to visit often to see what is planned and hopefully, executed in appearance, comfort, and learning experiences. Again we encourage you to share with us your ideas, suggestions, and time. We need your participation to continue to grow.

FIRST MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2000

The Highland County Historical Society will hold their first membership meeting of the year on **THURSDAY, MARCH 23 AT 7:00 P.M.** in the Highland House Museum at 151 East Main Street, Hillsboro.

Stephen Kelley, president of the Adams County Historical Society will present the program for the evening. His topic will be "The Pre-history of the Mid-Ohio Valley". Kelley is an amateur archaeologist and collector of pre-historic Indian artifacts. He will be lecturing and will have on display artifacts of the different Indian cultures that once inhabited the Ohio Valley.

Dates To Remember

MARCH 23
Membership Meeting

MARCH 25
Auction
Sr. Citizen Center

MARCH 26
Spring Brunch

REPORT ON THE BEAT THE HEAT CAMPAIGN

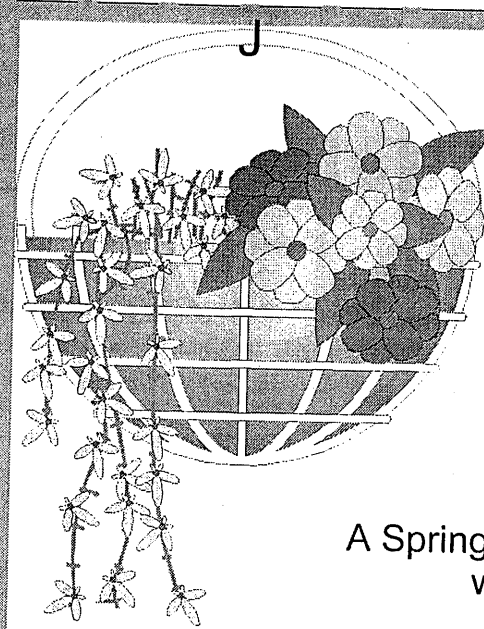
Our 'BEAT THE HEAT CAMPAIGN' had been a wonderful thing to behold. YOUR generosity is inspiring! Your dedication to the improvement of the museum is evident. At the time of this newsletter we have not as yet been able to determine the precise cost of this project. We believe we are in good financial standing, but your generous giving is still very important to this project. If you have not as yet contributed funds for BEAT THE HEAT CAMPAIGN, let us encourage you to do so in the next few days or weeks, then when the summer heat and humidity comes - the old museum will be ready. Once again, a hearty thanks to all who have given.

OF HISTORIC INTEREST

One of the early artifacts found in the Highland House Museum is the eighteen gallon brass hatter's kettle, which arrived in New Market in the fall of 1801 with Michael Stroup. Stroup soon had his shop set up and for the next 23 years manufactured hats in the village and became known as the "New Market Hatter". In 1802, Stroup along with William Finley and Robert Boyce laid out the Mad River Road from New Market to Springfield. Boyce had been employed by Simon Kenton to deliver two millstones to a mill he was building on the Mad River. Arriving in New Market, Boyce hired Stroup and Finley to clear the road from there to the Mad River. In 1803, Michael Stroup married Mary (Polly) Walker. Soon after, Michael began buying land in present day Dodson Township and in 1824 erected the two-story brick house located on the Old Anderson State Road. Here, he and Polly lived the remainder of their lives. Michael died in 1860 of typhoid fever and Mary died in 1866. Both are buried in the Stroup Cemetery within site of their old homestead. Ten of their fourteen children grew to maturity and Michael gave each one a farm, the smallest being 90 acres including the old homestead, which he gave to his son Simon, the great-great grandfather of Lester Wallis. Charcoal portraits of Michael and Polly and the Stroup family tree with over 3,400 names can also be seen at the museum.

THE AUCTION

The Highland County Historical Society will hold its SECOND ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT AUCTION on SATURDAY, MARCH 25 starting at 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, 185 Muntz Street. The consignment auction has become a money making project for the Historical Society and benefits the community as well. The auction is a chance to sell unwanted items that are in good condition by either donating or consigning items for the sale. However, due to time constraints of the auction, the society may restrict the number of items that may be auction. The Society will not be selling any items that have been donated for display at the Highland House Museum. The Chambers Auction Company has graciously donated their services for the auction. For additional information, please contact the following: The Highland House Museum at 393-3392, leave a message on the answering machine and we will get back with you; or call Margaret VanFrank at 393-3263, Jean Wallis at 393-2759 or Ralph Vanzant at 393-1658.



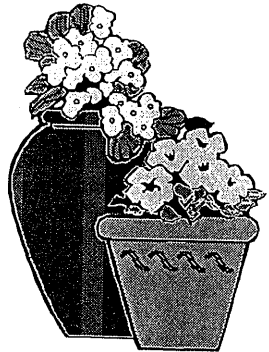
Spring Brunch

MARCH 26, 2000

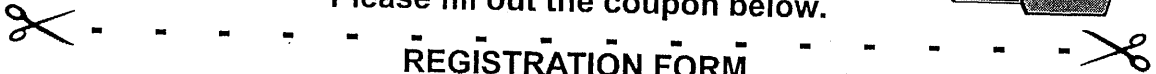
A Spring Brunch, catered by Debbie Cook, will be held at the Museum.

12:00 NOON ~ 2:00 P.M.

Reservations will be limited to 40 persons. We urge you to complete the form provided, and mail it together with your check as quickly as possible to insure a place at this event.



Please fill out the coupon below.



REGISTRATION FORM

RESERVATION FEES

ADULTS - \$7.50 ~ CHILDREN - \$5.00

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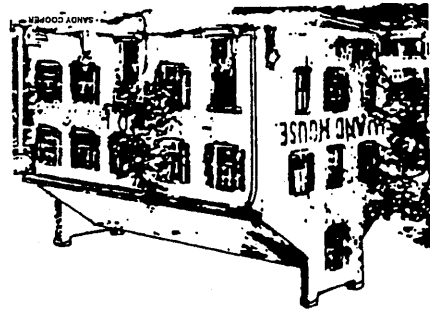
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MEMBERSHIP YEAR ENDS JUNE 30th.

This year in the June Newsletter we enclosed a renewal card. To-date, we have not received responses from 73 members. As of this date we have 265 MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING, which include 90 LIFETIME MEMBERS and 20 SUSTAINING MEMBERS. We earnestly hope we will receive responses from the 73 which would maintain our roster at 338 members.

Financial support from members is critical to maintaining the mission of the Historical Society and to-date, we have not met our budgeted amount for membership contributions.

**PLEASE TAKE THE TIME RIGHT NOW
AND SEND IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES.**
Thanks for your support.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Welcome

New Members

M/M Ron Gilliland	M/M Rick Kisling
M/M Creed Culbreath	Repub. Woman's Club
Bryan P. Weaver	Edna Gibbs
MaryAnne deMilliano	M/M Doug Wagoner
M/M Stewart Greenlee	M/M Warren Webster
Thompson & Terri Balsler	

New Lifetime Members

Blair Dennison	June Gregg
Clara Wait	Rick & Lisa Kisling
Craig & Ellen Turner	Elise Gossett
Bill & Bea Turner	

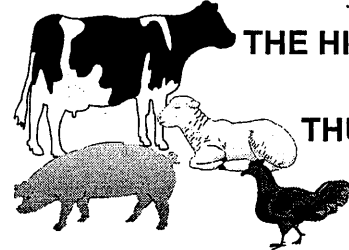
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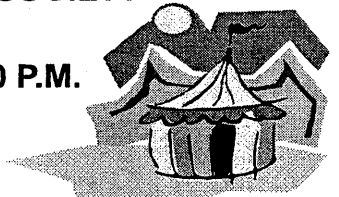


THE HIGHLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 AT 7:00 P.M.

HIGHLAND HOUSE MUSEUM



Jim Grove, president of the Highland County Fair Board will be the speaker for the evening. His topic will be the history of the Highland County Fair, which originally had its beginning in the mid 1800's.



The Highland County Historical Society's popular LOG CABIN COOKOUT will be held on Thursday evening, October 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the backyard of the Highland House Museum, 151 East Main Street. Food will be served from an iron kettle located in the cabin fireplace.



Al Martellotti, retired teacher and Civil War enthusiast will be the speaker for the evening. He will be speaking about the life of Lt. Caspar Weaver Collins, a Hillsboro native and member of the 11th Ohio Volunteer Cavalry, who lost his life in an Indian battle at Platte Bridge Station, Dakota Territory. The city of Casper, Wyoming bears his name, as does a fort, a mountain and a river.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Please check inside of newsletter for reservation information and form.

NOTES ~ FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Historical Society recently lost one of our long time members, Charles Harsha. Charles served as Treasurer for many years and initiated our stock portfolio, which now assists in maintaining the Museum. We wish to again extend our thoughts and prayers to his family.

Through the efforts of Sara Lukens, Director of the Highland County Convention and Tourism Bureau (CVB), The Lakefront Travel Co., Akron, Ohio, scheduled a trip to include Highland County. The group enjoyed a catered luncheon at our Museum and toured the lovely rooms.

During the Festival of the Bells, with entertainment by the Southern State Chorus, we welcomed many visitors and were pleased with the attendance. The program was outstanding, thanks to John Glaze and the chorus members. Our deep appreciation goes to our faithful volunteers who aptly manned the Museum during this important weekend.

To finalize our "BEAT THE HEAT CAMPAIGN", we held a donor reception to show our appreciation for their participation in this vital project. All those present enjoyed the installed air conditioning which became possible through their support. The donors were entertained by John Glaze and the Southern State Chorus.

MEMBERS - PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING to help with your computer knowledge - assisting with marking our military items or help in our gift shop.

HIGHLAND HOUSE HOURS

FRIDAYS ~ 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Directors are here to assist you or answer any questions you may have.

SUNDAYS ~ 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Volunteer Staff are on hand to assist you.

TO VOLUNTEER, please call:

Lenora Gordon at (937) 393-1303

Oleta Wagoner at (937) 393-3185

Jean Wallis at (937) 393-2759.

MUSEUM GIFT SHOP

When you are looking for something special in the way of a gift, why not come to the MUSEUM GIFT SHOP? We are getting ready for the up-coming Christmas Season and will have ornaments and Christmas decorations.

Some things to look for in our shop

SWEATSHIRTS with Museum Logo

DENIM SHIRTS with Museum Logo

HIGHLAND COUNTY COVERLETS

in Blue, Cream or Burgundy

Raggedy Anne and Andy Dolls

Miniature Baking Sets for children

Miniature Tea Sets

Galileo Thermometers

Snowmen - Acrylic, Stuffed, Dancing

Children's Books - Dolls - Santas

Cards - Postcard & Blank Note Cards with Victorian & Highland House motifs

HODSON CHALLENGE BEGINS

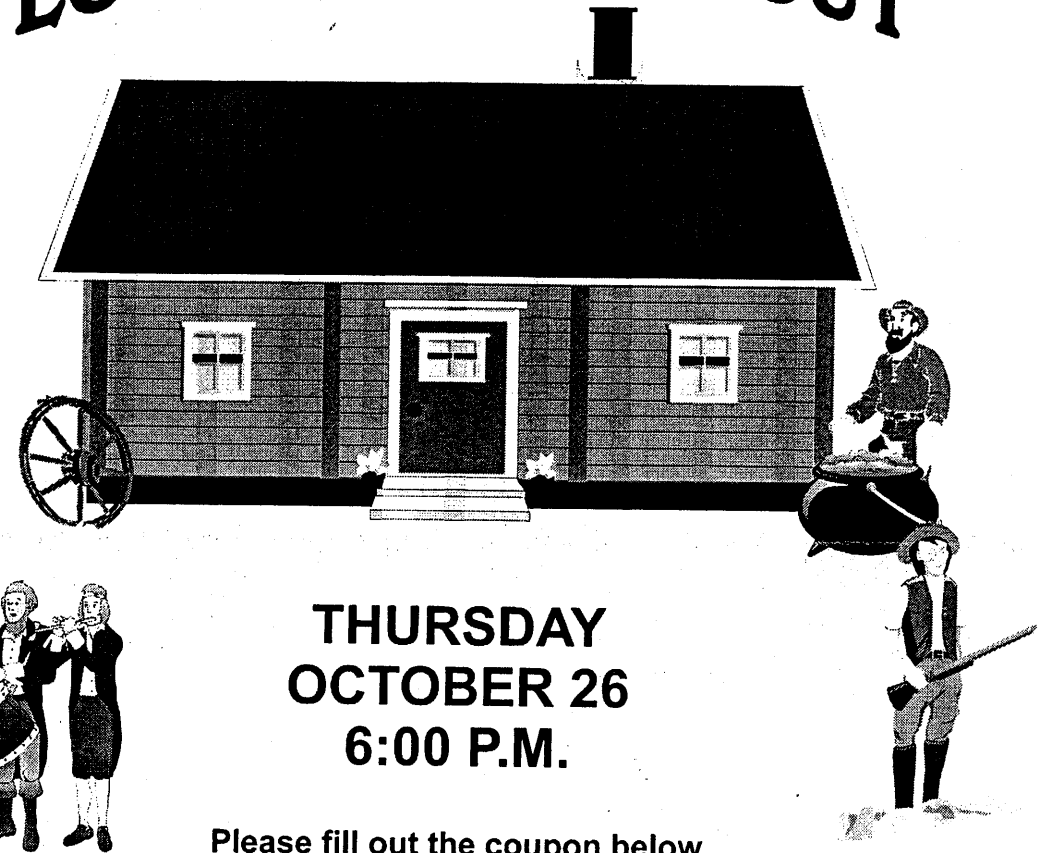


When Dorothy and Bob Hodson were inducted into the Historical Society's Hall of Fame, they offered a spontaneous and exciting challenge to the community. Having observed the flaking plaster, outmoded plumbing and other needed improvements which are obvious to visitors to the museum, they challenged us to meet their generous donation of \$5,000.00 with matching funds. THE CHALLENGE HAS BEGUN!

For every dollar we raise, the museum will get \$2.00. When we've raised \$5,000.00, the matching funds from the Hodsons will give us \$10,000.00 to use for vital repairs and maintenance.

You may mail your contributions to: HODSON CHALLENGE, c/o Highland County Historical Society, 151 East Main Street, Hillsboro, OH 45133 -- or you may deliver it personally, and while you are there, notice the torn and worn linoleum in the back hall, that's one of the replacement items on our prioritized list! We hope to have most of it raised by Christmas. Think of your contribution as your Christmas gift to historical preservation. No gift is too small, especially since it is doubled upon receipt. Where else can you get that kind of return for your money???????

LOG CABIN COOKOUT



THURSDAY
OCTOBER 26
6:00 P.M.

Please fill out the coupon below.

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RESERVATION FEES

\$3.50 PER PERSON

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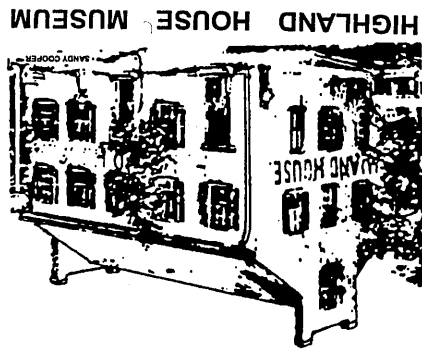
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TELLABRATION

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2:00 P.M.

Highland House Museum



A Worldwide Storytelling Event held each year in communities throughout the world.

Bring your family and friends to hear our featured Ohio Storytellers, they will bring joy and laughter to your heart.

Sponsored by: APPALACHIAN HIGHLAND STORYTELLING COALITION, OHIO ARTS COUNCIL AND HIGHLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER 1 - Director's Open House
DECEMBER 9 - Children's Tea Party

Museum Muses

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Greetings
to
Our Members
and Friends

Report from
the
Directors



As we look forward to the holidays at this time of year, we are often reminded, and properly so, to be thankful for our many blessings. Our Society is no exception. These past six months or so have been filled with many examples of our communities' confidence and pride in the Historical Society. Your contributions and generous gifts have truly blessed us all.

As your President, I sincerely thank each of you for your gifts; whether it was a monetary donation, your time spent in assisting with various projects, your labor on behalf of the Society, or simply a kind remark to a friend.

We are extremely proud of the Museum, and as always, welcome you to visit with us whenever you can. Now that the Museum is in tip-top shape, I can't think of a better time to "grab" a friend, neighbor, or a family member and invite them to JOIN YOU AS A MEMBER OF THE HIGHLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. We, like any organization, must have new life or else we become stagnant and die. So please, ask someone to join so we can continue to be a viable force in our community. Tell your prospective member to try us for a year, and if we have not proved our worth to them within the twelve months, they can cancel their membership with no questions asked.

In short "TRY US, YOU'LL LIKE US"
Best wishes for a safe & joyous holiday season.

The holiday excitement has begun! The local clubs have volunteered to decorate the rooms at the Museum and it has been gratifying to have new clubs added to the list.

Our new air-conditioning, thanks to you donors, brought more visitors to our lovely Museum, which we feel has prompted the many calls we have been receiving regarding community usage, the calendar is almost full.

Our hard working volunteers continue to put forth all their efforts and stimulate us with new ideas. We know more of you have an afternoon you could share with us. Please call and we will enlighten you how rewarding and simple it is to help and also receive a gift shop discount.

Remember to come and see the rooms and the exciting array that our GIFT SHOP has to offer. Hopefully we will soon become known as the place to find interesting "bells".

We wish to offer a special thanks to John Holt of PONDEROSA STEAK HOUSE for graciously furnishing the slaw for our Cabin Cook-Out - and to Cheryl Porter for answering our request for "computer input".

REMINDER

Please remember the HODSON CHALLENGE. Everyone can be a part of this fund raiser, for every dollar your give will be doubled by Bob & Dorothy Hodson. That makes the \$10 and \$20 donation doubly important.

It's not only a way to support some very necessary maintenance for our museum, but it also gives all of us a chance to show the Hodsons we appreciate their generous gift.

SHOP FOR CHRISTMAS EARLY WHILE THE SELECTIONS LAST

VISIT THE MUSEUM

GIFT SHOP

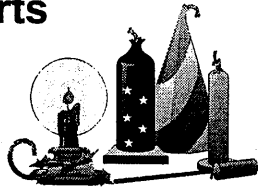
UNUSUAL GIFTS
REASONABLE PRICES



Sweatshirts

Highland County Throws

Cards



Candles for Christmas
Floating Apple Candles

Crystal Bells &
ornaments

SNOW PEOPLE
Ornaments
Decorative
Singing

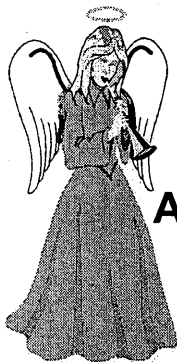


Hurricane Lamps
Plain or decorated

Books for Children

Jewelled Fruit
Ornaments

DOLLS



ANGELS

Galileo Thermometers
(an unusual gift for men)

(cont'd from front page)

THE HODSON CHALLENGE COMMITTEE (Gretchen, Margaret, & Jeff) is anxious to notify the Hodsons that we have raised \$5,000. Then, with the Hodson's gift of \$5,000, we will have \$10,000, to return our museum to the beauty it can be - no more peeling paint, crumbling plaster, worries about inadequate water pipes or unsightly linoleum in the back entry.

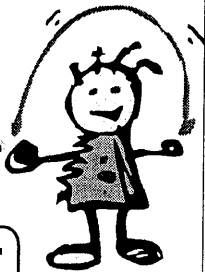
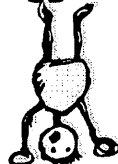
Send as little or as much as you can - AS SOON AS YOU CAN. We are counting on you!

CHILDREN'S TEA PARTY

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 9, 2000

2:00 p.m. or 4:00 p.m.



RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST

DEADLINE DATE: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Bring your favorite doll or stuffed animal with you.



RESERVATION FEES - \$5.00 per child
Please fill out the coupon below.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

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Check session time preference: 2:00 p.m. Seating 4:00 p.m. Seating



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